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Chapter 241 A Shopping Spree

"Little Roni is a liar who tells lies to my mother. You promised her, but I haven't even received your contact number as of today." Conrad sighed while crossing his legs. He took a sip of water, masking the mischievous side of him with his dashing looks.

"Really? Roni, how come? Quick! Add your uncle's contact number at this instant." Elizabeth glared at Veronica as she feigned displeasure.

In the end, Veronica forced herself to nod her head. "It's because I've been too busy recently."

Next, she rose to her feet and walked toward Conrad before saving his number. Matthew witnessed the entirety of the situation, but he held his tongue until the end of the day, as though he wasn't there with them to begin with.

As the lively atmosphere reached its height, they enjoyed dinner together.

After that, an energetic Elizabeth even blabbed on and on about everything to Veronica in the backyard. It was only until then that she was willing to let the girl leave, despite the heavy heart.

"I will swing by often to see you, Grandma. Bye bye." Veronica waved goodbye to the old lady before getting into her own car. Matthew left on his own as well.

Standing abreast of Yura while watching the cars disappear from her sight, Elizabeth heaved a long sigh. "Roni's so much like Lily. If Lily's still here, she should be at Roni's age now."

Somewhere in Elizabeth's heart, there was always a place for Lily, her little daughter. Akin to Lily, Veronica was always the boisterous kid, and that was why Elizabeth had taken a liking to her.

"Lily loved martial arts and was good at playing chess. She was quirky but adorable and kind. She always had that happy face like Roni. And they even have dimples whenever they smile." The tendency to dwell on the past grew as people aged, especially on matters buried in one's heart with loose knots.

she gave birth to Matthew's father, Flavian Kings, the following year. When Flavian was bestowed with the company along with his wife, Jessica Espin, they named the company

it had been a happy family until the day they welcomed Conrad because of Howard's mistake. The incident inevitably left a scar in Elizabeth's heart

she was pregnant with a baby girl. It was a

she passed away ten years ago. The terrible accident had cast a pall of regret upon Elizabeth, who took a

Veronica when they first met at Twilight Condominium. Despite the ugly make-up on Veronica's face, the girl reminded her of her daughter with that same cheerful nature.

have Veronica by your side. She's a girl with a warm

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the family's past and the reason behind Elizabeth's affections, had finally achieved her goals. She was sure that Matthew would understand her

car all the while. Not wanting to reveal where she was currently staying, she

to hers in the underground parking lot, and they both got out of the cars. Veronica feigned indifference to hide her helplessness. "Why are

He primped his

need to buy something. Are you sure you wanna join me?" She pointed at his face, as if she was trying to say, Are

finger lightly. "I'm not that

that he was the sort of person who kept a low profile, everyone in high society knew him, but that wasn't the case for the ordinary people who were busy slogging through life. Still, in light of the recent

by me." Veronica wore the mask, and they walked toward

the last time you went to a

a hard question for Matthew as it took him a while to give a vague answer, "A few years

her head lightly and deemed

Chapter 242 Veronica's Attempt to Introduce a Girlfriend to Him

In the end, Veronica heard him solemnly mentioning, "I'll buy you everything that you like."

Instantly, the smile on her face disappeared. Despite her having a face mask covering her face, he could sense her frown, and so he knew she was quite displeased. "How can I possibly finish all this?! If you don't want to eat them, just say so! You're being wasteful by buying so much!"

Matthew replied, "I have plenty of money."

He said that nonchalantly and he was completely unperturbed by her angry retort. On the contrary, his words had an indulgent note to them.

"I can buy them myself. I don't need you to pay for me! Hmph!" Veronica glared at him furiously as she muttered, "Wastrel."

"I'm your godbrother, so by right, I should pay for your purchases."

He had a face mask covering his face and the only visible part was his pretty-looking dark eyes. From the look in his eyes, one could clearly see the doting expression in them. He was clearly expressing his feelings as a grown male doting on an attractive female, but he insisted that it was a brother's affection for his sister.

At that moment, Veronica—holding on to a packet of salt and vinegar potato chips in her hand—paused momentarily in her action, and she instantly turned around to avoid the intense look in his eyes.

She was clearly aware of Matthew's feelings toward her, but she continued to force a silly smile on her face. "Oh, you've shown improvement." She clenched her hands into fists and lightly punched him on the chest. "That's right; you're my brother, so you should behave righteously that way."

"I..."

Matthew stared intently at her with a tender yet complicated look in his eyes. He seemed to have something to bring up, but on second thought, he reckoned that she seemed to have a bad impression of him and that she was quite against their huge age gap, so perhaps it was wiser to continue developing their relationship as siblings for the time being.

After all, he had a higher chance of success if they remained closely in touch. Over time, one would definitely develop feelings for the other after spending time together, so there was no need to rush into things.

As soon as Matthew realized this, he instantly changed his words. "I don't like snacks."

"You don't like going grocery shopping, and neither do you enjoy snacks. Where's the fun in your life, huh?" As soon as Veronica heard him claim that he should pay for her as her brother, the pressure she felt from before dissipated without a trace.

her goal of coming

He lifted his brows and glanced at the snacks in the shopping cart as

"Of course!"

and replied excitedly, "Did you know, back when I was in school, I would open up a packet of chips as the teacher taught in front of the class? I would hide

side and spoke as they continued walking. "In the end, do you know what happened? As soon as I opened the bag of salt and vinegar chips, the smell of vinegar filled the entire classroom. The teacher caught a whiff of it and she managed to identify where it came from accurately. She grabbed a pencil and flung it at me. It hit me squarely on the forehead and then... And then I was kicked out of the classroom. As punishment, I had to stand

picturing her naughty self in his mind, and he laughed

my schooling years and I even gained a

he nodded his head slightly and there was an impressed look in his eyes as he

continued to browse the grocery store and selected some snacks and

At that moment, she heard the cashier suddenly say in a soft voice, "Wow! Your boyfriend's really replied, "He's my brother. However, he's not comparable at all to

didn't dare to look him in the eye. "Oh, so he's your brother, huh? Does he have

taken aback. Are girls so straightforward in their intentions

head earnestly. "Nope. Not at all. My brother doesn't have a girlfriend. Hey, you're so

“Sure!”

with beautiful features as well. She lifted her head and looked at Matthew with sparkling eyes.

“Handsome guy, let’s swap numbers, alright?” Gosh, he’s so handsome and he’s almost

“No, that’s not necessary.”

a haste to sell me off to another woman! Since when

there was a look of disappointment that flashed across her

each other and keep

soon as she finished her sentence, he shot a cold look at her and held his gaze for a moment before turning to the cashier. He spoke in a magnetic voice, “I’m sorry. I’m not interested in

shocking that the others around them turned their heads to look at him at

cashier lamented as she scanned their items with

lined up to pay behind them started to point fingers at Matthew, they also looked at him

a handsome man, but he’s not interested in

Chapter 243 Matthew’s Immense Anger

Since that was the case, Matthew didn’t want to pursue it any further.

As Veronica watched his car gradually drive off, she reached out and stroked her chin. Suddenly, she felt her face flush red.

This annoying man seemed to be behaving much more tenderly toward her than ever. Her heart raced and thudded frantically. This is too much!

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Two days later, the charity project of Bloomstead was held at Hilton Hotel.

That afternoon, Veronica sorted out all of her work at the company and was about to leave for Hilton Hotel.

At that moment, an unknown male walked into her room and stood in front of her. “Hi, Miss Murphy, I’m Troy Ritter, and I’m President Kings’ newly appointed personal assistant. This is the gown he sent me over with.”

“Newly appointed personal assistant?”

Veronica frowned. “Thomas was doing the job well, so why was he replaced?”

The person in front of her also had the same last name as Thomas—Ritter—and he had a strong resemblance to Thomas, but he was slightly taller and darker. This man seemed to exude a righteous air. Though he wasn’t exceptionally handsome, he was quite masculine and his looks were quite comfortable on the eyes.

“The other day, that brat Thomas was rude toward you, Miss Murphy, so President Kings gave him some time off.” Troy smiled and responded politely.

“Has he been dismissed?”

“No, he has just been given some time off and has gone on a break.” Troy didn’t dare to reveal much, so he didn’t tell Veronica the truth.

Matthew had not brought up this matter with Veronica, so she didn’t bother about it too much. She took the gown from Troy and mentioned, “Thanks.”

“President Kings said he would be here later to pick you up and drive you to the event.”

“Okay.”

and subsequently,

it at the company. After doing that, she waited patiently for Matthew

attracted the attention of her colleagues, and everyone was full of praise and admiration. She had no choice

entrance of her company, and there was a buzz on her phone from the notification by Matthew. She instantly grabbed her

was dressed in a figure-hugging, strapless gown that was cinched at the waist, and the silver gown was adorned with sequins.

the sight of her. He was once again wowed

able to bring out the best and prettiest features of every gown that she put on. She looked just like an elegant princess

have good taste.” Veronica was generous with

retracted his gaze.

sound of a text message notification on his

many people, so it must be something

and he saw that it was a text message from a bank with the reminder, ‘Bank of Destor- Transaction of 328888.00 completed by

expression instantly turned thunderous, and he turned to look at her with a cold expression in his eyes.

“What do you

saved me the effort of picking out a gown by myself.” Veronica beamed at him, and her red lips

the price of this gown and the exact

checking the price of

she didn't remove the tags at all because she planned to return the gown to the merchant after today's event. After all, the gown was too

he kept his cold eyes intently on

under his watchful eyes, and she turned her head in the other direction before muttering, "The light just turned green. You

his displeasure, but she

and drove along with his eyes in

a bad mood, so she didn't say a word either and silently watched

an hour later, they finally pulled into

at the grand hall on the second floor of

it was a charity event, it was a special charity event organized by the Bloomstead

their antiques and collector's items to be auctioned, and then the entire proceeds from the auction would

scions of society in Bloomstead, so there was an array of luxury cars in front of the hotel entrance. Everyone had on custom-made suits or gowns, and

of the car and looked at Veronica, who was walking in his

this

Although she was his god-sister and partner for

Chapter 244 Tiffany's Proposal to Xavier for a Collaboration

"Hey, hey. Look..."

Yvonne pointed in front and turned to say to Veronica, "There is someone running after the person you have no interest in."

Although Yvonne was usually quite clueless, she could actually tell that Matthew was interested in Veronica.

Yvonne shook her head. "Gosh, he's such a great guy, so why aren't you interested in him?"

Meanwhile, Veronica rolled her eyes at Yvonne. "Compared to the guy who proposed to you, he's totally no match for that person."

"So, do you find him too 'poor'?"

"Go away! What do you mean by that?! What I wanted to put forward is that there is no point in forcefully making things work out in a relationship. After all, if you compare this with your situation, the guy who proposed to you can be considered a golden boy, and yet you have no interest in him."

After Veronica had said that, she lifted her head to see that Ruka had already clutched Matthew's arm and the two of them made their way inside together.

For some reason, Veronica felt quite displeased to see Ruka—that conniving and schemeful woman—so close to Matthew.

Yvonne affectionately hitched her hand around Veronica's arm, and the two of them entered the banquet hall as well.

After the two of them entered the hall, a Land Rover arrived at the hotel.

The car door was opened and Xavier stepped out of the car.

After suffering injuries at the warehouse the last time, Xavier had been recuperating from his injuries in the hospital the entire time. Fortunately, the gunshot wound he had suffered was on the upper part of his right knee, and there were no bone injuries, so he was able to be discharged from the hospital in such a short time.

After all, this was just a minor injury to him that could be overcome by tolerating it.

However, Melissa was not as fortunate as he was. She had sustained gunshot wounds on both legs, and one of the gunshots had shattered her meniscus on one leg quite badly.

conservative treatment at the hospital, and if her condition worsened, there was a high chance that she would end up walking

out to straighten his necktie. Just as he was about to walk off and leave the parking lot, someone got out of a car

"Young Master Xavier."

of another car. "I've been waiting for you

soon as Xavier saw that it was Tiffany making her way toward him, he narrowed his eyes.

the press that she had been kidnapped by Matthew's enemy. Although that was just an excuse that she had come up with to explain

far from the truth as

to hide the truth, her father—Floch—had arranged for some men to investigate

visited her frequently, so she beat around the bush and sneakily got a confirmation from

that point, she realized that Melissa was

Tiffany refused to let

very close friends, so it was quite likely that Veronica had played a role in

a limited edition Hermès bag in her arms and approached Xavier. "Young Master Xavier, I'm here to

eye for the past half a month, and now that she appeared in public, she seemed to have lost a significant amount of weight. She had an unhealthy pallor, but with some

“A collaboration?”

not of the same kind, so we would not be able to get

Master Xavier, you’re

surroundings to ensure that there was no one around before mentioning to him, in a lowered voice,

“Although we’re not friends, we

What do you mean by

speculation that Matthew’s men caused you and your sister to sustain

about the incident during

and she was powerless against the others, so

the only one suitable

not only would she be able to deal with Matthew and Veronica, but she could also find a chance

through all this while had resulted in a drastic

did you know that?” Xavier had

so it would be easy for me to find out.” Tiffany heaved a sigh. “I admire you for your persistence in

repulsed

Chapter 245 Fight to Place a Bid

As Tiffany spoke, she opened the surveillance camera footage on her phone, and the screenshot that she took of it was exactly the first night when she had been kidnapped.

The footage was fast-forwarded and played at double the speed. The video clearly depicted Veronica sneaking into Tiffany’s house late at night. Soon after that, the second floor was lit up, and Tiffany came down from the second floor. That was the night of Xavier’s birthday.

Veronica had nearly been run down by a car that night too, so Xavier remembered it very clearly. It was that day that he had sent his men to kidnap Tiffany, but then Melissa had given different instructions to the men at short notice and instructed them to cause Tiffany to miscarry.

In the end, the men he sent had not done their jobs as instructed. They had been taken by Tiffany’s pretty looks and forced themselves on her, which resulted in all this today.

Xavier kept his eyes on Tiffany’s cell phone, and as he pondered over the situation, he realized that Tiffany had regarded Veronica as the mastermind behind the kidnapping and abuse encounter because Veronica had sneaked into Tiffany’s house to take action against Tiffany.

If he was in the same position, he would have jumped to the same conclusion as well. After all, Melissa had hardly been in contact with Tiffany, so it made sense for Tiffany to come to that conclusion. This woman’s merely a pretty face. How can she be regarded as a talented girl in Bloomstead? She’s just a bimbo. Well, she could be of value if I made good use of her.

"I'm happy to collaborate to handle Matthew but Veronica belongs to me!"

Before he had been injured by Veronica, he had treated her extremely well because she was the only one in this universe that he thought was sincere and unpretentious. He found that she was a good-hearted woman.

However, that day at the abandoned warehouse, when Veronica held a gun and shot him and Melissa without any hesitation before flinging a cheque for half a million at them, the perfect images he had had in his mind about Veronica had instantly dissipated and he was completely disillusioned.

He had done so much to save her, and he had even planned to start up a branch in her hometown.

As for the matter with Melissa, Xavier didn't blame Veronica for it at all. However, he didn't expect that Veronica would actually be so angered by Melissa's actions to the point that Veronica had no qualms about shooting them with a gun.

Xavier had always regarded himself as a man who would do anything for his friends, but never, in his wildest imagination, would he have expected the woman he loved to behave as heartless and ruthless as Matthew.

For a split second, Tiffany hesitated, but ultimately, she smiled. "I can promise not to do anything to Veronica for the time being because of our common enemy."

"It's a deal." Xavier lifted his brows and smiled sinisterly while affirming.

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scene that was going on in the

soon as she took a seat in the banquet hall, she saw Xavier walk in

exposed by the press

girl, Tiffany? The guy next to her... Is that

Xavier's such a player. He's

too. However, I do admire her for her courage to admit her mistake to the press. She's daring in her ways, and I

Young

about this from someone else, he would have sought her life. He would not allow her

quite right about

have to say though, Tiffany's very pretty. Nonetheless, compared to her younger sister, Veronica, she's

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continued to discuss amongst themselves about this incident, as the charity event hadn't

spared Tiffany's life was because of her identity as Veronica's older sister. Veronica had always been the subject of speculation by the public. Furthermore, after the annulment of their engagement, she had

instantly been announced to be Old Mrs. Kings' god-granddaughter. If something happened to Tiffany at this point in time, the crowd would once again focus

didn't mean that he would continue to withhold doing anything despite

Master Xavier." Ruka sat next to Matthew, and on his other side, Veronica sat with

been prearranged, and there was a name written on every

and she couldn't help but lift her head to glance at Matthew. However, he brushed her off and lowered his head to look at the introductory page on

the event today and also the items that

in Tiffany. She was quite pretentious as she mentioned, "Although Tiffany was quite dejected for quite a while after the annulment of your engagement, it looks like she has overcome that bleak period

that Xavier? Why is he suddenly so close to Tiffany?" Coincidentally, Yvonne heard Ruka's words too, so Yvonne piped in

lifted her head to look over, and she kept her eyes on the two who were making their way in this direction. At that moment,

gaze was

point, Veronica's heart skipped a beat, and she felt anxious all of a

Xavier at the hospital the other day, and she suddenly sympathized

Chapter 246 A Challenge

Although there was an auction going on right now and everyone could place their respective bids, Veronica couldn't help but feel targeted.

In the end, she chose to remain silent.

However, the others continued to place their bids.

"One million and thirty thousand."

"One million and fifty thousand."

"One million and two hundred thousand."

The price of the item went up significantly, and finally, it was auctioned off at a high price of seven million and five hundred thousand. It was way more than the original net worth of the necklace.

Although the necklace was quite exquisite, the quality of the stone was mediocre.

Ruka was the one who had bought the necklace for seven million and five hundred thousand.

After she had placed that bid, no one else continued to place a bid.

The host exclaimed, "Miss Dame has placed a bid of seven million and fifty thousand. Is there anyone else who's interested? Alright! Seven million and fifty thousand once... Seven million and fifty thousand twice..."

The host purposely dragged his voice as he yelled out.

Meanwhile, Veronica couldn't quite tell why, but she felt quite attracted to the necklace for some reason.

After some hesitation, Veronica, who hadn't placed a bid for quite some time, lifted her card and said, "Seven..."

"Ten million!"

Before she could even place her bid, Matthew, who was next to her, instantly increased the price to ten million.

She frowned, and there was a displeased look on her exquisite milky-white face. "What do you want the necklace for?"

He glanced at her calmly from the side, and he was about to say 'as a gift for you', but he stifled the words that he intended to say.

Perhaps he was unhappy because she had persistently tried to push other women toward him, so he instantly changed his sentence and replied, "I like it."

Meanwhile, Veronica was left speechless by his reply.

"Alright, Young Master Matthew from Spinfluence Group has placed a bid for ten million. Is there anyone else interested in placing a higher bid?" The host was very excited and the atmosphere of the auction event became increasingly livelier.

because Matthew hadn't placed a bid for any of the other items that were being auctioned off. Once he placed a bid, though, he

actions, and she inched closer to him. "It's just a necklace. Why don't you stop fighting me

auction." He lifted his head slightly, and

continue placing bids on it, I won't be able to afford it." Veronica used her bid card and

agree to your request." His wicked words were full of dominance, and for a moment there, he seemed to resemble his previous coldly distant and elegant self, as she first

should

could you stop bidding on the

"Is that it?"

else do you want

bidding price onstage. "Ten million twice!

card and said, “I would like to place a bid for one hundred on top of the current bidding

“Pfft... Hahaha...”

of the current bidding price? Is she challenging Young Master

for her, and

on top of the

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“Eleven million.”

Matthew instantly increased his bidding

angrily directed a kick at him and leaned over. “Do you have a death wish?! I don’t have

on a calm front. “It doesn’t matter. I’ll get my accountant to transfer you the one hundred million I

“That’s precious money too.”

generous.” He revealed a half-smile while Veronica’s expression turned ashen from the

to each other, Xavier and Tiffany—seated at the back—and Ruka, who was next

million!” Ruka suddenly

up straight and looked at Ruka with a pout on her lips. Veronica realized then that it was

necklace isn’t made of a rare grade of sapphire and it’s incomparable to a

that.” Veronica nodded. Although Yvonne was right, she somehow yearned to own that piece

quite some time now, increased the

the atmosphere of the auction was

it was sold for more

love

so much money bidding

seem

would Veronica have agreed to become Old Mrs. Kings’ god-granddaughter and refused to go back to

From the looks of things, Floch Larson must

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Veronica appeared together, they would always become the

Chapter 247 Veronica’s Moment of Glory

Veronica realized that she had acted very impulsively, but it was fortunate because she was confident that Ruka would bid for it too.

Veronica tilted her head and looked at Ruka with a smile on her face. As for Ruka, she leaned forward and looked at Veronica with a smile on her face as well.

Matthew sat in between them and separated the two of them. He crossed his legs and sat straight in his seat with his eyes looking to the front, but he could clearly sense the battle between the two women.

"I heard that Veronica's not that well-off. How dare she place such a high bid. She must be doing that because she has the Kings' to back her up."

"She saved Young Master Matthew and Old Mrs. Kings' lives before, so twenty million is nothing. Even if she used fifty million, the Kings would not bat an eyelid at all."

"Hah! She's giving me the chance to see how a nouveau riche behaves."

"She's just an ordinary woman who isn't familiar with the outside world. She's too dumb and clueless. It's just a simple sapphire necklace, and yet she has placed a bid for twenty million on that."

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There were some people who were annoyed with Veronica's frenzied bidding, and they found her actions wildly arrogant.

Meanwhile, Ruka slowly lifted her bidding card as she tilted her head to look at Veronica. "Twenty-one million!"

"Wow! The eldest daughter of the Dame Family is indeed wealthy."

"Although Tiffany is much prettier than Ruka, I still prefer the eldest daughter of the Dame Family. She's much more intellectual in her ways."

"I wonder who would be lucky enough to marry her?"

"That person must be quite impressive too."

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Veronica remained silent amid the loud speculation.

The host continued to yell out, "The eldest daughter of the Dame Family has placed a bid for twenty-one million. Is there anyone out there who wishes to place another bid? Twenty-one million once... Twenty-one million twice..."

As the host continued to yell, Veronica snorted, but she didn't place another bid.

Meanwhile, Yvonne, who was by her side, moved in front of Veronica and whispered, "You're too naughty. You've raised the bidding price so much all of a sudden. Weren't you worried that she wouldn't place another bid?"

"She'll definitely bid on it." Veronica was full of confidence.

but no one uttered a sound. He held

“Twenty-five million!”

voice that

to look in the direction of the voice, and they saw Xavier reveal a wicked smile. He placed both hands on the

and inched close to Veronica’s ear to

she could feel a shiver run down

first got to

a gun at him and shot him with it, but right now, he was

to the side, but there was a cold glint that flashed across his

interesting. Perhaps today

win the necklace for her, and now Xavier’s

and Melissa. Right now, he’s bidding on a necklace for Veronica, though. What’s

be

in what he does, so who knows

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the rich and popular business people of Bloomstead. It was supposed to be a simple charity event, but right now

gently punched Xavier in the chest twice. “Stop fooling around, Xavier. Though we’re siblings, we should still

“Siblings? What’s going on?”

“I’m getting increasingly confused.”

during

so much entertainment

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you do regard me as your older brother, so since it’s a gift from your brother, there is no reason for you to reject it.” Xavier curved his lips into a slightly

“Oh, is that so?”

voice that rang

who was the owner

you think that the Kings Family is insignificant? You're in

just as the crowd overlooked his presence, he suddenly opened his sharp eyes to peer at the crowd. The natural

is indeed Veronica's moment of

Master Matthew's last sentence was

each other. Don't tell me that they're

Tsk. Tsk. This is

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was excitedly entertained by the scene in front of them. Even the host of the auction remained silent as he tried to

the same row as Matthew on the far left, they glanced at each other with different expressions on their

when has Veronica become everyone's

Chapter 248 Ruka Pranks Veronica Again

Veronica's actions took Xavier by surprise. Where does she get the money from?

Matthew, on the other hand, felt that she was too rational and liked to draw lines between matters, which made it extremely hard for him to get closer.

But... Isn't that what I like about her, though? Not a gold-digger and definitely not someone greedy, too, he thought to himself.

At that moment, the silence was deafening and everyone looked at Veronica as if they were petrified. After a long period of silence, the audience turned to look at the auctioneer instead. Numerous eyes were on the host, Alexander, who was visibly nervous while holding the auction hammer in his hand.

"President Murphy of the Encounters Bridal Store bids sixty million and one." After confirming, Alexander looked at the audience and discussion broke out again, but this time, no one dared to bid again!

Veronica's words clearly ended the chance for Matthew and Xavier to bid again.

The people on the scene were also not ignorant enough to continue bidding either as that would indirectly mean competing against Matthew and Xavier including... Ruka, who was envious of Tiffany!

"Going once... Going twice... Bang! Sold!"

The auctioneer made the final decision and announced, "Congratulations to President Murphy from Encounters Bridal Store for winning the necklace of 'Angel's Tears'. We are very grateful to Encounters Bridal Store for your strong support for this charity event..." The audience applauded enthusiastically as he spoke.

Veronica's face was full of smoke as she glared angrily at Matthew with boiling anger.

Despite the fact that winning the auction was for the greater good and also a smart move in terms of advertising her company, spending sixty million on a necklace was a pretty painful decision to make.

Xavier and Matthew's

taking it for free by the public regardless whether she accepted it in private or not. Even if she was to publicly reject it, she would still be

necklace in exchange for a large sum of money. This could save her from unnecessary trouble
it

an hour, everyone went downstairs

along Veronica and made their way downstairs to the desert table while she continued to gush, "You were so cool just now. Sixty million... Wouldn't it be better to spend that money on a sugar baby? Alas, who was eating

tilting her head to

piece of dessert into Yvonne's mouth. "Shut up! Of course, I know a sugar baby is so much better! You her dessert. "Wow, this dessert tastes

enjoying the perks here. One more word and I

Are you planning to eat a worth of eighty million

look and the next thing she knew, Veronica wrapped her arms around Yvonne's neck while picking up a piece of crystal dumplings from

My money!!!!!!

hand and pointed her toward a stool at the side while threatening her with a waving fist. "You better sit here and not move!" It was a warning

state, so she

in the hall respectively walked in with their partners as they swayed on

a quiet spot to enjoy the ballroom dancing while she engrossed in the

to share with you. I just got a word from the organizer that there will be a surprise for everyone tonight. Later, the lighting engineer will flash the lights at random and select two groups of lucky

which made Veronica even more bored and

Chapter 249 It's Defamatory!

"Yeah, Veronica is from the countryside and she definitely does not know how to dance."

"Hehe, what a Cinderella-wannabe. She is, after all, a country bumpkin. Had she not saved Young Master Matthew and Old Mrs. Kings, she would have ended up on the streets selling stuff."

"I know, right?"

"She doesn't even know how to dance, let alone meddling in upper-class affairs. What an outcast."

"Look at the way she binges on food. She really looks like a refugee who just escaped from the famine. Useless bumpkin."

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These harsh, uneducated mouths all gathered around as they commented.

However, Veronica could not care less about what they had to say. I don't gain anything by living under your scrutiny, that will only exhaust myself.

Hundreds of glances came her way, but her elbows remained on the table as she cupped her cheeks. She grabbed a piece of brownie with a fork on the other hand and chewed it slowly. While blinking her pair of big, bright eyes, she looked at Conrad and asked, "Uncle Conrad, is the Charmante jewelry set they mentioned really expensive?"

Everyone was expecting her to be embarrassed, but she remained calm like she was the light of the party.

"Pfft... I told you she's greedy. She only cares about money."

"How could she ask it in this way? This is humiliating Charmante."

Dame Group. Miss Dame

from the countryside,

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from the country for many years, which made the crowd

digested the words of the badmouths, she realized after a while that it had nothing to do with her luck; it was clear that Ruka Dame was behind all

there." Conrad shook his head as he answered truthfully. He did not know how much it
going to join in the fun,"

new to Bloomstead, so it's understandable that she doesn't know about Charmante Jewelry. However, today's two sets of the latest limited-edition jewelry are worth 5.58 million.

the crowd. She was haughty as a white

on the necklace just now, it was self-explanatory that the money was naturally going to be footed by the Kings Family. A pretense was still a facade, after all; no matter how noble

behalf." Tiffany appeared out of nowhere and smiled at Veronica, then turned to Ruka. "She just happens to be feeling a little under the weather

saved Veronica from embarrassment, which demonstrated how thoughtful Tiffany was,

the rules of the party are here. Dancing on her behalf is equivalent to cheating.

time. They were classmates for a long time

this was exactly what Ruka and

the absence of norms or standards. If you dance for Veronica, the prize will not be hers, then.” Caitlyn continued to fan the

Veronica became the target

auction activity upstairs and became the highlight of today’s charity party. Some people envied her luck while others were jealous of her looks so it was

landed on Veronica, thanks to the lighting engineer. So, I am under the spotlight both literally

and sipped her champagne, then raised her

raised her chin slightly and replied with the arrogance of the Dame

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“Ha! Veronica sure is an interesting woman.”

“Caitlyn is right.”

“Extremely eloquent.”

“Clever! Miss Murphy is intelligent enough.”

“She’s launching an all-out assault on Miss Dame!”

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The audience was conversing quietly, but Ruka’s face was unusually sour. She never expected Veronica to be so articulate in public!

“Miss West is obsessed with the topic of ‘dancing’. Does this mean that your specialty in the college entrance examination was dancing, and you were able to get into the university despite your lack of language skills by earning extra points for your dancing?”

Veronica’s red lips curled up slightly and she smiled before saying, “It all comes down to the adage that ‘people are more valuable when they have self-awareness’. I am willing to admit defeat.”

“Miss West, on the other hand, has repeatedly flaunted her ability to dance. Isn’t it burying your talent if we don’t give you a chance to show it off? This opportunity should be reserved for you and my sister, Tiffany. She is a gifted young lady, and only her exceptional dancing abilities can compete with Miss West.”

She introduced Tiffany to the subject in a few words.

Tiffany had just said something “nice” about her, and she remembered it vividly.

Having said that, Veronica added, "You will astound the world if you defeat Tiffany later. If you win, I will send you my limited-edition jewelry of the lucky winner's gift to express my respect! What are your thoughts?"

"Wow, Roni is a giver."

Yvonne, who had appeared out of nowhere after eating and drinking, approached Veronica and gave her a thumbs up before saying, "The lucky winner prize will be given to Miss West. Isn't it unfair if she doesn't dance?"

Veronica glanced at Yvonne beside her, thinking that they worked great as a team.

her head, stating, "That is not acceptable. Miss

The prize, however, represented Veronica's pride, which would

by making a fool out of Ruka, Caitlyn and Tiffany, making the three of them the immediate

Murphy is

only will it make Tiffany look bad, Miss Dame will also be

to direct misfortune to Caitlyn in a few words is

woman is

lady. On the other hand, Caitlyn has

say? She's

"Hahaha..."

...

was going on and were content to stand by and watch

look good at the moment, and she hadn't

however now the focus of everyone's attention because dancing and not dancing

dancer, and for seeming to bully Caitlyn's dance moves if she danced. However, if she did not

making her feel

despised Veronica

couldn't refuse to give a limited-edition piece of jewelry. Instead, she had to take the initiative

time. She had been

was 1.65 meters tall but weighed 130 pounds, making her slightly on the plump side. With just a glance, it was clear that she was terrible

body sizes in

was the reason why Veronica

“I... I...”

felt nothing but shame as she felt everyone’s scorching

she couldn’t dance

make Veronica a laughingstock, but she ended up making a big joke out of

rage, hatred, and anxiety. Her fists were clenched and her worried

are you silent, Miss

no intention of giving

it possible she doesn’t know how to dance? Or... is