

Flirtacious 921

Chapter 921 How Bold Of You

"Can you help me with this button?" Genevieve requested the salesperson's help.

In the meantime, Armand kept his eyes glued on her and realized that it was a long traditional gown that barely exposed any inch of her skin. There was only a slit at one side, revealing part of her slender leg whenever she moved.

The figure-hugging design of the gown contoured Genevieve's slender waist perfectly. When she moved, the mesmerizing sight of the light illuminating her graceful figure was beyond description.

Unequivocally, she looked stunning as ever. However, her usual striking alluringness seemed to be hidden under the traditional gown.

Armand's eyes glimmered with indecipherable emotions as he swallowed a lump down his throat.

He was never a pervert but suddenly could not resist the charm of Genevieve's new look. At that moment, he could scarcely restrain his desire of pinning her onto a soft bed. He yearned to rip off her traditional gown to expose her hidden charm before indulging in a passionate moment with her.

After the salesperson helped Genevieve with her button, the latter looked into the standing mirror and nodded in satisfaction.

Catching sight of the hand-held fan on the display rack, she took it down and waved it lightly as she turned around to look at Armand. "Mando, do I look nice?"

only her glimmering eyes served

you have a perfect figure! This design fits you perfectly well!" the salesperson

to let us take your picture and display it on the glass wall outside our shop as a poster, you can have this gown for free. Apart from that, we'll give you ten percent off on any

instant. Just as she was about to agree, Armand rejected grimly, "My wife is not a celebrity. There's tone,

Armand wrapped his hand around Genevieve's slender waist as he led her to the fitting room. Right after the door

around Armand's neck, fearing

her exposed neck, Genevieve mustered up her strength to shove his head away. Blowing a fuse, she glared at him. "What are you doing? The salesperson is outside. Don't

pulled her into his arms again. "Don't be bothered by her.

aware that I'm gorgeous. You don't have to emphasize that!" Genevieve patted his arm and threatened, "If you still refuse to let go, I'll tell Granddad that you bullied

choice, Armand could only lean his head against her shoulder, embracing her for a while more before he eventually

fabric and dared not look in the direction of the fitting

Chapter 922 Who Sent You

"I've been keeping that to buy you clothes." Armand lowered his head and kissed Genevieve. Next, he took her hand and carried the shopping bags on the couch with his other hand.

Genevieve pulled her hand out from his. "Wait for me here. The restroom on this floor is not far away. I need to touch up my makeup."

In the meantime, a woman wearing a baseball cap was leaning against the wall outside the restroom, scrolling through her phone.

Right after Genevieve entered the restroom, the woman followed behind her.

When Genevieve stepped out of one of the cubicles moments later, she saw the woman in a cap standing in front of a washbasin, wiping the water from her hands with a tissue.

Without paying much attention to her, Genevieve turned on the tap to wash her hands.

At that moment, the woman rummaged through her bag and whipped out a stun gun. She turned it on swiftly and jabbed Genevieve's arm with it.

It never came across Genevieve's mind that the woman would inflict any harm on her. She felt the twitching pain in her bones as a strong electric current flowed through her entire body. The excruciating pain numbed her senses, and she could not even let out a groan. In just two seconds, she collapsed to the ground and passed out.

few steps back when Genevieve collapsed. Her hands trembled uncontrollably in fear.

what seemed like an eternity, she slowly squatted next to Genevieve and placed a finger below her nose. When she sensed that Genevieve was still breathing, she turned on the stun gun and attempted to jab the latter's arm once more.

All of a sudden, someone behind Faith gripped her wrist and twisted it. In order to prevent Faith from screaming, the person behind her stretched out another hand

guns, and the unusual frigidness

Sally clasped Faith's hands and pinned them on her back effortlessly with two simple moves. Subsequently, she pressed Faith down on the floor and rendered her immobile.

Later, Sally lifted Faith's short sleeves, only to find both of the latter's arms fair and smooth. She did not spot anything that she expected to see.

Sally bent down and questioned

However, Faith remained tight-lipped, refusing

Sally made a phone call. "Come

Armand rushed over in scarcely one minute. His face turned grim instantly at the sight of Sally pinning Faith down, the stun gun on the ground, and Genevieve lying unconscious.

Genevieve up from the ground and instructed Sally to take Faith with them to the hospital.

stun gun. Apparently, the one that Faith used had a high electric voltage and was already banned more than a decade ago. Those with heart problems

Armand stayed by Genevieve's side in the ward. He finally heaved a sigh of relief when her face gradually reverted to her usual

Herbert called him and asked, "It's almost six now. Why are you and Genev not back yet?"

Chapter 923 I Will Not Spare Both Of You

Armand thundered somberly, "Since my wife is still unconscious because of you, I'll surely settle the score with you. As for the masterminds manipulating you behind, I won't let them off either."

Recalling the burn marks on Genevieve's arm, he could barely refrain from strangling Faith to death.

Half an hour later, Kevin, Faith's father, rushed into the ward with Cyrus and Zayne.

Kevin flew into a rage the moment he saw her daughter tied to a chair with a swollen right cheek. It was as though someone had slapped him too. However, his heart skipped a beat when he caught sight of Armand and Sally standing in the ward. *My goodness! I'll only shoot myself in the foot by getting on Sally Loake's nerve!*

He had no choice but to tamp down his boiling rage and grit his teeth. "Mr. Faulkner, what on earth is going on?"

Turning a deaf ear to Kevin's question, Armand lifted his leg and kicked Zayne in the stomach. The young man was sent flying before ramming into the wall. On the heels of that, Armand strode forward to drag him up and threw another punch at his face.

Due to Armand's forceful punch, Zayne lost a few teeth and blood spewed from his mouth.

Tears started welling up in Faith's eyes when she saw how Zayne was beaten to a pulp. She screamed at Armand, "Didn't I say it has nothing to do with him? Just come at me!"

Meanwhile, Cyrus came to his senses and rushed over to help Zayne up. He raised his voice furiously.

Armand had called him earlier, requesting him to bring Zayne to the hospital without stating why. It never occurred to him that Armand would bash his

don't you ask him what he had done?" Armand rose to his

Recalling how Faith squealed hysterically a while ago, Cyrus sensed something awry. He grimly questioned Zayne,

Faith yelled out anxiously, "He didn't do anything! I was the one who did it! I did that because I hate Genevieve!"

In an instant, Cyrus and Kevin's faces fell. They could

Kevin walked toward Faith and reprimanded, "Genevieve has been in Jadeborough all this while and you don't even know her. Why did you harm her?"

Pursing her lips, Faith hissed menacingly, "I know her and can't stand the sight of her! That's

Kevin could hardly restrain himself from slapping Faith. Nevertheless, he relented and put his hand down at the sight of her swollen right cheek. Despite anything, she was his beloved daughter whom he had doted on throughout the years.

at his son and questioned him again, "Did you assign Faith to do so because you have a beef with Genevieve?"

When they were at the Zeigler residence that morning, Cyrus could sense that Zayne seemed displeased when he found out that Genevieve was Herbert's biological granddaughter. At the same time, Cyrus knew that Faith had feelings for his son.

Chapter 924 No Regrets

Sensing Zayne's long silence, Kevin glanced at Armand. He knew the latter was a man of his word, so he was afraid his daughter would really die inside that ward.

Kevin said, "Zayne, you are not only my student but also the person Fay adores. I've once told you that even if you do not like Fay, you should never trample on her feelings."

"Dad, I did this. Zayne has nothing to do with—"

Kevin turned his head around and bellowed, "Shut up! Your mother and I did not put so much effort into raising you so that you can waste your life being utilized as a pawn by a man!"

Armand piped up nonchalantly, "You have ten seconds left."

Zayne's heart softened at the sight of Faith, who was tied to a chair. She was reluctant to betray him and continued to protect him even in the face of impending death.

In the end, the pure love she harbored toward him had touched him.

He looked at Armand and uttered coldly, "I was the one who invited her out, gave her the stun gun, and informed her of Genevieve's whereabouts. I told her to help me kill Genevieve because I hate Genevieve. If it weren't for her ruthlessness that day, Sylvie would not have died!"

greedy and cruel. I guess that Sylvie must have realized Genev is General Zeigler's granddaughter. She kept this secret and pretended to be General Zeigler's granddaughter to scam others with that pretense. Sylvie relied on General Zeigler's reputation to take money from others without fulfilling her promises. When her wrongdoings were almost exposed, you secretly helped

Cyrus was ignorant of Zayne and Sylvie's relationship. He was usually a mild-tempered man, but at that moment, anger overwhelmed him after he listened to Armand's speech and knew how much Zayne had done for Sylvie.

He slapped Zayne across the face. "Why do

Zayne's head was smacked sideways. Still, he remained unfazed and quickly turned his head to face the front. "I love Sylvie, and I do not regret everything

another hard slap that caused his palm to go

Faith heard Zayne's words, she felt her heart ache terribly to the extent of feeling suffocated.

recalling their meeting in the afternoon earlier. Zayne had asked her if she genuinely liked him and said that he would marry

At that instant, Zayne's promises consumed her rationales. Faith thought he loved her too, so she wanted to murder Genevieve to prove her love for him.

Only then did Faith know the grudge was not between Zayne and Genevieve. Instead, Zayne was merely using Faith to avenge the woman he loved.

Armand walked up to Zayne and asked the latter calmly, "Did you tamper with the DNA test result that Yuvan did for Genev

at that moment. He sneered, "If I

Armand noticed the only emotion left in Zayne was hatred. Regardless of what he said or how he beat Zayne up, the

Chapter 925 Feel Honored

Armand rubbed his temples and asked tersely, "Why did you come to Baykeep?"

"I'm here to assist my uncle in his investigation regarding the contaminated beef incident."

Half of Baykeep's population was infected by the virus due to the problematic beef. During that one month, netizens all over the globe had paid close attention to Baykeep's situation.

Forlisle Medical invented a specific vaccine to address the endemic and stopped the spread of the virus, allowing Baykeep's borders to be reopened. Baykeep's government had also published a report and punished those involved in that incident.

Despite those efforts, the ones who secretly orchestrated that tragedy were not only the officials from Baykeep but also included an external force. The purpose of Sally's current visit was to investigate that external force.

Sally sat on the chair Faith was tied to earlier, took out a box of mints, and tossed two pieces of peppermint candy into her mouth. "I did not expect to stumble upon Genevieve while I went shopping."

"Thank you," Armand uttered hoarsely.

If Sally did not happen to be at the restroom, Genevieve would have been killed.

"Give me the name list if you're genuinely grateful toward me. I know your men had already found out about the external force conniving with those Baykeep's officials."

Armand switched on his phone without hesitation and sent her the information through WhatsApp.

While she browsed through the list, Armand elaborated calmly, "The external influence colluding with Baykeep's officials is the Carlo family, a famous mafia family from Lostaria. They possess businesses in Chanaea, but are negligent in managing their assets here. More than two months ago, members of the Carlo family frequented Baykeep."

The Carlo family was based in the far Epea, mainly dealing with shady

only hypothesis he could come up with was that the Carlo family wanted to support a puppet under their control to accession, creating a path to transfer their

At that moment, Sally was reminded of something. Her eyes gleamed as if she had connected the dots in her mind. She kept her phone and leaped to her feet.

Armand narrowed his eyes at Sally. "Are you telling me that you think my wife is in danger?"

need to ask what I think? A few months ago, someone used my name to harm her on the cruise ship. Not long ago, she was almost murdered in the parking lot, and today, Faith nearly took her life."

Sally found the circumstances to be highly amusing as she recounted those perilous events. She asked him, "Are you competing against Genevieve to see which one of you could survive longer in danger?"

Armand was stumped.

Sally said, "There is a matter I need to investigate further. My uncle traveled abroad to convince me to take up this responsibility, but even he failed. Genevieve should feel honored to be protected by me."

Armand knew Sally had an ulterior motive behind her request to guard Genevieve's safety.

Still, he did not doubt Sally's outstanding combat skills. Genevieve would be safe with Sally as her bodyguard, so he agreed to Sally's request in the end.

The sky had turned dark

Chapter 926 The Ultimate Jerk

Genevieve and Armand stayed with Herbert at the Zeigler residence for three days. When Genevieve was on the phone with her two children, she got them to greet Herbert as "Great-grandpa." Amanda didn't know why, but she still did as told. Her tone was so sweet that Herbert was utterly delighted by it.

It wasn't until Armand had work to do that both of them returned to Jadeborough.

When Herbert wanted to send them to the airport, Genevieve didn't know how to react. "Granddad, it's not like we're never going to see each other again. Besides, you can video call me whenever you miss me. Also, you can come to visit me in Jadeborough once you've fully recovered."

"That goes without saying, as I must visit those two little sweeties of mine." Just thinking about Amanda's adorable face alone filled Herbert with the urge to quickly recover.

After glancing at the man behind Genevieve, Herbert reminded, "If Armand bullies you in any way, you must remember to tell me."

“Granddad, you overestimate me.” Armand wrapped his arms around Genevieve's shoulders and broke into a wry smile. “I'm ranked fourth at home. In fact, I'm always at the receiving end of any bullying at home.”

“Isn't that the way it's supposed to be?” Herbert snorted.

The couple arrived in Jadeborough at three in the afternoon.

When Armand mentioned that someone was picking them up, Genevieve assumed it to be Steven.

Therefore, she was surprised to see Sally leaning against the car when she exited the terminal.

Sally was dressed in a black shirt and a pair of pants that accentuated her long slender legs. On her feet were a pair of black three-inch heels. Coupled with her obsidian black hair, she exuded an aloofness that was

Armand was leading her toward Sally, she turned toward him. “Do you want

Previously, Sally—in her attempt to force Genevieve to stay away from Armand—had attacked Specter Corporation behind the scenes, where even her employees were not spared. Furthermore, Sally had almost humiliated her at the café too.

So why did Armand get her to pick us up?

door for Genevieve to get in, he loaded the trunk with their luggage.

When Armand joined her in the car, he explained, “There's no way I can be by your side twenty-four

Staring furiously at Armand, Genevieve questioned through gritted teeth, “Why can't you hire a different bodyguard? Why does it have to be her?”

I don't know what this idiot was thinking when he hired my romantic rival to be my bodyguard.

“The other bodyguards are all males and can't protect you in the restroom.” Sally adjusted the rearview mirror and threw the grim-looking Genevieve a glance through it.

She added, “I was never interested in Armand, so don't assume that

“I remember that it wasn't too long ago that you sent me a wedding invitation, saying that you are getting married to him in October.” Genevieve sniggered. “If you've no feelings for

“Because he holds something that belongs to my man,” Sally replied matter-of-factly.

As Sally changed gears, the car quickly accelerated and sped toward the highway.

Chapter 927 Give Me A Ride

At four-thirty in the afternoon, they arrived at Johanna's mansion.

When Johanna—who had just emerged from her greenhouse—saw Genevieve and Armand arrive with Sally, she quickly pulled Genevieve aside to inquire about the situation.

Genevieve explained in a moody tone, “Armand hired her to be my bodyguard.”

Gasping in shock, Johanna turned around to sneak a glance at Sally before asking curiously, "Why is Armand doing this all of a sudden? Is it because they have hatched a plan to kill you in an accident so that both of them can finally be together?"

"Sally is capable of killing me even if she isn't my bodyguard." Genevieve gave her a look of resignation. "Where are the children?"

"Cooper was free today and came over this morning. Since Amanda complained about the hot weather and wanted to go for a swim, he ended up taking them out." Johanna, who was having some grapes, fed Genevieve a few. "He brought Asel along with them and should be back anytime now after spending the entire day outside."

"Now that you're home, why hasn't Sally left yet? Should I get the kitchen to prepare an extra portion for her?" Johanna asked.

In the midst of their conversation, the children's crisp voices suddenly rang out from outside.

Wearing a blue bubble dress, Amanda looked extremely adorable with her puffy cheeks. Upon entering the house, she ran toward Armand the moment she saw him.

"Daddy!"

Armand wiped the sweat off her forehead. "Did you enjoy yourself?"

"Mmm-hmm!" Amanda nodded and related in an excited tone, "Uncle Cooper brought me to the

Armand chuckled as he turned toward Cooper. "Thanks for taking them out despite having so much to do at work."

"I was free today. Besides, it's been a while since I last saw the children." Amidst his reply, he was surprised when

She, too, threw him a glance, and quickly lowered her gaze to continue

so many guests at home, the housekeeper came out to the living room to ask what they would like to have for dinner so that she would have enough time to

Just as Cooper decided to leave after dinner, his phone suddenly rang.

Something at the office needed his attention, so he had no choice but to leave.

Right after he did, Sally got up from the couch and walked up to Genevieve. "Whenever you need to head out when Armand is not around, give me a call and I'll pick you up."

With that, Sally, too, left the mansion.

When Genevieve was still in a daze, Johanna leaned in and remarked in surprise, "Is it me or is Sally behaving strangely? Of all the time to leave, why

"Isn't that good? There's one less person to prepare food for," Genevieve replied without giving it much thought.

As soon as Cooper came out of the mansion and unlocked his car, he was surprised to see Sally walking up to him from behind.

“Give me a ride.”

Chapter 928 A Live Target If You Stay

Just when Sally wanted to retrieve her phone, it slipped down into the compartment. Hence, she had no choice but to get Cooper to end the call on her behalf as she floored the accelerator.

No sooner had Cooper picked up the phone than the car's sudden inertia pressed his body against his seat.

“Watch out for the city's speed limits—” The last thing Cooper wanted was for her to speed when driving his car. If his license ended up being suspended, he would have to rely on Bertilla to give him a ride all the time.

Cooper had barely spoken when someone crashed into the back of their Bentley.

The impact was so huge that their car was almost sent flying.

Gripping the grab handle immediately, Cooper could see two black cars following them closely from the rearview mirror. In fact, one of them sped up to their right and drove neck to neck with them.

As a gap opened in the window, the black barrel of a gun emerged from it, aiming at Cooper.

With a sharp turn of the steering wheel, Sally rammed their car into their pursuer's.

the man in the car from getting his

In the interest of public safety, she swung the car around at a junction before driving toward a skyscraper that was still under construction. Naturally, the two black cars were in hot pursuit.

Every time their pursuers came close, Sally would use her exceptional driving skills to leave them in the dust.

As it was getting dark, the construction crews had already gone home.

Once their car screeched to a halt in front of the building. Sally swung the car door open and led Cooper inside where they ascended the building by climbing the concrete stairwell.

When Sally heard the sound of their pursuers' cars coming to a stop, she waved at Cooper for him to continue going up.

Speculating that there were five to six men in the two cars, Cooper hesitated out of concern that they were too much for her to handle.

Sally ordered impatiently, “Go now. I'll be able to handle them myself. If you stay, you being a live target will just be a distraction for me.”

first time, Cooper felt useless without a gun in his hand. Hence, he hurried upstairs without a second thought.

Meanwhile, Sally hid in one of the corners and gradually slowed down her breathing.

Fortunately, darkness had already fallen, limiting the visibility outside. Given that it was even darker inside the skyscraper, their pursuers would be further impeded.

footsteps, Sally—hiding in the darkness—grabbed the man's neck with her fingers the moment she saw the barrel of a gun peek out. After cracking his neck

Her movements were so swift in the darkness that she managed to deal with them in three seconds.

the men upstairs realized their companions had been killed, they began

Chapter 929 They Were Not Exaggerating About Her

Cooper, with the help of his phone's torchlight, was staring at the corpses on the ground. He couldn't help but feel a tingle down his spine when the stench of blood jolted his senses.

The fact that Sally was skillful enough to make quick work of six to seven men came as a surprise to him.

It seems what they say about her isn't an exaggeration at all. Also, if Sally had really wanted to kill me in the parking lot that day, she could've done so easily.

Subsequently, Sally made a call. After reporting her location over the phone, she requested for the bodies in the building to be dealt with before leaving with Cooper.

Upon returning to the car, Cooper realized that Sally's right shoulder was grazed by a bullet when he noticed her body covered in blood.

Grabbing a towel from the back of the car, he wrapped it around her wound.

“Let me drive. I'll send you to the hospital.” Worried that any major movement would aggravate the blood flow from her wound, Cooper circled over to the driver's seat and opened the door.

However, the annoyed Sally attempted to close the door and protested, “It's just a scratch. I'll drive.”

In spite of that, Cooper grabbed the door and looked down at her, refusing to budge.

It wasn't until Sally lost her patience after a few minutes of staring at each other that she moved over to the front passenger seat. Only then did Cooper get into the

not going to the hospital. Otherwise, my mom is going to nag me when she finds out.”

With that, Sally gave her mom a call to make an

home? I've already prepared dinner.” Miranda asked over the phone, “Is it because

After responding in a cursory manner, Sally ended the call.

Cooper then snuck a quiet glance at her from the corner of his eye. After stopping at a pharmacy, he bought some antiseptic dressings before taking her back to his condominium. Upon entering, he placed them on the coffee table.

As the bullet had only grazed Sally's shoulder, she was more than capable of dressing her

wound," Sally remarked. "Also, I would like to have some steak."

Speechless,

the sight of the blood-drenched towel, he fell into a momentary silence before sitting down beside Sally. Subsequently,

At the same time, Cooper gave the boss of Golden Restaurant a call and ordered a steak with a request to go light on the pepper.

After ending the call, he trimmed the gauze into smaller pieces and placed them on top of Sally's wound. "Who are

"That's your car they're pursuing and their guns were aimed at you," Sally reminded him.

Cooper hadn't offended anyone recently, while a business competitor wouldn't be brazen

As Sally's clothes were already dirty, Cooper handed her a

Chapter 930 You Would Be Dead If Not For Me

"Do you have any business dealings with the Carlo family of Lostaria?" Sally leaned downward. With her face inches away, Cooper could feel her breath showering his face.

As a tingling sensation descended upon him, he knitted his brows. "No. Please get off me first."

He then grabbed Sally by the arms, hoping to push her away.

Instead of budging, she questioned with narrowed eyes, "In that case, why are they targeting you and Genevieve?"

Cooper stared at her in shock.

After taking a few more sips of water, she casually explained, "My investigations point to the Carlo family as the ones responsible for attacking Genevieve on the cruise ship. Anonymous assassinations have been their modus operandi. That's why they tried to kill Genevieve and blame me for it. But this time, they actually sent men to openly take you out."

"I don't know any Carlo family." In fact, Cooper hadn't even heard of them before. "What sort of business are they in?"

"They're the infamous mafia of Lostaria," Sally answered.

As if something had occurred to him, Cooper adjusted his spectacles. "Genev has a friend called Jack Valentine. His godfather is Foster, who heads the largest mafia in Dartan. Perhaps the bad blood between Foster and the Carlo family has caused the latter to target those around Jack."

Staring intently at Cooper, Sally noticed the superficial veins on his long fingers.

The sight of him raising his hand to adjust his spectacles felt inexplicably seductive to her.

on herself. Scanning the surroundings through the spectacles, she asked with raised brows, "Why are you wearing spectacles when

"I'm a little short—" Cooper stopped abruptly with a grim expression on his face. "What does that
Weren't we just talking

Sally climbed down from his legs before leaning against the couch's armrest and placing her feet on his lap. "I have a blister from wearing my heels. Take care of it for me."

do this for you," Cooper replied in an indifferent tone as he pushed her leg aside.

for me today, you would have

After a brief hesitation, Cooper picked up the iodine solution and applied it attentively to her heel.

she continued in a frosty tone, "It isn't just this. The Carlo family were also the ones who sent contaminated beef to Baykeep

Cooper inquired curiously, "Why are they targeting the Zeigler family?"

on, Armand informed me that Genevieve is General Zeigler's granddaughter." With a hand supporting her

Subsequently, she related to Cooper about how she ran into Armand while investigating the contaminated beef incident in Baykeep.