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Yoel paled and babbled, "I'm not lying, Mr. Lewis! I swear to God I'm telling the truth! I really couldn't reach my son!"

"Let him go, Tommy," Kai ordered.

The old man's fear was proof enough of his honesty.

Tommy released Yoel, much to the latter's relief. Yoel asked cautiously, "Mr. Chance, Mr. Lewis, what has my foolish son done to offend you both this time?"

"Leyton provoked us and the Sullivans by kidnapping Ms. Josephine Sullivan!" Tommy spat.

Yoel almost fell from shock.

He sputtered furiously, "T-This fool! How dare he kidnap Ms. Sullivan?"

Kai and Josephine's relationship was public news at this point, and Leyton's actions were hardly that of a clueless man. The Sullivans were the wealthiest family in Horington, and they maintained a tense but civil relationship with the Scotts. If Leyton had masterminded Josephine's kidnapping, the Sullivan family would have no qualms about using their massive wealth to ruin the Scott family.

Tommy dealt the final blow by declaring, "Our sources have confirmed that Leyton is involved."

"A fool! An utter fool!" Yoel pounded his chest in exasperation before ordering the Scotts, "Get on your phones and contact Leyton at once! Order him to return this instant! I'm going to break both his legs!"

The Scott family members scuttled off to call Leyton just as Kai's phone rang.

Kai answered the call, and Leyton's smug voice drifted through the receiver. "Kai, Josephine's in my hands now. If you want to keep her safe, come to the abandoned factory in the west country of Horington. You must show up alone, or Josephine will be in danger!"

Kai gritted out, "Fine! If you touch a single hair on Josephine, I'll send the entire Scott family to the afterlife!"

He exuded a murderous aura that caused everyone in the Scott residence to tremble in fear, including Yoel.

The Scott patriarch bellowed at his son, "You b*stard! Release Ms. Sullivan this instant and come back to beg for mercy!"

Leyton seemed taken aback by his father's orders, but he replied in defiance, "Stay out of this, Dad! Kai won't harm our family now that we've got a more powerful backer!"

Kai sneered in response. "Do you mean the Whitaker family from Summerbank? No one will be able to save you once I'm there!"

"Enough with your empty boasts, Kai! If you harm anyone in my family, I'll take Josephine for a spin and have photos of it plastered on every surface imaginable. Let's see how cavalier you'll be then!" Leyton continued gloating, seemingly unmoved by Kai's threats.

He counted on the Whitakers to propel his plans to success.

"Don't you dare!" Kai seethed, his eyes going bloodshot with rage.

Leyton cackled evilly and responded, "Why wouldn't I? Josephine's at my mercy now, and I can toy with her as I please. Come on, then. Beg me. Beg me to spare her! If you do, I'll leave her alone until you arrive!"

Kai clenched his jaw before uttering, "Please. Please don't touch Josephine."

"Ah, that's more like it. Hurry up, then. My patience is running thin!" Leyton ended the call with a final taunt.

Kai was livid as he ordered Tommy, "Watch them. Don't let anyone escape."

"Should I come with you, Mr. Chance?" Tommy asked in concern.

While he did not doubt Kai's abilities, Leyton sounded prepared, and Kai could conceivably be running headlong into peril.

"Don't worry. These clowns are child's play to me," Kai reassured him before he left.

Yoel collapsed weakly to the ground as he watched Kai's departure, knowing that Leyton's doom was inevitable.

"Old Mr. Scott!"

A servant rushed forward to help Yoel to his feet.

Yoel waved off his help and muttered resignedly, "Go. We must prepare for Leyton's funeral."

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A white off-road vehicle pulled up before the entrance to an abandoned factory in the west country of Horington.

Kai alighted from the vehicle, exuding a deadly aura.

Leyton uttered, "He's here!" Kai's lonesome arrival fueled both his excitement and his nerves.

He asked Tyrion, "Kai is pretty strong, Mr. Whitaker. Are you sure your guards can defeat him?"

The guards overheard Leyton, and their expressions chilled. One of them swung his fist at a massive cement block beside him, sending cement shrapnels flying across the room and exposing its steel frame.

Leyton was stunned silent.

Tyrion said scornfully, "These men are the best of the best in the art of internal energy. They can easily kill an ox with a punch. Do you think they'd struggle over a mere human?"

"O-Of course not!" Leyton nodded eagerly.

"If they somehow fail to subdue Kai, there's still me!" With that, Tyrion whipped out a handgun from his pocket.

He reloaded the handgun in front of Leyton and mused, "Kai may be good, but not even he can dodge a bullet."

Leyton boomed, "Haha, Kai's dead meat! No one's going to save him now!"

The handgun went miles in soothing Leyton's anxiety. After all, Kai's bare fists were no match for a fatal gunshot.

Josephine eavesdropped on their conversation, panic rising in her chest when she realized that Tyrion had a gun. I can't allow Kai to risk his life for me. Dear God, I can't bear to watch him die! How can I warn him when I'm locked up in this hovel?

Kai had begun approaching the abandoned factory. His spiritual energy traveled across the space, allowing him to sense everything in a ten-meter radius.

He saw two buff men standing guard at the entrance. Their massive builds implied that they were skilled fighters.

Leyton was sitting in a chair, his legs crossed leisurely. He was staring at Kai derisively, his contempt for the latter loud and clear.

In his eyes, Kai was a man destined for the gallows.

"I can't believe you dared to show up alone, Kai. I'm impressed by your foolish dignity!" Leyton jeered as he got to his feet.

Kai replied calmly, "Cut the crap. Where's Josephine?"

Josephine recognized Kai's voice and yelled, "I'm here, Kai. Run! They have a gun!" She banged on the door with all her might.

Kai heard her muffled pleas coming from one of the rooms and ran toward it.

The two bodyguards immediately approached him menacingly and blocked his advance.

The room door was opened from the inside, and Tyrion roughly shoved Josephine out, a gun in his hand.

She looked disheveled and mistreated, given her matted hair and grimy face.

When she saw Kai, she shrieked, "Leave me, Kai! They wouldn't dare to kill me. Save yourself! Go!"

"Shut up!" Tyrion bellowed, silencing her with a hard slap.

Kai's deadly aura swelled and filled the room, causing Tyrion to shudder.

Tyrion quickly pointed the barrel of his gun at Josephine's head.

He threatened, "If you take one more step, I'll shoot her right now!"

Fear began to tinge his gaze.

Leyton, however, was not done with ridiculing Kai. He mocked, "Don't even think about leaving this place alive now that you're here, Kai. You think you're untouchable because you know Tommy Lewis and Walter Grange? How dare you intimidate me just because you have some fearsome acquaintances! Well, none of them can save you now!"

Leyton's indignance and fury ballooned when he was reminded of his meek behavior toward Kai in the past. He strode toward his nemesis and raised his hand to slap him.

