Bumpkin 741

Chapter 741 Poison

Randy got on Veronica's nerves, but Mateo's reply almost made her laugh. He has humor and a sharp tongue. "Why you little..." Randy had no good comebacks.

Hayley thought this was going too far. She chided, "Apologize to your sister, Randy." "I told you, she's not my sister. I'm never going to apologize to her." He hmphed and left.

"Where are you going, Randy?" a worried Lamia shouted. She then said to Hayley, "I'm going after him, Aunt Hayley," she said in Trilas.

Veronica's eyes glinted. She was interested in this woman named Lamia. After they were gone, Hayley turned back to Veronica. "I'm sorry. It's my fault. I spoiled the boy."

knew Veronica wouldn't

It won't change a thing." Veronica sat down on the sofa

of coffee up and took a sip. Then, she looked at everyone. Their eyes were set on her, but their gazes didn't unsettle her. Coldly, she said, "I have a lot to do. If you

soon as possible, but she didn't want to see Hayley. She might look elegant, gentle, and approachable, but Veronica just couldn't find it in herself to sympathize

for Hayley, and she sighed. She turned to

years since she last saw you.

Randy and Tiffany grew up together with the Larsons. Why didn't you

Chapter 742 In Trouble

"Your mother and I decided to bring Tiffany back, and..."

Crayson wanted to explain, but Veronica shot him an icy look. "Did I ask you? If you are going to represent her on every single subject, then why did you bring me here? You could have done that back in the city," she interrupted Crayson.

One look, and Crayson could see the indifference and anger in her eyes. He thought she wouldn't hate him for bringing her home, since he practically raised her, but reality proved him wrong. He wondered if she was hating him.

"Grandpa's just trying to explain the plan, Veronica," Mateo explained. He was still smiling, trying to ease the tension. "Shut it!" Veronica snapped. "This has nothing to do with you!"

much she was holding

you don't have to know about it for now. We have a long road ahead of us. What you have to do now is

doing what Hayley wanted her to do, she would stir trouble in the clan. The thought spread like wildfire and took over

do now is master the clan's

I listen to you?" She turned her gaze to Crayson

her what she wanted. He knew

you don't like this, but I have no choice. I'm doing this for

Chapter 743 A Familiar Bracelet

Eventually, Veronica won the staring contest and Hayley said, "Tanya has met up with Tiffany."

She stopped and gave Veronica a moment to think. This meant that Tiffany and Tanya might have reached an agreement and were working together. Veronica sneered silently. Man, her plan is bullsh*t. She just made things that much harder for herself.

Hayley continued, "I know what your concerns are, but Randy is my son. I can't just abandon him. Your master and I had a conversation. We're going to seal his memories in a few days and cut off all contact between him and Tiffany."

Veronica answered, "He's not the problem. All Tanya needs is Tiffany's help, and she can usurp the clan leader. If Tiffany tells everyone who she is, do you think the rebels would keep fighting?"

them, she realized how much they valued bloodline. They would only acknowledge their new leader if their blood was legitimate. Tiffany looked just like her. If she told everyone she was

to take Tanya's position as leader away, or they could work with her and

they couldn't hide it anymore, Hayley told Veronica

even after she heard the

frustrated all of a sudden, so she took a stroll with

went to the bathroom. "I need to use the restroom. Give

stood in front of a shop. She saw a mobile phone shop not far away and wanted to take a look. The hidden clan used an internal network and all their phones were

was about to go, someone stopped her. "Come with me, Miss Murphy," the man said in

and stared at the man before her. He was wearing hidden clan attire, and a black shawl covered his head. His skin was tanned, but his eyes were sharp. This was no

Chapter 744 Hendrey Is Here

She went to the third floor and saw Hendrey in the room on the west side. He wasn't the only one in the room. There was a middle-aged woman and a young man inside as well.

The woman was in a navy shirt, and her hair was tied up in a bun held by a silver brooch. She looked solemn and proud.

Veronica's heart ped a beat. She had a hunch who these people were. All her attention was on the woman, so the handsome man beside her was neglected.

"Veronica?" Hendrey stood up right away. There was delight in his eyes, his enthusiasm impossible to hide. "Come in. I have something to tell you."

do you need?" Veronica took the

and took up the spot between the young

clan, and this is her translator. The lad is Liam Ledger, the son of Tanya." Hendrey

people before her. Man, so many names to remember. Good thing I have a good memory. Elrod, Ledger, and so much more. She had heard so much about Tanya, but now she

As beautiful as she used to be." Liam gave

Tanya was imposing, she wasn't scared. "You're proficient in Trilas," she commented calmly, stopping anyone from

you. I'm fluent in eight languages," Liam bragged

shot

up, but he was

clasped her hands together and looked at her sharply, as if she was interrogating a

Chapter 745 Deception

Veronica thought it was just a coincidence, but now she knew it wasn't. That was nothing but a scheme.

Hendrey pursed his lips and clenched his fists. Instead of answering the question, he changed the subject. "The leader has something to say."

"You're Tiffany's ally. Why did you want to see me?" "I am no ally of hers. We just have a common goal." "You're honest. Do you want a compliment?" Veronica shook her head in resignation.

"We'll talk about our business later. You have something else on your plate now." He turned to Tanya. "Tell her what's on your mind. Liam and I will translate."

A moment of silence later, she said, "I'm not one for pleasantries. To be honest,

it for

"I'm listening."

happened in Bloomstead, but speaking as a mother, I think Hayley's a selfish soul. Your family's in that city, and yet she brings you all the way here.

woman was a master manipulator. She was pitting Veronica against Hayley, but she underestimated Veronica. Tanya thought she was just

nodded and rested her chin on the back of her hand. She tilted her head to the side and stared at Tanya seriously like a student contemplating her teacher's question. "And?"

flashed in her eyes. That's not what I expected. Most people would be mad. They'd curse Hayley for that. I was expecting

I know you don't care about the clan, so I

more genuine and believable than Hayley, in fact.

Chapter 746 Dangerous

Veronica sipped some tea and popped a piece of the dessert into her mouth. She pretended she had no idea what they were talking about. The snack she picked up was pink and petal-shaped. It was soft, sweet, and delicious. Huh. They make good desserts.

"Hayley must have told you a lot, Miss Murphy. You should know no good will come from making an enemy out of me. I can give you two options." Liam translated everything.

Veronica stayed silent for a moment to play along with them. She didn't want them to know she understood what they were talking about. "Tell me."

you want to stay, then you'll have to work with me. I can give you glory and fortune. Two, I'll pay you to leave. You're set for life with that kind of money." Tanya was a smart woman. If this was something money could settle,

tempting offer. So, how much are you paying?" Veronica sat up

fingers and made an offer she

her mouth, and she

her about my husband's net worth? Forty-million is pocket change for me." How stupid must she think

the clan language, "Remember her husband, Matthew? His net worth is more than ten

to leave the clan safely. That's her priority," Tanya rebutted darkly, but

"Things aren't as simple as they look, Veronica. Sending you away is the best offer she can make. You

her heart in hopes

Chapter 747 Scum

"Sorry, but 150 million isn't what I'm after. I'm going after the clan's ore," she answered honestly. "If you can give me some of those, I'll do whatever you say." Matthew wanted that resource, and she seized the chance to see what Tanya's policy on that was.

"What?" Tanya's face fell, and surprise filled her eyes. A while later, she humphed. "Preposterous."

Nobody translated that, but that didn't mean Veronica had no idea what she just said. "Fifteen billion. Take it or leave it," Tanya said for the last time, and she left.

Liam looked at the ladies before he finally left with his mother. When they emerged from the tea shop, Liam had concocted a mischievous little idea. "I have an idea, Mom. Wanna hear it?"

got in the car. "Not a good one, I'm sure." "Mom, you can't say that about

know you

Liam was sitting beside his mother, and he chortled. "If you

"What do you mean?"

her. She just lost her husband. If I can give her love and companionship, she's going to fall for me. And if she dates me, she won't argue

a little plan of his own. The moment he saw Veronica, he was

sleep with, but Veronica was different. She came from the city, was beautiful, and had an air of elegance about her. She was his cup of tea. He also knew she could fight and was the wife of a billionaire. The allure of

a glare. "Don't forget who you

Not like this is a patriarchy. I won't get to be the leader anyway, and I don't care. But you expect me to not make new experiences? That's not

Chapter 748 Treating Her

Veronica was still in the tea shop. She leaned on the back of her chair and looked outside the window silently. It was not the time to leave, for she was waiting for someone.

"Since you're here, I figured I should tell you that Xavier and his team are going to arrive tomorrow." Hendrey told her what he knew. "I assume Zac will be here too?"

Since Xavier would be coming, then so would Antheena. Zac had been eyeing the hidden clan's resources for a long time, and Veronica believed he would come as well. "Yes, along with Troy," he answered.

"Things are gonna get rowdy." A smile curled her lips, and she chuckled. "You killed Matthew last time, so who's gonna die this time? Me?" She slowly turned around and stared at Hendrey.

no idea how to answer that question, and his face fell. His eyes glinted with guilt, and he hung his head low. The cup of tea in his hand was the only thing assuaging his guilt. "I still hope you'll work with Tanya. At

wishful thinking on your

looked at the door, and it was none other than Mateo standing outside. He directed

see the soft-spoken Mateo so enraged. At least Veronica had never seen

him. It was a test to see

wants." Hendrey stood up and adjusted his glasses

moment, and then he narrowed his eyes at Hendrey. "Stay away from her, or I will beat

collected demeanor made Mateo look like an impetuous boy. Veronica wasn't averse

smiling, but there was scorn and

me. She's on our side now, and you're a threat to

Chapter 749 He's Jealous

Well, he was the son of Tanya, after all. Of course he was proud. "You're not even that old, Liam. Stay away from her, or you're gonna have a knuckle sandwich feast." Liam was starting to get a little aggressive.

Veronica had to reevaluate her opinion of him. She had thought he was just a nice, nerdy guy who couldn't fight, but now he seemed to be quite impulsive.

"Lay a finger on me, and you're gonna get it." "Your mother is nothing, Liam. She's not gonna be the clan leader for long."

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a headache. She left the room, and Hendrey followed. After she went downstairs, Hendrey handed her the bracelet again. "Keep

the bracelet and refused, "No." She left the tea shop without even saying

asked, "Why are you

and looked at the kitchen, ignoring what Crayson was saying. She could hear

her

came in right away. He wrapped his arm around her waist and pinned her against

thumped his chest. "Are you mad? They

yelling

you mean?" Veronica was

one charismatic woman. You just came to the clan, and already two men are fighting

laugh, but she felt for him. She puffed her cheeks and grinned. "Nope. I just met Liam today, and he's getting ideas about

Chapter 750 The Clan's Past

She went to the bathroom and straightened herself up before coming back down. The first thing she heard was Crayson chiding, "Look at you. How many times have I told you to hold back? Why wouldn't you listen to me? You can't even beat Liam! This is a disgrace."

She reached the first floor and looked at them. Mateo's face was bruised, and blood trickled down the corner of his lips. His right eye was also bruised. She sympathized with him, but she also found it funny.

Veronica let out a laugh. "A-Are you fine?" I thought he could handle it. He looked so confident. Guess that's not the case.

than I did. Both of his eyes are bruised," he

is preposterous. You know his mother is the clan's head, and yet you challenged him? This is a sensitive period. You can't just start

"The first thing Tanya did after she usurped the throne

clan was a united one, and they thought only the Elrods should be the leaders. That was why Tanya spared them after she usurped the

throne. She knew she needed to

petty reason, the clan started rebelling again. The civil war cost her her youngest son and a sizable portion of her army. The defeated Elrods goaded the people into a protest and forced

She also had enemies within the fold just trying to take her out. Left

before. It was early last year when she made her reappearance. By then, the Elrod remnants had built up a powerful force and network. It was thanks to that