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Chapter 481 Completely Out of Job

After Veronica and Ruka stayed in Castron for a week, they were still unable to find out anything about Hendrey's whereabouts. Finally, disappointed and discouraged, they could only return to Bloomstead empty-handed.

"I'm sorry I've wasted a week of your time." When they arrived at Bloomstead, Ruka said to Veronica apologetically, "Are you sure you don't want to work with me?"

Everything was going smoothly when Veronica worked at Starshine Media Agency, but they terminated her contract, and Matthew was exerting pressure on her now. What should she do afterward? Ruka wondered, worried for her.

Veronica shook her head. "It's fine. I can take care of it," she said, confident in herself.

"Okay." In the face of Veronica's confidence, Ruka didn't want to force the issue anymore and waved her hand. "Oh, all right. Bye-bye!"

"See vou!"

After she said her goodbyes to Ruka, she drove home and slept for a day due to jet lag.

The next day after she woke up, she trained with Crayson.

asked for leave before going to Castron, he

morning training and breakfast, only then did she open the

Sasha's sake, and she would like to

out more than a dozen applications and made many calls just

the

company is

This is an order from Young Master Matthew, and we can't make an enemy

you say? Hmph, don't come and mess with our

rejecting her indirectly or directly, and there were even some who avoided her

a job, she stood on the balcony and stared into the distance as she pondered deeply about her current dressed up simply and drove to

later, she arrived

the Kings were the leading family amongst the four greatest families, while the Lynch Family to the receptionist, "Hello, I'm Veronica Murphy,

appointment with him, but this wasn't

me here to pass something to him," she

that her name sounded familiar.

introduce myself. My brother is Matthew Kings, and I'm the god-granddaughter of Old

purposely brought this up so that the receptionist wouldn't turn her away and

to her. "I see, so you're Miss Murphy! I know who you are. Are you here to deliver something for Mr. Lynch? Here, follow

was common knowledge that Matthew was very close with Miguel. Therefore, they

receptionist, stepped into the elevator,

Knock, knock, knock.

when she was about to tell Miguel that Veronica was here, Veronica put a finger to her lips to shush her, whispering, "Don't say anything. I want to give Miggy a surprise. You can go back to

receptionist nodded agreeably, then quickly

the elevator, she pushed the door open and

his desk in the office, and she thought, Could it be that he's

was laid back on a couch in the

in. So, he tilted his head toward the

you doing

Chapter 482 Veronica Is Desperate

He thought that she wanted him to take her in. "So, is that okay?" She nodded eagerly as she gazed at him with unblinking eyes filled with anticipation.

"No, no, no! There is no way that's happening. Really, it's impossible." He was utterly flustered as he waved his hand and turned her down. He was waving his hand so quickly that the shadows were overlapping. "You should just wait for Matthew before we speak about this matter again."

Veronica nodded. "Okay, that's fine." Thus, she checked the time and saw that it was 1.30PM, and she immediately pleaded with Miguel. "Miggy, can you please order food for me? I'm hungry."

With her lips pursed, she looked so pitiful that anyone would feel sorry for her. A soft-hearted person like Miguel naturally couldn't bear to see her so down-and-out and desperate, so he asked, "What would you like to eat? I'll order it for you."

couldn't figure out the secret between Matthew and Veronica or what she sighed despondently. "Anything

smart enough and had already registered an account abroad. Therefore, all the company revenues were it was indeed a fact that she didn't have much money left on her, and it wasn't an exaggeration for her

to

eyes were brimming with pity as he looked at her. "Okay, I'll order

meal to be delivered to Luminesce Enterprise. After he had called for lunch for the both of them, he sat on the executive chair at

you talk things out personally? She can't find a job now and hasn't eaten for a couple of days. Without money, she can't even

and that was why Miguel thought that the way Matthew dealt with situations was a little extreme and unacceptable. Furthermore, he knew that Matthew

and Veronica, and although she could feel that he was acting distant, it didn't bother her at all. As she all but leaned on the couch to play games

finished one game, the food delivery guy

employee from One Piece Restaurant delivered the food and set them neatly on

Miguel nodded and said to Veronica, "Eat

"Thanks, Miggy."

of hungry now, and when she picked up the fork and was about to dig in, she heard Miguel say, "Matthew, you're finally

Matthew?

heard Miguel's words and didn't bother to raise her head. Instead, she continued

always had a dispassionate look. Thus, he radiated a sense of authority without even speaking. He entered

fork in her hand. She looked exactly like a person who had been starving for quite some time. In that instant, he felt a tight squeeze at his heart, and he couldn't help but feel sorry

he received from Miguel while he was on his way here; even Miguel could tell that he was just putting up a pretense, so how could he convince others that his

he decided to be ruthless until

you call me

paced to Miguel's desk, slid a cigarette from the pack, and lit it. Then, he indifferently brushed his gaze over Veronica at the lounge area before his

Chapter 483 Be a Car Sales Consultant

Elizabeth felt that Matthew had changed a lot recently, and when he returned to the Kings' Residence, she did try to talk to him about this matter. Despite that, he was like a changed man and was being so difficult that Elizabeth was very disappointed in him.

She reckoned that he was probably hiding something or had to do this out of necessity. In addition, she was old and didn't want to interfere with the affairs of the younger generation, so she no longer insisted on ordering him to maintain a friendly relationship with Veronica.

Miguel frowned and sighed as he didn't expect that Elizabeth would say something like this. "I got it, Ma'am."

After he hung up, he tossed the cell phone on the desk in frustration and spun around to sit in the executive chair. Finally, he raised his head, faced Matthew directly, and said, "Since Veronica can't find a job recently, why doesn't she work for me?"

As he knew that there must be a hidden reason why Matthew was doing this, hence he decided to help her out.

exhaled the smoke at Miguel's face. "What, my

him as 'big brother. So, when he

what you said, but I can't disobey Old Mrs. Kings' orders." He shrugged helplessly and replied, "She's always kind to me, and I've owed her many favors. Now that she wants me

what was on his mind now. As his friend,

suggestion, his face turned frigid. "So, you

their conversation, murmured in her heart, Is Grandma really the reason Miggy is willing to

of warmth in this

continued, "Matthew, you're too ruthless. I heard that you're the one who forced Veronica to apologize because of a conflict between her and Sasha,

in frustration. "This is your choice. I hope you won't regret

he didn't show any hesitation as he left

Bang!

came close with a loud bang, and she placed her cutlery away. Then, she climbed up to the

head to stare out the window. The initially delicious lunch felt

a while, she picked up her fork again and continued shoveling food into

regardless of why he decided to help her. Initially, she thought he would turn her down, but who knew that

a turn of events and didn't know what

lowered his head and continued to read the agreement. Afterward, he added, "But you don't have worry, Mr. Lynch. Just give me a job, and I'm sure

I can't excel in,

make arrangements for you to work in a 4S store for a

aware that suddenly arranging a job for a woman with no job experience in this field would

to help her while maintaining a professional relationship was to send her to be a car sales consultant at the

and he believed that Veronica would do well working in a store. No

looked back on her years of experience in Bloomstead. First, she was a security officer in Twilight Club while working part-time as

than a year, she went through so many different jobs, and now, she was going to be a sales consultant in a

Chapter 484 Patrick Simon's Greedy Eyes

She had to adapt to survive when coexisting with jackals. "Thank you, Mr. Lynch," Veronica said politely with a nod. From the drawer, Miguel took out a name card. "Go for an interview at the 4S store at Pines Street. Contact this person, and he will make sure that you get the job successfully."

When she received the black name card from him, she saw the words 'Sales Manager, Patrick Simon' and his phone number embossed in gold. "I'm going over right now."

After she sincerely expressed her gratitude to Miguel, she left Luminesce Enterprise with the name card. Still, unexpectedly, she bumped into Matthew standing in the car park when she walked out of the building.

The man casually stood next to his car; a cursory glance from her made her notice that he already had a bunch of cigarette butts around his feet. From that, she could infer that he was purposely waiting for her.

but he strode to her and stopped in front of her, blocking her path. After he forcefully blocked her I help

not desperate. As long as you apologize to Sasha, I'll let you return to work

her to be this obstinate. In order to make a living in this society, it was essential to be flexible, and being stubborn was not

her perfectly arched eyebrows, and mocked, "Apologize? Hmph, you can

Matthew, she wouldn't hesitate to bow down and apologize. After all, dignity and all were worth she wasn't at fault at all. Secondly, she was capable enough

no way that would ever happen.

pockets as a malicious smile spread across his face. "Do you think that I'll let you get the job so easily just because Miguel gave you

by wasting your time on an ant like me." Finally, she inhaled deeply and lifted her chin proudly before continuing, "But if you want me to apologize..." She pursed her lips and mustered her courage, saying, "That's

Every word falling from his

on this path, he had to carry on no matter how difficult it was. Thus, after he delivered

also reminded her. "Remember, apologize to Sasha when

speaking, he had already entered his car and closed the car door, leaving Veronica rooted to the spot as she listened to

she breathed in deeply. "I said that I

herself, but she raised her head to look at

car and went

you Mr. Simon? I'm Veronica Murphy, and I would like to apply for the position of car

about it. Come over. I'm in the store," the man on

reckoned that Miguel must have instructed

if he were the one to call the store manager. In addition, it would expose that

extra care from others but wouldn't be able to test

the store and found Patrick

Ιt

naturally wary of him. That was because the moment he

Chapter 485 I Won't Fall For You

"Ho-ho! Here, fill out the job application first. Even though Miss Lambert introduced you here, you'll still have to pass the assessment period." Patrick chortled again with a crafty gleam in his eyes. "Our store sells high-end cars, and every sales consultant has shocking sales skills. In sales, everyone relies on true abilities to make a living. Just having a pretty face isn't enough."

That last phrase was a deliberate jab at Veronica, but she didn't mind and nodded her head obediently. "I understand what you mean, Mr. Simon. Don't worry. I won't disappoint you." Patrick raised his brows and looked at her with a bit of contempt and greed. "First, let me tell you about the salary and benefits..."

After he briefly explained the salary and benefits to her, she nodded, saying that she would show up for work, as usual, tomorrow, and left the store. When she noticed that it was still relatively early, she called Yvonne and went to visit her at her place.

When she reached Yvonne's apartment, she was practicing yoga, and Veronica chatted casually with her while seated on the couch. Then, she couldn't help but point out, "Tell me honestly, what exactly happened to you that made you so happy? You seem to be in high spirits today."

As Yvonne had rekindled her relationship with Conrad, and he didn't allow her to tell Veronica the truth so that it wouldn't start an unnecessary misunderstanding, Yvonne didn't dare to say a word to Veronica.

Veronica's relationship recently had turned sour, and he even cut off all her employment opportunities, completely

was worried that Matthew would use some underhand means to deal with Conrad. That was the main driving

appeared out of thin air must be hiding some sort of evil intentions;

just..." She faced Veronica with her back as she stretched her calves. "I feel more at

true," Veronica muttered, taking

the

Adrian Colland. You probably... still remember me,

line pronounced each word

why are

wasn't surprising to her that he found her number, but what she found odd

about what's happening to Matthew

"Sorry, I'm not interested."

really? Heh, do you know that he doesn't love Sasha at all and that both of them are just putting up an act?"

as she contemplated the truthfulness of his

"Where are you?"

her seemed to make sense. Despite that, there was a niggling thought in her mind that screamed that things somehow didn't add up. So, when Adrian suddenly told

minutes to get here," he said, hanging up after

palmed her phone as she slipped into her thoughts while she stared at

away the yoga mat when she caught Veronica's sudden shift in

property agent. Look how destitute I am, and he actually asked if I'm interested in purchasing a house." She shrugged as she made up an excuse on the spot and added, "I've been busy the whole day and

and watched as Veronica rose to her feet and started toward

steps and spun her head around to

hesitantly, "I... miss my baby.

adoration for him. Yet, he had never asked to see the baby. This made Yvonne feel incredibly sorry for him. As a father, he couldn't even

the baby because he was worried that she might misunderstand

"Don't you have his contact details? You can contact him yourself because I don't

Chapter 486 Discovering the Truth

Veronica had carefully distinguished the voices in the recording, and it was really Matthew's voice. As she was highly sensitive to voices—after all, she had to mimic voices when dressing up in different genders and had also worked as a voice actress before—she was sure that the recording was authentic.

However... she thought. If Matthew really doesn't like Sasha, then why did he insist on breaking up with me and even act like he really likes Sasha?

All of a sudden, Veronica felt as though she was thrown into a deep, confusing abyss, and she had lost her way and couldn't find the exit. "Where did this recording come from? What if it was staged by a few voice actors? Who knows?"

She immediately adopted a disdainful expression as she attempted to get some information from Adrian. "The other day, I placed a miniature bug into her pocket when Sasha came to see me. So, it's not difficult to find out this information." "I think Sasha doesn't like you, does she?"

that she didn't have many interactions with Sasha, she was sure that she liked Matthew. People always said that the eyes were the windows to the soul, and the eyes

love me. Since you know that she has undergone surgery before, you should understand that no one else in this world can accept her but me. At the

reliant on you, why is she staying by Matthew's side?

fact that she likes Matthew Kings doesn't affect my love for her. I invited you today because I want to strike a deal with you." He rubbed his fingers against the coffee cup on the table, then took

off, saying, "The recording can't prove

that out in many ways, but if he really didn't like Sasha, it meant that he had some secrets he couldn't reveal, or he

case, it went to show that Matthew was purposely distancing himself from her by breaking up with her, and it was highly possible that he was scheming something. Hence, she should play along

Sasha, so she reckoned that there was a need to keep it

seducing Matthew even after the breakup. I struck her, and Matthew happened to see that. After that, he forced me to apologize to her, but I refused. Just one word from him later, it completely destroyed my career, and he also sent the word out that anyone that hires me is making an enemy out of the Kings Family," she said, telling

as unbelievable to Adrian. "That's

as she looked into the distance forlornly and sighed deeply. "People are capable of anything

thought, unable to explain this

at the moment, so this was all she

Colland, I don't think I can help you with anything because I can't even save myself

she rose to her feet as

His family is huge, and so is

is their family business. Therefore it's impossible

with sudden realization. That's right. The

and Conrad were vying for the position of the heir; it

why would he marry

when he broke up with me, I couldn't help but feel that there was something not quite right. Nevertheless, now

his current position, it seemed highly likely that Matthew was probably hiding something from

Chapter 487 Questioning Crayson

She continued playing the video and saw Matthew making a call, but the playback speed was in fast-forward motion and so fast that she couldn't hear anything. So, she played it at normal speed to listen to the audio.

"Master Crayson, are you asleep? Yeah, I'm going to look for you now. Roni is already asleep. I hope that you can give me an acceptable reason. Otherwise, I won't break up with her."

After he said all that, he hung up, and Veronica's eyes opened wide with disbelief as shivers kept running down her spine, and she felt her entire body turning chilly with sudden realization.

What happened? So, that night at One Piece Restaurant, Crayson and Matthew went to the bathroom together to have a chat, but... what did they speak about?

of a sudden, she felt that there

but after Matthew and Crayson returned from the bathroom, it became much more relaxed. At that time, she thought that

like

but after

they had

end when it came to such crucial information, she thought of One Piece Restaurant, and after she cracked the restaurant's surveillance, she finally found the part where

have audio, and since things had come to this stage, there was

up with me because it's Crayson's idea, she

couldn't sleep a wink at all, and at 4.30AM, Crayson called her on the

night before, changed into gym clothes and went jogging with Crayson.

the sun was

they reached their training spot in the park. Instead, she held the water bottle in her hands, twisted it open, and gulped two

to the

wore a loose-fitting sports outfit with a ruler in his hand, then he strolled up to her and gently patted her shoulder. "Are you being lazy again, you wretched girl? Get up and

the bottle of water to the side and gestured to the spot beside herself by patting it

joking mood. As Crayson knew exactly what had happened to her recently, he

wake up early in the morning and train you all day just so that others can walk all over you.

ask Matthew to break

to finish his sentence when Veronica cast him a sideways glance, staring fixedly at him with her sharp gaze, and her face was cold as her eyes burned with a need for

powerful, dominant aura stunned him for a moment, and they held that gaze for

blinked guiltily, looked away, and muttered weakly, "I don't

Chapter 488 Matthew Is a Big Fool

She fixed her gaze on Crayson unblinkingly, as though she wanted to guess what was on his mind by observing every shift of his facial expressions.

On the other hand, as Crayson was conscience-stricken, he stared at the ground with a guilty expression, not daring to meet Veronica's eyes.

"If you still can't remember, I'll give you another reminder. Back then, when you just went to the bridal shop as security, the shop was still under construction, and you left the shop in between that period. So, where did you go?" She put everything on the table to talk it out.

"I can accept and understand that everyone has secrets, but now, you're starting to interfere in my private life. I can't help but wonder why you're willing to stay by my side when your skills are above average, and you're evidently not a regular person. So, what's your motive?"

be fine if he were just a regular person, but he wasn't. His skills, abilities, and personal erudite kept reminding her that there was a reason why he was staying

her relentless line of questioning. He knitted his brows tightly as he thought it over and came up

as he leaned on the bench's backrest, stacked his knees together, and crossed his arms across his chest as he watched the sun slowly rise from the east. Then, he lamented, "I wasn't a simple man back then, but all those things have nothing to do with you. The reason I'm by your side

I developed a liking for a mischievous girl like you. Otherwise..." He came to a pause halfway and tilted his head at Veronica. "Otherwise, with your family background, why do you think I'd take you on as my

he was lying when she saw how composed he was despite explaining his circumstances in a lighthearted tone. Hence, she took his words as half-truths. "Then, who are those people who came looking for you in the forest

people? They used

before?" She was now entirely invested in digging for information on this mysterious

don't need to know what happened in the past because it's not beneficial to you. However,

used up all his creative juices and quick wit to come up with a plausible reason in hopes that she wouldn't uncover anything else. After all, his student was brilliant and had

time, she was silent as she waited

into the distance and acted as though he had delved into past memories. "Those people have been through thick and thin with me, and they are quite capable and strong. They told me

listened to his explanations, she couldn't suppress her impatience and sprang up

it was because of the trust she had for him, plus he had watched her grow up, and they were as close as family; he had

was a rising fury that she could barely restrain. It was all too much

throwing a fit, and he hit her firmly on the butt with the ruler. "Wretched girl, I'm doing this all for your own good. Your parents worked so hard to care for you. What would

about it, if a mere Larson Family can render your father unconscious for several months, what do you have to go against Zac? It's not like you don't know

Veronica knew, Crayson also knew. Hence, he weaved a

Zac and Conrad were working together to go against Matthew, and he was merely mixing in some madeup stories together in his cocktail version

harsh reprimand. Her eyes flickered as she stared at him. Finally, she slowly

of Castron, I can't imagine Zac's family's influence and power, and my parents will be in the most danger if I make

Chapter 489 Helping Him

"Zac and Conrad are paranoid. They're keeping a close eye on you. You'll have to stay away from Matthew if you want to help him." Crayson only said that so they would not get back together, or otherwise, it would have a great impact on Veronica. And yet he had a point too.

Veronica mused about it for a moment and nodded. "Yeah. I should be on the lookout for them." No wonder Matthew insulted Sasha when she came to me and destroyed her career after that. It looks like he's ruining her work, but he's actually putting on a show for Conrad and keeping Sasha safe.

"B-But we can stay in touch as long as nobody knows, can't we?" She missed him. This was the first time she had missed someone so dearly in her life.

"Don't even think about it." Crayson poked her forehead. "If those b*stards find out that you're talking with Matthew, everything you did would be all for nothing. They might kidnap you or your parents. They might also do me in. Either way, we'd just be a piece of deadweight for Matthew."

"But-"

"No buts. You'll have to go for a year and a half without him if you really want to be with him. It's a test. I won't stop you if the two of

a half? It's been three months

year

"Okay."

train. You can't even help him

Crayson pointed out her weakness, and it motivated her. From that day onwards, she went through training hell. She

her morning training. When she was about to leave for work, she remembered she wasn't working with Starshine anymore. Veronica went back to her bedroom and changed into a black work attire and pulled her hair back into a ponytail. She paired that up with a pair of black heels. Since she would be working at a car dealership, she opted to get a cab

the dealership twenty minutes later,

was enough for her to stand out among her peers. She nailed that mature woman look, and

stood outside his office, greeting him, but Patrick was

and knocked on the door, snapping Patrick out

fact that she was a damsel in distress was enough of an opening for him. He was coming up with a plan to get in her pants. Patrick pulled out

"Of course, Mr. Simon."

but he took advantage and grabbed her hand instead,

a cinch to get in her pants. "It's your

now. She would endure the harassment as long as Patrick stayed within boundaries. She'd rather stay out of trouble. However, if he did toe the line, someone would be seeing a

course. You may

asked another guy to take Veronica around the dealership and get to know about how work was done. The guy was called Hanson. He was a tall, happy-go-lucky guy. His skin was fair, but it

Chapter 490 Mia's Scheme

Veronica was surprised to run into Mia at a place like this. She knew Mia would do anything to sabotage her. They had bad blood between them after all. Veronica didn't care though. As long as she could sell the car, she could secure a job as a full-timer in the dealership.

Then, she'd no longer be deadweight for Miguel, and once she settled down on a job, she could spend most of her time helping Matthew too. "Fancy seeing you here, Mia. Are you thinking of getting a new car? Come in." Veronica served her like any lowly service industry worker would. She wanted Mia to feel like her superiority was acknowledged and respected by others.

Mia smiled smugly when she finally saw the haughty Veronica treating her like she was a queen. She heard what happened between her and Matthew, and she knew how bad Veronica must be having it.

Still, she never thought Veronica would fall so far as to work in a car dealership. She just posted a selfie of herself, Stephen the action-star, and Larry the Oscar-winning actor on her social media not too long ago.

up to Veronica. The woman cocked her eyebrow and smiled. "Sean told me you quit a few days ago. I thought you found a

and they only sold luxury cars. The fact that Veronica was treating her like a queen was proof that

Veronica put on a sheepish look and heaved a sigh. "Life is hard, but it must go on." She changed

but her eyes glinted with cunning. She said, "I don't know anything about cars. Do explain everything to me like

problem. What's your budget? And what kind

Veronica. "What do you mean I can't afford this car? You can't

really suddenly. Veronica was expecting something like this to happen, but she never thought it would come this quickly. She was just going to

for a moment, then they turned their eyes to Veronica. "What's going

That's no way

see what happened." The men who came with Mia and the salesmen approached them. Hanson was worried about Veronica. He huddled closer to

bit more slowly. Never thought she'd go in for the kill right away too. She knew Mia would slander her again, so she was planning on making a recording,