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The two of them ate the roasted sweet potato as they slowly walked back home. By the time they looked at the time, it was already 10.30PM.

Finally, Bailey found the way back home, so he rode the bike and quickly sent her back to the Imperial.

Although it was already 10.30PM, her house was still brightly lit and her spacious living room was completely filled with people.

In front of the French window, Casper was particularly anxious as he kept on looking at his phone while gazing outside the window from time to time. Finally, he saw a bicycle coming out of the dark night toward his direction while making a creaking sound.

Bailey had removed his thick ushanka hat and put it on Carmen's head. At the moment, the big hat was covering her tiny face while his blond hair danced in the night breeze.

"They are back!"

However, Casper felt really upset. He calculated the time needed for them to return home and realized that it would only take them a maximum of 20 minutes to return, but they had been gone for almost an hour.

Moreover, the navigation system showed that they took a long detour. Were they actually lost? Or did they take the long detour on purpose? I guess only Bailey knows. He went into society at the age of 10 and after all these years, he has become a man. An experienced old man! Carmen is no match against him.

"They are back?" Sophia cheerfully stood up.

Upon hearing that Bailey and Carmen were back, everyone in the house had a different reaction.

Today was a big day.

When Daniel learned that Carmen was heartbroken, he counted his fingers and figured that her propitious star was in the move, which meant that her true love was about to show up. Sadly, he could not figure out who that person was.

Since he could not decipher who her true love was, every family was tasked to choose one of their own.

Harry's family nominated Hope, Hale's family chose Ashton, Daniel's family selected Casper, and Derek's family nominated Albert while Joel nominated Drew as the wildcard.

They were five brilliant children whom everyone knew well. On top of that, they grew up alongside Carmen and formed a strong bond with her.

Hope was an athlete student who attended a sports school and Ashton started acting at a young age. Now, at the age of 18, he was a small drama actor in the industry because he and Carmen had followed the master, Michael, since they were kids. He and the Academy Award winner, Drake, were even touted as Taylor Murray's successors.

Needless to say, Casper was a definite candidate. Although he was still studying, he was already starting to take over his parents' business. While managing the Michel Group's industry, he also took on a part time job as a fortune-teller. As for Albert, he escaped death at a young age, so for the past few years, he was under Derek's care and someone whom Cooper was focused on nurturing.

Drew was an even obvious choice. As Joel's son, he was the warrior in that generation of the Fletcher Family. Not only was he brave and intelligent, he was also quite athletic.

Today, the adults gathered the five children and asked them to pick Carmen up from school at the same time. Therefore, the person who she chose to return with could be her true love.

However, if she chose Drew, it meant that she liked none of them.

When Albert remembered the fear of getting bashed by Carmen when he was a kid, he immediately hid after stepping out of the door, so he was automatically eliminated.

As for Ashton, he was no match against Hope, so he was knocked out too.

However, Hope was not as clever as Casper, so after being deceived by the latter, he was unable to pick Carmen up in the end. Instead, he went to pick Poppy up.

Initially, Drew was used as a wildcard, but to ensure his own victory, Casper also deceived him too.

In the end, Casper eliminated all his competitors and thought that victory was now in his hands because she could only choose him. However, Sophia suddenly sent out Bailey at the last minute.

Therefore, he was intercepted by Bailey.

Not only that, Carmen even happily left with Bailey, so Casper felt very upset about it. On his way back, he asked someone to call all of her relatives over to her house. That'll scare him!

That was why the moment she returned home, she discovered that there were a bunch of people waiting for her. "Huh? Grandpa, Grandma, Uncle Linus, Uncle Callum, Uncle Cade! Goddaddy and Godmommy? Mr. Psychic and Alice? Stan and Sean? You are all here! Uncle Joel, Aunt Maddie, Lola and Drew! Why are you all here?"

While changing her shoes, Carmen came through the door with Bailey behind her. He removed his military coat and carefully hung it, which revealed his black sweater inside. Without saying a word, he entered with her while his deep green eyes scanned everyone who was present at the scene.

Everyone also cast their gaze on him. There's something fishy.

However, he chose not to leave and instead changed his shoes before entering the house.

Sophia enthusiastically greeted, "Bailey, you are here? Come in and have a seat! Carmen, go and quickly have a shower. You look really cold."

Then, Carmen turned to Bailey. "Bailey, it's late. Why don't you return home first?"

Cooper coldly replied on his behalf. "It's not that late. Everyone is still here. Bailey, come and have a seat here." I can feel the bad intentions.

Yet, Bailey still decided to sit next to Cooper. On his left, there was Cooper's gloomy face and on the right was Linus' somber expression. A few of Carmen's uncles and brothers tried their best to wear a solemn face as they circled around Bailey.

Carmen had already gone up for a shower, but she pulled Sophia along with her and whispered, "Mom, why did you ask Bailey to pick me up? He is a very busy man. He doesn't have the time to pick me up!"

Sophia lied, "I didn't. Bailey lives nearby, so when I brought the dogs out for a walk, I just happened to meet him. I told him that you weren't back yet and he told me that he was going to your school anyway, so I asked him to pick you up on the way!"

Since she was obviously lying, Carmen did not believe her at all. "Then, why was he wearing grandpa's clothes and riding his bicycle?"

Sophia shamelessly answered, "I told him that he looks good with his clothes and bicycle."

In reality... She had actually said to Bailey, "Bailey, I think you should ride a bike to her. It'll be more emotional. Good luck. You'll definitely pick her up."

Although his expression was cold, he was actually very passionate about it. As soon as she called him, he immediately arrived.

To make himself more sentimental, he also took Theo's clothes.

That was how Carmen ended up seeing Bailey in that attire.

Instantly, she felt resigned while Sophia quickly pushed her into the bathroom, so she could have her shower. Then, she ran down to the living room in a hurry to prevent anyone from messing with her old son-in-law.

Bailey was already generally recognized as the second old son-in-law by the whole family 10 years ago.

However, the people in the family seemed to be very upset about it. After all, the two of them had an age gap of a decade, which was why the adults gathered a few 'true loves' today, but surprisingly, the young and dashing 'true loves' were no match against the charm of the old son-in-law.

As expected, she could not resist an old man, just like her mother. Although Bailey is just 27 years old and he isn't old at all, he is still a whole lot older than the young Carmen!

Both Cooper and Linus wore a gloomy face, as if they could not bring themselves to accept the scenario.

Immediately, there seemed to be a storm brewing among the three of them.

The people around them could even feel their heads tingling as they quickly and tightly held their own sons. Oh my, this is scary. If our sons were to sit in that position today, we would have been frightened to death as parents, let alone our sons. That position has a high standard toward whoever sits on it! Not only does the person require courage, intelligence and remarkable abilities, he also needs to have a thick skin. Back then, it was Michael who sat on that seat. Now, it is Bailey Adams' turn!

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The unselected Hope, Ashton, Drew and Albert were shivering on the side while Bailey remained motionless with a natural expression on his face. After Sophia served him a cup of tea, he thanked her before casually drinking it as if nothing was happening.

The water in the cup was extremely calm, just like his heart at the moment, even though the scene had been turbulent and tense.

He was now bearing all the hostility from Carmen's male relatives as her uncles and brothers looked as though they really wanted to peel off his skin, but he remained calm as ever.

However, Sophia was not worried for him at all.

This old son-in-law of mine is stronger than Michael. After all, he sells insurance. Look how cool and calm he is. What a talent!

At the moment, Bailey was sitting on the 'old son-in-law seat' that Michael used to sit on when he was facing Cooper. Even so, Bailey still maintained his composure, as if it was made for him.

Cooper stared furiously at him.

I take you in as my little brother but now you are flirting with my granddaughter?

Yet, Bailey seemed unfazed by Cooper's gaze as he kept on drinking his tea indifferently.

If Cooper doesn't open his mouth, neither will I. I shall not make the first move until my enemy makes his.

A storm was brewing in the house but Bailey was the only one with a smile as he was at ease, merging himself with his surroundings so that he wouldn't be disrupted by the outside world.

Although everyone's eyes were full of hostility, they knew clearly what kind of a person Bailey was.

He was someone that could even make Cooper flinch. Cooper had stated openly on more than one occasion that Bailey was the only person he saw as someone with limitless potential. Ever since Bailey was in his teens, Cooper knew instantly that he would become a somebody after he grew up and his future would be boundless.

Looking back, one could see that Cooper had a very high standard.

Other than Bailey's various successes, his appearance was also outstanding. Not only did he have handsome features, he also had a pair of rare green eyes. Whether he was in the West or East, he would perfectly fit into everyone's beauty standard. Also, the men who were present at the scene would never forget that New Year's Eve ten years ago which they celebrated with Bailey.

At that time, they peed together and realized...

That fear had followed them for many years afterward.

Although they only saw it ten years ago, there was still room for improvement. The only problem was that they didn't know how huge it had now become...

The strange atmosphere continued until Carmen came down after her bath; she had already changed into casual attire. When she realized that Bailey and everyone was still here, she took a glance at the time and realized that it was already eleven at night.

Don't these people need to sleep?

"Bailey, don't you need to go to work tomorrow? Why aren't you going back home to rest?"

Bailey poured himself a cup of tea while answering her, "It's the weekend so I can afford to sleep late."

The reason he refused to leave was probably because he was waiting for an explanation.

Didn't we decide to choose Carmen's true love today? Since I've been chosen, they need to give me an explanation. If not, I won't leave.

Naturally, Cooper knew what Bailey was thinking but he refused to give him an explanation, so he just continued to stare at him.

Just like that, a bunch of people kept on staring at each other while Sophia served them tea enthusiastically.

"Bailey, you will be staying in Bayside City for a while, right? Remember to come to our house for dinner if you have the time. Recently, Carmen is busy with her senior year revision so she only takes a break on weekend afternoons. Therefore, every weekend afternoon, I'll make something delicious. Your house isn't that far away from us, so please visit us often."

Bailey hummed in response.

Beside him, Carmen exclaimed, "Have you really moved into a house near us?"

"Yes. I've bought it from Mrs. Fletcher for a long time now."

Back then, Sophia kept on buying many houses with the money she earned and she had sold Bailey his house long ago.

In the entire house, there were only the three of them who kept on chatting. At midnight, Bailey finally stood up to leave, so Sophia asked Carmen to escort him out of the community.

As soon as Bailey left, everyone else silently left too because the atmosphere was too weird and frightening.

Cooper also left angrily afterward.

Bailey really is a flawless old grandson-in-law.

However, Cooper was still unsatisfied deep down.

My daughter was taken away by that old son-in-law, Michael, when she was just 18. Am I really going to stand and watch while that old man, Bailey, tries to snatch my granddaughter away from me at the age of 17? Never! I'm having none of this!

The moment Cooper returned to his courtyard house, he felt even more unsatisfied so he made a call at midnight. "Tell the Michel, Winston, Fletcher and Mitchell Family to come up with a list of talented young boys aged 18 to 22 this very instant. I want to choose one of them to become my granddaughter's partner at the dance party."

Meanwhile, Carmen had brought Bailey to the community gates. The journey wasn't that long so the two of them didn't seem to converse much on the way. In the meantime, she was wondering why everyone was acting so weird today. As for Bailey, he was already standing by the gate while pointing to a single villa directly across the road from the community. "That is the house I bought long ago. It's now fully renovated, so feel free to come visit me."

"Huh?" Carmen was shocked.

Is he actively inviting me to his house?

Sadly, Bailey already walked out of the community while reminding her. "Go get some rest. You still have class tomorrow."

She stood by the community gate and watched as he casually took out the Imperial's access card before crossing the road and returning to his home.

While walking back home, she felt that today was a little too fantastical.

The cold Bailey Adams isn't cold at all today.

Truth was, he had always been a gentle person in Carmen's mind.

That coldness is just his outer persona.

Although the next day was a Saturday, it was still a day filled with classes for the senior year students. From seven to half past nine in the morning, they were buried in an endless wave of books and assignments.

Today, as soon as Carmen arrived at school, she could feel that there was something wrong because everyone in class was looking at her weirdly. The moment she stepped in the class, she instantly saw the defeated Flynn sitting at his desk.

Upon seeing her, he quickly rushed up to her.

"Carmen, how could you be so depraved? I can't believe you are willing to be someone's mistress. Do you know how shameless you are? If you need money, I can lend some to you!"

He grabbed her shoulder and shook her vigorously to a point where she was in a daze.

What happened?

Amidst Flynn's cries, many students in class started whispering about her being someone else's mistress.

"You're crazy!"

After that, she sat back on her seat and ignored the insane Flynn.

Last night, someone posted a photo of Carmen in a sports car on the school's forum and student website, so everyone assumed that she had become someone else's mistress.

Not only that, she was also the niece of the class teacher, Hope Fletcher, so everyone accused her of enrolling into the school not because of her academic results but because of her connections. They said that she wasn't able to get good grades, which was why Hope would transfer the answer to her during every examination by abusing his power. Moreover,

they accused Hope of taking away Flynn's name in the recommendation list and replacing it with Carmen's.

During the morning self-study period, Hope, who would usually peep in through the backdoor silently to watch everyone study, didn't show up today. In the afternoon, everyone suddenly received the news that he was fired.

Not only was he fired, the security guard at the gate, Theo, was also released by the school. As for Carmen, she was also lodged in a joint complaint by the parents association for being someone's mistress.

At the moment, members of the parent association were all gathered in the principal's office to cause a ruckus. In the end, the school couldn't handle the pressure so they fired the people mentioned in the complaint. After all, they were a prestigious school and they couldn't afford any scandals happening.

In the afternoon, Carmen began to pack up her stuff while Theo silently came to help her put away the things on her desk. As for Hope, he was also packing up his stuff in the office. And so, the three of them were expelled from the school.

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Naturally, Carmen knew who was the one who reported her.

As expected, no matter how the times have changed, the schemes are still the same. These are the remnants leftover by the older generation.

However, she wasn't in the mood to argue about it. The reason she came to the school was to be with Flynn but now that their relationship had ended, it meant that she wasted a year being here. It was time for her to leave and her next step was to enroll into Bayside University to further her studies. The only reason she continued her studies in South Bayside High School was to have a closure for what she started but now that she was expelled, she had sort of finally received her closure.

Also, she couldn't bear Theo following her here as a security guard in his 80s just to accompany her during her studies.

It's better for me to go back home so that he can have a few days of rest.

Less than an hour after she was expelled, she received many calls from Bayside University, inviting her to enroll. However, Carmen planned to stay at home and have a rest for a few days before deciding to enroll.

They also hoped that Hope could return there and immediately become one of their permanent professors. Moreover, they even invited Theo to become their security guard.

The thought of a military general guarding the school gate sounds intimidating.

Suddenly, Flynn rushed into the class. "Carmen, if you apologize to me now, I can let you back into school to continue your studies!"

However, she remained silent.

He grabbed her shoulder and shook her while shouting, "You need to think straight. Everyone in the school knows that you always have good grades. If you apologize to me, I'll immediately ask my father to stop. My father is the president of the parents association so his words have authority."

However, Carmen wasn't in the mood to pay him any attention. Then, Theo picked Flynn up and threw him aside as he said coldly, "Please show some respect to my granddaughter."

However, Flynn still ran up to her and roared, "What are you doing? You are being expelled from the school, which means you will also be expelled from the college entrance exam! Have you not thought about the consequences? Don't you want to be enrolled in Bayside University? If you apologize to me and break up with that man immediately, I'll let you back into the school right away! Carmen, you can't just give up!"

Upon seeing how lifeless and defeated she looked, Flynn felt frustrated.

Isn't she usually very confident in herself? Why is she so scared all of a sudden?

Sadly, Carmen ignored him. After packing up all her books and materials into a suitcase, she carried it and left.

However, Flynn caught up to her angrily. "Goddamn it! Say something! You can't just leave. I want you to stay and continue your studies here!"

He couldn't let her leave. He wanted her to stay so that he could hate her every day!

Meanwhile inside Hope's office, he was packing up his work materials.

I've been teaching in this school for a while now and I'm a bit reluctant to leave, but the parents association is really making a big deal out of this, especially Flynn's father. He always wanted the school to recommend Flynn to Bayside University, but I'm certain that his grades are not qualified. This time, his father is actually trying to get him recommended by causing all this ruckus. If I don't recommend him, his father will make me lose my job. Besides, I'm tired of it, so it's better for me to just leave.

After receiving the news that he was leaving, all the female teachers and students in the school were heartbroken.

Just as Hope was packing up his stuff, he suddenly heard a voice. "Hello, Mr. Fletcher. Do you need my help?"

At some point, Linus was already standing at his office door...

On the other hand, Flynn kept on chasing Carmen from the fourth floor to the first floor, acting much like a spoiled child.

"Carmen Fletcher, are you listening to me? I'm telling you to stay. Can't you hear me? You can't leave without my permission. I want you to stop right now! Stop!"

Flynn was starting to panic because he thought that this would make her surrender. Instead, she seemed alright with leaving, as if she had given up on her own future.

While watching the drama unfold, Poppy said, "Flynn, you should stop chasing after her. Her family has asked her to drop out of school so that she can get married and have kids. This is all because of you! Don't think I don't know that your fiancée is running around telling everyone that she has become someone else's mistress! Look at you. Not only did you cause her whole family to be fired, she can't even continue with her studies now. Her family

has arranged for her to marry an old man as soon as she goes back home. Now, she is going to have children at the age of 18. Her whole life is ruined and it's all your fault!"

It was a waste for Carmen to come to high school anyway. As soon as the whole family found out she was expelled, they all felt very happy about it and Cooper immediately arranged a series of blind dates for her, because he was afraid that she would fall into the hands of that old man Bailey.

Upon hearing that, Flynn was completely startled.

He knew that it was Kimberly who told everyone the news and he also knew that his own father would use this matter to cause a ruckus, so he expected Carmen to be expelled due to the circumstances. However, he thought that everything was redeemable for her.

As long as she surrenders to me, I can come up with a way to let her back into school.

However, not only did she refuse to surrender to him, she was now being summoned back by her family to be married to someone else right away. At the moment, Flynn was completely dumbfounded as he didn't expect the outcome to be this dire for her.

She is still so young. If she drops out of school and gets married, her whole life will be ruined.

Carmen and Theo arrived at the school gates while Theo took away all the dishes, chopsticks and microwave in his office. A cool-looking sports car was already parked at the gate waiting for them as Casper helped Theo move his microwave.

Today was the joyous day of their expulsion, so Theo asked Casper specifically to come over and help them.

He still liked Casper more, but he knew that this person also had a flaw.

He is a glib talker, just like his father. He always has a lot of obscene words to say.

"What do you think, Miss Carmen? Look at my strong biceps. Can you see it? If you like it, I can also show you my abs; it's perfect! You won't regret it if you marry me. I also know how to cook both western and eastern dishes! Not only that, I'm also a good fortune teller!"

As Linus helped Hope carry his books, he saw Casper chattering, so he could not help but poke his head. "Stop it! Save that energy of yours to help us move their stuff quickly!"

Linus also drove his car over to the school. Initially, he came here to pick Carmen up but Theo called Casper himself. In the end, he felt that he couldn't just snatch away other people's work, so he came to pick up Hope instead.

Just when they were about to leave, Flynn suddenly rushed out of the school frantically and grabbed Carmen's shoulder. His emotions were still weirdly agitated so Carmen thought that he was about to shout at her but surprisingly, he looked at her and said something unexpected, "I'm sorry..." He lowered his head in guilt. "I didn't know this would happen but I don't want you to marry some old man. Don't worry. I'll find some way to get you into another school. You have such good grades so it won't be a problem for you to be enrolled into Bayside University. Don't give up on yourself."

Carmen didn't expect Flynn to utter those words but sadly, it was all too late. Just as she was about to shake off his hand, a Land Rover slowly pulled up outside the school gate and Bailey came down from the driver's seat...

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Carmen didn't know where Flynn got the idea that she was marrying an old man after dropping out from school. As Theo was about to pick him up like a little chick, Bailey suddenly showed up.

Finally, he wasn't wearing Theo's military coat when he got out of his car. Instead, he was wearing a black fur coat, looking casual and young. After taking off his sunglasses, he scanned through the group of people gathered by the school gate with his deep green eyes before walking toward them. Ignoring everyone, he immediately swept away Flynn's hands on Carmen's shoulder.

"Who are you?" Flynn stared at him rudely. Even though he didn't recognize the man in front of him, he could still tell that he was no ordinary person due to his strong aura and rare green eyes.

As he glanced at Bailey, Bailey also did the same with his infinitely deep green eyes.

Bailey, on the other hand, knew who this person was.

His face is indeed very similar to Taylor's face but there's still a huge difference. On the surface, he is a cheap copy but in terms of his bone structure, it is totally different from Taylor's.

However, Flynn could immediately guess the identity of the person in front of him.

"It's you!"

At first, Carmen was shocked that Flynn was able to guess who Bailey was, but she didn't expect him to rush up to Bailey and grabbed him by his shirt collar.

"You are that old man that Carmen is going to marry, right?" he roared. "You are the one forcing her to drop out of school so that she can marry you and have your kids, right? You will doom her for the rest of her life!"

Old man? Bailey was extremely sensitive toward these two words. I'm not old at all but why do I always hear these two words ever since I'm a kid, especially from Carmen's family?

This wasn't the first time he had heard these words.

Just as Bailey wanted to refute him, Carmen suddenly rushed up with a flushed face and pushed Flynn aside.

"Are you done?"

Hope also came to persuade Flynn to step back. After all, he was still the descendant of Hope's family. In reality, Flynn's previous grades were quite good and in Hope's eyes, he could still barely be counted as an achieving student. At that time, there was hope for him to be enrolled into Bayside University. However, Carmen, who was the epitome of a top student, came in afterward and carried his studies for a year to a point where he regressed because he was too reliant on her.

Even so, Flynn was still glaring at Bailey while gritting his teeth.

As for Bailey, he didn't even want to spare Flynn a glance. To him, a little brat like Flynn posed no sort of threat at all, so he grabbed Carmen's bag straight away and murmured, "Your mom asked me to come pick you up."

As expected, it was Sophia again.

Today was another test.

As soon as everyone found out that Carmen was expelled from school, the whole family felt happy for her and Cooper quickly contacted a bunch of people to indulge her but sadly, they were all taken care of in advance by the well-informed Casper, just like last night.

However, he didn't expect Bailey to arrive and intercept him again.

"Hey, don't you think you are being too unreasonable? I was obviously here first." Casper snatched Carmen's bag from him unhappily and carried it on his back. "We've agreed that I'll be picking up Carmen today."

Without saying a word, Bailey snatched the bag again and carried it while moving Carmen's box—which contained her books and materials—into the car bunker.

Seeing that, Casper was furious and he rushed toward Bailey. "Hey, old man. I seem to have warned you last night to stop this obsession of yours because Carmen will never like you. I've already made my words clear in the call, so please stop with your delusions."

However, Bailey didn't bother giving him a reply as he said to Carmen, "Get in the car first."

Carmen looked at Casper confusedly. "Cas, what are you doing? When did you call Bailey? Why did you call him?"

Casper didn't answer her. Instead, he continued to warn Bailey, "Old man, don't think you have an advantage over me just because you are older and more experienced. Let me tell you this—I won't give up!"

Flynn, who was ignored by everyone, ran up to them and roared, "What's wrong with you all? Carmen, what is your relationship with them? Who are they?"

Who is this Cas? And who is this green-eyed freak?

All in all, the three men disliked each other—Flynn was simply an ignorant child who only knew how to moan and compared to him, Casper was more like a clever child who was intelligent. As for Bailey, he wasn't a child because he had already become a mature adult long ago.

In Bailey's eyes, these two posed no threat to him at all, so he didn't need to argue with a bunch of children. After getting in his car, he turned on the engine and said to Carmen again, "Come on in. Mrs. Fletcher is waiting for us at home."

Carmen glanced at Casper, Bailey, and Theo before answering, "Alright." Then, she quickly got into Bailey's car while reminding Casper, "Casper, I'll leave my Grandpa to you for now."

As soon as she got into the car, Bailey stepped on the accelerator and the car sped away.

"Stop!"

Flynn was furious as he chased after the car but he quickly lost them, so he kicked his feet into the air again. On the other hand, Casper also felt defeated. Every time he fought with Bailey, he felt very confident in himself. However, when it was down to the real battle, he would always have an illusion that he was facing the ocean because the opponent was too unpredictable, which gave him no chance of winning.

He doesn't even see me as his opponent.

Afterward, Theo patted his shoulder. "Alright. Let's go home first."

Casper drove Theo away while Hope went into Linus' car. While getting in his car and putting on a pair of sunglasses, Linus said, "Young people nowadays are so energetic!"

For the past few years, Linus also fell in love from time to time but it usually wouldn't last long. He was more of a 'queer', so he had boyfriends and girlfriends along the way according to his mood. However, Cooper didn't care much about his personal life, so he kept on drifting around.

After that, the two of them drove away.

"Mr. Fletcher, you really can't remember the past?"

"What? Oh—I really can't remember. I only know that I was once a lecturer in Bayside University."

"Looks like our friendship for the past 20 years have gone to waste. Can you even remember me?"

"Just let it go to waste..."

After everyone was gone, Flynn was left behind at the school gate, kicking at the air again.

As soon as Theo left, Poppy finally got to reveal her tattoo openly. After watching the drama unfold, she kept on munching on her sunflower seeds as she murmured, "It's useless for you to kick the air now; she's gone! When you see her next time, she'll definitely be married already! You finally got what you wanted, Flynn. You left her no choice but to marry an old man..."

Flynn's expression darkened as he left the scene.

Inside Villa No.8 at the Imperial, Sophia welcomed Bailey to the hateful 'old son-in-law seat' enthusiastically as soon as she saw him arriving. "Come in! Bailey, do have a seat here. This is where Carmen's dad used to sit."

Naturally, Bailey sat down on the seat because it would be his soon in the future.

Carmen also sat down but when she looked at the people around the dining table, she felt that the atmosphere today was strange.

What are they trying to do? Could it be that they really think I'm falling in love with Bailey so they are now unanimously pointing their fingers at him? Oh my goodness, I don't want to fall in love yet! Besides, the idea of me falling in love with him is so embarrassing...

Suddenly, Carmen's face started to flush.

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When the thought came to mind, Carmen glanced at Bailey discreetly.

He seems to be the same gentle brother I remembered. However, ten years have passed. Not only has he become more mature inside, his appearance also lost its youthfulness. Now, he has completely become an adult, and a charming one at that.

After peeking at him, Carmen lowered her head and peeked again a while later.

As for Bailey, he sat straight while receiving death stares from Cooper.

Linus knew that a death stare was useless toward Bailey, so he acted naturally.

The entire family was now back together again and Casper, who lived next door, insisted on joining even though he could have eaten at his own home. He purposely sat on the opposite side of Bailey while emitting the same death stare as Cooper.

However, all of these seemed to be useless toward Bailey. The moment the dishes were served on the table, he casually picked up his utensils and started eating with Carmen's family.

Ten years ago, he didn't quite know how to use chopsticks but ten years later, he fell in love with eating preserved eggs and any kind of animal offal; his favorite was delicious chicken feet with pickled peppers.

At the moment, he had perfectly adapted to their family's food and taste buds. Lately, he was even trying out Michael's favorite eel dish.

After the dishes were served on the table, everyone started eating. When Anna noticed that Cooper was still staring at Bailey, she couldn't help herself and murmured, "Alright, alright. Carmen's grandpa, let's eat first."

Cooper was sulking as he never felt this aggrieved in his life but Bailey was like the deep ocean. Therefore, all of Cooper's mental attacks were useless when it came to him.

Suddenly, Cooper seemed to remember something so he said to Bailey, "Bailey, please stay after dinner. I have something to tell you." Meanwhile, he made a phone call to Stanley. "Stupid dog, come over here. I'm opening a good bottle of wine."

In almost a matter of seconds, Stanley suddenly appeared. "Ha! Mr. Cooper, what are we having today?"

Then, Cooper stared at Bailey furiously. "Get him drunk!"

Immediately, Stanley understood Cooper's intentions and he rubbed his hands with excitement. "Alright. I got it!"

Today, I must get Bailey drunk so that he'll show his true self afterward, Cooper thought to himself. If he embarrasses himself in front of Carmen, she'll definitely hate him. I don't want him to be my old grandson-in-law!

Casper also happily joined their scheme. Although he was just 19 years old and he only started to drink a few days ago, he just couldn't back down now!

Cooper couldn't drink and his three sons weren't that good with alcohol, so he called in Stanley. On top of that, Stanley invited Joel and Justin, who were on leave, to come over. When Harry and Dana knew that they were drinking wine, they also came to join in the fun.

At the moment, their 'alcoholic' plan was starting to take shape as they set their trap everywhere, so Bailey was in trouble.

Sean also arrived with her second son, who was the cultivated offspring of Stanley's genes after he married her.

"Stan, don't drink that much. Cut him some slack!" Sean reminded him.

Stanley's eyes lit up when he saw the wine but he nodded. "Alright."

Sarah also rushed over to remind Harry. "Old Wolf, Bailey is just a kid so please don't be too harsh on him!"

Yet, the light Harry's eyes were now flickering.

Today, I must defeat Bailey.

At the same time, Carmen was also very worried so she quietly tugged Bailey's sleeve. "They want to get you drunk. I think you better leave."

However, Bailey was already holding a glass of wine as he said, "A thousand glasses of wine is nothing among friends. Let's stop talking and drink."

They couldn't persuade them to stop, so they could only let them drink.

They drank quite a variety of alcohol from red and white wine to beers, and there were even peanuts on the table to go with it. Any party with Stanley would always be this lively because he was able to stir up the atmosphere in no time.

Casper felt ambitious as he was determined to get Bailey drunk but after two glasses of liquor, Casper's mind was beginning to drift.

In the meantime, Carmen hung out in the living room and watched television while she chatted with Sophia, Alice, Sarah, Maddie and others. From time to time, she would run into the dining room to check on the 'battle'.

The first time she checked on them, the ambitious Casper was already lying on the floor while Bailey was still smiling at the situation. He raised his glass and drank whatever wine was given to him.

However, Casper fought back and stood up abruptly as his eyes stared blankly. "Wait for me. I'll go take a pee first."

Stanley and Justin also got up as they prepared to pee first before continuing their battle.

This insurance guy is quite f*cking good.

Suddenly, Bailey also put down his glass and stood up, so Stanley and Justin looked at each other before sitting back down silently...

They watched while the unknowing Casper entered the men's washroom with Bailey. When they came back, Casper seemed to have sustained some sort of defeat because his face was now gloomy. After two glasses of wine, he was completely drunk so Alice asked someone to carry him away.

Casper was disqualified but the battle continued.

However, Bailey didn't seem to be drunk at all and his face still looked normal. As Stanley was starting to panic, he secretly called Derek and asked him to come over.

Everyone around the table, including Stanley, Joel, Cooper, Linus, Callum and Cade, Justin, Derek, Harry as well as Dana were all trying to get Bailey drunk.

After Casper was defeated, Carmen soon realized that her three uncles and grandpa were all wiped out as they stumbled their way back to their rooms to sleep.

Quickly, the whole Mitchell Family was defeated. Justin wasn't that good with alcohol and he was replaced by Nathan who just rushed over. As for Derek, he was so drunk that he started rolling on the floor, so he was taken to the guest room to rest.

At the moment, the Fletcher Family and the Winston Family were fighting side by side. These two groups of people were the strongest and they also lasted the longest.

Everyone ate and drank as plates of peanuts were served again and again. The oldest among them, Joel, was the first to be wiped out, so he was carried away by Drew and Maddie.

After Joel was defeated, the Fletcher Family fell one after another. Nathan was completely drunk and Stanley kept on crying while hugging Judge. "My son! Why did you leave me so soon? How could you allow a father to send away his own son!"

Sean pulled him aside resignedly. "Judge left after living for 17 years, which is equivalent to a hundred years for a human. You don't need to be sad. This is Judge Junior; he isn't the original Judge!"

As the Fletchers fell one by one, the pressure grew on the Winston Family as Harry tried to keep himself awake.

As her godfather, I can't back down in front of the old son-in-law.

But in the end, he couldn't hold on much longer since he wasn't young any more. After all, he was already 50 years old.

Time is not forgiving...

When the last one standing—Harry—collapsed onto the table, Bailey silently put down his glass, as if he was a king among heroes. Looking at the drunk group of people and Stanley, who was sleeping on the floor while hugging a dog, Bailey sneered and stood up before walking out of the dining room as he put on his jacket, much like a warrior returning from a battlefield.

At the moment, dinner was about to start but everyone was now in the living room watching Stanley rolling around while hugging a dog. Jude and Layton, who just entered middle school, had also returned home but when they saw the scene in the house, both of them revealed an identical disgusted expression. "Stan is drunk again."

Suddenly, everyone could see Bailey coming out of the dining room alone. Carmen was shocked so she quickly went up to support him. "Bailey, are you alright? I told you that you shouldn't drink that much..."

Even though he wasn't drunk after drinking that much, his face was still flushed red. Whenever he spoke, the smell of alcohol that came out of his mouth would hit Carmen on the face, seemingly causing her to be drunk and her face to turn red again...