Powerful 1381

Chapter 1381

After that, she turned and headed into one of the cafes by the streets.

Before Ashlynn could realize what was happening, she was slapped across the face.

Enraged by the burning sensation on her cheek, she muttered, "Why you.

"You are nothing compared to Ms. Meredith! I'm warning you! Stay away from Ms. Meredith and the Hiltons. If you go to the mansion again, I'm going to poison you!" Aunt Cher said viciously. When Ashlynn did not respond, Aunt Cher shoved at her and said, "Did you hear what I said?"

Ashlynn clenched her fists, wondering if she should punch this woman in the face; she then thought of the kindness the Hiltons had shown her and gave up, knowing that Aunt Cher was practically a part of the Hilton Family as well.

"What, are you going to hit me? Come on, let's see what you are made of!"

"I wouldn't dare to. After all, one would have to consider the status of the owner before beating their

hounds."

eyes in anger. "What

not going to tolerate her any longer and was about to fight back, when a

toward them.

"Baam!"

Cher collapsed onto the ground with blood oozing out

Ashlynn endearingly with a rock in her hand. "Are you

"Ashlynn

the asylum, so why was she out and

the rock in her hand away, which fell onto Aunt

collapsed onto the ground once again and

keep you company." Alexis took

nervous, not certain if she

daughter-in-law now. I will buy you whatever you want, Alexis said as she pulled Ashlynn into a

in, but Alexis

Chapter 1382

She really did not want any more jewelry

Before they could walk away, two of the staff stopped them.

"I'm sorry. Um...one of our diamond rings went missing. Have you seen it?" The female staff asked.

Despite it being a question, Ashlynn could tell that they were suspected of stealing the ring.

"What are you trying to say? I put it down! Are you saying that I stole it? Search me, then!" Alexis straightened her back proudly

Though the staff were not allowed to search the customers, they refused to give way. "I'm sorry This might be a mistake, so why don't we head back into the store and we can all check the surveillance

footage."

should! do that? I'm telling you! You are going to pay if you keep standing in

around.

my way!" Alexis

She said while jumping

could not have stolen anything. Just as she felt angry from being treated like thieves, something fell off

of them turned to look and saw an extravagant diamond ring on the

realizing that

Alexis continued to argue with

held her hand up to cover her face in embarrassment, not knowing how to explain to the

They showed the police officers their

I will buy you a

she disappeared into

have gone to steal the ring because Ashlynn was not

police officers turned their attention to Ashlynn, wondering if she was one of

did not feel the urge

from the entrance and when she turned to look over, Corentin's towering figure appeared in her sight as he walked over mightily with

Chapter 1383

"You are forcing me to accept this," Ashlynn said angrily.

"So what if I am? Can you refuse me?" He said, before pulling her over to plant a forceful kiss on her lips.

Ashlynn knew that she could not refuse him, or the videos and photos of her would be publicized. If it was all up to her, she could have been able to bury her dog's remains with dignity, instead of wearing its bones

as a watch.

Corentin was a disgusting man, and she could only numb herself in the nightmare of being stuck by his side

She buried her face in the crook of his neck and pleaded, "Can you just delete the videos and photos? I won't disobey you. I just feel so insecure that those things exist. I keep getting the feeling like someone is going to find them.."

"No," Corentin said, before pausing for a brief moment. "Haven't you given up on that?"

don't understand a woman's pride," she said, knowing that Corentin had. never respected anyone. Everyone, no matter their gender or age, was for him

are my woman." He bit down on

and whimpered, to which Corentin chuckled in

herself

should be Corentin! There will never be peace in

one glance at it and answered it impatiently with one arm

"What?"

"Come over here."

you want

about the Hiltons. Mr. and Mrs. Hiltons, and Meredith are all here. You have to come and explain yourself! Should I go over

eyes darkly in silence, before hanging up

head toward Cory's mansion.

Cory said and assumed that it was about Alexis beating Aunt Cher. Regardless, she was slightly surprised that Cory was involved in it

Chapter 1384

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Meredith glared daggers at Ashlynn.

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glanced at Ashlynn sternly. "Did you injure someone

so why are you all making a fuss over this? Ashlynn is my woman and even if she hurts someone in angrily. "She's not like ordinary

Meredith, if you are so eager to be family with

Meredith was instantly rendered

Corentin, wondering if Corentin

did not exist on Ashlynn's finger before. The diamond glittered spectacularly and it was clear that

be capable of buying such a gift other than Corentin, as Ashlynn could

defending your own pride. One might misunderstand that you actually care for Ashlynn!" Beth said in an attempt to expose him. "You

covered her hand as though it was the filthiest secret, which

say that she loves

ring from him. Even if she was not deeply in love with Corentin, such difference in treatment was a direct insult

the Hilton Family, the only person who could be

was embarrassed, but explained, "It's just an accessory It doesn't

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had bought her gifts before, she had never received any ring from him. Even if she was not deeply in love with Corentin, such difference

who could be considered a perfect match for Corentin,

just an accessory

Chapter 1386

Ashlynn knew that this was the only way to stop Corentin and when she turned her face, she met Corentin's dark, vicious eyes.

He stood in rage, but had somehow managed to contain his temper.

The family doctor arrived shortly after to check on Ashlynn, before helping her up from the ground slowly. The doctor pressed on her back gently and Ashlynn gasped, trembling.

"It's a good thing that her bones didn't take the damage. If she was hit on the spine, she might have to spend the rest of her life on a bed," the doctor said.

Corentin had struck with all his might, aiming to cause as much damage as possible.

Both worried and furious, Beth stared at Corentin with resentment and was determined to make him pay

for it.

so she needs

continued.

decisively said to

thinking the same and went over to lift

that Corentin was approaching, Beth stood in his way. "Corentin Lloyd, don't think that I'm going to be scared of you simply because you are the heir to the Lloyd

narrowed his eyes

would damage the Lloyd Family's standing in Athetin, he said, "Corentin, just give up. If the Hiltons want to take Ashlynn home, I'm sure that they can take care of her. Don't worry. Ashlynn will be back once she recovers. Sorry for the

respond and took Marshall's arm.

away from Corentin's side and it was the first time that had. ever

glittered evilly, deciding that there was a need to look

panicking.

really married to

heir back to the slum? You are not young anymore. Stop dreaming,"

was furious. He had thought that he could control Corentin, only to realize that he was the

Chapter 1387

Beth sat by the bed, while Marshall stood next to her

Jeremy hurried back and saw Ashlynn lying in bed. "Did Corentin hit you? I'm sorry. I shouldn't have provoked him."

Beth turned to stare at him. "What did you do?"

Jeremy looked away

Marshall scowled. "Your mom is asking you a question."

"I kissed Ashlynn on the forehead in front of Corentin on purpose, Jeremy confessed.

"Corentin is far too arrogant and I understand the urge to challenge him, but you should not have gotten Ashlynn involved. What were you thinking?" Beth said mercilessly

"I won't do it again..." Jeremy said sheepishly. "What did Corentin do, though? Are

you hurt?"

blurted out, "Mom,

it!" Marshall roared, silencing Jeremy

at Ashlynn worriedly. "You shouldn't have gotten in the middle of that. What am I supposed to do if you took damage to

don't know either I

I know..." Beth's tears

what Beth meant, since neither Ashlynn herself could understand why she did such

and recover here." Marshall said. "Let us know if you need anything and we will buy

Ashlynn's back hurt, but since her bones were not damaged, she figured that she would recover even if she did

feel more guilty than I already am," Beth said sorrowfully with a

how kind they were toward her, and still could not fully comprehend the situation even

Beth's reaction when she collapsed onto

her mind.

are you thinking about?" Jeremy waved his hand in front

parents are too kind

her and I'm sure that she's deeply touched

Chapter 1388

It was easy to get married, but much harder to get a divorce.

After leaving the room, Beth had finally calmed down and asked Marshall, "Was was I being too hysterical? Will Little Crescent suspect us?"

"She is our daughter and it's normal for us to be worried Besides, we will have to tell her the truth sooner or later We can't just keep her in the dark forever

Beth was nervous "If she finds out that we are her actual parents, will she resent us? Especially after all the things I did to her Marshall, I'm just so so scared I've never been scared of anything in my life but this...

"We didn't know She will understand She is willing to stay here with us, which means she doesn't resent us.*

She thought about it and said, "Also, tell Meredith not to come here so often. I don't want Little Crescent to be upset. We owe her far too much and I can't even imagine how she survived the slum.

"Sure."

called ever since Ashlynn went to the Hiltons, but she felt unsettled by it because that was not at all like Corentin to let others take her away to begin

it because of how insistent

up to her room every day and though she was treated the same

merely a psychopath who enjoyed toying with others, while the Hiltons were supposed to be strangers to her The kinder

ever since she had come, Marshall had gone to the office so that Beth could stay home, despite how busy she was at work in

Ashlynn went down the stairs and

saw Beth making soup while the

tastes good. I'm sure Ashlynn will like this." Beth had

unable to wrap her head around the sudden change of the Hiltons' attitude, not to mention that Beth had gone to the lengths

noticed that the door to Beth's study room was

with a

a photo frame on the office desk caught her

Marshall and a boy in Beth's arms. There was a little girl that had been cut from another photo and stuck onto Marshall to look

Chapter 1389

"Why are you so kind to me?" Ashlynn asked, emotions overwhelming her.

"Because we have adopted you, so we."

"Are you still going to lie to me?" Ashlynn interrupted her, panting as pain pierced through her chest. "Back when I was little, my adopted parents took a family photo with me and though I was a little older than this little girl in the photos, I can still tell that I looked exactly like her!"

Knowing that she could not deceive Ashlynn any longer, Beth closed her eyes sorrowfully and opened

them again, tears of regret filling her eyes. "I'm sorry, my Little Crescent. It's my fault that you went missing...

Ashlynn had thought that she might have been mistaken as children could look alike at a young age, but when Beth admitted to it, tears scrolled down Ashlynn's eyes.

"How did you find out?"

"Your brother Jeremy found the crescent birthmark on your back and did a paternity test..." Beth looked at

her.

knew and I was the only

know. I haven't told your grandfather. He would be over the moon if he finds out. Losing you wasn't just a traumatic experience to us, but also to your grandfather for the past years... Beth walked over to take Ashlynn's hands. "You are a lady of the Hilton Family, Little Crescent. Come back to us and you will

of her blamed her parents and she moved away from Beth's hands once

in devastation. "Please don't hate me. I will make

she knew looked extremely fragile and for reasons she could not begin to explain, Ashlynn's heart

bond of the blood that

lowered her gaze and turned to

called out. "You

struggled to move her feet. "I...I'm fine. I just need to cool down." She ran

looked up and saw Aunt

days. She had thought that getting a concussion from an asylum patient had been bad enough, coming home and finding Ashlynn running toward her had worsened her

ignored her and

and saw Beth sitting on the couch blankly.

Chapter 1390

"We've already done a paternity test."

Aunt Cher's suspicion was instantly denied and instead of feeling glad for them, she was furious and worried, she was worried for Meredith and furious that the woman they despised became the long-lost

It was a hard pill to swallow.

heiress to the Hilton Family.

Ashlynn caught a taxi to a random street and wandered around until it started raining, so she went to sit down at a bus stop and stared outside dazedly, occupied with thoughts.

She had always known that she was adopted.

Every time her adoptive parents would get mad at her or beat her, though she could somehow manage. them with certain tricks, she would still think of her biological parents when she was alone.

their personalities and background. She had thought that her real family was in deeper poverty than the ones in the slum,

have been abandoned because she was a girl instead

truth could not be more different than

that Beth and Marshall were her actual parents, she did not resent them, all she felt was bitterness and

to sleep at night. It took Beth years to slowly recover, and they had never stopped looking for their daughter, but

failed to find her. No one

was the culprit who caused

up

in

she would not have grown up in the slum, nor would she come

sank into despair in tears, a car stopped before the bus

pair of expensive-looking leather shoes that were polished to perfection and looked up to meet Corentin's dark