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“Grandpa, what’s wrong? Why are you so angry?”

Cheryl asked as she grabbed James’s arms. Her grandfather had always been amiable from her childhood to adulthood. He had never argued with anyone. It was for the first time that she saw him going red in the face and arguing with someone like this, he even wanted to start a fight.

James’s narrow escape last time had made her experience quite the shock already.

He must not get angry at such an old age, lest any harm would befall him.

James’s forehead started sweating from rage. Just as he was about to say something after seeing his granddaughter, he suddenly noticed Alex was also next to her. His expression immediately eased, he said with an extremely affectionate smile, “Alex, you’re here too! This is really great, what an honor!”

Upon hearing this, Phoebe was shocked, she couldn’t believe this at all.

A while ago, Cheryl had told her that her grandfather held Alex in high esteem.

However, Phoebe refused to believe this one bit. She just figured that her best friend was really considerate. In order to highlight her boyfriend's status, she even used her grandfather. However, Cheryl might have told the truth after looking at the current situation.

However, how could this be?

As a doctor herself, she knew that doctors were very particular about qualifications and experience. Perhaps, Alex looked younger than her. How could the medical skills of such a young man be better than James Coney.

It did not make sense at all. She just labelled him as a fraud when he used seven minutes to heal her ankle that day.

At this moment, the other old man, who argued with James earlier, saw him actually ditched him and went to greet a young man with such respect, he immediately cackled disdainfully and said, "Old James, I think you really are evolving backwards! Even a young brat could make you act humbly, where's your old pride gone? It'd only bring shame to Ganoderma for an old thing like you to occupy it. It's better for you to hand it over."

Both Alex and Cheryl froze.

Alex asked James, "Old man, who is this old fart? He actually opened his mouth and demanded Ganoderma?"

Before James could open his mouth, that old man said cockily, “Who are you calling old fart, you brat? Did your parents not teach you to be polite to your elders? I’m Darven Mikail, also known as the legendary doctor. You can call me Legendary Doctor Mikail.”

Alex took two glances at him and shook his head. He didn’t say anything but let out a sigh.

Enraged, Darven said, “What’s with that expression, you brat?”

Alex felt a little inexplicable annoyance.

He only promised Cheryl to join the medical exchange today. To his surprise, after dealing with the Mikail spouses, another annoying old man jumped out of nowhere.

What day was today?

Alex asked, “What’s your relation to that Matthew Mikail?”

Darven huffed coldly. “Matthew Mikail is my nephew. Looks like you already know who my nephew is. He’s the owner of this hotel... Old James, I didn’t lie to you, right? If you don’t want your reputation ruined, then hand over Ganoderma right now! Otherwise, I won’t let you proceed with this medical exchange of yours.”

At that moment, many people, who had already noticed the argument at the entrance, walked over and watched by forming a crowd. There were many famous old traditional doctors who were well acquainted with James among them.

An old lady came up to ask about the situation.

Only then did James explain the reason. It turned out Darven was actually a fellow disciple of James under the same academy. The sign of Ganoderma derived from the legacy of their master.

Ever since Darven's graduation, he went to Hong Kong for development. He was never heard of since then. He did not even come back to see anyone from the academy. He didn't come back when his master passed away too.

Now, he actually wanted to snatch away the sign of Ganoderma.

Moreover, he even threatened that he would let his nephew, Matthew chase them out of Global Traders Hotel if James refused to hand it over.

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The old lady was furious. She pointed towards Darven and said, "Can you be any more shameless, you old geezer? Do you not know how to respect your masters? Even if

he's your teacher for only a day, you should regard him like your father for the rest of your life. Your master taught and helped you to finish your apprenticeship, yet you have forgotten about him. You didn't even come back to attend your master's funeral after his death. You ungrateful rascal, you even want to take your master's sign. Where does your confidence come from? Where did you get the balls to do this?"

Darven only huffed at the old lady, despite her questioning. "It's none of your business, ain't it? Old hag, stop butting your nose in this. Careful, or you might die on the spot!"

"What did you say?" The old lady was so furious that she was about to explode on the spot.

She was a famous traditional doctor. She was a person of virtue and prestige at normal times. When did she ever get insulted like this? She panted heavily, not being able to say a word.

Darven chuckled as he said, "See? I was right, huh? You don't have many days left in this world, old hag, yet you're jumping up and down. What for? Could it be that you're Old James's ex or something? Don't tell me, this young girl here is your love child?"

The old lady's lips were trembling as her eyes widened. She looked as if she was about to pass any minute now. Just then, Cheryl whispered something into James's ears. James was overjoyed as he turned to look at Alex. Then, he laughed out loud and pulled the old lady aside, smiling smugly at Darven. "Didn't you say that you'd throw us out and won't let us hold the medical exchange? Go ahead then! Hurry and do it!"

Darven froze for a brief moment as he didn't understand why James was suddenly so cocky.

Well, just a while ago, James was panicking when he threatened him with this, he looked as if the sky was crashing down. James could not be blamed for it. He was known as the legendary doctor in California and had a great reputation. Money whatsoever was no longer important when he had reached such a status.

Reputation was only the most important thing.

He was the current president of the Medical Club of California and also the honorary principal of the Medical School of California.

This time, he was the one who single handedly brought about Triangle River Delta Medical Exchange in California.

In this way, his personal reputation would be even more profound. It had attracted a number of famous doctors within and outside of Triangle River Delta.

However, all the participating members had arrived on the day of the official event. If they were to be kicked out by the hotel's management, all Jame's hard work would be all for naught.

When people looked at him, their first impression would view him as an unreliable person.

Then, his reputation would be ruined and he would end up as a laughing stock.

However, how long had it been?

His attitude had done a 180 degree change!

“Old James, you need to think properly. To ruin your great title as the legendary doctor of California for the sake of Ganoderma, that’s not quite worth it.” Darven’s expression darkened. His goal was not to ruin James’s reputation, but to acquire the sign of Ganoderma.

James huffed coldly as he said, “It doesn’t matter, I’m willing to do it.”

Darven squinted his eyes. “Fine! Since you’re so stubborn, don’t blame me for being cruel then.”

He immediately took his phone out to call Matthew. However, no one picked up!

James said with a smile, “Come on now, we’re waiting for your nephew to kick us out! You’ve said those words, yet you couldn’t kick us out in the end. Wouldn’t you just be a pile of bullcrap? Who would dare to let you cure them in the future?”

Darven furrowed his eyebrows. He consecutively called his nephew thrice and his forehead started sweating, yet nobody answered.

“What’s the matter? We’ve had a deal. How can he let me down at the critical moment?”

Just then, Alex spoke up, “Looks like your nephew wouldn’t be able to kick us out now. How about this? Let me help you ask, let’s see what he’s doing right now!”

As he spoke, he then dialed Azure’s number into his phone.

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The call went through immediately.

Alex turned on the speaker right away and asked, “Azure, what’s the situation now? Is that fella, Matthew Mikail still here?”

Azure's voice was heard. "We're almost done dealing with them, Mr. Rockefeller. We've gone through the formalities, so that punk has nothing to do with the hotel right now. I've told him to guard the parking lot, two of my men from Thousand Miles are watching him too. We'll make sure he gets the hang of it as soon as possible."

"Oh, you're pretty efficient!"

"Mr. Rockefeller, Global Traders Hotel is yours from now on." Azure said with a smile on the other end.

He also didn't expect the woman who walked together with Alex was the first daughter of the magistrate in Michigan.

At first, it was quite difficult to buy such a large Global Traders Hotel with a mere cigarette depending on the unilateral strength of Thousand Miles Conglomerate. However, with the great assistance from Phoebe, the first daughter of the magistrate, this had become as easy as pie.

After using powerful connections for intimidation coupled with the mental pressure of the underworld's leader of California, Matthew had to give in to his conditions.

"Mine?" Alex was slightly stunned. He didn't mean it, but it didn't matter anymore.

After making the call, Alex walked towards the window and looked down. He happened to be able to see Matthew learning how to charge parking fees from another parking lot administrator, under the supervision of two Thousand Miles fighters.

Matthew probably did not learn well, he ended up getting kicked in the gut twice by the Thousand Miles fighter.

He chuckled lightly and said, "Old man Mikail, your nephew is charging parking fees down there. You're blessed in the future. If you couldn't find a parking spot, your nephew could help you get one, but the parking fees couldn't be a penny lesser."

Darven was shocked, he couldn't accept this for a very long time.

"What is this?"

"You... How did you become the owner of Global Traders Hotel? Why is my nephew in charge of parking fees?"

Alex replied, "About this question, you should ask your nephew for the details! You can get lost now. I don't welcome people like you in my hotel."

Darven stared at Alex, shocked.

However, soon after, he started laughing hysterically. “Interesting! You’re far more interesting than I thought, young man. I’m starting to be interested in you... Let’s not talk about how my nephew gave you his hotel, but there’s no reason for you to throw me out now. Because I’m here to attend the medical exchange, and I have an invitation card. You can’t kick me out, unless the entire exchange is stopped.”

Alex furrowed his eyebrows, not saying a word.

James said, “You can’t even threaten us now, Darven Mikail. What are you staying for?”

Darven said, “I’d like to challenge you on medical skills! Aren’t you the so-called legendary doctor of California? I’d like to battle you then! The winner takes Ganoderma. How about it? Do you dare to make a bet with me? If you don’t, it just proves that you’re just a quack and a fraud who fishes for fame and compliments.”

Such a reverse psychology was too outdated.

However, when this was done in public at this moment, its lethality was terrifying.

If James really were to turn him down now, some with ill intention would try to spread the rumour. Even if someone knew the shenanigans within it, it would end it p with James being a coward and it would be useless for explanation afterwards.

“Grandpa, you must never agree to this!” Cheryl spoke up. She was worried that her grandfather would fall into Darven’s trap due to rashness. “This old man is immoral, he’s inhumane and dishonourable! If you were to make a bet with him, you would just be lowering your status. He doesn’t deserve to challenge you!”

“Hmph!” Darven huffed coldly. “You’re just ignorant. My title of Legendary Doctor Mikail is well known in Hon g Kong. Just simply ask any locals from Hong Kong and you’d know just how famous I am.”

Phoebe spoke up, “I’d say that you’re trying to gain profit with little investment! If you win, you’ll get Ganoderma. Then, what are you putting down as a bet if you lose?”

“Hmph, of course I’ve brought something to bet with.”

Darven’s mouth gently twitched. Then, he took a rectangular box that was the size of his palm out of his medical kit carried by himself. “This is what I’m putting down as a bet.”

James’ eyes widened when he saw the box taken out by Darven.

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James was enraged and yelled, “Darven Mikail, you are so bold. So you really were the one who stole the Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles back then. You rascal, how could you let our academy down? How could you let Master down?”

Darven smiled nonchalantly. “Tsk, stole? Don’t say such a ugly word, I borrowed this from Master. He promised to lend it to me for a hundred years.”

James yelled, “Bullsh*t! Back then, Master didn’t have the Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles to be used when his wife was terminally ill, just because you stole them. She ended up dying and Master bore the regret and hatred for the rest of his life. You brute! You deserve to die!”

By this time, everyone could tell what kind of a person Darven was. Each of them gesticulated and gossiped about him with scornful stares.

On the other hand, Alex’s eyes were brimming with delight.

When Darven took the box out, he could tell that the object within was special. He could sense a unique energy flowing within it.

The object in the box was uncommon.

Just then, Darven laughed and said, “James Coney, stop the idle chattes. How about it? Do you dare to make the bet?”

“Alright, I’ll bet it.”

Cheryl started panicking when James said that.

Although Ganoderma was a sign from the legacy of James’s master, it only formed a word-of-mouth effect in the people’s minds after several decades of hard work in California.

It could be said that Ganoderma of California was single-handedly built up by James.

“Grandpa, Ganoderma in California is your life! How could the broken needles whatsoever in his hand be compared to your Ganoderma? It’s not even of the same value at all! If he can’t make a fair bet, then we shouldn’t play along!” Cheryl said.

However, a cold smirk was plastered on Darven’s face.

James’s expression darkened, he seemed to have set his mind on this.

However, the old lady next to them spoke up, “I heard that the Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles were actually made out of dragon ribs. It’s a holy tool for medics with endless uses. Back then, this set of Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles fell into the hands of the Immortal Doctor, Guilherme Extraordinaire. He used them to save no less than a hundred thousand people. They’re truly sacred items!”

“Dragon ribs?” Everyone present was shocked. “Could it be that dragons really existed in the world?”

The old lady replied, “Even if it wasn’t made of dragon ribs, it shouldn’t be far away from that... But, the one in this box of his might not be the real deal.”

Hence, everyone turned to look at the box, hoping to see what was inside. Even Alex craned his neck.

“Alright, I’ll let all of you witness this eye-opener!” Darven said as he opened the box

Thirty-six bone needles could be seen inside. Each of them were as clear as glass, as if they were transparent Alex was utterly stunned after seeing those needles.

He knew this set of needles.

In other words, they were not called bone needles at all, but they were called bone swords with the full name, the Dragon's Bane of Thirty-Six.

There was a record about them in the Ultimate Book of Medicine. It was made of refined inverse bones of dragons after his ancestors worked hard to collect thirty six dragons back then. They could be used to cure diseases or kill people!

However, one must possess the cultivation of Divine Transcendence or above to control this set of dragon bone swords.

Alex's eyes were widened, with his mouth agape.

He thought, 'Are these really something refined by my ancestors? If they were, I have to win this treasure by myself.'

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"Huh? What are these?"

"They couldn't be some glass products, right? Such broken trash is just sold for two dollars in flea markets at most! You can even get as many of them as you want! Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles whatsoever, I'm afraid they're all for jokes!"

Someone at the scene immediately ridiculed after seeing the thirty-six needles inside the box. It was a young man.

He was Jack Hauffer's grandson, Georgie Hauffer.

Many thought the same as well because not everyone had seen such rare treasures in their lives.

Even the old lady who was a traditional doctor had only heard of the rumors, she had never seen the true appearance of the needles.

"Hmph, you're just a young brat! What do you know?"

Darven shot Georgie a contemptuous glare. "I'll let you see just how powerful this set of bone needles are then!"

He took one of the bone needles and gently punctured the glass coffee table next to him. The almost transparent needle directly pierced into the glass surface with engravings, it was as simple as piercing into a piece of paper.

"Ah!"

“Oh my god!”

Countless exclams sounded at the scene.

The power of this bone needle had shocked countless people.

Well, the glass surface looked extremely sturdy and exquisite at a glance. It was made of tempered glass with a thickness of five or six centimeters. Even bullets might not be able to penetrate it, yet this needle of a finger’s length pierced through it right away.

Meanwhile, Alex narrowed his eyes.

The moment the bone needle pierced through the glass, he felt the fluctuation of the unique energy on it.

‘That’s right, it’s the Dragon’s Bane of Thirty-Six refined by my ancestors.’

‘But, do dragons really exist in the world? Or, could it be some type of rare serpents?’

However, this wasn't important to him anymore. He wouldn't be too surprised if dragons actually existed. This was because he had experienced a more amazing scene when he received his ancestors' legacy.

Darven smiled coldly towards James. "How is it? Have you verified it? You should have seen Master's Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles before. Can we go on with the bet now?"

At this moment, James had no choice to back down. If he tried to turn the challenge down now, he would definitely be seen as a coward.

Moreover, he was set on getting back the Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles passed down by his master. Putting it into words, the combination of this set Heaven Defying Dragon Bone Needles and the Thirteen Acupunctures of Hell would only be the perfect match.

"Fine, how are we betting this?" James asked.

"It's simple. Since it's a gamble on medical skills, of course we're going to place the bet on curing diseases and saving patients! Could it be that we're still betting with dice?" Darven put the bone needles away and said, "We'll decide with the best of three matches. As for the patients, let's just find some from within the crowd. How's that?"

"Deal!"

However, Triangle River Delta Medical Exchange was not a personal arena, it was a high-end conference for doctors. As the organizer of the exchange, James must play the role of the host.

Hence, the two parties agreed to place the two's gambling agreement in the afternoon.

The exchange officially started at 9.30 am.

James talked on stage and threw topics, letting the others to speak and discuss.

This was just the normal procedures of the exchange.

Alex was sitting in the third row with Cheryl on his left and Phoebe on his right. Many couldn't help but envy him for sitting in between two gorgeous women. His mind was not there, but inside the legacy of the Ultimate Book of Medicine, carefully finding the introduction of the Dragon's Bane of Thirty-Six.

At the time, his ancestors may have casually left some memories. The Dragon's Bane of Thirty-Six was briefly introduced, they were made of the inverse bones of North Sea dragons.

Alex didn't know where exactly the North Sea was. Anyway, he just had never heard of such a place like the North Sea in America.

The inverse bone of a dragon was said to be similar to its scale. There was only a piece of inverse bone on a dragon.

'Could it be that dragons be dinosaurs from ancient times?'

When Alex thought about it, he finally found the detailed introduction to the Dragon's Bane of Thirty-Six. They were taken from thirty- six inverse bones of North Sea dragons. After spending ten years of heat and coldness with 372 types of heavenly treasures coupled with the carving of 3600 formation blueprints, the Dragon's Bane of Thirty-Six was finally made.

It was extremely sturdy and unbreakable. It could even form a sword formation.

As Alex looked at this information, his breathing became rapid.

This was the real magical treasure!

Compared to the thirty-six bone swords, the Stake of Exorcism was just trash!

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Since it was something that had been left by his ancestors, of course, it had to be taken back.

At this moment, he noticed that someone pinched his arm.

'Dammit, who is it? It hurts!'

He turned around and saw that it was the rich young lady, Phoebe Larsen.

'Pinching my arm for no reason at all, are you looking for a beating?'

Alex's expression turned cold. He also reached out and gave her a heavy pinch in return.

Right on her thighs. And it was on the inside of it. Yeah, his hands must have slipped. That was why.

The young girl trembled from the pain immediately and almost screamed in pain.

Fortunately, she still remembered that they were at the meeting venue, and it would be extremely embarrassing if she were to scream right now.

She hurriedly used her hands to cover her mouth and glared fiercely at Alex. Tears filled her eyes, and in the next moment, she grabbed Alex's arm and bit down fiercely.

"Ouch!" She cried out in pain. Her teeth hurt! It felt as if her front teeth almost broke.

Was this even a human hand?

Even rocks were not as hard as this.

At this moment, not many people were actually listening to James' speech, and this was quite common. The debate that several of the participants joined was also boring, especially to those who were not in the same field or simply not in the same industry... Like Jack, who had come to seek medical treatment, the things that he was listening to felt like a duck talking to a chicken.

So, when Phoebe cried out, it immediately attracted many people's attention.

Everyone saw Phoebe still holding Alex's hand in her mouth.

That action of hers was already giving off dubious vibes. If two people weren't a couple, why the heck would they do that?

Jack and Georgie Hauffer knew Phoebe's identity. The two exchanged glances, and read the words in each other's eyes... Phoebe's father, Wayne Larsen, had been an official in Michigan for many years. According to rumors, he might even be promoted again.

For these kinds of big shot officials who were one big family in the business world, they had always been their subordinates' focus.

As the daughter of one such official, Phoebe's marriage was one of the matters of utmost importance. Countless people wanted to marry this young lady and be one step closer to the top.

However, once you've reached such a high position like Wayne's, marrying within the big families was a big taboo. There wasn't a need for him to sell his daughter to gain a bargaining chip for his career, after all. For his precious daughter, her marriage would depend on her own love.

So, countless youngsters in Michigan had hit a wall when it came to this. However, Phoebe Larsen was already twenty-six years old, and there was never any mention of her having a boyfriend.

It was unexpected that he would be hiding in California!

The father and son of the Hauffer family immediately decided, no matter what happened, they should get on good terms with this young man named Alex. In the near future, he might become Wayne Larsen's son-in-law.

Cheryl had also looked over in surprise.

Phoebe let go of Alex's hand immediately as her face flushed. Once everyone refocused their attention, Alex asked Phoebe, "Why did you pinch me just now?"

Phoebe said irritably, "I forgot."

"..."

At this moment, Darven stood up and said loudly, "Old James, stop making so many blind comparisons up there. These things of yours are all nonsense, like the bandages used to wrap an old lady's foot, smelly and useless! If you're only here to talk about these things at this medical exchange today, then you don't have to continue! Why don't we have a competition?"

As soon as he said that, it caught many people's attention.

Someone even responded, "Yeah, hurry up and demonstrate what this witchcraft stuff is all about. I don't understand if I just listen to it!"

James' face darkened, and he said coldly, "Fine, let's do it!"

Darven stepped onto the stage. "How will the patients be selected? Are there any that you're familiar with? Otherwise, why don't I give you a few handicaps and let you select them?"

James was angry. "You choose!"

"Okay!"

Darven immediately had the people in the audience volunteer themselves by raising their hands and quickly singled out three people seeking treatment.

A woman, an old man, and a child.

As soon as these people walked out of the crowd, Alex scanned them and immediately felt that something was not right.

Of all the three patients, none of them were easy to handle.

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Once the three patients had been chosen, the venue immediately became more lively than before. Everyone present was well-known doctors from the area. Excluding the western doctors, as long as one was a traditional doctor, he would have learned the four ways of diagnosing a patient: to look, listen, question, and feel their pulse, and it was only the matter of higher or lower skills.

These people looked at the three patients and started whispering among each other, discussing them.

“The young woman’s stomach had a slight bulge. It seems like she’s pregnant.”

“Look at that young boy. His face is yellow and thin. He’s obviously malnourished.”

“And that old man, no matter how I look at him... He looks kind of strange. His face is too pale, and his body seems to be lifeless. Based on the situation, these signs would usually only appear on corpses. It’s going to be a bit annoying, this patient, and it really will be a test of skill.”

Hearing the discussion around them, Cheryl started to become quite nervous.

She was also a brilliant doctor in her own right, and when she saw the old man, she was also surprised and also felt it to be strange. She unknowingly grasped Alex's hand and softly said, "Alex, that old man, his condition just doesn't seem right. Look at his face. The complexion is stiff and not like a living person at all, It's like... It's like I can also see livor mortis on his body.

Are my eyes going bad?"

Alex also looked at the three patients on stage.

He didn't feel much from Cheryl holding his hand, and he even gently rubbed hers. He said in a lowered voice, "You didn't see it wrongly. It is livor mortis indeed. This old man is dead!"

"What kind of big joke are you making in broad daylight? Can the dead walk up by themselves?"

Phoebe, who sat on the right, had heard what they were saying and leaned in to give her own two cents, interrupting them.

After she finished talking, she even rolled her big eyes at Alex.

Alex said, "That's because you lack knowledge and experience. You are also ill informed and narrow minded."

Phoebe was speechless.

However, Cheryl couldn't seem to believe it. "Is that true? Isn't it... A little ridiculous?"

"This apprentice of your grandfather's isn't some random commoner. This is a trap for your grandfather. The three patients are all strange, and he must have arranged for this in advance. I'm afraid that this is a gamble that your grandfather won't win."

"What?!"

Cheryl wrung her fingers anxiously. "What should I do? Ganoderma is my grandfather's lifetime blood and sweat. If he loses it to that Darven, I can't imagine how he will accept it. Alex, can you help my grandfather? I'll give you whatever you want."

"Do you even need to ask? I'm sure he'll be greedy for your body," Phoebe said from the side.

Alex cast a glare at her. "I'm greedy for yours."

The little girl's heart thumped heavily in her chest, and she crossed her arms to hug herself.

However, she didn't back away. Instead, she looked up at the stage and said, "Apart from the old man, the pregnant woman and the child look to be normal!"

"You'll see in a bit," Alex said.

When he said this, the competition on stage seemed to begin.

They had also found three doctors from different regions to serve as judges.

At this moment, Alex stood up and said loudly, "Wait a moment!"

His shout had Chi in it.

His voice seemed to rumble like thunder in the hall. Everyone turned their heads to look at him.

Alex walked past Phoebe... As the front and back rows had relatively small space, when he squeezed past her, he tripped on something somehow, and his butt landed directly on Phoebe's upper body.

"Oh my god, are you trying to squash me to death by sitting on me?!" Phoebe yelled out in surprise, quickly pushing Alex away.

Her chest was boiling, and she was furious to the point she was about to pass out. But Alex was completely different. He looked... A little reluctant as he turned around and apologized softly before squeezing past her again.

Then, he walked toward the stage.

'Bastard, he must have done it on purpose!'

'Shameless, pervert! Ow, ow, it hurts! It can't be that he sat on me until I got lobular hyperplasia, right?! If they start sagging, I'm going to make you pay!'

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Phoebe mumbled softly to herself and turned around to see Cheryl looking at her with a weird look in her eyes. She suddenly had the feeling like she had been trying to steal her best friend's boyfriend, but... She was the one who had been taken advantage of!

On the stage, Darven was coldly looking at Alex.

Just now, he had secretly decided in his mind to find a chance to kill this kid. With his capabilities, it wouldn't be difficult to kill an ordinary person.

He didn't expect that the kid would jump out and offer himself up like this.

So, he rolled his eyes and said, "It's you again, boy. What do you want?"

Alex turned to James and said, "Master, to deal with this kind of thief who deceives their own master and ancestor, how is it worthy enough for you to personally take action? He's not worthy enough. So, let me deal with him. You can just watch from the side and support me."

James was taken aback, but then he saw Alex give him a wink. Also, among the three patients, the corpse-like old man really made him feel uneasy and made his heart beat faster. And so, he nodded immediately. "Alright!"

Darven could feel himself almost exploding in anger. He pointed at Alex and spat, "Who do you think you are? What qualifications do you have to compete with me in an exchange of medical skills? Do you even have any medical skills? Are you a doctor?"

"I feel that I know a little better than you," Alex replied.

"What kind of bullshit are you spouting?! This match between that old man and me, does it have anything to do with you? Get out of here, right now!"

"How can it not have anything to do with me? I'm a doctor from Ganoderma."

"So what if you're a doctor from Ganoderma?" Darven's eyes were chillingly cold. "Do you call the shots in Ganoderma? If you lose, you'll give me Ganoderma's signboard?"

"No problem!"

"Not only is he a doctor from Ganoderma, but he's also my grandson-in-law," James said. "Not only will I hand you the signboard if he loses, but I'll also even hand over the

entire Ganoderma to you. But, if you lose, you'll have to hand over the Dragon Bone Defiance Needle, as well and kneel in front of the graves of the masters and mistress for three days and three nights, admit and repent your mistakes.”

Cheryl's face flushed instantly as soon as the words left his mouth as she thought to herself, 'Grandpa really has loose lips. He even dares to say things that may not even happen.'

She didn't know that the old man had deliberately said it on purpose.

The purpose was to create a public opinion so that his granddaughter could rely on Alex.

He wouldn't be able to find such a good grandson-in-law no matter how hard he looked, and even in his dreams, he would still want it!

Alex glanced at James and didn't reveal the truth behind his words in the end.

Otherwise, Cheryl's image and reputation would be completely gone.

“Alright, old man. This is what you've said yourself. Everyone present, you've heard it!” Darven said, then he turned to Alex and said once again, coldly, “Boy, whether you're a

real doctor or a veterinarian, the fact that you dared to stand up and compete with me on stage today, it will be the nightmare of your lifetime.”

Alex smirked and said, “What nonsense are you spouting now, old man? Did you think you’re going to win for sure, just because you’ve found some special cases? Hurry, and let’s begin!”

Darven gave him a ruthless glare, already marking him as a dead man walking.

The first patient was the pregnant woman. She was a pretty thing, and the bulge in her stomach looked like she was about five months pregnant.

Alex asked her directly, “What’s the problem?”

The woman glanced at Alex and said, “I... I’ve been pregnant for almost six months, but my stomach hurts all the time. I’ve gone to the hospital for checkups, but it’s all useless. The doctors haven’t been able to find out what’s wrong.”

Alex suddenly sneered and cursed on the inside, ‘God damn, you’re a transgender person. You don’t have the right organs to get pregnant. You’re pregnant with a haunting fetus. It would be even weirder if your stomach didn’t hurt! I’m sure that Darven was the one who had planted this haunting fetus, right?’

He turned to Darven. “Hey, old thief. How do you want to compete with this one? How about we compare, which one of us can have her give birth to the child within half an hour?”

As soon as those words were out, everyone present was dazed with shock.

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“What? Can a woman, who is six months pregnant, give birth on the spot within half an hour?”

“Is he dreaming? Why didn’t he just say he will make the pregnant woman give birth to an adult, then?”

Phoebe mumbled softly, really rendered speechless.

Every single person in the hall gaped and was stunned. After a while, someone started laughing, and it wasn’t long before the entire hall had descended into roars of laughter.

“This guy is just trying to be funny, right?”

“It’s common sense that a woman will go through ten months of pregnancy. Does he actually want a woman who’s only six months pregnant to give birth? That’s forcing her to have a premature birth!”

“Where did this weirdo come from?”

Just at this moment, someone in the crowd yelled out, “Ah, I remember now. He’s that abandoned young man who was expelled from the Rockefeller family in California. He married into the Assex family and became known in California for being notoriously useless. Oh my gosh, how can a guy like this be able to hook up with the granddaughter of the miracle doctor, James Coney? He’s definitely cheating her feelings!”

As soon as he said that, there was immediately an uproar.

Everyone started talking over each other, and all the comments were basically the same; they were talking about how useless Alex was.

Phoebe was dumbfounded, and she looked at Cheryl incredulously. “Cheryl, what’s going on? Is that guy already someone’s son-in-law? He’s already married?!”

“He’s already divorced!” Cheryl said. When she heard so many people slandering and ridiculing Alex, she felt angry and sad at the same time on the inside.

She was so tempted to tear those people's mouths.

Phoebe was speechless. "Cheryl Coney, are you sure you're right in the head? Of all the people to fall for, you fall for a divorced man? Are all good men on earth dead? You have such a good pick of men! All the boys in university previously, you could have picked any of them!"

Cheryl shook her head and smiled. "Those are not important. Even if he's a pile of shit, as long as I think it smells good, then it's fine."

Phoebe had nothing to say.

Alex would probably be extremely dumbfounded if he had heard the comparison she had used.

On stage, Darven was roaring with laughter. On the inside, he was well aware that this pregnant woman was once a man, which later became a transgender person. It wasn't possible to bear a child with their body since they didn't have the right parts, after all.

How could they give birth to a child?

“Boy, that’s fine,” Darven said. “If you can really have her give birth to a child within half an hour, then there’s no need to continue this competition. I’ll admit my defeat immediately.”

“Okay!” Alex said.

Then, he immediately had someone move a table over and had the pregnant woman lie on top of it. The pregnant woman was unhappy and said, “Is there something wrong with you? I’ve only been pregnant for six months, and you want me to give birth? How are you expecting me to do that? Are you going to give me a C-section? Are you really a doctor? I think that you’re a liar, and you’re going to kill me, right?”

Alex ignored her sarcasm and instead said, “There’s a saying that goes ‘when the melon is ripe, it falls’. In your case, your fetus is almost ripe! Generally, women will need to carry for ten months, but you’re so talented, and you’re able to give birth in just six months, so, of course you’d feel pain!”

“Hahahaha...”

The audience below the stage burst out in laughter once again.

Phoebe was laughing so hard that she was tearing up.

Even Cheryl had covered her face, not daring to watch anymore.

She suddenly thought about how Alex had once told her that he had learned his acupuncture techniques from the internet. Although she hadn't believed it back then, he had also never told her where he had studied and what he had majored in before. He might have been unfamiliar with obstetrics and gynecology. It looked like it was going to be a big joke at this rate.

The big bellied young woman raised her brows and scoffed. "You're the talented one. I think there's a pair of horns growing on your head. That's why you dare to come up on stage to offer treatment. What do you think you can do? Freaking hell... I've heard the things that the people downstage have said, that you're a trash son-in-law who doesn't understand anything. What kind of shitty treatment can you give? I'll only ever come to you for treatment if I'm satisfied and done with my long life! Doctor Darven, you better hurry up and chase him down the stage. Just looking at him makes my stomach hurt!"

Darven continued his ignorant act and said, "Madam, no can do. We're in a competition, and the rules can't be broken. Don't worry, with me around, I definitely won't let anything happen to you. We might as well listen to this... Doctor Alex's opinion first."

Alex put both hands behind him and said leisurely, "I don't have many comments on it. It's really just the fact that the melons are ripe now, and she can naturally give birth now."

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Below the stage, another round of laughter had begun once again.

However, at this moment, the young woman suddenly clutched her belly and screamed. Her face was filled with confusion, and she looked at Darven with surprise on her face and said, "Doctor Darven, I... My stomach hurts. It really hurts!"

Why did she need to add the word 'really'?

Probably because it didn't hurt just now!

When she said it hurt, it was fake.

However, now it really did hurt, and it felt like her intestines were twisted and tangled up.

Darven was taken aback, and he said, "Let me have a look."

"No need," Alex said instead. "I've already said it. She's going to give birth! Once the time has come, the ripe melon will fall. This young lady, congratulations, you're going to be a mother."

With just these few words, the young woman felt the pain intensify. She couldn't even stand properly on her legs, and she was sweating profusely. More importantly, her belly continued to grow under everyone's eyes at a speed that was visible to the naked eye.

"Ahhh! Ughhh! My stomach... What's wrong with my stomach? Oh , it hurts! It hurts so bad I'm going to die! Doctor Darven, save me!" The pregnant woman had no choice but to lie on the table, and her belly, which had inflated like a ball, now looked like she was nine months pregnant.

Her clothes could no longer fit, so she lifted her clothes, revealing her rounded belly.

Everyone on the scene was stunned.

What a strange thing, the more they looked at it.

James was also still on stage, and he looked equally as dumbfounded as everyone in the hall.

He asked Alex in a lowered voice, "Alex, this... What in the world is this situation?"

Alex smiled. "Well, miracle doctor, Darven, surely knows best about what's going on, right?"

Darven was surprised. This was the first time he had seen such a thing.

As for the young woman, she could no longer endure the pain and screamed, “Doctor Darven, help me! It hurts, it hurts... Didn’t you say that nothing would go wrong? Why does my stomach hurt so much? And it even got so big... Oh, it hurts... I’m going to die. I’m going to die! Darven Mikail, you’re the one who has caused this to happen to me!”

James was startled and said, “Madam, your stomach? Does it have anything to do with Darven?”

The young woman didn’t say anything.

Darven snorted coldly. “Old man, stop slandering others. I selected the patients at random in this exchange meeting. How can it have anything to do with me? Madam, don’t spout nonsense.”

Alex nodded. “That’s right, Madam. Don’t slander the miracle doctor, Doctor Darven. You’re really about to give birth now. See how big your stomach is. It’s already at its limit. If it gets any bigger, it’s going to explode. So, hurry up and give birth! Put all your strength in it. Everyone is rooting for you. Breath, then fart...”

Everyone downstage laughed until their stomach hurt. However, many of them were looking at Alex as though he was a joke.

One of the old doctors who was serving as a judge hurriedly said, “Something is wrong with the patient’s condition. We should hurry and send her to the hospital. The competition will be halted.”

Alex shook his head. “There won’t be enough time to get her to the hospital.”

The old lady before happened to be a traditional doctor in the field of obstetrics and gynecology. She ran up at this moment with small steps and shouted as she did, “Hurry, prepare hot water and clean towels. I will deliver the child. Ladies, come up and give me a hand. Form a circle, take off the patient’s pants...”

Swoosh...

The pregnant woman’s pants were pulled off.

The old lady was so shocked that her hands trembled uncontrollably, and she screamed in shock, falling back on the floor, landing on her butt.