

Chapter 584 The Watch Was A Fake

In a wink of an eye, Rosalie's pretty face changed to an ugly one.

This was because she knew Celia was right.

The supposed expensive diamond watch she gave Hobson was not original.

Her reason for acting in such a manner was because the Brown family was experiencing hardship. Rosalie spent all her savings in order to support her natal family. Danilo had given her some credit cards. But they soon reached their limits. In her desperation to keep her financial problems secret, she decided to buy a counterfeit watch.

It seemed to be her best option at that point in time. She and Danilo got married for the commercial interests of the two families. Hobson and Danilo had their reservations about Mack. They thought he was not competent enough. In fact, their support for him to be the heir was out of the respect for the Brown family.

If they found out that all was not well with the Browns, it might have dire consequences on her and Mack's status.

Rosalie didn't want anyone to have the faintest idea about this. She hoped that the Brown family's crisis would pass eventually. By that time, she should be able to buy a real watch and replace the fake one. Not for once did it occur to her that Celia would expose the truth in public.

Meanwhile, Danilo's facial expression changed. Rosalie

stared at him briefly. Immediately she could tell that he was angry. But if there was anything she was sure of, it was the fact that he wouldn't embarrass her in public.

"I don't get it. What exactly are you talking about?" She fixed her gaze on Celia while pretending to be calm. "Is this your way of slandering me when it is you who has given Hobson a cheap gift?"

"This isn't a made up accusation. It's the truth." Celia couldn't care less about Rosalie's words which were meant to intimidate her. Instead, she said, "I don't lay charges on others for no reason. Take a close look at the watch. There are two threads and slight scratches on the diamond. These are indications that it isn't an authentic one."

Despite her explanation, the crowd didn't seem like they believed her. So she kept on talking. "If the diamond inlay is good, it won't leave any threads at all. The watch you sent to Hobson is probably made of artificial diamonds. I have seen a lot of them as a designer, so that I can differentiate a fake from an original almost instinctively. So I know exactly what I am saying right now."

Only moments ago, Rosalie beamed with confidence. Now she was mortified. The questioning eyes of Danilo and the others present were like piercing darts. But she was at a loss for words.

Her awkward silence made it clear to everyone why she was bent on humiliating Celia and her husband. They now looked at her disdainfully.

Even those who disliked Tyson didn't hesitate to gossip about her.

"Why did she give a fake watch as a gift? It's not like she couldn't afford an original one. After all, the Brown family is

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"Can you imagine the hypocrisy? Only minutes ago, she slandered Tyson without batting an eyelid. From the look of things, I don't think this is the first time she has used such a method."

"How vicious can she be? She was merely pretending to be kind this whole time. How deceitful!"

When Danilo heard the different comments, he felt humiliated. As a result, he became so angry and spoke to Rosalie rashly. "What are you still doing here? You are nothing but an embarrassment to me!"

The look on Rosalie's face changed. She was hot with shame. She apologized to Hobson and went out of sight.

Everything happened right in front of Mack. He soon realized the meaning of what Hobson said earlier.

In other words, when Hobson told him not to do something regrettable, he had already known that the diamond watch wasn't a real one.

Perhaps if he had taken the advice and not blamed Tyson and Celia, things would have been different.

There was an uneasy silence following Rosalie's disappearance. But soon everyone focused on Hobson. They looked at him with so much admiration.

"Congratulations are in order, Mr. Shaw. What a fine painting you've got! It is an incredible piece."

This brought a smile on Hobson's face. Then he looked at the crowd and said modestly, "It's their filial piety. I've already said that I don't care about the price of the gift at all. What's most important to me is the kind thought and gesture behind it."

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He turned towards Tyson and Celia. "But my grandson and granddaughter-in-law went beyond my expectation today."

Tyson also stared at his wife lovingly. There was so much affection in his eyes.

He was fascinated by the way she stood up for him.

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Chapter 585 Talking Business

Everything returned to normal. The waiters began to serve the guests with the finest delicacies.

While most people were having their meals, some dignitaries walked up to Hobson and proposed a toast to him. They asked if he planned to continue his business. It was their intention to discuss cooperation with him in person.

But each time they posed the question, he replied smilingly, "I know that you hold me in high esteem. But today is my birthday party. I have no plans of spending my time attending to matters pertaining to business."

After that, he seized the opportunity to introduce Tyson to them. "This is my grandson. You may have known him before now. He has a very accurate and deep understanding of business. Actually, he operates very similarly to the way I did back in the day. If it's not too much to ask, you can go ahead with the discussion with him."

Hobson was barely done talking when Doreen spoke to Mack in a hushed tone. "What's the matter with the old man? Why did he just introduce those business contacts to Tyson when he knows that you are the successor of the Shaw family? It's almost as if he has forgotten about you!"

Mack was caught unawares by Hobson's action. He was displeased that Tyson was preferred to him, especially so openly. This made him very jealous.

His expression changed and he clenched his fist. "Isn't it obvious that the old man never stopped believing in him, even though he is completely useless now? There is no

doubt that Hobson has always wanted to save him. If we don't act quickly, Tyson may become the successor of the Shaw family. We must never underestimate the enemy!"

"What must we do about it?" Doreen asked worriedly. "I have an idea. It's high time I used my dad's connections. Don't you think so?"

In response to that, Mack shook his head. "Honey, it is unwise to show everything we've got so quickly. Your father's contacts will prove to be more useful in the future. Just allow me to handle this."

After saying that, he stood up, sauntered towards Hobson with a glass of wine in his hand and wished health to him. Then he said while pretending to be joking, "Grandpa, Tyson has done very well for himself. From the look of things, he is a worthy competition for the real estate project of Star Bay. Clearly, he really behaves like a bonafide descendant of the Shaw family when it comes to being ruthless to us."

There was something suspicious about Mack. Hobson was not oblivious to it. Nonetheless, he frowned.

"Tyson, is what I just heard true?"

It wasn't the right time for Tyson to make it known that he was against the Shaw family. He didn't want to give Celia a reason to suspect his identity or mention his deceased mother at the birthday party. So he lacked the right words to say.

Celia sensed her husband's uneasiness. So she helped him out in the nick of time.

"Hobson, Tyson just wants to garner some experience with big projects, that's all." She smiled. "Besides, his career is just getting started. How could it possibly be a threat to

the Shaw family's business which has been in existence for a century? I find it very laughable that Mack said it was able to compete for the Star Bay project."

There was something about Celia that endeared her to Hobson. When he heard her take on the matter, he became convinced. So he turned to Mack. "You heard it yourself. It's okay to give your brother opportunities and space. It's pointless to keep pushing him away. Let him practice, alright?"

Things didn't go as Mack hoped they would. As a result, he wanted to keep talking. But Doreen stepped in subtly by filling his glass with wine.

"Let us drink to Hobson's health. It's a rare privilege to have a family as united as ours. Can we not talk about business on such a happy day, please?"

Her words made Mack have a rethink. He calmed down, gulped down the drink and smiled awkwardly. "Honey, you're right. Cheers to Grandpa's birthday."

Meanwhile, Danilo feared that Mack would do something bad on impulse. He stepped forward to mediate the dispute and also proposed a toast to Hobson.

Everyone raised their glasses at the same time. But different thoughts rushed through their minds.