Game Over 281

Chapter 281 The Fault Of Elizabeth

Diana had beard Shelby when the latter was on the phone, so she followed Shelby in secret to see what was going on

Little did she expect to see such a shocking scene From what she saw, she could confirm that Elizabeth and Matthew had

genuinely gotten together

However, Celine didn't believe it at all, and she kept thinking that there was no way Elizabeth could get married into the

Hilton family

It seems that Tia doesn't have any chance at all now Oh well That's great. Otherwise, Celine is going to act as proud as a

peacock

In no time, Celine called her. Diana answered it while smiling with a glint of mischief in her eyes.

"Did you hear the news, Celine? Elizabeth is really in a relationship with Matthew. I'm certain she's the reason why Tia's

engagement was canceled "

Celine was already in a bad mood when she called Diana, but the moment she heard what the latter said, her face

scrunched up with hatred.

Back then, she was only able to become Richard's wife because of her schemes. She had used Isabella Myers"

extraordinary beauty to make Richard feel insecure. Consequently, whenever he saw Isabella talking to any other man, he

would overthink things.

With that, Celine used that weakness of his to make him paranoid that Isabella was having an affair. In the end, Richa kicked her out of the Wade family due to those fabricated suspicions, and Celine successfully became the new Mrs. Wade.

Now, her dumb daughter wishes to steal Tia's man? She must have a death wish!

Thanks for telling me, Diana. I'll hang up now."

It was apparent that she didn't sound very happy because of her sullen voice.

Diana added, "Celine, are you mad? That Elizabeth is really something Not only was she able to make Dominic entangled

with her, but she even got the Lowens' acknowledgment too.

Those words were like a sharp sword piercing through Celine's heart.

That woman Other than having her mother's beauty, she is simply a good–for–nothing' Besides, she even gave birth to

kids with an old man in his seventies' What right does she have?

Celine snorted and answered, "I'm hanging up now."

She hurriedly hung up the call and forcefully threw her phone aside out of anger.

What tricks did Elizabeth use to make the Lowens acknowledge her? Even when Tia had almost gotten engaged to Matthew, Old Mrs. Hilton had no intention of acknowledging her at all! In the end, she even canceled the engagement in front

of our friends and family!

She frowned. If I put all these pieces of the puzzle together, it seems like Elizabeth is getting her revenge on us Perhaps.

she's the one who urged Matthew to call off the engagement during the ceremony so that Tia would get humiliated!

Suddenly, she stood up, got out of the room, and made her way to Tiana's room.

The moment she entered her daughter's room, she saw the latter doing her makeup in front of the vanity mirror. Look

how gorgeous Tia is! If I'm a man, I'll definitely marry a lady like her.

Celine pursed her lips slightly as she walked to Tiana's side to look at her daughter through the mirror.

Tiana's facial features were delicate, pretty, and charming. Celine genuinely felt that her daughter was the most beautiful

woman on Earth.

Tiana took her lipstick and applied it as she made eye contact with her mother through the mirror.

"What's the matter, Mom?"

Suddenly, Celine's face fell as she crossed her arms.

"Tia, I have something to tell you. Please be mentally prepared."

Tiana had finished putting on her lipstick. She raised a brow.

"Go on.

"Elizabeth was the reason behind your canceled engagement. She's dating Matthew now. Furthermore, Old Mrs. Hilton even brought her to a socialite gathering, which means that the Lowens have acknowledged her."

Tiana's expression dulled slightly after she heard that

In fact, she had already sensed that something was out of the ordinary from the moment Elizabeth's office was in

Matthew's.

It was just that she didn't want to admit it to herself and kept using the contract to hold onto the man in hopes of getting

him back from Elizabeth.

She turned around and hugged Celine's waist while weeping

"Mom... It's Elizabeth. She's the one who stole Matthew away from me. I'm so upset.

Chapter 282 I Will Make Her Disappear Forever

Celine felt her heart clenching when she heard her daughter's sorrowful crying voice.

She caressed Tiana's head gently as she narrowed her eyes.

"Tia, she'll never win against us. As long as we ruin her reputation, the Hilton family will never let Matthew marry her."

Tiana's voice deepened even more. "Mom, I told Matthew that she gave birth to kids with the old man, but he didn't even mind at all. Old Mrs. Hilton also knows about that, yet she still adores Elizabeth! It's like they've been brainwashed by her. I don't think ruining her reputation will work. They will still like her. She's really, really impressive. I really can't win against her this time."

She sneaked a peek at Celine when she spoke, wanting to infuriate her mother so that the latter would help her.

She knew that her mother had tricks up her sleeves since Celine managed to get rid of Isabella, the former top beauty in Mistwood.

There's nothing that Mom can't do! Isabella's daughter can't win against her either! Ultimately, Matthew will be mine ast long as Mom helps me.

Celine understood that Tiana had had a tough time lately.

"Don't worry, Sweetheart. If ruining her reputation doesn't work, we'll make her disappear forever!"

There was a terrifying gleam in her eyes when she said that.

Tiana was also astounded by the look in her mother's eyes. Just as she expected, no one was a match for Celine when the

latter decided to be ruthless.

"Mom, what should we do, then?"

Celine narrowed her eyes slightly. "Leave this to me. You don't have to worry about anything. Don't you have a party to attend tonight? Go ahead and enjoy yourself to the fullest."

Tiana let go of Celine and looked at her reflection in the mirror.

"Do you think this makeup looks good on me? I'm going to Nicolas's birthday party with my friends tonight. I'm sure Matthew will be there. He'll like how I look, right?"

Celine knew how much her daughter liked Matthew just by looking at the latter's obsessive look. Yet, he dared to hurt

Tiana.

Her heart pained at that, and she gave a faint nod.

"It's beautiful. I'm sure he'll love it."

Tiana put on a coat and grabbed her bag, smiling bitterly at her mother.

"Even if he doesn't like it, I'll be satisfied as long as I can see him from a distance."

With that, she turned and walked out of the room. Her friends were going to shop for presents for Nicolas, so she wanted to get one for him too since she couldn't attend a birthday party empty-handed.

Meanwhile, Elizabeth rushed back to the office after meeting Shelby

She didn't see Matthew when she returned, so she knew that he was still busy somewhere else.

As such, she went back to her desk and sat down. When she got there, she noticed that box on her desk and raised her

hand to unbox it.

In it was a strapless black, gilded evening gown. The hem of the dress was decorated with countless shiny stones, looking elegant and girlish. Anyone who wore it would resemble a fairy in the night sky.

There was a silver–colored, beautifully–layered petticoat under the center of the slit of the black gown. It was utterly

gorgeous.

Elizabeth held the dress to her body and compared it to her figure. It appeared to be her size.

She knitted her brows. Who gave this to me?

At that moment, Matthew pushed the door open and entered the room. He smiled lightly when he saw her holding the

outfit he chose for her.

"Do you like it?"

She turned to him and saw the smile on his handsome face. In an instant, her foul mood disappeared, and she was

healed.

"Did you get this for me? Am I going to be your plus one tonight?"

The last time she received a gown from Dominic was when she became Dominic's plus one at Matthew's engagement

ceremony.

Matthew stood still in front of her desk and stared at her intensely. He couldn't wait to see her in the gown

Following that, Elizabeth was pleasantly surprised to see a mask in the box. It was a silver mask inlaid with an expensive

diamond.

"Is it a masquerade party?"

It had been years since her last masquerade party, so she was pretty excited about it.

Chapter 283 Birthday Party Part One

Matthew nodded lightly when he saw how thrilled she was.

"It's Nicolas's birthday today. He loves these things."

Elizabeth looked at everything the man had prepared for her. Then, she walked up to him, hugged one of his arms, and

rested her head on his shoulder.

"Where were you earlier, Mr. Hilton? You seemed so busy today."

Matthew stretched out his long arm, pulled her into his embrace, and hugged her tightly.

"Yeah. I was a little busy today. What's the matter? Did you miss me?" he asked while guiding her to the couch.

After taking a seat, he pulled her to sit on his lap.

Elizabeth wrapped her arms around his neck as she admired his handsome face. He's so good– looking! I love it! I don't

think there's any woman in this world who won't fall for him! How can he look so attractive?

She didn't answer him directly. Instead, she buried her face in his chest, recalling Shelby's words.

While leaning against him right now, she felt it was a blissful thing to be able to be with him.

Nevertheless, she couldn't help wondering if they could really have a future.

She didn't dare to think too far ahead. All she wanted to do was to cherish the present.

Matthew smelled the sweet fragrance on her as he tapped her lips gently with his long finger.

"What perfume do you wear?"

It smelled really good. Additionally, it was similar to the one that his dream girl had. Since he couldn't find her, he

regarded Elizabeth as that woman. In a way, he placed his hopes on Elizabeth.

Elizabeth widened her eyes in surprise for a moment. She hadn't worn any perfume since discovering her pregnancy as it

wasn't good for children's sense of smell.

She lowered her gaze as she smiled. Her thick and curled eyelashes cast a shadow under her eyes.

"I don't use perfumes. Maybe my clothes have got remnants of the kids' scent."

She washed her clothes with her three children's clothes, so their sweet and milky scent might've gotten onto her clothes.

This was something she had found out some time ago.

There was a difference in her clothes' smell when she washed them separately and when she washed them together with

her children's clothes.

A hint of amusement flashed in the man's eyes when he heard that

"It smells good"

With that, his lips went for her neck as he closed his eyes and took a deep whiff. Then, he kissed her bare skin.

Elizabeth's whole body went numb. She was caught between pushing him away and not wanting him to stop. It was an odd

feeling

His lips continued making a trail as he moved downward. She only regained her senses when he undid half of her blouse's

buttons.

She pulled on his ear. "Matthew, I... You should stop."

Matthew only stopped when he heard her mellow voice. However, he felt very uncomfortable because the state of a

particular organ of his had already stiffened.

He stared at her intently. "Lizzy, help me.

With that, he guided her to his lounge She had no clue what he meant until he taught her the skills

Once she finished helping him, her face was completely flushed, and her right hand felt as if it had been broken

A smile appeared on his face as he leaned closer to her and kissed her lips.

"Thank you, Sweetheart!"

Next, he went into the bathroom while Elizabeth rolled on the bed.

Why did I do that kind of thing for him? Why am I even so excited that he thanked me? I can't believe I even wanted to tell

him I'll help him again next time.

She lifted her hands to cover her warm face.

Although she was slightly at a loss, she still got up and tidied her clothes before glancing down.

She took a deep breath. Ahh! There must've been a mark where he bit me earlier. I hope it'll disappear soon, or I can't

wear that beautiful gown anymore.

When she left the lounge, the office outside looked the same as it was. No one had entered the room.

As such, she walked back to her desk and started working

Not long after, Matthew exited the bathroom, looking handsome and well-dressed as usual.

He sat in front of his desk and looked in Elizabeth's direction, noticing that she was burying herself in work. It was evident

that she was embarrassed, thus not meeting his eyes.

Matthew's

's gaze on her became even more intense. As he had expected, the feeling of a woman's hand was different from

Chapter 284 Birthday Party Part Two

After getting off work, Matthew brought Elizabeth to a makeover studio next to the office.

A female receptionist welcomed them the moment they walked through the door.

"Welcome! Is there a preferred makeup artist you'd like to work with?"

Just then, the manager of the studio trotted toward them..

"Mr. Hilton!"

Matthew lifted his chin. "Do her makeup and hair. It has to complement her gown."

With that, the manager brought the duo to the VIP room. Matthew went to sit on the couch, crossing his legs elegantly.

A staff then brought two cups of coffee and some snacks for them.

The man took a sip of the coffee and glanced intentionally at the snacks. They were strawberry cakes and doughnuts-both Elizabeth's favorite

Next, he took one doughnut, walked up to the front of the vanity mirror, and fed her without looking into her eyes. At last, he walked back to the couch with great strides.

The woman took a bite and held it in her hand as she chewed. Mm! This is delicious!

She beamed as she looked behind her through the mirror, seeing that he was looking at his phone with his head lowered

frowningly. He was likely handling some work matters.

too!"

Elizabeth took another bite of the doughnut, and her heart felt warm and fuzzy inside.

The makeup artist doing her hair grinned and said, "Ms. Wade, your boyfriend is really sweet to you! He's handsome

Elizabeth nodded slightly at that

Undeniably, she felt that having a boyfriend like Matthew was blissful too.

A little over an hour later, her hairdo and makeup were complete. Elizabeth changed into that gown and held the silver

mask in her hand. The sparkling diamond on the right side of the chain was extraordinarily dazzling.

"Matthew, what do you think?" she called out to the man after walking up to him in her high heels.

He raised his eyes and stared at her intently without any changes in his expression.

However, deep down, he had a feeling that he didn't want anyone to set their eyes on her because she looked way too

beautiful and seductive at present.

He had an urge to bring her home and hide her away so that she could only be his, and he could be the only one to admire

her beauty.

Elizabeth lowered her eyes when she noticed that he was only staring at her impassively.

"Don't I look good?"

Suddenly, the man stood up, put the lilac coat on her shoulders, and straightened it out.

"I really wish to pull out a gun and kill anyone who sets their eyes on you.

After that, he placed his arm around her waist as they walked out of the studio. A few staff followed behind them to see the

couple out respectfully.

Elizabeth was still immersed in what he said earlier. This man... Once he speaks, he'll scare the hell out of everyone.

However, from his words, she felt she must look utterly gorgeous

That was enough.

Esme and the driver were already waiting downstairs. The moment they saw Matthew and Elizabeth, they got out of the

car and opened the door for the two.

Matthew patted her slim waist lightly. "Get in."

Elizabeth got into the car while he went in from the other door.

Esme turned to her after he boarded the car and praised, "Ms. Wade, you look lovely tonight!"

She really looks different tonight. Her already mesmerizing face only looks better with exquisite makeup on. Moreover, the necklace on her neck complements her whole temperament. It helps her to magnify the temperament that she has been

hiding all along, intensifying her aura.

Elizabeth smiled faintly and answered, "Thanks!"

Certainly, it was a satisfying thing to be praised by others.

Yet, Matthew's expression turned grim as he uttered coldly, "Esme, Larry, watch where you're looking."

He wasn't happy about it at all. She already attracts enough men without makeup on. Now, she's gotten even more

alluring.

Matthew was too domineering. He hoped that all men in the world were blind so that they couldn't see her beauty.

Esme and Larry responded in unison, "Yes, Mr. Hilton. We're blind."

Chapter 285 Birthday Party Part Three

Elizabeth could not stifle her laughter. She then turned around and looked at Matthew. "Mr. Hilton, why are you so

domineering?"

Matthew's eyes darkened. He moved closer to Elizabeth and whispered in her ears, "That's because you are too

beautiful!"

Rendered speechless, she gave him a faint smile as she thought he was exaggerating and did not believe that she could

make him so nervous

She finally understood what people meant when they said beauty is in the eye of the beholder. After all, she always thought

her look was average and not beautiful like a goddess.

Nevertheless, she felt great to be cared about by Matthew.

The car was parked at the entrance of Grand View Hotel, which was one of the Ferguson family's properties and a hotel

with more than five stars rating.

Nicolas's birthday party was held in the largest banquet hall in the hotel.

There were a lot of media reporters waiting outside the door. People who were attending the party wore a mask. Thus, the

media reporters were unable to identify the attendees.

It was Nicolas's intention for them to wear a mask to the party so that they could have fun without worrying about t

identity being exposed

Before Matthew got out of the car, he put on his silver–colored mask. After he put it on, he revealed only his narrowed

eyes, making him look even more devilish..

He slightly pursed his red lips while looking at the woman beside him. Elizabeth was also wearing a silver mask with

diamonds on it. They were both wearing matching couple masks.

Matthew stepped out of the car, followed by Elizabeth. She hooked her arm around Matthew's as they walked into the

hotel together.

Along their way, many cameras were on them, accompanied by bright flashes. The reporters were taking photos.

endlessly Despite that, it was useless, as the reporters could not identify who was attending the party. They wouldn't even

know he was Matthew

Elizabeth smiled as she walked in front of the public, holding Matthew's arm. She felt safe with him, and her presence was

much stronger.

Sure enough, the strength that Matthew gave her had made her fearless.

Elizabeth could not help but turn her head and look at the man beside her. His calm and indifferent look made him look.

like a majestic king

Upon entering the hotel, the usher led them into the fingunt hitt

and

Elizabeth was surprised to see the decorations in the hall. She meparted gold wood bright decorations However, the Aut! was decorated with a oween theme

zheats,

Skulls could be seen throughout the ball Even the servere were dressed up as guts, womboes, and v

Elizabeth had never attended such a party. She widened her eyes and thought her three kids would definitely love to stand such a party

Matthew touched her hand gently and asked, "Are you scared

Nicolas would always come up with different themes for his birthday party yearly Last year was a pajama Keme

This year's theme was

creative and suited Nicolas's identity as a doctor.

Elizabeth chuckded and replied, "Of course not. I never thought the birthday party could be decorated this way

Matthew led Elizabeth to a lounge not far away. When they walked past the hall, they caught the crowds attento antice

they both looked outstanding in terms of their figure and aura. All eyes were on them as people grasped about the au husited

lones.

"Who are they? They look gorgeous!"

"It would be great to see them take off their mask. They must be a match made in heaven."

"I can't tell who they are!"

Elizabeth heard the discussions from the crowd. She would have to be used to it in the future if she chose to be with

Matthew, knowing that she had to be strong so that no words could hurt her anymore.

Matthew pushed the door open, and they both entered the lounge.

Nicolas was sitting on the couch with a young lady in his arms. She wore a baseball outfit and had put her hair ponytail, looking youthful and energetic like a high school student

"Mr. Ferguson, today is your birthday. Didn't you say you would only celebrate your birthday with me?"

Nicolas goaxed lightly, "I'll celebrate with you alone tomorrow, okay?"

The girl pouted and replied, "I don't care. I've dressed up nicely today."

"Darling, you look amazing in this costume!" Nicolas kissed the girl on her face, and she forced a smile after that

Chapter 286 Birthday Party Part Four

Matthew put his arms around Elizabeth, and they both sat down opposite Nicolas, with his legs crossed elegantly.

Elizabeth leaned into Matthew's arms as they watched Nicolas and the girl opposite them.

The girl saw Matthew and Elizabeth and asked, "Mr. Ferguson, who are they? Did you invite celebrities? Their presence is

so overwhelming "

Just then, Nicolas realized the duo opposite him and frowned slightly.

"Excuse me, the party is outside. This is the host's lounge," he said, requesting them to leave the lounge.

No matter if they were famous celebrities or not, Nicolas did not want anyone to disturb him while coaxing his girl

Matthew chuckled coldly, "Kev, how could you chase your friend away now that you have a girlfriend?"

Of course, Nicolas could tell that it was Matthew by his voice. Nicolas's eyes lit up as he glanced at the woman beside

Matthew.

He asked, "Matt, who is this?"

If she were Lizzy, she wouldn't be leaning in his arms so obediently. That girl is hard to get.

Elizabeth waved at Nicolas and asked, "Mr. Ferguson, mind introducing the girl?"

Elizabeth was looking at the girl beside Nicolas. The girl's face looked somewhat young, and her skin seemed as smooth as

a baby's bottom.

Besides, she was currently dressed in a tube top, a baseball shirt, and sweatpants. Her waist was fair and slim that even

Elizabeth, as a girl, wanted to reach out to touch it.

Nicolas laughed and replied, "Lizzy, you look so obedient today even I couldn't recognize you.

Matthew and Elizabeth removed their mask for Nicolas to introduce them to the girl.

Nicolas changed his girlfriends very often. It seemed like he had another new one again.

Nicolas sat up straight and pulled the girl closer into his arms. He pointed at Matthew and said, "Estelle, this is Matthew

Hilton, and this is his girlfriend, Elizabeth Wade."

Estelle Blenheim's eyes lit up instantly when she heard Matthew's name. He looks much more handsome than on the

television. Besides, the aura that he exudes is incomparable to other celebrities.

Estelle smiled at Matthew and Elizabeth, then greeted, "Matthew, Lizzy, nice to meet you!"

Nicolas was stunned for a moment. "Estelle, why do you address me as Mr. Ferguson but call them Matthew and Lizzy?

Do I look so old?"

Estelle shot him a glare and whispered, "Can't you tell? I'm being polite. Nowadays, adults prefer to be addressed by their

names since it would make them sound younger."

Nicolas frowned slightly as he could not understand kids these days.

"Matt, Lizzy, this is my girlfriend, Estelle Blenheim. You can call her Estelle," Nicolas introduced.

Elizabeth loved the name and thought that it matched Estelle well. She uttered, "Estelle."

Estelle smiled in response, feeling that she liked Elizabeth.

She stood up and pulled Elizabeth aside. "Lizzy, your necklace looks nice! It must be very expensive."

Now that the two ladies were chatting with one another, Elizabeth was no longer in Matthew's arms. Therefore, he was

unhappy. He passed Nicolas a cigarette before lighting one for himself.

"Kev, aren't you afraid your grandfather would see what you have done outside?" Matthew asked.

Nicolas laughed and replied, "I've arranged two halls for the party. The usher knows to bring the young ones into this hall.

The older people will be brought to the hall upstairs to dance and listen to some music. We can have our fun here."

Matthew took a long puff of the cigarette. He knew that Nicolas would have his way of having fun.

"What about Luke? I heard that he had left and wouldn't attend your birthday party," Matthew asked.

Every year, Leonard would apply for leave and return to celebrate Nicolas's and Matthew's birthdays.

Nicolas raised his eyebrows and took a puff of cigarette too. "That guy is hiding from his girl. I can't even reach his

number. I don't think he is coming back."

Just then, the lounge door opened. Tiana held a girl's hand, and they entered the lounge. The girl said, "Nicolas, this

birthday party is awesome! I like it very much."

Tiana saw Matthew from afar, but she did not notice Elizabeth. The former smiled and tidied her hair. Then, she looked

down at her V-neck dress, which was already lowered to the max.

Chapter 287 Former Girlfriend

Evangeline Palmer walked toward Nicolas and sat beside him "Happy birthday, Nicolas

Nicolas answered with a smile, "Thank you, Eva You've grown prettier!

Evangeline's smile grew wider after being complimented by Nicolas She looked at Estelle, who was beside Nicolas, and asked, "Nicolas, who is this pretty girl?"

Estelle was discussing nails with Elizabeth. She glanced at Evangeline upon hearing her question

"This is my girlfriend, Estelle Nicolas waved at Estelle, and she went to sit beside him

Just then, Elizabeth looked over to Matthew and realized Tiana was sitting beside him while Matthew's expression

darkened.

Elizabeth stood up and walked toward him. She then sat down beside him and leaned into h

After that, Elizabeth shot Tiana a glance, and the latter immediately realized the woman with a gorgeous figure was Elizabeth Tiana's face suddenly darkened a little.

Tiana pursed her lips and greeted Elizabeth awkwardly, "Lizzy, you are here too.

Elizabeth replied with a smile, "Yes!"

Matthew's expression slightly brightened as his mood improved. The corner of his lips curled up slightly.

Matthew pressed his long fingers on Elizabeth's shoulder lightly and looked at her. "You've finally remembered that I'm

here too?"

Elizabeth shot a look at him and pouted angrily.

Matthew could tell that she was jealous.

He lowered his head and kissed her on the face. Elizabeth did not expect that he would kiss her in front of everyone. Her face became red as she shoved him away

Her shy expression made Matthew's mood better.

Tiana, who witnessed the scene, was dumbfounded. Her eyes were filled with intense hatred.

However, she hid her feelings. Tiana clasped her hands tightly and tried her best to remain elegant.

Elizabeth shot Tiana a sideway glance and could tell that Tiana was suppressing her emotions to the utmost limit

Everyone around was also surprised to see Matthew kiss Elizabeth. They knew Matthew, the head of the most prominent

family, was always cold and unconcerned.

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However, seeing him pampered Elizabeth that way made everyone envious.

Evangeline glanced at Tiana and asked, "Tia, isn't Matthew your boyfriend?"

She looked at Matthew after asking that question.

However, Matthew was still consoling the woman in his arms. He did not care about what Evangeline said.

Tiana felt very awkward. Her face darkened as she pursed her lips, as she did not know how to answer the question.

Matthew responded, "That was the past. We broke up long ago."

Upon finishing his words, he held Elizabeth's hand and gently stroked the back of her hand.

As a matter of fact, Matthew's relationship with Tiana was only a show. Their relationship ended after he paid her. Matthew decided to terminate their agreement earlier because he was determined to be with Elizabeth.

Whether his grandfather agreed or not, Matthew had already figured out a plan for it.

He would not declare to the public or let Hector know for the time being because Matthew wanted to wait for his grandfather's health to improve before he let him know.

The hatred in Tiana's heart grew even more when she heard what Matthew said.

Was he not planning to continue to oblige to the agreement? Tiana had a glimmer of hope before, but upon hearing Matthew's answer, she knew her hope was gone.

Her expression continued to darken, but she kept her emotions in check and stayed calm.

Feeling delighted, Elizabeth smiled faintly. She had secretly thought before what Tiana's reaction would be if she were to know Matthew and Elizabeth were together.

Looking at Tiana's reaction now, Elizabeth was overjoyed and amused.

Thinking of what Tiana and Celine had done to Elizabeth back then, almost causing her to lose her three children, Elizabeth swore to make them pay for it.

Evangeline was surprised to hear Matthew's answer. Previously, she had a good relationship with Tiana because the latter was Matthew's girlfriend.

It was a common phenomenon in their circle of friends. They would only accept Tiana as part of them because she was Matthew's girlfriend.

However, it seemed like they were fooled.

Chapter 288 My Life Is All Yours

People from the upper-class society were like that. They wouldn't treat friendship sincerely.

Evangeline saw the change in Tiana's look and suddenly felt as though she was watching a drama currently.

There were a few other friends who were close to Tiana recently. If Evangeline were to tell them about this matter, it

would be fun to watch.

Most people accepted Tiana because they wanted to approach Matthew and do business with him. Tiana also promised to help them.

If they were to know that Tiana and Matthew had broken up, it would be a great scene to behold.

Evangeline stood up and said, "Nicolas, we are going out to have fun. See you later!"

Upon finishing her words, she walked toward Tiana and said, "Tia, let's go out. It's not suitable for us to be the third wheels here. I'm done with their PDA."

Tiana stood up and said to Matthew, "Matt, we are going out."

Then, she said to Nicolas, who was sitting opposite her, "Mr. Ferguson, happy birthday!"

Nicolas was more easy-going. He nodded slightly and replied, "Enjoy the party!"

After they left the lounge, Nicolas said to Matthew, "Matt, weren't you being too cruel?" He raised his eyebrows while speaking

Matthew shot him a glare and signaled him not to stir up troubles.

Nicolas received Matthew's signal and raised his hands at him, expressing that he would stop.

Estelle, leaning in Nicolas's arms, blinked her big eyes. Her eyes were alluring with her exquisite makeup. Nicolas lowered his head and got closer to her. "Do you want me to kiss you in front of everyone too?"

Estelle quickly moved aside and answered, "Stop messing around."

Elizabeth grabbed Matthew's hand and pinched the back of his hand forcefully. She whispered to him, "Your ex–girlfriend is mad. Are you upset? Do you want to console her?"

Matthew frowned slightly, flinching in pain. However, he endured it.

He let Elizabeth pinch him until she realized his hand had turned red. She then lowered her head and blew at his reddened hand. "Are you stupid? Why didn't you stop me if you were in pain?"

Matthew smirked slightly. He knew that Elizabeth's heart would ache for him because she was softhearted that she wouldn't go overboard. too."

He replied calmly, "As long as you are happy, you can do whatever you want. Even if you want my life, I will give it to you

Matthew was being honest. He would give his life to Elizabeth without hesitation.

Elizabeth smiled upon hearing his words. She enjoyed Matthew's sweet-talking

However, she did not believe that he would actually give his life to her.

She took it as a joke and didn't take it to heart.

Just then, the butler of the Ferguson family came in. "Mr. Ferguson, almost all of the guests are here. They are waiting for

you to blow out the candles upstairs."

Nicolas raised his eyebrows and sighed upon hearing his words. "It's time to go up and entertain those elder people.

He thought that it was too old-fashioned to blow out candles during birthdays.

However, his grandmother was there, and the elderly liked celebrating their grandchildren's birthdays this way. Thus,

Nicolas had no choice but to go up and entertain them.

He kissed Estelle's cheek and said, "Babe, I'm going upstairs. Do you want to follow me?"

Estelle shook her head and replied, "I don't want to meet your family members. I want to go out and have fun for a

moment.

She then put on her mask and stood up before going out with Nicolas.

Before Nicolas left, he told Matthew, "Matt, it's fun outside. You should bring Lizzy out to have fun."

Nicolas left the lounge and shut the door after he said his words.

Matthew lowered his head and kissed Elizabeth on her lips. Her eyes widened in surprise, but she felt it was sweet. She did

not reject him and let him kiss her.

After kissing her for a while, he let go of her and saw her eyes filled with tears.

Matthew's eyes darkened slightly when he gazed at the pitiful Elizabeth. He realized that the longer he looked at her, the

more beautiful and pleasing she was.

Chapter 289 Someone Is Pestering Me

Elizabeth raised her hand and touched her lips. "Did you eat all of my lipstick?"

As Matthew looked at her luscious red lips, he thought the color looked even better than how it was previously.

With a slight smile, he wiped off the excess lipstick from the corners of her lips.

"Nope. You look even more beautiful now."

With that, he got up and pulled her up.

"Let's go out and have fun!"

While Elizabeth was still worrying about her lipstick, the man put on her mask for her.

"You really look gorgeous."

Following that, he put on his mask as well. He just wanted to admire the beautiful woman in front of him all by himself.

It was only after hearing his words that Elizabeth stopped worrying.

She flashed him a shy grin. It had been a long time since she last played coy in front of others. Now that she was under

Matthew's care, she felt she had become a little girl all over again.

Matthew held her hand and left the lounge with her.

The atmosphere was perfect inside the ballroom. Many were dressed up in all sorts of weird costumes, including nurses

drenched in blood as well as devils on stretchers.

It was an eerie sight, but it suited the spooky theme.

Elizabeth blinked her large eyes as she surveyed her surroundings. At a glance, she couldn't tell who each of them was,

and she found this rather intriguing.

Just then, a group of people walked between them, and Elizabeth and Matthew's hands were forcefully separated. Besides

that, she was even pushed forward by the group and kept walking for some distance.

When she finally managed to stop in her tracks, she turned around and tried to look for Matthew. Yet, at that moment, the

lights dimmed.

Nicolas flew down from the floor above them. He looked dashing in a black tuxedo and a vampire mask, and it was as if a

real Dracula had appeared before them.

The crowd erupted into applause. After he landed, the spotlight only focused on him while a few helpers undid his

harness.

partners for a dance."

Elizabeth frantically looked around in search of Matthew under the dim light. Unfortunately, it was too dark, and there

were also too many people around

floor.

Meanwhile, everyone had started inviting those around them for a dance, and the ballroom instantly turned into a dance

With that, she could only take a few steps back and retreat from the dance floor.

She stood by the side and watched as the couples danced. The music was lively, and all of them were having a great time.

As Elizabeth still couldn't find Matthew, she had no choice but to move toward the edge of the ballroom and walk a big

round in search of the man.

After one round around the ballroom, there was still no sight of him. At this, she heaved a sigh

Before they entered, they were made to surrender their coats and bags at the entrance, and they weren't allowed to bring

their phones in either. Because of that, finding someone in such a circumstance was akin to finding a needle in a haystack.

She gently bit her lip as she raised her head and scanned around. Every now and then, a few grim reapers and devils

would appear in her surroundings.

wits.

Fortunately, she hadn't brought Abby along. If the girl had seen all of this, she would have been frightened out of her

After a while, she walked toward the bar counter nearby and decided to stay there for the time being. If she still couldn't

find Matthew, she would then make her leave.

He was the reason why she came here in the first place, after all. Besides, she had already handed Nicolas's gift to the

butler here.

In addition, she wasn't very interested in such parties.

Right then, a man sat down beside her. As the lights were too dim, she couldn't tell who he was in his black costume and

light-colored mask.

"Are you alone?"

His voice was deep and melodious. Elizabeth glanced at him and gently swirled the wine glass in her hand.

"Nope. I have a partner."

Although she had rejected him straightforwardly, the man had no intentions of leaving He simply raised his wine glass and took a sip.

Following that, he told the bartender, "Can I get one Flaming Rose for this lady over here?"

Chapter 290 A Counterfeit

Peter gave them a resigned shrug. "The main reason is that I can't show my face today. That's why she rejected me."

Isn't he too confident about his looks?

Elizabeth paid no attention to him. After all, she thought Matthew was the most handsome man in the world. No matter how dashing this man before her was, she had no feelings toward him, nor was she interested in finding out.

She calmly raised her glass again and took another sip of the wine. Matthew, if you still can't find me, then I'm leaving

Elizabeth, who often liked throwing tantrums, was upset and rather hot-tempered at that moment.

She couldn't believe that he would lose her. This is simply ridiculous.

Out of the group of men and women, Tiana spotted Elizabeth at one glance. That was because the necklace on the latter's neck was something Tiana's aunts had wanted to buy, and Tiana thought it was merely a cheap necklace.

She couldn't believe that Elizabeth would wear something that cost fifty bucks to a party like this.

Her lips curled up into a cold smirk as she whispered to the girl beside her, "I know who she is now. She's the daughter of my family's housekeeper. I don't know how she sneaked in, but I recognize the necklace around her neck. She bought it at a roadside stall, and it costs less than a hundred."

The girl Tiana spoke to was fond of Peter and was also his ex–girlfriend. As long as Peter didn't find a new girlfriend today, she could continue staying by his side.

As she really liked Peter, she absolutely despised anyone else on whom the man set his eyes.

Upon hearing Tiana's words, she tilted her head upward. It turned out the woman Peter was talking to was merely a lowly daughter of a housekeeper.

Anyone who dared to steal her man practically had a death wish.

She walked over and reached out to tug the necklace off Elizabeth's neck.

Before she could do that, Elizabeth grabbed her hand. "What are you doing?"

The girl snorted in response. "You got this necklace from a roadside stall, didn't you? It doesn't even have a single

rhinestone. It likely costs ten bucks at most."

As she said that, she glanced at Peter, who was at the side.

"Darling, don't tell me that you like this type of woman too?"

Tiana crossed her arms in front of her chest as she watched the scene coldly. Her lips curled up into a smirk, and she felt

satisfied deep down.

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Elizabeth, just wait till you embarrass yourself at a place like this filled with socialites.

The group of girls who were beside Elizabeth also glanced at the necklace. All of them were from wealthy families or families of officials, and they were familiar with jewelry. With just one look at a gemstone, they could guess how much it cost.

Not only that, but they could even tell what brand it was.

When they saw the necklace on Elizabeth's neck, they didn't see any diamonds. Furthermore, the necklace was also of poor quality and was unlike the quality of necklaces they had at the moment.

Hence, all of them assumed it was a counterfeit. Although it only seemed decent on the outside, in reality, it was something very cheap.

Those in their circle especially looked down on those who wore imitations and believed such people didn't deserve to attend their gatherings.

"Excuse me, miss. Are you trying to challenge Nicolas by wearing a counterfeit to his birthday party?"

The Ferguson family was, after all, one of the four most prominent families in Mistwood. They were of exceptional status, and Nicolas's friends would naturally be of affluent backgrounds.

As such, they felt Elizabeth must have snuck in, and she wasn't worthy of being here.

Elizabeth glanced at them and met their gazes.

In a calm voice, she responded, "Why don't you ask Nicolas if I'm trying to challenge him here?"

When the woman who liked Peter heard that, there was a cold gleam in her gaze. I can't believe she's still trying to fight

back at a time like this. She truly has a death wish!

As soon as the woman tightened her grip, Elizabeth grabbed the former's thumb and threw the woman over her shoulder.

The woman fell to the floor heavily, and the mask slipped off her face. The miserable expression on her countenance made

those around her feel her pain as well.

"She hit me! She hit me..." she sobbed.

light.

In an instant, everyone else turned their attention toward them. There was even a spotlight that shone onto them.

Elizabeth stood in the spotlight with her slender figure, and the diamond on her silver mask glinted brilliantly under the

She outshone every other woman who was present. Although they couldn't see her face, her outfitcoupled with the aura

she exuded was enough to make her stand out from the crowd.