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The manager scoffed. "Unfair? Of course it is, but what can we do about it? And this isn't the first time. Mister Harry has done something like this. He's really someone we can't afford to cross so we have no choice but to ask you to kindly leave."

"Severin, are you crazy? Do you want to get beaten up? Let's go. This isn't really the time to act tough," said Audrey hurriedly.

"Yeah, Severin. Get up. We really can't afford to cross the mayor's son," added Chelsea.

Severin simply smiled. "Don't worry, everyone. Tonight's my treat so I'm not going to budge. Just sit back down and enjoy the food. I, alone, will bear the consequences if there's any problem."

Audrey frowned and pulled Rico to the side. "Is he drunk? 'Cause I can't think of any other reason why he'll talk like that. This is the mayor's son we're dealing with after all," she whispered.

"Yeah, he's probably drunk or at least tipsy. But this works out well for me. I've been thinking of how to get rid of him since meeting him. This way I wouldn't have to get my own hands dirty, right?" he whispered

back to her ear.

"Hey, you're right. Smart of you to think of this idea!" Audrey gave him a thumbs-up.

The two of them walked back to their seats and sat down..

"Sit back down, everyone. And stay calm," Audrey said with a smile.

"Severin is the host tonight so how can we leave if he doesn't?" said Rico, also with a smile.

"Yeah. Severin did say he'll bear the consequences if Mister Harry isn't happy with us. And I trust that he'll be able to do it," added Audrey.

"They're right!" said the others. Following Rico's lead, they all sat back down.

"Do you all have a death wish?" asked the manager with a frown. He thought Rico and the others would clear the place the second he brought out Harry's name so he did not expect them to be foolish enough to stay.

Chelsea was starting to panic. She thought Severin was drunk talking so she went up to pull him. "Let's son we're talking about. We really can't afford to cross him." go, Severin. This is the mayor

She really did not want Severin to die because she had the sudden idea to treat him to dinner. However, Severin was adamant to stay. "Sit back down. There's really nothing to be afraid of. I'm the host tonight so that Mister Harry can find me if he's not happy with anything!"

At that moment, a man's voice could be heard from the corridor, asking, "Mister Bruce, have all the people gone?"

Harry was walking over to the manager with a bunch of people behind him.

Bruce Bayer smiled awkwardly. "Mister Harry, the people in this room aren't willing to leave. I've tried everything but they just wouldn't."

Harry's face darkened. He and his men strode into the room. Seeing Rico there, he naturally thought he was the one buying dinner that night so he smirked and said, "Rico, Rico. You've got some nerves in you to defy my orders like this."

Scared, Rico immediately stood up and said, "Mister Harry, I'm not the one buying dinner tonight. He is. Severin said he's not going to leave until he's done eating so how can we leave first?"

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"Severin?" Harry's face immediately darkened after he glanced at Severin.

"Mister Harry, Severin is Chelsea's boyfriend. He specially invited us out for dinner today," added Audrey.

"Haha. You've got some guts," Harry said to Severin. "But for Chelsea's sake I'll give you another chance. You have one minute to get out of this place or else I'm going to ask my men to beat you up. My dad will be bringing an important guest to this restaurant later so you must leave this restaurant no matter what."

Severin simply scoffed. "You should've booked the restaurant earlier if you wanted to have the whole place to yourself. I mean, don't you think it's very rude to chase us away when we're in the middle of eating?"

Harry's face darkened. "So what if I'm rude? There's nothing you can do about it. Listen, this ain't a negotiation so you'll do as I say."

Chelsea was shaking with fear. She had no idea how Severin could stay so calm. "Severin, I think we should just go..."

Severin stood up and smirked. "Don't worry. Given his attitude, no one can save him now. Not even the important guest who is coming later."

"Kill him!" ordered Harry immediately.

Two elderly men walked in and they started attacking Severin from left and right. After a few rounds, the two level six warrior king fighters were thrown to the ground, spewing blood everywhere.

"What?!"

The rest of Harry's bodyguards' jaws dropped in shock when they saw Harry's trump card being thrown around as if they were nothing but ragged dolls. No one dared to fight Severin after that.

"This is impossible. He..."

Rico and the rest of the gang were gobsmacked too. It never crossed their minds that Severin could so easily beat the two elders tasked with protecting Harry.

Harry backed away in fear but he was not going to leave without saying something. "D*mn you, punk! How dare you beat up my men? You'll come to regret this when our honored guest of the night comes!"

After that, he and his men backed out of the room. The mayor, a few elders, and a middle-aged man walked up to the second floor.

"Why are there no people here?" the middle-aged man asked with a frown when he saw no one in sight. "That's because we booked the entire restaurant in advance for you, Mister Stuart. So that you can't eat in peace," explained the mayor.

Stuart smiled. "Oh, there's no need to do that. The more, the merrier, I always say."

However, a few steps later, Hamish's face darkened when he saw his son standing at the door along with his men and the two injured elders.

"What happened?"

Harry immediately walked over and said weepily, "Dad, there's an idiot inside that room. I asked him to leave but he wouldn't. Not only that, he beat up our elders too!"

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Hamish gritted his teeth. "Who dares to beat up my men? Does he have a death wish?"

Stuart frowned. "Mister Hamish, what's going on? Didn't you say you booked the entire restaurant in advance? So why are there still people here? And did your son just say he had to ask them to leave?"

Hamish started to panic when he realized his lie had been exposed. 'Ooh, it's all those idiots who wouldn't leave the room's fault!'

He smiled awkwardly. "I'm sure you'll agree with me, Mister Stuart, that no matter what, it's just wrong to beat up other people, right?"

"You're right. Let's go in and see who it is!" said Stuart with a frown. He then walked into the room.

Knowing that he had Great Elder and Second Elder along with the help of Stuart, Hamish became cocky.

"Boy, you've got some nerves in you. Do you know who we have with us today? You've really chosen the wrong day to mess with our war chief, the great Stuart Napier!" he said as soon as he walked into the room.

At that moment, Stuart was staring at Severin with a dumbfounded expression on his face. Never did he imagine he would bump into his master here. He could still remember the good times he had at Severin's wedding.

Seeing Stuart's arrival, Chelsea and the rest of the gang became so frightened that they could not even utter a single word. However, that did not stop both Audrey and Rico from mentally jumping with joy, thinking, 'That cocky b*stard is definitely not going to get out of here alive.'

"Oh hey, it's you Stuart. I was wondering what all this pomp and fuss was about," said Severin when he saw who the important person was.

“Why you punk! How dare you address Mister Stuart so flippantly!” said Hamish without even knowing the full situation.

However, before Severin could say anything, Stuart gave Hamish a backhanded slap.

“Mister Stuart, I...” Hamish looked at Stuart in disbelief. He could not help but think Stuart might have just gone mad. If not, why would he have hit the wrong person?

Rico and the rest of the gang were shocked too. They had no idea what was happening. Things were definitely not turning out as they expected.

“Do you know who he is? He’s...” Stuart wanted to tell Hamish Severin was actually his master but he stopped himself, fearing doing so would upset Severin. Thus, he decided to change his words at the last minute, “He’s actually the south county governor of Skystream Province!”

“What?! He’s actually the south county governor?” gasped Harry. That meant Severin was a person he could not afford to cross too. After all, there were only 36 counties in the entire Dracodom so being a governor in one of them put Severin in a very high rank

Hamish, too, was so scared he broke out in cold sweat. “I’m so sorry, Sir. I didn’t know you were the south county governor. It’s our fault for not recognizing you,” he said while wiping his sweat away.

Severin smiled. “Since you’re Stuart’s friend, I don’t mind letting you off the hook just this once. But don’t do this next time. It’s rude to kick out the other diners just because you didn’t manage to book the restaurant earlier. You’ll definitely receive your comeuppance one day if you don’t stop doing this.”

“Yes, you’re right. I’ve definitely learned my lesson now,” said Hamish as he wiped away his sweat.

Mister Severin just took office not that long ago. So you’ll do well to remember him.”

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“And I hate it when people lie to me. How can you tell me you’ve booked the restaurant in advance when nothing of that sort happened? I hope the same thing won’t happen twice,” said Stuart while glaring at him. “No, it won’t. I’m sorry. And to make up for it, I’ll pay for everyone’s dinner here,” said Hamish while wiping his sweat away. He never expected he would bump into a high-ranking official here.

The elders and bodyguards behind him all dropped their heads in fear. ‘No wonder Mister Severin didn’t panic when he found out we worked for the mayor,’ they thought.

“Umm, Mister Severin, it must be fate that brought us together. So is it okay if we join you for dinner?” asked Stuart respectfully.

Severin looked at him for a while before nodding. “You’re more than welcome to. That is, if you don’t mind. we’ve eaten most of the food already.”

“Haha. How can we mind? Eating with you would be an honor for us,” replied Stuart flatteringly.

“Cook up a few more dishes and set up the table for us,” Hamish instructed Bruce.

“Yes, Mister Hamish. I’ll get on it right away,” said Bruce. He then sighed with relief and thought, ‘All’s well that ends well.’

Very soon, everyone started drinking happily.

After a while, Stuart asked curiously, “Mister Severin, why did you come to Wymount City so suddenly? Did something happen?”

“I came here to look into Canis Hall.”

“Canis Hall?” repeated Hamish with a frown.

Severin turned to him and asked, “Yeah. Have you heard of it before?”

Hamish smiled wryly and shook his head. “No, Mister Severin. But don’t worry. I can get my men to look into it. May I know where you’re staying now? I’m asking so that I could pass you a message as soon as we find out anything about Canis Hall.”

Rico raised his eyebrow and smiled. “Mister Hamish, Mister Severin is actually Chelsea’s boyfriend too. So of course he’s staying at her house.”

“Oh!” he cried with a smile as the realization dawned on him.

Stuart was stunned too but then he smiled mysteriously at Severin. ‘Well, I shouldn’t be surprised that he got himself a new girl. He’s one good-looking and capable man after all.’

Severin’s lips started twitching. He never expected things to bump into an old friend. ‘How did me pretending to be Chelsea’s boyfriend so that that stupid Rico will back off ended up with him announcing to the whole world that I’m her boyfriend?’

Chelsea was beyond embarrassed too. She felt like she was in a dream even though she never dreamed that her ‘boyfriend’ was actually the south county governor.

She could not help but mentally berate herself when she recalled how she tried to give Severin 750,000 dollars as a reward for saving her at the airport. “Why, that money is probably chump change to him!” she thought.

Rico was actually feeling happy to make an acquaintance of such a high-ranking official but his happiness was dashed when Audrey whispered to him, “Mister Rico, we’re done for. Remember how we made fun of

Mister Severin for being poor and all that? Well, do you think he’ll hold a grudge against us?”

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Audrey’s question was like a bucket of cold water over Rico’s head. ‘She’s right. Both our families will be doomed if Mister Severin decides to take revenge for what we did to him just now,’ he thought in shock. At that moment, he had never felt regret like he did just then.

“Mis... Mister Severin, I would like to make a toast to you...” He poured some wine into Severin’s glass before pouring himself some. “We were fools to have not recognized greatness before us and...”

Severin glanced at him and smiled. Raising his glass, he said, "Didn't you say Chelsea's friends are my friends too? Well, it's only natural for a friend to buy another friend dinner, right?"

He then swirled his wine glass before flippantly saying, "Besides, y'all are not important enough to make me angry. You wouldn't still be sitting here if I'm angry 'cause you know why? Y'all will be dead then."

Rico mentally sweated before sighing inwardly. He downed his wine in one go. "You're right, Mister Severin. Absolutely right. I'll ask my men to look into Canis Hall for you too and let you know at the soonest when we have news about them. And if you need any help in the future, you can just come to me. I'll do whatever I can to help you, Mister Severin."

After a while, they left the restaurant after they were done eating. As for who paid the bill... why, that would be Hamish of course.

Severin and Chelsea bid everyone farewell before walking home.

"Sorry, Mister Severin. I didn't know you're the south county governor. If I had known, I wouldn't ask you to pretend to be my boyfriend. I hope you'll forgive me for that," said Chelsea awkwardly.

Severin smiled. "Don't worry. I dreamt of becoming an actor when I was little so I should thank you for giving me an opportunity to test out my acting skill."

"Phew. I'm just glad you're not angry," said Chelsea. "But do you know how scared I was just now when you wouldn't leave the restaurant and not to mention when you beat up Harry's men? What am I going to do if Mister Stuart and the others beat you up? So imagine my surprise when I find out you're actually the south county governor."

After a pause, she added, "Did you see the look on Rico and the others' faces when they found out you're the south county governor?"

Severin smiled at her. "Look who's talking. Didn't you have the same expression as them just now?"

Chelsea blushed with embarrassment and said nothing.

"Ahem! Those guys are probably here for me," said Severin quietly.

Chelsea looked to where he was talking about and sure enough, there were four people sprinting toward them. She was surprised but not worried because she had witnessed just how strong Severin was. Thus, she rightfully concluded Severin would be able to protect her. "They're definitely no match for him!"

"Meaning to say, they're the same people from the airport this morning?" she asked eventually.

Severin nodded. "Yeah, most probably."

Soon enough, the four people blocked their path.

"Miss Chelsea, brave of you to come out at night with only one bodyguard," said one of them with an evil grin.

“So what if I only have one bodyguard with me right now? He’s ten times stronger than all four of you combined!” Chelsea retorted flippantly is that so? Well, I can’t wait to find out if that’s true! The man immediately rushed toward Severin.

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Severin clenched his fist and threw a punch. The opponent, however, was still standing firmly. Meanwhile, Severin was catapulted several meters back.

“What just happened?” Chelsea was confused. She wondered if her eyes were deceiving her.

Severin did not use his full strength. Chelsea had no idea what Severin was thinking.

“You’ve got us this time!” Severin stood up and looked at the person. His eyes darted a couple of times, and he turned around to flee.

“Severin?” Chelsea was stunned. She did not know what Severin’s plan was.

“I thought you said your bodyguard was strong, Miss Chelsea? Why didn’t I budge when he punched me? Heck, he even ran faster than a roadrunner! Haha!” The man smiled smugly after seeing Severin run away.

“This can’t be possible.” Chelsea had a dazed expression. She pinched her thigh and realized that she was not dreaming. Severin got up and ran off. She could never imagine why someone with as high attainment as Severin would have used so little strength. Worse still, he even left her and ran off.

“Haha, why not?” The man laughed and said, “Plenty of bodyguards are like him. They give up right from the outset because they know that they’re no match for me. Isn’t it normal for them to want to save themselves and live another day?”

“Let’s go, Miss Chelsea!” The other guy stepped forward.

“Guess I’ll have to deal with you myself!” Chelsea still did not give up. She wanted to resist despite having low attainment. Once the surge of spiritual energy appeared on her clenched fist, she charged right toward the man. However, her attainment was simply too weak to go up against him.

The man dodged Chelsea’s attack swiftly and rapidly. He then struck Chelsea’s nape and rendered her unconscious. The two of them then carried Chelsea off while the other two drove the car over. They tied her up, threw her in, and drove right into the distance.

“She’s a pretty chick. It would’ve been nice to get a chance to enjoy her body.” One of the guys gulped as he looked at Chelsea lying unconsciously beside him.

Another person reminded, “Our second-in-command took a liking to her, so you should control yourself from having those thoughts unless you want to end up dead.”

“Hehe, he’s amazing, isn’t he? He insists on getting the woman he likes at all costs, even if she’s from a rich family.” The man remarked with a chuckle. He was evidently a little envious of their second-in-command.

“He’s very smart too. He told us to wear suits so no one will suspect that we’re from a gang. Any bystanders would just assume that some rich family sent us. No one will suspect a thing!” The man driving the car smiled wickedly.

Little did they know that Severin was standing on the top of a tall building while looking at their car. After determining the direction in which the car was heading, he jumped from building to building to chase after it.

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The car soon arrived at a relatively remote and dilapidated building outside the city.

“You’ll eventually get the chance to help yourself to her, Donny. After our second-in-command gets bored of her, he’ll let you enjoy her too. Knowing him, he’ll kill her after he gets tired of her. There won’t be any evidence left behind if she’s dead.”

The driver smiled wickedly at the baldie after parking the car.

After hearing this, the baldie grinned. “I’ll ask him then. Hopefully, he’ll give me that chance.”

He then placed a finger just above Chelsea’s upper lip and exerted a bit of force. Chelsea regained consciousness right after.

“Let go of me, you goons! I’m Chelsea Maddock! My parents will come after all of you if you don’t let me go!” Chelsea yelled in fear as she was carried upstairs by two of the men.

However, Donny smiled coldly. “Do you think your parents will ever find out about this? After our second-in-command uses you tonight, he’ll drag you to the woods outside the city and feed you to the wolves. By the time your parents find out that you haven’t returned, you would’ve turned a carcass already.”

Another guy said, “Do you know who you’re dealing with? I guess there’s no harm in telling you. You’re up against the Mount Blade Gang! Do you think your family has any power to go up against us? Hehe, your parents won’t be able to save you even if they know your situation right now! You’re going to die anyway, so there’s no risk for us to tell you who we are!”

They dragged Chelsea upstairs and arrived at the third floor. A bunch of overweight men were eating and drinking while waiting for Chelsea to be brought here. The four men who captured Chelsea had informed them of their success when they were on the way back to the gang’s base. As soon as they showed up with her, the Mount Blade Gang’s second-in-command immediately became a little excited. However, they were unaware that Severin had already arrived downstairs.

“Let go of me! My boyfriend is the South County Governor! Are you sure you want to offend me?” Chelsea struggled continuously, and she came up with that statement on the spot after an idea popped into her mind.

“Hehe! Boyfriend? South County’s governor? Think you can fool us?” The Mount Blade Gang’s second-in-command laughed. He looked at Chelsea playfully and then nodded. “Perfect. Absolutely perfect! Long legs are my thing. Haha!”

Chelsea immediately reiterated, "My boyfriend is the South County's governor! We had dinner with War God Horace and Mayor Hamish! If you don't believe me, you can send one of your men to ask about it." Chelsea felt that it was her last chance at survival. As long as the gang sent someone to confirm her statements, they would have to let her go out of fear of offending the wrong people.

Unfortunately, no one believed her. Instead, the person sneered. "You think I'd believe your crap? It's useless for you to try and delay the inevitable." The gang's second-in-command immediately walked toward Chelsea and signaled the other four people to get out of the way.

The next second, a black shadow whooshed in from below and stood not too far away from them. "Who's there?" The second-in-command immediately frowned and looked in Severin's direction. "Severin?! You son-of-a-b*tch! Why did you flee earlier?" Chelsea was initially overjoyed, but she immediately got angry again after thinking about how quickly he fled. As soon as she ended her sentence, realized that she had just called the South County's governor a 'son-of-a-b*tch'. It would be dire if he

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Chelsea looked at Severin pleadingly, with her voice becoming slightly gentler than before. "Save me, Severin! Please!"

Severin thought to himself, 'Damn, she changes her tune faster than a chameleon changes its colors.' He still folded his arms and said to Chelsea, "Don't worry. They're all going to be dead now that I'm here." "Didn't you make a run for it earlier? How dare you sneak up on us right now?" Donny clenched his fist when he saw that the intruder was Severin. "You're just going to get yourself killed."

Severin smiled and said, "If I hadn't made a run for it, I would never have known the true identity of those who wanted to kidnap Miss Chelsea. Now I do. It's the Mount Blade Gang's second-in-command."

"Knowing that information isn't going to do you any good. Do you think you'll be able to go against me?" the gang's second-in-command did not think too highly of Severin.

However, Severin did not bother to make small talk. He dashed forward to deliver several quick blows to the four men from before. All of them were beheaded in an instant.

"What!" the gang's second-in-command began to panic. The four men he tasked to capture Chelsea all had decent attainments. All were warrior kings, with two of them being level one and the other two being on level two. Not even a level three warrior king would be able to kill all four so quickly. In other words, Severin was at least a level four warrior king, though there was a chance that he might be even higher.

"Guess I underestimated you!" The gang's second-in-command clenched his fist and released a surge of spiritual energy. It gushed out visibly and wrapped his fists together.

"You're a level six warrior king! That's a rather high attainment!" Severin could not help but exclaim when he saw that.

The man immediately had a smug look when he heard that. He even said with a smirk, "Haha, are you scared now? It's no use even if you are. You're as good as dead."

“Are you sure about that?” Severin laughed. He wanted to toy around with man for a while longer, so he released his spiritual energy shield.

“A spiritual energy shield? But how?! Are you a level n-n-n-nine warrior k-k-king?” he asked tremblingly when he saw the spiritual energy shield. It was something only a level nine warrior king could cast.

He had never met a level nine warrior king before because there were very few people with that sort of attainment. Dracodom was huge, but there were incredibly few level nine warrior kings. He never expected to meet one in person.

Chelsea, on the other hand, gasped in surprise. Her body stiffened, and she was also shocked. “Hehe, do you still think you can be a match for me?” Severin chuckled and stepped forward.

The gang’s second-in-command was so frightened that he took two steps back. Cold sweat appeared on his forehead.

After weighing his options, he knelt on the ground. “I know that what I did was wrong! I won’t ever do something like this again in the future. Please just let me go!”

“Hehe, you’ve done this more than once. What makes you think I’ll spare you?” Severin chuckled. A ray of light flew forth as he waved his hand, and a blade made of spiritual energy ended the man’s life within seconds.

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After Severin killed them, he picked up their spatial rings and transferred the more valuable items-such as spiritual herbs or spirit stones-into his spatial ring.

Once that was done, he went up to the still-shocked Chelsea and smiled at her. “I had to do that to find out who was behind all this. You don’t blame me for what happened, do you?”

Chelsea was at a loss for words. She eventually had a blank look as she said, “I have no issues with your plan, but the least you should do is tell me in advance! I wasn’t mentally prepared at all for what was going to happen! You have no idea how scared I was!”

Severin shrugged. “Well, what if you screwed up after I told you in advance? It’d look much more realistic if I didn’t tell you anything!”

Chelsea was speechless for a moment. Though she understood the logic behind it, she still found it a little hard to accept.

In the end, all she could do was say to Severin. “Anyway, thanks for helping out. At least we were able to locate the perpetrator. I’ll probably be safe now.”

A thought then occurred to her as she frowned and said, “Right now, I’m just a little worried that the Mount Blade Gang will bring their men over and cause us some trouble.”

Severin frowned. “They wouldn’t dare to do that after all those horrible things their second-in-command did. Besides, do you think their first-in-command would dare to take it up with me after I killed his right-hand man? He’ll probably be worried that he won’t be able to go up against me. After all, his strength is likely to be only slightly stronger than his right-hand man.”

Chelsea nodded after thinking about Severin's words, "You're right. Those who we were today are dead, and the rest of the gang probably wouldn't be able to trace their deaths to my family. Besides, they probably believe that my family isn't strong enough to kill their second-in-command."

"God dang it! I just realized I forgot something!" Severin smacked his forehead and remarked regretfully.

Chelsea was taken aback by Severin's sudden reaction and hurriedly asked, "What happened? You scared me there!"

"These people are part of a gang." Severin began, "so they're probably one of the underground forces who ought to know about some of the other factions within Wymount City. I should've asked them if they knew anything about Canis Hall."

He then smiled wryly and said, "Well, it's getting late. We should head back soon!"

After returning to the Maddocks' villa, Severin went upstairs and slept in his room. When Chelsea went back, she went to look for her father instead of going back.

"Why are you back so late, Chelsea?" Richard asked with a smile. "How was it? Did you enjoy your time with Severin?"

Chelsea had a faint grin as she went to pour a glass of juice. She sat down opposite Richard and said, "I did. Very much."

"Ahem." Richard cleared his throat. "I'm starting to realize that Severin has high attainment in addition to being a handsome young man. I might not know why he's searching for Canis Hall, but I think it'd be great. If you could go out with him more. You're getting older, you know."

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Richard tried to hint at Chelsea. She could not help but smile wryly when she heard that. "He's amazing, but I'm not good enough for him at all. Do you know his true identity? Are you aware of who he truly is?" Richard frowned and immediately asked, "What about his identity? Do you know something that I don't?" Chelsea nodded and said, "Dad, he's South County's governor. I just only found out when I went to dinner with him earlier. You won't believe what happened tonight..."

Chelsea took quite a while to explain everything that happened that night to Richard.

Richard was shell-shocked to hear that. "Whoa! You met a war god? And the war god even treated him with respect? I never expected that at all!" He then shook his head in disbelief before continuing, "I didn't expect him to kill the Mount Blade Gang's second-in-command too! And it's even more surprising that his attainment is that of a level nine warrior king! If those words hadn't come out of your mouth, I would've either thought that I was dreaming, or that the person telling me all this was just bragging."

Chelsea smiled bitterly and said, "You could say that again! Everything that happened tonight was like a fever dream to me! I was terrified when he made a run for it without telling me, but as it turns out, he was deliberately allowing my kidnapers to take me so he can locate the person behind all this."

Her adorable yet angry expression made Richard laugh. "I do think he made the right decision though. That way, he'll know who it was that tried to kidnap you. He was also right to keep his plan a secret from you. If he tells you, then you would've let things slip by accident."

“He probably only dared to do this because he knows that they won’t kill me immediately.” Chelsea stretched her waist. A sudden thought occurred to her, and she took out a pill while saying to her father, Look, Dad. He gave this pill to me. It’s a first-grade high-rank pill. I can now use it to improve my attainment by about two or three grades, right?”

“You’re right. It really is a first-grade high-rank pill! It’s an elite-quality pill too.” Richard was getting excited too when he looked at it.

He then frowned in deep thought. After a while, Richard took a guess and asked, “Do you think he might be interested in you, Chelsea? He’s a person of high status, and he’s married too, so I bet he’s seen a lot of beautiful women in the course of his life. But you’re just as beautiful as any other woman too!”

“What are you going on about, Dad? He can’t have liked me.” Chelsea’s cheeks turned red and she was obviously a little shy.

Richard then added, “I think you stand a good chance. He didn’t say no when you asked him to pretend to be your boyfriend tonight, right? Maybe he felt happy? And besides, if he doesn’t like you, why would he give you such an expensive pill?”

Chelsea was speechless for a moment. She could not possibly say that Severin saw her naked by accident and gave her that pill as an apology. She was also unable to tell her father that she forced Severin to act as her boyfriend so everything will be even in the end.

“Don’t read too much into it, Dad. He’s an alchemist. We might think that this pill is precious, but he could have just refined it on a whim.” Chelsea remarked before excusing herself quickly.