

Bumpkin 321

Chapter 321 A Kick in the Face

"You..." Veronica stared at Matthew intently as her eyes began to tear up. "Stay safe."

She didn't know what she was supposed to say. There were so many words at the tip of her tongue, but she swallowed them, leaving only those two words that had escaped her lips.

"There's nothing you wanna say to me?" Lowering his head, Matthew locked eyes with hers and pinched her nose. "Hmm?"

Her fair nose was tinted with red due to his affectionate touch. "Yeah, nothing."

Rather than nothing, she didn't know how to convey the mixed feelings that were churning in her stomach into words. Meanwhile, Matthew, who didn't receive the answer he wanted, was upset.

However, when he placed his finger on her forehead and parted his lips, he lost his voice as he didn't know what to say either.

After their gazes intertwined for a long time, the man sighed silently. "Fine. I'll leave now."

He rose to his feet and headed for the door without looking back.

"Wait!" Veronica got up and grabbed his arm. "H-How long are you going to be there?"

Accepting his confession yesterday was totally out of the plan, but she grew dependent on him after merely spending that one steamy night together. Despite the heavy heart of seeing him go, she still couldn't express her reluctance.

Matthew halted and turned sideways to look at her from the corner of his eyes. "When do you want me to return to the country?"

Frowning, she contemplated for a moment. "Work is important. Take good care of yourself and give me a message once you arrive there."

At that, Matthew shut his eyes and took a deep breath before turning around to hover over her. He held her chin with his fingers and, with a deep voice, he questioned, "Anything else?"

the seething rage, she cottoned on to the meaning behind his words, but she decided to play dumb.

"What else? There's nothing

"Really? Nothing?"

gave a certain

help but smile.

snow last night. So, I think you should

the smile on his face faded, and his eyes, which were fixated

up, realizing that she had

immediately. "Matthew, don't look at me like that.

no heed to her claims and lowered his body to rest his forehead against hers. With the tips of their noses touching each other intimately, he asked, "Was I too

letting out a menacing smile. "Do you think that I won't do

"Grandma's still here. If she finds out what you've done to your god-sister, she will not let
will she do to me?

my god-brother. Of course she'll beat you to death for
where this

"Kings Residence."

area of the residence. Even

lovemaking, in a worry that others would find out about it.

secret, so he thought he should at least do that

anything, Matthew's phone rang. Due to the proximity, she could scarcely hear Troy's
head off

tomorrow. I've got something urgent to settle today," replied Matthew indifferently

give a last-ditch effort by saying, "Matthew—I mean, Brother—Work is important! Work

"Brother?"

F*ck that!

Chapter 322 She Was Moved

D*mn, what could he do?

His woman deserved to be pampered.

"Apply some ointment?"

Veronica's gaze was drawn to the bottle of ointment in his hand as she felt embarrassed and remorseful.
She smiled shyly and blinked her eyes before saying, "Uh... I'm sorry. I'm just being too defensive. Are
you alright? I kicked... Where did I kick you?"

She was concerned. Where did she kick him?

"My... stomach," Matthew licked his lips and swallowed his rage.

He lied. How could he tell her that she had kicked him in the face?

Of course, he couldn't tell her that.

"I'm sorry."

She subconsciously wanted to get up to help Matthew, but she felt chilly when she was about to stand up. She had just realized that she wasn't dressed, so all she could do was sit on the bed. As if pleading for mercy, she stared at him with innocent eyes.

Then, he stood up and approached her, saying, "Lie down!"

"It's fine. I'll do it."

She snatched the ointment from his grasp, hid beneath the covers, and smeared some of it on herself.

Leaning against the headboard of the bed, she wrapped herself tightly in the quilt, exposing only her head. "Aren't you leaving? Won't you be late for work?" Veronica asked.

"It doesn't matter."

Matthew, who was dressed neatly, appeared irritable as he unbuttoned his suit and flapped the back vents with both hands. He then put his hands in his pockets and stared at her coldly.

His dark gaze was comparable to the darkness of the night and seemed to speak a thousand words.

However, Veronica couldn't read his mind.

a sudden, she noticed his handsome face had turned a little red. "Why is your right cheek so red? Are
didn't want to admit it was the mark she left on his right cheek when she kicked him, but his red cheek
was evidence of her great

quickly,

me take a look

and grabbed the corner of his suit, forcing him to approach her. With her slender pale arm, she

do you only have allergies on the right

lowered his gaze to

able to control himself from settling the score with

his gaze, he was surprised to see that the quilt covering Veronica had slipped down to her waist

experienced a head rush. He frowned as he approached her ear, saying solemnly, "Is it

"Huh?"

pushing Matthew away, only to discover later that the quilt that had been covering her

the quilt and hid under the covers, revealing her cute little

I'll pay attention

take you down the mountain," Matthew said, motioning to a

Veronica responded with a nod, her beautiful eyes fixed on

clothes, but why
she always have to tease him? It was making
clothes if
that I haven't seen it,"
can't be done! You
his head helplessly again,
entered the bathroom. After taking a shower, she quickly
exited the old house through the
behind
moment, Veronica's stomach grumbled. She was so drained by the bast*rd that she was hungry,
like to eat?" The man drove
to drive more cautiously because the snowy road was slippery and
angrily at Matthew. "Are you a devil? How
still a little
knew he had good physical strength before, but it wasn't until last night and this
help but think that if
he saw her angry and irritated expression. "I... I'm sorry...
it's better for you to leave

Chapter 323 A Promise to Her

After the meal, the two sat in the room and exchanged glances.
"Are we... just going to sit here?" Veronica asked, her red lips parted slightly.
Speaking of this, she became aware that this was equivalent to being in a relationship with Matthew...
Being in love?
It's such a complicated feeling.
Matthew raised one of his brows, a smile on his face. His expression was casual, but it was extremely
charming. "Roni, what do you want to do?"
He extended the sound of the word 'do', as if hinting at something.
"Matthew, I'm warning you—you are now on a three-month probationary period. We can say goodbye
at any time if you're so aggressive!" Veronica's face sank as she spoke.

This jerk is messing with me! Can't he stop draining me?

"Why? You slept with me and don't want to admit it?"

His charming eyes narrowed slightly, and a wicked smile formed on the corners of his lips.

"You were the one who slept with me. I'm already kind enough to not have it out with you." Veronica snorted bitterly then added, "In any case, we are adults and everyone should take their own responsibility. Therefore, the rules we establish will take effect immediately! Don't try to touch me without my consent!"

It was a warning.

When Matthew noticed Veronica upset, he felt a little faint and nodded quickly "Okay, I'll listen to you, Roni. Then..."

He considered what other people did when they were in relationships.

"How about I take you to the movies?" he suggested, his eyes lighting up.

"How about watching a movie?"

"Uh... No, no!" Veronica quickly refused.

more. "We are so distinctive that we will be recognized as soon as we

I'll book the entire

What's the point of booking the entire venue when movies are meant to be seen in a crowded theater? Forget about it. I'm

the time being, which was why going

you used to dressing up as a man to the point where no one knows who

remembered how she used to dress as a man; even Troy didn't recognize her. As such,

Veronica gave him

sudden and she frowned at him. "How do you... How do you know that I disguise

for me at the warehouse door before, so

Matthew could trust someone he didn't know

he had known her identity for a long time but hadn't

you didn't notice me. It looks like my abilities are just

good," Matthew said before adding, "At the very

he not recognize

"Nope."

her a firm
the two left the private
she got out of the car and went upstairs first. It was only
smile the moment she entered the house and shut the door. "Why does this feel like you have a
can make our relationship public. What do you say?" Matthew
man lowered his head. They were extremely close, and
in her lungs,
to be with you as Cinderella. We only make our relationship public when I'm competent. I do not have
to be on par with you, but I
woman who refused to accept gossip or be pointed at by others who said
be with Matthew, she was doomed
much for her to bear. She could only train herself to be
would keep those people's mouths
silent as a
was a strong person, but he didn't expect his identity to put so much pressure
I'll
is what you want, I will do my best to satisfy you, Roni," he murmured as he
words were

Chapter 324 They Both Looked Dashing

"No problem." When Matthew turned around and walked away, he raised his hand and pinched the bridge of his nose, as if he was suffering from a headache as a result of Veronica's sudden change in appearance.

She followed him out of the room, and put on a pair of Dr Martens before standing coolly in front of Matthew.

"Let's go!" she said with a smile.

As a result, the duo went downstairs together and drove to the theater.

The car was parked on the mall's second floor. They exited the car wearing black masks, and took the elevator to the theater which was located on the 12th floor.

Veronica had already purchased movie tickets for the next hour while on their car ride.

After they had received their tickets, they had nothing to do. Hence, Veronica said to Matthew in a male voice, "Let's go. It's still early, so let's go downstairs for a walk."

“Okay,” he responded.

They then walked around the mall, but everyone did a double take because of their stunning appearance.

Matthew ignored those people’s stares, and he lifted his arm and put it around Veronica’s neck. With this, the two of them looked like brothers.

“Wow! He’s really handsome.”

“This is similar to a television scene in which a tyrant president appears. The man with short grayish white hair looks handsome and wild. He’s so cool!”

“Goodness, I love them!”

“Are they models out and about for a photoshoot?”

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Veronica and Matthew’s dashing appearances attracted much attention, and many women stopped to take photos.

At this point, two little girls ran over, stood in front of them, and asked Veronica, “Hi handsome! Uh... can I have your number?”

The girl was courageous and bold enough to step forward to request for Veronica’s number.

Veronica was stunned for a moment before pointing to herself and asking, “Me?”

“Yes. I think... you look like the movie star, Timothée Chalamet,” the little girl replied, shyly holding her phone before asking again, “Can I get your number?”

Matthew’s face fell and he wrapped his arms around Veronica’s neck. He then pulled her close and refused coldly, “No!”

that case... Can I take a

picture with you?”

two girls’ boldness and enthusiasm, Veronica immediately

would recognize her, so

“We’re busy.”

his arms around Veronica’s neck and walking away, ignoring

the attention of others and some even

God, that man is so overbearing! Could it be that

at him—his expression

now that handsome guys are starting

bat for their own

this is what they

...

continued to talk while looking

hear their conversation despite

glanced at Matthew beside her, and asked inexplicably, "How could you have the heart to refuse the two girls who wanted to take

mine. Why should you

"Hey, they're girls. Girls!"

"Not even girls!"

a cold glance at Veronica beside him and felt compelled to remove the makeup from her face. She appeared more appealing to

D*mn it!

now going

he had so many

lips were slightly pursed under the mask

wrong with

for your own good, so as

provided an

secretly smiled,

to the men's clothing

was a floor

Veronica rarely visited here.

"Welcome."

two extraordinary

highest quality, cut to fit, with plenty of

It looked expensive.

look. Our store carries all the latest items," the staff said

own.

so she grabbed Matthew's arm and walked

the linen gray

Chapter 325 Ruka's World Was Turned Upside Down

"What do you think?" he asked Veronica.

She wrapped her arms around his chest and stood in front of him. Looking him in the eyes, Veronica nodded happily, "Not bad. Looks like I have good taste."

"Are you sure it's not because I'm attractive?"

Matthew's thin and moderate lips elicited a slight smile, and his pupils were brimming with adoration.

"You're such a narcissist."

The man looked good in anything but he was completely narcissistic, leaving everyone speechless.

"Hello, do you have any high-end men's professional attire?"

At this fraction of moment, a customer entered the clothing store and spoke with the staff about their requirements.

That voice was very familiar.

Veronica and Matthew then subconsciously turned to the direction of the sound and discovered Ruka standing in the clothing store lobby.

At that point, both parties noticed each other.

"Matthew?"

Ruka approached him and asked inexplicably, "Why are you here?"

"Bullsh*t! What else can one do here apart from shopping?"

Hearing that, Veronica couldn't help but snort and refute when she remembered the ambiguity between Ruka and Matthew.

Fortunately, she was always professional in her work and she purposefully wore a voice changer microphone, or she would be exposed right now.

"You..."

Ruka frowned, her gaze fixed on the unruly man in front of her.

but she had never seen this person, let alone

this... your friend?" Ruka

I take him shopping

Isn't that obvious?

questions were all
unhappiness was visible
after seeing her reaction. Instead,
have no idea that he wouldn't shop at such cheap stores. All of his clothes are personally designed by
Castron's chief designer, Millie Bob,
Giorgio Armani fell short
member who overheard Ruka suddenly came to
that handsome and well-dressed gentleman's clothes.
by none other than Millie Bob,
was obviously embarrassed by
and she dragged Matthew along with her. She had already decided to shop in the mall's high-end
section. Surprisingly, Matthew's clothing was
was at a
to listen to her. The shirt you picked for me is
be putting Veronica at a
a new
is the only one left, and it is currently out of stock." The staff approached him and
Veronica was
it, then. If there's no stock, let's leave," Veronica said helplessly with a
way. How can Matthew purchase clothes that have been tried on by
with short silver-gray hair. She had the impression she
try on clothes that others
to mention that it was a piece of clothing with no stock
a little distressed
take it back and wash it," he said
it," Veronica grumbled. "Don't buy it if it's out
like whatever you pick for me," he
widened inconceivably upon hearing Matthew's
at the man with short silver-gray hair, who couldn't stop clutching

The two

much for Ruka

sense Matthew's attraction to this

Chapter 326 This Is Too Exciting

The person who found it the hardest to accept was none other than Ruka.

With tightly clenched fists, she glared at Veronica with reddened eyes filled with anger. "You... Y-You a-actually..."

She stuttered for a long time but in the end, Ruka did not manage to finish her sentence.

She looked straight at Matthew, thinking that the arrogant and noble man she knew in the past would definitely beat the other party up if they were forcibly kissing him.

Never in a million years did she expect the current situation to take place.

Not only did Ruka not see Matthew getting enraged, she even saw him looking at the man beside him affectionately, a faint smile playing by the corners of his angular lips.

It was the kind of smile one would reveal when they were satisfied.

Upon seeing that, Ruka felt that her head was about to explode, and her whole world shattered.

She knew very well that Matthew liked Veronica.

Does this mean that he swings both ways?

At that thought, Ruka could not help but conjure up an image of Matthew sleeping with a woman, only to turn around and roll about in bed with this silver haired man currently standing next to him.

The image was meant to be a sensual one, but it appeared utterly terrifying to Ruka.

She originally thought that Matthew always had a straightforward and noble attitude, and that such a high and mighty man would also be cold and arrogant in private.

However, the way the silver-haired man put his arms around Matthew's neck and kissed him just now made Ruka feel that in their relationship, Matthew was not the one who called the shots.

Wait a minute... F*ck!

Her impression of Matthew was completely destroyed, and even the usually prim Ruka couldn't help but swear in her heart.

What kind of a man have I fallen in love with?

At that though, Ruka couldn't help but feel completely disgusted.

"Do you have any other questions?"

Veronica ignored the looks of onlookers and stared them down.

she saw Ruka's disgusted expression, Veronica was utterly

"Matthew Kings, you... you are so disgusting!" She then stomped her feet, thereafter spinning around and running out of the clothing

but laugh when

had disguised herself as a man, it made her smile all the

was laughing, Matthew teased, "Are you

nodded in satisfaction. "But of

clothes he had on. "Let's forget this,

I'll just have a servant wash it

do. My man

Veronica dragged Mathhew to the fitting room. "Go on, then. You can change out

her into the fitting room, thereafter

staff started

too traditional, but I really can't accept two men together.

I think the two handsome guys are really

handsome guys to begin with. Now that they are together, goodness

a video just now. Tsk! I'm going to post

That was a really

Bloomstead. I had no

...

wall. Propping one hand beside her head, he raised her chin with the other and gazed at her from his height. "Woman,

face in front of everyone and kissed him of her own

Matthew's mind and he could not forget about it no matter

and she blinked her eyes. Putting on an innocent expression, she murmured,

this even a

what is

eyes

lower and he wrapped his arm around her waist. "Do you know that for a person who likes you, taking the initiative

I'm charming, you would still be able to

she suddenly felt that Matthew's self-control was

are my

bobbed and

a change in the man's body, and her face flushed red. "Matthew Kings, are you out of

treat it as a

if you won't feel

current appearance, no one will be able to find you after today even if they turn the whole city

could not come up with

he has a

man and I look completely different, so who

Chapter 327 Matthew Likes Guys

The minute that they left, the few salesgirls couldn't help gossiping about them again.

"Oh, my God! They spent over 50 minutes in there. How passionate!"

"What great stamina they have! To be honest, I'm a little envious of them."

"Tell me about it. My husband and I never lasted more than half an hour."

"Guess which one of them is at the top and which one is the bottom."

"Sigh, the Kings Corporation's century-old legacy is coming to an end at the hands of its current president, I'm afraid. Now that he's going out with a man, he's bound to die childless. The company's century-old legacy is gonna be doomed."

"What's the point of talking about someone with a personal net worth of billions when you guys only earn 3,000 a month?"

"Haha! We're just gossiping to kill time."

"But I really like the young man with short, silvery gray hair. He was so cool."

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Veronica didn't hear the salesgirls talking about her, though. As she walked out of the clothing store with Matthew, she wished she could shake off his hand and bolt down the road as far away from him as possible. However, he held her hand in a firm grip, refusing to let go.

Consequently, she flew into a rage at once. Glowering at the man angrily, she snapped, "Do you have a death wish, Matthew? Don't you know where this is? We're at a shopping mall—I repeat, a shopping mall! Don't my rules count anymore?" What rules? They're simply f*cking useless! All of a sudden, she felt like she had dug herself into a hole.

Seeing how furious she was, Matthew merely smiled a faint smile and pulled up the face mask under her chin to cover her face. They had tucked their face masks under their chins just now after entering the clothing store, but their passionate coupling a while ago caused her to forget about this. "What can I do? You're too charming, Roni," he said tenderly.

you're on a three-month probation period and will be fired once you receive three warnings. You've received a warning before; today you're gonna receive another warning. You still have

"Oh? Is that so?" He took a step closer to Veronica with a roguish smile. "Why don't I know about rendered speechless for a moment.

be mad, Roni. I'll

you said last time—no, you also said the same thing the time time." The look in his eyes was

his hand with a snort. "I'll believe you one last time," she said, before suddenly recalling the movie tickets. She lifted her wrist to check the time. "Sh*t, the movie is about to start.

supposed to wait for an hour at first. However, they had lost some time shopping for clothes, only to spend nearly an hour making out in the fitting room. As the movie had already started according to the time printed on their movie

a foreign sci-fi blockbuster, but it was totally without merit save for some

As she watched the movie, she felt her eyes become somewhat heavy. In the end, she leaned her head his lap, knowing that she had probably fallen asleep because she had gotten tired from their prolonged lovemaking just now. Not only that, but

rejected the phone calls for fear of disturbing Veronica in her sleep, but his friends and Troy then bombarded him with

message read, 'Bad news, President Kings! You're now since when are

'What's going

read, 'Matthew, are you going out with a man because you

message read, 'President Kings, the reporters know you're at the shopping mall. They're on messages, Veronica, who was leaning asleep on his lap, woke up.

the

beat the instant she read the text message. She immediately said, "Come on, let's go. We've to "Okay." Matthew nodded.

cinema, taking the

Matthew had Troy and the others drive his and Veronica's cars away and park a new car at unobtrusive sedan. As the couple exited the second basement parking lot, they saw many reporters at the shopping mall's entrance, who were stopped by

Chapter 328 Elizabeth's Fury

"Uh..." Veronica was at a loss for words. Placing her elbow on the car window to support her head, she pondered for a moment before letting out a sigh. "That's right. How can we explain it now that there are videos of us on the internet?" As she turned to look at Matthew, she couldn't help feeling somewhat guilty. "Well, um... I-I'm sorry. I got ahead of myself."

If she hadn't gotten all emotional and kissed him after meeting Ruka, these things wouldn't have happened. And now, everyone knew what had happened.

She had put on a disguise in the first place, so no one would know that it was her. However, Matthew was different. As the figure at the top of the social pyramid, he was constantly in the public spotlight. Now that he was caught up in a 'gay' scandal, he'd probably have to face a lot of trouble in the future.

At the thought of this, she felt even more guilty. Had she known that this would happen, she would've dressed up as a gorgeous seductress instead. Even if they got photographed, Matthew would only be exposed for having a new lover. His life wouldn't have been affected and bedeviled as much as it was right now.

Matthew turned to glance at her. "What are you thinking about, you silly girl?" Seeing her face droop in dejection, he patted her head with his hand. Then, he added affectionately, "How am I gonna protect you in the future if I can't even hold out against this?" Whenever he thought of everything Veronica would be facing alongside him in the future, he felt that these things were nothing to be afraid of.

Veronica couldn't help being moved by his casual reply, which was totally beyond her expectations. She even felt that he was willing to take on responsibility.

Even if her tomfoolery had gotten him into trouble, he didn't mind it at all, nor did he intend to take it out on her. "But... this isn't some trifling matter. And besides, Grandma and others will definitely roast you for this. Can you really accept that?" Having been scrutinized by outsiders as a victim of malicious gossip, she knew how painful and suffocating it was to be the object of gossip.

"Ha!" Matthew looked straight ahead as a faint smile appeared on his good-looking face. The next instant, however, his smile faded slightly, and he fell silent.

Even by looking at the side of his face, Veronica could sense that he was in distress for a brief moment. It was as though he wouldn't take what was happening now to heart because he had gone through difficulties and tribulations that were even more unacceptable than the present ones. What has happened to him before? she wondered.

at the woman beside him, he comforted her, saying, "Don't overthink

his phone without making a

Suddenly, the

Her lips twitched; she couldn't help but think to herself, Speak of the devil. We were just talking about Grandma a moment ago, and here she is, calling us right now. "I-It's Grandma." She handed the phone call and put his phone

Veronica asked. As soon as she finished her sentence, Elizabeth phoned again, as if she would keep on calling until Matthew

Matthew could only answer the phone and

soon as he answered the phone, Elizabeth's angry yell sounded on the other end of the line. "Where the hell are you right now, you rascal? What on earth are you

perhaps he didn't know what to

Who the hell was that guy? What is your relationship with him? Are you really gay? Is it because you're gay that you've refrained

accident. After that, he started going out with Tiffany, who then got pregnant, which was why Elizabeth thought they had slept together. Finally, on the day of Elizabeth's birthday party, Tiffany revealed

In other words, Matthew had only slept with Veronica from start to finish. Not only that, but he had been forced into sleeping with her because

no interest in women. Before this, she had even been suspecting that he was gay. And now, videos of him and a young man were circulating

himself at a loss for how to explain the

to the Kings Residence as soon as possible, or I'll come

something, but Elizabeth

said over the phone, she could tell from his sullen expression that it definitely wasn't about something

back to the Kings Residence." He paid special attention to Elizabeth and rarely disobeyed her, knowing that she was

Chapter 329 Matthew Is Totally Screwed

As expected, Elizabeth was angry. She cut Veronica short before the latter could finish her sentence, saying, "Come back to the Kings Residence now."

"Uh, okay," Veronica immediately replied with a nod. After all, Elizabeth had summoned Matthew back to the Kings Residence. If she went back at once, she could check on the situation and know what kind of punishment he would receive.

After hanging up the phone, Veronica sighed to herself and sat on her bed in a daze.

Soon after that, Yvonne called her as well. She answered the phone mechanically, saying, "Hello?"

"Hello, my *ss! Where the hell have you been today? You were no longer at the Kings Residence when I got up this morning. Be honest and tell me where you've been!" Yvonne questioned as soon as Veronica answered the phone.

Veronica pursed her lips. Finding an excuse, she explained, "Well, uh... I suddenly got my period last night, but there weren't any tampons or sanitary pads at the Kings Residence, so I came back. I'd been suffering from period pain since then, so I couldn't sleep all night. It wasn't until dawn that I finally fell asleep. I forgot to charge my phone, so it turned itself off." What a flawless explanation! She couldn't wait to call herself a bright spark.

"Sigh, that explains it. Anyway, hurry up and take a look at the trending topics on Twitter. Matthew is in trouble," Yvonne reminded. She sounded like she was taking pleasure in it, though.

Veronica didn't bother to brush her off. She replied straightforwardly, "I saw it just now."

Yvonne commented, "You saw it? Hmph! Now you know that, don't you? Not only is Matthew a spineless coward, but he's also involved with a guy! H-He must be bisexual. How disgusting!" She couldn't help but shudder at the thought of Matthew being involved with a man and his promiscuous lifestyle despite his seemingly cool and noble exterior. The thought made her flesh creep, giving her goosebumps.

in such a way. Not only that, but she couldn't even refute her. She wanted to explain what had actually happened, and the words were on the tip of her tongue... but she stopped herself in the end. "What actually happened is still unclear, so perhaps it's just a misunderstanding. But I can't chat with you anymore. Grandma just told me to go back to the Kings Residence, so I'm going back to check on the situation." She honestly had no idea how to continue the conversation with Yvonne, so she had no choice but to find an

back and see with your own eyes how disgusting that shameless guy is. Roni, you're
the

up the phone as she didn't want to continue talking to Yvonne about this. After composing herself in her apartment for a while, she changed her clothes, fixed her hair, and left for the Kings

the way. However, her mind kept wandering as she drove, and the road was slippery because of the snow, so there were several times when she nearly

at the entrance. The car was Matthew's. On the other side was another car, which belonged to Conrad. Has Conrad come back as well? she wondered. Not only that, but just as she was standing there staring at the license plate of

turnout today, she thought. She stood aside and watched as three extraordinarily elegant middle-aged couples stepped out of those cars. The

Kings Residence's entrance was large

out of the two cars were several people, whom Veronica had met while attending the family dinner at the Kings Residence last time. These elders had some say in the family, and they all stormed into the courtyard threateningly while ignoring Veronica's presence. As she was acknowledged by Elizabeth as

the latter's god-granddaughter, these people refused to acknowledge her presence, which was why they ignored her upon seeing her. After all, why would they like her? She was but a young lady from the countryside who would only get a share of

followed them closely into the Kings Residence. This time, however, instead of going her destination, she looked up and

the Kings Family's memorial hall. Veronica had come here to pay her respects to the Kings Family's ancestors when Elizabeth previously acknowledged her as her god-granddaughter, so she knew this place. However, never did she think that everyone in the Kings Family

at the memorial hall's entrance for a long time, a person came over

to the side and saw that it was Conrad. "Uncle Conrad, you're back as well?" she said, greeting him with pockets of his trench coat, he stared at the memorial hall before shaking his head with a sigh. "Sigh. Who would've thought that Matthew would actually do such a thing? The Kings

that Matthew is in love with a guy? If it's true,

Chapter 330 It's a Sin to Have No Posterity

Veronica's heart clenched as she listened to the insults and abuse those people were hurling at Matthew. Sadness came over her when she saw the situation he was in. The man was standing upright indifferently, as if he didn't care about anything, but her heart ached for him nonetheless. "Say, Grandma... could this be a misunderstanding? Could the photos on the internet have been Photoshopped?" she asked, though even she herself found her own words unconvincing.

Upon hearing her voice, Matthew turned his head slightly and darted a look at the person behind him out of the corner of his eye, but he didn't make eye contact with her. Why are you here, you silly girl?

Sitting in her chair, Elizabeth let out a snort. "How could the photos possibly have been Photoshopped? There are videos circulating all over the internet!"

Veronica argued, "Well... What you said seems to make sense. But the stories of him fooling around in the fitting room have to be a frame-up. There's no evidence proving it; some unscrupulous media outlets must have made up those stories to draw clicks." She and Matthew were drawing online criticism for making out in the fitting room, but all of this was just a one-sided story with no videos to prove it. This would be a nice point for a breakthrough.

Sensing how much she cared about Matthew, Conrad glanced at her meaningfully. Then, he chimed in with a nod, "Hmm, you do have a point, Veronica."

Veronica was surprised by Conrad's reply; she couldn't understand what made him choose to side with Matthew at this very moment. Perhaps he was smart enough to know that everyone present at the scene was coveting the position of Spinfluence Group's CEO, which was why he chose to side with Matthew to win Elizabeth's favor. After all, everyone knew that Matthew was the person whom Elizabeth loved and cared the most about in the whole Kings Family.

"It's wrong of you to say so, Conrad. How can the story be false? The clothing store's employees have acknowledged it in front of the media!"

"As the person in charge of Spinfluence Group, Matthew's every move is under watch by the outside world."

"That's right. The company could end up being ruined at his hands!"

"Mom, Matthew keeps refusing to get married because he's in love with a man. In that case, who is gonna inherit the Spinfluence Group in the future if you hand it over to him? Who would want to do business with a pervert?"

our family, let's get someone else to manage the Spinfluence Group's affairs on Matthew's behalf for

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advantage of his downfall; it was that they had been waiting for this opportunity

the table angrily. "Shut up, all

standing. She glared angrily at the crowd. Despite her silvery hair, she had developed an increasingly steady and commanding presence over the years. She was usually amiable to

silent at her angry reprimand, looking at her quietly while waiting

Naturally, she also knew that Veronica was the only person who would side with Matthew, which was why she had deliberately called her over. There were some things that she

trench coat, she clenched her fists jumpily while looking at his tall figure from behind. She was filled with self-reproach. They were dating, but she could only let Matthew

he held his head up while staring at the memorial tablets honoring

threateningly. Inwardly, she hoped that her proud grandson could lie so that these people couldn't get anything on him. It wasn't that she was partial to Matthew. As someone who had had her day, she knew full well that Matthew was the only person in the Kings Family who had an instinct for doing business and was capable

Matthew admitted without a

"How shameless!"

with a

Matthew admitted

can do anything about you now that your parents

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among the crowd suddenly mentioned Matthew's mother in offensive terms, saying something like Matthew was "the son of

was standing among the crowd, with frosty eyes. "What did you say, Uncle George? I didn't catch it," he said slowly, with an expressionless face that made