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Chapter 861 The Disappointing DNA Test Results

Charlotte then questioned Genevieve once more, “Does Johanna really have no feelings for him? I'll kill you if I end up being the third party.”

“Couldn't you tell? You flirted with him multiple times, but she didn't even spare the two of you a glance, merely eating her fill.”

Charlotte patted her chest, relief suffusing her at long last.

If it weren't for her having spouted nonsense while intoxicated that day and her father's interference, leading to her indirectly causing the fragmentation of Timothy and Johanna's relationship, she wouldn't have agreed when Genevieve texted her to ask for her help in testing Hector out.

After all, she had always been the one picking her prey. Besides, she had zero interest in someone like Hector.

All of a sudden, she smelled a faint scent of perfume. Sniffing, she leaned close to Genevieve. “Hey, I seem to have smelled the perfume on you someplace, Genevieve.”

Genevieve's heart skipped a beat, but her expression remained calm and unruffled. “It's Rose of No Man's Land, a public favorite. As such, it isn't surprising that you've scented it before.”

“Really?” Charlotte's brows knitted together.

But the girls in my circle love using seductive perfumes with heady fragrances. Hardly anyone uses this type of perfume.

“For the sake of your hard work today, I'll foot the bill for the clothes and handbags you choose.” Genevieve forcibly changed the subject.

someone was offering to pay for her, Charlotte naturally agreed in delight.

Meanwhile, Yuvan asked urgently upon arriving at the doctor's office in Baykeep,

Following Sylvie's deception, he was exceedingly careful this time. He sought out his art professor's husband—Kaden Lawson—a doctor at General Hospital of Baykeep, and had him furtively ask a friend to help perform a DNA test.

took out a folder from his drawer. “This

The folder was sealed, so Yuvan hurriedly tore off the seal after taking it. Drawing a few sheets of paper out, he flipped right to the end to look at the test results.

concluded that the two parties are not related by blood” had his heart sinking.

such a strange feeling toward her? And why is she the only one who can make him happy among his many grandchildren despite being an outsider? Also, why would

Nonetheless, Kaden was his art professor's husband and had worked at General Hospital for decades, so he believed the DNA test couldn't have gone wrong.

Noticing the grim expression on Yuvan's face, Kaden queried, "What's wrong?"

"Nothing." Yuvan put the papers back into the folder and flashed him a forced smile. "Thank you."

"Don't mention it."

call. "He looked at the test results in front of me and also took the report with him."

Chapter 862 Have Mandy Be My Daughter

After dinner, Genevieve gave Jack a call while standing before the floor-to-ceiling windows in the living room to inform him about that matter.

"Hello, Genevieve. He's busy." It was Lilian who answered the phone.

Casting her gaze at the scenery outside the window, Genevieve pursed her lips and declared, "I'd like to transmit Lucian and Mandy's citizenship. At that time, I'll send the documents over to Dartan. Have Jack sign them."

When she had finished talking, Lilian went silent for a long time on the other end of the phone. Hence, she couldn't help calling out, "Lilian?"

A long moment later, Lilian ventured, "I've got something to discuss with you, Genevieve. Lucian and Mandy are considered Jack's children in name. Can you allow Mandy to retain her Dartan citizenship and be my daughter?"

Before Genevieve could respond to that, Lilian added, "The miscarriage back then caused me great harm. The doctor said it'd be almost impossible for me to get pregnant again. The Helt family is one of the oldest families in Dartan and has been handed down through the generations. I don't want the family to fall apart at my hands."

"Isn't Jack by your side? With him there, Helt Corporation will be fine," Genevieve asserted.

Lilian's breathing deepened. A long while later, she gave a bitter chuckle and lamented, "But he's still human and will grow old. Instead of having him nurture someone else

Both Armand and Genevieve had excellent genes.

he turned things around multiple times. The same

Genevieve lowered her eyes in contemplation.

Considering Armand's current attitude, she felt pretty disheartened. On top of that, Sally, who had an influential family background, was

If Amanda were to become Lilian's daughter, it would be equivalent to having the entire Helt family backing her up.

For the sake of her two children, Genevieve agreed in the end.

The next morning, she went to the police station. After filling the

It turned out that Sally was far more ruthless than Genevieve imagined.

previously, Sally said nothing, but

The celebrities with Genevieve Orsi Productions who had made a name for themselves in the entertainment industry received calls telling them that the company offended someone they couldn't afford to offend. Besides, other companies offered them an olive branch and were willing to pay the liquidated damages for them. As such, they all terminated their contracts with Genevieve Orsi and posted a statement on

In a mere few days, all the top and medium-ranked celebrities with Genevieve Orsi Productions had terminated their contracts with the company, leaving only three or four ordinary celebrities who couldn't even obtain a few supporting roles in a year.

Chapter 863 Sally Is Really A Rabid Dog

Genevieve had been so busy in the past few days that she was physically and mentally exhausted.

Genevieve contacted the celebrities who had made a name for themselves in the entertainment industry regardless of whether their contract had ended, but it was evident that someone on Sally's side had warned them beforehand.

Celebrities were also ordinary people, so they didn't dare go against the authorities, especially one with Sally's family background. Consequently, they all turned her down.

Even Paula's husband's company had severed all business ties with Genevieve Orsi Productions.

"Genevieve, it's not that I don't want to help you. But you know the might of the Loake family." With just a single word from Sally, all the movies Marlon's company invested in might never have the opportunity to be screened.

"It's okay." Genevieve then chatted casually with Paula for a while before hanging up the phone.

Argh! Sally is really a rabid dog! I've told her that it was Armand who went to the restroom to pester me, but instead of teaching him a lesson, she's secretly making a move against me. What a sicko! With her oppressing me in such a manner, I might never be able to find a chance to turn the tables. Perhaps I can only watch as the company goes bankrupt.

As she was brooding, her phone on the table rang again.

Assuming it was a celebrity or manager she contacted previously, she swiped the answer button.

"Hello."

"Hello, Ms. Rachford. I'm Daniella from Linking Destiny. I talked to you on WhatsApp before this," the woman

"Oh, hi."

obtained the WhatsApp contact of the person in charge of planning

"I'm calling to notify you that the high-end blind date this time will be on a cruise ship. Remember to come to the harbor at eight o'clock tomorrow morning to board the cruise ship. The cruise ship will depart from the harbor at half past eight."

“Okay, got it. Thank you for the reminder,” Genevieve murmured with a smile.

She was really seething the other day when she sent her information to the person in charge. But in truth, she hadn't planned on going. Unexpectedly, she received a call from the person that day.

She abruptly remembered the person in charge saying that there would be a number of executives from entertainment companies attending the blind date. Perhaps I

The following morning, Steven had just come to Swallow Garden with breakfast when he saw that Genevieve had already awakened.

“Good morning, Mrs. Faulkner.”

that she was wearing a dark green knitted

pants or a long nude dress, appearing like a career woman. But her outfit that day was very much enticing.

Steven took out the breakfast from the food jar and asked in curiosity, “Do you have a date with someone today, Mrs. Faulkner?”

Chapter 864 Give Me A Chance

The organizers of the high-end blind date event held it on an ultra-luxurious cruise ship with lots of recreational facilities inside.

Genevieve was brought to the second-floor dance hall by a member of the staff. The decorations there were beautiful, and there were already plenty of men and women in formal attire inside.

Her gaze swept past those people, who all looked stunning. She recognized two of the men there. Both were famous tycoons in Jadeborough.

Another person she recognized was a high-ranking official of an entertainment company. Just as she was about to greet them, the blind date activity had already begun.

The female host standing in front of the microphone said that everyone's information was kept inside a bunch of letters. The men would be in a group, and the women another. When the activity started, members of both groups would pick a letter from the opposite group. After that, the women would be given a chance to talk to the men they picked. After fifteen minutes, the men would do the same.

Genevieve approached the host and grabbed a letter from the men's group, which was sitting on the left side of the table.

A table number was also written on the letter.

She had no interest in the activity, so she only glanced at the table number and didn't open the letter. Then, she turned to the tables on the right side of the dance hall and saw a man sitting at table number ten.

When Genevieve arrived at the table, she saw the man had black hair and black eyes. His facial features were quite pronounced. Based on the visual information she gathered, she deduced he was of mixed blood. His lips faintly formed a smile when he saw her.

elegant appearance, however, was a thick stench of blood.

She was a little confused because she thought a person with mixed blood should have an eye color that wasn't black. For example, Jack had green eyes.

man in front of her had black eyes.

"I remember you." Genevieve pulled a chair opposite the man out and sat down. "I came across you back at Westlake Park."

The moment she smelled the stench of blood on him, she recognized him.

man stared at her for a few seconds before smiling. "Would you say this

I've never met a man this narcissistic before. Since there was nothing for Genevieve to do, she decided to be patient and chatted with him.

on his company. While he was there, he decided to stroll around the city. When he heard about the blind date event from his friends, he came to see if he could find his true love.

She asked curiously, "You're a mixed-blood, so why are your eyes black?"

propped his chin up with his hand and stared intensely at Genevieve. With a deep voice, he uttered, "I'm afraid you won't be able

"I think you're a little too overconfident..." The edge of her lips twitched.

Fifteen minutes passed by quickly, and it was time for the women to leave.

After the staff tidied up the tables, Genevieve sat at table number five, waiting for the man who had picked up her information to arrive.

After she took a sip of water and put the cup down, she saw Zephyr standing in front of the table.

He smiled. "There are sixty people here, yet both of us just so happened to pick up each other's information. I think calling this a 'coincidence' at this point is underselling the idea."

Chapter 866 The Only Woman I Love

The moment Genevieve fell into the sea, the impact of the fall and the coldness of the sea made her feel dizzy for a moment. Her limbs were tied together, so there was no way for her to struggle as she slowly sunk to the bottom. *Was it Sally? Just not long ago, I thought about how Sally could kill me without leaving a trace. I can't believe I jinxed it.*

As she continued to drown, she felt her head swelling due to lack of oxygen. Her lungs felt as though they were burning. Soon, her consciousness gradually faded away, and she almost couldn't see anything in front of her anymore. *Thank goodness I called Lilian a few days ago. I'm glad that my children will be taken care of by her, but that doesn't make me happy. Why does Armand keep saying he loves me while ignoring me? After we met each other again, we only stayed together for less than a month; then, he wasn't mine anymore. After I die, will he be able to marry Sally with peace of mind?*

Through her blurred vision, Genevieve saw a vague figure swimming toward her rapidly.

However, it was too dark for her to recognize who the person was. The scene came across as a hallucination to her because her brain wasn't getting the oxygen it needed.

Moments later, she passed out.

When Armand saw her lowering her head and falling deeper into the sea unconsciously, his panic intensified. Finally, he arrived by her side and pulled her into his embrace.

The moment Armand resurfaced with her body, the person staring from a boat immediately stretched his hands and pulled the unconscious Genevieve onto a speedboat.

After Armand was pulled up, he immediately took out a small knife to cut the ropes on her limbs. After that, he gave her first aid by performing hard and fast chest compressions followed by rescue breathing.

still pale, the uneasiness in his heart grew. Despite that, his movements were focused and

she spat out a

leaned down and hugged her tightly. His head was buried on her shoulder, his fingers trembling. It was apparent how much the thought of her not waking

the dark sky, she realized she wasn't

and carefully raised her. Upon wrapping her body with a towel, he pushed

feeling unwell somewhere, Darling?" he asked in

a glance at him, Genevieve abruptly slapped him before

drowning in the sea

the experience had traumatized her, he felt as though someone had

he hugged

already waiting there. When he saw Armand carrying her to shore, he

the emergency room, the doctor gave her a checkup and said she had a bit

shocked and tired, she fell asleep shortly after she was hooked

Chapter 867 Kill Me Instead

Armand uttered, "I promised Ethan that, as long as you don't marry anyone, I'll have to take care of you and protect you. However, I didn't promise him that I'll marry you. I won't marry anyone else in my life again, except for remarrying Genevieve. Additionally, there is a limit to my tolerance. I've already kept quiet when you attacked Specter Corporation and her company. It's not a mystery to me what kind of temperament you possess, so I'll stay far away from her as possible in the future."

Then, he stepped closer to her. "However, Genevieve is my bottom line and my life."

"I don't like what you're saying, Armand!" Sally's expression darkened. "You took his heart, so now you're mine! I don't have the habit of sharing my man with other women!"

He snorted. "I'm me, and Ethan is Ethan. On what grounds am I yours? I live for my wife and my children. If I can't even protect them and can only watch you bully them, then I'm not a man or a husband! I rather pull the heart keeping me alive out and throw it away!"

After picking up the army knife on the table, he slashed his shirt open and coldly stabbed the tip toward his chest to carve his heart out.

Sally panicked when she saw how crazy he was acting.

In the blink of an eye, she approached him and grabbed the blade with her hands, preventing it from stabbing deeper into his chest. The blade cut her palms, causing blood to drip on the floor.

"Let go," Armand demanded coldly.

"No..." Sally knew he was a man of his word.

As her arrogance vanished without a trace, she stared at him pleadingly. "Please don't destroy his heart..."

Ethan didn't leave anything for her except for the heart beating in Armand's

Ignoring her pleading, Armand grabbed Sally's hand and attempted to pull the blade out of her palms.

When she saw half the blade had stabbed deep into his chest, she realized if she pulled it out then and there, he would die from massive

She was a skilled fighter, so her strength was more significant than Armand's. When she found the opening she was looking for, she dislocated Armand's right hand,

Then she rapidly tore parts of her

Her eyes reddened as she sobbed. "I don't know why you're so angry, but I didn't do anything to Genevieve. I only asked people to contact the actors working under her production company to break their contracts and make her worry. She has a lot of money. It's not like

Armand replied coldly, "She was bound and thrown into the sea from a cruise ship tonight. If I wasn't there, she would have been

Since Sally had been targeting Specter Corporation and Genevieve, he didn't find it impossible that she would try to kill Genevieve, considering how ruthless she was.

Chapter 868 Man Of His Word

Armand uttered slowly, "He didn't have the guts to meet you because he felt guilty that he couldn't provide you with a stable life. He said when you saw him, you would cry, and he didn't want to see you cry. Lastly, he hoped that you could marry someone who could stay by your side for the rest of your life."

Ethan's fear was something he understood well.

Back then, when he knew he only had a few months left to live, he didn't want to meet with Genevieve because he was afraid of seeing her cry.

Even though Armand spoke calmly, Sally felt as though her heart was smashed by a rock.

Her head hung low unmovingly, but her warm tears dripped onto the bandages, soaking them entirely and rapidly.

"How can he say such a thing..." She sobbed. *I've loved him for twenty-odd years, yet he refused to let me see him when he was about to die and even told me not to love him. Why is he so selfish?*

"He said it because he loved you and that he hopes you'll be able to move on instead of living in the past," he explained.

then two knocks were

private doctor had arrived, so she wiped her tears away and opened the door to

in his fifties was once a

lodged in Armand's chest, he calmly approached his patient and put his medical kit down. Then he put on a

fragile part of the human body, and the knife

continued to speak to Sally in a calm voice. "You love Ethan, not me. Even if my heart belongs to him, I'm still me, and I still have a family I love. If you don't want to get married, I can take care of you for

words, however, were vicious. "If Genevieve had really died last night, I would've made the entire Loake family pay the price for her death. If the woman I love is dead,

heard that, his hand

but Armand's collected attitude made him believe that Armand was a man capable of doing

left Sally's mouth as she stood with her arms crossed in

the doctor finally patched up Armand's wound,

noticed the bandages on Sally's hands had been soaked in blood. He couldn't help but suggest, "Let me help you

Chapter 869 Trade

Sally stepped backward until she fell onto the couch behind her. Then she pulled out a cigarette from the coffee table, smoked it, and leaned back. Her absentminded gaze swept past every inch of her condominium.

The condominium was bought by Ethan three years ago when he returned during his holiday. He picked all the furniture in the condominium.

Even though he had passed on, she felt as though she could still see his figure from the kitchen to the bedroom.

When her eyes landed on the kitchen, she could see him feeding her a piece of braised pork. When her line of sight arrived in front of the floor-to-ceiling window, she saw him talking to someone on the

phone. Then, she saw herself suddenly hugging him from behind and stretching her hands into his clothes. With no other choice, he hung up the call, turned around to hug her, and kissed her passionately...

All those scenes cut through her heart like a knife. It made her feel awful and sad as tears welled in her eyes again.

Over time, his figure slowly disappeared from her sight.

at the ceiling for a

from the cruise ship flashed before her eyes, she could still feel the pain

for a while, she got off

breakfast on the dining table and stared at her. "How are you feeling, Mrs.

dining table. "Did Lucian ask you why

I called Mr. Sutton to go to Swallow Garden and tell your children

entered Genevieve's nose, she knew Steven wasn't the one

a spoon to scoop up the oatmeal, but her hand began to shake uncontrollably. It got so bad that she couldn't hold it tightly, causing the oatmeal to fall on

her a piece

after she wiped away the oatmeal on the back of her hand. "I don't want to eat this anymore.

Chapter 870 He Has Been Protecting Her

Genevieve asked, "Why didn't he tell me?"

"Mr. Faulkner would rather let you think he abandoned his family than let you see him die," Steven answered. "He didn't want to tell you because Sally was Ethan's girlfriend. She loved Ethan, and she was very ruthless. Mr. Faulkner was afraid that she would hurt you after she learned that he loves you."

It was a valid concern because Sally was ruthless. She got mad just because she saw Armand and Genevieve kiss at the airport. It was what prompted her to attack Specter Corporation.

Steven continued, "Mr. Faulkner truly loves you, Mrs. Faulkner. He wants to live very badly so he can be with you. That's why he agreed to Ethan's proposal. However, that meant he couldn't stay with you. Last night, when you fell into the sea, he almost went mad. If anything happened to you, he probably would've wrung the life out of Sally himself."

When Genevieve thought about how Armand became someone else's tool and still tried to take care of her, she buried her face in her palms.

Then, as she thought about how she misunderstood him, argued with him, and even slapped him, she wept. "He should've told me. How can he hide such an important thing from me? Does he think I won't feel sad or heartbroken after I learn the news of his death?"

“Mr. Faulkner didn't tell you anything because he was worried you would do something extreme. Lucian and Mandy are only five years old. If they lose their father, they can't lose their mother too.” Steven then scooped a spoonful of oatmeal for her. “Have some oatmeal. It won't taste as good if it goes cold.”

tears away, Genevieve

more tears welled in her eyes and

let Mr. Faulkner tell you this himself.

her all that was because he was worried

wipe her tears away with tissue papers as

going to visit, but he suddenly got an emergency call. After he prepared your breakfast, he rushed toward Feston with a bunch of government officials,” Steven

he handed her a brand new phone. “I've

She took the phone and login to her account before transferring all her

“The person who attacked you on the cruise ship last night wasn't hired by Sally. Whoever it was,

night. It was Zephyr. I remember giving him a pleading look, but he didn't move at all as he watched me plunge into the sea. The look in his eyes

look, the phone,