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Chapter 851 A Tempting Condition

As Shirley continued, she felt upset all of a sudden. "I'm scared of being here. And without Veronica here, I can only depend on you. What do you think I should do?"

When Skyler heard what she said, he felt terrible for her but was happy at the same time. So, he reached out his hand to caress her face. "If you have feelings for me, just admit it. Why consider so much? So what if I'm from the Robins Family? I've never used my family's money since graduating high school. So, no one has the right to tell me what to do. As for Sofia, I've told you many times that I won't marry her. At this point, we are history."

However, she still shook her head. "You're born into a wealthy family, so there are many things that you don't know. The compatibility of social class between a couple was, and is still, very important." She softly bit her red lip and hesitated for a second. "Skyler, we're even after tonight. I hope that you can forget everything about today too. I'll find Veronica tomorrow and ask her to bring me out of here."

At first, when she came to the hidden clan, she thought Veronica had something to tell her, but only after tonight did she realize she was unwanted there. Instead of stirring trouble here, she wanted to leave this place as soon as possible to save trouble.

while anger emitted from his brown eyes. "Who do you think I

sudden outrage shocked Shirley so much that she didn't even dare to breathe. She looked at him blankly and kept quiet for quite some time. Meanwhile, the fear in her

and softened his tone immediately. "Do you think that I'm

throwing

Am I really such a

his question, her eyes had already explained it

his desire to choke her. After calming down, he explained, "We can spend about two months together in the hidden clan. Why don't we try to be

to be together?" As she repeated his words, there were sparks in her eyes. She was hesitating, as she couldn't deny that she was honestly tempted. Since that relationship in high school, it had been such a long time

had his principles in everything he did. Needless to say, he was also a well-known medical prodigy in Bloomstead. It would be difficult for her not to be attracted to

Chapter 852 Strong Resentment

I want a woman I love, not a business partner. I like everything about you, and I will allow you to be a coward because I'll always have your back.

Shirley's mind was filled with Skyler's words a moment ago, and she felt a lump form in her throat. With her eyes shimmering in the light, tears welled up in them.

When Skyler saw her eyes turning red, the smile on his face froze, and he became nervous. "What's wrong? Are you sick?"

"No." She shook her head and blinked, catching some teardrops on her lashes. "Do you sweet talk every woman like this?"

Even during her relationship in high school, she had never received such a heartfelt confession.

Skyler was a master at relationships, for everything he said touched her so much that tears welled up in her eyes. For that one moment, she felt that she had found the other half of her life—her prince, who came so late into her life.

When he heard that, his face darkened, and he wrapped his hands around her waist to let her lay down on her side. Then, he lifted his hand and slapped her on her bottom as a punishment. "Do I look that cheap?"

and rich eyelashes. It was as

don't know. We agreed on trying to be together for some time, so let's not think about

not used to the intimacy between them, so she said while blushing, "S-Skyler, it's okay for us to try to be together, but can

you still addressing me

address you as

"Just not my name."

She considered with a frown.

go with Ky." Skyler felt this nickname was not

with Sky," both of them announced in

about her request, he knitted his brows together in dissatisfaction. "Why do you

let Veronica and President Kings know about us for now,

moment, he smiled resignedly. "Okay, anything you say." He hugged her in his arms

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a long time after he left One Piece Restaurant, so she returned to

Chapter 853 Held the Grudge for Too Long

From Xavier's look, it was obvious that he had just woken up. Only then did Veronica know that Matthew didn't look for him.

"Um... I..." she stammered and tried her best to think of a reason. In the end, she lied. "I couldn't sleep, so I wanted to call you to thank you, but your phone couldn't be reached. I thought you were in danger, so I came here to check on you." She still didn't mention anything about Matthew.

With his hand on the door handle, he recalled everything that had happened a few hours ago with a clear mind. Suddenly, his gaze turned dark, and he demanded coldly, "Are you saying a liar will care about me? Haha. Am I supposed to thank you?"

Suddenly, he estranged himself from her because of Matthew's fake death and all the lies she told him.

"Xavier..." She whispered his name and raised her head to look at him. The moment she looked him in the eyes, she could feel the iciness emanating from them. After just a glance, she lowered her head in guilt. "I know I lied to you, but you and Matt hate each other. I knew what we wanted, so the only thing I could do was hide it from you."

done?" Xavier was not moved at all. "Please

lifted her head and asked with anticipation, "Can you and Matt drop

each other as enemies, they would get hurt eventually, and no matter who got hurt, it was not what Veronica wanted to see. Everything would be sorted out if she could figure out a way to resolve

control his emotions. After saying that, he turned

of Veronica, he put both his hands in the pockets of the bathrobe and stared at her. "Listen properly, Veronica..." Then, he said every word firmly, "In this life of mine, either I die, or he

but even when he didn't, she knew about

want to ask. Are we still friends?"

a few seconds, he parted his lips and answered, "A few hours ago, we

anymore? Disappointment flashed in her eyes, and all her memories with him came into her

moment they met at the Twilight Club, this childe didn't despise her 'ugly' look after she dressed up, and then he found out her identity and pretended to be her boyfriend in front of her stepmother, right until he and Matthew came to save her in Mount Chillad.

Chapter 854 He's Hurt

"You don't want to see any of us get hurt? Or do you just not want to see him get hurt?" Xavier asked Veronica in an indifferent tone.

"He is my husband and the father of my two children, and you are my friend." She shook her head. "If I knew things would turn out this way, I wouldn't have befriended you." If it wasn't for her, everything after that wouldn't have happened.

"You've made your choice to help Melissa get her revenge no matter what. I won't disagree with that, but you should get this one point straight. Her death is not directly associated with Matt. If you really want to talk about the cause, Melissa brought this on herself." Then, she sighed deeply before saying, "Take care."

After that, she turned around resignedly and didn't turn around anymore. Meanwhile, Xavier stood at the same spot and looked at Veronica from the back while clenching his fists in his pockets. Instantly, a painful look took over his good-looking face.

If I knew things would turn out this way, I wouldn't have befriended you. He knew that she was in a difficult position between the two of them, but he needed to get his revenge for Melissa's death. "If you need a person to pay for it when he's dead." His expression turned upset. "I will give myself to you."

experiencing all kinds of tragedies in this world. Yet, the only thing that was keeping him

'died', he thought that he had gotten rid of his pain, so he started to worry about Veronica, who was coming to the hidden clan. In the end, he followed her, but he didn't know that Matthew's death was just a part of their

walked to the window. Then, he watched as she left the hotel on her ride. The moment she left, he felt as though a part of his body was taken from him. That pain spread all over his

Veronica left in her car, she still couldn't reach Matthew, so she could only return to the Mountainside she sat in the bedroom, she turned on the television but

wasn't interested in the TV series as well, as she was drinking the wine one glass after another. When the wine entered her throat, she

tries to kill Matthew again and again, will Matthew be kind

three glasses of wine, she was getting a little tipsy. Just then, a slight noise came from the window. She raised her head to look in that

his makeup and was wearing casual gray pajamas with a white

walked over and saw the empty wine bottle on the table. "Why did you drink so much wine at

Chapter 855 Xavier Is in Trouble

"I know. You went to look for Zac." As Veronica faced Matthew with her back, she wrapped his injured hand in her palms and didn't dare move around because she might hurt him.

"You met Xavier." Judging from her response, Matthew made a clever guess. Before Matthew left, she kept pleading for Xavier, but she was sure he had gone for Zac instead. Her behavior showed that either she looked for Xavier or dropped him a line.

"I'm sorry. I was too narrow-minded and misunderstood you." Since she was at fault, she wanted to admit it. She knew that she had misunderstood Matthew and should apologize to him for it.

"It's okay." He landed a kiss on her head. "Xavier saved your life, so I won't kill him, but..." He paused for a moment. "If he keeps coming at me looking for death, I hope you won't blame me for it."

"Okay," she answered resignedly. Their relationship was like a deadlock. Hence, it would be better for her not to be involved. At his moment, Matthew realized that Veronica was not in a good mood, and he could roughly guess why. "Let's sleep. It's late already."

They embraced each other to fall asleep, but with so many thoughts in their minds, they could only fall asleep after a long time.

to brighten up from the east. When Veronica opened her eyes, Matthew wasn't beside her anymore. So, she

thud, thud... Sometime later, the loud pounding on the door woke her

from the bed sluggishly.

to the door. As soon as she opened it, she glared at Mateo at the door with a frown. "Why did you

afraid that you died in your sleep." Mateo giggled. Then, a spark shone in his eyes as he said, "Oh, right. I have big news. I received this news just now, saying that Zac's left hand was cut off last night. I heard that the suspect

off?" Veronica was

I also heard that he even gave Zac a beating yesterday. Probably because Zac was eyeing his wife." Mateo wasn't sure about what happened last night, and everything he

"Xavier is captured?"

after seeing that he was fine and thinking that Matthew would fear Zac's status, she thought that he probably

thought that the person who amputated his hand was Xavier and

captured."

Chapter 856 Mateo's Confession

"Of course, I feel bad for you." "Here, have more of this." Veronica placed a hard-boiled egg into Mateo's bowl. "Roni's the best." Veronica easily brushed Mateo off with just an egg.

Crayson, on the other hand, was having his breakfast solemnly. After finishing his porridge, he asked, "Have you all heard of Zac's incident?" He first glanced over at Veronica before looking over at Matthew, as if he was implying something.

Hearing that, Destiny sighed, "This is a serious matter since Zac is the prince of Castron and Xavier dared to provoke him. I'm afraid that he is done for."

At the same time, Veronica lowered her gaze as she had her porridge absent-mindedly before giving a half-hearted reply, stating, "Yes, I've heard about it."

"The death of Roni's husband must have something to do with Xavier. Therefore, it serves him right to be captured." Mateo, who was unaware of the fact, added, "This is karma."

prince of Castron. All of you better stay away from him and not get yourselves into trouble." Crayson emphasized his

the dark, chuckled mysteriously.

"You're still acting frivolously even though you're an adult." Everyone around the table kept quiet

the servants cleared the table when everyone was done with their meal, Veronica called out to Matthew, "Iron Pillar.

with you." Mateo rushed over to Veronica and added, "Iron Pillar must be busy.

not busy." Matthew's words had shattered Mateo's hopes of having some

pleaded. Since he couldn't get rid of Iron Pillar, he chose to join them so that

She had no choice but to

Veronica, making Mateo upset and jealous as he

aside. "Can you please move over? I

was displeased about it, but Veronica glared at him before he could say anything. Left with no choice, he around here. Would you like to watch a musical?" Mateo suggested as he walked

Chapter 857 The Interrupted Confession

It was awkward for Veronica, but she tried to hide it. "Hey, Mateo. Listen, I know how you feel about me." As she spoke, she paused to turn around and face him before explaining solemnly, "I need to tell you that I don't see you that way."

The sudden rejection came so unexpectedly that it caught Mateo off guard, and the smile on his face froze. He looked at Veronica in a daze before replying, "No worries, although you don't have feelings for me now, you'll eventually do. I know your husband just passed away, so you're not ready to move on yet. However, I believe that time will heal your heart. You'll eventually put the relationship behind you and move on. There's still plenty of time, and I'm willing to wait for you and grow old with you."

This time round, before Veronica could come up with a reply, Matthew directly pulled her into his arms and held her face with his hand before planting a kiss on her lips.

He was wide-eyed as he stared at the couple kissing right in front of his

next moment, his expression turned grave, and he yelled, "Yo, Iron Pillar! Let

threw a punch at Matthew. Noticing that, Matthew grabbed onto his fist with one hand and

and Matthew had been putting up with it. Mateo was so brazen that he announced that Veronica was his and even claimed that her husband

pain, he covered his eyes with his hand and yelled

you doing?" Matthew ignored her and

the ground and started grabbing Matthew, but before he could do so, Matthew managed to seize his arm. He

Chapter 858 Exposed His Identity

"He claimed that your husband is dead. How could I agree to that?" Matthew spoke pridefully. "I've been holding it in, but I can no longer do it."

"What? Roni, is he really Matthew? He's not dead? So, the both of you have been together behind my back?" the furious Mateo exclaimed while pointing at both of them.

"Mateo, I'm sorry for not telling you the truth." She sighed and gently pursed her lips. "Matt's death was made up, and I'm sure that Mr. Crayson knew about it, but he didn't tell you. You can ask him about it."

If it wasn't for Mateo, who had slipped his tongue last night and disclosed some information, Veronica would have thought that Matthew's acting skills were good enough to fool Crayson. Little did they know that Crayson was so cunning and shrewd that he didn't speak of it, although he had found out about Matthew's identity.

but not Destiny. Given Destiny's hot temper, she would have denounced Matthew if she had

of you are being too much!" With that, the furious Mateo turned around

in distress. "Is it a good idea to reveal

shoulder as he looked at Mateo before saying in a deep voice, "Didn't you ask me to come down with you to discuss Zac's incident? How are we going to prove Xavier's innocence if I don't speak out?" No one, including Zac, would believe

actions warmed Veronica's heart, but she was concerned at the same time. "If Zac knew that it was you, have you thought of a way to

step at a time." Matthew

Zac still unaware of your identity after what you've done to him?"

him, his horrible shriek attracted too much attention. It turns out that there are a lot of pros in his courtyard. If I hadn't

knew he had endangered

her gaze and looked at his injured

Chapter 859 Mateo's Emotional Breakdown

"Is that so? Why not settle down here when we are old?" Veronica said jokingly. "This place is Heaven on Earth, and we will be away from the hustle and bustle of the outside world. We can put everything behind, which is great, but we don't belong here."

As soon as they walked into the courtyard of Mountainside Gardens, they heard Mateo and Crayson arguing. Matthew and Veronica looked at each other and held tightly onto each other's hands before walking into the main hall.

"Why didn't you tell me that Matthew is actually Iron Pillar when you already knew about it?" Mateo pointed at Crayson furiously and fumed, "Her husband is just by her side, and you watched as I made a fool out of myself. Have you ever thought about my feelings?"

"I didn't get to tell you yet." Crayson never expected Matthew to reveal his identity in front of Mateo so abruptly. While they were arguing, Matthew and Veronica walked in from the courtyard.

Destiny, who was standing at the side, was startled at the revelation. Upon noticing them, she stared at Matthew and asked, "You are Matthew Kings?"

to put up an act anymore, he stood tall and reverted to

you Iron Pillar? If you're Matthew, where is Iron Pillar?

of her subordinates. If Matthew really did kill him, then they'd have

think I'm as cold-blooded as all of you?" Matthew narrowed

at Matthew and confronted him

you mean?" Mateo was

Matthew admitted to

the situation. "So, the one who harmed Zac last

Matthew?" The enraged Mateo still wasn't convinced and

and

Chapter 860 Matthew Must Be Eliminated

They initially thought Matthew was dead, and no one expected him to still be alive. "What are your plans moving forward?" Crayson asked them about their plan. Since Matthew had revealed his identity, Crayson couldn't force him to stay in disguise.

"The hunting ceremony is around the corner. Tanya will be alerted by the revelation of your identity, and she will increase staffing to deal with Veronica. This isn't good."

"I have my plans for the hunting ceremony." Matthew had been holding onto Veronica's hand without letting it go. "However, I'll need to leave with Roni right now."

"Must you go look for Zac?" Crayson asked solemnly while puffing on his cigar.

reply was

ahead." Crayson waved at them. With that, the couple looked at each other before turning

me when you'd already known about his identity earlier on?" From her tone, she seemed to blame him

Crayson rolled his eyes at her. "Matthew isn't as simple as you think he is, and his disguise was so good that I couldn't even tell. If it weren't because I saw

"Is that so?"

sip. "We had underestimated our enemy, especially you! You couldn't even recognize your subordinate, but you questioned me about

who was clamoring earlier, softened her attitude and smiled embarrassedly, "I'm... not that close to Iron Pillar. He normally works in the kitchen, so I rarely see him, which is why I

she spoke, the smile on her face disappeared, and her expression turned vicious. "The fact that Matthew could hide from Zac and the

held onto the ceramic cup and took the last sip before squinting his cloudy eyes.

Destiny thought to herself. However, when she saw Crayson tightening