

My Dreamy Old Husband Chapter 1256

Everyone looked at each other before averting their gazes to Joel. Simultaneously, a politically incorrect thought formed in their minds.

Saving him had actually hurt him!

Perhaps it would have been best for him to die 30 years ago.

Elizabeth gave up her life to meet him again on the other side. Yet, he hid himself in a place secretly, causing her to come away empty handed.

However, that wasn't his fault. It was their bitter fate.

Under everyone's complicated gaze, Joel's hair stood on end.

He was desperate too, but he couldn't possibly shoot Theo so that he could reunite with Elizabeth on the other side, could he?

Since he was still alive, it would be a murder!

Besides, the current surgical technology had saved him. Therefore, he was a living being!

Not only didn't Joel have the guts to be a murderer, but the entire Fletcher Family didn't dare to bear the responsibility either. Therefore, Joel had placed his last hope on that hospital.

Since Theo had only less than one third possibility of surviving, Joel wouldn't be held accountable if heaven took Theo's life.

Yet, heaven didn't take his life.

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It was snowing outside again but Theo didn't feel like moving.

Suddenly, he stood up and stared at the fluttering snow from the sky while mumbling to himself, "After I woke up, they told me that I've been asleep for many years. I thought that they meant only a few years..."

He even thought that Elizabeth was still waiting for him.

Unexpectedly, it had been 30 years and Elizabeth was long gone.

He lifted his head and looked up at the sky, a layer of snow on his eyelashes. After being in a coma for over 30 years, he still looked the same. In fact, he looked even younger, but his eyes showed that he had experienced the vicissitudes of life.

Extending his hand, he caught a snowflake, which then melted in his palm. He exhaled and there was no expression on his face, but his eyes were dim and desolate.

He continued mumbling, "I wonder what she did when she couldn't find me in that world."

Behind him, Michael couldn't even speak a word while tears gushed out of his eyes.

He hated Theo and wished that he could strangle him to death, which might help him end his torture of being in living hell so that he could accompany Elizabeth.

But he was his father!

Michael knew very well that he had to follow Theo's footsteps sooner or later.

The toxin had penetrated into his bones and was slowly corroding his organs. With the current medical technology, he could only inject medicines to detoxify it and slowly nurse his body to slow down the spread of the toxin. Yet, his body was hanging on a thread which could be broken anytime.

Justin and Linus had urged him several times to undergo cryopreservation as soon as possible because his body was still functioning and it might recover earlier and faster. If his body was cryopreserved later on after it was completely destroyed, they might need to wait for a long time, at least until the medical technology had advanced to a stage where he could be treated. Before that, he could only wait in his deep sleep.

How long would they have to wait?

It was uncertain. Perhaps a month. Perhaps a decade.

Or he might be the same as Theo. When he woke up, Sophia might have already grown old, or she might even have passed away in loneliness while spending her whole life waiting for him to wake up.

He could imagine how she would hold onto the slim hope and bitterly waited for him to wake up, only for her to grow old and die before her dream came true.

The mere thought of it made him feel like he was an unforgivable sinner.

Because of Theo's sudden resurrection, the entire Fletcher Family sank into a weird atmosphere.

Although Theo survived, he seemed more like a walking dead. His soul had probably already left with Elizabeth a long time ago.

At night, everyone gathered to eat but none of them seemed to have an appetite.

After dinner, Old Master Fletcher went to sleep early.

Cooper and Linus were laden with anxiety so they didn't eat much. They turned to look at Michael who didn't eat much during dinner either, and he was staring blankly at the television while sitting on the sofa in the living room.

Judging from the current situation, he would sooner or later be in the same situation as his father. Sadly, this pair of father and son had the same fate.

Why must they go through the same tragedy as the previous generation?

Sophia and Anna lost their memories whereas Michael had to be cryopreserved just like his father.

It was all Quinton's fault!

Theo should be blamed too!

If he hadn't borne a child with Tanya in the past and killed her entire family, she wouldn't have hated him and cultivated Quinton into a killer to get rid of Theo's descendants. In

addition, Quinton wouldn't have poisoned Michael and he wouldn't have to suffer like this either!

At the same time, Linus felt that he should be blamed too. After all, he was the one who provided the equipment and fund for Quinton to study the poison back then.

Cooper felt that he had also contributed to this tragedy. If he had come back earlier, he could have protected Sophia and she wouldn't have had to suffer so much.

After giving it some thought, he felt that Daniel was at fault too since he was the one who sold Sophia to Michael in the past. But in the end, he felt that he was still the main culprit because he couldn't even protect his child.

Everyone in the room had their own thoughts but Sophia and Michael weren't the least bit affected.

Noticing that Theo wasn't eating, Carmen brought her bowl over and fed him food that she didn't want anymore. "Here, grandpa. This is my favorite food, corn gruel. I love you the most, grandpa, so I'll give it all to you. You have to eat it all!"

With a poker face, Theo ate a bit of it even though it was tasteless to him.

"Daddy, hehehe... Daddy..." Celine giggled while holding Theo's arm and swinging it.

"Daddy, look. This is a phone and this is a tablet. They're extremely easy to use. Come, let me teach you how to use it." Sophia tried to help Theo in adapting to modern society.

To her, being alive was the best thing that could happen and there was nothing that couldn't be overcome.

It was better to be alive than dead!

Even ants strived to survive. Since heaven didn't take his life, he should live happily.

Theo took the tablet and inspected it. He still had no idea how all these gadgets worked.

Meanwhile, Carmen warmly invited Theo to watch the reality show, 'Stylish Grandpa', with her. It was about how fashionable grandfathers babysat adorable toddlers.

After the show, she stared at Theo, who looked even more handsome and younger than her father, and asked expectantly, "Grandpa, what do you think?"

Theo was lost for words.

Unfortunately, he didn't have any comments.

Holding Carmen in his arms, he looked at her affectionately. At the same time, he felt disconsolate.

He was probably feeling the same as Cooper when he found that he had a daughter and a granddaughter.

Even until now, he was still tensed up since he was injured in the frontline. He kept feeling like the enemy would seize an opportunity to launch a counterattack any time. Unexpectedly, the world had changed after he woke up from a sleep.

When he left Elizabeth and went southwest, Michael and his sister were only three or four. But after he woke up, both of them were already in their forties, which was even older than him.

Carmen felt more like his daughter so he couldn't resist hugging her.

To his disappointment, Cooper took Carmen from him a few minutes later. "Enough. You can't have her all to yourself."

From the beginning, Cooper disliked Theo, especially when Sophia called him 'dad' just now. He thought that she was calling him but when he lifted his head, he realized that she was actually calling Theo. That made him drown in jealousy.

He felt that many people were trying to steal his sweetheart from him.

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Staring at his empty arms, Theo seemed desolated. Upon seeing that, Justin immediately carried his daughter to Theo and placed her in his arms. "Come, you may hug her. They're the same."

Theo looked up at Justin and recognized that he was Celine's husband. He had also met Nathan in the past.

Now, his son and daughter had grown up and had their own families.

Sadly, Elizabeth couldn't see that.

Elizabeth, are you seeing this?

Elizabeth, it's all my fault...

Michael stayed at Fletcher Residence until late night before going home.

It had been two extremely heavy-hearted days.

At night, he went back to his room after washing himself up, only to find Carmen occupying his space. She had washed up too and was rolling on the bed.

Looking at his sweetheart, Michael felt that his heart was immersed in honey. Yet, he pretended to be stern while lecturing her, "You're a grown baby now so you can't sleep with mom and dad anymore."

Carmen sat up and requested to be held. "Daddy, hug me!"

A smile bloomed on Michael's face while he got onto the bed and hugged her, but when he tried to kiss her cheek, she immediately pointed to her left cheek and said, "Grandpa kissed me here just now."

Then, she pointed to her right cheek. "Daddy, kiss me here instead. Mommy kissed me here just now too."

At the side, Sophia burst out laughing.

Michael pinched her chubby face and kissed her without minding which side of her face it was.

After a kiss, Carmen was elated. She then lay in between her father and mother, snuggling up to Sophia.

“Goodnight, Daddy. I love you!”

Michael lay beside her as well. Looking at his wife and daughter, he felt that he could overcome everything in this world. Their safety and happiness were all he cared about.

It was a hectic day and Sophia felt sleepy in no time. Burying her head in the pillow, she soon dozed off.

Knowing that Carmen had fallen asleep too, Michael turned off all the lights except the night light. Under the dim light, he could barely see the outline of his wife and daughter’s face.

It was late at night and everything was quiet. However, Michael couldn’t sleep.

It seemed like he had made a decision.

Theo had come back secretly like an invisible man and he was protected by the Fletcher Family. Not many people knew that he now existed in this world.

Waking up 30 years later, Theo found that time had brought drastic changes to the world.

“Dad, here’s your ID card, passport and phone. Here, keep it. I’ll pop them in your bag.”

On the way to the airport, Sophia enthusiastically put Theo’s ID card and several other things into his bag. On the ID card, his name was still Theo Fletcher, but his birthdate had changed.

Theo still hadn’t gotten used to this society and he didn’t even dare to sleep soundly at night.

During his era, Cethos had only been lifted out of poverty. It didn’t have any economic support and the citizens were still very poor. When there was a natural disaster, the entire Fletcher Family had to survive on corn. Besides, the national border would be invaded by foreign enemies at that time so as a soldier, he often had to carry out tasks to protect the country at the border. Therefore, he didn’t have the luxury to sleep soundly at night.

But when he woke up, the country had become stronger and even had nuclear weapons. With that, he finally could sleep soundly at night and that overjoyed him. Yet, he felt empty at the same time as if this world didn't need him anymore.

In order to stop Theo from overthinking, Old Master Fletcher arranged several trips for him to visit a munitions factory for the past two days. As expected, he was ecstatic because it was something that he liked.

On the plane, Carmen would talk to him relentlessly and occasionally, he would talk to Nathan, so he was rather busy.

The plane was heading to Africa because they were planning to visit Quinton.

When they arrived at Michel Town, the first thing Sophia did was pay a visit to Albert. He was recovering well but he couldn't leave since he still had to undergo an organ transplant surgery.

Derek had been staying beside him to accompany him. Upon meeting Sophia and Carmen, Albert asked curiously, "Aunt Sophia, why didn't my dad come to visit me?"

Sophia didn't know how to answer him because the truth was his sister had strangled his father to death while his mother had passed away shortly after that too.

"Well, they're busy working!" She could only make up an excuse.

Fortunately, her reply didn't seem to upset Albert much. There were many people and children here. Although all of them had different shades of skin, he couldn't recognize them. Yet, he tried his best to befriend them.

"Let's go see the lions!" Carmen suggested excitedly. Sophia then brought Albert out for a stroll. He was rather pitiful because he could only sit in the wheelchair now and still had a long way to go on his road to recovery.

On the other hand, Theo finally met his other son.

That man, who resembled him, looked even older than him. He had a crew cut but his eyes seemed graceful. In addition, his features seemed gentler and more charming.

Meanwhile, Quinton was in the laboratory room, working with the experts without resting. They were painstakingly researching for a medicine that could save Michael.

“Ever since he came here, he has been spending all his time in the laboratory including eating and sleeping. He has never left the lab and only has three or four hours of sleep every day,” at the side, Linus said.

Quinton had been researching day and night just so that Michael could recover as soon as possible and regain his health.

Theo looked expressionless and no one knew what he thought about his son.

He didn't expect that so many things would happen while he slept for 30 years.

Not only did he have a son borne by Tanya, that son even became a killer and hurt his other son and daughter.

Theo had always been heartless toward Tanya. When he was captured by Tanya and brought to the drug lord's lair, he could have escaped but he chose to stay and secretly gathered information so that he could collaborate with his partners who were outside. In the end, they destroyed the drug lord's lair, which had been standing for a hundred years, in one shot.

The only thing that surprised him was Tanya's survival.

After looking at Quinton from afar, Theo walked away.

“Dad, don't you want to visit him?” Michael asked.

Theo replied, “There's no point in doing that.”

Indeed, their meeting wouldn't mean anything now.

After visiting Quinton, Michael brought Theo to walk around the place. Michel's military business was also at this place and Theo would definitely love it.

While they were walking on Michel Town's city wall, Theo suddenly asked Michael solemnly, “Michael, are you really going to cryopreserve yourself?”

Michael didn't reply to him.

Actually, the answer was obvious—he didn't want to be cryopreserved.

Instead of going into a cryogenic sleep to wait for an antidote, he'd rather spend his time with his loved ones.

With his current condition, he could live for ten more years as long as he didn't fall critically ill or was severely injured. Once the internal harmony of his body was disrupted, he would definitely die.

Theo wasn't waiting for his answer either because as soon as he asked that, he smiled to himself before turning back to look at his son, who was older than him. He asked again in a solemn tone, "If I could go back in time, do you know what is the first thing that I would do?"

Michael had been immersed in his own thoughts so he was slightly confused and asked, "What would you do?"

Theo smiled bitterly.

"I would break up with your mother."

Break up?

Michael had thought about that countless times as well. To him, Elizabeth should've broken up with Theo a long time ago because that man couldn't give her anything, not even a marriage certificate.

Without him, she would have lived a better life. Undoubtedly, he had been a burden to her for her whole life!

Suddenly, sadness overtook Michael's face so he turned away and put his hand on the city wall. He then bowed his head and refused to talk.

Was Theo hinting to him that he was a burden to Sophia now?

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If they failed to come up with a solution to treat Michael, he would only have two options—either be cryopreserved or wait for his death.

He once thought of staying beside Sophia in the last few years of his life but wouldn't that be too cruel to Sophia?

She would have to send him off and watch as her beloved one slowly died from an incurable illness. If she had to go through that, she would live in the deepest abyss for the rest of her life.

Or should he ask her to wait?

For ten years, or a hundred years? Her precious life and her youth should bloom like a stunning flower but she would only wither in the endless waiting.

Regardless of what he chose, it would be too cruel to her.

But if her loving husband suddenly had an affair just like how Richard did in the past, who suddenly abandoned her for another woman, she would stay strong and overcome it.

She knew that a jerk wasn't worth her sadness.

She would grow stronger and get a grip of herself. Not only would she work harder and earn more money, but she would also take good care of Carmen and find a man who was better than her father to marry him.

On the other hand, Michael would only need to disappear from her world and she would gradually forget him. By that time, he would just be an insignificant ex-boyfriend.

Then, he could die off slowly while she continued to live happily. Even better, another perfect man would love her on his behalf.

Michael bowed his head while tears trickled down his face. He felt desperate and helpless.

Looking at him, Theo understood his sadness and despair but there was nothing he could do.

“Son, it’s your life, so you have to make your own decision.”

After saying that, Theo walked away without looking back.

He didn’t go back to Cethos and Claude came to fetch him. After all, the African Peacekeeping Force was where he felt like he was home.

Cooper knew about their brief conversation and he had long been wanting to tell Michael the same thing too. He had felt that it would be too heartless for him to say that. Fortunately, Theo took the responsibility to tell him and it served as a reminder to Michael.

Actually, everyone knew the best solution was to separate them as soon as possible.

It would be the best situation for everyone if they broke up, or more precisely, it would be the best for Sophia.

As for Michael, he could wait for his death somewhere else.

Although that was too heartless and cruel, Cooper didn’t want Sophia to live the rest of her life in sorrow. Though, Michael was a perfect match for her.

Yet, it was still better to suffer now rather than prolong the agony.

Sophia still wasn’t aware of what had happened and was bringing Carmen and Albert to see the lion that she was rearing in the park here in Africa.

Initially, she planned to stay in Africa for a few days but unexpectedly, Alice called her.

The Michel Family’s Elders Council was on the way here to force Cooper to marry Tiffany.

On top of that, they wanted to bring Carmen back to their hometown so that she could return to the family and change her surname.

Cooper wasn’t willing to deal with the Elders Council at the moment. He had gone through the list of spies that Anna gave him and was busy planning how to eliminate the spies.

Undeniably, Jordan was great in keeping secrets. Even he and Linus didn't suspect that some of the people on the list were spies. It seemed like Jordan had been monitoring Michel Group for a long time.

Unfortunately, Cooper wouldn't allow things to go as he planned.

Everyone only stayed here for two days before leaving hastily. Theo didn't go back with them and Quinton didn't find out about Theo either.

Through Theo's resurrection, everyone realized the possibility and significance of cryopreserving. Undeniably, it had great potential, but it was a gamble since one had to freeze his life at one moment and resume it many years later. There were too many uncertainties in between.

Before this, cryopreserving was a secret among the wealthy people. Until now, only Theo and Albert had received the benefits. Sophia felt that it was a huge business opportunity so she took over the project before Linus could and started to plan to commercialize cryopreservation.

For the next few years, this would be a huge project in Michel Medical Technology Group anyway. Sophia didn't see any problem in taking the initiative to be the person in charge of this project and she planned to set up headquarters in Africa. That would be the start of her intervening in the management of Michel Group.

Of course, that would only happen in a few years' time. Now, she had to focus on developing her company and organizing the fashion week was the utmost important task.

Only if she grew her business would she earn the right to speak.

After Michael found out that Sophia was planning to step into the cryopreserving business, he was speechless.

What an irony!

Some regretted being alive in this world after they were resurrected from being cryopreserved whereas some went on a wild good chase for this technique.

If this technique was commercialized, he could foresee that the wealthy people would scramble to make appointments. After all, these people had everything in their lives, including wealth, prestige, status and power, so they feared death the most.

In this world, there were too many injustices which left everyone helpless, but death was probably the fairest treatment that heaven bestowed upon humans. Everyone was equal in front of death, but these people would try to become immortals!

What a bunch of shrewd yet corrupted capitalists, Michael mocked inwardly. Since Sophia was enthusiastic about this business idea, he didn't dare to say this to her and could only grumble softly.

He felt that it must be Cooper's fault that Sophia and him were ill-fated.

In the past, he was prestigious in Africa and lived like an uncrowned king. He operated the second largest munitions corporation in the world, mining Africa's coals while trafficking his weapons in huge amounts by taking advantage of Africa's demand for arms due to their wars. He made his money through conflict and didn't care about how many people were killed in the process.

Now, karma was biting him in his a*s!

It was all his fault.

Of course, he only dared to grumble to himself.

On the flight back to the country, Carmen pestered Michael by asking, "Daddy, why didn't grandpa come home with us?"

Michael kissed her chubby face and replied, "He'll be on vacation in Africa for some time."

Discreetly, Carmen asked again, "Daddy, they say that grandpa is a bad guy who killed many people. Is grandpa really a bad guy?"

Fortunately, Cooper wasn't here so he didn't hear that.

Without answering her question, Michael asked her back, "What do you think, Carmen?"

Carmen smiled sweetly and replied, "Grandpa is definitely a good guy. He's the kindest man in the whole world."

"Alright, darling. You should go to sleep now. I'll hold you while you sleep and when you wake up, we'll have arrived home."

Michael took a blanket to cover Carmen, whom he held in his arms. She was still angry about not being able to travel around Africa for a few more days so even in her sleep, she pouted her lips. Seeing that, Michael gently poked his finger on her face.

What an adorable princess!

But once he recalled that he would have to leave her sooner or later, his heart hurt like it was being stabbed a thousand times.

After they returned to Bayside City, they rested shortly at home before continuing to work.

Once Sophia got home, she didn't even delay a second to continue working on the fashion week. After the fashion week ended, Edwards Group would take off by riding on the coattails of Ronney Group. Of course, success would depend on her ability.

Cooper earned men's money by trading arms while she earned women's money by selling luxury items. When her career stabilized, she would commercialize cryopreservation and earn money from the old and ill but wealthy people.

Money could be earned everywhere and she couldn't stop earning it!

After the new year, Sophia indulged herself in money-making and she became extremely busy. On the other hand, Michael made preparations for his new work, feeling positive.

Unexpectedly, when everyone was busy working, the Michel Family and Adams Group teamed up and paid them a visit.

It seemed like Tiffany was determined to carry on with Cooper this time.

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They almost caught me in Africa, but I didn't expect them to come to Cethos.

"Oh my goodness, my head hurts."

Early in the morning, Sophia, who just finished her breakfast and had a facial mask on, walked around the house with a cat in her arms. When she glanced at the surveillance monitors and saw the group of cars at the entrance, she felt goosebumps all over her body.

The Michel family and people from Adams Group were here.

Cooper calmly put on his shoes and as he headed out, he said, "Tell them I'm not home." After he finished speaking, he went to the basement of Villa No. 2, which was Linus's house, and stayed there.

Sophia was speechless. Cooper had slipped away really quickly because he had nothing to say to those people. Then, Linus said, "Don't worry, just leave them standing at the gates. After not seeing anyone for a while, they'll leave."

At that moment, Michael also came downstairs with a facial mask on. He glanced at the surveillance monitors and saw that there were several cars parked outside. I don't think avoiding them all the time is a good idea. Why don't we invite them in and have a proper discussion? Besides, the matter between the Winston family and Betsy must come to an end. Do they really think that they have solved it? We have been busy with New Year's celebrations for the past few days but since they have come here personally today, we should solve everything all in one go.

"Let them in and notify Ethan."

Maria made the call and not long after, Sarah rushed into the house angrily with a knife in her hand. "That cow is here??"

Harry glanced at the surveillance and saw that cars from the Michel family and the Adams family were parked in the open-air parking lot of the residential area. The security guards

had only allowed a few people to enter. However, he didn't see Tiffany and Betsy. There are three people from the Adams family, two tall and sturdy bodyguards and a... child?

Soon, the visitors arrived at the house. Sophia had already changed her clothes and was downstairs. She sat together with Michael, and on the opposite side of the sofa were members from the Michel family. The four elders were pretty old and Sophia didn't know any of them, so she named them Elder A, Elder B, Elder C, and Elder D. Meanwhile, there were three people from the Adams family. The two adults were standing while the child sat on the chair.

Sophia glanced at the child several times. He was a foreign teenager with enchanting emerald eyes who was around Nathan's age. He was wearing a professional black suit that didn't match his age, and he had on a cold expression.

Cooper and Linus slipped away so Sophia was the only one left behind to deal with them.

"Why is this man in your house?" Elder A from the Michel family asked as he looked at Michael with a serious expression.

Without any hesitation, Sophia quickly made up a lie. "Oh, after we got divorced, we couldn't agree on dividing this property so we are staying together for the time being. After all, this is one of the best properties in Bayside City. Both of us can't give it up."

Hearing this, Michael tried to hold back his laugh.

Elder B asked, "Where's Gianna?"

Sophia replied, "She's out playing."

Michael did not respond and pretended to read the newspaper. Then, Elder A made some introductions. "This is Bailey, the CEO of Adams Group."

Sophia saw that Elder A was looking at the teenager who was sitting on the sofa when he was making the introduction.

Wait, what?! Sophia and Michael glanced at each other and didn't dare to speak. That child... is the CEO?!

Unexpectedly, the teenager suddenly spoke in fluent Cethosian with a Bayside City slang. "Hi, I'm Bailey. Nice to meet you."

His assistant handed over his name card and sure enough, it wrote 'CEO of Adams Group, Bailey Adams'.

Michael looked at the photo on the namecard, then glanced at the teenager in front of him. The CEO is really... Bailey?

In Cethos, the director and the CEO were often the same person. However, in other countries, the CEO and the director were sometimes two different people. The director of Adams Group was Tiffany but the CEO was her uncle, Bailey. According to the reports, he had only been the CEO for four years, but he was already a big shot.

Tiffany is already over forty this year. Her uncle should be at least sixty years old...

While Michael was in doubt, Bailey already coldly handed out a report. "Regarding the marriage, here is a survey report I prepared based on the current situation of Michel Group and Adams Group. I have also clarified my views on the marriage and benefits of the marriage for both families. Please take a look."

Sophia took over the report and read through it. To her surprise, it turned out to be a serious market research report that expounded the benefits of the marriage for two families. It was well written and really persuasive.

"Adams Group and Michel Group have been working together for a long time. If your father agrees to marry my useless niece, it will be extremely beneficial for both families," Bailey said.

Sophia looked at the report and the more she read, the more goosebumps she felt on her body.

Indeed, Bailey did do his research as his analysis is very thorough. Adams Group works with the military and they also own their own mercenary so they will need a lot of ammunition. Moreover, they have strong connections so they can be the middleman to help Michel Group sell their products. However, Cooper doesn't want to have too much contact with Tiffany, so the business cooperation has not been initiated. In terms of feelings, even though Tiffany has gotten married and divorced several times over the years, she never forgot about Cooper and has always been proactively getting close to him, hoping that he would change

his mind. Furthermore, in the past twenty years, whenever there was a trade problem between Adams Group and Michel Group, Tiffany always took the initiative to avoid it and never crossed the line.

The more Sophia looked at it, the more persuaded she was.

Tiffany would be the most suitable woman for Cooper if it weren't for Anna, but now, Anna has returned and she seems to be slowly getting her memories back...

After Sophia finished reading the report, she put it down and said, "I'm sorry. Even though your report is great, my father has someone he likes."

Bailey didn't reply to her. Instead, he pulled out another report. Sophia took it and after reading it, she felt her hair stand on end. It was a report filled with Anna's dark history.

Sophia had always known that Anna must have spent a lot of effort to secure her position in the Yard Group in a short time. Furthermore, she knew that Anna must have done some things that crossed the line but she didn't expect that she would be so low...

After looking through a few pages, she couldn't stand it anymore. This woman is terrible. I don't know whether letting her get close to Cooper is a blessing or a curse. Perhaps the reason that she is getting close to Cooper right now is so that Cooper will help her go against Jordan. After everything is settled, she might even leave Cooper straight away.

With a cold expression, Bailey said, "I'm sure you have already made a decision on whether or not Anna is suitable for your father. Please take my name card and feel free to contact me any time." After he finished speaking, he got up expressionlessly and left. He didn't say any nonsense and there was a deep maturity and calmness in his emerald eyes.

After Bailey left, Sophia fell into deep thought. Seeing this, Elder A, B, C, and D hurriedly surrounded her.

"When is Gianna going to change her last name?"

"We cannot tolerate Gianna's acting career. If you continue to let her show her face in public, we will consider directly depriving you from custody."

Sophia didn't reply to their questions. Instead, she said, "Well, I know you have come a long way. Please sit and drink some tea. I have a project to share with you. Shae, bring me the documents."

After a while, Sophia started to share about the cryogenic sleep project with the elders. This group of elders were really old men and ladies. When they heard that there was really someone who came back to life after being in cryogenic sleep for thirty years, they quickly leaned close and listened intently.

Michael, who seemed to be pretty invisible at that moment, took a sip of his coffee and whispered, "She looks like a liar who goes to the countryside to sell health care products to the elderly."

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When Cooper heard that they had let the group of visitors into the house and one of the visitors was Bailey, he was afraid that Sophia couldn't handle him so he rushed back home to see what was going on. Unexpectedly, everyone had already left.

The Adams family left themselves while the visitors from the Michel family were tricked to leave by Sophia. She had given each of them a free trial to experience cryogenic sleep and a bag of eggs.

Sure enough, old people were the same. After they received the eggs and the free trial, they left happily. They were no different from the old man and old ladies from the countryside who were keen on health care products. The only difference was that Sophia's health care product was more advanced.

I managed to fool them again but I wonder if everything will go this smoothly the next time? I can't believe that the group of elders want to interfere with Carmen's acting career! Why are they so nosy?!

In fact, Sophia also opposed letting Carmen act in movies and reality shows.

Look at Bailey! He's a teenager but he is already a CEO! Linus also started to carry big responsibilities when he was really young. Nathan has also started working in Stanley's company. Carmen should learn from them and start a company early in the future! However, she likes acting and nothing I say can persuade her. I'll let her decide after she grows into an adult!

Sarah was hiding in the kitchen at first, waiting for the moment for Betsy to appear so that she could rush out and attack her by surprise. Unexpectedly, Betsy didn't come. Instead, a teenager had shown up, so she went back home with her kitchen knife upsettingly.

As for Michael, he was reading the brochure of the cryogenic sleep project that Sophia printed.

I didn't expect her to print out these brochures so soon. Looks like she is determined to do this cryogenic sleep business.

In the residential area, after Bailey and the others left the house, he was on the phone as he walked toward the car. He walked at a fast pace, as if he was in a hurry.

This 14-year-old teenage entrepreneur had already gained fame and was way ahead of his peers. He had a dazzling appearance, an incomparable mind, high IQ and experience that was incomparable to his peers.

At 1.7 meters tall, he looked short compared to his two tall and sturdy bodyguards. However, his domineering aura was inferior to no one.

Adams Group was fully prepared to enter Cethos, so they asked Tiffany and Betsy to come and explore the market. Unexpectedly, Betsy had offended the Winston family, the king of the underworld, which made Bailey really annoyed.

"Tiffany, send Betsy my way. I'm going to use her to negotiate with the Winston family. Don't try to reason with me, and I don't want to repeat myself."

With that, Bailey hung up the phone and his face was filled with irritation. However, unexpectedly, as soon as he hung up the phone, he suddenly heard a cry.

He stopped walking, turned his head around, and saw a little girl crying by the roadside. There was a little snowman in front of her and it had toppled over. Its head and body were separated and the body of the snowman in a floral dress was rolling away.

Bailey lowered his head and glanced at his leather shoes. He was really focused when he was talking on the phone a moment ago and seemed to have kicked something.

To his surprise, it was the snowman. Half of the snowman's head was still under his feet.

Bailey already saw her building a snowman when he entered the residential area so he knew that his kick had ruined the little girl's half-day's work.

He ignored it and walked a few steps forward, but the little girl's crying was like a poor kitten meowing and it irritated him. Feeling impatient, he continued walking but he soon turned back and saw the little girl crying very sadly. Tears were rolling down her face and her fair face was filled with grievance. She was even holding half of the snowman's head in her hands.

"Okay, stop crying. I ruined your snowman so I'll fix it for you, okay?"

Bailey squatted down and said to the little girl. He was not good with children so he tried his best to soften his tone. He even carried her up and wiped her tears with a tissue.

However, unexpectedly, the little girl didn't appreciate it at all. Sobbing, she replied, "No!"

Bailey tried hard to be patient. "Well, what do you want?"

The little girl replied, "Money!"

Hearing this, Bailey asked his bodyguard to take out his wallet and opened it. There was a stack of Cethosian dollars that he had just exchanged. "How much do you want?"

The little girl took a few glances at the insides of his wallet. Her big round eyes were still teary and her face was still filled with grievance when she replied, "I want money that looks pretty!"

Bailey was stunned. Then, he chuckled and the tense expression that he wore for a long time suddenly relaxed. He took out a stack of money and said, "Here, choose yourself."

The little girl took his money and picked them out one by one. Her chubby hands were really skillful as she picked out the crisp banknotes and stuffed them into her pocket. She didn't take the ones that looked old.

Bailey watched her pick the banknotes in interest. The corners of his lips curled upward and his emerald eyes looked at her softly.

The little girl counted the money very quickly. Not long after, she pulled out around twenty banknotes and happily put them in her pocket. However, she continued to pout even after taking the money and she still looked aggrieved.

Bailey put the wallet away and asked, "Is that enough?"

The little girl replied, "No!"

Feeling helpless, he asked, "What else do you want?"

Those who could live in The Imperial were definitely not ordinary. Betsy had just offended the Winston family, and Bailey didn't want to offend the little girl's family.

The little girl thought about it for a moment before she shamelessly said, "I'll let you go if you let me kiss you!"

The two bodyguards behind Bailey were startled.

She already cheated him out of his money, and now she wants to steal a kiss?!

Bailey was taken aback. He never thought that this little girl would make such a rude request and didn't respond for a long time. The little girl stared at him and she was about to break into tears again.

Bailey had no choice. He couldn't be angry at the little child so he squatted down, pointed at his cheek and said, "Only one kiss."

The little girl leaned forward and gave him a big, loud kiss on the cheek. After she was done, she said, "Okay, you can leave now."

Bailey was stunned for a moment before he got up, turned around, and left without another word, as if he was afraid that she might suddenly change her mind.

He could feel a tingling sensation on the spot that the little girl had kissed, and it seemed to have a sweet smell too. In the cold winter, he felt his face burn all of a sudden.

Bailey blankly wiped away the saliva and snot on his cheek with a tissue. When he arrived at the community gates, he turned around subconsciously and saw that the little girl was gone.

She probably went home.

He looked at the fallen snowman and thought about the soft kiss just now, and his mind wandered for a moment.

"Young master, it's time to leave," Bailey's bodyguard said.

"Okay," Bailey replied.

With that, they drove away...

"Where did you get the money?!"

After Sophia sent the people from the Michel family away, Nathan and Carmen returned from outside. She saw the huge stack of money in Carmen's pocket, a total of more than twenty banknotes, so she hurriedly asked her where she got it from.

Carmen replied, "I found it outside!"

Sophia was doubtful so she asked Nathan. Nathan replied, "She really did find them outside!"

He was building a snowman with Carmen just now but he had gone to the bathroom for a moment. However, when he returned, the snowman had fallen and Carmen had an extra stack of money in her pockets. She told him that she had found them on the ground.

Even though Sophia was puzzled, she didn't ask anymore questions. She told Carmen that she shouldn't take what wasn't hers and let go of the matter.

Cooper went to Anna's house again, but he realized that she already left. She only stayed a few days when she came back this time.

He had been looking for opportunities to deal with Jordan and the force backing him, but he found out that the man was much scarier than he imagined. Cooper felt unprecedented excitement and was ready to take on this challenge.

I wonder if my darling Anna will return to me after we finish dealing with Jordan?