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A disciple quickly ran over from afar right at that moment and whispered something in Jackie's ears.

The disciple was the one who Jackie instructed two days ago to investigate Debra's identity. She was also Jackie's crony.

Swoosh!

Jackie instantly trembled upon hearing that disciple's report and could not hide the shock in her heart. "Debra, the woman who was kidnapped by the man just now was the Great Eastern's Artemis Sect Master? She's also Darryl's woman?"

Jackie then suddenly thought of something and locked her eyes on Darryl, "For you to care so much about Debra, you must be...Darryl Darby?"

'F*ck!'

Darryl was suddenly stunned upon seeing Jackie revealing his true identity.

Jackie was amazing as she could immediately guess his identity once she found out who Debra was.

Two seconds later, Darryl came to his senses before smiling and said, "That's right!"

Darryl then stretched his hand out and wiped off the Transfiguration Powder on his face—reverting to his original face.

The ordinary-looking face suddenly turned unspeakably handsome with angular facial features.

Wow!

Instantly, everyone trembled and looked at Darryl speechlessly in a daze—whether it was the Sect Master or the disciples.

‘T-this person is Darryl Darby?’

The world-famous Darryl Darby? The person that recently defeated the North Moana Army? The Elysium Gate Sect Master and Westrington Emperor?

At that moment, the atmosphere in the Holy Lake seemed to have frozen.

Especially the Sect Master, she was looking at Darryl while trembling furiously.

It turns out he was the famous Darryl Darby!

The Sect Master’s heart was beating faster with that thought in mind.

The Sect Master knew he was not an ordinary person after witnessing Darryl’s calligraphy, yet she did not expect he would be so famous.

The Elysium Gate Sect Master, the hero of the World Universe, and the Westrington Emperor—it was not possible for any ordinary person to have so many titles.

“Woo!”

The nearby Selena was also trembling furiously as she looked at Darryl in a daze—extremely shocked.

She was completely shocked.

T-that man was the person who wowed the entire Nine Mainland, Darryl Darby?

However, she constantly made matters difficult for him.

“Darryl Darby!”

Right at that moment, Jackie finally came to her senses and looked at Darryl closely. She gritted her teeth and said, “It’s you, don’t even dare think about leaving the Sun Set Sect alive today.”

Her tone was extremely cold when she said that her eyes started to be filled with endless murderous intentions.

She was publicly defeated by Darryl previously at the Famed Sword Manor. It was an unforgettable humiliation to her. Jackie got even more furious when she recalled that he even peeked at her bathing two days ago.

Buzz!

A strong aura erupted from Jackie’s body upon her words before she lifted her hands and attacked Darryl!

“Sister, no!”

The Sect Master could not help but exclaim out loud in utter anxiety upon seeing the situation.

Although it was the first time she saw Darryl, she had long heard many great things about him. In addition, the Sect Master could feel that Darryl's true powers were extremely strong at that moment. Jackie would only be defeated if she were to attack.

'Hehe! Jackie has such a feisty personality.'

Darryl snickered while seeing Jackie attacking him with no worries at all. He then immediately rushed forward, lifted his hands, and faced Jackie's attack!

Clang!

A long sound could be heard. A strong rumble of internal energy spread all around the moment the two of them clashed!

Jackie let out a muffled grunt before shuddering in mid-air and was forced back by more than 10 meters! On the other hand, Darryl had only retreated a few meters and managed to quickly stabilize himself!

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Clearly, Darryl had the upper hand in that attack!

Wow!

Everyone was shocked upon seeing the situation—whether it was the Sect Master or the surrounding disciples.

Darryl was so powerful?

That was not right! Darryl was only a Martial Emperor cultivator, but Jackie was at the Heaven Ascension level! She was at a level higher than Darryl, yet why did Darryl have the upper hand in that attack?

At that moment, the crowd did not know that Darryl cultivated the Pure Energy Scripture. His internal energy was extremely thick. In addition, he was close to reaching the Heaven Ascension level as well.

“Woo!”

At that moment, Jackie was stunned and furious. She initially thought Darryl could defeat her at the Famed Sword Manor previously because of the Heavenly Halberd’s powers and would not be a match for her if they were to compete in strength. However, the attack just moments ago made Jackie understand that Darryl’s pure internal energy was not beneath hers.

Jackie was also extremely embarrassed and furious on top of being shocked. She then yelled at Darryl, “Darryl, don’t think about leaving here even if you have pure internal energy! I’ll be taking your life no matter what!”

“Ok! I’m looking forward to it!” Darryl smiled and replied with a sarcastic tone.

In truth, Darryl did not want to drag the fight any longer and wanted to leave the moment there was a chance. However, he changed his mind upon sensing Jackie’s hatred toward him.

Darryl must destroy Jackie’s self-confidence. Otherwise, a woman with such a strong personality like Jackie would be a much bigger problem in the future.

Jackie was not only the Elder Master of the Sun Set Sect after all. She was also the Illusion Sound Sect Master and was not an ordinary person.

“Die!”

Jackie did not bother to say anything else. She yelled, lifted her hands, and attacked Darryl once more!

“Oh, my!” Darryl was not in a panic at all. On the contrary, he smiled and teased, “Elder Master, are you trying to kill me? You look so beautiful, yet you are so vicious. How are you going to get married in the future?”

Darryl then welcomed the attack.

Swoosh!

Jackie’s exquisite face flushed red upon hearing Darryl’s teases. She was extremely embarrassed and furious. She was the high and mighty

Elder Master of the Sun Set Sect and the Illusion Sound Sect Master. Everyone who saw her treated her with respect, yet she was being teased by Darryl at that moment. How could she endure it?

Bang! Bang! Bang!

The two of them were constantly flying toward each other in mid-air as rumbles of aura kept erupting. Jackie was still confident at first but started feeling that something was off after a few bouts.

She was extremely shocked!

What was going on? Darryl's cultivation was a level lower than her, yet she could not subdue him?

At that moment, Jackie still did not know that even though Darryl was only a Martial Emperor cultivator, his internal energy was very pure because of the Pure Energy Scripture that he cultivated. It was more than enough to go up against a Heaven Ascension cultivator if he used his full might!

“Woo!”

The Sect Master and disciples on the ground were extremely nervous upon seeing the situation. Their hearts were about to pop out.

Darryl was hard to tackle. It would be a challenge for the Elder Master to defeat him!

Especially the Sect Master, she was biting her lips hard and looking at the two figures fighting in mid-air. Her gorgeous face was filled with anxiety while her heart had an extremely complicated feeling.

She was extremely conflicted at that moment as she wanted to help Jackie to win but was also unwilling to see Darryl lose.

Although the Sect Master had only interacted with Darryl for a few days, she was deeply attracted by his personality after witnessing Darryl's medical skills and calligraphy. The moment she found out about his true identity, she was a little mesmerized by him as well other than being shocked.

In truth, any woman would not be able to resist the charm of a person like Darryl, let alone the Sect Master.

In her heart, a person like Darryl was the ultimate friend and ally. How could she not be worried at that moment upon seeing Jackie and him fighting intensely in mid-air with every strike aiming to kill?

Ka-cha!

Jackie grasped hold of her Evolving Murder Machine tightly while in mid-air just when the Sect Master was secretly worried. It completely erupted as rays of shimmering cold beams shoot forth from the Evolving Murder Machine directly at Darryl.

The beams coming from the Evolving Murder Machine were sharp blades and just like the Sect Master's Sky Feather Needle, all of them were made from Purply Gold Frost Iron. They were extremely sharp—capable of easily cutting through anything.

The surrounding air was torn apart when the dozen of beams erupted.

'I see that you're not done yet!'

Darryl was shocked and furious upon seeing Jackie using her killing move. He might look like he was giving it his all, but he had been holding back for Jackie's sake and showing her mercy.

Ka-cha!

The Heavenly Halberd appeared in Darryl's hands with a crisp sound in the next second.

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An endless battling spirit rose from Darryl the moment the Heavenly Halberd appeared and caused the entire air to smell of blood.

‘The Heavenly Halberd?’

Jackie bit her lips hard while looking at the Heavenly Halberd in apprehension. However, she decided to quicken her speed and fight intensely with Darryl to shed herself from the previous humiliating incident.

Gasp!

The Sect Master and disciples were trembling upon seeing this scene. They could not help but gasp.

Such a strong murderous aura.

Could the weapon Darryl was using—the famous Heavenly Halberd?

Everyone felt shocked and was worried for Jackie.

Especially the Sect Master, her gorgeous face was filled with worry.

Although Jackie was using her full might, she might still not be a match for Darryl’s Heavenly Halberd.

Half an hour had passed in a blink of an eye. Jackie had cast many of her ultimate techniques using the Evolving Murder Machine, yet still could not subdue Darryl.

“Sister!”

Jackie panicked right at that moment and yelled at the Sect Master, “Darryl isn’t only cunning but also hard to take down! Quickly, come give me a hand!”

Jackie indeed was usually arrogant and would never ask for help under normal circumstances, but she no longer cared so to kill Darryl.

‘F*ck!’

Darryl’s expressions changed upon hearing that.

In truth, Darryl was not afraid if Jackie and the Sect Master joined forces. He was only afraid of the Sect Master’s Sky Feather Needle. The Sky Feather Needle was as small as dust and swift as lightning—no one could dodge it.

Darryl looked at the Sect Master down below closely with that thought in mind while his mind was working fast—thinking of a strategy.

“Sister!”

Right when Darryl was secretly worrying, the Sect Master bit her lips while her gorgeous face showed hesitation.

The Sect master gently said to Jackie in the next moment, “Stop fighting, I think you should just let this go.”

Her gaze was complicated when she said that as she did not look at Jackie.

At that moment, the Sect Master's heart was filled with admiration for Darryl. She did not want to fight him.

What?

Jackie shuddered upon hearing her words as she looked at the Sect Master in scrutiny and disbelief. She thought she had misheard the Sect Master.

The Sect Master was close to her, yet why was she unwilling to help?

Jackie suddenly understood something in the next second and trembled furiously. "Sister, Darryl is a jack*ss. Don't tell me you've fallen for him?"

Jackie then suddenly thought of something as her exquisite face held hints of bitter smiles. "I guess so too. Both of you have already consummated your relationship as husband and wife after all. I can understand why you're unwilling to hurt him."

Jackie was still under the impression that the Sect Master and Darryl were in a relationship with each other up until then.

"No..."

The Sect Master suddenly blushed before immediately coming to her senses and anxiously explained, "There's nothing between him and me..."

A sudden change happened in the sky before she could finish her sentence.

Swoosh!

Darryl turned and quickly flew into the distance while Jackie was talking with the Sect Master.

Darryl did not forget to turn around and tease Jackie while flying, “Elder Master, I still have things to do, so I can’t play with you anymore. I’ll see you around.”

Darryl was already more than a hundred meters away by then.

Swoosh!

Jackie trembled upon seeing that as rage filled her eyes.

“How dare you run!”

Jackie yelled in the next second, “I’ve said it already, don’t think about leaving here alive today.” Jackie then quickly chased after Darryl.

At that moment, Jackie had lost all her sensibilities as Darryl had humiliated her multiple times in public. How embarrassing would that be if she were to let him run away right under her nose?

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“Sister, no!”

The Sect Master trembled upon seeing the situation and immediately tried to stop them, but she was too late. Jackie was chasing after Darryl and had already vanished from her line of sight.

“Quick! Chase after them.” The Sect Master was so anxious that she stomped her feet before yelling and instructed the surrounding disciples.

“Yes, Master!” The surrounding disciples finally came to their senses before engaging their figures and chasing after Jackie and Darryl.

Meanwhile, Darryl had flown for a few minutes. However, he noticed Jackie was getting closer and would soon catch up with him!

Although Jackie’s internal energy was no match for Darryl’s, she was still a Heaven Ascension cultivator after all. Her speed was fast.

However, Darryl was not nervous at all at that moment. On the contrary, he felt a little helpless.

Jackie was way too stubborn to the extent it was a pain in the ass.

“Woo!”

Darryl noticed there was a bare hillside in front of him while muttering to himself. He then took a deep breath, landed gently on the ground, and stopped.

Outside the woods at that moment, Jackie had also stopped in her tracks and looked coldly at Darryl. “You’ve finally stopped running?” Her cold tone was filled with deep hatred and rage.

“Sigh!”

Darryl gently sighed before smiling and looking at Jackie. “Why should I run when a beautiful lady is chasing after me?”

Darryl’s expressions had hints of teasing as he continued, “Jackie, you refuse to let me go. Could it be that you have your eyes on me and want to take me back to the Sun Set Sect to be your man? If that’s the case, you just have to tell it to me straight. There’s no need for all this.”

Darryl’s face was full of smiles when he said that.

Swoosh!

Jackie’s face flushed red upon hearing that and chided, “What an inappropriate talker! Letting people such as you alive will only bring more troubles in the future! I must kill you no matter what today!”

‘That b*stard Darryl. Matters have already reached this stage, yet he still dares to smile and tease me. It won’t be a pity even if he died a million times over!’

“Kill me?”

Darryl snickered, shook his head, and said, “I’ll advise you to give up. Although you may be a Heaven Ascension cultivator, you’re no match for me. Just go back!”

“Pfft!”

Jackie could not help but rebuke upon seeing Darryl’s confidence, “Darryl, don’t be arrogant. Don’t think I really can’t kill you!”

Buzz!

At that moment, Jackie slowly lifted her hands and a strong rumble of aura reverberated the heavens and earth.

“Holy Ruin Divine Method.”

Jackie opened her red lips as four words slowly came out of her mouth.

The air in front of her had torn apart in the next instant! A huge black vortex appeared in her surroundings. The vortex was an illusion made from internal energy.

The Holly Ruin Divine Method was Jackie’s final ultimate technique. She would not use it unless completely forced to as it used up too much internal energy. She would need up to a month to recuperate after executing the method once. However, Jackie did not care about this anymore on that day to kill Darryl!

Buzz! Buzz! Buzz!

Hundreds of black vortexes appeared in the blink of an eye! The initially bright sky instantly turned dark as the black vortexes formed a terrifying tornado and instantly flew toward Darryl!

“Die, Darryl!” Jackie coldly yelled out.

“Woo! Woo!”

The huge black tornado swept through the heavens and earth with an extremely fast speed and was about to wholly swallow Darryl in a blink of an eye.

Darryl was extremely stunned and thought that Jackie had gone mad.

He knew that every Heaven Ascension cultivator had a final ultimate technique, but he had not expected Jackie would release her final technique just to kill him. In addition, the technique was extremely terrifying!

In truth, Darryl started sweating profusely in a blink of an eye!

“Ascension of the Nine Dragons!”

Darryl did not hesitate as he roared and unleashed his internal energy right at the very last minute.

Instantly, a terrifying aura was emitted from Darryl before nine golden dragons appeared and faced the huge black tornado.

The Ascension of the Nine Dragons was the first technique Darryl learned as a cultivator. He had completely mastered the technique after more than 10 years had passed.

Bang!

The nine golden dragons clashed against the black tornado. A terrifying rumble of aura erupted and clouded a 1,000-kilometer radius in distance—darkening the skies as though it was the apocalypse.

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Darryl was seen standing there with not a strand of hair out of place after the ordeal. The Ascension of the Nine Dragons had managed to block Jackie's ultimate technique.

'What?'

Jackie trembled upon seeing that and was utterly shocked.

She had unleashed her strongest ultimate technique, yet it did not manage to kill Darryl off?

Rumble! Rumble!

Just when Jackie was in extreme shock the bottom of the hillside suddenly started to rumble before falling through and creating a several hundred meters wide huge pit.

Clearly, the bottom of the bare hillside was hollow and the terrifying aura unleashed by Darryl and Jackie's ultimate techniques had caused a landslide.

"Woola!"

Everything happened so suddenly. Darryl and Jackie's expressions changed as they could barely react in time before falling into the pit.

"Woo! Woo!"

The wind was passing by Darryl's ears as he kept falling. Darryl was secretly shocked.

He noticed the deep pit was hot inside. It turns out it was a huge underground molten cave with a slow-flowing lava river of lava.

No wonder the hill was barren without a single tree in sight. It was because there was lava below it.

However, Darryl became relaxed as it was not entirely covered in the lava river as there were still many areas on which he could land on.

Thud!

Darryl's feet touched the ground more than 10 seconds later. Although he was mentally prepared, he still stumbled back a dozen steps out of habit.

Darryl quickly scanned his surroundings after stabilizing himself and noticed that the underground molten cave was extremely deep and curvy. He did not know where it led to.

Darryl looked above and estimated that the ground was more than 10,000 meters high. Darryl had just used his technique to block Jackie's ultimate technique and depleted much of his internal energy. It was hard for him to fly so high up at that moment.

'Today is an unlucky day. I've been harassed by the psychotic Jackie woman before falling into this crappy place.'

Darryl had White Lily Cold Flame and was not afraid of the lava. However, he was still depressed from ending up in an unfamiliar location.

Swoosh!

Right at that moment, Darryl heard movements from above and noticed a pale-faced Jackie falling down.

At that moment, he could clearly feel that Jackie was extremely feeble. It was obvious she had used up all her internal energy from casting the Holy Ruin Divine Method.

In such a state, she would either die or break her limbs from the fall.

Darryl did not hesitate with that thought in mind and quickly ran over to catch Jackie in his arms.

Although Jackie always wanted him dead, Darryl was a generous person and could not bear to see her injured.

'Woo! She smells nice.'

Darryl could not help but exclaim upon feeling her softness in his arms. He then smiled and looked at Jackie. "Jackie, I'm not taking advantage of you. It's just that it'll be such a pity if a gorgeous person like you died!"

Slap!

Jackie was blushed red upon his words. She was so furious that her eyes could almost spurt out flames and slapped Darryl without any warning.

Darryl clutched his face in depression while feeling a little annoyed at the same time.

'I've just saved you. It's one matter to not appreciate it, but how can you hit me? How unreasonable!'

"Darryl, you *sshole! I don't want you to rescue me even if I fall to my death!" Jackie coldly opened her mouth as contempt and detest filled her eyes.

Jackie then struggled to break free from Darryl's arms.

Gasp!

In the next second, she scanned her surroundings and suddenly shuddered.

'Is this an underground molten cave? There's even a lava river?'

"Jackie!"

Darryl flatly said right at that moment, "I know the reason you hate me so much. It's because I've ruined your plans at the Famed Sword Manor and even humiliated you in front of many. However, I just saved your life so our grudge should be considered settled!"

Darryl then looked at the huge molten cave and continued, "This place seems complicated not to mention is very hot! It's all in fate's hands whether we can even get out of here alive!"

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Darryl then walked forward.

As he had been in the world of cultivators for so many years, Darryl was calm in handling matters. He strongly believed there must be an exit in this long, huge, and deep molten cave in front of him.

Jackie bit her lips without responding before slowly following suit.

Darryl was not wrong. Jackie had depleted all her internal energy using her ultimate technique. At that moment, she was almost like an ordinary person. It would be hard for her to exit the cave with her current situation, so she could only follow Darryl.

The two of them—one in front of the other—followed the lava river and slowly walked forward.

The lava river's heat had made the entire cave extremely hot.

Darryl had the White Lily Cold Flame, so the heat was not affecting him.

On the other hand, Jackie's internal energy had been depleted. She could still forcefully bear through it at first. However, she gradually was unable to bear through it as her exquisite face turned extremely red, and started sweating profusely. Although Jackie was a Heaven Ascension cultivator, there was too much lava around. It felt like she was in a sea of fire. In addition, the lava was extremely hot. She would not be able to endure for long even as a Heaven Ascension cultivator.

“Hey!”

Jackie could not hide her curiosity upon seeing Darryl's condition remained normal and asked, "Darryl, how are you still fine?"

At that moment, Jackie still did not know that Darryl had the White Lily Cold Flame. She thought that he had cultivated a special method allowing him to be unafraid of fires.

"Oh..."

Darryl smiled upon seeing her curious expressions and replied, "I have the White Lily Cold Flame, hence normal fire won't be able to hurt me!"

Darryl lifted his hands before a white ball of flames appeared while as he spoke.

'What?'

Jackie shuddered upon seeing the White Lily Cold Flame in a flushed face that was filled with shock.

He had the White Lily Cold Flame? It was the best enchanted flame in the world with the power to consume other enchanted flames! Many cultivators had tried merging with the White Lily Cold flame for a thousand years, but failed and died terribly in the end.

Darryl before her was just an idiot, yet he could successfully merge with the White Lily Cold Flame? Life was unfair.

Jackie bit her lips hard with that thought in mind—feeling angry and wronged by the world's unfairness.

Haha!

Darryl was unspeakably delighted upon seeing her reaction as he purposely showed Jackie the White Lily Cold Flame to irritate her.

‘You want me dead, right? Not only will I not die, but I can still thrive in such a horrible environment. Are you angered?’

Jackie was always showing off her superiority and arrogance, plus she previously tried to kill him. Darryl had long wanted to provoke and destroy her ego.

Jackie was depressed and said nothing more.

However, she could not bear the heat and was sweating profusely.

Gasp!

Darryl looked at Jackie and his eyes almost popped out as she was way too sexy at that moment.

Jackie’s expression changed and was enraged as well as embarrassed at that moment upon feeling Darryl’s gaze on her. She then reprimanded him, “Darryl! You! Shut your lecherous eyes!”

‘Shut my lecherous eyes?’

Darryl was provoked upon hearing that and did the complete opposite—he stared at her without blinking.

“You!” Jackie’s face flushed red and was regretful. She would not have so stubbornly chased after Darryl if she knew better earlier.

Look what had happened. Not only was her internal energy depleted at that moment, but she also fell into an underground molten cave and was being taken advantage of by Darryl.

‘Haha!’

Darryl smiled and looked at her before chuckling after a while and said, “Why are you being so agitated? Do you think I’m admiring your body? I was thinking about whether to use the White Lily Cold Flame to help you block the surrounding hot air, but let’s forget about it since you’re so apprehensive of me.”

Darryl then deliberately stored his White Lily Cold Flame.

Darryl indeed thought of doing that just moments ago. However, he purposely teased her upon seeing Jackie’s arrogance.

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“You!”

Jackie was extremely infuriated!

Darryl was clearly ogling at her, yet he twisted his words and pretended otherwise. How despicable!

Jackie calmed down in the next second as she looked at Darryl, bit her lips, and said, “Is what you just said true? Can the White Lily Cold Flame help block the heat?”

Jackie’s eyes had hints of hope when she said that.

She would not have to suffer so much if it was true!

Darryl smiled. “Of course! You said so yourself that the White Lily Cold Flame can consume other enchanted flames. It’ll naturally be able to do so as these are just normal flames. You won’t have to suffer so much as long as I cast a White Lily Cold Flame shield around you.”

Jackie then immediately said, “What are you still standing there for? Quickly do it.”

“Haha!”

Darryl chuckled before looking seriously at her. “Sure, but why should I help someone who keeps wanting to kill me?”

Swoosh!

Jackie's face flushed redder upon hearing that as she lowered her head and gently said, "D-didn't you say that our grudge has been settled? Do you not plan to help someone who's in need like me?"

Jackie showed a conflicted expression when she said that.

In truth, she was extremely unwilling to ask Darryl for help, but had no choice since the air there was unbearably hot.

"Hmm..."

Darryl pretended to contemplate for a while before he smiled, nodded, and said, "Ok, I'll help you out on one condition since you have asked!"

"What is it?" Jackie did not even give it any thought before replying.

Darryl smiled and deliberately went closer to look at Jackie. "Properly beg me for it and I might help you out of pity!"

"You..."

Jackie trembled in fury and stomped her feet. "You're taking advantage of my misfortune! You want me to beg you? Dream on!"

She was embarrassed and furious when she said that!

Jackie bit her lips hard and swore at Darryl in her heart over a hundred times!

Darryl smiled and said, "Ok, we can forget about it since you're not willing!"

Darryl then shrugged his shoulders and acted nonchalantly, but looked at Jackie with ridicule in his eyes.

Jackie bit her lips in extreme fury.

That b*stard Darryl knew she could not bear it any longer, yet he purposely demanded such from her.

She was the Elder Master of the Sun Set Sect and the Illusion Sound Sect Master. How could she bow down to him?

Jackie gritted her teeth secretly with that thought in mind. She thought of using her willpower to resist the surrounding heat.

However, more than 10 seconds had passed and Jackie's entire body turned extremely red. She was showing pain on her exquisite face—she clearly could not take it any longer.

“Woo! Woo!”

Both of them were deep in the cave right at that moment. The lava river had become much wider and along with it waves of heat kept coming through which caused the heat to become much stronger.

Darryl smiled upon seeing that and opened his mouth. “Elder Master, stop trying to hold on. You'll either die of dehydration or have your body roasted if you continue behaving like this.”

Darryl then continued with a serious expression, “Furthermore, I'm only asking you to beg me not be my woman. In addition, there's

nobody here, so why are you being so stubborn? Could your dignity be more important than your life?"

Swoosh!

At that instant, Jackie's gorgeous face turned pale!

She was biting her lips hard. Darryl was right. She had no more internal energy and could barely endure the surrounding heat. There was no way she could continue enduring it to the end!

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“Darryl...” Jackie bit her lips hard at that moment and slowly walked toward Darryl before lowering her head in embarrassment.

“Darryl, I beg you...” Her voice was so soft that no one would be able to hear it unless one listened carefully.

She did not dream she would have to beg that b*stard one day!
Neither did she ever think she had to bow down to him!

“What?”

Darryl pretended he could not hear. “What did you say? I can’t hear you.”

Darryl dug his ears and lowered his head when he said that while looking at Jackie.

Jackie trembled and bit her lips so hard it was almost bleeding.

“I-I beg you, please...” Jackie bit her lips hard and softly said those words.

She had lowered her head when she said that without looking at Darryl. Her exquisite face was flushing in extreme redness. Darryl was the person she hated the most and even wanted to kill him in her sleep! However, she had to forgo her dignity and ego in front of him at that moment!

“How obedient,” said Darryl with a smile.

He was smiling and even more delighted in his heart.

‘Haha! Aren’t you arrogant? Behaving like a tyrant everywhere in the Yellow Sea Continent to the extent of forcing everyone to avoid you upon meeting you, yet the tables have turned now that you have to put your ego aside and bow down to me.’

Darryl then waved his hand and engaged the White Lily Cold Flame to cast a protective shield around him, but the shield was extremely small such that it could barely fit Darryl.

Swoosh!

Jackie shuddered and flushed red.

That b*stard Darryl! It was not enough he verbally took advantage of her. He had to deliberately make the shield so small such that their skin would come in contact the moment she walked into the shield’s radius.

However, she would die from dehydration if she did not enter the shield.

Jackie helplessly accepted the fact with that thought in mind. She bit her lips hard and entered into Darryl’s protective shield.

‘She smells nice!’

At that moment, a whiff of aroma hit Darryl and caused him to be mesmerized to the extent he could not help but sized Jackie up.

Jackie was not only gorgeous, but her figure was flawless as well. She was the embodiment of perfection.

At that moment, the two of them were so close to each other that they seemed to be in love. If there were people around at that time, they would be in shock.

The high and mighty Illusion Sound Sect Master and the Elder Master of the Sun Sect—the one who brought fear to the Yellow Sea Continent’s cultivators at the mere mention of her name—bowed down and submitted herself to Darryl?!

Jackie bit her lips so hard it almost bled upon feeling Darryl’s flirtatious gaze. She was extremely uncomfortable, yet she did not dare to simply move about.

There was a possibility that she would accidentally leave the protective shield were she to move and be burned by the heat outside.

“Darryl, I’m warning you to not even dare have any inappropriate thoughts about me. Otherwise, I’ll hunt you even if I die!”

“Inappropriate thoughts? Please don’t think so highly of yourself. Who the hell will like a woman with such a strong personality like you? On the contrary, don’t tell me you have your eyes on me?”

“You...”

The two of them bickered while moving forward.

After walking for a long time, the space in front of them soon opened up. Darryl and Jackie walked out of the underground molten cave only to be greeted with a huge man-made pit in front of them.

'F*ck!'

At that moment, Darryl looked in front and was instantly shocked in complete bafflement.

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The huge pit was at least a few hundred meters long. The lava river had converged into a pool of lava. Giant furnaces were suspended above the pool of lava, at least more than ten of them. The Frost Iron chains connected the furnaces, and the other end of the chain was firmly lodged into the sides of the pit.

Three huge words were written flamboyantly on the southern wall of the giant pit—Sword Casting Pool.

The Sword Casting Pool?

When he saw that, Darryl wondered, ‘F*ck, is this where the Famed Sword Manor forges their weapons?’

The underground lava river had led him to the place where the Famed Sword Manor forged their weapons. What a coincidence!

As he muttered to himself, Darryl noticed that there were quite many people in front of the giant furnaces; they focused on forging weapons. Those men were in uniform that had the Famed Sword Manor logo on it.

Darryl was right. The Sword Casting Pool was where the Famed Sword Manor forged their weapons. It was also a forbidden place; it was not open to the public. The Famed Sword Manor had forged most of their amazing weapons there.

The Famed Sword Manor stood outside the Sword Casting Pool, and it had incredible scenery.

The Famed Sword Manor had been passed down for generations since a few thousand years ago. Their skills in casting weapons were unparalleled. A thousand years ago, one of the Yohan ancestors found out through trial and error that forging weapons with natural lava would make the weapons tougher and sharper. So, he set up a huge casting base there.

Swoosh!

Jackie also shuddered when she saw what was in front of her. She was extremely stunned.

The next second, Jackie snapped back to her senses. She immediately put some distance between herself and Darryl. At that moment, her face was still a little red from blushing.

She grabbed Darryl's clothes and pulled them off him to put them on herself.

Her clothes were completely wet with sweat; how could she let people see her like that?

At that moment, her face was as red as an apple. She was the Sun Set Sect's high and mighty Elder Master, yet she maintained such a close distance with Darryl for so long.

As he felt her shyness and embarrassment, Darryl smiled but said nothing.

“Who are you?”

Right at that moment, some of the people who had been busy forging weapons suddenly noticed Darryl and Jackie. They exclaimed in shock.

Woola!

The next second, a dozen guards rushed forward with long sabers in their hands. They surrounded Darryl and Jackie.

At the same time, they yelled for backup.

“Intruders!”

“Quick, help!”

The entire Famed Sword Manor was in an uproar. Soon, Jacob Yohan arrived with Parker and a few elite disciples, and among them was Parker’s cousin, Lucas Draco.

“Darryl?” Jacob was stunned when he saw Darryl. At the same time, he had mixed feelings about it.

Previously, Darryl had helped them out at the most crucial moment when Jackie led the Illusion Sound Sect disciples to attack the Famed Sword Manor. At that time, Jacob was extremely grateful to him.

However, after that, Darryl got drunk and intruded on his daughter’s room in the middle of the night, which made one’s impression of him turn bad. Then, Darryl suddenly went missing. Everyone thought that he had run away because he felt guilty. They did not expect that he would appear there again.

What made Jacob even more surprised was not only was Darryl back at Famed Sword Manor, but he had appeared at the Sword Casting Pool.

The Sword Casting Pool had a complicated environment. There was underground lava everywhere. An ordinary person would not be able to bear the heat. Furthermore, the Famed Sword Manor had guarded that place tightly. So, no outsider had been able to enter there for more than a thousand years.

However, not only did Darryl manage to enter their forbidden area, but he was also not affected by the heat.

How did he do it?

At that moment, Jacob did not know that Darryl had the White Lily Cold Flame. Even though the underground molten cave was terrible and dangerous for other people, it did not affect Darryl at all.

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It was him!

Parker looked at Darryl and trembled slightly. She was speechless and in a daze.

Lucas, next to her, was also extremely shocked.

Previously, Lucas had defamed Darryl and got him drunk. Then, he had hit Darryl until he passed out before he placed him in Parker's room.

That was why all the people in Famed Sword Manor thought Darryl had gotten drunk and wanted to dishonour Parker.

Then, Lucas took the unconscious Darryl and left the Famed Sword Manor. He had wanted to take him to the Illusion Sound Sect's main altar and hand him to Jackie. That way, the Famed Sword Manor people would think that Darryl had run away from his crimes.

However, Lucas got greedy before they reached there. He wanted to see if there were any treasures on Darryl, and he had accidentally let Rocky out. Finally, he could only stand there and watch as Rocky took Darryl away.

When he returned to the Famed Sword Manor, Lucas had lied and said that Darryl had escaped.

He was sure Darryl would not return there any more. Yet, he did not expect that Darryl would come back.

Wow!

At the same time, the other people there were in an uproar.

“Darryl?”

“A few days ago, he drunkenly intruded into Miss Parker’s room. Then, he escaped. Who knew he’d be so bold to return?”

“And he brought a gorgeous woman with him too. How beautiful!”

Many of them stared at Jackie; the male disciples’ eyes almost popped out.

At that moment, even though Jackie wore Darryl’s clothes, it was hard to hide her perfect curves, especially her gorgeous face. It was as rosy and red as an apple due to the heat. She was unspeakably charming and sexy.

Even though Jackie was highly famous in cultivators circle in the Yellow Sea Continent, she rarely showed her face. Also, she had always dressed as a man. So, no one there knew who she was.

When she felt the crowd’s fascination with her, Jackie was extremely uncomfortable. She was annoyed, yet she did not do anything.

Her internal energy had been depleted; how could she teach those people a lesson?

“Darryl!”

Finally, Lucas snapped to his senses. He walked forward, pointed at Darryl, and yelled, “You’re so shameless! How dare you come back here! Why did you enter my cousin’s room the other night? What were you trying to do?”

Then, Lucas scanned the surroundings and continued to say, “Darryl, you may have helped the Famed Sword Manor previously. We were grateful, and we trusted you. Yet, who knew you would be such a despicable person—”

His voice was loud, and it rang righteously.

Lucas had decided that he did not care about Darryl’s reason for his return. Instead, he needed to stop him from telling the truth.

Darryl had been unconscious and drunk at that time; it would be hard for him to explain himself.

Swoosh!

Then, everyone looked at Darryl with rage on their face.

Miss Parker’s honor would affect the entire Famed Sword Manor’s reputation. Darryl must give them an explanation.

Parker blushed. Even though Darryl did nothing inappropriate to her that night, that matter had to do with her innocence. Every woman would be embarrassed to hear that.

Jacob looked at Darryl closely as he waited for his answer.

What?

Darryl was stunned; he felt his mind buzzing. He looked at Parker's blushing face, and he was baffled.

'I intruded into Parker's room and wanted to do inappropriate things to her? How is that possible? Also, how would I not know about that?'

At that moment, Darryl was perplexed. He only remembered that Lucas invited him for a drink, then he was unconscious. When he woke up, he was already by the Sun Set Sect's Holy Lake.

Right!

Darryl suddenly realized something. Lucas must be behind that; he must have wanted to defame him.

Darryl smiled and looked at Lucas. He said, "Lucas, I do not understand what you are saying. On the contrary, I want to ask you what happened."

Then, Darryl refreshed his memory. He continued to say, "I remember that after I got drunk after a few rounds of drinks with you. Then you hit me, and I passed out, right?"

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Swoosh!

Everyone looked at Lucas in shock.

He had hit Darryl and made him pass out?

“|—”

Lucas panicked as he felt their gazes on him. However, he snapped back to his senses and sneered at Darryl. “You sure know how to make up stories. You’re the Elysium Gate’s Sect Master and the Westrington Emperor; how could I make you pass out so easily? Don’t try to push the responsibility on me.”

Then, Lucas said, “Darryl, you’re an influential figure, yet you would not admit your mistakes. How can you call yourself a man?”

‘F*ck!’

Darryl was furious when Lucas twisted the truth. However, he did not have any evidence, so he did not know how to explain himself.

Lucas chuckled.

When he saw Darryl was silent, Lucas felt proud. He sneered at the man. “I see that you’re speechless—must be your guilty conscience.”

Woo!

Darryl took a deep breath and did not bother to talk to him. Instead, he turned to look at Jacob and said, “Manor Master Jacob, I did not know what happened that night. However, I can swear it with my reputation. Miss Parker and I are friends. I would never do such a thing to her.”

“Hmm—”

Jacob’s stern expression relaxed a little. He nodded and said, “Naturally, I believe Master Darby. I find this entire incident a little fishy. It looks like I will have to investigate it properly.”

As the Famed Sword Manor’s Manor Master, Jacob was an experienced cultivator. Even though he had only known Darryl for a short time, he knew that Darryl was not that kind of person.

“Uncle!”

Lucas got anxious. He yelled, “Darryl is not what he seems to be! He may seem like a nice person, but he is a despicable person. How can you trust his words?”

At that moment, Lucas was extremely nervous.

He had orchestrated the entire incident. How could he let Jacob investigate it?

Lucas pointed at Darryl in panic and said, “That man is lustful and bold. I wonder how many innocent women he has hurt!”

Then, Lucas turned to look at Jackie and said, “Look! This woman’s clothes are in disarray. Darryl must have captured her with his dirty tactics.”

Lucas was cunning. He knew that no one would believe Darryl without proof. So, he pulled Jackie into that.

After all, Jackie seemed haggard; it looked like she was held captive by Darryl.

Lucas did not recognize the beautiful woman as the person who could decide whether he lived or died—the Illusion Sound Sect's Sect Master. Even though Lucas was a sect member, he had only seen her dressed as a man. They did not know that she was a woman.

Wow!

At that moment, the entire crowd erupted in an uproar as many looked at Jackie.

“Yes, Master Lucas's words make sense!”

“This woman is in such a wretched state; she must be Darryl's captive!”

“Who knew that Darryl was such a person? I admired him so much previously—”

The crowd discussed amongst themselves; they were convinced that Jackie was held captive by Darryl and that he wanted to defile her.

Darryl smiled but said nothing.

Swoosh!

Jackie trembled and glared at Lucas; she was embarrassed and furious.

‘Lucas is such an idiot! How dare he say that I’m Darryl’s hostage? How can I have such a stupid sect member?’

At that moment, Jackie wanted to kill Lucas so badly, but she held herself back.

Her internal energy was completely depleted. Also, she had led the Illusion Sound Sect disciples to attack the Famed Sword Manor previously. If they knew who she was, they would not let her go so easily.

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“Darryl!”

Finally, Jacob snapped back to his senses. He looked at Darryl with a darkened expression. “Who is this woman next to you? Can you introduce her to us?”

Jacob looked at Jackie curiously.

He did not believe that Darryl was an evil person. However, the woman next to him seemed distressed, and it made Jacob suspicious.

At the same time, Parker also looked at Darryl closely. Her heart pounded; she felt conflicted.

‘Is Darryl as what Lucas says? A despicable person? If not, how can he explain the distressed woman next to him?’

“Oh, her!”

Darryl smiled and said, “She is my wife, and we’ve accidentally stumbled into this underground molten cave. Unfortunately, the environment is too hot; that is why she looks like that.”

Then, Darryl turned his head and looked at Jackie. He smiled and said, “Honey, come and say hello.”

Darryl’s expression was relaxed when he said that.

He had not wanted to spew nonsense like that. However, he understood that Jackie and the Famed Sword Manor had an ongoing

feud. If he were to tell them her real identity, then she would be finished.

Even though Jackie had previously done many cruel things, Darryl believed that she was not a bad person. So, he was not willing to see her in danger.

Swoosh!

Jackie shuddered as she blushed. She glared at Darryl; she was embarrassed and furious at the same time.

‘Darryl, that b*stard!’ He could not settle his own problems, so he dragged her into it to use her as a shield. How dare he claim that she was his woman!

How despicable!

Wife?

At that moment, everyone was stunned.

Why did it not look like that? The woman was glaring at Darryl with rage and hatred in her eyes. They looked like enemies. How could she be his wife?

“Darryl!”

Lucas sneered and mocked Darryl. “Stop pretending. It’s so clear that she is forced into this. How can she be your wife?”

Many nodded in agreement.

'F*ck!'

Darryl frowned and secretly swore.

'Lucas is nuts! I have no grudges with him, yet he keeps on defaming me.'

As he thought about that, Darryl smiled and tugged on Jackie's hand. "Honey, I'm sorry I did not help you block the heat just now. Please don't be angry. You see, they don't even believe that you are my wife. Quick, call me husband."

Then, Darryl went closer to Jackie and said softly, "Jackie, I'm doing this to protect you. Think about it. If I'm stuck here, you can't leave as well. Plus, the Famed Sword Manor has a grudge to settle with you. If they learn your identity, do you think they will let you go so easily?"

Darryl's expression looked solemn.

He did not want to waste any more time with those people. He only wanted to clear off the misunderstanding and leave to meet up with Zhu Bajie.

Woo!

Jackie was initially embarrassed and furious. However, she gradually calmed down.

Darryl was right. If he were stuck there, she would not be able to leave as well.

However, how could she call him her husband?

Jackie was embarrassed and furious. She was starting to regret it as well. If she had known earlier, she would not have chased after Darryl so stubbornly. She had already put down her ego when she pleaded with him at the molten cave, and she still had to call him her husband.

Finally, after a few seconds of conflicted emotions, Jackie opened her red lips and said gently, "Hubby."

Then, she blushed; she was extremely embarrassed.

Jackie was very unwilling to call Darryl husband, but she had no choice. It was not a good idea for them to stay there for long. They would be at a disadvantage the longer they dragged the matter.

Darryl chuckled.

Then he smiled and nodded at her. He was extremely delighted.

He never expected that when a cold and arrogant woman like Jackie called him hubby, it would be so melodious to his ears.

Darryl looked at Lucas and said, "Do you still doubt me now?"