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Chapter 1321

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Gloria, who was sitting in the living room, heard Nicole's voice. Then, she stood up to welcome her daughter. "Nicole, you're here?"

"Oh, Jared is here too?" An expression of shock appeared on Gloria's face when she saw Nicole and Jared together.

"Mrs. Riddle, it has been a while. You're looking much better from the last time I met you." Jared greeted Gloria warmly.

"Really? I've been feeling better too. I guess it wasn't just a feeling. Come on in." Gloria led them into the living room.

"Where's dad?" Nicole asked as she noticed that Daniel was missing as soon as she entered the living room.

"He's in the study. I'll text him." Gloria flashed Nicole a grin.

"It's fine. I'll go and surprise him myself." Nicole got up with a smile on her face and went upstairs.

little girl of ours is really close to her dad. He'd be delighted when he finds

some fruits, Jared." Gloria served Jared the

in the living room and began a casual conversation with

the study and knocked on the door, whereupon a voice sounded from the room

open and walked in. The moment Daniel lifted his head and looked toward the entrance, he was caught off guard

did you arrive?

just came. I'm here with Jared," Nicole replied to

Daniel was even happier when he heard that Jared had come

with mom downstairs,"

book which he was holding, got up and went downstairs

was chatting with Gloria when Daniel and Nicole

stood up at once and greeted,

Daniel stepped forward and shook Jared's

to have Jared visiting

have a seat," he

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“Yes. The agreement was signed when Henry was still around. After he left, I took over some responsibilities. After all, these projects belong to the Johnston Group. Someone has to take over and protect the company’s reputation.” Jared replied with a hint of embarrassment.

Although Henry had left the company, Jared would not use his resignation as an excuse to go against the agreement. That would just tarnish the reputation of the company. Moreover, Fiorella would never let it slide if he did.

Daniel sighed. ‘Henry really did stir a lot of crap!’

“Let’s not talk about him anymore. It’s been a while since the kids have visited. Let’s talk about something else,” Gloria commented on one side.

“Yes, yes, yes. Jared, how’s your grandpa’s recovery thus far?” Daniel asked, immediately changing the topic of conversation by shifting it to Maximillian’s situation.

“He has been recovering well. Sometimes, he would get down off the bed and move around a little.” Jared replied.

“Really? That’s great news. Luckily for him, his body is strong enough for him to recover fast. Wouldn’t you say so?”

have helped

he be discharged soon?” Gloria asked

doctor said that he can return home and recuperate in the next two or three weeks.”

Given the nature of his injury, we must pay attention

beside them and watched them as they

“Mom, dad, what have you guys been up to? Have

breakfast, they would head out and come back at night. They’re not addicted to video games anymore. I guess what you said during your last

and Samuel’s recent behavior. As long as they stayed away from video games, she would fully support their desire to hang out

not fit the two boys at all. At most, spencer would stay at home and play some music. He was not the kind that liked to hang out, so how could he be out

out for yourself? They’ll probably be back

Nicole

looked at Nicole and remained silent about it as Gloria

a while. I wonder how he

days ago," Daniel said. "I heard that the Aegis project has been going smoothly. It's just that he has relieved and happy about the progress his son had been making. Being busy

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'Yes.' "Alright, 111 be there tonight." Sean said, giving an affirmative reply.

'Okay then, don't forget to inform Steve. We'll be waiting for you at home.'" Daniel hung up as soon as he was done speaking.

'Will do," Sean said.

'Dad, what did Sean say?" Nicole immediately asked as soon as Daniel hung up.

'The second I told him that you're back, he said that he'll be coming back tonight.'" Daniel replied to her with a smile.

'That's great! The house will be a lot livelier tonight.'" Gloria exclaimed.

what time they will be home.'" Daniel immediately started dialing on his phone as soon as

it so noisy there?" Daniel asked as he heard the

why are you calling?" Samuel said after he shifted

you better be home earlier tonight. Is that

Well be back before dinner. Anyway,

waiting for Daniel's response,

up on

noting the expression on his

back before dinner," Daniel explained

they'll come running once they hear that Nicole's back. Why are they're so chill about it this time around? They must be having too much fun out

onto some details and surmised that Spencer and

to our garden right? Let me give you a tour of it.'" Nicole turned to Jared and

I'll show Jared around the garden.'" Nicole said

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'It is no wonder that your smile is so lovely, just like a flower. You must have inherited it from your mom.'" Jared gazed at Nicole and admired her.

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The instant Nicole heard his compliment, she instantly blushed. She was obviously talking about Mrs. Riddle, and yet Jared had shifted his attention to Nicole instead.

'Don't move.' Jared suddenly stated.

'What's the matter?' Nicole immediately froze as she asked Jared with a look of shock on her face.

Once she saw that Jared was pointing his phone at her, she finally understood what he was intending to do.

A beautiful smile gradually formed on her face, "Are you taking a picture of me?"

'Yeah. I want to capture each and every beautiful moment of you.' Jared quickly snapped a number of candid pictures of Nicole.

"Are you done? I want to have a look," Nicole asked as she looked at him.

'Yeah, I'm done. Come take a look.' Jared looked through the photos on his phone and was seemingly satisfied with them.

see how the pictures were, before muttering,

mean when you said, at least you don't look ugly? I

of Nicole; she was as beautiful in those photos as she

into his arms with all of the strength he

We're at my

was about to do something to

get freaked out. This is a good opportunity. I just want to

could've just said it. You really

directed her gaze

tell me you

Jared was speaking, Nicole interrupted him

to take that picture or not? If

corner of his lips lifted as he watched

took a few

good." Jared hovered over Nicole as the both of them

pictures we've taken today."

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“Are you serious about that? You won’t go back on your word, will you?” Nicole squinted her eyes and questioned him.

“I won’t. I always stay true to my words.” A devilish look formed on Jared’s pretty face.

Nicole took a deep breath and scanned her surroundings. Seeing that no one was around them, Nicole gave him a light peck on the cheek.

Then, she looked at him and said, “Remember to send the photos to me!”

“Don’t worry.” Jared smiled.

He never expected that he would actually get a kiss in exchange for a few photos. ‘It’s such a good bargain. Had I known this, I’d have brought her out on holidays more often.’

“Nicole, would you like to continue with the travel plans we’ve discussed about?” Jared asked her.

what about the chip?” Nicole gave Jared

Why not put the project on hold and continue

up to you. After all, I am doing this

target for your team. With Claus and Kelly around, there

her brows, and after having given it some thought, she said, “It doesn’t sound like a bad idea. Ask Claus to come over

“Alright,” he uttered.

paused, as the McCarthy family

Jared looked at her

yet to settle.

guess we’ll have to take care of

be able to enjoy ourselves during the

Jared agreed. “Joyce will still

not think about it today. Shall we take a seat at the swing for a moment?” Nicole suggested as she pointed at the swing

and Nicole

her eyes, prompting Jared to hold her in his arms. As the two of them were swaying back and forth on the swing, the sun shone upon them, casting a heartwarming shadow of the lovers on the

opened her eyes. She did not

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“That’s good,” she said.

“Can you be a peach and fall asleep on my shoulders all the time?” Jared requested out of the blue.

“What do you mean?” Nicole looked at him with her brows raised. ‘What is wrong with him? I’ve never heard

of anyone asking others to fall asleep on their shoulders.

“If you do that, I can always get a massage from you.” Jared smiled at her.

“In your dreams!” Nicole pushed his arm away at once.

“Anyway, let’s head inside,” Nicole said, as she was preparing to stand up.

It was then that Jared grabbed her by the arm and said, “Everyone’s coming back for dinner tonight. If anyone asks US about our wedding during dinner, what would you say in response to them? Have you thought about it?”

“I don’t think anyone would ask.” Nicole frowned and looked at Jared nervously.

“That might not be the case. This time around, we came here to visit them

the question slip,” Jared

on

we’ll just use work

one way or another. Anyway, I suggest

time, they’d forget all

Nicole recommended.

respect it. If your family

to do.” Jared explained as he

her.

trouble you. All of these

you? Pfft.” Nicole rolled her eyes at him and walked into

house.

gazed at her from the back and smiled. Then, he followed her

Steve were already

the couch, Nicole and Jared walked in from

and Steve stood up and turned toward

stepped forward and greeted Jared
guys arrive? Why didn't anyone tell US?"
two boys and
The both of you came in as soon as we
smiled at Nicole and
the garden?" Sean made a guess based
had come in from.

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Sean looked at Nicole with dotting eyes, "Now, can you tell US the real reason as to why you came back so suddenly?"

"Actually, I'm working on an experiment now, but the equipment and materials back there were insufficient. Therefore, I gave it some thought and decided to come back. I could gain the support I need from you guys, so I just came back. That's all." Nicole explained to them with a blank stare on her face.

She did not make mentions of her chip project to them. In the end of the day, it was a corporate secret which involved Jared's company. Because of this, she had to keep it private from them for the time being.

Sean grinned and said, "I knew it. It's impossible that you can't fit in there. In the end, it was because of their inability to accommodate your plans. Since you're back, you should just focus on your experiment. If you need anything, just let me know. I'll make sure to get you whatever you need."

"Well, I guess I'll have to thank you in advance." Nicole smiled and cupped Sean's hands in hers.

Sean laughed. "Nah, there's no need for that."

Sean turned around to look at Jared and the smile on his face faded, whereupon he began acting with decorum and spoke to Jared in a much more formal manner. "Mr. Johnston, you have countless things to attend to on a daily basis. I'm sure you had to push aside some of your work to make it here today, right?"

been a while since I visited Mr. and Mrs. Riddle. Coincidentally, I was having lunch with Nicole

"Oh"

heard that the Johnston Group and the Fisher Group are working on a renewable energy project. Do you mind

Sean's question, Daniel and Steve turned their
contract with Fiorella. I

projects she invested in had failed. She cares a lot about this project as well," Jared briefly
day you get to come across a good project like this. If she needs any funding in the

that Sean was

of projects helmed by Aegis Corporation? Do you have the

be completed soon. After that, I can use some of my resources on other projects. Even if it isn't the one pertaining to

to tell Jared

on the funding, I'll let you know." Jared gave Sean

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"Why are you asking such a question out of the blue?" Sean looked at Nicole shyly.

The look in his eyes was telling her that there were outsiders present.

However, Nicole was not bothered by that, and proceeded with her questions. "It's just because I care about you. Come on, tell me about it."

"There's none. How would I find the time to date anyone when I'm so occupied with work?" Sean explained himself to Nicole.

"Sean, you're not that young anymore. Isn't it time to find yourself a partner?" Gloria suggested.

"Mom, don't listen to Nicole. I have my own plans." Sean tried to comfort Gloria.

"What are your plans? As far as I'm concerned, you've rejected all the blind dates I've arranged for you. You've always said that you'll be bringing a girlfriend home soon. And yet? I haven't seen you getting together with anyone up till today!" Daniel butted in, as he had overheard the discussion.

about it, Sean glared at Nicole. 'It's all because of her questions that everyone's

honest, Sean is

shock. 'Since when have I dated anyone?' 'Why is he making stuff

Riddle." Sean was about to interrupt Steve when he saw the

come clean with mom and dad." Steve

thought of something, "Since the cat is already out of

issued a sigh. "Mom, dad. It's true that I'm dating someone. But we're still getting to

widened. A grin instantly appeared on

No wonder you were reluctant to talk about it." Daniel

just dating each other, you could've told me about

no clue about what is going on, we would naturally overthink. Isn't it better for everyone, now that

I've gotten you all worried. I should have told you guys earlier," Sean said, directing the blame

to it. Remember to treat her

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"Perhaps this fire was a big one, so they'll need more time to investigate it. I'm not very sure either." Nicole briefly explained.

"Yeah."

"Oh right, I'm sure you guys have heard that the McCarthy family are going to visit the graves of their forefathers tomorrow, right?" Sean looked at everyone in the living room and asked.

"I've heard about it. The McCarthy family isn't a big one, and yet they have made a huge deal out of paying respects to their ancestors. It's as if they're afraid that no one will notice them. It's a bit extra if you ask me," Nicole commented with contempt.

"It is! I find it hard to believe that a fallen family would hold such a grand ceremony to pay respects to their forefathers," Steve commented in annoyance.

"Perhaps you guys are unaware of this, but the McCarthy family has established connections with a family of high social status abroad. They even became in-laws, and are doing well abroad. That's the main reason as to why they're going the whole nine yards with the ceremony. They must be thinking about salvaging whatever is left of their reputation," Jared chimed in.

"Oh, I see." Daniel uttered, as it dawned upon him that such was why the McCarthy family dared to behave this arrogantly.

"A while ago, the McCarthy family were chased out of the country by Martin. I guess part of the reason for that splendid ceremony was to rub it in Martin's face, don't you think?"

at everyone as

that factory might have been

this between the family, and not talk about it with outsiders. Do you

"Okay," Steve uttered.

Steve's comment, Nicole thought, 'I didn't expect Steve to have that thought. Is he just running with a wild guess? Or does everyone think

two distinct statuses. If they were to make a move on Martin, they wouldn't do it in secret. They could've done it publicly

gave Jared a new thought, 'Perhaps it's as Sean had said. With Joyce's current support, she could have taken revenge on Martin publicly. Why would she do it in private? What could the

eyes darkened as thoughts began racing across his

have some other motive behind their ceremony." Steve analyzed

never crossed his mind that the other motive for Joyce's return was

Samuel came waltzing in from the outside. When the both of them saw Nicole, they ran over excitedly and greeted her, "Nicole, why did you not inform US that you are visiting? That way, we would have waited for you

Jared here?" Daniel

then did Spencer and Samuel

looked at

Chapter 1330

"These two rascals seem to be a little more rowdy as of recent." Gloria looked at their backs with a smile on her face, 'I'm glad they are hanging out with their friends more often.'

A smile crept up on Nicole's face, 'I wasn't expecting them to go out with their friends.'

Noticing Nicole's smile. Jared looked at her and asked, "What are you smiling at?"

"Hush, I'll tell you later." Nicole said, signaling Jared to not make mentions of the topic any further.

In response, Jared furrowed his brows and wondered, 'Why is she being so oblique?'

After a few minutes. Samuel and Spencer came downstairs, took seats across from Nicole. and asked. 'Nicole. when did you get here?'

"We've been here all afternoon. Did you guys have a good time this afternoon?" Nicole asked them with a pointed glance.

we're also exhausted," Samuel

go with

watched them from the sidelines." Spencer said with

people in the living room, Nicole

dinner be ready?" Nicole looked at Gloria

be ready soon. Are you hungry?" Gloria responded

I'm just asking,"

It's almost dinner time." Daniel looked at Gloria and motioned

a look," Gloria said as he got up and

internships. Are you going to assign them some training in your company?" Nicole asked

has approached me on this before, and I've also asked them for their opinions. You should

them with their foreheads creased and