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While Francesca was hesitating, Franklin and Yohannes mocked her.

"Old Master Sun, you are the top martial artist in Long City, so why are you scared of accepting the bet?" said Franklin.

"Oh, I heard that you were defeated by a kid named Master Chen. I'm afraid that you lost even your spirit. No wonder you are not accepting the bet," said Yohannes.

"If you don't dare, just say so. We understand and we will forget it," Franklin added.

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Everyone heard Franklin and Yohannes' sarcasm. The Sun family, alongside with the other martial artists, was enraged.

"Old Master Sun, what are you afraid of? Let's bet with them! I don't believe that you will lose," one of the martial artists shouted.

"That's right, fight them right away. The guy from Westamor District is too smug," the other martial artist said.

"Beat them! Let's see if they will still be arrogant afterwards!" another martial artist urged.

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Despite the shouting crowd, Francesca had not made up her mind yet.

Zachary said, "If you don't dare to take the bet, we can play small games instead. For example, your granddaughter, who was the

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first to come out, looks good. If you lose, she can be my maid since I need someone to serve me tea."

When he said this, Francesca's expression darkened instantly. She glared at Zachary and shot out a stream of her aura, yelling, "You must be tired of living!"

Her aura whizzed and reached Zachary in the blink of an eye. Zachary's face turned pale out of reflex, and a trace of fear flashed across his eyes.

However, Franklin's movement was not slow. He waved his hand and created an aura wall, blocking Francesca's attack to protect his disciple. Then, he calmly said to Francesca, "Old Master Sun, my disciple is being rude. But why is a senior like you so serious with him?"

"He humiliated my granddaughter, so he deserves my punishment," Francesca growled and ejected another stream of aura to attack Zachary.

This time, without waiting for Franklin to counter her attack, Yohannes stomped his foot on the ground and a surge of aura materialised in front of him, blocking Francesca's attack.

After that, Yohannes glanced at Francesca and said, "Old Master Sun, you're a senior. It's not a good look when you attack a junior!"

"It seems like both of you are going to have bad blood with the Sun family today," Francesca said coldly.

Calmly, Yohannes said, "We just want to learn from you, Old Master Sun."

Francesca snorted. The next moment, she laughed, "Learn? Because I lost just once, some people think I am old and useless."

"If you want to fight me, then bring it on!" Francesca yelled. She jumped from the ship, landing on the stage with her gaze

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focused on Yohannes and Franklin.

Franklin and Yohannes' face lit up with joy when they heard that. They replied, "Your wish is my command."

After saying that, Yohannes glimpsed through the crowd again and said, "All of you here are experts in the martial arts circle. Today, the duel between the martial artists from the Westamor District and Dragonville has begun. The stakes are the Wushuang Tower token, half of the Yue family's property, and the land of Dragon Source Herb Farm Field. All of you will be our witness."

What Yohannes meant to do was to officiate the bet so that Francesca could not renege.

Francesca's face fell. She understood what he meant and she knew that she had fallen into his trap.

A big fight with them was inevitable.

Francesca slammed her walking stick on the ground and shouted, "Let's fight!". Then, she attacked Franklin.

Franklin began to fight back at once. In an instant, the light of their auras were glowing, and the pressure from their aura had spread out from the lake island, engulfing the entire island.

Their aura kept colliding with each other. Dazzling rays of light shot through the air.

The martial artists who were standing by the lake could sense the strong pressure from their auras, and that was enough to cause them difficulty in breathing, let alone the martial artists who were watching the fight by the lake island.

Everyone stared as the three of them fought on the stage, completely dumbfounded.

The previous matches were not comparable to the fight on stage now. The strong aura and the immense strength as they struck each other were like giant beasts fighting.

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At this moment, everyone finally had the chance to experience a battle between the top Black Level martial artists.

"So this is what a battle between martial artists of the late-stage Black Level is like? It's amazing. The pressure they give out is completely unimaginable!" someone exclaimed.

"Old Master Sun is terrific! She isn't losing to Franklin and Yohannes even though she is fighting them both at once. She's amazing!" another man in the crowd complimented.

"The Sun family will win, and the Dragonville will win," a martial artist in the crowd said.

"Old Master Sun was once a master who was close to the pinnacle of the Black Level, so it's no surprise if she defeats them!" the other martial artist uttered.

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Just as everyone was cheering, Fade, who was standing by the lake, narrowed his eyes slightly and said, "Oh no, Old Master Sun is going to lose!"

Not far away, Easter and his men heard what Fade just said. They sneered sarcastically, "Nonsense. Old Master Sun is still launching a lot of fierce attacks at the two, yet you say that she is going to lose? You're talking nonsense."

Lineman added, "Master, don't listen to the kid's nonsense. He is deliberately showing off when he says that Old Master Sun is losing, just because everyone is cheering for Old Master Sun. It's ridiculous."

"Ignorant! You are not even a professional martial artist. How dare you comment on a master like Old Master Sun?" Easter uttered disdainfully.

Then, he looked up and analysed the situation on the spot. "Franklin and Yohannes are only in their fifties, while Old Master Sun

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is in her seventies. She has been practicing martial arts for 20 years longer than them. Furthermore, Old Master Sun has been the top in Long City for so many years, so it's normal if she defeats her juniors."

"Look, Old Master Sun's current attacks completely suppressed Yohannes and Franklin. They no longer have the strength to fight back," said Easter.

"I guess that in less than 20 moves, Old Master Sun will be able to defeat one of them. Then in less than 50 moves, she will be able to defeat the other," he claimed.

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Easter was talking about his predictions.

Suddenly, Yohannes let out a thunderous yell and a surge of aura enveloped him. The next moment, he charged at Francesca violently.

Francesca couldn't dodge the attack in time, and he knocked into her. She spat out a mouthful of blood out of her trembling body, and then she stepped back.

However, Franklin and Yohannes did not stop attacking her. They chased after Francesca and attacked her again. Their attacks were vicious and their moves were decisive. In less than ten moves, they got the upper hand in the fight with Francesca.

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Such a sudden change of events stunned the crowd who were just applauding Francesca moments ago. They stared at the stage in disbelief.

Even if they didn't want to believe it, they had to admit that Francesca was at a disadvantage now. If it went on like this, she would not be able to hold on for long.

At this moment, the crowd began to talk urgently among themselves.

"Come on! Elder Sun, you can't let them defeat you. Come on!" a local martial artist urged.

"That's not fair. The two of them are bullying Elder Sun by outnumbering her. This battle does not count," another martial artist said.

"That's not fair. Just now, Yohannes said that it was a battle between the Sun family, the Yue family, and the Lightning Clan. It is not a battle against only Francesca. And who should be blamed if there is no other martial artist to represent the Sun family?" someone in the crowd rebuked.

"Shameless! The Lightning Clan and the Yue family are using despicable means to steal the Sun family's token," another person in the crowd retorted.

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Many people expressed their dissatisfaction with the battle, but the situation was getting worse. Francesca was completely at the disadvantage. At this moment, she could barely block their attacks and she had no ability to fight back.

Everyone on the Sun family's ship looked extremely anxious, like an ant in a hot pan. However, there was nothing they could do. After all, if even Francesca was no match for them, they would no doubt lose against Yohannes and Franklin.

Given the circumstances, it was obvious that there was no hope for victory. Sighs could be heard everywhere.

"Looks like the Sun family is destined to lose this battle. They have no chance," someone said.

"They are losing the token of the Wushuang Tower's pro-disciple; such a valuable thing. What a pity!" the other person added.

"The Yue family has made a big fortune this time. They were the champions of the last Martial Arts Convention. I'm afraid that they will win again this time!" a martial artist exclaimed.

"Elder Sun, just admit defeat. If you continue to fight, you will get seriously injured," another martial artist muttered.

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Francesca's face was pale. She had thought that she might lose, but she did not expect Yohannes to keep his true level discreet. Originally, he was at the late-stage of Black Level, but now he was at the peak of the Black Level. Coupled with Franklin, who was at the late-stage of Black Level, it would be difficult for Francesca to withstand their joint attack.

After all, Francesca's original level was only between the late stage and the peak of the Black Level. Truth was that her level was not far from the real peak of the Black Level. However, after she was injured herself during the battle with Fade, her level regressed to the late stage of the Black Level.

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Therefore, given the situation, Francesca was no match for Yohannes and Franklin.

Seeing that she was about to lose, Francesca was anxious.

Franklin and Yohannes did not stop their attacks. They kept talking to Francesca to provoke and mock her.

"Elder Sun, we haven't seen each other for a few years. Why didn't you improve your level? Are you thinking of letting us surpass you?" Franklin said.

"Elder Sun, surrender. You are no match for us. If you hand over the token now, you will not be badly injured. Otherwise, the consequences will be grave," Yohannes suggested.

Elder Sun didn't say anything. Gritting her teeth, she cast a glance at where Fade was standing, hoping to ask for help.

Franklin and Yohannes noticed Francesca's gaze, so they glanced at the shore too. Then, they turned sarcastic.

"Why are you looking at the shore, Elder Sun? Is there someone who will help the Sun family who has not come over yet? Do you want us to wait for a while?" Franklin mocked.

"Speaking of help, I remember, rumor has it that the Sun family has surrendered to the so-called Master Chen. Elder Sun, are you waiting for Master Chen?" asked Yohannes.

"Master Chen is famous, but no one knows how strong he is," Franklin added.

"I think he's just bragging. Otherwise, why wouldn't he show up at the Martial Arts Convention? Haha!" Yohannes claimed.

The more they talked, the more smug they became. As they attacked Francesca, they shouted at the crowd by the lake, "Master Chen, if you are among the crowd, listen carefully. The Sun family has been defeated. From now on, you can get out of the Sun

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family!"

"Master Chen, you don't even dare to show up. I think you'd better be called Turtle Chen, because you're a coward. Haha!" Yohannes yelled.

Listening to the two of them, the people by the lake were enraged. After all, Master Chen was famous in Long City. After Francesca, he was regarded as the top martial artist in Long City.

How could they not be angry when the top master in their hometown got insulted like this?

"Nonsense. When Master Chen really shows up, I'll see if you can still laugh," a local bystander spat.

"To be honest, someone from the Westamor District can not even imagine the strength of Master Chen!" a martial artist grunted.

"How dare you insult Master Chen! Sc*ms!" the other martial artist chided.

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Many people were cursing them, but Yohannes and Franklin could not care less about them as they continued to humiliate Master Chen.

There were some people who could not help but become doubtful.

"Master Chen is still not here although they are scolding him so harshly. Is he really afraid?" someone questioned.

"It can't be. After all, Master Chen has defeated Elder Sun. He is very strong," another person replied.

"But now they have also defeated Elder Sun. It's hard to say who is stronger, them or Master Chen?" that person argued.

"Haha. I have never believed that Master Chen exists. Now, this is evidence that he's fake," he added.

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Easter and his men, especially Master Han, were also suspicious of Master Chen. Master Han thought of the time when Tom and the others frightened his father, and he was unhappy with Master Chen. He sneered, "What bullsh*t Master Chen. I think he's just a coward."

"If he's not showing up despite such harsh criticism, I don't think he's that strong," Master Han thought.

"Dad, as I said, Tom was just scaring you. Fade is not Master Chen. Even if it's true, there's no need to be afraid. He's just a b*stard!" he uttered.

Huxley, who had been trembling with fear, felt relieved when his son reassured him. After all, he suspected that Fade was Master Chen, and he had been worried about his son's revenge on Fade.

But now, the current situation had proven that his worries were completely unnecessary. Fade could not possibly be Master Chen.

Easter scorned, "Bullsh*t Master Chen. What a useless thing. He represents the martial artists of Long City, but now he is not even here. It is shameful for the martial artists of Long City. I feel very ashamed."

While they were talking about their disappointment, Yohannes and Franklin had completely overpowered Francesca on the stage. They looked very smug. Zachary, who was behind them, was also getting more arrogant. Unrestrained, he said, "Master, after you defeat Francesca, don't forget to bring that little girl from the Sun family along with us. I need a girl who can warm up my bed."

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When the Sun family heard what Zachary said, their expressions darkened, especially Shinnie's. Her cheeks that were red with worry for Francesca were now red with fury.

The Sun family members' eyes glowed with anger. They glared at Zachary, but there was nothing they could do at the moment.

The crowd couldn't help but sigh when they caught sight of what was happening.

"It seems like the token of Wushuang Tower is not the only thing at stake with Elder Sun's defeat!" a martial artist said.

"Yes, the Lightning Clan and the Yue family still intend to take over the Sun family's property in addition to the token," another martial artist replied.

"After the Sun family's defeat, I'm afraid that there will be a huge change in Long City. Everyone, please make your plans as soon as possible," the other martial artist claimed.

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The crowd sighed, and almost nobody was optimistic for the Sun family. After all, Francesca had been beaten so badly that she had no strength to fight back.

Yohannes and Franklin guffawed. "Elder Sun, it's time to end this. Let us take over the Sun family!"

As they spoke, their attacks became so violent that they were about to seriously injure Francesca.

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When Francesca saw this, she was startled. If they manage to hit her, she would definitely be seriously injured, maybe even die on the spot. If that happened, it was almost inevitable that the Sun family would decline in every aspect.

Francesca's expression was livid, and she glimpsed at shore once again for help.

Yohannes and Franklin chuckled. "Elder Sun, are you still looking for Master Chen?"

"Haha, you don't have to wait any longer. He dare not come. Even if he really does come, we will beat him up too," Franklin said.

Yohannes and Franklin joined forces and they were about to attack Francesca's chest.

It was right at this moment that someone by the lake said in a flat tone, "Who said that I dare not show up?" His voice was indifferent, but everyone heard it clearly, as if it was imbued with some magical power.

Everyone was astounded by the voice. The crowd wondered, "Who is speaking? Master Chen? Is Master Chen here?"

For a moment, everyone looked around to see where the voice came from and who Master Chen was.

"Master Chen, where are you?" they thought.

"Master Chen, come out!" someone shouted.

"Master Chen, please make your move!" another person in the crowd implored.

Just as everyone was searching for him, Fade stood up and passed through the crowd as he walked forward.

Easter and his men, who were not far away, could not help but sneer.

"Look at that guy. What is he trying to do? Is he really the one the others are looking for?" said Easter.

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"Haha. Did he think that they are calling him only because his surname is also Chen?" mocked a disciple.
"Attention seeker," Easter chided.

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Upon hearing what they said, Tom glared at them and said coldly, "Ignorant! you'll regret what you said."

While they were arguing, Fade had passed through the crowd and reached the lake.

The people whom Fade pushed aside so he could get through were a little unhappy. They turned their heads to glare at Fade, yelling.

"Brother, don't push me anymore. If you push me again, I will fall into the lake."

"Brother, he's Master Chen. Why are you so angry?" another person mocked.

"Brother, can you be a little gentler? My eggs are going to break because of you!" another person uttered.

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Listening to their complaints, Fade was speechless. Hence, he explained, "I am the person you are looking for. Please let me pass through."

"What are you talking about? We're looking for Master Chen. Are you kidding us?" a martial artist said.

"Brother, it's not the right time to joke. If you make people angry, they'll beat you up!" someone advised.

"Brother, listen to me. Go back now," another martial artist suggested.

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Fade did not know how he should feel about their advice. Originally, all he wanted was to watch the Martial Arts Convention. However, this happened so he had no choice but to take action.

However, just as he was about to take action, the others took it as a joke.

Looking at the bustling crowd in front of him, Fade shook his head and muttered to himself, "I wanted to keep a low profile, but it seems like a high profile is needed."

The next moment, Fade roared and he was enveloped by his aura, shaking all the people around him away. Then, Fade leaped forward while he shouted, "I'm coming!"

The crowd could not help but shout at him.

"Brother, what are you doing? Don't mess around!" a martial artist said.

"Brother, I'm going to get angry, and if I do, I just might attack you!" the other martial artist warned.

"D*mn it. I'll teach you a lesson now!" an angry martial artist uttered.

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As the crowd shouted, Fade passed through them and rushed towards Green Peace Lake.

Leaving his tracks on the surface of the lake, Fade appeared to be walking on water. He stepped on the surface of the water and passed over quickly. Finally, he arrived at the stage.

Everyone was stunned. All of a sudden, the crowd quietened down and everyone came back to their senses.

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"W-what's going on? How did he get there?" the person who stopped Fade stammered.

"He's flying! He's flying... he's really good," another martial artist exclaimed.

"H-he's on the stage! Does that mean he's Master Chen?" the other martial artist yelled.

"Master Chen, he's really Master Chen. No way!" someone in the crowd gasped.

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Almost everyone was surprised and confused at the same time. Even Franklin and Yohannes, who were standing on the stage, were astounded when they caught sight of Fade on the stage.

Especially Yohannes, who had seen Fade once before, looked at him and asked, "What are you doing here?"

Fade answered with a cold voice, "Didn't you say that I dare not come here? Well, here I am."

"We said..." Yohannes uttered as he was stunned. Then, he thought of something and he asked in surprise, "Are you Master Chen?"

Fade said blandly, "My surname is Chen."

At this moment, Francesca, who had regained her composure, walked up to Fade respectfully and bowed to him as a greeting, "Master Chen, here you are!"

Fade nodded and he said, "Just leave it to me. Go down and take a rest."

"Thank you, Master Chen!" Francesca thanked him quickly. Then, she turned around and sprang to the ship of the Sun family.

The conversation helped Yohannes and Franklin confirm Fade's identity. They narrowed their eyes and looked at Fade. "I didn't

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expect you to be Master Chen!" Franklin said.

Yohannes sneered, "It seems like I overestimated Master Chen."

"Master Chen, you won't be able to last for more than 10 of my moves," Yohannes said confidently.

Meanwhile, Franklin who had learned about Fade from Zachary, resented Fade a lot. He looked at Fade with a cold glance and said, "Brother Yue, leave this guy to me!"

"He hurt my senior and my disciple. I want to make him pay!" Franklin loathed as he gritted his teeth.

Yohannes nodded, taking a step back. With his hands behind his back, he seemed to be relaxed as he said, "I'll leave it to Guardian Franklin."

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The crowd overheard the conversation onstage between Franklin and Yohannes. They were brought back to earth by what the two said.

"Then, that kid is really Master Chen?" someone asked.

"Master Chen is so... so young?" a martial artist gasped.

"He's really Master Chen. I was just talking to him just now. I-I..." another martial artist stuttered.

"Since Master Chen has appeared, there is going to be a good show!" the other martial artist exclaimed.

"Master Chen, let's do it! We'll defeat the people from the other provinces!" a local martial artist urged.

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Fade's appearance had livened the atmosphere of the convention up. The martial artists, who had almost no hope just now, saw a glimmer of hope at this moment and they cheered for him.

Among the enthusiastic crowd, Easter's face fell. He stared at Fade in disbelief.

Especially Huxley, who had just heaved a sigh of relief, was frightened at the moment. He murmured, "H-he really is Master Chen. I have said before that he is Master Chen. Don't provoke him, don't provoke him. What should I do now? What should I do?"

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Master Han, who was scolded by his father, was now stiff with his mouth agape. He didn't know how to feel about this. After all, no matter how bad Master Chen was, it was easy for him to eliminate people who were not as strong as he was.

When they thought of this, not just Huxley and Master Han, but Carlos and Lineman, who were beside them, turned pale too. They felt uneasy as beads of sweat broke out of their foreheads.

Only Easter managed to remain composed. He pursed his lips and said toughly, "Don't worry. Even though he is more powerful than we are, the top priority is the battle onstage now. If he loses, then we don't have to worry about him."

Easter's words of comfort seemed to be the last ray of hope for them, bringing some light through the darkness.

All of a sudden, they nodded hurriedly and began muttering to themselves, as if they were comforting themselves.

"Yes, Master Ma is right. Although Master Chen is powerful, he is certainly not as powerful as the Yue family and the Lightning Clan," Huxley muttered.

"That's right. We'll be safe when he loses," Master Han said to himself.

"He'll definitely lose. We'll be fine. We'll be fine," Carlos uttered.

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While the others were still startled by their new realisation, Franklin, who was standing in front of Fade, stepped forward and his aura in the form of a sharp sword materialised from his right palm towards Fade.

When Franklin made his move, the sharp sword instantly tore through the air, as if it was going to pierce the space open.

The strength of a martial artist in the late stages of the Black Level was really scary.

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However, Fade just looked at Franklin's attack, shaking his head slightly as he said, "Is that all? It's nothing."

"Y-you're so arrogant!" yelled Franklin.

However, before he finished his sentence, Fade had grabbed the air with his right hand. At the same time, an invisible aura formed a big hand that grabbed Franklin's sword, crushing it.

"H-how could you..." Franklin uttered. He was shocked when Fade blocked his attack so effortlessly.

What happened next was even more surprising.

After Fade crushed Franklin's sharp sword, he waved his right arm again.

In an instant, a stream of crimson aura shot out of his sleeve. The aura drew a perfect arc in the air, like a burning crescent, and it rushed towards Franklin swiftly.

Franklin had no time to defend the attack and the crimson aura hit him right away.

In an instant, he spat a mouthful of blood and he almost got booted off the stage.

Yohannes, who was confident at first, was astounded when he caught sight of what had happened.

He quickly held Franklin who was still spitting blood. Glaring at Fade, he said coldly, "You really surprised me! But that's it."

Yohannes bellowed loudly, and his aura burst out of his body with a boom, creating a whirlwind on the lake island.

The whirlwind howled and the stage was overwhelmed by the gust. The surrounding trees began to shake violently. Some of the branches broke and were smashed to pieces by the wind.

It was a terrifying whirlwind. Roaring, it swept towards Fade.

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Upon seeing the attack, the martial artists around the lake island took a deep breath and ordered for the wooden ships to retreat a little, worrying that they would get hit by the attack.

"Yohannes has indeed reached near the peak of the Black Level!" a martial artist on the ship exclaimed.

"The power of this attack has reached the peak of the Black Level!" said another martial artist on the ship.

"The Yue family is indeed the strongest family of the Westamor District! The Yue family has two martial artists at the peak of the Black Level now," the first martial artist replied.

"Not only that, but if we count the Old Master of the Yue family who has reached the Earth Level in, then the Yue family is about to become an Earth Level superpower," he added.

"Master Chen is powerful enough to defeat Franklin, but unfortunately, he met Yohannes today," the other martial artist said.

"The Sun family is doomed." he murmured.

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Many people shook their heads as they were not optimistic that the Sun family and Fade would make it. On the other hand, Easter and the likes of him could not wait to cheer for Yohannes.

However, in the face of the horrible whirlwind attack by Yohannes, Fade remained calm. He said softly, "Is that all? The Yue family from the Westamor District is disappointing."

"You have sought your own demise!" Yohannes growled and he was furious. He released more aura and merged them into raging winds, which made the howling whirlwinds stronger.

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With the whirlwind howling, the stage was about to collapse. Everyone could hear the loud noises, as if it was about to fall apart at any moment.

But Fade, who was standing aside, did not resist at all. Like a piece of wood, the whirlwind swallowed him and he disappeared into it. There was no trace of him anymore.

Shocked, the crowd sighed.

"Master Chen was sucked into the whirlwind!" someone yelled.

"What's going on? Why didn't Master Chen resist at all? Are their standards really that different?" a local martial artist gasped.

"No one can stop the Yue family." another local martial artist uttered.

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Easter and the others heaved a sigh of relief. Relaxed, they said with a smile, "He lost. That man lost. That's great. We are safe now."

Tom glared at them and warned, "I'll remember your words."

Upon hearing his warning, Master Han replied arrogantly, "Tom, why are you being so obstinate? Without that guy to back you up, what do you have left in Long City? When the convention is over, I will force you to close down your martial arts centre."

Just as the crowd was talking about Master Chen's defeat, Yohannes, who was smirking, narrowed his eyes suddenly. Surprised, he gasped, "Oh, no!"

Then, someone said with a faint voice from the centre of the whirlwind, "It's my turn!"

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As soon as he finished speaking, he smashed the whirlwind to pieces with a bang and the gusts dissipated.

Then, Fade came out of the whirlwind unscathed. He cast a cold glance at Yohannes and raised his right arm, slashing a crimson sharp blade at Yohannes.

Yohannes was startled and he retreated rapidly. At the same time, he activated the positive energy in his body to protect his chest and block Fade's attack.

"Boom!" the crimson sharp blade chopped Yohannes's chest.

Although Yohannes had already activated his positive energy to protect his chest, Fade's attack was more powerful than he had imagined. The crimson blade cut through Yohannes' shield of positive energy, leaving a bloody cut on his chest with blood gushing out. The attack made Yohannes take a few steps back and his face instantly turned pale.

"You..." Yohannes was shocked and he wanted to say something.

However, Fade did not just stop there. He swung his right hand in Yohannes' direction.

Then, an invisible aura, like a huge palm, slammed into Yohannes.

"Puff!" Yohannes, who had been seriously injured, spat a mouthful of blood. His face was as white as a sheet.

Fade was able to gain an upper hand against Yohannes with only two moves. Yohannes himself had never expected this, let

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alone the crowd.

"W-what's going on? The situation has completely reversed," someone gasped.

"Master Chen is formidable. He has turned the tables!" a local martial artist said.

"We won. Long City won," another local martial artist exclaimed.

"Good, you've fought well. Look at the guys from the Westamor District. How dare they be smug in Long City!" the other martial artists snorted.

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Many martial artists applauded and cheered for Fade. However, Easter, who had just ridiculed Fade, was livid when he witnessed the situation.

And Huxley's legs were so weak that he almost fell to the ground and fainted.

Tom looked at them and sneered, "Are you afraid now? This is just the beginning."

While the crowd was still in shock, Fade had attacked Yohannes several more times. Each of his attacks landed firmly on Yohannes, causing him to bleed a lot, so much that he was not able to stand straight up anymore.

The martial artists on the ship were completely dumbstruck.

They were close to the stage, so they could clearly feel Yohannes' incredible strength previously. It was the strength of a martial artist at the peak of the Black Level. Its pressure was irresistible and it made them feel powerless.

However, such the powerful Yohannes was like Fade's toy now. He had no strength to fight back and defend himself against

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Fade's attacks at all.

Staring at Fade, they could not imagine how strong the young man in front of them was and what his martial arts level was.

Meanwhile, Fade looked at Yohannes who was close to death and had blood all over his face, and he finally stopped.

Standing in front of Yohannes, Fade said with a cold voice, "Do you admit defeat?"

Despite the blood all over his face, Yohannes gnashed his teeth and didn't want to admit defeat. After all, once he spoke, he would instantly lose half of the Yue's family's property to Fade.

His family members would certainly be dissatisfied with him if he lost half of the family property, even if he held a high status in the Yue family.

Hence, Yohannes didn't want to give in. He gritted his teeth and said, "I-I won't admit defeat."

"You're not giving up?" Fade said as he raised his right hand. He was about to attack Yohannes with his crimson aura. "It seems like you haven't learned your lesson yet. I'll have to continue then," he threatened.

Catching sight of Fade's pose, Yohannes was frightened. The corner of his eyes twitched and he said in a trembling voice, "Don't go too far. I'm a member of the Yue family. If you kill me, the Yue family will not let you go."

"Are you threatening me?" Fade uttered. His expression darkened and he said, "Too far? You two just forced the Sun family to produce the token of Wushuang Tower as a bet. And the two of you besieged Francesca. With that in mind, haven't you guys gone too far as well?"

Fade added, "Now, you're accusing me of going too far because you have lost? Do you think I'll listen to you?". As he spoke, Fade slammed Yohannes with a sharp crimson blade that materialised from his right palm. It pierced through Yohannes' shoulder

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blade.

Yohannes screamed in pain, his veins bulging on his forehead as if they were about to burst. "Y-you're hurting me?" he shrieked.

Fade snorted and slapped Yohannes again with his right hand. With another scream, Yohannes saw that his other shoulder blade was also pierced with the crimson aura and blood was gushing out.

"Do you admit defeat?" Fade asked emotionlessly.

Yohannes' eyes were glowing with anger. Despite his pain, he gave Fade a glare, gritting his teeth while he said, "I-I'll fight you to death!"

Enduring the excruciating pain on his shoulder, Yohannes fished out a bone token from his clothes with his right hand.

Then, he injected a stream of aura into the bone token. Instantly, a layer of dark green smoke burst out of the bone token and it gathered in front of Yohannes, materialising into a roaring beast.

"Kill him!" Yohannes ordered.

As soon as Yohannes bellowed his order, the dark green beast roared and charged at Fade.

The crowd was dumbfounded at the sudden change of events. They stared at the stage in disbelief.

"W-what's that? A monster?" someone gasped.

"What did Yohannes do? How did he manage to create that monster?" the other person uttered.

"The monster's aura is very strong. It's almost at the peak of the Black Level. Is this the Yue family's secret weapon?" a martial artist exclaimed.

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"Is Yohannes going to turn the tables?" he muttered.

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The martial artists around the lake island were all surprised and curious. Fade's expression, which was originally calm, instantly darkened when he saw that Yohannes had used this move.

He stared at Yohannes coldly and shouted in a deep voice, "Where did you learn this?"

Yohannes did not answer Fade's question. He gritted his teeth with resentment and growled, "If you want to know the answer, go to hell and ask the Grim Reaper!"

While he was growling, Yohannes waved his hand to gesture for the dark green beast to rush towards Fade.

As the monster got closer and closer, Fade's expression became serious. He put his hands in front of his chest. In the centre of his palm was a shining flame-like ball.

"Get lost!" Fade yelled.

Yelling, Fade struck the shining ball out.

A dazzling fireball whizzed out and went into the body of the dark green smoke monster.

Then, the monster halted, for red flames bursted from within its body, burning it from the inside out.

Finally, the monster looked up at the sky and roared. In flames, it exploded and turned into a cloud of smoke. Gradually, the raging flames annihilated it.

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Yohannes, who was originally ferocious and vengeful, was stunned when he witnessed what had happened. With his mouth agape, he stared at Fade blankly. He murmured, "H-how could this be possible? How could my trump card be defeated so easily? T-this must be fake..."

The crowd was also dumbstruck.

They could clearly feel the power of the monster just now. The moment it emerged, it could rival the strength of a peak Black Level martial artist.

However, in one move, Fade managed to burn such a fearsome monster to ashes before it could even get close to him.

At this moment, everyone thought that Fade's strength was terrifying and unfathomable.

Fade, who had blown up the monster, walked up to Yohannes and asked in a cold voice, "I'll ask you one more time. Where did you learn this? Where did you get that bone token?"

"It's none of your business. That's the Yue family's secret. You.." Yohannes rebuked instinctively.

As a result, Fade grabbed Yohannes' throat before he could finish his sentence. Fade's eyes were glowing with anger and hostility. He said in a low voice, "You'd better not play tricks on me."

"I've seen the bone token and the monster before. It's not a Yue family skill. You'd better tell me what you know," Fade warned in

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a cold voice.

Fade was agitated, for the appearance of the bone token and the smog monster reminded him of the time when he went to Fuma Town to look for Jeremy Lin.

At that time, Fade encountered a team from the Skull Mob in the mountain forest. During the last moments of the battle, the team members used the bone token to summon a black monster to launch their final attack on Fade.

That strange scene was still fresh in Fade's memory.

Therefore, as soon as he saw Yohannes use the same skill, Fade immediately thought of that incident and his attitude changed instantly.

After all, the incident of the Skull Mob was not just related to Jeremy, but also to his wife, Quin Lin. It even had something to do with his mother-in-law Chrystal Xie. Hence, Fade had to pay attention to all of the related clues.

Yohannes, whose throat was in Fade's grip, was surprised when he heard Fade say that he had seen the bone token and the monster before.

"T-this is..." Yohannes stammered, for he wanted to find an excuse. However, as soon as he spoke, he felt Fade's intent to kill him. Not only did he tremble, but his expression darkened as well.

This is because he knew that Fade wanted to kill him now. When Fade beat him onstage, Fade did not have the desire to kill him yet. But since he used the bone token, Fade's intent to kill him became obvious.

For a moment, Yohannes hesitated.

Facing the threat of death, he wanted to tell the truth. But after thinking of the things he did and the aftermath of exposing it, he

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was not willing to do it.

After a short while, Fade got impatient. He stepped on the left knee of Yohannes by using his right foot.

In an instant, with a crack, Yohannes' left leg was fractured and disabled.

His face reddened, and blue veins bulged behind beads of sweats. His body trembled violently from the pain. "Y-you..." he uttered.

But before Yohannes could finish his sentence, Fade, whose eyes were emotionless, raised his foot and moved it towards Yohannes' other leg. He said coldly, "I want to know the truth!"

When Yohannes saw Fade's reaction, he was really terrified and he couldn't care about anything else. He quickly nodded and said, "I'll tell you. I'll tell you everything. Don't do it again."

"Say it!" Fade glared at Yohannes.

Enduring the pain, Yohannes explained slowly, "I got this bone token when I was traveling a year ago. At that time..."

After listening to Yohannes's explanation, Fade quickly sorted out the entire story.

One year ago, when Yohannes was traveling in the other provinces, he met a mysterious martial artist. After battling with him, they got to know each other.

Later, through their conversation, that martial artist found out Yohannes' identity and his eagerness to become stronger. Therefore, he told Yohannes that he had a way to make Yohannes become stronger quickly, and he would tell it to Yohannes for a small favour in return.

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Although Yohannes suspected that this was a scam, he was eager to become stronger. In the end, he decided to give it a try. The result surprised him greatly. After he took the drug that the martial artist provided, his strength had indeed improved a lot.

Hence, Yohannes trusted the mysterious martial artist very much and made a deal with him.

The mysterious martial arts master provided Yohannes with the drugs and some methods to improve his strength. Yohannes, as requested by the mysterious martial artist, secretly captured a group of people and sent them to the martial artist.

The two of them had been trading for more than half a year. Yohannes' strength had improved by leaps and bounds, and his level had already reached the peak of the Black Level.

In the meantime, Yohannes had captured more than fifty people and sent them to the martial artist.

Although Yohannes had been worried that the mysterious martial artist would use the people he had captured to do something evil, he had turned a blind eye and did not delve deeply into it as he craved to be stronger very badly.

It was not until Fade was furious to the point where he was willing to kill him that Yohannes felt that there might be some malicious plot behind it.

After listening to the story, Fade connected the dots with relation to the Skull Mob, and he pictured the terrible things the Skull Mob did.

In Fuma Town, Jeremy was used to lure Quin. In the forest of Longxu City, there were blood-stained corpses and precision instruments in the hut. Now, he learned that Yohannes had been capturing people.

In an instant, Fade took his mobile phone out and showed Yohannes the photos and videos of the hut in the woods of Longxu City. He asked Yohannes, "Did you catch this person?"

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Looking at the bloody corpse in the video, Yohannes frowned reflexively. When he fixed his gaze on it, he was startled, lowering his head involuntarily.

Seeing this, Fade shouted, "Speak!"

Yohannes shivered and answered in a trembling voice, "Yes, I caught him."

Upon hearing this, Fade's heart skipped a beat. He had a rough idea of what the Skull Mob was doing.

The Skull Mob seemed to be looking for people with special qualities. They caught a lot of people for experiments, perhaps to improve their strength, or to develop some drugs.

No matter what the purpose was, in short, the Skull Mob was very dangerous!

Thinking of this, Fade glared at Yohannes and yelled, "Tell me everything about them, including what you know about them. I want to know all the clues and details!"

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After seeing the bloody corpse, Yohannes seemed to have guessed something. Trembling, he disclosed everything he knew to Fade.

After listening to the revelation, Fade looked gloomy. He carried Yohannes and threw him onto the Sun family's ship. He said, "Take him back. I have questions to ask him later."

Francesca immediately led her men to tie Yohannes up.

On the Yue family's ship, there was a commotion. Some people looked at Fade discontentedly and some of them wanted to say something.

But before they said anything, Fade cast a cold glance at them and said sternly, "If you don't accept it, you can come onto the stage."

In an instant, the members of the Yue family on the ship quieted down. No matter how discontented they were, even if their leader had been captured by Fade, they had to bear with it. This was because they were no match for Fade.

When Fade caught sight of this, he snorted. Then, he glanced at Franklin, who had curled up in a corner of the stage, and said, "The Yue family has admitted defeat in this battle. How about the Lightning Clan?"

Seeing that Yohannes had ended up losing miserably, Franklin did not resist. He nodded quickly, handing over a contract with

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both hands, and said, "We admit defeat. The Lightning Clan admits defeat. This is the contract of Dragon Source Herb Farm. Mr. Chen, please accept it."

Snorting, Fade took the contract. He looked around and said in a clear voice, "Is there anyone else who wants to challenge the Martial Arts Convention?"

His voice was thunderous as the sound waves spread across the lake.

The martial artists had just witnessed Yohannes' defeat, so they did not dare to challenge him. They quickly bowed their heads and retreated, not daring to look at Fade's eyes.

Fade let out a snort as he said, "In that case, the Martial Arts Convention is over."

After that, Fade jumped off the stage, stepping on the surface of the lake water and striding towards the shore.

All of the great families and clans on the ships, as well as the martial artists, automatically made way for him. They lowered their heads and gazed at Fade in awe.

When Fade was walking towards the Yue family's ship, the members on the Yue family's ship were startled. Lowering their heads, they did not dare to make a sound.

Fade boarded the Yue family's ship and said, "Sister Melanie, I am taking you away."

Melanie, who had been guarded by the members of the Yue family, inevitably smiled when she heard Fade's voice. She walked out of the cabin and reached out her hand to Fade. "You're here," she uttered.

Fade nodded gently, holding Melanie's delicate hand and pulling her into his arms. Then, he got off the ship right away. He

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stepped onto the lake again and walked towards the shore.

At the same time, Qiana, who had been guarding Melanie on the Yue family's ship, gritted her teeth and stomped her feet. However, she could do nothing but sigh.

As Fade held Melanie in his arms and they reached the shore, the martial artists by the lake made way for them and greeted Fade respectfully.

Only Tom came up to him and said to Fade, smiling, "Brother Fade, you've worked hard."

Then, Tom looked at Melanie again before he winked at Fade and whispered, "Brother Fade, shall I continue to call her Director Yu, or should I call her Mrs. Chen?"

Soon, Melanie blushed and lowered her head shyly. Fade rolled his eyes at Tom and said, "You talked too much. Let's go. I still have something to do. Let's go back first."

Upon hearing this, Tom stopped laughing. He nodded at Fade and then led the way.

Meanwhile, the members of the Sky Martial Arts Centre also followed behind them. They were watched by hundreds and thousands of martial artists around them as they walked with Fade. For a moment, they felt as if they were basking in glory.

To be exact, Pablo used to be a geek who got dumped by his girlfriend and was widely despised. But now, he had become the focus of everyone's attention and many martial artists greeted him respectfully.

He had never dreamed of this before, but now it was a reality.

As they walked past Easter and the others, Tom intentionally slowed down. He looked at them and said coldly, "Master Ma, just now, you were under the impression that Brother Fade will definitely lose. Say that again now."

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Hearing this, Easter's face fell. He waved his hand quickly and explained, "Master Chen, we didn't..."

"You didn't? Are you calling me a liar?" Tom snorted.

Easter's expression darkened as he replied in a hurry, "No, I didn't mean that. I just..."

He did not know how to explain. He could only kneel down and kowtow to Fade a few times. He begged for mercy, "Master Chen, I was wrong. I shouldn't have doubted your strength. Master Chen, please give me another chance!"

As Easter knelt down to beg for mercy, Lineman, Carlos, Huxley, and Master Han looked remorseful. They quickly knelt down and kowtowed to Fade to beg for mercy too.

Upon hearing their begging, Fade glanced at them but he did not say anything. He just snorted and walked away.

Easter and the others didn't dare to get up. It was only after Fade was out of sight that they got off the ground, shivering.

All of the martial artists around them made way for them, unwilling to approach. It was as if they were worried about getting affected by Easter and the likes of him.

Easter and the others looked even more depressed now. They almost cried.

Huxley, in particular, looked at his son in front of him. He slapped Master Han and scolded, "It's all your fault. I said that it was Master Chen, and we couldn't afford to offend him. But you didn't listen to me and you kept on offending Master Chen. As a result, we offended Master Chen. We're dead now..."

Master Han gave him a bitter look. He clarified, "H-how was I to know that he really is Master Chen. If I knew it earlier, I would certainly not have offended him. It's not my fault..."

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"You are still arguing. I will beat you to death. I..." Huxley took out his belt and whipped Master Han violently. It seemed like he was not hitting his son, but his enemy.

Next to them, Easter's gaze also fell on Lineman and Carlos. Although he did not punish them as violently as Huxley did, Lineman knew his master very well. He knelt down in front of Easter and begged for mercy, "Master, I know I was wrong. This time, it's all my fault..."

However, Easter ignored him. He snorted before he left Lineman and Carlos, who were desperate, behind him.

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Fade left Green Peace Lake with Melanie, for the Martial Arts Convention had ended.

The results of the convention spread through the media quickly.

In the end, it was the headline of every martial arts news portal that Fade had severely injured Yohannes.

Of course, there were also many related news reports about some other incidents that occurred during the Martial Arts Convention. The news reporters were particularly concerned about Yohannes' use of his bone token. As it was controversial, they wrote a lot of articles about it.

That day, Fade brought Melanie back to the hotel. After comforting her, he sat opposite her and said, "Sister Melanie, can you tell me what happened this time?"

Things were strange since Melanie came to Long City. After all, in the beginning, Melanie arrived to sign a contract with Winnie Huo on the latter's endorsement by Emerald Plum Jewels.

But later, Melanie invited Fade to have a meal privately. The appearance of Qiana and Yohannes implied that there was more to it.

Now that Fade had asked about it, Melanie sighed. Then, she explained to Fade slowly, "Fade, I believe you've investigated it as well. I'm from the Westamor District. I'm from the Yu family."

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Fade nodded. Indeed, he had investigated the Yu family and the Yue family. "The Yu family is a business family in Westamor District, and the Yue family is the first martial arts family in Westamor District," he contended.

"Yes," Melanie agreed. "The Yu family rose in the Westamor District through business. However, without the support of any martial arts force, the Yu family is considered inferior to the powerful martial arts families," she added.

"As the Yu family grew larger in the Westamor District, the other families and clans in Westamor District, especially the martial arts families and clans, tried to take the Yu family down through various means. Some were disguised as cooperation, some were direct threats, and some were attempts to assassinate us."

"However, the Yu family is not weak, and the other families and clans were not courageous enough to go too far. Hence, we have been safe for quite a number of years."

"But things changed half a year ago," Melanie grunted as her face fell.

Fade could not help but frown, his brows were knitted together.

Melanie added, "Our family has been doing business for so many years, and our business has expanded all over the country. Among them, the headquarters of our most important jewelry business is set up in Capital City."

"But half a year ago, due to business conflict, our company offended a big shot in Capital City. He pressured our company so much that Emerald Plum Jewels and the other Yu family businesses were all affected," she said.

"He has coerced us into handing over forty percent of our shares to him. Otherwise, he will not let us go easily as he is capable of destroying the Yu family all by himself," she uttered.

"Forty percent of the shares is almost half of our family's property. Naturally, the family did not agree. However, the Yu family

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has no resistance to his threats in Capital City," she said. Frowning, Melanie continued, "It was right at this moment that the Yue family came to us. They said that they have the power to help us resolve this matter, and we will have to pay them the price."

"The price is you, Sister Melanie?" Fade said as he stared at Melanie.

With quivering eyebrows, she replied after a few seconds of silence, "Yes, it's me. Yohannes, the next-in-line to the Master of the Yue family, was widowed in his early years. And he said that he has a crush on me."

"As long as I marry him, the Yue family will be willing to help us resolve the threat of the big shot in Capital City," she explained.

As she said this, Melanie couldn't help but take a deep breath. Her eyes were teary, yet they were glowing with fury and agony. "Yohannes is already in his fifties, and he is more than 20 years older than I am. He is almost the same age as my father. In addition to that, there are many rumours about him being a playboy," she whispered.

"Of course I won't agree to this marriage," she stressed.

"However, after the elders of the family evaluated the threat of that big shot in Capital City and following the request of Yohannes, they decided to marry me to him," she said. As she said this, Melanie ridiculed herself with a bitter smile. "Yeah, compared to forty percent of the family's property, it is more beneficial to them for me to marry an old uncle. At least, it won't be a great loss."

"As a result, my family has confined me at home. My aunt, Qiana, keeps an eye on me at all times. She wants to send me to Yohannes' bed in good condition," Melanie uttered despondently.

Fade felt distressed when he caught sight of Melanie's agonised look. He reached out his hand to hold Melanie's hand to comfort her. "Sister Melanie, as long as I'm here, I won't let the others force you to do something you don't want to do."

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Fade's assurance made Melanie smile. She replied, "Thank you for your assurance."

Fade was serious. He held Melanie's hand tighter and said, "Sister Melanie, this is not just an assurance. I will do it."

"I-I believe you!" Melanie glanced at Fade who looked solemn, and her heart skipped a beat. She felt a pang of warmth, so she smiled and nodded at him.

At this moment, there was a knock on the door. It was Francesca. "Master Chen, We have brought Yohannes back. When do you want to interrogate him?" she asked.

When it came to Yohannes, Fade couldn't help but think of the incidents related to the Skull Mob. Hence, his expression darkened.

Noticing his reaction, Melanie got up and said, "You go ahead. I'll leave now."

Fade took Melanie's hand and said, "Sister Melanie, are you going back? But the Yu family and the Yue family are treating you..."

Melanie replied him with a faint smile, "Don't worry, it's not very serious. Although they forced me to marry him, I'm not a prisoner. They won't do anything to me. Besides, Yohannes is here with you so I can't marry him anyway. There are still some things that I need to deal with in regards to my family business."

"Well, I'll ask someone to send Sister Melanie back," Fade said. He hesitated for a moment and then nodded as he urged, "Sister Melanie, if anything happens to you, contact me immediately!"

"I know." Melanie nodded with a smile.

Then, she walked over to Fade, held his head, and pressed her red lips against his lips. "Fade, thank you," she whispered.

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After giving him a warm kiss, Melanie waved at Fade and said, "I'm leaving. This is a token of appreciation."
After that, Melanie strode out of the room.

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Fade was left dazed. He touched his lips, and his fingers were stained with the colour of Melanie's lipstick. He took a breath and he could smell her scent. "S-sister Melanie kissed me." he muttered.

Thinking of this, Fade did not know whether to be happy or angry about it. He had met a lot of women, and he was always the one who took the initiative to kiss them. He could only get their kisses as a reward after he had kissed them.

But this time, he was kissed by a woman.

It was a first for Fade.

However, the feeling did not linger for too long. After coming to his senses, Fade immediately went to Yohannes' room with Francesca. Then, he began to interrogate him.

At the same time, Melanie returned to the hotel she had booked. She was smiling.

As soon as she pushed the door open and entered her room, Qiana, who looked anxious, came up to her with a gloomy expression and said, "Where did you go? Why are you back so late?"

Frowning, Melanie answered coldly, "Aunty, I'm not a child. I don't need to report my whereabouts to you all the time."

"Were you with Fade? What happened to you?" Qiana asked nervously.

Melanie furrowed her brows unhappily. "Yes, I was with him. As for what happened, whatever was necessary has happened,"

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Melanie replied as she licked her lips.

Qiana was stunned by Melanie's words. When she saw the kiss mark on Melanie's lips, her expression darkened drastically. Pointing at Melanie, she said, "Y-you and Fade have... How could you do this? Don't you know that you are going to marry the son of the Yue family? They will be dissatisfied with you!"

Upon hearing this, Melanie whined, "I've told you a long time ago that I won't marry Yohannes Yue. I'll only marry a person I like."

"Moreover, why should the Yue family be dissatisfied with me and the person I like? Who are they?" Melanie questioned.

Qiana was extremely nervous. She covered Melanie's mouth and uttered, "Stop saying that. The members of the Yue family live next door. If they hear us, we'll be finished."

"Let them hear us. I'm not afraid!" Melanie said with indifference.

Qiana was getting more and more anxious. She glared at Melanie and said, "You're not afraid, but I'm afraid and the Yu family is afraid. You know, the Yue family is the strongest martial arts family in the Westamor District. If we offend them, we're dead."

Curling her lips disdainfully, Melanie replied, "The strongest martial arts family? Yohannes is so powerful in Long City, yet Master Chen defeated him here!"

"That's just..." Qiana was rendered speechless.

Then, she said, "Even if you are not afraid of the Yu family, how are we supposed to deal with that big shot in Capital City? If we don't respond now, our business in Capital City will be at stake. If that happens, the Yu family will be destroyed. All of this is possible."

When it came to the business in Capital City, Melanie was worried. However, she shook her head and said, "I will find a way to

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sort out the issue in Capital City. Moreover, Fade has also said that he will help."

"He's helping? What can he do?" Qiana scorned. She patted her thigh as she said, "Melanie, you're not a child anymore. How can you be fooled by his sweet talk?"

"You have to know that no matter how powerful Fade is, he is powerful in Long City only. What happens in Capital City is a completely different matter! There are many big shots hiding in Capital City. What can a young man like him do in Capital City? How can he help us?" she added.

"What's more, he hurt Yohannes this time, so are you sure that the Yue family will let him go?" Qiana said anxiously.

Melanie was doubtful as well. However, on second thought, she still believed in Fade because this man was worthy of her trust.

"I could not care less about other things. I don't know if he is the strongest, but I have faith in him," Melanie affirmed.

"Why don't you understand even after everything I've said? You and Fade would not end well if you get into a relationship..." Qiana nagged angrily and anxiously.

"I'm tired. I'm going to rest," Melanie said as she didn't want to listen anymore. Next, she went straight to her room and slammed the door shut.

Upon seeing her reaction, Qiana felt anxious and helpless, so she took her mobile phone out and made a call. "Brother, I am Qiana. Something big happened to Melanie. She and a person named Fade Chen have already..."

Unbeknownst to Fade, he had already had gotten into an intimate relationship with Melanie, and hence cuckolded Yohannes.

However, Fade was very serious now and he had no time to think about it. After interrogating Yohannes, he got more clues about the Skull Mob.

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One of the clues was crucial. Yohannes said that he had seen Jeremy Lin with the Skull Mob. Moreover, it was just two days before the Martial Arts Convention. Besides, the place was not far away. It was in the mountain forest of the outskirts of Long City, Dragonville.

Fade was extremely excited when he got this clue. He contacted Quin Lin, his wife, to tell her the whole story.

Then, Fade dashed to the place where Yohannes had seen Jeremy.

By evening, Fade had reached the mountain forest alone.

Without holding back his strength, Fade left a trace of red aura as he sprinted through the mountain forest.

Fifteen minutes later, Fade was in a valley. The valley was not big, and its location was obscure. Without the details offered by Yohannes, it would be difficult to find this place.

Fade's heart skipped a beat when he caught sight of the scene in the valley.

It was because what he saw was very similar to what Fade had seen in the forests of Longxu City's outskirts.

There was a small wooden hut in the valley, as well as several tents around it, but no one was here.

Feeling uneasy, Fade entered the wooden hut. Then, he gasped at what he saw.

The scene in the hut was also very similar to what he saw in Longxu City. The scattered parts of a machine, the stains that resulted from the splashing of blood, not to mention bloody corpses everywhere.

What was more, the scene here appeared more grisly than the previous time.

There were three beds in the wooden hut with a bloody corpse on each bed.

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Also, it seemed like there was a hasty evacuation. There were all kinds of pipes inserted into the corpses. Some of the pipes were connected to instruments, and some of corpses were connected to each other.

There were streams of blood and all kinds of colourful liquid within the pipes. It was nauseating.

Other than the smell of the blood, the wooden hut had a strange aura to it.

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Fade could not help but frown at what he saw.

Just as he was about to leave the wooden hut, the corpse on the bed trembled and made a weak sound.

In an instant, Fade, who was startled, rushed over. When he checked the man's breath, he realized that the man was not dead yet. He was still breathing weakly.

Therefore, Fade swiftly transferred his genuine positive energy into the man's body to sustain his life.

After a while, Fade managed to keep the man alive by using his positive energy. The man was dangling at the edge of death, but now his breath had stabilized.

Fade heaved a sigh of relief, wiping the sweat off his forehead.

Just as he was about to make a phone call, his gaze fell upon the face of the man.

Although the face was full of blood stains, Fade found him somewhat familiar. After he wiped the blood stains off the man's face with his clothes, Fade was startled.

The person in front of him was none other than Jeremy Lin.

"Why is Jeremy here? How did he end up like this? What did the Skull Mob do to him? What is their purpose..." he pondered.

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For a moment, countless questions flashed across Fade's mind. He felt as if his head was about to explode. However, Fade soon calmed down. He made a phone call to ask for help.

After all, the most important thing at the moment was to save Jeremy's life.

Moreover, as long as Jeremy woke up, many of his questions would be answered.

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In the hospital at Long City, Fade and Quin stood in front of a VIP ward at night.

Quin's eyes were filled with tears. She covered her mouth and burst into tears. "How could this happen? My brother..."

Fade hugged Quin gently and patted her back to comfort her.

Fade could understand Quin's current mood. After rescuing Jeremy and examining him, Jeremy's condition turned out to be more serious than he had imagined.

There were countless wounds on his body. The most horrible thing was that almost sixty percent of the blood in Jeremy's body had been replaced.

It was a speculation that his original blood had been drawn from his body. The new blood that was injected into his body had come from a person with the same blood type.

In the wooden hut, the two corpses beside Jeremy were used to supply Jeremy with blood.

In addition to the blood exchange, Jeremy was also injected with numerous kinds of drugs. These drugs were mixed to the point where the doctors could no longer distinguish the specific composition. Hence, they could not treat it.

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Even if Fade checked it personally, he couldn't do anything about it.

Jeremy's body was like a test tube full of drugs and blood, used for an experiment. It had been miraculous that Fade could keep him alive by using his positive energy.

It was impossible for Fade to wake Jeremy up and restore his original state of health. After all, no matter how strong Fade was, he was just a human being and not God.

In addition, from the results of a blood test, the doctor had made another discovery. Jeremy and Quin were not biologically related. They were not brother and sister by blood.

After a thorough examination, the hospital finally determined that Jeremy had been adopted by Quin's father, Daniel Lin.

Quin couldn't bear such groundbreaking news in her life.

Her father passed away in a car accident, and her mother had disappeared. And now, she learned that her only living sibling was not biologically related to her. On top of everything, he was in a coma.

No matter how strong Quin was, she couldn't take it, and she began to bawl in pain.

Holding Quin in his arms, Fade patted his wife's back tenderly and said firmly, "Dear, don't worry. I will try my best to cure Jeremy."

Quin, who was in his arms, sobbed in a low voice, "T-thank you!"

At this moment, Quin was no longer a tough woman. She cried like a little girl, helplessly.

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A week later, Jeremy's vital signs had stabilized, and he was transported back to Quin's villa. Quin hired a team of medical professionals to take care of Jeremy round the clock.

As for Fade, he had gone to the Stealth Team several times during this period of time. He went there to communicate with the members and to get more information about the Skull Mob.

After all, what the Skull Mob did had gone beyond the scope of ordinary criminal cases as they involved the crimes of the martial artists' organisations. Therefore, the Stealth Team was also very concerned about this matter.

However, he gained nothing new so far.

In the Lin family's villa, Quin, Fade and Jeremy, who was still in a coma, gradually formed a routine lifestyle.

Quin went to work as usual every day. When she came home, she would check on her brother, eat her dinner, and got to bed.

Fade would also check on Jeremy from time to time, so as to transfer his positive energy into him to regulate his physical condition.

Slowly, their life returned to a new kind of peaceful state.

Around two o'clock in the afternoon, Fade treated Jeremy with his positive energy. As soon as he walked out of the room, he caught sight of Quin who was dressed in office wear with a briefcase.

Fade was curious. Hence, he went over to Quin and took her bag. Then, he asked, "Dear, why did you come back so early today? Did something happen at the company?"

Quin shook her head and explained, "Something came up, so I came home early."

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"What is it?" Fade asked.

Quin said, "I'm going back to Bay City."

"Going back to Bay City? Why?" Fade queried.

Quin replied, "Tomorrow is the anniversary of my father's death. I want to go back to pay my respects by burning some incense and paper money for him."

Hearing this, Fade was slightly surprised.

Quin didn't believe in such things before, and she would never take the initiative to offer incense at a grave nor participate in superstitious activities. She only brought some fresh flowers when she visited his grave.

Perhaps it was because of Jeremy's incident that Quin's mentality had changed. Hence, she decided to go home and pay her respects to her dad.

She wanted to comfort herself with ways she didn't use to believe in.

Fade nodded and gazed at Quin, saying, "Yes, it will be good to clean his tomb. I'll go back with you."

Quin nodded and said, "Well, you can pack now and we'll set off later. Let's drive there."

"Okay, I'll get ready right away." Fade nodded, then went back to his room to tidy up.

Soon, Fade and Quin finished packing and setting the affairs of their family and company. After that, they drove to Bay City.