

Genius 861

Chapter 861 Fatal Coddling

James let loose a string of curses at the door before turning to glare at Helen mutinously. “Do you see Tate’s true colors now? I told you not to believe anything that comes out of that mouth of his, but you refused to listen! I’m not getting any younger, but because of you, I had to get on my knees to apologize to someone! Heavens, I—marrying you must be some kind of karmic retribution for whatever horrible wrong I’ve done in my past life!”

Helen was silent as she kept her head down. She could not argue with James, knowing that Tate had really crossed the line this time.

After another round of abuse, James finally relented and set down a couple of ground rules for Helen: from now onward, she was not to have any contact or get involved in anything that had to do with the Campbells. Most importantly, no one in the Cunningham household was to bring up the Campbells in any way.

Helen bristled at such demands. “James, I agree that Tate has gone too far this time, but don’t you think it’s a little harsh for you to ask all these of me? Have you forgotten how Chloe helped us when we first got married and had nothing?”

more than hospitable to them since their return from abroad, and I said nothing when you asked Matthew to sign the order on Jonah’s behalf. Where do we draw the line at helping them, Helen? If Tate wasn’t in the wrong, I

others spoiled Tate beyond reason, so he’s used to being entitled, and he acts without thinking. You should be grateful that he angered Mr. Harrison this time and not one of the Ten Greatest Families of

had only spared Tate because it was a favor to Matthew, but if this involved anyone from the Ten Greatest Families

this time, and though he survived, he barely made it. If he weren’t put in his place, who’s to say he

“I... I see now that I have been wrong to stand by him all this time. I’ll talk to Chloe and have her keep an eye on

persuade you anymore, but I’ll tell you this—the Campbells are no longer welcome at the Grand Garden, and if you want to see them, you can head over to their place! One last thing: they’ll have to clean up their own mess from now on,

Chapter 862 I’ll Make Them Regret This

Demi had wanted to make Helen see sense, but after hearing the latter’s rebuff, she grew infuriated and snapped, “You know what, forget it! Go ahead and believe them all you want, but trust me, you’re only going to end up regretting it!”

Helen shot her a baleful look. “Shut up! You didn’t even try to help Tate when he was suffering earlier, and now you’re just going to stand there and add insult to injury? You should have defended him when he was getting all his teeth pulled out, but you wouldn’t even call an ambulance after that! How could you be so heartless, Demi?”

Demi rolled her eyes in exasperation. Not wanting to spend another moment with her mother, she pulled Liam into the room and put a decided end to this nonsensical exchange.

Helen, on the other hand, simmered in anger as she sat in the living room, feeling wounded by her family's indifference toward her nephew's predicament.

Meanwhile, Chloe had brought Tate to the hospital, and it took a whole night before they finally settled him down.

get through the latter's phone until 11.00AM the

yawning even as she arrived at the hospital, but when she saw how miserable Tate was, she immediately snapped in anger, "How the hell did this

sigh, Chloe explained last night's incident to Minerva, who was outraged after hearing everything. "Mom, are you saying that Tate was beaten up at Aunt Helen's house last evening? Is

up without putting a stop to it? They're supposed to be family, but they didn't even try to save Tate! I can't believe they're treating you like this even after all the help you gave them in the past, Mom! They're just

"Calm down, Minerva. You have to understand that Tate was wrong from the start, hence what happened

angry wave of her hand. "It was Crystal who slapped him first, so it was only normal for Tate to want to seek revenge out of anger. Besides, Crystal and her grandfather were completely unscathed, weren't they? But they decided to bring their men and cause a scene at the Cunningham residence, and Tate was so brutally beaten up

she hesitated and said quietly, "No, Minerva, that's not true. The incident started because Tate told a couple

Chapter 863 Minerva's Scheme

It was 7.00PM, and Minerva was happily wrapped up in Peter's arms as they sat in a private room in one of the nightclubs in Eastcliff. Suddenly, the door to the room swung open, and three men entered.

Upon closer look, the men happened to be the same trio whom Minerva had brought along to the Grand Garden before this. They had taken a liking to Sasha back then and wanted to get her drunk, but Matthew stopped that from happening. By the end of the night, the three men hadn't been able to keep up with Matthew's drinking, and they threw up so badly that they were hospitalized.

They had only just been discharged in the past two days, but they still looked weak and unsteady on their feet as one of them asked, "Minerva, why did you ask to see us so early in the evening?"

Minerva detached herself from Peter's embrace and eyed the three men darkly. "Do you guys want revenge for what happened last time?"

The three men exchanged a meaningful glance and grimaced. The man who spoke first hissed through gritted teeth, "Of course, we'd want revenge! But none of us could keep up with that bast*rd when it comes to drinking!"

to introduce her to them. Sasha is a b*tch and a goody-two-shoes, so she wouldn't graciously receive them at all. When she offends them, we can seize the opportunity to blow things out of proportion." A cold smirk played on her lips as she continued, "By the end of it all, the few young masters would help us get rid of Larson, and we

them drunk to the point of throwing up last time, but they didn't dare seek

through the end. William was excited as he said, "We'll go along with your plan, Minerva. I recently made friends with a young master from one of the Ten Greatest Families of Eastcliff, and he's probably already on his way to becoming the

with finality, "Very well,

up insidiously. She had spent a good amount of time tweaking her plan to perfection, but Sasha rarely ever came by the nightclub, and Minerva had waited for a while

his face on occasions that involved

to persuade him to stay. "I was

his line of work was busy, then left the club in

Chapter 864 The Wrong Private Room

Not long after Sasha and her friends sat down, Minerva came out of another private room. She had asked one of her friends to keep an eye on Sasha, and when she learned that they were coming over, she immediately came out.

According to plan, she called William to inform him. William had already brought a few young masters over, so she immediately ran to the door to greet them. It didn't take long to see William and the well-dressed rich young men walking over together.

As soon as William saw Minerva, he immediately waved his hand and smiled. "Young masters, this is the Miss Minerva Campbell I mentioned to you before. The one who just came back from studying abroad. Minerva, let me introduce you. These are Young Master Griffin, Young Master Toncy, and Young Master Talk. As for this one, he needs a grand introduction because he is Young Master Lach or Ronald Lach, the heir to the Lach Family, one of the ten largest families in Eastcliff City!" William introduced with a smile on his face.

As those few young masters glanced at Minerva, their faces were slightly disappointed. At the time when William invited them to come over, he had said that there were wonderful beauties over here. However, Minerva's appearance was rather plain and far from extraordinary. Thus, they responded indifferently to Minerva's enthusiastic greetings. Slightly embarrassed, she quickly laughed. "Gentlemen, let's go upstairs first, alright? My friends are waiting upstairs, and we shouldn't keep the pretty girls waiting too long!"

When the rich young men heard this, they instantly became much more animated and eager. Then, they immediately followed Minerva upstairs, and when they arrived, Minerva did not go to her own private room but instead led these people straight to Sasha's private room. She pushed the door in and smiled. "Come, we're here."

and the girls were drinking and were a little confused by this sudden situation. One of the girls was surprised and said, “Hey, did you enter the wrong did.

this was the first time she spotted Sasha and immediately ran over to greet her. Seeing this, these rich young men were used to seeing beautiful women, they still could not look away the moment they saw Sasha. In particular, Ronald Lach also widened his

tooth, she knew that they had already taken the bait. She secretly laughed in her heart, but her face was filled

leaving, Minerva walked to the door. At this moment, however, Ronald walked in directly. “Hey, Minerva, since you know these people, it’s okay to sit

“Yes, yes, Minerva, why don’t you let your

Chapter 865 Young Master Lach

Hearing these words, the rich youngsters instantly furrowed their brows. When they came out to have fun, it was usually those nightclub girls who stopped them from leaving!

Now Sasha clearly meant to drive them out, making them a little annoyed. Next, Ronald sat next to Sasha and drawled, “Cutie, why do you have to be like this? We’re all here to have fun. Don’t we all want to have a good time? Since we all know each other, let’s hang out and have a drink or two. We’re just here to make friends, anyway. By the way, let me introduce myself. My name is Ronald Lach, and I come from the Lach Family of the Ten Greatest Families of Eastcliff. My father is the current head of the Lach Family!”

After saying that, Ronald looked at Sasha with a smug face. Ever since his father became the head of the family, he had been proud of his status. Every time he introduced himself like this, he could reap the awe of the people around him. As for the girls, once they heard that he was the heir of the Lach Family, they all threw themselves at him, eager to marry into the Lach Family. With this name alone, he was able to pick up countless girls in nightclubs.

However, Sasha’s face did not change in the slightest. She simply said softly, “Pleased to meet you, Young Master Lach. However, I don’t think it’s best for you to stay because this is our class party—” can

and greeted Ronald. After all, it was difficult for them to get to know such a rich young man from an affluent family, especially the heir of one of the top ten families. If they

all. How about this? Your drinks tonight will be on me. Go,

reaction. To his dismay, Sasha did not look happy in the slightest. Instead, her eyebrows were more excited. Such a difficult girl who played hard to get would bring a sense of accomplishment if he

smilingly said to Sasha. "I really didn't expect that there would be such a beautiful girl like you, Miss Cunningham, in Eastcliff City. My visit here today can be considered the best decision I have made in my life. It's honestly a privilege to have

head directly. "Sorry, I'll be driving

Chapter 866 How Dare You Hit Me?

A frowning Sasha felt that Ronald was being too arrogant. "I'm really sorry; I haven't been feeling well recently, so the doctor ordered me not to drink." She again politely refused him.

Ronald put down his glass, his face dark as he stared at her with a smile. "Miss Cunningham, are you unable to drink? Or, are you not wanting to drink with me?"

Minerva immediately played along and added, "Sasha, are you feeling unwell? Why don't I know about this?"

Sasha fiercely glared at Minerva and responded, "Young Master Lach, I'm really sorry. I really am not feeling well."

Then, he slammed his wine glass on the table and said in a cold voice, "Miss Cunningham, you're really something. I have personally toasted to you, yet you don't care to drink. Tsk, it seems that you really don't care about the Ten Greatest Families of Eastcliff!"

wealthy youngsters immediately looked over in anger; they were also considered Ronald's lapdogs, so they naturally had to behave

as she insisted, "Young Master Lach, I

feeling well, let me help you up. Come with me. You guys continue to have fun while I'll take

reached out to pull Sasha, who hurriedly took a few steps

this time, Ronald's face was red with humiliation due to her multiple refusals. Since his father became the head of the Lach Family, he had not encountered such a situation and he felt that she was simply looking down on him. Therefore, he was annoyed

his arms, ready to forcibly grab her

Ronald froze for a moment, his expression instantly changed. "B*tch, you

immediately rose to their feet and angrily stared at Sasha. Upon seeing this, Minerva crowed, "Sasha, what are you doing? Young Master Lach has kindly tried to help you! How can you hit him? Besides,

Chapter 867 I Have No Intention of Leaving

Before all of Ronald's words left his mouth, Matthew grabbed Ronald's wrist and twisted it with force. Then, with a click so loud that everyone could hear, Ronald's whole arm fell limply to his side as he let out a pig-like howl! The other wealthy youngsters were all stunned at the sight; they had never seen such a ruthless attack!

“Beat him to death!” Ronald roared next. “Beat him to death!” Only then did they return to their senses and look at each other. Then, they grabbed the bottles on the table and aggressively surrounded Matthew. However, Matthew simply ignored them and walked straight toward Sasha.

At this moment, one of the rich young men stood behind Matthew, holding a bottle to sneak up on him. Yet, Matthew didn’t even need to turn his head back, but he was able to do a backward kick on the man’s chest, causing the man to fly out backward and crash into the TV set. The huge TV then shattered with a loud bang. Immediately after that, he too fell to the ground and he was unable to even stand up as three of his ribs were broken.

When his peers saw this, they were all a bit frightened and didn’t dare to make a move. Thus, Matthew successfully walked to Sasha’s side. Then, he grabbed her trembling hand and asked in a low voice, “How are you? Is everything okay?”

She was a little frightened and it was only when he grabbed her hand that she felt a little better. After she nodded, she gritted her teeth and whispered, “L-Let’s go home!”

their way. “D*mn, you have hit Young Master Lach and you want to run now? Are you high or something? Let

men echoed his words loudly, but they were only yelling from a distance, not

gaze finally landed on Ronald. “Don’t worry, I really don’t plan to leave yet! This matter must be dealt with clearly tonight,” he said in a cold

a lot of guts! You want to deal with it clearly, right? Fine, wait here. When

they’re late to the party. If they dare to be more than ten minutes late, hehe, you will only be able to eat

“D*mn you, you’re really arrogant! Kid, do you know who I am? I’m the heir of the Lach Family! My father is now the head of

“I don’t care. Now, call someone immediately and I’ll help you

hissed, “Okay, just you wait. Later, when the people from the Lach Family come over, it’s useless even if that, he furiously took out his

Chapter 868 Such a Petty Man

Matthew stood in place as if he hadn’t moved. His gaze was cold and he enunciated his words, “If you talk cheap again, you’ll have to eat liquid food forever in the future!”

Upon hearing this, Ronald was extremely annoyed and wanted to curse again, but he finally swallowed his anger. As for the other rich young men, they also lowered their heads and dared not speak. After all, it was unwise to provoke Matthew at this time even though they were secretly furious. When members of the Lach Family arrive, we must bring Matthew down to his knees and have him beg for mercy!

Minerva stood in the corner; when she saw the scene unfolding before her, she was extremely happy. It was her purpose tonight to deliberately lure Ronald to Sasha’s private room and get him to molest

Sasha, which would then lead to a conflict between Matthew and the Lach Family. As she was aware that she alone couldn't deal with him, Minerva had to rely on the power of the Lach Family to do so.

Although he knew a few big shots, would the Lach Family ever let him off the hook now that he had beaten up their heir? Besides, those big shots whom Matthew knew would never dare to go against the Lach Family of the Ten Greatest Families of Eastcliff just for him! So, in Minerva's opinion, Matthew had messed with the wrong people and he was now as good as dead. Thus, she was extremely pleased about how everything had all played out.

Sasha's classmates, they were all a bit surprised. They merely wanted to take the opportunity to make friends with Ronald and his companions, but they did not expect things to come to this point. In

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were stunned, especially Cecilia, whose eyes widened. "Your husband? I-Isn't he just the

Sasha had a live-in husband as it was the joke of the century at that time within their social circle. After all, she was the campus belle at that time with so many people being interested in her. Who would have thought

this, Ronald was immediately angered. "Live-in son-in-law? D*mn, and here I thought you were some kind of big

while Sasha's classmates also looked at Matthew with disdain. In their opinion, it was an honor for them to get to know Ronald and the others tonight. Now, Matthew, that piece of trash, had ruined their

fine if you aren't able to make a career for yourself, but you shouldn't affect Sasha's future! Sasha is now in charge of a large company and such social engagements are inevitable. Now that

Chapter 869 Sasha, It's Still Your Fault

The female students conversed while expressing their contempt for Matthew in order to win Ronald's favor. When Ronald heard it, he looked at Matthew with a smug face as a cold smile tugged at the corners of his lips.

Sasha couldn't help it and suddenly asked, "Cecilia, what are you guys talking about? What do you mean about me having just a normal drink with Ronald? I-I've said that I can't drink, yet he's the one who insisted on filling my glass—"

Cecilia waved her hand to interrupt. "Now, now, Sasha. We are former classmates and I certainly know you. You're a bit of a drinker, so how is it that you can't drink? I understand it all now. It must be this barbarian who has been terrorizing you at home all day, telling you not to drink outside, so you don't dare to drink, right? Hey, Sasha, it's not that I want to criticize you, but what era is this now? Even women can support families and be the head of their companies, so why do you need to be afraid of such trash? Does he dare to hit you? Let me tell you, a lot of our old classmates are now working in law enforcement. As long as this man dares to flick a finger at you, he can be convicted of domestic violence. Then, he will be sentenced to a few months in prison, after which you can divorce him! Living with this kind of trash won't bring you any happiness!"

The other women also nodded at this. Sasha finally became upset and shouted, "That's enough! Cecilia, shut up! You don't know anything and you're just speculating wildly here. People like you are the ones who are really pieces of trash!"

Cecilia froze for a moment and quickly answered, "Sasha, what do y-you mean? I'm speaking up for you and I'm doing this for your own good, yet you are treating me like this?!"

girls were

could we possibly harm you? Cecilia is being frank, but she's actually really nice and we all know that. It's too disappointing that you

rage, Sasha answered indignantly, "What's for my own good?! You don't know anything and you dare to say it's for my good? According to you, I should have drunk with that man named Ronald earlier and followed him to the

at each other and they were all a bit

thought for a while before saying, "Sasha, y-you are overthinking! In fact, Young Master Lach just wanted to have a drink with you and make friends with all of us. What's wrong with that? It was you who repeatedly refused him, which angered him and led to what happened later. I know that Young Master Lach has a bad temper, but

this, Ronald let out a laugh.

added, "What I said

Chapter 870 You Have to Keep Your Word!

Cecilia froze for a moment before she glanced at Matthew with cold eyes. "Hmph, if someone toasts to me, I will definitely respect them! If it's trash like you, I won't!"

She was implying that if it was him who toasted to her, she would not drink. He smiled slightly as he replied, "Don't worry, I won't toast to a piece of crap like you!"

Upon hearing this, she was exasperated. "D-Don't you go too far!"

However, Matthew didn't pay attention to her and instead looked at the time. "Hey, it's been ten minutes now! Young Master Lach, your family hasn't come yet, right? So, I'll have to chop off one of your fingers first!"

Ronald's expression changed greatly and he roared, "If you dare to touch me, my people will never spare you—"

Before all the words could even leave Ronald's mouth, Matthew had already grabbed his neck and pinned him to the table. Then, Matthew smoothly grabbed the glass next to him before he forcefully twisted it to break a piece of glass.

had also

of glass with great force to chop off the little finger on Ronald's left hand. At that, Ronald instantly let out a

and could only watch all this with their eyes wide open. Cecilia was also dumbfounded as she thought Matthew was merely bragging as all of them didn't expect that he would really do

and he hissed loudly, "Matthew, I-I'm not finished with you! I'll kill you! You wait for

you make a phone call to urge them? Otherwise, in just a moment,

Matthew's words anymore. He hurriedly took out his phone and ran to the side to call for help. At this moment, Cecilia and the others also lacked the courage to say anything as they were frozen to

her was not the same as

to be reckless! The tougher you are, the worse you'll die! When you die, Sasha will definitely be

she felt even more