

## Chapter 186 The Attack

With her arms crossed and an angry face, Loraine sat in the private room and glared at Jennie as though interrogating her.

"It makes sense why you have been acting so strangely lately. It turns out you are seeing Jimmie."

Jennie lowered her head and said in a low voice, "You got it all wrong, Lorrie. I'm only gathering information for you!"

Feeling speechless, Loraine poked Jennie's forehead hard.

"You little fool. How can you help me gather information? Can you handle a wily fox like Jimmie? Do you realize that you're telling him practically everything?"

Feeling misunderstood, Jennie touched her forehead and replied, "I'm not... I've heard Marco's company is planning a significant move. He intends to develop a new commercial street so Vagow can have a second commercial business district with office buildings nearby!"

Immediately, Loraine sat up with a sober expression and exclaimed, "What? Jennie, how do you know that?"

Jennie smiled and said proudly, "Jimmie promised to

take me there before it opened as a way of asking me out. That is why I got the information. Am I smart?"

Loraine remained silent and continued to think intently while maintaining a straight face.

Jennie looked at Loraine carefully and asked, "Lorrie, is this crucial to you? Can it atone for what I've been keeping from you? Please, don't be angry with me."

Loraine came to her senses and sighed helplessly. "I'm not angry. It's just that Jimmie is just way too dangerous. If you remain in contact with him, I'm worried you will get hurt."

"Lorrie, you are the best!" Jennie was moved. "Don't be troubled. I wouldn't have spoken to Jimmie if it hadn't been for you!"

"Such a silly girl!"

Loraine was amused and let go of the feigned anger.

After making up, the two friends gave each other hugs.

Concerned, Jennie asked, "Lorrie, what's your plan? In Vagow, CBD has always been centered by Universe Group. Due to Marco's plans to construct a new CBD, Universe Group will suffer significantly."

Loraine calmly drank some water and expressed resolve as she said, "I won't back down no matter what Marco wants. I'll approach the problem in light of the current circumstance."



"Lorrie, you are the best! I believe you!" Jennie encouraged her.

The two engaged in a lengthy conversation before bidding each other farewell.

Unexpectedly, Loraine received a call from Wesley.

"Lorrie, are you going home today or to your apartment?"

Before entering her vehicle, Loraine said, "I'm coming home. Anyway, it's been a long time since I last visited. Grandpa will nag if I don't go back."

Concerned, Wesley asked, "Okay. Where are you right now? I'll pick you up. The person who caused the car accident hasn't been caught yet. So, you shouldn't be alone!"

"Don't worry! I'll drive home by myself. It won't be long." Loraine didn't want to trouble her uncle.

Wesley had to relent after noticing Loraine was adamant. "It's okay. But be careful."

"Okay, I will be careful." After hanging up, Loraine went to open the car door.

But as soon as she placed her hand on the door handle and prepared to open it, a strong man charged out from behind her and attempted to stab her with a knife.

Loraine responded instantly and swiftly. She used all

of her strength to dodge to the side as the man stabbed her, narrowly avoiding the knife. However, the knife still made a big cut on her coat.

A piercing sound was made as the man's knife stabbed into the vehicle.

He was a very vicious person. He immediately raised his knife and tried to stab Loraine again after realizing his initial attempt had failed. This time, he was aiming for her heart.

Loraine realized she couldn't avoid that one.

Her pupils shrank in fear. Though she wanted to stand up, her body was unable to respond in time.

The knife was a millisecond away from stabbing her.

Out of the blue, a hand firmly grabbed the man's arm to prevent the stab.

"How dare you harm Loraine? Do you want to die?"

At this crucial time, Marco stood in front of Loraine and protected her. He had noticeable blue veins on his forehead. He radiated the rage of a beast.


He suddenly kicked hard against the man's knee, causing the latter to fall to the ground.

After that, Marco spun his wrist making the man scream in pain. He had no option but to let go of the knife.

The knife fell to the ground, making a crisp sound.




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Marco raised the other hand, clenched it into a fist, and was about to smash it hard in the man's face.

But before he could, Loraine picked up her bag and swung it to the man fiercely.

The man collapsed to the ground and passed out.

  
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## Chapter 187 Save Her Again

"Lorraine, are you okay?"

Following Marco, Jimmy ran over to Lorraine and examined her from head to toe to see if she was hurt.

"Don't worry. I'm fine."

Lorraine looked pale as she breathed quickly and laboriously. She was drenched in sweat. She hadn't come back to her senses from the moment of life and death.

With a serious look, Jimmie squatted down and looked at the man lying on the ground. Shaking his head, he said, "It's obvious that this man is a hired killer, and you are his intended target. Anyway, don't worry. I have already called the police."

Without looking at the murderer, Marco placed his hands on Lorraine's shoulders and asked in a concerned tone, "Are you sure you're okay? Should I take you to the hospital?"

"No, thanks. I'm fine." Lorraine adjusted her breathing to calm herself.

Looking at Marco's worried look, she asked in confusion, "Didn't you leave a while ago? Why are you still here?"



Marco pursed his lips and kept mum. Jimmie hurriedly replied, "Marco was worried about you. He insisted on staying until he was certain you were safe. It's fortunate that we didn't leave."

Thinking about this, Marco also felt lucky.

It was a fortunate that he stayed behind.

If something happened to Loraine this time, he would never be able to forgive himself.

"You..."

Loraine suddenly found herself speechless as she stared at Marco with conflicted emotions.

Marco just saved her again.

Loraine was unable to discern her current emotions. She felt helpless, her heart softened, and a wide range of emotions erupted.

She had decided to set a boundary with Marco and would not interact with him.

However, Marco saved her life again and again. How could she repay him?

As Loraine's determination began to waver, what Jennie had said echoed in her ears.

Marco was planning to develop a new CBD to fight against Universe Group.

Loraine told herself that he saved her to make amends and keep the Bryant family and the Torres family's relationship intact for the sake of Bryant Group. He was ambitious, wishing to defeat Universe Group.

Loraine's determination to stay away from Marco came back.

"Thank you, Marco. I'll take care of the rest."

After saying that, Loraine pushed Marco's hands away, took out her phone, took a few photos of the man lying on the ground, and sent them to the police.

She had a hunch that this person was the one who had escaped from the previous car accident.

Still concerned, Marco grabbed Loraine's hand and firmly said, "Although you claim you are okay. I will take you to the hospital for a check-up."

Holding Loraine, he started walking to his car.

Loraine tried to free herself from his hold. "No, thanks. I have my own car. I can go to the hospital by myself."

"Loraine, just stop it!" Marco shouted with a chilly face. "Don't you suspect that the murderer might have tampered with your car again? Just take my car!"

Loraine shook her head and replied, "In that case, I can take a taxi."

The two were in a stalemate on the roadside, and



neither was willing to give in.

Jimmie coughed suddenly, reminding the two that there was another person present.

"For it seems you don't have an agreement, why don't I give one?" Jimmie offered. "Marco, you just drank wine. Obviously, you can't drive. How about you let me drive?"

Loraine's expression changed after Jimmie finished speaking.

She turned, glared at Marco, and scolded, "Marco! You even dared to drink? Don't you know how serious your injury is?"

Marco was no longer angry after receiving her reprimand. He lowered his head, unable to respond.

"Injury? Marco, when did you get hurt?" Jimmie was confused.

Surprised, Loraine turned to look at Marco. Why didn't he tell anyone?

With a poker face, Marco said, "My injury doesn't matter."

"Why the hell doesn't it matter?" This got Loraine furious. "Jimmie!"

Jimmie was shocked when he heard her yell. "Yes, what's wrong?"

"You're his friend, right? You must supervise him as he

goes to the hospital. If he refuses, tie him up and take him to the hospital!" Loraine said sternly to Jimmie.

Marco, who always exhibited dominance, could only scowl and dared not respond.

Jimmie found this amusing. Although he had known Marco for a very long time, he had never witnessed him being so submissive.

"Okay, I will do as you say," Jimmie answered.

Suddenly, Loraine came to a realization.

What was she doing? Why did she ask Jimmie to take care of Marco? Was she overly concerned about Marco?

However, it was in an effort to defend her that Marco was injured. She only did it to repay him.

Loraine gritted her teeth as she consoled herself.

Marco appeared to consent to Loraine's proposal as he looked at her with emotion.

With a compassionate smile, Jimmie said, "Loraine, don't worry! I'll accompany Marco to the hospital. The police will arrive shortly."