

Mistaking A Magnate For A Male Escort Chapter 2174

Chapter 2174 Sneak In

“I know you’re worried about William, but now you have to see the bigger picture.” Francesca’s tone softened as she persuaded in a gentle voice, “He asked us to find Robin, saying that Robin knows what to do next.”

“The castle is closed, and there are soldiers stationed outside. It won’t be easy to sneak in,” Dominic stated faintly. “It will take some time, but I will think of a way.”

Monica hurriedly said, “Dominic, we’re counting on you. You must find a way to get us in.”

“I know.” Dominic looked at Monica through the rearview mirror. “Let’s go back now. You guys should have a rest.”

Dominic took them back to a small villa in the suburbs first.

Francesca changed the dressing for Monica, tended to the wound, and headed back to her room.

There were a few messages on her phone, which were sent by Anthony, persuading her to leave William’s business alone because the matter was nothing but trouble and was even more troublesome than Chrono.

Staring at those messages, she didn’t know how to reply to him.

Now, she also realized the gravity of the matter.

As she recalled the past events, she remembered that Layla and the others hadn't agreed with her giving treatment for William's legs back then. They had said that once she was involved in the matter, she would have a lot of troubles ahead of her.

However, at that time, she did not think much about it. All she knew was that William was her friend, so she could not sit back and do nothing when he was in need of help.

Who would have thought that a simple treatment would now cause her to be involved in the battle between the royal family member and also affect so many lives?

The responsibility she bore on her shoulders was snowballing.

She felt that she was caught between a rock and a hard place. Despite knowing that the road ahead was getting more and more dangerous, she couldn't back down.

After all, she had already been dragged into the mess. Not only William but also those eighty people in the castle were waiting for her to save them.

At a time like this, I can't flee out of fear!

However, as she thought of Layla and Lincoln, who were also in danger, her worries intensified. They had been protecting her all these years, but she couldn't even do anything when they were in a dangerous situation.

Besides, before they left, they had told her to keep an eye on the orphanage. However, she had been as busy as a bee, dealing with matters outside all the time. Everything related to the orphanage was left to Anthony, and she had done nothing.

When they were facing issues in the foundation previously, Anthony had calculated that with all her remaining money and the money Lincoln transferred over, that could only last them for two months.

It's been over a month. My finances are another huge problem as well...

Thinking of those things, Francesca had a splitting headache and ended up staying up all night, so she took some medications to let herself sleep.

She didn't know how long she had slept when Monica woke her up. "Ms. Felch! Ms. Felch!"

Francesca was sleeping soundly, and being woken up by someone made her feel a little grumpy. "What's wrong?"

"Dominic has figured out a way. We can make a move now," Monica said anxiously. "Get up quickly."

Francesca got up from the bed, ready to change her clothes.

Monica handed her a set of clothes. "Put this on. Now that no one in the castle can enter or leave, only by disguising as a bodyguard can you sneak in. I'll drive tonight while you and Dominic sneak in together."

"Sure."

Francesca put on the clothes and went out with Dominic and Monica.

On their way there, Monica told Dominic, "Think of a way to find Robin first and give him my customized communication device so that we can contact him in the future."

"Don't worry. I know." Dominic nodded, but he still had some concerns. "Maybe I should sneak in on my own. Ms. Felch has a tiny figure. I'm worried that she might get recognized."

"It's fine. I'm familiar with the layout of the castle. Let's act accordingly to the situation," Francesca uttered. "I need to see Robin in person to know their exact situation."

“Ms. Felch, take care of yourself.” Monica handed her a gun. “If anything happens to you, you can use this to protect yourself.”

“Thank you.”

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Chapter 2175 Savior

The three of them drove to the forest near William Castle. Then, Dominic and Francesca got out of the car and sneaked into the castle through the backdoor.

At that moment, they heard two guards chatting. “Let’s have a smoke.” “How could we smoke on duty? We’re doomed if we get caught.”

“What are you so scared about? The people in the castle don’t know how to fight back at all. They don’t even dare to leave just because they are prohibited from doing so. Look, nothing happened even after so many days. It’s pointless for us to guard this place.”

“You’re right. These people are used to being oppressed, so they act like caged birds. Even their master, Prince William, is merely a pawn to others. We don’t even know if he’s still alive.”

“Right. What else can they do when their master is in that state?” “How much longer do you think we’ll have to stay here?”

“It won’t be long. Their water source is poisoned, and they have no food. They won’t be able to hold on for long.” “It’s already the seventh day today. I wonder if they’re still alive.”

“There’s some food left in there, so I don’t think they’ll die in seven days. However, I heard all of them have been poisoned, so they probably have little time left.”

“Okay. So we only need to hang on for a few more days before we get to go back.”

“Yes. Come on, have a smoke.”

“Thanks, dude.”

Francesca felt her heart sink when she heard the guards’ conversation.

Indeed, the people in the castle were pure and kind. Having been oppressed for so many years, they had grown numb to it and lost the courage to fight back. They could only leave everything to fate.

Their only hope was that someone would appear and save them from their misery.

Francesca would never forget the way everyone looked at her like a savior when she came to the castle the last time.

“This way!”

Dominic led Francesca into the castle through the kitchen.

When they saw the scene before them, they were dumbfounded.

The castle, which used to be luxurious and magnificent, looked like a refugee camp at the moment.

It was dark, save for the faint light from a few flickering candles.

Everyone had gathered in the living room and the staircase as if they were waiting for the end of the world.

They looked weak, worn-out, and terribly ill.

Even when they sensed someone enter the castle, they barely reacted. Only a few turned their heads sluggishly toward the sound of footsteps.

That was until someone recognized Francesca. “Ms. Felch?”

At that instant, everyone stirred and looked at Francesca.

When they confirmed that it was indeed her, a spark of hope gleamed in their eyes.

“Ms. Felch, it’s really you?”

“Ms. Felch is back. She has come back to save us!”

“Ms. Felch...”

The big group approached Francesca and looked at her in excitement.

Some maids covered their faces as they wept, but they didn’t dare to make a sound.

Tears welled up in Francesca’s eyes instantly. She looked at them emotionally as mixed feelings filled her.

“Ms. Felch, His Highness—”

A maid spoke up frantically, but Dominic hushed her and raised a finger to his lips.

“Keep your voice low, or they’ll catch us.”

The maid hurriedly put her hands over her mouth and stayed quiet.

“I met His Highness today, and he’s doing fine. Don’t worry,” Francesca said in a soft voice.

“Thank goodness! Thank goodness!”

Upon hearing that William was still alive, the people cheered up and finally regained the will to live.

Francesca scanned through the living room and noticed that Robin was nowhere to be seen. “Where’s Robin?” she asked.

“After you left, no one could treat Mr. Robin. He stopped taking medication after finishing the ones you gave him. Since yesterday, he started having a high fever.

He's lying in the room right now. When I fed him some water earlier, he was still mumbling His Highness' name," an older maid choked out.

"Bring me to him."

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Chapter 2176 Savior Part Two

“Okay.” The maid took a candle and led Francesca to Robin’s room. The entire castle felt grim.

There was no water, no electricity, and no gas. During the day, they only had water, bread, and biscuits to fill themselves. At night, they could only keep themselves warm with candles.

However, food and water in the castle were scarce now, so they had gone through the past seven days with barely-filled stomachs.

The week was toughest for the injured ones. In fact, Robin’s wounds started getting inflamed after he finished the medicine.

Thankfully, Francesca was prepared with a backpack full of supplies. Upon seeing the unconscious Robin on the bed, she fed him some medicine and cleaned his wound.

Meanwhile, Dominic distributed the food and water in his backpack to the others as he reminded them, “We could only bring so much since we didn’t want to attract attention. Share this among yourselves first. We’ll find a way soon.”

“Thank you. Thank you.”

They were all very grateful. To them, food and medicine were not the only things Francesca and Dominic brought; the two also gave them hope.

Francesca asked for some wet towels to apply to Robin’s skin. After treating him with acupuncture, she gave out the medicine in her backpack to the others. She had

brought limited supplies that were only enough to temporarily suppress the poison in them. Nevertheless, it was good enough considering their circumstances.

The group then started telling her about the things that had happened in the past few days.

After Francesca escaped, William was taken away. Before Robin could think of a way to leave the castle, it was locked down.

Then, someone arrived and announced that Charlie would take over the investigation of the poisoning. As it was suspected that the staff in the castle had something to do with the incident, the castle was closed off. No one was allowed to enter or leave.

When they heard the orders, everyone was shocked.

They all knew Charlie was the cousin who loved to bully William. As a matter of fact, William even suspected the former to be the culprit. It was ridiculous that the suspect was put in charge to look into the matter.

Sure enough, Charlie soon ordered the water, electricity, and gas to be cut off. He even stationed guards to surround the castle and prohibited anyone from entering and leaving the place. The people trapped inside were left to fend for themselves without any delivery of food and water from outside.

Initially, Robin wanted to call someone for help, only to find out that all communication channels were disconnected. They were totally isolated from the outside world.

That was how the people in the castle ended up in this state. They kept waiting for someone to rescue them, but as days passed by, Robin eventually collapsed. With that, they also lost all hope.

Hearing these, Francesca was infuriated. She could not believe how cruel and inhumane those people were.

Just then, Robin moved. Francesca hurriedly approached him to check on him. He was slowly gaining consciousness, and after Dominic asked someone to feed him some water, he finally woke up.

When he saw Francesca, he was exhilarated. “Ms. Felch, you’re finally back. We have hope now. We have hope now!”

“Please calm down, Robin. Take this medicine first.”

Francesca fed him some medicine again and made him drink more water.

Soon, Robin seemed much better. He turned his head to the group of people as if looking for someone.

“Who are you looking for?” Dominic asked.

“You are?”

“He is Monica’s partner,” Francesca introduced.

“Oh, you’re Dominic. I didn’t recognize you.” Robin flashed him a smile before looking at Francesca, asking anxiously, “Ms. Felch, didn’t Mr. Lindberg’s men escort you here?”

He was under the assumption that Francesca had come back to Danontand with Danrique. It was possible that Danrique was unwilling to come because of his distinguished status, but his men should at least be around.

However, Robin failed to find anyone from the Lindberg family.

Francesca knew what he was thinking. She explained, “No. I returned to Danontand with Monica. Danrique refused to help me.”

Robin’s face fell at those words. He lowered his head and heaved a deep sigh.

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Chapter 2177 All Or Nothing

Dominic knew that the upcoming conversation would be heavy, so he asked everyone else to leave before standing guard outside the door.

Francesca comforted Robin, saying, “It’s fine. Although he didn’t come, I’m here. I’ll do my best to help you guys.”

“Ms. Felch, I know you value friendships deeply, but this is not something you can handle,” said Robin sadly. “His Highness took a big risk back then to send you away so that you could bring help. Now, you returned alone. Not only was the great opportunity wasted, but you’ll also be putting yourself in danger again.”

“I have no choice. I couldn’t persuade him,” Francesca responded helplessly. “Let’s talk about what we should do first. I met William today.”

Robin’s eyes lit up. “You met His Highness? How is he?”

“He’s very weak, but I gave him medication and treated him with acupuncture. He should be able to hang on for a few more days. I planned to save him, but he wouldn’t leave. He told me to come to you, claiming that you’ll know what to do next.”

Instead of easing Robin, Francesca’s words weighed him down. After a long silence, he sighed. “Is there really no way out now?”

“What do you think?” Francesca questioned back.

Robin sighed again. Then, he uttered, “It seems like we have to go all out.”

The next day, every international media outlet started reporting a particularly shocking piece of news.

William Castle in Danontand had been locked down with its water, electricity, and gas cut off. Eighty-four people were confined inside with no food supply, unable to leave. Now, they were all on the brink of death.

The news, aided by photos of the devastating situation inside the castle, soon shook the whole world.

At that moment, Francesca was lying on the couch in Monica's house, looking at the newspaper and the article on her phone.

She couldn't help but exclaim, "How smart of you, Monica! You found so many media outlets in such a short time. Aside from Danontand's local media, almost every major media outlet in other countries is reporting this. With so many people talking about this, Federico will probably release the people in the castle, right?"

"I'm not that optimistic. I'm actually worried that this will harm them instead," Monica admitted with a frown.

"We're not yet done," Dominic chimed in as he walked over. He had just gotten off the phone with someone. "I just sent the group photo of the eighty-four people in there to the media. They'll be posting it soon."

"Group photo?" Monica froze for a while before realization dawned upon her. "Oh, right! We need a group photo. If anyone from the photo ends up dying, it will be Prince Charlie's fault."

"I have tons of materials. We'll release a little bit every day. Robin is indeed incredible to have come up with such an impressive scheme," Dominic praised.

Francesca raised her brow and remarked, "It's not Robin, but William. William probably hatched this plan a long time ago and told Robin to go with it when there's no other way."

Monica nodded. “She’s right. It’s likely that His Highness planned this long ago. When he asked me to take you away, I tried to persuade him. He told me that he had left himself a way out and has a solution for any situation that arises.”

“Indeed, Prince William is a man with foresight,” Dominic stated meaningfully. “However, what we have to consider now is moving somewhere else.”

“Moving somewhere else?” Monica was confused.

All of a sudden, Francesca felt a murderous intent coming for them. She dashed into the room instantly and grabbed her backpack.

Bang! Bang! Bang!

Gunshots rang outside, and countless bullets penetrated the room door.

With her backpack on her, Francesca jumped out of the window, followed by Dominic and Monica.

The three of them landed safely and made a run for it.

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Chapter 2178 Escape

The trio began their journey of escape. That night, Monica was given a harsh warning by her superior. She was suspended from work and forbidden from meddling in matters concerning the royal family of Danontand. Moreover, they cut off her communication with the media.

Fortunately, Dominic's involvement in the incident had yet to be discovered. He was merely warned to refrain from joining Monica's ruckus. In response, he used the excuse of investigating some other cases and got away with it.

So far, all the information from Robin was with Dominic. The latter could still contact the media.

Although the media had been sternly warned by the FBI and the royal family of Danontand, this could not stop their ambition to get their hands on breaking news. Though they agreed to behave, they continued to give updates on the news.

As a result, the plan was still in effect.

However, this meant that Francesca, Monica, and Dominic had to live like fugitives.

Since they still had to look for the right time to save William and the people in the castle, they didn't leave Danontand.

Being within the scope of the search, they had to be constantly on the run while looking over their shoulders.

Seven days passed by in the blink of an eye.

News about the Danontand royal family was snowballing as it made its way around the world. Someone even flew a drone over William Castle to find out what was going on.

The report about the castle being on lockdown was soon proven to be true, so the public's reaction got even more heated.

The issue continued to escalate to the point that Federico was dragged into it.

People started to dig up dirt on him. Aside from that, they found out the truth behind the tragic death of William's parents and the fact that he was crippled after falling off a horse.

Federico was therefore left with no choice but to open up William Castle and resume its electricity and gas services. The castle was also provided with food, daily necessities, and a new water supply.

He made the local media record and publicize this entire process and released an explanation as to why the castle was previously closed off.

With that, Robin and the eighty-three others regained their freedom.

Due to his illness, William remained in the hospital. Federico used his medical treatment as an excuse to keep him under control.

It was then that Francesca could finally breathe a sigh of relief. Their struggles and effort to save the people in the castle weren't in vain, after all.

Now that the enemy knew Francesca and Monica were up to something, they set up heavy security around the hospital, making it difficult to sneak in again.

Moreover, they were now in hot pursuit of the trio. The three fled nonstop every day. At times, they couldn't even get three hours of sleep in a day. To make things worse, Monica's wound had reopened.

The three of them were utterly exhausted.

On one particular night, Dominic finally managed to find a room in a countryside inn. While Francesca and Monica took showers and rested, he refueled their car and guarded the door.

Francesca treated Monica's wound and was about to give the latter some medicine when she noticed there was none left. She called Dominic, who immediately set out for a pharmacy. Before he left, he reminded them to be careful.

Fatigued and injured, Monica soon fell asleep.

On the other hand, Francesca was worried that someone would come for them, so she didn't dare to sleep at all. She could only lie on the sofa and scroll through her phone while it was charging.

It was her eighth day in Danontand, but Danrique never called or even messaged her.

Only Gordon sent her a text, informing her that his subordinates had found Layla and settled her down in a hospital in Zarain. He told Francesca not to worry as he had ordered his men to watch over her.

As for Lincoln, he was still negotiating with the people from Riz Corporation. It was a hard task that would require time, but Riz Corporation likely wouldn't do anything to Lincoln since they were aware of his connection to Danrique.

Francesca simply sent Gordon a "thanks" in reply and said nothing else.

She knew very well how difficult it was to snatch someone from Riz Corporation's hands.