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ue and Noel were watching Plum abuse Cordy with irrepressible delight.

Noel's gloom was also slightly relieved in turn—so what if Cordy won that press conference? Plum was now tearing her a new one!

Nonetheless, Cordy spoke with calm apathy. "Everyone knows how the Sachs gained their success. Naturally, I won't argue with you, because I'd be preaching to deaf ears, discussing such advanced stuff to a housewife who knows nothing about the world. I'd just be wasting my breath."

The contempt in her tone left Plum's eyes turning red and she raised her hand again, intending on slapping Cordy again.

This time, however, Cordy caught her hand.

In the end, no one was obliged to keep being beaten up.

One slap was enough for Cordy to give Plum a lesson to remember.

"Let me go, Cordy Sachs! You b*tch!" Plum spat angrily. "You're not setting foot in my house ever again—there's no place for a b*tch like you! You are a disgrace to our family's good name!"

Cordy firmly flung Plum's hand away in response and told her icily, "I'd never put a single foot in your house, but I'll take everything you have that rightfully belongs to me."

from me?! What gives you the right?! Your

won't argue with you here about what gives me the

"Cordy Sachs...!

just teach you the price

me, Cordy Sachs! Do you think I will be

when they all heard a knock on the door, and several uniformed police officers entered. "Who here reported the

"I did," Cordy replied.

as Plum glared viciously at Cordy, the

deaf in

trip for nothing, Plum quickly said while taking a stack of dollar bills from

her right then. "Save it!

"O—Of course. I understand that your

to Cordy. "Do you

send the

the hospital for an examination, and my colleagues would take it from there,” the officer said, and turned back to Plum. “You’re coming

Plum exclaimed in disbelief that she was really being arrested.

we’re enforcing it!” the officer barked, his expression turning sterner. “Save your breath and come with us

Plum’s face was ashen.

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With the evidence of bodily harm, Cordy had proof of deliberate physical assault.

That meant she could pursue a legal course of action should she decide to press charges.

Cordy finally turned on her phone then and sent the report from her medical examination to the police before getting herself admitted to the hospital.

As she reclined in her hospital bed, she stared at t

he countless missed calls on her phone, but she ignored them anyway.

She swiped through news articles and saw that all of the internet was condemning Kyle and Noel, using the foulest of words on them.

With the drama having escalated to such an extent, the damage was not just on Kyle and Noel’s reputations—both Jessop Corp and Sachs Enterprises would suffer more direct losses as well, including boycotts of their products and their stock prices plummeting.

Naturally, Cordy was unmoved.

She tapped on Twitter to check out the tweet Kyle posted yesterday—the number of supportive replies to that tweet before was now the number of damning replies that same tweet had.

the most likes was inevitably: [Sluts

textless tweet

officially verified account, going

were a ton of

really John Levine? He’s

checked—it’s him, but that’s the only tweet

Levine has graced me with his presence! My grandpa would be smiling

stand Kyle Jessop’s behavior. The man is

was a huge bunch of bootlicking messages

for no particular reason at
John sending that tweet, looking
pursed her lips, her smile fading just
it started, but John seemed to be constantly in her mind, and she would always remember her out
she forced herself not to think
down for a while when she turned, and thought for a second
she had no idea why she was reacting so much

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Simon's voice was shaking even as he roared furiously, "Cordy Sachs! You're actually suing your own grandmother for assaulting you?! The cops just told me that you're taking a legal course of action instead of selling it privately! Forget the production plant riot—this is your grandmother! What do you think others would say?!"

She had really gone too far this time!

"Grandmother?" Cordy laughed coldly. "Didn't she tell you? She just said that I'm not a member of her family, that I'm not allowed in her house ever again."

"She's just upset..."

"I'm upset too."

"She's your grandmother! Your elder! How could you hold anything against her?!"

"So she gets to hit me without consequences?"

You're not listening

Cordy laughed again.

of anything he

that Plum

actually happened or listened to her

Whatever.

held much

hanging up," she

your grandmother would stick?! Don't think for a second you can do whatever you like just because you put on a

if I get

John took her phone and spoke. I'm John Levine. If I get involved, do you
froze—he never thought that John would
flatly, it sent chills up

Simon's heart was thumping when he realized

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Noel was sobbing at Simon's sigh. "How did it go, Daddy? Does she still want to press charges?"

"Of course she does!" Simon snapped, seething just then. "Weren't you saying that you're going to woo John Levine? It's already ages, and he's still with Cordy!"

Noel appeared even more upset at that, and her eyes were welling with tears. "I wanted to do it to help our family, but Cordy is latching on to him so tightly, I can't even get close..."

"Oh, Simon, you shouldn't blame her," Sue chimed in, ever quick to her daughter's rescue. "You can't rush a relationship, and did you know that Noel almost passed out from crying? We should think about how we can convince Cordy to drop the charges or it'll be a scandal for the family if the case was made against Plum and she gets sentenced to jail. Everyone will be laughing at us!" Simon naturally took that into consideration and a vein bulged over his temples in his fury.

"It's all my fault. Grandma wouldn't have slapped Cordy if not for her." Noel started to play the victim again. "I should apologize to her... I'm willing to get down on my knees and beg if she demands it, as long as Grandma doesn't get hurt..."

"It's not your fault!" Sue exclaimed. "It's your sister's—she doesn't care about the family's reputation at all, and insists on humiliating you. Even Sachs Enterprises was affected, and it's only natural your grandma couldn't bear it and went looking for Cordy."

"Moreover," she added, "Kyle Jessop is so petty, trying to scandalize Cordy because he's jealous of Starstream Group's success—only for Cordy to turn the tables on him! And here I thought he was a fine young man after he brought Jessop Corp back from the brink of success.... But he proved lacking so much lately, Jessop Corp would end up destroyed by his hands."

Sue, she was naturally just shifting the blame away from

no surprise, Simon listened to her and growled viciously, "Cordy really treats us as if we're not family, never thinking for our sake at all! I'd have had a word

been cheating on her for years, he always listened to

ideal partner we thought him to be, Noel," Simon

"Yeah," Noel replied tamely.

winning over John Levine," Simon growled between his teeth. "The Levines are the kings of the city and our family will rise to new heights if he falls in love with you! Most importantly, Cordy won't ever get to
best,

drop the charges even if you
we do?" Noel's eyes were tearful
herself.

"She just has to own up
do

do it," Simon growled through his teeth. "Or
Cordy's ward at the hospital,

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Cordy continued then, saying, "I couldn't protect myself when I was a child, but that's not the case now that I'm older."

She was assuring John that she could protect herself even though she had no idea why she had to.

Still, she probably thought that he was genuinely worried about her, and there were just a handful of people in this world who were.

"Does it hurt?" John suddenly asked, studying her cheek that was still slightly swollen.

How much strength did Plum put behind that slap to cause so much swelling?

Cordy appeared taken aback, but she soon shook her head.

It really did not hurt... because this amounted to nothing compared to the things she experienced as a child.

And while her heart used to hurt because of that, she now understood that the Sachs did not deserve her tears—not a single drop.

John pursed his lips, and the air around him suddenly seemed to turn chilly.

Cordy was not afraid because she knew why he was

an apple," she suddenly said, trying to

blinked at her, she added,

the air seemed to fade a little, and he turned toward the plate of fruits on the coffee table.

were long and lean,

Cordy quickly turned away.

admit that she was not brave enough at present—after going through so much, she did

miss out completely, no

peeling and slicing the apple, and he

took it, and started to eat

genuinely found that

it good?" John

"Yeah."

me have a taste,"

which was

"She just has to own up to

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"It's alright, I'll stay here with you," John replied, as if it was only natural. "Sleep."

As Cordy stared at him, he said, "You often came by to visit and take care of me when I was staying in the hospital before."

"You were hurt because of me," Cordy pointed out.

"I always repay a favor a hundredfold. You don't have to be so formal with me, Ms. Sachs," John said with a determined tone.

Cordy pursed her lips—she had this nagging feeling that she would hurt the little child in John if she turned him down.

As such, she simply turned around, keeping her back to him and closed her eyes to sleep.

And with that, John sat by her hospital bed, staring at her delicately small figure.

She really was small... So, so small.

And yet, she was so tough it hurt.

John's Adam's apple bobbed just then.

If he stopped her all those years ago, when she was fleeing without a care....

have been

not expect that she

think that as she closed her eyes

slept near strangers because she felt too insecure to do

and found John also asleep on the

small couch, so it looked like he was mostly cramping his huge frame

at the hospital—their roles from

to her feet, she picked up her blanket and tried to lay it over

the instant he was close to her, John opened his eyes, leaving her in shock

“Sorry, I... Oh!”

as suddenly caught her

entire body fell into his arms, while she felt like the world spun around

flipped around and pinned her

each other’s eyes

Cordy watched as John suddenly leaned

Cordy’s heart was racing.

was coming, and

a moment when she met his

lip, watching as John

And closer.

she suddenly closed her eyes and clenched her knuckles,

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“Let go of me.”

Cordy shifted her body again to make John move, only for him to suddenly grunt rather sensually.

Cordy promptly stopped moving—even if she was inexperienced, she was more or less educated as an adult.

“Just get off me,” she said, making herself sound as cold as possible.

John swallowed.

There was a flash of emotion in his eyes, but he soon regained composure as he got off her and immediately went to the washroom.

Cordy did her best to pull herself together, and John soon returned.

However, as she turned toward him, she could not help glancing downward, and she was suddenly blushing.

She did not want to look.

But she seemed unable to help it!

She quickly lowered her eyes to the floor—it already took her considerable effort to calm down, but even her ears were now red!

smiling. "I certainly wouldn't want it to happen, but there are times when it's just... out of my control. I hope I didn't give you

Cordy was speechless.

Experience?

She experienced nothing!

was clearly intended to lead her thoughts

she understood that

physically sick of anything too intimate. In fact, she had this

not want

the subject just then. "So?

no idea why he would find her beneath him when he

to cover you with a blanket since you might get a cold. But I think you suddenly sleepwalked and pinned me beneath yourself," Cordy summarized while

apologized, but Cordy genuinely felt that he

earth smiled so smugly

did something

a

memory,

was the night when

was why his body

while Cordy frowned, having sensed

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Winston was certainly a sly old fox, bringing in dinner and immediately leaving after, using the excuse that Richard was waiting for him at home!

He had to leave Randy with the task of disturbing John with Cordy!

"Winston sent dinner. I was worried that it would get cold," Randy gingerly explained.

When John nodded, Randy quickly put the dinner on the overtable and turned to leave right after.

Cordy, however, stopped Randy. "Let's eat together, Randy. There's too much for John and I." Randy certainly was afraid to say yes, and he turned towards his boss.

"Don't waste it," Cordy added.

John reluctantly nodded then.

Randy, who was already hungry, could not help being grateful that Cordy was as kind as she was beautiful.

After dinner, Cordy insisted that John head home, with the excuse of being worried that Richard was alone.

He reluctantly left under her insistence, and she breathed a sigh of relief after he was gone.

certainly uneasy

began to

netizens' support, Starstream Fashion's autumn collection sold like hotcakes once more. Even

each head of department was beaming as they gave her their latest update,

Starstream Fashion's autumn collection was selling by the dozen once more. The suppliers who were trying to push them to pay their due payments early also ceased, even claiming

very least, this meant that Starstream Group was

her last call, Cordy viewed

where Zoe stated her support for Cordy suddenly gained a ton of likes

who doubted Zoe's

not have to worry

out of Twitter, Zoe suddenly

ideas for a man in his late twenties. And recommendations,

Cordy stiffened.

Late twenties, man, birthday.

no doubt

gulped even as she quietly put down her

discharged the next

at the passing scenes of North City's skyline

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In the end, Cordy braced herself and alighted—her dress was not formal, but it was not that casual either.

Still, she did look a little underdressed beside John.

On the other hand, he did not seem to care about what she was wearing, and he simply led her inside the skyscraper.

The restaurant was on the twentieth floor, and it was only natural John would pick a spot frequented by the rich and powerful of North City.

After Cordy followed him into the grandly designed glass elevator, he suddenly took off his dinner jacket and his bow tie, unfastening his top two buttons.

His forbidding presence suddenly turned to a simpler elegance, he suddenly held out his dinner jacket and bow tie at her, saying, "Hold these for me."

Cordy did so, and watched as John slowly rolled up his sleeves, baring his firm, muscular hands. He looked considerably casual in an instant, just as Cordy quickly realized what he was doing.

wanted to match her outfit and she seemed

birthday with importance and dress up for

had to work with her,

hard to ignore her feelings because she

back his dinner jacket and bowtie, while a steward greeted them and

each opened one of the double doors,

inside and realized that they were not

recognized Jay Parker, Bob Davis, and

from Jay being an adopted child of the Levines, the other two were both run-of-the-mill rich kids,

greeted him. "Ah, I see

to Cordy, "Let me introduce you to my friends. You

Cordy smiled

did the same

pointed

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"Hello, Ms. Sachs. Your reputation precedes you, though you're even more beautiful than when you appeared at the press conference." Sam praised her earnestly.

"You flatter me." Cordy smiled. "You're quite handsome too."

Sam smiled smugly and shot John a provoking look, but John ignored it.

Pulling out a chair for Cordy, John said, "I knew them since I was a boy since our families were close. That said, I spent more time abroad and rarely came back. This is the first time I'm celebrating my birthday in North City, so they wanted to join me."

In other words, he wanted to celebrate it with her alone, but they insisted on tagging along.

“Anyway, just be at ease. Don’t mind them,” John then added quietly, clearly taking her feelings into consideration.

Cordy nodded.

It was his birthday, and naturally what he said went.

would have a chance to say the

door suddenly opened, and a familiar female voice could be

me? You’re all

to find Zoe carrying a bouquet of flowers

no one here would dare start without the queen of showbiz, right?” Bob exclaimed with

giving

the bouquet with disdain. “That’s what you got me after

each flower and wrapped it myself. It’s

we’re not at a film set, kiddo,”

glare. “This is between me and him. You

perfectly accustomed to the sibling

bought you that Hermes Himalayan Birkin for your birthday and I only get flowers from you. Your love for me is really bottomless,

wounded look. “And you have the money to get anything you want anyway. How could you swindle a little actress

growled, not wanting to waste his breath. “And don’t put on such strong perfume next time.

off!” Zoe snapped, sniffing herself even as she left John’s side. “It’s an expensive antique. I wouldn’t have used it for myself even if I wanted to, and I was

beside Cordy as if