

Bumpkin 681

Chapter 681 A Five-Year Contract

"Oh." Shirley nodded and pursed her red lips. Even though she knew that Wade had things he hadn't said, she didn't know how to ask him about it.

With her head bowed slightly, she frowned and thought carefully before adding, "You... can let me know if you face any difficulties. I may not have a lot of money, but I can still help you if it won't take too much money."

Shirley had been working for Veronica ever since she graduated from university, and had decent savings from her frugal way of living.

Even though it wasn't a lot of money, she was willing to lend a hand if Wade needed help.

"Hehe." Wade smiled upon seeing how sincere she was. "You telling me this is enough for me."

Sighing, he couldn't hide the exhaustion on his face. "I was going to borrow some money from you, but I can imagine how hard it is for a woman to be earning her keep. Plus, I can't return the money anytime soon, so I borrowed one million from my friend instead.

When he said that he borrowed money from a 'friend', Shirley knew that the person he was talking about was probably the boss of the Horizon Group, Talila Gibson. However, Shirley was more than willing to believe him, since he told her that he was borrowing money from Talila.

you real good. They even lent you

said that to get more

laugh, but I have actually already resigned from Starshine. I borrowed money

her big eyes

think Skyler was

When Wade turned back and met her eyes, there was a trace of sadness in his own. "I am not made to be a model. I have just been mediocre throughout the many years, and I can't make much money. I have only

mother, he had

He was but a small-time model. He wasn't wealthy by

"Uh..."

say in return.

me like that." Wade let out a resigned smile. "I am just

pure they looked like clean pearls as he looked at

her trust in

she thought it was inappropriate

next day at

Chapter 682 Wounded

Veronica felt bad when she saw how devastated her birth parents were. However, despite how apologetic she felt toward them, she herself was at a point of no return now.

She knew that someone was definitely keeping an eye on her every move from the dark today. It would certainly cause doubt about Matthew's death if she were to return home.

She had to make it believable from every aspect. She finally returned to the villa after a long and excruciating night. After taking a few days' rest at home, she left with Crayson to the hidden clan.

It was a few more days of resting for her when they arrived at Castron. Crayson wasn't in a rush anyway. The only thing he was worried about was Veronica's physical condition.

On this very night, Veronica was lying in the bedroom resting around midnight when she heard a small sound.

When she was keenly aware of the noise, she reached under her pillow before her fingertips touched a dagger.

it around in case of danger when she

never thought that someone would attempt to do something to her right after she arrived

watched the black figure slowly approaching her. For some reason, she suddenly

flashed through her eyes when realization hit her.

surprised when he heard that as he abruptly stopped

lamp. Sure enough, the man standing in

did you know that

was slightly caught

she was skilled, he didn't think she

of bed and threw herself at him, barefoot. "Long time no see!" she murmured. "I missed

knew how worn out she was both physically and emotionally,

his funeral. No one knew how tired she was, but she

have missed you too." He pulled her into his arms and rested his chin on her head before slowly closing his eyes to lose himself in the magical moment of being with her. "I came

they were connected emotionally, or because Matthew was aware of how true Veronica's love for him was

Chapter 683 He Is Here

Like a fiery tornado that swept through, the kiss was hot and crazed. The initial neat bed had turned into a mess after a few hours of bedroom warfare.

As the satisfied couple huddled together, Veronica lay against Matthew's chest. "Matt, I feel like I have to tell you this since you were best friends before. I saw Adrian hit Sasha the other day."

Veronica would always remember the slap Sasha had given her in the mourning hall.

However, Veronica had always been someone who could clearly tell apart a grudge from gratitude. She wouldn't harbor hatred for Sasha just for one slap.

"Sasha doesn't love Adrian, but Adrian does come from an unusual background. She..." Matthew paused and continued solemnly, "She brought it upon herself."

when he laid his hands on her before. Sasha was the one

and his friends could do anything when

the reason Sasha

her to provoke Matthew to let him know about his love for her. And second of all, if

on their men, and men were born to find pitiful women irresistible to not

self-awareness. She had no idea that everything she did

then, Veronica's tummy

peeked at Matthew and let out

eat with you," he suggested, to which she nodded

had been fully immersed in the character of a widow nowadays, after all. Thinking that she had probably convinced

she called the front desk

only took a while before

Chapter 684 Will You Be Back After Going to the Hidden Clan?

"No, I think your plan is just fine. Think about it—everything you are doing now is for me, whereas Zac and the others have let down their guard as they think you're dead. You will be able to handle everything with ease when you counterattack. I am even starting to yearn to have a better life between us."

Veronica often had dreams that she and Matthew would stay together until the end of their lives, living simple and ordinary days as a loving couple.

"I am glad you are saying this," Matthew murmured. He was extremely touched by her.

"Alright, now. Come sit down. Let's eat together."

After Veronica pulled him to sit down, the two began to chat while eating.

The suite's heavy drapes were drawn, and with its dimly lit yellow lights, the room looked as dark as night from outside.

The vigilant couple wanted to do everything with utmost care and attention to detail.

haven't told me how you managed to stay alive after you were hit

Veronica didn't even have

the day of the wedding, and the car did fall into the river. But I didn't die after falling into the water. I managed to escape and leave Bloomstead,"

prawn into her mouth before chewing it carefully. With a sly look in her moist eyes, she asked tentatively, "I am guessing you purposely dropped your

everything was planned by him

died a hundred times during the years he strived

had only got to their positions today after stepping on a ladder made out

richest man in Bloomstead, Matthew Kings was not one

be more amazing

her words, a small smile graced his

course it is a

"Not necessarily."

you say

eyes if I did

Hahaha!" He succeeded at making

Chapter 685

"Master Crayson... He..."

Veronica promptly fell silent.

Head bowed, she poked at the food on her plate with her fork for a long minute before she spoke again.

"I have my own choices and thoughts."

As she said that, she raised her head abruptly and stared at Matthew with an unwavering gaze. "My home, my children, my husband—they are all in Bloomstead."

This was exactly why Veronica wouldn't stay with the hidden clan no matter what.

The reason she agreed to go to the hidden clan was because she was afraid of the power of the clan, and she knew that she was too weak to win against them.

But after going to the hidden clan, there were certain things that Crayson didn't have the final say.

after she had
the reason Matthew faked
and even though he was always good to
to say for sure if he would do something unimaginable to
have me. Don't worry." Matthew smiled warmly as he looked into Veronica's
and let out a long breath. "You are my husband. Who am I going to trust if not you? Also, Uncle Conrad
has been keeping his eyes on your property lately. He probably can't hold himself back from doing
something after I left
somewhat proud
be thinking about how he made the best choice that he had never
reason, I suddenly don't know if you are complimenting me or yourself." Veronica laughed
rested her elbows on the table and propped her chin on her palms. She then quietly blinked and stared
at him with gentle, beautiful
swiftly got up to pour her a bowl of
sincerely replied, "I don't want
she looked at the handsome man. She would rather take one more look at
sitting opposite him. Seeing her gentle smile, he shook his head helplessly and tilted his head to the side
before he laughed out

Chapter 686

"I have put on weight! I will turn into a pig if I continue eating."

Veronica had been controlling her weight without going overboard. She was already exercising to lose weight during confinement.

"Have you considered how a pig might feel when you say something like that?" Matthew teased in return.

She immediately burst out laughing before nagging him solemnly, "The fatter a pig is, the more popular it is. It is a lifelong thing for a woman to maintain her figure. Won't I be pitiful if you dump me for a young and beautiful wife one day because I no longer take care of my appearance?" "Are you sure I am the one who would dump you and not the other way around?" Matthew took a sip of wine and raised his eyebrows meaningfully.

Following Matthew's 'death', and in the order of succession, Veronica was the first in line to inherit all his properties. Matthew had nothing in his name now.

In the blink of an eye, Veronica had become the richest woman in Bloomstead.

Even she was surprised by the revelation when she was handling the various transfer procedures.

"I have been wondering about how confident you are to leave so much property under my name."

his death, she knew that he didn't care about

than a billion. It was

as touched as she was glad to find such a great man after knowing how

always had faith in my taste." While he spoke, his clear eyes were burning passionately as he looked at the woman he

from

never

how fortunate she

I do if you weren't here. Do I really

he hadn't fallen in love with her, she would have been very passive and helpless when

were obedient to Veronica was because she was the future head of

the head as she had no control over how things would

to repay you for your kindness in our past

it hard to imagine a non-believer of the supernatural like Matthew to say

I have found you in a sea of people if you hadn't done good deeds and accumulated good karma in your past life?" After saying that, he brought up an example to emphasize his point. "I wouldn't have had the

all fate

Chapter 687

They had a toast done in public on the wedding stage once, but it wasn't a toast between just the two of them.

This small gesture of Matthew had moved Veronica to no end.

It was in the tiniest details that she had seen his sincerity and love for her. She had noticed and kept it all locked away in a corner of her heart.

Matthew raised his elbow and intertwined it around hers. As they held their wine glasses, they looked at each other with deep affection, their faces full of smiles.

They then downed the half-full glass of wine in one-go.

After they drank the wine, Matthew suddenly frowned and complained, "Why does the wine taste bitter?"

before taking a look at him and her glass. "But

There must be something wrong

wrong with

for

reached out to snatch the bottle of wine. However, she hadn't even touched the bottle when Matthew suddenly pulled her into a hug. "We drank from the same bottle. For mine to be bitter and yours to be fine,

she was caught off-guard, he slammed his lips against hers, and slid his tongue between her teeth before

its taste before she let out a frown and pushed him

loud. "Roni, has anyone ever told you that you are so... silly that

tried her best to understand Matthew was so cute that the man couldn't help reaching out to pinch her cheeks, which were as plump and fair as a

was hit by realization. "You have gone overboard, Matthew Kings!" "Just that is too much?" His long arms reached over to scoop her into his embrace. Leaning close to her ear, he purred, "I don't

Veronica choked. Where did that

stroked the strands of hair near her ear. The few playful strands of hair that fluttered around her ear and

Chapter 688

The couple proceeded to have another delightful, almost out-of- body session that brought Veronica to one peak after another.

She had to admit that Matthew had great stamina.

After they were done, he carried the exhausted woman and washed her up in the bathroom before taking her back to the bed.

She eventually woke up after a short nap. Arms around his waist, she held him in a tight hold, as though fearing that he would leave as soon as she let him go.

When she felt the warmth from his skin, she rubbed her cheek like a spoiled kitten on his chest.

"Be good."

Matthew suddenly reached out and slapped her on her behind.

His gruff voice sounded so magnetic and attractive she went numb after hearing his low whisper.

to his chest, she could feel the light vibration as he spoke. This

"Aye-"

dragged her reply, making her look both

exactly her cheekiness that

but she didn't have the slightest idea of what she did to the
going to Castron. Is it fine for me to bring Thomas with me, and I leave Yvette and Miguel
choice but to make the decision herself because she couldn't
he himself was a police officer now. As for Skyler, Veronica couldn't help thinking how he would be
the only person she
relatively calm. It will be good
wasn't too worried about the company. He knew that Miguel,
manage the company to, the
Ada, and our son is Alan." It was then that Veronica realized Matthew had never asked
just considering the possibility of Matthew not caring about the children at all, she noticed she was
worried for nothing the
he had secretly arranged
has been hard on you, Roni. Let's not have another

Chapter 689

Absence made the heart grow fonder.

Even though Veronica had heard this before, it was only now that she finally experienced firsthand how
insane missing someone could feel.

No matter how sleepy she was tonight, she didn't dare close her eyes.

She didn't know when was the next time she could see Matthew again. With the little time they had left,
she wanted to cherish every second she spent with him.

However, she finally couldn't stand the drowsiness and fell asleep.

Veronica didn't know what time she woke up, but she was aware of the emptiness between her arms.
Reaching out to touch the bedding beside her, she felt the residual warmth on it.

He probably left just a while ago, she concluded.

When she got up to open the curtains, a dazzling light immediately shone in, making her narrow her
eyes in discomfort as she stretched lazily.

She then walked to the bedside, where she found a note on the table.

'Roni, I can't bear to wake you up when I see how well you are sleeping. Remember, don't be nervous
standing in the light, because... I will always be watching over you from the shadows.'

Ring-a-ling!

the sound

heart quickly ped a beat then. Surely it
the door in the living room and looked through the peephole,
out a sigh of relief as she pulled the door
Ma'am." The waiter smiled. "This is the
dining table was as clean as new. Matthew had obviously cleaned it up
careful man who wouldn't
he must have ordered this
"Come on in."
opened the half-closed door and
the table
back at the carefully prepared food on the table. She noticed how they were
Matthew's love for her was reflected
small smile as happiness bubbled up inside of
to freshen up before she
had the shrimp and cheese ravioli, her eyes fell on the spot in front of her, and she was filled with
overwhelming joy

the hidden clan immediately and solve everything as soon as possible. She would then return to

Chapter 690

Veronica had never asked about the internal situation of the hidden clan, but now that she was about to enter the place, she asked, "How are we going to get there?"

"You will see when we get there." Instead of giving an answer to her straight, Crayson took two bottles of mineral water and passed them to Veronica and Thomas. "Have some water. The weather is hot today." "Thank you, Master Crayson."

After Thomas took the bottle, he subconsciously twisted the lid open and took a sip.

Veronica, on the other hand, wasn't thirsty, and she only held the bottle in her hand and looked out the window, seemingly in deep thought.

Destiny was sitting in the passenger's seat. With Crayson in the middle, Thomas was on his left, and Veronica on the other side.

When Crayson noticed that Veronica was only holding the bottle without drinking it, he reminded her, "We have a boat ride later, so you had better drink some water first. This type of mineral water is very effective for suppressing seasickness."

Veronica wouldn't have noticed it if he hadn't spoken.

After he said that, she lowered her head to look at the cylindrical bottle. It was a normal bottle of mineral water with a blue label and a white logo.

to it, she casually nodded and opened her bottle's

that she vigilantly noticed the deep look she couldn't name

Matthew had had some 'fun' in the forest, Matthew had told

point, Veronica immediately went into

glance outside the window as she

in a black sports outfit

she naturally

taking a mouthful of water, she wiped her moisture on her lips, and she discreetly spit the

reach the hidden clan, Master Crayson?" she

three days. It is far," he

asking questions and leaned into

clever person that she was, she kept her eyes on Thomas' reaction

something wrong

minutes but he was already

knew Thomas for as long as she