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Chapter 367 She Had It Coming

Subsequently, Natalie and Yandel turned to look.

They saw Lia staggering forward while holding onto the wall for support. Beside her was a fat man constantly trying to put his arm around her shoulder.

Despite her struggles, the fat man kept trying to shamelessly pull her into his embrace.

Considering how common such a scene was in a bar, most of the patrons and the staff were numb to it and didn't intend to intervene.

Natalie knitted her brows.

Lia had almost lost her life after ingesting poison. And now, she's here getting herself drunk. Does she have a death wish?

When Yandel saw Natalie looking at Lia with a grim expression, he couldn't resist asking, "Boss, do you know her? Do you want me to step in?"

"Yes, I do." Natalie nodded. "Yandel, please help her."

Recalling Lia's apology before she threw up blood, Natalie figured that she wasn't truly wicked.

She must have done it because Yara tempted her with something or is blackmailing her. No matter what, it doesn't hurt to have her on my side.

Stepping forward with a devilish smile, Yandel grabbed the fat man's arm.

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"Let go," he barked in a commanding tone.

The fat man scowled in response. However, after he felt the pain on his arm, his flabby cheeks began to tremble as he let Lia go in fear.

"I'm sorry. I won't do it again," the fat man pleaded before turning around to flee.

Trying to find her balance, Lia looked up in a daze and pointed at Natalie.

"Oh, it's you."

"Ms. Johnson, it's me indeed." Natalie grinned. "I'm sure the last memory you have of me was when you puked blood and collapsed into Lionel's arms, right?"

Yandel had extended his hand to support the drunken Lia in a chivalric manner.

Upon hearing Natalie's words, he retracted them at once.

"Boss, that's Lia?" Furrowing his brows, Yandel snapped, "Since you recognize her, why did you ask me to save her? Even if something happens to her, she is just reaping what she sowed."

Yandel was never one to be sympathetic.

The fact that he managed to hold himself back from punching Lia was an achievement.

Releasing his grip, Yandel allowed Lia to tumble onto the ground. However, Natalie stepped forward to hold her up instead.

Yandel protested with a frown, "Boss, she's not worth..."

"Yandel." After Natalie gave him a look, he held his tongue knowingly.

"Ms. Johnson."

Feeling conflicted, Lia closed her eyes and resigned herself to face Natalie's revenge.

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"Given that you have just been discharged from the hospital, you should take better care of yourself. Now, call your brother to pick you up." Natalie plainly added, "All of us have only one life. The reason I helped you today is that I don't want to see someone I have painstakingly saved throw her life away again. If you are really sick of living, I suggest you sign an organ donor form to donate your organs to those who want to live on."

Natalie words were both candid and pragmatic.

Although she was cognizant of Lia's sorrow, there were many others in the world who were suffering more than her. In fact, those people didn't even have the ability to hurt themselves indiscriminately like her.

Having said her piece, Natalie turned to leave but had her arm grabbed by Lia instead.

"I'm sorry." With tears streaming down her cheeks, Lia dropped to her knees in front of Natalie. "Ms. Nichols, I confess that I was out to frame you, but I had no other choice. That woman knows an important secret of mine. And because of that, I was forced to do what I did to you."

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Chapter 368 Just The Beginning

With an innocent expression, Lia knelt in front of Natalie without warning.

Meanwhile, passersby at the bar began looking at them and eyed Natalie with disdain.

Natalie cleared her throat awkwardly. "Get up now."

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Biting her lips in guilt, Lia replied, "Lionel told me that you saved my life despite what I did to you. If it wasn't for you, the Grim Reaper would've taken me."

Her words stunned Yandel who was standing beside Natalie.

He hated Lia, as he only heard about how she framed Natalie. Thus, he didn't expect her to express her remorse to Natalie. At that moment, it dawned upon him why Natalie, who wasn't particularly merciful, had asked him to help.

Considering how drunk Lia was, Natalie pulled her back up from the ground.

"Yandel, go get a room and ask for a hangover remedy and hot towel," Natalie instructed.

"Yes, Boss."

With great efficiency, Yandel arranged for a VIP room where everything Natalie had requested was prepared.

After laying Lia down on the sofa, she handed her a bowl of the hangover remedy.

"You'll feel a lot better after drinking this," Natalie suggested indifferently.

Even though she didn't hate Lia, it was still too much to expect Natalie not to feel wary.

Receiving the bowl, Lia began to sip gradually.

"Ms. Nichols." Lia didn't dare look Natalie in the eye.

"What is this secret of yours that's so important?" Natalie asked.

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"Considering neither of us died in the end, I figure that your secret is still safe." Natalie ran her fingers across the sofa and casually remarked, "That woman won't let you off easily and is likely to blackmail you into hurting me again. Even if I died one day, do you think that would be the end? As long as she wants something and you are afraid of the secret being exposed, she will always have you by the throat; then, trapped you for as long as she lives."

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Lia had obviously thought about it. However, due to the immense fear she felt, she had never delved into it properly.

As a result, Natalie's words jolted her into realizing that the banquet wasn't the end of it. In fact, it was just the beginning.

Subsequently, Lia fell silent.

Giving her some space, Natalie allowed Lia to struggle through her own thoughts.

It took some time before Lia finally divulged her secret with tears welling up in her eyes.

Not long after her mother gave birth to her, she suffered from ovarian cancer and had her ovaries removed.

It wouldn't have been a problem if they were an ordinary family. However, Lia's grandparents, who were gender-biased toward males, wouldn't accept the fact that her mother could no longer bear any children.

Given how close her parents were, her father refused to remarry. Therefore, they adopted Lionel from the orphanage and faked his birth certificate to show that he was a long-lost illegitimate child of his.

Now that the Johnson family had a son, the elders stopped pressuring Lia's parents to break up.

As time went by, Lionel took over as the head of the Johnson family despite having no blood relations with them.

In conclusion, that was the massive secret protected by the Johnson family.

"On top of that, what else is there?" Natalie pressed on.

Taken aback, Lia stared at Natalie in disbelief.

Even Yandel reacted the same way. Isn't what she said shocking enough? Is there something that's even more explosive?

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"Considering that you are the true daughter of the Johnson family, you would stand to benefit greatly if Lionel is exposed as an orphan." Natalie continued, "Consequently, he should be the one that should feel threatened, not you. In fact, if his secret is revealed, the elders of the Johnson family would rally behind you to seize control of the family. So, isn't that good for you?"