

Game Over 331

Chapter 331 I Am Also Your Daughter

It was exuberant at the Wade residence. Even Leroy and Theodore's families came. It was a big family gathering of over

ten people.

Because of that, Elizabeth had no time to go through her phone. With Dominic around, Leroy and Theodore's family did

not dare reproach her any further.

After all, the Campbell family was from Mistwood's second top echelon.

Additionally, Dominic was in charge of the Campbell family. No one would dare offend him as the Wade family and the

Campbell family had a business relationship.

Now that Elizabeth was with him, she would be treated better.

When it came time for dinner, Elizabeth and Dominic sat with Michael at the main table. Together with them were his

three sons. Elizabeth's father, Leroy, and Theodore, who was Elizabeth's third uncle.

Elizabeth's three children were also present at the main table, sitting next to Michael.

Michael was in a good mood. He even drank a glass of wine.

As soon as dinner was finished, members of the Wade family began returning to their homes.

While holding Abby's hands, Arthur and Antony left the main building and got into the car.

As Richard came out to send them off, Celine poked his hand with her elbow..

"Tell her to stop stealing Tia's boyfriend. You're her father. I'm sure she'll listen to you."

Celine wasn't entitled to eat at the main table that night. On the other hand, Elizabeth and her three children were given a

seat at the main table.

She knew about the three children's backgrounds. Michael, however, believed Dominic's words.

She had to figure out a way to have an elderly man pose as the children's biological father.

She would not allow Elizabeth to be so proud. In light of Michael's apparent love for Elizabeth's two sons, the boys.

appeared to have made Michael happy.

If this went on, Wade Corporation would end up in the hands of Elizabeth's two sons,

With a cold face, Richard strode toward Elizabeth.

"Lizzy, hold up. I'd like to speak to you.

Elizabeth was preparing to get in the car at that moment. His words made her turn around.

The man standing right in front of her eyes was, in fact, her father. Despite that, she had never once experienced his

affection ever since she was a kid.

Richard pointed to the side. "It's crowded here. Let's talk over there."

He turned around and walked toward a nearby gazebo as soon he finished his words. Elizabeth quickly followed and sat

on a marble stool upon entering the gazebo.

As she lifted her head, she could see a few stars hanging in the sky.

When she was a young girl, stargazing was her favorite pastime. Because of that, every summer holiday, Michael would

take her to a hilltop mansion for a few nights' stay.

Richard, on the other hand, refused to sit down and stood on his feet the entire time they were in the gazebo.

He lowered his head, keeping his eyes fixed on his daughter's shadowy form in the dim light. The more time he spent

looking at her, the more she reminded him of her mother.

That woman used to be his one true love. However, whenever he recalled the things she did in the past, he dreaded

thinking about her.

It was pure, unadulterated hatred.

“Lizzy, you are aware that Tia is now a part of the Hilton family, and you are aware of her position within the Hilton

family, aren’t you? Please stop hooking up with Matthew. Don’t you understand your status? You will never be of interest to the

Lowens. Matthew is just making a fool out of you.

When she heard those words, Elizabeth’s heart shattered.

Despite the fact that she was also his daughter, he felt that his second wife’s daughter had a better chance of catching the

Hilton family’s attention than she did.

Was he even her father? It was as if he was scarier than a complete stranger.

She lifted her head and stared straight into his eyes, coldly. Even in the dark, tears were seen rolling in her eyes.

“Mr. Wade, how dare you make such remarks about me when I am also your daughter? Ha! That’s right, you and Celine

were the ones who got rid of my mother at the time. Even back then, I could tell you were cruel.”

She got up and sneered again.

“Richard, tell your second wife and daughter that I won’t let it go. Matthew is mine.”

A loud slap followed just as she finished her sentence.

Elizabeth was slapped so hard that she raised her brow in pain.

“Elizabeth, can you not be this shameless? You can’t keep behaving this way!”

Chapter 332 She Is Unrefined

It was a surprise to Elizabeth that he hit her. For Tiana’s sake, he was willing to go to extremes.

Speechless, she looked deep into the eyes of the man with a ferocious expression.

Eventually, she turned around and left.

Michael shouted in anger, “At the very least, could you show some decency? Did I say you were free to leave?”

Elizabeth, on the other hand, was unconcerned. Ever since she was a child, he had never taken on the role and duties of a

father.

Sigh.

In fact, she admitted herself to be unrefined.

Elizabeth got into the car. Because there were too many of them, Dominic's driver had to use an MPV when he arrived to pick them up. A regular car could not have accommodated so many of them.

She sat in the second row from the door, her long hair covering the side of her burning cheeks.

Sitting next to her, Dominic's gaze shifted over to her.

"Lizzy, is everything all right with you and your dad?"

Given her sour demeanor, he deduced that she and her father were not on the best of terms.

In fact, he had a thorough understanding of her past. Celine was her stepmother, and Tiana was her stepmother's daughter.

Given her history of bad relationships, it was inevitable that she would have trouble getting along with her father.

When he first met her, she was miserable. Despite this, she never spoke of her family's plight. At the time, he guessed that she might have had a bad relationship with her family.

He only learned much later that she was pregnant and that it was a pregnancy out of wedlock. Only then did he figure out why she was so determined at that point.

At this moment, Elizabeth raised her head and forced a smile..

"It's nothing"

Isn't this all just to keep me from stealing Tiana's man? What if I do steal his man?

Dominic nodded slightly, but he would still occasionally glance at her. Seeing her in a bad mood really made him worry,

Abby was sitting directly behind Elizabeth. With her little hand, Abby reached out and stroked Elizabeth's face from

behind

However, Abby happened to place her hand on the same side of Elizabeth's face where she had been hurt. In response to

that, Elizabeth let out a hiss in agony

Abby's eyes widened in shock. "What's wrong. Lizzy?"

Almost as quickly as it had appeared, Elizabeth hid her pained expression. "I'm fine. Your hand was simply too cold."

Upon hearing that, Dominic sighed in relief. He thought she was hurt.

But her two sons, sitting at the back, were smart. They knew their mother too well.

Abby took out a monetary gift. "Look, Lizzy. I've got so many monetary gifts!"

Seeing that, Elizabeth giggled happily. At this time, Arthur and Antony turned on the lights in the car, and they locked her

head to the seat while Arthur flicked away the hair on her left.

She raised her hand to resist them, but the lights in the car were so bright that the five fingerprints on her swollen face

were obviously seen.

Because of her fair skin, even a slight clench would leave an immediate mark. How much more frightening would it be for

her if an adult man lashed out at her with such force?

Arthur and Antony's faces darkened, and they both asked, "Who hit you?"

On the surface, it appeared that everyone in the Wade family treated them well, but the two of them didn't feel this way

about their situation.

Almost all of them were fake. Only Michael cared deeply about them. The others would glance at them indifferently.

Elizabeth hurriedly tugged her hair to hide her face. "No one did. I went a little too hard when I hit a mosquito on my

face."

Even the stupidest person wouldn't go to such lengths. She was doing everything she could to keep her feelings under

control.

Dominic was heartbroken. He placed an order for medication over the phone and requested that it be delivered to

Elizabeth's house.

Abby was hugging Elizabeth's head from behind when she saw what was going on. She puckered her lips and moved

toward her.

"Mommy, I'll blow the pain away for you!"

As soon as she finished speaking, she began blowing with all her might. Elizabeth chuckled when she heard that. It was heartwarming to watch her daughter give it her all.

Fortunately, she was blessed with some of the most lovable children on the planet. With them by her side, there would be

nothing to be afraid of.

She no longer cared that her biological father mistreated her and had never loved her.

As long as she got to be around her three children, it would all be worth it.

Dominic smiled faintly as he looked at Abby.

"Lizzy, I won't make you return in the future. It's all my fault for what happened today."

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Elizabeth looked toward him when she heard his words.

She was a little angry as she had agreed to spend the New Year at Matthew's house, but because of him, she came over to

the Wade residence instead.

Yet, when she saw the guilty expression on his face, her heart softened.

She recalled the help that Dominic had given her in the past few years. He was their savior, and she understood his

feelings for her. Moreover, it was not his fault that he liked her.

She shook her head. "I'm pretty happy tonight. It's my wish to accompany my grandpa during the New Year."

Her grandfather doted on her the most in the entire world. Out of all the Wade family members, he was the only one who

stood by her side.

Since he was much older, he was losing a year with every passing New Year's Day, just as he had said.

Dominic nodded slightly. "But, your face..."

He felt guilty that she had been hit.

Elizabeth shook her head and replied, "I'm really all right. Don't worry about it."

At that moment, Dominic's phone rang. He fished his phone out and realized that his mother had called him. He did not

want to pick it up.

The phone automatically stopped ringing. Thereafter, he received a text message..

It said: Dom, if you don't pick up, I'll call Elizabeth.

When the notification appeared on his screen, a call came from his mother again. He could only accept it.

"Mom."

"Dom, is it Elizabeth who has led you astray? You don't return home even for the New Year. Don't you know that your grandfather is unhappy? You're the eldest grandson in the family, yet you did not go and visit him."

Dominic's face darkened slightly. "I know. I'll return later to visit him."

"Dom, he will be asleep by the time you arrive. Don't think that you can do whatever you want just because you're the eldest grandson in the Campbell family. Other people are watching you. They know how to please the old man. If he is swayed by them, you might have to give up on your position as the heir. Furthermore, Elizabeth is even more of an issue since your grandfather looks down on her. If you wish to be with her, you will lose everything "

She hung up after she completed her sentence.

Dom kept his phone and stared outside the window.

Many people were playing with fireworks and the festive New Year atmosphere was in the air.

Originally, he had been very happy that night. He had told Michael that he would visit him and propose marriage to

Elizabeth soon. He wanted to get married to her as quickly as possible.

It appeared that he still had to get past the hurdle, which was his family.

Naturally, Elizabeth knew who had called him. It had been many years, but Dominic still did not understand their

positions

It was impossible for them to be together. Thus, from the very beginning, she did not think too much about it and kept her

distance from him

Some people could not be together even after knowing each other for over a decade. She had come to understand that

deeply. She hoped that he could understand that as well and give up on their relationship.

After reaching Jupiter Mansion, the car stopped at the entrance of the seventh mansion. When Elizabeth got out, she

subconsciously glanced at the eighth mansion. The inside was dark and devoid of light. Matthew had not returned.

Just as she had expected, he had gone to visit Chelsea and Hector that night.

It was normal for him to do so. There were only two elderly left in the Hilton family. As their only grandson, he had to

accompany them.

The three children waved goodbye to the man in the car. Elizabeth raised her hand and waved to him as well

“Dominic, stay safe on your way back!”

Dominic did not wish to return to the Campbell residence. He wanted to be with the four of them and integrate into their

lives, becoming part of their family.

He squeezed out a smile and said, “Happy New Year!”

The three children replied to him back, “Happy New Year!”

When Elizabeth saw that his car had driven a distance away, she hurriedly called out to her children, “Let’s go back

home!”

The four of them went back merrily. Abby was very talkative and had the most things to say.

“I have many monetary gifts and can buy many Barbie dolls’ Brothers, let’s go and play with fireworks! It’s going to be the

New Year soon!”

Elizabeth rubbed her cold and stiff hands together. “All right! We’ll go back first, then release fireworks in our backyard”

Cody had gone to visit her relatives, so there would only be the four of them in the house that night.

Chapter 334 Marriage With Matthew

After Elizabeth and her children returned home, they played with fireworks in their backyard.

Antony and Arthur brought Abby to play with fireworks. Elizabeth sat on a chair and pulled the scarf around her

shoulders tighter.

She looked at the fireworks shooting up to the sky. They looked very beautiful.

She smiled sweetly as she watched.

At that moment, the doorbell rang. Elizabeth suddenly stood up. Could it be that Matthew has come over at this time?

She was a little happy, but soon she pursed her lips.

Tiana had already been to his house for the New Year celebration. Hence, Elizabeth was angry and disgruntled.

Was he taking revenge on her? If that were true, she would be unwilling to forgive him.

Elizabeth suppressed her anticipation and walked to the door before opening it.

She lowered her gaze and still wanted to hear what he had to say.

“Ms. Wade, this is the medicine that you’ve bought.”

An unfamiliar male's voice greeted her ears. She raised her head and looked over. A delivery man stood outside and

passed her a bag.

Her eyes widened slightly as she received it.

"Medicine?"

When the delivery man saw her astonishment, he asked for her address again.

"It's the right place. The last few digits of the phone number are these."

Elizabeth glanced at the slip and realized that the medicine had been sent over by Dominic. She thanked him.

"Thank you! Happy New Year!"

It's so late, but some people are still working. It must be very difficult for them.

After shutting the door, she brought the medicine inside and returned to her children's side. She then placed the medicine

on the stone table and raised her head to look at the fireworks filling the sky.

Yet, she did not feel as excited as before. Indeed, when one loved someone, one would miss them.

As long as he was not by her side, she would feel that she was lacking something

This must be how it feels like to long for someone”

Finally, when Abby was thoroughly exhausted, Elizabeth brought the three children back to the room, bathed Abby,

waited for her to sleep, and walked out of the room.

She returned to her room and realized that the box of medicine was on her table, along with a note: Mommy, remember

to apply the medicine to your face. We'll love you forever!

She could recognize Antony's handwriting at first glance, and she chuckled.

Her two sons appeared to not say anything, but they understood everything

She felt comforted and warm inside.

After she had her bath, it was already one in the morning. She took a quick look at her phone and realized that Matthew

had sent her a text message a long time ago.

It read: When will you be home?

Unexpectedly, she felt like they were an old married couple. She switched off her phone and went to sleep.

The next morning, Cody returned early to make breakfast for them.

She could not stop worrying about the three children and knew that they loved the breakfast she made. Only Matthew

could stomach Elizabeth's cooking

Cody was preparing breakfast and knew that they had stayed up late the night before. Hence, she had no intention of

waking them up early.

At that moment, the doorbell rang

She strolled to the door and looked through the peephole. She noticed that Matthew was standing outside the door, and

she greeted him while smiling, "Mr. Hilton, you're here so early!"

She then opened the door for him and waited at the door.

Matthew immediately entered the house.

"Happy New Year, Mr. Hilton!"

Matthew handed her a thick envelope which was a monetary gift.

"Happy New Year, Cody!"

His voice was low and cold, yet magnetic and pleasant to the ears.

However, he had dark circles under his eyes. It appeared that he had not had a good night's sleep the night before and had

slept late Cody smelled the faint whiff of alcohol on him and guessed that he had drunk a lot of wine the night before.

"I can't accept this, Mc Hilton I'm not a child. It's best if you give it to Abby and the rest of the children."

Matthew looked at her frostily. He was forever as cold as a block of ice

"You've worked hard You just have to take care of them properly for me

Whenever he gave Cody a monetary gift, he would utter such words Cody could tell that Matthew was genuinely nice to

three child

She wished that Elizabeth would marry Matthew. That way, Elizabeth would definitely have a blissful life

Chapter 335 Disastrous Longing

"She's still sleeping?" Matthew suddenly asked.

When he talked about her, a layer of warmth appeared in his eyes.

That was something others could not see as he only reserved it for Elizabeth.

"Yeah, they must have slept late yesterday night."

Matthew nodded mildly before heading upstairs.

He pushed open the door to her room. Unexpectedly, she did not lock her room. However, when he thought of her three children, he realized that she had probably never locked her room so that they could enter freely.

He closed the door behind him and locked it as he did not want others to disturb them.

Thereafter, he walked to the bedside and looked down at her.

She appeared very adorable when she slept. As she curled up into a ball and breathed out soundly, she looked just like

Abby when she slept.

The room was full of her pleasant scent. Matthew inhaled deeply

He then reached over to touch her small face. She suddenly let out a soft hum.

“It hurts...”

She then turned over and continued sleeping.

It was just that her sleeping posture was a little unsightly. A leg stretched out of the blanket, and she raised her posterior up high.

Matthew furrowed his brows lightly and held her face in his hands as he carefully inspected it.

There was a visible slap mark on her left cheek. It was even swelling up.

“Who hit you?”

He repeated his question five times coldly. When Elizabeth heard it, she abruptly opened her eyes and took a look at him before squishing her cheeks with her hands.

“It has to be a dream. It’s definitely a dream.”

Just as she was about to close her eyes again, Matthew reached over to touch the spot where she had been slapped.

“I’m asking you who hit you?”

He would not allow anyone to hit the woman who belonged to him.

Elizabeth finally realized that he was really there. She pouted and turned over.

“There’s no need for you to enre.”

She still held a small grudge against him and did not notice that Matthew was also jealous the night before.

When she chose to return to Michael’s residence with Dominic, what was he thinking?

His face was slightly frosty as he took her into his embrace.

“Lizzy, Tiana did come to my house for the New Year’s celebration yesterday. However, I was not the one who asked her

over. She went over herself. My grandfather likes her and has a weak constitution, so I did not chase her away. Regardless, I

only have you in my heart. Do you understand?”

Elizabeth gave him a reluctant glance when she heard his words. She still pouted her lips and appeared somber.

“Sure!”

Matthew could tell that she was still angry. “Let’s take it as we’re even now. For the sake of your grandfather, you returned

with Dominie. For the sake of my grandfather, I did not chase Tiana away.”

red.

Matthew was perceptive, and Elizabeth finally reacted.

She realized that she had done something as mean as he had. Thus, she reached out and threw her arms around his neck.

“Matthew, I... Although I’m a little willful, I love you too!”

Warmth engulfed his heart when he heard her words. He felt very happy.

A faint smile appeared on his face, and his lips were soon pressed against her sexy lips.

She tasted his lips, and a smile appeared on her face as well. Thereafter, she closed her eyes and hugged him.

A strong and cool scent emanated from his embrace. It was a scent unique to him.

His long and clean fingers played with her long hair as he deftly pried open her lips with his tongue.

“Mmph..”

Elizabeth was flustered by his advanced kissing skills and could not help but let out a sound. Her face immediately turned

She lifted her hands and touched his cold hair. Matthew stared at her intoxicated face and felt very accomplished.

His large hand traveled under her nightgown. Her skin was as smooth as a precious stone. Soon, Elizabeth could feel the warmth from his palm. She pursed her lips and did not care about his actions.

She only felt uncomfortable. It was a little hot and unbearable.

Matthew’s kisses traveled from her neck to her collarbone and went down gradually

The sound of his urgent breathing was loud and sexy. It made Elizabeth’s scalp tingle with anticipation.

Chapter 336 How Awkward

Elizabeth’s hands clutched the bed sheets Suddenly, she opened her eyes

“Matthew, my that that thing is not over yet!”

When Matthew heard her words, he suddenly paused and did not understand what she was saying

The light in his eyes gradually faded, and he frowned uncomfortably.

“How long will it take before it’s over?”

He truly did not know and thought that her period would be over in just two days

Elizabeth could not help but laugh “Around seven days

When he heard that, he lowered his head and bit her chest like it was a punishment.

Elizabeth exhaled softly. “You...”

Matthew saw the tempting scene in front of him and narrowed his eyes.

“Lizzy, I’m uncomfortable. Help me.”

When she heard what he said, she subconsciously raised her right hand before putting it down.

Her hips moved as a dark look flashed across her face. C—Can’t he wait?

Matthew smirked evilly and kissed her lips. She grew more well-behaved when she was indulging in it.

At that moment, the door clicked open. Dominic and Abby walked in.

“Lazy, it’s time to wake up! You lazy bum!”

The people who walked in froze in shock and were as still as statues. Dominic’s expression darkened visibly when he saw

the scene in front of him.

Arthur and Antony hurriedly covered Abby’s eyes “Abby, let’s wait for them outside.”

The two of them brought Abby outside. When Elizabeth heard them, she was also frightened out of her wits

She promptly pushed the man on top of her away and covered herself with the blanket Her cheeks were as red as an

apple.

She did not dare to look Dommic in the eye. It was too embarrassing

“You... I...”

Matthew stood

up

and buttoned his shirt. The mischievous smirk on his face

grew wider.

A hint of a threat could be detected in his eyes as he glanced at Dominic

“Mr Campbell, you appeared here at this hour and disturbed us Don’t you find it to be too much?”

Dominic was as still as a rock. He looked at Matthew coldly as he clenched

He had known Elizabeth for six years, but he had never done anything that crossed the line. He had always been respectful and gentlemanly Yet, the man in front of him had snatched her away

He regretted it deeply. If he had known, he would have obtained her earlier. Matthew would then have had no opportunity

to strike

When he stared at Matthew's grave and stern face, he felt very regretful, and hatred rose in his heart.

Elizabeth snapped out of her daze. Her cheeks were flaming hot.

"Dominic, why are you here?"

Dominic then turned his attention to the woman on the bed. Her face was red, and her lips were slightly puffy. They were

a vibrant shade of crimson

Her hair was slightly messy, and his frown deepened. Elizabeth was so beautiful that she could effortlessly capture

people's hearts.

Even he was captivated by her. He could not tear his gaze away from her.

His fists clenched tighter. Luckily, he had rushed over in time. Otherwise, Elizabeth would have been violated by that

man

"Elizabeth, I'm here to see if your face is better. Have you received the medicine?"

He had looked at the delivery time the night before. She had received it at around half past eleven the night before.

Elizabeth blinked and responded, "I've received it. Thank you for your medicine."

Matthew had already fastened the last of his buttons. He wore his tie properly and said coldly, "Mr. Campbell, this is a

lady's room. If you have anything to say to her, say it to her outside."

He reached over and clasped Dominic's shoulder as he forcibly dragged him outside.

Dominie turned to look at Elizabeth His expression grew uglier as he struggled.

"Matthew, don't force me to get physical

The present him was extremely angry Since Matthew still dares to antagonize me, the man must be courting death.

Matthew did not care and raised a thick and attractive eyebrow.

"If you want to fight, I'll be available anytime. Please stay further away from my woman."

They had already reached the door. Matthew pushed Dominic, and they sprang apart like they were avoiding the plague.

They shot glances full of hatred at each other before standing on separate sides of the door like two fierce guard dogs.

Chapter 337 Jealousy Is In The Air

The three children standing nearby immediately spotted the two men who came out.

Abby trotted over and regarded them with her head tilted a fraction.

“Mr. Hilton, Mr. Dominic, you both look like sentinels!”

Arching an eyebrow, Matthew glanced at the little girl dressed in a traditional red dress. He found her incredibly

adorable, resembling Elizabeth closely.

He couldn't help reaching out and stroking her petite face. “You're very cute today, Abby!”

At that, Abby beamed and hugged his thigh.

“You're also very handsome today, Matt!”

In the past, Abby felt that Dominic was incredibly handsome. Right then, however, she felt that Matthew was more

striking.

Matthew choked at her address of him.

Just then, Arthur and Antony walked over and called out to her, “Abby, the clam chowder is ready. Would you like to have

some?”

The two boys felt that the place would become a battlefield soon, so it was best for them to take Abby far away.

When Abby heard that, her eyes promptly lit up. She was a little glutton, so she was naturally happy upon hearing that

there was delicious food.

She dropped her hold on Matthew and smoothened his suit before whirling around and sprinting toward her brothers.

“Of course! I love having clam chowder!” she exclaimed, taking both their hands.

“Dom, don’t bully Matt, okay?”

At that turn of events, Dominic’s brows furrowed deeply. It’s clear as day that she has switched sides. When have I ever

bullied Matthew? Ugh! The feeling of having fallen out of favor is really awful!

His gaze fixated on Matthew darkened a shade, and his fists clenched even tighter.

Meanwhile, Matthew’s lips curved upward. He smirked devilishly even as he crossed his arms. He swept a sharp gaze over

Dominic, and the latter retaliated by doing the same.

Both their gazes clashed and battled in the air.

At that precise moment, Elizabeth pushed open the door and stepped out. She was wearing a red dress that rendered her

skin white as snow. Her entire person gave off a fairylike air.

Both men were transfixed at the sight of her. Matthew strode over and shielded her behind him, not allowing Dominic to

lay eyes on her

Only then did Dominic snap back to his senses.

“Come here, Lizzy,” he ordered coldly.

Poking her petite head out, Elizabeth flashed him a smile.

“Dominic, I’m currently Matthew’s girlfriend, and I’d like to be with him today. You should go home and spend time with

your family!”

Mrs. Campbell must detest me to the core since he didn’t go home to celebrate the New Year last night. If he were to

remain here today, I reckon she’ll come knocking on my door soon!

It wasn’t that she was afraid of Shelby, but she didn’t want any misunderstanding with those of the Campbell family

Dominic’s face darkened even further, and he shot a chilly look at Matthew before lifting his hand and fixing his own

necktie.

“I’ll never give up, Lizzy.”

Then, he said to Matthew, “Elizabeth isn’t one of your casual girlfriends, Matthew. She doesn’t play around when it comes

to relationships.

After saying that, he again stared at Elizabeth deeply. Subsequently, he spun on his heels and left with huge strides.

As Elizabeth watched him retreating back, she found it rather forlorn, upon which sympathy flooded her

However, she hoped that he could understand that it was only through her callousness that he could be on good terms

with his family.

She didn’t want to be the source of conflict between him and his family. Besides, she really regarded him as a mere friend

and the person to whom she owed a debt of gratitude.

Glimpsing the look in her eyes, Matthew pulled her into his arms and stared down at her intently.

“Why, are you feeling sorry for him?”

Elizabeth turned and hit him lightly.

“You don’t understand, Matthew!”

He’s exceedingly important to me, for he saved the kids and me. In fact, I’m most grateful to him in this whole world

In response, Matthew sneered, “Indeed, I don’t understand, but keep your distance from him in the future You’re mine”

Elizabeth nodded in acquiescence, for that was common sense.

All of a sudden, the thought of Tiana “What about you and Tiana? You’re not allowed to meet her anymore in the future. I

Recalling Tiana’s smug expression last night and Celine’s triumphant expression during the dinner, she felt chagrined

beyond words

He belonged to her indisputably and was her boyfriend, but in the eyes of the Wade family, he belonged to Tiana

That had her blood boiling

Chapter 338 Under His Thumb

Following Elizabeth’s demand, Matthew’s eyes flickered “Okay, I can stop meeting her. But what about you?”

A smirk flittered across his handsome countenance, and his lips pressed into a thin line.

He stared at her fixedly, his gaze so piercing that goosebumps rose all over her. In response, Elizabeth rolled her eyes at

“What a scoundrel!”

Argh! He knows that I can’t possibly stop meeting Dominic, so he doesn’t want to sever all ties with Tiana!

She then heaved a sigh. For some reason, I’m green with envy whenever it occurs to me that Tiana and Matthew have a

relationship of sorts.

Quirking an eyebrow, Matthew snickered. His ebony eyes were dark, rendering his thoughts indiscernible.

Such a feeling swamped Elizabeth, and she felt that she couldn’t quite fathom the man. It was as though a layer of mist was shrouding him, making him mysterious and mystifying yet very much intriguing.

She then broke free from his embrace and dashed toward the stairs.

Matthew swiftly followed and entered the dining room with her.

There was a spread for breakfast that morning.

Looking at the few people at the dining table, Cody urged with a smile, “Eat more. If you eat more today, you’ll have plenty. to eat for the entire year. Besides, the ability to eat is a blessing.

Arthur slid off his chair and pulled out the chair beside him.

“Come and eat with us, Ms. Elliott!”

The three children had never regarded her as an outsider. Instead, they viewed her as part of the family.

After taking her seat, Cody picked up the spoon and started eating the clam chowder with a wide grin on her face.

She felt that it was particularly sweet that day, and her mood was also superb.

Over the years, she had already become family with Elizabeth and the children. She had no other family, so they would be her family henceforth.

Abby had a big bowl of soup. Filled to the brim, she let out a burp.

“Oh, where’s Dom? He also loves the clam chowder made by Ms. Elliott!”

Conversely, Elizabeth didn’t like it, for she had it for a whole month during her confinement after delivering her three

children back then. Therefore, she felt nauseated at the sight of it alone right then

The three children, on the other hand, loved it very much. Even Dominic, who visited her often during her confinement,

was fond of it.

While eating beef stroganoff, she replied, “He went home since he has to spend New Year with his family”

He was a priceless gem to the Campbell family, and the entire family loved him. Hence, many would have lacked an

appetite when he didn’t go home for dinner last night.

Elizabeth knew that all too well.

Upon hearing that, Abby murmured an acknowledgment before remarking. "I'm going out to play with the dog now!"

"The dog?" Elizabeth echoed in surprise.

In turn, Abby nodded in affirmation.

"Yup! Dom brought it over earlier. He said the house is too big, so with Sirius here, no one will dare trespass as they

please. Sirius is a big wolfdog. It's exceedingly adorable and even obeys me, Arthur, and Antony!"

Arthur and Antony had also finished eating. They both slipped down from their chairs.

"We'll go with you. Abby!"

Subsequently, Abby glanced at the kitchen. "Have you cut the beef, Ms. Elliott?"

After all, Dominic said that Sirius loved eating beef.

"Yup. I'll go and get some for you."

Cody took a massive piece of beef out and queried as she walked, "So, is it a dog or a wolf, considering the fact that it

actually eats raw beef?"

Taking it from her, Arthur reassured, "It's okay. It's indeed quite docile and has undergone training."

By then, it was entirely obedient to Arthur and Antony.

Nonetheless, Elizabeth frowned and warned, "Even so, its inherent nature is still intact, so be careful."

As Matthew ate the clam chowder in his bowl, a shadow flashed across his eyes, and displeasure flooded him

Did he bring a dog over to guard against a thief or me?

When Elizabeth finished her bowl of beef stroganoff, she snagged a piece of tissue and wiped her mouth.

"Matthew, I'm going over to Snowy Barber to meet the landlady and return the keys to her. Drive me over, okay?"

Matthew naturally had no objections. He put down his spoon, for he had also finished his food

He again looked at her deeply. "What about the kids?"

At the thought that he could spend time with her alone, his expression changed, and he appeared ecstatic.

I'll bring them to the church to light a candle," Cody hurriedly interjected.

She went to the church to light a candle every year, and the three children went with her, finding it rather fun there.

At that exact moment, Matthew's phone rang. Dipping her head, Elizabeth glanced at it, upon which she promptly picked

up the phone and answered the call.

Stop calling. He isn't going to take your call."

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Tiana's expression went sour when she heard Elizabeth Why are you the one answering, Elizabeth?"

Tiana was upset she had planned to stay at the Hilton residence last night but had no choice other than to go home after

Matthew insisted on her leaving

Unpleasantly surprised by the knowledge of Elizabeth next to Matthew this morning, she started wondering if the two had

slept together last night.

Tiana cursed angrily into the phone after visualizing the scenario, "You think you will marry into the Hilton family,

Elizabeth? Keep dreaming! We'll see who marries him in the end

Elizabeth glanced at her phone after Tiana hung up and placed it back on the table. "You don't mind, do you, Matthew

Matthew smiled. As long as you're happy, it doesn't matter."

That Tiana is an annoying woman indeed. I would never have worked with her if I had known how infuriating she is. It's a

challenge to get rid of her now, but with Lizzy here, things will be much easier.

Meanwhile, the entire Wade family was waiting for Tiana in the dining hall.

The Wade family would have a gathering tomorrow, and Tiana was asked to invite Matthew over

This was Celine's idea. If Matthew came over tomorrow night after he and Tiana had already spent New Year's Eve at the

Hilton residence, their relationship would practically be set in stone after tomorrow.

Tiana was making a call to Matthew in the living room. Before that, the family had urged her to call Matthew at the dinner

table and put him on speaker for everyone to hear.

But how can I possibly do that? I know how things are between Matthew and me. Matthew doesn't care for me, he's only

working with me because of that damned contract. If it were not for Hector, I would never have had the chance to get close to

him

Tiana insisted on calling Matthew from the living room, saying she was afraid to embarrass him.

She sank into the couch, utterly devastated.

Thank goodness I left there or they would have heard Elizabeth's voice. The relatives would gossip for sure if they did! I'll

never forget the looks and comments they threw at me when my engagement was canceled. I won't let it happen this time.

Tiana sighed and clutched her phone, knowing that getting Matthew to come tomorrow was practically impossible.

She was prepared to go and ask for Hector's help.

But Hector can't speak! Who even understands what he means by all those gestures? Even if Matthew could, he'd never agree to come. Elizabeth has him wrapped around her little finger—he'll only do as she tells him to!

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Tiana tangled her fingers in her hair out of frustration. Celebrating New Year is supposed to be a merry occasion. This year, it's driving me insane!

Suddenly, she thought of Gregory. As a plan formed in her brain, she dialed his number.

The call was picked up after a while. "Tia, do you need me for something?"

The background of the other end of the phone was bustling with the noises of a gambling match. Tiana's sharp ears picked

up a voice calling out her uncle's losses.

"Uncle Gregory, I can wire you another million; can you get rid of Elizabeth by today?"

Gregory stepped out of the casino. "You can't even let your old uncle enjoy the New Year?"

He was unwilling to commit bloodshed during festivities.

"Uncle Gregory, I cannot enjoy the New Year with her around! If you don't want to get violent during New Year celebrations, I'll send you two million so you can keep half for yourself and hire a hitman with the rest," Tiana negotiated.

Not only was it the most straightforward plan, but she also trusted a hitman more than her dodgy uncle.

Gritting his teeth, Gregory was reminded of the money he had lost while gambling. "Fine, send me the money; I happen to

know a guy in this area."

Five hundred thousand will be more than enough for the hitman; I'll still have one and a half million left for myself.

Tiana doubted him. "Don't try to fool me, Uncle Gregory."

"I, Gregory Woods, am a man of my word! Why would I fool you? Take your business elsewhere if you don't trust me."

Tiana hurriedly transferred the money, adding a message: I hope to hear good news from you, Uncle Gregory.

Chapter 340 There Is Danger

While Larry sent the children and Cody to church, Matthew drove Elizabeth and himself to Snowy Barber in a Volvo.

Few cars occupied the city's roads that day.

The journey felt shorter than usual as Elizabeth observed the vacant city.

She turned her head to the man behind the wheel, who was dressed in a tailored black suit that day, looking cool and

intimidating.

With his lean muscular legs and toned waist, every move he made looked as if it was a pose plucked out of a men's fashion

magazine.

at?"

A dazed smile spread across Elizabeth's lips as she stared at him.

With one hand on the steering wheel, Matthew reached over and interlocked her fingers with his.
"What are you looking

"You're handsome!" Elizabeth replied without taking her eyes off him.

What a gorgeous, outstanding man. I like him so much!

Matthew smirked and looked at Elizabeth with a pleased expression.

If she enjoys looking at me that much, so be it! I like being the only person she looks at, anyway.

For the entire journey, they remained that way: him, holding her hand; her, staring at him with a smile.

It was only interrupted when Matthew turned to capture her lips in a kiss as the car came to a stop.

After a split second, Elizabeth reciprocated his actions, letting him kiss her however he desired.

After a while, she gently broke off the kiss. "That's enough; the neighbors here know me."

She was prone to shyness.

Matthew's slender fingers brushed across her delicate features as his gaze landed on the mark on her face. Too lost in

their passion this morning, he had forgotten about the mark.

The mark was also covered by her hair earlier.

As he was reminded of them, Matthew's gaze hardened. "Who did this?"

His voice was cold with aggression, which startled Elizabeth.

She bit her lips and gave him a vague answer before getting out of the car. "It was my father. I was never a favorite of his,

so it's nothing I haven't been through."

Matthew's heart throbbed with pain as he watched her walk into the yard.

What was her life like before this? I should've met her sooner. If we had gotten to know each other sooner, could I have protected her and saved her from suffering all this abuse?

His eyes flashed icily at the thought.

Her family is still a mystery to me. I'll have to bring this up with her and meet them. How could her father dislike a daughter as sweet and as beautiful as she is, and even lay his hands on her? I need to meet this man myself!

Matthew left the car. No one answered after Elizabeth rang the doorbell several times, so she got her keys out to unlock the door.

The door could only be unlocked with a key since the password lock had already been changed.

After seeing her push the door open, Matthew quickened his pace to catch up to her.

Bang!

A gunshot was heard, followed by Elizabeth's groans of pain.

Elizabeth cried out, "Don't come in, Matthew! Don't!"

Matthew rushed inside and bent over to check the wound on her leg, his brows knitted together in worry.

Elizabeth was scared out of her wits. "Matthew, there was a man in a mask..."

Matthew quickly bandaged the wound with his tie that he tugged off. The sound of another bullet zipping through the air was heard. He reacted swiftly, rolling across the floor with Elizabeth in his arms.

Elizabeth screamed in fear.

She had never experienced anything like this, which shocked her to her core.

Matthew turned to look around. He had spectacular eyesight and hearing from the experience of being at a training

camp.

He tried looking for the hitman, but the latter was extremely skilled and had already gone out of sight.

Matthew's lips pressed together into a thin line. They were both in extreme danger as the hitman's gun could be aimed at either of their heads at that moment.

His mind went to Elizabeth. The hitman was here for her.

Shielding her, Matthew retreated further into the house.