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Chapter 571 I'll Help You With It

Victoria didn't know what he was thinking and selected several natural lipstick shades. Just as

she was about to foot the bill, she realized Alaric had chosen a few bright lipsticks in varying shades of pink.

Victoria was speechless as she looked at the pile of lipsticks. She couldn't help but ask, "Why did you take these?"

"It's for you," Alaric replied lazily.

While paying for the lipsticks, several women couldn't help but exclaim when they saw how many lipsticks Alaric had bought for Victoria.

Hearing their whispers, Victoria smiled and thought to herself, As expected, girls are the best. She felt like girls would always celebrate and wished for everyone to meet their true loves.

On their way back, Victoria couldn't help but say, "I don't think some of the lipsticks you chose would suit me."

"Oh? Why's that? Aren't they similar to the color of your lips?" Alaric was confused.

"Only the first lipstick is similar, but the rest aren't." Victoria noticed he had also picked a fuchsia lipstick. It was known as the ugliest color since no one could pull it off. Since Victoria had heard such reviews about it,

she didn't want to regret getting one. Plus, she wasn't the type to dress up femininely, for it wasn't practical when going to work or hanging out. That particular shade of lipstick only worked for certain occasions.

"I see. Are there any shades that suit you, then?" Alaric asked.

Victoria brought up the fuchsia lipstick to him, and Alaric was curious. "Which one?" he asked.

Victoria was startled by his question. "Don't you know which shades they are while choosing them?" she asked.

As expected from a straight guy, thought Victoria as she took out the lipstick and showed it to him.

Since they had already paid for it, Alaric opened the whole package. When he saw the shade, he was startled momentarily before he chuckled and said, "I couldn't imagine the shade when looking at the packaging, but it is

indeed the same color as shown."

Hearing his words, Victoria was speechless as she looked at the fuchsia-colored lipstick.

When she first saw the packaging, she thought it was a pinkish color. Yet, who knew the lipstick had glitter on it? Victoria pursed her lips, not daring to imagine how she would look if she wore this lipstick.

"I wouldn't wear this shade of lipstick when going out."

In that split second, Victoria felt like they had wasted their money on lipstick like that.

However, Alaric didn't think so. Looking at the glitter reflecting from the lipstick, he could imagine how

stunning Victoria would look when she put it on.

Thinking about it, he couldn't help but gulp. "It's fine. If you can't wear it while out, you can put it on at home," Alaric said in a low voice. He looked at her intensely like a predator eyeing its prey.

When Victoria heard his deep voice, she raised her head and met his dark gaze. In that split second, she knew what he meant and blushed

deeply. *“What nonsense are you talking about? Jokes on you if you think I’d put this lipstick on for you.”*

“Why won’t you put it on for me?” Alaric chuckled. “You said you wouldn’t wear this when going out, right? It will be a waste of money if you don’t put it on.”

“I’m still not changing my mind,” replied Victoria as she huffed.

Alaric hugged her and said, “I would like to see you wearing it. I’ll help you to put it on.” As he spoke, he put the lipstick in his pocket and smiled wickedly. “I’ll wait until the New Year arrives.”

At that moment, Victoria didn’t know what to say, but she had a feeling that Alaric was up to no good. After all, he had specifically chosen a special day and wanted to help her. Who knew if he would then smear it off her lips with his own?

As Victoria thought about the possibility of it happening, she imagined those erotic scenes and blushed furiously.

Fortunately, Alaric didn’t notice it as he hugged her. Otherwise, he would have teased her about it.

Soon, they got onto the plane with their seats together. The children were with Adrian and Mary. As soon as Victoria got onto the plane, she put her phone on airplane mode. Since her seat was by the window, she could see the view of the whole airport. Looking at this, she suddenly thought of a specific someone who refused to see her.

It had been a long time since they had last seen each other, and Victoria wondered if he had been well or if he was still being locked up. Ever since she left, she hadn’t heard any news about him. Even Ethan, who previously helped her, had lost touch with her. It was as if they had disappeared into oblivion. Although Victoria lost contact with them, she hoped they were living happily, wishing he would soon think this through and move on.

When Tony knew that Victoria and the Cadogans were coming over to celebrate New Year's, he was thrilled. After all, this meant that Victoria had a special place among the Cadogans. Tony had always trusted the Cadogans since he was friends with Adrian. If he hadn't been concerned about Victoria, he would have asked

Adrian for help when his company went bankrupt. Tony knew they wouldn't mistreat his daughter, but he was still upset by what Alaric had done years ago. However, he knew he couldn't do anything since Victoria had lost

her memories and was relying on Alaric now. He didn't want to control her life, even if he was her father. After all, Tony wanted Victoria to choose the life she wanted.

Still, when Tony knew they were coming over for New Year's, he was touched. Thus, he ordered the servants to

prepare a feast before the others arrived. In the meantime, Sasha was helping out non-stop. Tony couldn't stand this and dragged her away.

"Just let them do the work. You don't have to do anything. Isn't it tiring?" Tony led Sasha to the couch and poured her a cup of tea. "Drink some tea and get some rest. Just let the servants handle everything."

"I'm just trying to help since I have nothing to do either."

"If you have nothing to do, then rest. I'd be wasting my money on hiring them if you are as busy as they are."

Chapter 572 It Should Be Fine

Sasha knew Tony didn't want her to overwork herself, but she was used to working. Before Sasha got together with Tony, she had raised her children independently. It was hard for a single mother to care for her children, especially if they came from an average family. Sasha never expected to encounter someone like Tony, nor even

become a Selwyn.

However, even though she was well-off now, she still couldn't relax. After all, she had been working for almost half her life. N

ow that she had someone else to take care of things, she felt restless and lonely. Thus, she would find something to do, but Tony didn't want her to do things the same as the servants.

Thinking about this, Sasha sighed and said, "I'm just used to it."

Hearing her words, Tony sighed and replied, "Years have passed since that happened. Are you still not used to this kind of life when you have been here for quite some time already?"

"It's mainly because I have nothing to do. It makes me feel like I'm using you," Sasha said shyly.

"Using me?" Tony was speechless. "There's no such thing when we've agreed to be by each other's side."

"Alright, I'll quickly get used to this."

Although Sasha used to raise her kids alone, she was an optimistic and mentally stable person. Throughout the times she had been with Tony, they never once fought, which was why Victoria quickly accepted her.

Tony looked at the time and got up. "I just realized their flight is almost here. I'm going to pick them up at the airport half an hour earlier. Do you want to come along?"

Although Sasha wanted to tag along, she shook her head. "It's fine. I'll wait for you guys here." She was worried that the servants would miss out on something, so she wanted to keep an eye on them.

Tony knew what she was thinking and knew he couldn't get her to come along. Since he had to greet Victoria and the Cadogans at the airport, he quickly left the house.

After he left, Sasha got up and hurried to the kitchen. Only would she be at ease if she oversaw the preparations herself.

After a long ride, Victoria was exhausted. Although she had slept on the plane, there was still a difference between sleeping while sitting and lying down. When Victoria woke up from her slumber, she felt her neck and shoulders sore, even if Alaric had given his shoulder to her as a headrest. As she got off the plane, she rubbed

her shoulders.

"Does it hurt?" asked Alaric. In that split second, he put his hands on Victoria's shoulders and gently massaged

them.

Alaric's hands were warm, and he used the appropriate amount of pressure to massage Victoria's sore spots. Feeling blissful, Victoria couldn't help but lean closer to him.

Noticing her actions, Alaric stood there without moving, allowing her to lean against him as he rubbed her shoulders. "Do you feel sore because of the ride?" he asked.

"Yeah." Victoria nodded in response, feeling tired. "Indeed, beds are the best to sleep in."

Alaric looked at her face and noticed it was paler than when she first got on the plane. Moreover, she looked worn out. After thinking for a while, he asked, "Why don't I carry you?"

Initially, Victoria was going to rest for a while. When she heard his words, she was shocked. "You don't have to. We're at the airport, you know." She felt that it would attract a lot of attention if he carried her.

"What about the airport? Can't I carry you here?" Alaric didn't seem to care at all.

"People will stare at us."

"Let them stare, then." Alaric was about to carry her as he spoke, but Victoria quickly stopped him. "It's fine. I can walk by myself. I'm just tired, not disabled."

Looking at her blushing face, Alaric smiled and said, "I never knew you were the shy type."

Victoria pursed her lips and said nothing.

Honestly, she didn't care about the attention if it was only her and Alaric. However, Adrian, Mary, and the kids were here too. Moreover, her father was waiting for them outside the airport.

After the plane landed, Victoria received a call from Tony after disabling the airplane mode on her phone. She wasn't surprised when she heard that Tony was already outside the airport waiting for them since he had asked her about their flight number. However, she couldn't imagine how embarrassing it would be for Alaric to carry her. Thus, she could only refuse his offer.

On the other hand, Alaric didn't force her against her will since he feared she would be unhappy. "If you think me carrying you is embarrassing, why don't you get on my back? That's fine, right?" he asked.

Victoria was startled when she heard it, but she felt that getting on his back was better than being carried by him. At least it wouldn't be awkward when the others saw it.

Just as she was still thinking about it, Alaric kneeled before her and said, "Come on now, princess."

Looking at his broad shoulders, Victoria was still having second thoughts. However, Alaric reached out and pulled her in, causing her to fall on his back.

"Stop worrying and just get on."

Just like that, Alaric carried Victoria on his back. Meanwhile, Victoria carried the bag she had brought on the plane since Alaric couldn't help her now.

As the duo walked away, Adrian and Mary escorted the children off the plane. When they saw Victoria and Alaric's actions, they looked at each other and smiled.

On the other hand, Nathan stood quietly beside Mary while Nicole blinked her eyes enviously. Then, she raised her head and opened her arms at Adrian. "Daddy is carrying Mommy. I want Grandpa to carry me too."

Facing his granddaughter's request, Adrian didn't have the heart to say no. He quickly kneeled in front of Nicole and said, "Come on, let me carry you."

Adrian had never carried anyone before, not even Alaric. Yet, Nicole had broken the record.

Nicole climbed onto Adrian's back happily and hugged his neck, saying, "Thank you, Grandpa."

In the meantime, Mary watched them enviously. She couldn't help lowering her head and looking at Nathan.

Chapter 573 Banter

Faced with his grandmother's expectant gaze, Nathan felt a little awkward, but he wasn't used to getting piggyback rides.

Unlike Nicole, save for his mommy, Nathan rarely got close to other people.

In essence, he wasn't as friendly as Nicole was.

"Nathan?"

After Mary called his name, Nathan could only say hastily, "Let's just go, Grandma. If we drag it out any longer, we won't be able to catch up to the others."

When Mary heard that, she knew that the piggyback ride wasn't going to happen anymore.

It didn't matter; holding hands was fine too.

Moreover, she was wearing a sequined jacket, so if she gave Nathan a piggyback ride, it would be quite

uncomfortable for him.

In the end, Mary could only give up on the idea. She held his hand as they walked forward.

Seeing that Mary no longer mentioned the piggyback ride, little Nathan finally sighed in relief.

Tony and two drivers were waiting at the airport exit. Probably because they had waited for too long, Tony couldn't help but say, "The plane landed ages ago. Why hasn't the child come out yet?"

Sensing Tony's anxiety, the driver beside him spoke up to comfort him. "Don't worry, Mr. Selwyn. It's almost New Year's Day, so they probably brought more luggage than usual. They would need more time to get their luggage."

When Tony heard the driver say that, he felt that the latter had a point, so he stopped getting anxious. Still, he

couldn't help but smoke a cigarette.

A few minutes later, the driver suddenly said in elation, "Look, Mr. Selwyn. Isn't that Miss Victoria?"

When Tony heard his daughter's name, he hastily looked in that direction. However, no matter how hard he looked, he couldn't spot any familiar figures.

“Where? Why don’t I see my daughter?”

“Over there.” The driver pointed in a particular direction. Tony looked over, but he still couldn’t see his daughter.

He was about to ask the driver if the latter had problems with his eyesight and if it were a safety risk to hire a driver with eye issues, but he saw a familiar figure at long last.

When Tony saw the person, he narrowed his eyes slightly.

It was Alaric.

Soon, Tony noticed that Alaric was carrying a girl on his back.

Meanwhile, the girl was none other than Victoria, the daughter he had been looking for!

Tony fell silent.

The driver said with a grin, “Do you see her now, Mr. Selwyn? Miss Victoria is on someone’s back.”

Tony was instantly speechless.

Just

a moment ago, he thought that the driver was seeing things and that he shouldn’t hire a driver with eye

issues.

Now,

it seemed like the driver was far too capable. Tony couldn’t spot his daughter even after searching for so long, but the driver found her right away.

In an instant, Tony felt extremely awkward.

Still, his focus quickly

returned to his daughter. Even though his daughter was getting carried on someone

else's back, in such a situation...

Why is Snowball on someone else's back? Is she feeling unwell?

Tony knew his daughter best, and he knew that she was an especially proud woman. If she wasn't feeling under the weather, she wouldn't let anyone carry her on their back in a public place like the airport.

After realizing that his daughter might be feeling unwell, Tony began to worry.

Is Snowball okay?

Victoria spotted the exit from a distance away. At the same time, she also saw her father standing there with two drivers accompanying him.

When their gazes met, the two drivers waved at them excitedly.

Tony, however, stood where he was and looked at her with a worried gaze.

When Victoria saw Tony's anxious expression, she immediately guessed what he was thinking. She hastily said to Alaric, "We're almost there, so put me down."

Unexpectedly, Alaric held her even tighter. He had no intention of putting her down. Instead, he turned her excuse against her and said, "Since we're almost there, you won't miss the few remaining steps. Let me carry you into the car."

Victoria fell silent.

"It's okay, I've already spotted my dad."

"Correction, our dad."

Victoria didn't respond.

She was exasperated. "If we walk over there like this, my dad will definitely think that something happened to me, and he'll start interrogating me."

When Alaric heard that, he froze.

“However, if you put me down right now, he’ll think that we’re just messing around. He won’t ask too many questions.”

Alaric originally feared that Victoria would be too exhausted, so he wanted to carry her into the car. When he heard her mention the greater problem, he had no choice but to change his mind.

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“I’ll put you down right now, okay? Can you walk on your own?”

“I can walk just fine. You were the one who insisted on carrying me-

When Victoria mentioned that, Alaric was speechless.

“You’re saying I’m at fault for carrying you on my back now, eh?”

“Yes, that’s right.”

Victoria accused him boldly, saying, “Who told you to carry me, anyway? Come on, put me down already. If we carry on any further, my dad will start bombarding me with questions.”

Seeing that they were getting nearer to Tony, Alaric could only stop walking and put Victoria down.

As soon as Victoria stepped on the floor, she immediately put some distance between her and Alaric.

When Alaric saw her like that, he couldn’t help but comment on her behavior.

“What an ingrate.”

Victoria huffed. "So what if I am?"

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She adjusted her bag and smoothed her outfit, then took Alaric's hand. "Let's go."

Tony was worried that his daughter was feeling unwell, which was why she required Alaric to carry her on his back. To his surprise, she got down shortly after.

She seemed quite steady as she stood there, but she looked a little shy somehow.

Just then, the driver beside him spoke, grinning. "Look, Mr. Selwyn. Miss Victoria's partner is so nice to her. He carried her on his back when they got off the plane. Looks like he treasures her too much to let her walk on her

own."

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Tony was confused.

Was he too old to understand young people's thoughts these days?

When he saw his son-in-law giving his daughter a piggyback ride, his first subconscious reaction was to worry whether his daughter had gotten hurt.

However, to other people, it was a man's way of treasuring his wife.

Tony never thought that interpretations of a single scene could differ so much with varying identities.

Thinking about this, Tony couldn't help but reach up and touch his nose. He had a sheepish look on his face.

Was he overthinking things when he got worried about his daughter's health?

Was that simply some sort of banter between couples?

When Tony thought about it earnestly, he was more or less convinced.

He decided not to ask about it

later. He would just ignore it, or it would look quite awkward if he did.

Soon, the couple walked up to them.

Even from a distance away, Victoria smiled joyously at her father.

“Dad!”

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This was Victoria’s first time seeing him after losing her memories. Even though she had seen some photos, the feeling was completely different when she met him in person.

A sense of intimacy rose within her heart along with the tears in her eyes as she flung herself into her father’s embrace.

Tony also stretched out his arms and hugged his daughter, his eyes moist with tears.

His poor daughter...

The only daughter he ever had in his entire life...

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Upon entering the house, Victoria no longer felt like she was abroad as the music and the sight of Coryntheans around the house made her feel at home. "You're here, Victoria."

Victoria couldn't recognize the person, but because she had seen her picture before, she knew who she was. "Hi, Mrs. Selwyn." Victoria hugged the lady.

Sasha knew she lost her memory, so she acted as if she didn't know her at all, but when she heard the familiar way in which she was addressed, she was overwhelmed by a pang of hurt. After all, Sasha couldn't stop thinking about how Victoria used to call her like she was her own daughter.

Sasha had a son who treated her pretty well, but it was hard for them to open up to each other under certain circumstances since they were different genders. Furthermore, a man would never be as thoughtful as a woman. Although Sasha's son would give her some money and buy her all kinds of presents on special occasions, she still hoped to have deep conversations with her child, which was something her son would

hardly do with her. Because of that, she had always wanted to have a daughter, but as time passed by, she had no plans of remarrying, worried that it might impact her son's future well-being.

When Sasha got together with Tony later on, they realized they felt the same way; they were both happy with only one child. Nonetheless, Sasha's mind somehow seemed to change a bit when she met Victoria. Due to Victoria's pleasant personality, Sasha treated her as if she was her own daughter, but deep down, she didn't

think she deserved to be Victoria's mother since she had never raised her before.

Come on, where is my sense of shame?! Therefore, Sasha didn't find it upsetting even when Victoria called her Mrs. Selwyn. "Hello, Victoria." Sasha gently touched Victoria's hand and shifted her attention to Alaric, greeting

him with a smile.

“Are you Alaric?” Alaric nodded with a smile and greeted Sasha the same way Victoria did.

After that, everyone else settled down at the dining table and got ready for dinner harmoniously.

Watching the peaceful interactions in the house, Victoria felt grateful and blessed as she hoped that

the harmony she was seeing could last for eternity. Deep down, she had been doing her best to find her lost memories, wanting to know why she'd even make such a post on her WhatsApp status. Nevertheless, it

suddenly dawned on her at that moment that there was actually nothing worth finding out for her. After all, some things were better left forgotten.

On the inside, Victoria was grateful to be given a second chance to say goodbye to all the

painful memories she once had. Therefore, she no longer thought there was a reason for her to dig out the past, for that would only make her suffer. Well, happiness is what matters the most, or I'll only find myself in misery and pain if I get too caught up in the past.

After dinner, it was getting late. Furthermore, the fact that they had been occupied by a long flight the whole day left them with little time to catch up. Instead, they were brought to their accommodation that had been cleaned beforehand. While Tony showed Alaric's parents where they would be staying, Sasha took Alaric and Victoria to their rooms.

Sasha held Victoria's hand and smiled. “Well, I didn't prepare anything special for your place, save for having the maid clean your old room up. Anyway, I suppose Alaric is going to... share the same room with you. correct?”

Although the two of them were legal spouses, Victoria couldn't help blushing in her face when she heard Sasha's words. "Yeah."

Chapter 575 Bathe With You

Sasha could tell that Victoria was shy. Thus, she pulled her leg and asked, "Why are you still embarrassed?"

Victoria smiled without saying a single word until Alaric wrapped his arm around her and said, "She just gets shy pretty easily." In response, Victoria coquettishly pushed Alaric aside.

Soon, Sasha took the couple to Victoria's old room and said, "I believe you guys must be tired after a long flight. Take some good rest, and I shall leave you guys to it." She left after finishing her words,

Meanwhile, when Victoria turned around, she saw the door already opened by Alaric. Since Victoria hadn't lived there for quite a while, the room was rather simple, with barely any of her belongings in sight. Even the vase and some other decoration items were ones added by Sasha and Tony.

In the meantime, the wardrobe was full of Victoria's clothes, but they were all new, including the pajamas. However, since there were not many items in the wardrobe, Victoria had Alaric put the clothes aside and hung

their usual outfit instead.

Alaric could tell what Victoria was trying to do after seeing her hang a few clothes in it. "Let me do it." He walked up to her.

"No need for that." Victoria turned Alaric down, thinking she could handle what she was doing.

Nevertheless, Alaric took the hanger from Victoria's hand the next second and firmly said, "Let me do it while you take a shower."

Victoria stared at the hanger in Alaric's hands and asked, "Are you sure you know how to do it?"

As soon as Victoria finished her words, Alaric poked her forehead with his fingertip. "Come on, this is just as easy as a piece of cake. Now, go and take a shower. Didn't you say your shoulders were sore? Don't forget to

apply the hot water pack on it."

Victoria nearly forgot about that matter until Alaric mentioned it. "Alright, take care of this then. I'm going to

get a shower now." She nodded.

Victoria then picked up a set of pajamas and entered the bathroom. Before entering the bathroom, she peeked at Alaric to make sure he was doing what he was supposed to. After a warm shower, Victoria's shoulder strain was relieved due to her uncomfortable sleep during the long flight. Nonetheless, even after her shower was

done, she still couldn't have enough of a comfortable bath. Thus, she put on the bathrobe and started filling

the bathtub with hot water.

Soon, Victoria opened the wardrobe and took a bath ball from it, whereupon she threw it into the warm water. As soon as the bath ball began to dissolve, a faint fragrance, which was also Victoria's favorite, wafted through the air just when the water changed in color. Then, Victoria happily took off her bathrobe and soaked herself in the bathtub. When the warm water surrounded her body, she couldn't help but exclaim in satisfaction for the first time after getting off the plane.

"The best thing ever," Victoria said to herself, but soon, she quickly regretted not taking her mobile or her tablet along with her. After all, she reckoned watching a movie while having a hot bathtub was a comfortable thing to do during the cold winter. Knowing her bath would take quite a while, Victoria deemed she should get her devices, but as she was too lazy to move, she decided to stay in the bathtub for a little longer before leaving the water. Therefore, she closed her eyes, but after only maintaining that posture for ten seconds, she somehow called out Alaric's name.

Alaric came closer when he heard his name. "What's wrong?" His deep voice was heard coming from outside the bathroom.

Although Victoria couldn't help but feel embarrassed by that man's response, she still wanted to enjoy her private moment in the bathtub. "Could you please bring me my tab?"

"The tab?"

Alaric was surprised when she heard Victoria's response, as if he didn't expect her to ask him for her tab. Deep down, he was initially thinking she might have forgotten her clothes or something, only to be stunned when he found out that she was asking for her tab instead. Thinking he had misheard Victoria's words, Alaric went silent for a while and got closer to ask, "What did you just say?"

Victoria, who was trying to defuse the awkward situation, felt even more embarrassed when she heard Alaric's question. Helpless, she had no choice but to say, "I want my tab because I want to watch a movie."

Alaric was speechless by Victoria's reply, but when she responded with silence, he waited for a few moments and asked again. "You watch a movie during your bath?"

"I'm soaked in the bathtub now, so just get me my tab, would you?" Victoria asked in embarrassment, but right after she said she was soaked in the bathtub, a brief silence ensued until she heard someone opening the

bathroom door.

When Victoria heard that noise, she got so frightened that she subconsciously submerged her body in the water in the bathtub to keep herself from being spotted by Alaric. As expected, Alaric's silhouette emerged behind the door the moment she soaked herself in the water. "What are you doing?!"

Although both of them had shared intimate moments, Victoria was still not used to being watched by Alaric when she was in a shower. Upon entering the bathroom, Alaric saw Victoria lying in the bathtub, but when Victoria saw him, she immediately submerged herself, including her shoulders, in the water, leaving only her head on the surface. Due to the buoyancy in the water, she had to keep herself submerged below the water surface by clamping her palms onto the edge of the bathtub, but because they were wet, it wasn't easy for her to remain submerged. Therefore, she appeared to be struggling, with her face occasionally emerging beyond

the surface.

In the meantime, Alaric felt helpless for Victoria when it looked like she was about to drink the water in her bathtub by accident. Thus, he walked up to her and soaked his hands beneath the water to carry Victoria in his

arms.

Being in the water, Victoria had no time to react to Alaric's unexpected advance. Furthermore, due to her inferior physical strength, she could only watch herself being pulled out of the water and being carried in the arms by Alaric. I soaked myself in the water because I didn't want him to see me naked, but now... he is seeing everything. Worse, he's even touching my body now!

"What are you doing?!" Victoria angrily questioned Alaric, covering her bosom with both of her hands and rendering Alaric helpless.

"Seriously? It's not like I haven't seen you in your birthday suit before."

While Victoria was speechless, Alaric added, "Furthermore, aren't you afraid of accidentally drinking the water from the tub?"

"I have absolutely nothing to worry about drinking the water from my own bathtub. Now, would you please fetch me my tab?" Victoria frowned in an annoyed manner.

Instead of laying his wandering eyes on Victoria's body like he usually would, Alaric surprisingly only watched her face. "Why? Why would you want to use your tab during your bath?"

"I need it to kill boredom of course. What else could I do in the meantime, otherwise?"

"Boredom?" Alaric squinted and asked, "Are you bored?"

Victoria became wary when she heard Alaric's question, thinking he was trying to imply something.

Before Victoria could figure out what Alaric was thinking, she saw the man smiling and asking, "Are you bored because you're alone?" He took off his suit vest that was already drenched and began to unbutton his shirt. "Let me keep you company then."

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