

Bumpkin 861

Chapter 861 The Truth Is Revealed

"No, I weigh more than a hundred pounds." Shirley shook her head and placed the shrimp dumpling on Skyler's plate. "You need to eat more."

Skyler smirked and raised his eyebrows when he heard that. "What's the problem? Are you concerned that I won't have enough energy if I don't eat enough?"

The innocent Shirley was unaware of Skyler's innuendo. "Of course not. All I want is for you to eat more." "Oh, I see what you mean. You're criticizing me for not doing a good job of serving you."

"Huh? I—" Shirley's cheeks flushed scarlet as she realized what he meant. "What nonsense are you on about?"

"What are you talking about? I see you both having a good

time in the living room was open, Veronica and Matthew entered the room holding hands. "Veronica and Iron!" Shirley cheerfully stood up. "We're having breakfast right now. Why don't

you eat now?" Veronica looked at the wall clock, which showed that it

wasn't even noon yet, and the flush on her face didn't go away. Veronica's words made her unconsciously recall what happened the night before and she couldn't

forget it. She was amiss, Veronica turned her head and glanced at Matthew. The two exchanged a knowing

look. "I'm late." Matthew nodded as he pretended to believe her. "Is that so? But Shirley, what resignation as he noticed Shirley flushing red like a tomato. Then, he asked Matthew with a sidelong glance, "Why

is Piece Restaurant your domain and we're only freeloading, so of course you are welcome here." Then, Skyler lifted an eyebrow at Veronica. "Right,

he finished his words, Matthew immediately slapped him. "Call her Veronica!" "Alright,

Matthew addressed Veronica by her first name. Then, he spread his arms and drawled, "You should

be cautious. This individual is violent. Let me know if he hits you. I'll summon Caleb

Chapter 862 Support from Veronica

When one was in love or had a crush, they would not be able to hide the look in their eyes. As such, when Veronica and Matthew entered, they sensed something peculiar going on. Presently, Shirley bit her lower lip as she looked at Veronica. Smiling shyly, she murmured, "Veronica..."

"You are free to love. I'm not going to interfere." Veronica couldn't say too much because Skyler was present. "I-I'd like to state that I have no intention of lying to you. Sky and I are in a trial period to see if we're compatible—"

Skyler cut her off in the middle of her explanation. "Nonsense! We're compatible." "Roni, Shirley has been in the hidden clan for two days. Staying in the same room all the time must be boring. Would you like to take her for a walk?" It was Matthew who made that suggestion.

He needed Veronica's help to distract Shirley as he talked to Skyler about something vital. Meanwhile, Veronica cooperated with him.

She took Shirley's hand as she stated, "Let's go. I'll take you out for a walk."

Shirley giggled and agreed. "Okay. I have been getting bored lately."

She smiled openly before getting up and leaving the room with Veronica.

they were in the corridor, Veronica asked, "Why did you suddenly agree to attempt to date
"Oh..."

happened, as she feared that Veronica would

mumbled, "He confessed his feelings to me. I... I was caught up in the moment and agreed. However, we agreed to have a trial

before the other woman. With a solemn attitude, she stated, "I have no objection to you dating Skyler, but you must exercise caution. I don't want

because the man was a Casanova. As such, Shirley couldn't possibly

prestige between the two was too great, not to mention that Sofia would also get in
relationship would be nothing but

I know you're keeping

She paused for a long time and looked around to see if anyone was
to my

and led Shirley upstairs, knowing that she wanted to

window as soon as she entered the room. Veronica then

a long story. Well... It all started last year when Skyler spent a few days at my

Chapter 863 A Warning to Skyler

Veronica then stated solemnly, "Once you marry into a wealthy family, you will be trapped for life. Do you get what I'm saying?" "I do."

Shirley appeared depressed as she muttered, "That's why I said I'll give it a shot." "Fine. You can try it out since you like Skyler. Even if you fail, don't be disappointed. You'd only be sorry if you didn't even try."

If one worked hard and put in effort for it, they would not regret giving it their all even if they failed in the end. "Thank you very much, Veronica." Shirley's good mood returned, and she smiled sweetly.

Meanwhile, Matthew shot a harsh gaze at Skyler downstairs. "Is it going to be a serious relationship this time?" Skyler continued to eat with a fork and he nodded while chewing. "Maybe."

"Let's ignore Roni and Shirley's connection for the time being. Focus on Shirley first, shall we? She is a pure young lady. You should tread carefully."

Shirley and Veronica were close after working together for more than a year. They were almost like sisters. Shirley was also a great assistance to Matthew.

As such, Matthew gave Shirley a car as well. Because of Veronica, Matthew interacted with Shirley frequently and he admired her forthright personality.

Maybe he was warming up to Shirley since Veronica liked her as well.

Meanwhile, Skyler and Matthew were very close friends. Thus, Matthew was familiar with him.

will not let me

no

exactly do you mean? Are you calling

displeased and

the teapot and poured himself a cup of tea. "You are the most knowledgeable about what happened after Sofia abandoned you.

changed the subject. "I'm here today to tell

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an hour later, Matthew and Veronica left

clan, Tanya arranged for Zac to live in an exceptional

individuals were present

the two arrived at

and Matthew exited the car and proceeded to the courtyard entrance. At the gate stood

came to a halt when they saw Veronica and Matthew

you?" The guard spoke

speak the local language despite having a translating device, so she could

and his

waved them in and opened the door. "Okay. You

behind him at

Chapter 864 Zac Lost His Hand

Eleanor stepped around Veronica and over to Matthew's side to wrap her arms around his arm affectionately. However, Matthew withdrew his arm. "Please control yourself, Princess Eleanor."

As he said that, he took Veronica and placed her between him and Eleanor. Matthew's rejection of Eleanor prompted Veronica's heartfelt grin. "What exactly are you laughing about?"

Eleanor had a thunderous expression as she grumbled, "Aren't you overjoyed that your spouse has rejected me?" She disliked hiding and preferred to express her thoughts directly.

Veronica shrugged. "Your Highness, I believe he rejects you because of my presence. How about I go on first and give you two some privacy?"

"Tsk! I don't require your assistance."

Eleanor extended her hand and embraced Veronica's arm. "I adore your husband, so I'll use my charm to sway him without your help."

"Well, I admire Your Highness' self-confidence."

It was strange.

unpleasant as the latter was her love rival.

admit Eleanor

do is ensure your husband doesn't hurt me as

nothing but the

turned her head and looked at Matthew. They smiled and

we can hide from you, Your

can't be the head of the clan

close to me. Aren't you scared I'll take advantage of the situation

you wanted to accomplish it, you would have done it long ago. What's the point in waiting until now?"

Eleanor beamed as she added, "Why do you think I like

was,

heard that.

Thank you,

Veronica was amused.

yard together and

the same silver-gray suit, but his left arm was covered

at

Liam, Hendrey, and the others were present, except

Chapter 865 Kill Xavier

The doctor did his best to save Zac, but the lopped-off hand couldn't be found, so he couldn't stitch it back.

When Tanya received the news, she hurried over to visit Zac right away. After Zac woke up, he said that Xavier was the one who did it, so Tanya sent out her people to capture Xavier and his wife.

"Please calm down, Prince Zac. You're injured right now, so you have to rest well," Tanya said calmly. "They're already on their way and they'll be here soon."

"Xavier... Xavier has always been on good terms with you, Prince Zac. How... could he suddenly do this to you?" Tiffany was so confused that she couldn't help but voice her question.

As soon as Tiffany finished speaking, Zac glared at her coldly. "Shut up and get lost! You have no right to speak here." Of all the things she could have mentioned...

Zac was so pissed that he wished he could just slap Tiffany across the face to ease his anger. As he spoke, he couldn't help but glare at Veronica with hatred.

His vicious look seemed to threaten to tear Veronica apart. As the peacemaker, Hendrey spoke up. "Zac, Tiffany is just worried about you."

the public reprimand, Tiffany paled as she clenched her fists, suppressing the fury in her heart. However, when she looked

felt good

like so, Tiffany felt her mood lightening

hand, Matthew was still disguised as Iron Pillar, so he stood behind Veronica and acted as a

living room was unusually

gleeful, but the only ones who pitied Zac were probably the subordinates he brought with him

on for more than

outside. Xavier and Antheena had both their

here they

soldier finished reporting, Tanya waved her hand and

all. With her usual calmness, she scanned the group in the room,

but many were still used to calling him by his original

could only correct herself

Crawford, I'm going

his aggressiveness bubbling over. He could barely control the rage in his heart as he stood up right away. He subconsciously moved his left hand to pull out the needle on the back of his right hand, but when he lifted his hand, he realized that his

Chapter 866 Sowing Discord

Only Xavier was calm as he glanced at Veronica, then allowed his gaze to fall on Matthew. The two exchanged glances for a moment. It was just a glance, but Veronica could already feel the aura of fury surrounding Xavier.

Zac gradually calmed down and the silence took over the living room once again. Tanya assumed a queen-like behavior as she questioned, "Xavier, Prince Zac was ambushed last night. Did you do it?"

"My wife and I were sleeping in the hotel all night," Xavier responded honestly. Antheena nodded at that. "That's right." Last night, she had the time of her life with Xavier and it was the most blissful night she had experienced.

In the end, she was so exhausted that she drowsily fell asleep. Before dawn even arrived, those people had shown up to capture them.

were both bewildered through it all, and they finally understood what was going on

at home. "Antheena, Xavier is your husband. Your

prove that we never left the hotel," Antheena said

aimed at the main entrance. With Xavier's skills, he can scale walls and run

had nothing to do with Xavier, she still intended to defend Matthew. To her, getting

a cold look in his eyes as he spoke each word clearly. "Unless someone else agrees to testify for you,"

Antheena was so furious that her eyes reddened. "Xavier holds no grudges against Zac, so why are you the chair, her body tilting slightly as she placed her elbow on the handle. Supporting her

long and slender finger pointed past everyone at Victoria. "Because... Prince Zac is bad news to Veronica. Last night at the Elysium Hotel, Zac tried to do something to her. It was Xavier who hurried

exposed Zac's shameless antics. Secondly, she had also

last night. When Zac heard Eleanor's words, his expression fell and he turned

Chapter 867 Show the Proof

Tiffany decided to make matters worse by adding fuel to the fire. Antheena was in pain as she laughed at herself without knowing what to say.

"What else is there to say, Xavier?" Dominik finally asked after being silent the whole time. On the other hand, an elated Liam, who was beside him, silently observed the situation as it developed while he snacked on some seeds.

Xavier looked at Matthew with a ruminating gaze as the corners of his lips curled upward. "I'm not as good as the others, so I have nothing to say."

That phrase of 'I'm not as good as the others, so I have nothing to say' caused everyone to ponder on it. "I just want to know when Zac was injured." When everyone thought the matter had been settled, Veronica broke the silence.

Tanya responded, "The incident happened at about 2.30AM. After the suspect hurt the prince, he was apprehended by the bodyguards and put up a fight for close to half an hour, so I'd say Zac was injured at about 2.30AM to 3.00AM."

you trying to excuse Xavier from his responsibilities? She

Tiffany, so she pulled out her cell phone and said, "At 2.30AM, I happened to swing by the Caritas Hotel, which is where Xavier is staying. I even stayed there for ten minutes. The timing seems

"You went to look for Xavier in the wee hours of the morning?!" "Didn't

sacrifice your reputation for Xavier's sake?" "Veronica, why did you look for Xavier at

Veronica would look for Xavier in the wee hours of the

Veronica while angrily demanding, "Bullsh*t! You want to absolve Xavier from his responsibility? I'll have you know that I'll

gun from the table before shooting Xavier. Veronica and Xavier were

and tried to yank him aside, but she was a

her

bullet whizzed in their direction, but it missed its target and landed in the tree in the

Chapter 868 The Revelation

Veronica's lips curled into a cold smile as she explained, "I was worried that your enemies would take revenge on you and you wouldn't be able to locate the mastermind.

That was why I used Xavier as the scapegoat to avenge what you did to him yesterday at the Elysium Hotel. She had initially planned to reveal their identities before rescuing Xavier.

However, Matthew had contacted folks from One Piece Restaurant earlier that morning and asked them to investigate the surveillance footage from the Caritas Hotel. They found not only the footage from the entrance and exit of the hotel lobby but of the corridor as well.

The video was a piece of good evidence to expose Veronica and Xavier. In other words, Matthew did not need to reveal his identity to exonerate Xavier from the alleged crime.

Since the matter had happened like that, there was not much they needed to do anymore. "How did it become like this?"

seems that Xavier is an innocent

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were present started to

is married, but you still looked for him in the wee hours of the morning. As a woman,

flames to incite Antheena's jealousy of Veronica. It was Tiffany's way of using Antheena to deal with

enough to scare the lights out of Tiffany, who retreated two steps in fear. "I'm telling the truth, so why do you have to glare at me? Is it because you don't want others to know

want to

on her in public, so she replied arrogantly, "I am your sister, so what I have said is all for your good.

Although your husband is gone, it's understandable for you to seek love elsewhere. Xavier is a married man, though. You should keep your distance from

trailed off and did not voice out the rest of

were so clear that it was impossible to see that there were traces of

Antheena? How about Madam Hayley? If news of this gets out, people will spread rumors about

What will

Chapter 869 A Disgusted Look

"Investigate it, even if you have to dig three feet underground. I want to see who has the nerve to kill me!" Zac's eyes were red with anger as he turned around without saying anything else.

Veronica ignored the injured Tiffany and made her way in front of Xavier and Antheena. Then, she addressed Tanya, "Queen Tanya, don't you think you owe them an explanation about Zac's injuries?"

Tanya was the one who captured Xavier and swore that he was guilty, so she needed to explain his involvement in the matter. Eleanor shot Veronica a pleading look. It was as if to say, Please have some self-awareness. Your husband is the culprit and yet, you are holding my mother accountable?

Veronica deliberately turned a blind eye to Eleanor. "Hahaha..."

the soldiers guarding the door to unlock the handcuffs and shackles of Antheena and

they rattled upon dropping to the floor. Antheena and Xavier shook their wrists. Even though Antheena looked at Veronica with an indecipherable look,

she naturally wouldn't know how Zac was injured last night. As a result, she thought that Veronica standing up for them was an act of

a mixture of jealousy and admiration for Veronica because the latter was so perfect that the female population was jealous of

that you'll understand the situation from my point of view. Zac was the one who said that Mr. Crawford was the mastermind, so I could only capture him as a result. No matter what, as the head of

as her way of apologizing. "Please accept

come over to the palace for a banquet where I'll personally host
up your place immediately so that Mr. Crawford and his wife have

"Queen Tanya, I accept your invitation. Thank you," Xavier responded and left after

Chapter 870 Being Alienated

"Sure, sure. You're being too polite, Mr. Johnson." Tanya nodded, giving people the illusion that she was friendly. Hendrey then addressed Dominik, Eleanor, and Liam one by one. "Prince Dominik, Princess Eleanor, and Prince Liam, I'll depart first."

"Take care, Mr. Johnson. We'll be in touch," Dominik replied chivalrously as he stepped forward. The moment Hendrey left, the soldiers guarding the entrance supported Tiffany in their arms and departed together.

Tanya placed her hands behind her back and looked in the direction of Zac's bedroom with narrowed eyes. "Tell me, who would dare to attack Zac?"

Liam placed the seeds he was having on the table and clapped as he rose to his full height. He brushed the seeds off his clothes while saying, "What else is there to say? It's a fact that he's injured. I think it's just a waste of my time to think who his assailant might be."

a playboy to the fullest. Then, under the gaze of those three

most

eyes as she also shook her head. "Mom, aren't you putting me in a difficult position? I also have no idea who it is, but it has to be Prince Zac's enemy. Maybe Veronica sent someone to avenge him, but Zac couldn't produce the evidence, so he could only suffer in

missing Matthew and didn't want to stay for any minute longer, so she gave Tanya and Dominik a wave.

"Bro,

that, she bounced

deeply. "Oh, Dom, just look at your sister. She still has such immature behavior, so how

handsome face changed from calm and elegant to icy cold. He had a fierce gaze, but he respectfully agreed to her request. "You worry too much, Mom. This is what I should do. You're right;

some things to settle with Veronica." Antheena frowned as her displeasure was reflected

she didn't want him to give her the cold shoulder just because she

she entered the car and slammed the door shut. Veronica and Matthew were approaching Xavier