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It was undeniable that Jane had a rather good figure.

She was thin where she needed to be. She was not flabby at all.

She also had curves in the right places. Her figure was rather amazing.

She was pretty bold as well. She actually dared to do something like that while staying in a room alone

with another man.

It seemed like she had already prepared herself when she came into the room!

"Sean, I'm begging you, alright..."

Jane walked toward Sean while speaking.

"Put on your clothes.

"Leave some dignity for yourself."

Sean slowly averted his gaze as he replied to her.

As soon as Sean finished speaking, he turned around and walked toward the floor-to-ceiling window. His back was facing Jane.

Jane was stunned. She doubted her own charm once again.

She had gorgeous looks and a good figure. She was dressed in such clothes while standing in front of a man, yet he was actually capable of remaining unaffected by her.

Jane was in slight disbelief. She did not believe that there existed men that would not give in to such temptations!

However, it looked like Sean was really not the slightest bit interested in her at all!

“Sean Lennon, you’re such a fake person!

“You obviously have the urge to do it, but you’re still acting nonchalant.

“Don’t you find yourself extremely fake? Do you really not feel like doing anything to me? Are you not a normal man?”

Jane widened her eyes and shouted at Sean.

At this moment, not only was Jane in disbelief, but she also felt aggrieved and enraged.

She had already gone to such lengths, yet Sean was not even willing to spare her a glance.

Jane felt extremely infuriated while doubting her own charm.

What gave Sean the right to look down on her? Was she not pretty enough?

However, Sean had no intention to answer Jane. He stood with his back facing her and looked at the night scenery outside the window.

“Are you doing this just because of Willow Quinn?”

Jane frowned and asked after staying quiet for a few seconds.

Sean continued remaining silent. His response could be considered silent admittance.

“What’s so great about her?”

"She isn't as pretty as me. Her figure isn't as good as mine either.

"She doesn't know how to dress up as well as I do. I'm a daughter from a wealthy family. The Quinn family

doesn't even like her!

"How am I worse off than her?"

Jane gritted her teeth slightly as she asked Sean.

"You can't compare to her in any way."

Sean finally spoke up this time around.

His words fueled the rage within Jane's heart.

Sean actually told Jane that she could not compare to Willow at all. This was the greatest humiliation for Jane!

"Hah... Sean Lennon, you're way too naive!"

"Willow Quinn isn't a good woman. She has been a floozy since she was young.

"She has been in relationships ever since she was in elementary school. She has had countless boyfriends.

"You're actually willing to be with a woman that has been with so many men. Don't you find it laughable?"

"She didn't tell you any of this, right? I saw all of this with my very own eyes."

Jane started coming up with rumors since her plan had not worked. She tried ruining the relationship between Sean and Willow.

However, Sean did not believe Jane at all.

If one was not blind, one would not believe in rumors spread by someone else.

Sean knew whether Willow was a good or bad person after being with her for the past two years.

Jane attempted to break apart Sean and Willow with her words. She was simply being childish and foolish.

“Why aren’t you saying anything?”

“Tell me. What in the world do you like about her? What’s that great about her?”

Jane gritted her teeth and asked Sean once again.

“She doesn’t need to be extremely capable.

“It’s fine as long as I like her.”

Sean slowly turned around and spoke to her in a calm tone.

“Oh!”

Jane instantly widened her eyes. She could not bring herself to say anything to Sean in return.

She does not need to be extremely capable. It is fine as long as I like her.

Sean’s words showed just how much he adored Willow.

At this moment, Jane suddenly developed feelings of admiration for Willow.

Willow should feel a strong sense of security since she had someone like Sean as her boyfriend, right?

Jane’s lips moved as she looked into Sean’s eyes.

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Sean met Jane's gaze. His gaze did not waver at all.

He did not look at Jane's body nor was there any conflict in his gaze.

It was as if Jane's body was just an obstacle that could not affect him in any way.

After listening to Sean's words and noticing his glance, Jane finally understood that there was no way for her to attract Sean through such means.

Therefore, she slowly put on her clothes after remaining silent for a while.

She had no choice but to admit that it was the first time that her efforts in pursuing someone else were

not returned when it came to Sean.

"Since Willow and I have known each other since we were children, can you let our family go?"

"I'm begging you!"

Jane looked at Sean with a pleading gaze after dressing herself.

Sean shook his head lightly after glancing at her once.

He had never decided to go against Billion Trees Real Estate because Jimmy had spoken to him disrespectfully.

It was because Jimmy had done too many things that went against his conscience. Everyone was enraged at him.

If Sean did not crush Billion Trees Real Estate, he would not be able to face himself and his men, who had protected the country with their lives.

"Has Jimmy Lidell ever shown mercy to other families?"

"Do you know how many families have been broken up and how many people have died because of Jimmy?"

"If you really don't know anything, go back and ask him yourself."

Sean did not have time to explain everything to Jane.

Anyways, he would never let Jimmy go.

He was not doing this because Jane and Willow were not on good terms with each other. Nothing would change even if she was Willow's best friend.

Jimmy would do the same and not show any mercy to him as well.

Therefore, he rejected Jane straight away.

"Then what will happen to my father?"

Jane remained silent for a while. She then questioned Sean through gritted teeth.

Sean glanced at Jane. He was just about to say something when his phone rang.

"Hello, Mr. Lennon. It's me."

The call went through, and the voice of a middle-aged man rang out from the other end of the phone.

"Go ahead and speak."

Sean nodded lightly.

“Jimmy Lide!! wants to see you.

“He said that he wants to talk to you himself. I’m here to ask you what you think about that.”

The person on the other end of the call was from the government office. He spoke to Sean in an extremely courteous tone.

“I’ll head over at once.”

Sean nodded lightly. He then hung up on the call.

Actually, he stayed awake all night because he had been waiting for this call.

Jimmy would definitely contact Sean and have a chat with him since he had no other choice but to do so right now.

This was his only option at the moment.

Unless he wished to end his own life.

It was fine as long as Jimmy was willing to speak to Sean and negotiate terms with him.

Sean put down his phone and glanced at Jane.

His plan was to bring Jane along. That way, his plan would be even more foolproof.

“Follow me out. There’s something we need to do.”

Sean turned around and walked outside after speaking.

Jane was stunned after hearing what he said. She then nodded and followed after Sean.

Inside the interrogation room of the government office.

Sean and Jimmy were sitting opposite each other.

This was not their first meeting.

However, Jimmy was seated in the criminal's seat this time around.

Meanwhile, Sean was seated in the interrogator's seat.

"I accept your conditions.

"Pay me 73 million dollars, and I'll transfer all of Billion Trees Real Estate's shares to you."

Jimmy stared at Sean and spoke to him through gritted teeth.

"Do you find what you said laughable?"

Sean paused for a moment. There was a playful gaze in his eyes.

"What do you mean by that?"

Jimmy frowned after hearing what he said.

"I'll take over Billion Trees Real Estate.

"However, I won't pay a single cent."

Sean's reply was simple and direct.

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"What did you say?"

"Are you trying to take over my company without paying me a single cent?"

"Sean Lennon, are you a fool or am I the fool right now?"

Jimmy suddenly widened his eyes after listening to what Sean said.

Not only was Sean asking for a lot, but he was trying to take advantage of him!

"What's wrong? Do you disagree?"

Sean crossed his legs. There was a calm gaze in his eyes.

"I absolutely disagree!"

"Back then, you were the one who suggested the condition of paying 73 million dollars in return for all the shares of my company.

"But you're now..."

Sean waved his hand and interrupted Jimmy before he could finish speaking.

"Do you still have the right to negotiate terms with me right now?"

Jimmy was rendered speechless after Sean questioned him.

Back then, both of them were considered big bosses in the real estate industry of Joules Town.

However, Jimmy was in prison now.

He had truly lost the right to negotiate terms with Sean.

Jimmy gritted his teeth when he thought about this. He regretted everything that he had done so much right now.

If he knew that this day would come, he would definitely have agreed to Sean's terms without hesitation back then!

If he accepted Sean's terms back then, he might still be alright right now. Besides, he would still have several million dollars in cash on his hands.

He might not even be able to get 73 million dollars right now.

Not only was his company being ruined right now, but he also faced the risk of paying a huge fine.

Also, he had to bear the costs of the contract termination penalty fees from other companies, the salaries of the company's employees, and so on.

Jimmy would definitely go bankrupt. He would even owe a lot of money to his creditors.

After all, the larger a company was, the lesser risks it could withstand.

Once there was a problem with any single part of the company, a chain reaction would occur.

The problem itself would become more and more serious as well.

It was just like how Billion Trees Real Estate had not managed to resolve a small problem in time.

When Jimmy realized the problem within the company, Sean had already struck them with a series of fatal blows. He did not even have the chance to defend himself.

"Oh!"

Jimmy exhaled lightly.

He knew that there was no way to turn back time, but he could not help but regret his decisions.

It would be great if he could return to the moment Sean negotiated his terms with him.

Getting 73 million dollars was wishful thinking. He would agree even if Sean was willing to pay him 7 million and 3 hundred thousand dollars.

However, it was too late for him to say anything now.

"15 million dollars.

"I just need 15 million dollars!

"I'll give you everything in Billion Trees Real Estate, be it our property, cars, even down to the bottles of water in the company.

"Besides that, you must bear the debts under Billion Trees Real Estate.

"I just need 15 million dollars in cash!"

Jimmy gave in some more after remaining silent for a while.

He proposed a price of 15 million dollars instead of 73 million dollars.

"I don't have money."

However, Sean still gave him a simple and curt reply.

Jimmy had rejected his offer when he suggested paying him a sum of money in return for his company's shares back then. It was too late for him to ask for anything right now.

"In that case, there's no need for us to discuss anything.

"Even if I die, I won't give my company to you."

Jimmy gritted his teeth and clenched his hands into fists as he spoke in a deep voice.

It was obvious that he did not want to talk to Sean anymore.

However, Sean was not in a hurry to leave.

Since he had said that he would take over Billion Trees Real Estate, he would definitely do as he had said.

He was yet to achieve his goal. How could he leave so easily?

“Look here. This is my office.”

Sean slowly took out his phone and swiped to a photograph. He then showed Jimmy his phone.

Jimmy frowned slightly, but he still glanced at the photograph.

“Hah, you don’t have any taste.”

Jimmy withdrew his gaze after looking at the photograph for less than a couple of seconds.

He thought that Sean was showing off his company’s renovation to him.

“Swipe to the back.”

Sean said calmly. He seemed extremely at ease.

Jimmy felt slightly confused after hearing what he said. However, he still swiped to the next photograph.

It was still a photograph of Sean’s office.

However, there was someone in his office now.

Jimmy's expression instantly changed.

The girl in the photograph was Jane!

Smash!

All of a sudden, Jimmy slammed his fist against the table. He glared at Sean with widened eyes.

"You captured my daughter?"

"If you dare to touch my family, I'll kill you! I'll kill you!"

Jimmy ground his teeth harshly. His voice contained a strong sense of threat.

"I assume that i didn't hear you wrongly.

"Are you threatening me?"

Sean frowned slightly as he asked Jimmy.

"You!"

Jimmy was instantly stunned.

Of course he was threatening Sean.

However, he suddenly realized that given his current condition, his threats were rather empty.

Jimmy was still a powerful man with plenty of authority and connections yesterday. He was still a billionaire.

Nevertheless, he was just a lowly criminal today.

Even an ordinary person would not fear Jimmy's threats, let alone Sean.

"It's useless for you to threaten me."

"Do you think that I can't threaten you?"

Sean slowly picked up his phone and looked through Jane's photographs once again.

"Sean, you can't be so treacherous.

"This doesn't involve our family. It's just me who offended you.

"What gives you the right to touch my family?!"

There was a deep hateful gaze in Jimmy's eyes.

"Do you have any idea how many families you've ruined?"

"How dare you say that this doesn't involve family?"

Sean's sneer made Jimmy fall silent once again.

He clearly knew how many families he had broken up and how many people he had ruined through all sorts of means.

Initially, he thought that he could hide it from the world.

However, he knew that it was useless for him to argue against Sean after experiencing what he was capable of doing.

Sean was even capable of finding out what Jimmy had done a decade ago.

Do not even mention everything that Jimmy had done in recent years.

"It's all my fault!"

“Sean, give me a chance! Don’t touch them!

“I’m begging you!”

Jimmy changed his attitude after taking a deep breath.

He had threatened Sean just now.

Meanwhile, he had a pleading expression on his face right now.

“That depends on your performance.”

Sean slowly took out a document while speaking.

Jimmy did not need to look at the document to know that it must be a contract regarding the shares of Billion Trees Real Estate.

He did not expect Sean to have prepared a contract as well.

Sean had really come well-prepared!

Jimmy found it hard to imagine what the young man in his twenties standing in front of him must have experienced for him to have such courage and wits.

It was as if everything was within Sean’s control.

“I want 15 million dollars!

“I’ll accept nothing less than that.”

Jimmy remained silent for a while. He still insisted on Sean following through with his condition.

How could Jimmy let Sean take over all of his assets for free?

15 million dollars was his bottom line.

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"I told you that I don't have any money.

"Everything between us will be cleared up after you sign this contract.

"Otherwise, I can't guarantee that your family will be alright.

"Jane Lidell is in my car right now."

Sean slowly leaned back against his chair as he spoke to Jimmy in a calm tone.

However, Jimmy felt a chill across his back when he heard Sean's calm voice.

"You!"

Jimmy's eyes slowly widened once again.

He realized that he no longer had any leverage against Sean.

Sean had him in a death grip right now.

Sean did not say any nonsense. He took out his phone and dialed a number.

"Commander."

The call went through quickly. Zander's voice rang out.

Meanwhile, Sean turned on the speaker on his phone.

“Sean Lennon, what are you trying to do?”

“Where’s my father? Why won’t you let me get down the car?”

Immediately after, Jane’s voice rang out from the phone.

Jimmy’s heart suddenly constricted when he heard her voice.

Jane was really with Sean’s men.

Was that not proof that Sean really had Jane on his hands?

“You! You!”

Jimmy gritted his teeth and reached out to snatch the phone over.

However, Sean hung up on the call at this very moment.

This was the very reason he had brought Jane over.

Jimmy already knew that Jane was in Sean’s hands right now.

That way, Sean would be able to achieve his goal.

“We’ve known each other for some time.

“You should know that I always do as I say.”

Sean placed his phone by the side as he spoke to Jimmy in an even tone.

Jimmy slowly leaned back against his chair.

“I’d like to smoke a cigar.”

A few seconds later, Jimmy looked at Sean and spoke up.

"You can smoke if you want."

Sean took out a pack of cigarettes and threw it in front of Jimmy.

Jimmy took out a cigarette and lit it. He then breathed in the smoke deeply.

"If I apologized to you and admitted to my faults right now..."

"I can even agree to all of your terms. I won't ask for a single cent.

"Can you bail me out?"

Jimmy looked at Sean and asked him with an intense gaze in his eyes.

"Haha."

Sean sneered in response to Jimmy's question.

There was no need for him to answer his question.

Meanwhile, Jimmy let out a long sigh when he saw Sean's expression.

Actually, he knew how serious this incident was as well.

Everything would explode in his face once all the things that he had done in the past got spread among the public.

Jimmy would surely face his demise.

There was definitely no way for him to get away safely either.

Even the authorities of Joules Town would not be able to ensure Jimmy's safety, let alone Sean.

After all, they had to give the general public an explanation after everything that had happened.

“Ugh! Alright, I admit my defeat.

“I agree to your terms, but you can’t touch my family.

“Also, I want 2 million dollars. Give me a million dollars in cash.

“You must agree to this term!”

Jimmy gritted his teeth and conceded once again.

He no longer wanted 15 million dollars. He had asked for 2 million dollars instead.

“Given what you’ve done, you’ll either receive a death sentence or a life sentence.

“Why do you want money?”

Sean frowned as he looked at Jimmy and questioned him.

“Give these 2 million dollars to my family.”

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“I’ll sign the contract right now as long as you agree to my request.

“If you don’t agree to my request, I won’t let you take over the company even if I die!”

Jimmy said through gritted teeth as he looked at Sean.

Sean and Jimmy met each other's gazes for a few seconds.

He could see the strong determination in Jimmy's gaze.

If Sean was not even willing to agree to this request, he would really go against Sean till his death.

"At least you have some conscience.

"I'll give you 2 million dollars."

Sean nodded after letting out a deep hum.

"Give it to me now."

Jimmy spoke up once again.

He was a poor man that was out of options right now.

He could only try his best to leave some funds for Jane and the others.

"I can't give you cash.

"I'll get Jane a card."

Sean said in an even tone while picking up his phone.

"Sure."

Jimmy nodded in agreement after hesitating for a couple of seconds.

After all, it was not realistic for him to ask Sean to retrieve 2 million dollars in such a short period of time.

Zander immediately asked Jeffrey to get this matter settled after Sean gave him a call.

Jane soon received the bank card with 2 million dollars in it.

Jimmy also received confirmation regarding this through the phone.

“Hand it over.”

Jimmy breathed in deeply and asked Sean for the contract.

Whoosh whoosh!

Jimmy signed the contract without even reading it.

He was completely out of hope right now. Sean had completely crushed his spirit.

In his desperation, he no longer cared about the contents of the contract.

“And your company stamp.”

Sean took out Jimmy’s company seal and personal seal from his bag.

“You! You!”

Jimmy widened his eyes once again when he witnessed this scene.

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How did Sean manage to get his hands on such extremely important items? When did he manage to get it?

“Have you bought over the people from my side a long time ago?”

“You bought over my men and asked them to work with you from the inside. What an excellent tactic!”

“Never mind, never mind...”

Jimmy reached out to point at Sean. He then shook his head.

Jimmy said through gritted teeth from behind him.

“No matter how badly I’m doing, I’ll never be as treacherous as you.”

Sean turned around and walked out after saying this.

The night passed by in a flurry.

The next morning, the morning sun slowly rose into the sky.

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Initially, some people wanted to wait it out and see if Jimmy still had any means of turning the tide.

However, Jimmy was still locked up and undergoing interrogation in the government office one night later. Meanwhile, all the assets under Billion Trees Real Estate had also been frozen.

“Billion Trees Real Estate is done for!”

“Lennon Real Estate will rise to the top!”

A lot of people came to such a realization.

They all knew extremely clearly that it was impossible for Billion Trees Real Estate to turn the tide after last night.

Meanwhile, the downfall of Billion Trees Real Estate signified the rise of Lennon Real Estate.

Therefore, the companies that had initially decided to keep a middle ground all started being friendly toward Lennon Real Estate.

Sean let Jeffrey and the others handle these matters.

Meanwhile, he sat down in a cafe located in a secluded area with Zane.

“Your performance truly surprised me.”

Zane stared at Sean. He did not bother to conceal the tone of admiration in his voice.

He still remembered the first time he saw Sean. It was the time Sean had called out a bid worth 5 billion dollars at the auction.

Back then, Zane felt that Sean was young and reckless. He simply thought that he was privileged since he came from a wealthy family.

After interacting with him over the few days after that, he realized that Sean was much bolder and more far-sighted than many middle-aged men and women despite his young age.

The way Sean treated others and handled matters made Zane admire him even more.

Therefore, after interacting with Sean over a few days, Zane guessed that Jimmy would not be able to win against Sean.

However, Zane would never have imagined that Sean was capable of taking action so quickly.

It only took him two days from the start to the end.

Throughout this process, Jimmy did not even have the opportunity to launch a counterattack.

"If I failed, how would I be able to make you fulfill your promise, Mr. Curley?"

Sean smiled as he shook his head and reminded Zane.

After all, Zane had promised to grant him his wishes if he managed to bring about Billion Trees Real Estate's downfall.

If Sean managed to do so, Zane would support Lennon Real Estate and help them reach the peak of the business circle of Joules Town.

"Haha! Of course, I always keep my promises."

Zane was stunned after hearing what he said. He then responded to him with a chuckle.

"That's great."

Sean nodded. He then picked up his cup and took a sip of tea.

"Actually, I've also been paying attention to this incident for the past couple of days.

"I suspect that you've long planned to go against Billion Trees Real Estate, right?"

Zane stopped smiling. He then looked at Sean and questioned him.

Sean's hands stopped moving for a moment as soon as he heard what he said. He then continued pouring tea into his cup.

"You've planned this out a long time ago.

"Even if the promise between us didn't exist, you'll still go against him, right?"

Zane fixed his gaze on Sean and asked him once again.

“Alright.”

Sean nodded lightly this time around.

“That means the promise between both of us wasn’t a coincidence. It has been within your plans all along!

“You lured me out to meet with you using 5 billion dollars.

“Everything else followed after that...”

At this moment, Zane suddenly realized that he had fallen for Sean’s scheme as well!

It had been Sean’s initial plan to crush Billion Trees Real Estate.

The promise that Zane suggested was simply an additional advantage for him.

This was a “two birds, one stone” situation. Sean had gained a lot without any wasted movements!

Zane even suspected that this was not just a win-win situation for both of them. Sean might have gained more from this situation, and he might not know anything about it.

“This isn’t a scheme.

“We joined hands to get rid of Jimmy Lidell.”

Sean chuckled while shaking his head. He then lightly placed a cup of tea in front of Zane.

Zane remained silent for a few seconds after seeing the smile on Sean’s face. He then scratched his head.

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"I can tell that you've schemed against me.

"Thinking about it, I find this situation rather unbelievable. Not a single wealthy person in the business circle of Joules Town has ever dared to scheme against me.

"You were the first one that dared to do so, and you even made me fall for your scheme."

Zane came to a huge realization at that moment.

He finally understood just how extraordinary the young man before him was right now. One could not guess what Sean's true motives were even up till the very last moment. Initially, everyone else assumed that Sean was doing this for that piece of land. Otherwise, why would he make a bid worth 5 billion dollars to purchase that piece of land? After that, everyone assumed that he was doing this to go against Billion Trees Real Estate.

However, Zane was the only one who understood that Billion Trees Real Estate was simply one of Sean's stepping stones.

The downfall of Billion Trees Real Estate was not Sean's ultimate goal. It was simply a term in Zane's promise to Sean.

"Poor Jimmy Lidell. He thought that he lost to you due to a moment of carelessness.

"The truth is he has lost since the very start. You're simply using the assets of Billion Trees Real Estate as leverage for your negotiation with me."

After Zane finished speaking, he held up his teacup and took a sip of tea.

The tea tasted rather bitter despite how expensive the tea leaves were.

He had lived for decades, and he had always thought of himself as an intelligent man. However, he had been manipulated by a young man in his twenties.

Anyone would feel regret and develop bitter feelings if they were in his shoes right now!

"Initially, I didn't want to break them up.

"The downfall of a corporation will bring negative impacts to the business circle.

"However, it's always the best to remove malicious tumors like Billion Trees Real Estate as early as possible."

Sean said softly as he raised his teacup.

"You're right. However, I just couldn't find an appropriate reason to do so in the past.

"Don't worry. I'll fulfill everything that I've promised you,

"However, I'll only do it given that everything you do is within legal boundaries. Don't follow in Jimmy's footsteps.

"I don't want to see the young man that brought evil down turning into evil himself one day."

There was a stern gaze in Zane's eyes as he said this. It seemed like he was not joking at all. "I know."

Sean replied intently while nodding lightly.

"I'm curious about something. How did you get to know Mr. Zackman?"

"Actually, you don't need my help since you know Mr. Zackman.

"With a single word from him, Lennon Real Estate will naturally progress smoothly in Joules Town."

Zane asked Sean casually after humming deeply for a couple of seconds.

“Mr. Zackman is my friend.

“You’re my friend as well.”

Sean reached out his hand and tapped the table as he gave him a simple answer.

Zane pondered on his words. He then smiled without saying anything else in return.

Clever people did not have to be too direct when they talked to each other.

Nine a.m.

The news of Billion Trees Real Estate going bankrupt had spread everywhere.

Some people did not believe in the news when it first spread out.

After all, Billion Trees Real Estate was still a superstar enterprise within the real estate industry of Joules Town.

How could it go bankrupt just like that?!

However, no one had any suspicions after the news was verified by official media.

Billion Trees Real Estate must have fallen. This was the hard truth.

Insiders within the business circle knew that the downfall of a corporation will bring forth various

negative impacts, but it might also bring plenty of opportunities and benefits.

Besides, the person that caused the downfall of Billion Trees Real Estate must be the greatest benefactor of them all.

Lennon Real Estate had naturally taken the win.

They would definitely rise to power and success like a black horse.

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The Collins household in Joules Town.

Everyone heard about everything that had happened in the past couple of days.

Although Old Master Collins had not left the house for a long time, he was still the first to know about everything that happened in the outside world.

Right then, Old Master Collins and his eldest son, Hubert, were seated in the study.

Both of them were equally speechless.

"I didn't expect him to be that capable."

After some time, Old Master Collins was the first to speak up.

He truly did not expect Sean to be capable of going against Billion Trees Real Estate to the extent that they did not even have the opportunity to launch a counterattack.

Sean's means of doing so shocked Old Master Collins even more.

He did everything at just the right time. He worked towards his goal step by step, and each of his schemes built up on each other.

"However, he's just that capable.

“Besides, I don’t think that he managed to do it just because he was lucky.”

Hubert sighed lightly and spoke up while shaking his head.

William could not bring himself to retort what Hubert had said.

Lennon Real Estate had not gone against Billion Trees Real Estate because Sean was lucky.

All of Sean’s plans seemed pretty useless at their initial phase.

However, the huge effects of his plans were finally clear to everyone today.

He took advantage of the power of public opinion by exposing Billion Trees Real Estate for delaying the handover of their property. Billion Trees Real Estate was in a state of distress due to this incident.

He then collected evidence of Billion Trees Real Estate’s crimes behind everyone’s backs and contacted a few important figures from the government office. He successfully took Jimmy Lidell down straight

away.

When the government office sent their men over to capture Jimmy, he was still thinking about how he should appease the general public.

However, he did not expect Sean to set up a fatal trap without anyone knowing.

There was no way for Jimmy to escape.

“One must always hit somebody where it hurts. Sean Lennon is a genius.”

Old Master Collins could not help but let out an exclamation.

At the same time, he felt slightly uncomfortable.

If only he knew that Sean was capable of such great things in the past.

Perhaps he would have treated Sean differently back then.

Sean replied intently while nodding lightly.

"I'm curious about something. How did you get to know Mr. Zackman?"

"Actually, you don't need my help since you know Mr. Zackman.

"With a single word from him, Lennon Real Estate will naturally progress smoothly in Joules Town."

Zane asked Sean casually after humming deeply for a couple of seconds.

"Mr. Zackman is my friend.

"You're my friend as well."

Sean reached out his hand and tapped the table as he gave him a simple answer.

Zane pondered on his words. He then smiled without saying anything else in return. Clever people did not have to be too direct when they talked to each other.

Nine a.m.

The news of Billion Trees Real Estate going bankrupt had spread everywhere.

Some people did not believe in the news when it first spread out.

After all, Billion Trees Real Estate was still a superstar enterprise within the real estate industry of Joules

Town.

How could it go bankrupt just like that?

However, no one had any suspicions after the news was verified by official media.

Billion Trees Real Estate must have fallen. This was the hard truth.

Insiders within the business circle knew that the downfall of a corporation will bring forth various

negative impacts, but it might also bring plenty of opportunities and benefits.

Besides, the person that caused the downfall of Billion Trees Real Estate must be the greatest benefactor of them all.

Lennon Real Estate had naturally taken the win.

They would definitely rise to power and success like a black horse.

He did not have the money nor did he have any connections. He also did not have a powerful background.

Back then, the Collins family could treat Sean however they wished.

That was because they had higher statuses than Sean. They were more influential in Joules Town than he was as well.

Sean still was not at the same level as the members of the Collins family.

However, he was now a lot of times more powerful than he had been back then. He was no longer the same person anymore!

It would definitely be inappropriate for William to treat Sean the way he did before.

“You’re asking me to change? What is there for me to change?”

“Sean Lennon was just lucky. Does he expect me to invite him over personally?”

Old Master Collins was an extremely stubborn man. He was not willing to give in to Sean at all.

"I'm not asking you to invite him over. I meant that I'd invite him over instead."

Hubert shook his head slowly and explained to William.

"You're going to invite..."

"You just need to give him a call, and he'll rush over immediately."

"Although he's now a little more well-known among the business circle of Joules Town, he's still nothing in comparison to the Collins family."

William huffed and spoke to him in an extremely haughty tone.

"Do you mean that I can invite him over?"

Hubert took out his phone while speaking.

"Pay attention to your choice of words. We're notifying him.

"We're not inviting him over."

William shook his head. His haughty demeanor remained.

After all, the Collins family was of rather high status in Joules Town.

Being able to have a meal in the Collins household was something that one could boast about for a long

time.

Therefore, William thought that Sean should be honored that they were notifying him to come over.

Sean should put down everything he had on his schedule and rush over to meet with them at once.

“I got it.”

Hubert nodded. He then found Sean’s number and dialed it.

“Hey, Mr. Lennon. Hubert Collins speaking.

“We met previously.”

The call went through. Hubert immediately greeted Sean with a chuckle.

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“I have a friend that just returned from overseas. He brought some imported wagyu beef over for me.

“Old Master Collins told me that when you were young, you often came to the Collins household for meals with Old Master Langdon. He also mentioned that you really like wagyu beef.

“Since it was such a coincidence, he asked me to tell you about it.”

Hubert told Sean about the reason he had called with a smile across his face.

It was undeniable that Hubert was excellent at making up stories.

He could come up with a story on the spot. It was as if he were really telling the truth.

William shook his head slightly. He felt that there was no need for Hubert to explain so many things to Sean.

It was Sean's honor to be asked to come over for a meal. He would definitely come over as well.

Why would he waste his time making so much small talk?

"Oh, is that so?"

"Then... alright."

Hubert frowned slightly. He then slowly hung up on the call.

"Go ahead and have a meal with him. I'm not free."

William picked up his walking stick. He then got up to leave.

It seemed like he wanted to avoid Sean.

"Old Master, there's no need for you to leave. Mr. Lennon isn't coming."

Hubert told William while shaking his head slightly.

"What's going on?"

William turned around and looked at Hubert with a look of shock on his face.

He never would have expected Sean to reject an invitation from the Collins family.

The Collins family had an extremely high status in Joules Town. No one dared to look down on them.

Not many people would dare to reject an invitation from the Collins family.

Sean would never reject an invitation from him.

However, Sean really rejected their invitation straight away.

As the haughty person that he was, William even planned to avoid Sean just now.

When Sean came over, he would definitely want to meet him.

It would not be too late for him to show up by then.

However, he did not expect Sean to not be interested in coming over at all.

“What did he say?”

William slowly sat down and asked Hubert with widened eyes.

“He said...

“I remembered wrongly. He’s allergic to beef.”

Hubert’s face flushed bright red as he slowly spoke up.

“He’s allergic to... What kind of lame excuse is this?”

William was stunned after hearing what he said. He then slammed down on the table and scolded out angrily.

“Sigh...”

Hubert sighed softly.

Of course, he knew that this was Sean’s excuse to turn down their invitation!

Sean’s attitude showed that he did not want to be involved with the Collins family in any way.

“Is he a fool?”

William looked at Hubert and asked him after remaining silent for some time.

“Can a fool do something like that within such a short period of time...”

Hubert asked softly as he touched the tip of his nose.

“What kind of achievement is this?”

“A company that has just risen to popularity just needs sufficient funds in the initial phase to reach its peak.

“However, they must know how to change the structure of their company at a certain level. They won’t be able to do well in the future if they keep doing the same things.”

William huffed coldly. He only felt that Sean was being way too foolish right now.

He had to depend on powerful connections if his company were to continue progressing after reaching a certain stage.

He had to have the support of powerful figures within the government office as well.

Sean had the chance to make good with the Collins family and receive their support.

However, he was not willing to pay the Collins household a visit.

What was he if not a fool?

That was unless Sean knew someone more influential and with a more powerful background than the Collins family.

If that was the case, he could naturally disregard the Collins family.

However, William could not figure out how could Sean get to know such powerful people.

Although he was once the nine-star commander in the army, that was all in the past.

He had retired from the military now. No one was willing to acknowledge his identity as well.

“Old Master, what should we do right now?”

Hubert sighed softly. He always felt rather regretful for not being able to forge a friendly relationship with Sean.

“What do you mean by that?”

“Short-sighted people like Sean Lennon aren’t destined to do great things.

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“He has started acting haughty and looking down on other people after attaining a minor achievement. He doesn’t even think about the extent of his own capabilities.

*Just wait and see. He won’t be able to succeed for long.”

William huffed coldly. He then walked away with the support of his walking stick.

Hubert shook his head lightly. He felt extremely conflicted.

The afternoon passed by in a flurry.

Billion Trees Real Estate was now under Lennon Real Estate.

Meanwhile, Sean did not have to worry about any of the handover tasks and the operations of all the projects under Billion Trees Real Estate.

Zander was now a natural when it came to working on the development of a company.

Besides, in today’s society, one was capable of hiring extremely talented people to manage one’s company as long as one had money.

Besides, everything was simple with the assistance of Ray and the others.

Most importantly, Zane, who managed the entire real estate industry of Joules Town, was now Sean's friend as well.

He had made a promise to Sean back then. It was now time for him to fulfill his promises.

With their assistance, all the problems in the company were easily resolved.

Therefore, Sean had plenty of free time.

In the afternoon, Sean had lunch with May and the others in Queen Children's Orphanage.

May and the others did not know that Sean was the main antagonist of all the unrest in the business circle of Joules Town.

That was because Sean had an ordinary identity here.

He was just a child that May had brought up.

In the eyes of the children, Sean was their brother and their uncle.

They got along really well. This was the only place where Sean could put down all of his defenses. He did not need to be hypervigilant here.

"I didn't expect Catie to be pretty good at cooking."

After lunch, Sean praised Caitlyn with a smile on his face.

"Yeah, Catie is all grown up. She's extremely virtuous as well.

"I really wonder who she'll end up with in the future."

May said with a chuckle while doing the dishes.

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Chapter 1430

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"Aunt May, I won't get married. I'll stay here by your side always."

Caitlyn blushed slightly and cast an instinctive glance at Sean. She then spoke up with her face flushed red.

"You're a silly child."

May shook her head and stopped talking.

Sean chuckled as well. He felt extremely lighthearted as he watched May and the others working on their chores busily.

There were several dozens of children in the courtyard. They were all dressed in brand-new clothes and shoes. They were playing and chasing each other around the courtyard.

Anyone would be infected by the joy of the children while standing somewhere filled with pure and innocent children.

It was the same for Sean as well.

Sean withdrew the hard exterior that he maintained when he was outside as he looked at the innocent smiles on the children's faces.

"Aunt May, this is the list of things that we need to purchase."

A care worker walked over with a list in his hands.

It was a list of items that the orphanage needed.

They were some daily necessities.

Although Sean had brought them plenty of items and resources, it was impossible for him to bring them everything that they needed.

Therefore, there were still other things that had to be purchased.

“Alright! I’ll buy them after I’m done with everything that I need to do here.”

May immediately wiped her hands and took the list over. She then prepared to place the list in her pocket.

May had personally bought everything that they needed all along. She chose to do so as it would be easier for her to negotiate the prices of things with sellers and save money.

They would incur more expenses if they asked someone else to deliver the goods to them.

“Aunt May, give me the list.

“I happen to be free this evening.”

Sean immediately walked over and asked May for the list.

“This...”

May did not want to trouble Sean.

However, after pondering on it for a while, she stopped acting courteously in front of Sean. She simply

nodded her head lightly.

“I’ll come with you, brother.

I know where they sell things at a cheap and economic price.”

Caitlyn immediately raised her hand. She then spoke up with a smile across her face.

“Sure!”

Sean nodded lightly.

In the evening.

Sean drove Caitlyn to the nearest supermarket.

Caitlyn wanted to head to a market that sold things at a cheap price.

However, Sean felt that the quality of goods sold in a supermarket was guaranteed. Therefore, he decided to come here.

The supermarket was not very large. It only had three floors.

Although it could not compare to a large-scale department store, it sold an extremely complete selection of goods as well.

They soon finished purchasing everything on the shopping list.

Sean and Caitlyn were each pushing a shopping trolley as they prepared to put everything that they had bought into the car boot.

However, as soon as they walked out of the car park, they saw a car parked in front of Sean’s car.

Besides, the car was a luxury sports car. It looked extremely expensive.

Sean thought that this car looked rather familiar. It felt like he had seen it somewhere before.

“What kind of person is this? Why can’t they park at the parking spot by the side? Why must they park their car on the aisle?”

Caitlyn said with a pout when she saw this scene.

Right then, there were cars parked to the right and left of Sean’s car. There was a fence behind his car.

Sean could only drive out if he drove his car forward and out of the parking spot.

However, there was a car blocking the front of their car. Sean could not drive his car out at all.

“Perhaps there weren’t any parking spots just now.

“I’ll make a call.”

Sean made his way forward and found the phone number of the car owner. He then dialed the car owner’s number.

“Hello, who’s this?”

Soon after, someone picked up the call.

Sean frowned slightly when he heard the voice on the other end of the call.

This voice sounded rather familiar!

Sean slowly turned around and glanced at the car once again.

“Ken Watson?”

Sean frowned slightly as he questioned him.

“Oh, you remember me pretty clearly.”

Ken sneered. He spoke to him in a playful tone.

Sean's face hardened when he heard what Ken said.

The day before, he had come across Ken because of the incident at Queen Children's Orphanage.

Ken had then asked his men to cause trouble at Queen Children's Orphanage through his connections. However, Henry ended up resolving everything.

"Move your car away."

Sean said in an even tone. He did not want to waste his time talking nonsense with Ken.

"Won't I lose all my pride if I did as you said and moved my car away?"

Ken lit a cigarette. His voice was filled with satisfaction.