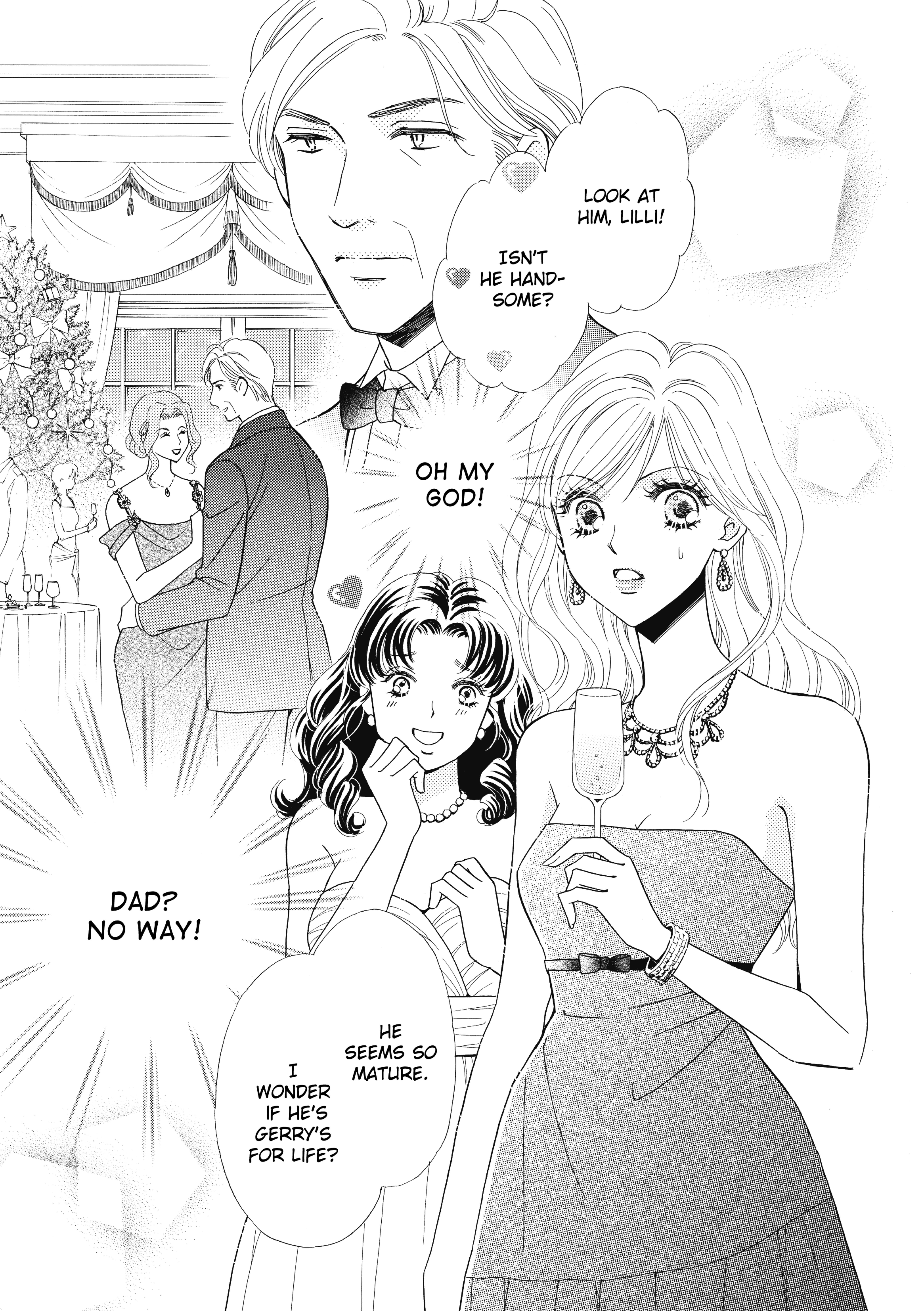




LOOK AT
HIM, LILLI!

♥ ISN'T
HE HAND-
SOME?
♥

OH MY
GOD!

DAD?
NO WAY!

HE
SEEMS SO
MATURE.
I
WONDER
IF HE'S
GERRY'S
FOR LIFE?



HOW
COULD
HE?

TAP
TAP

HUH?
LILLI!

KA-CHAK

TAP

AND WHY
HER, OF
ALL THE
WOMEN!

I'M
SORRY,
SALLY!

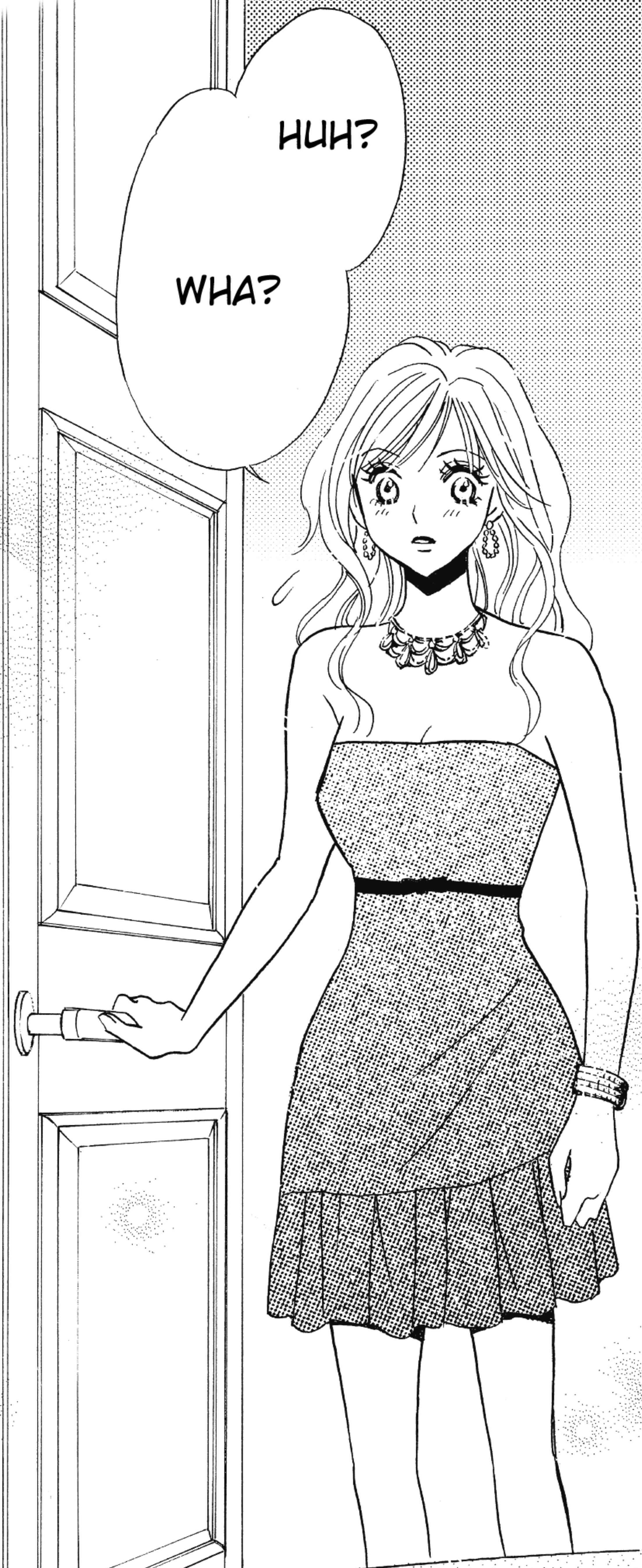
I NEED
TO GO!

WILL YOU
BE OKAY?
YOU'RE
DRUNK!

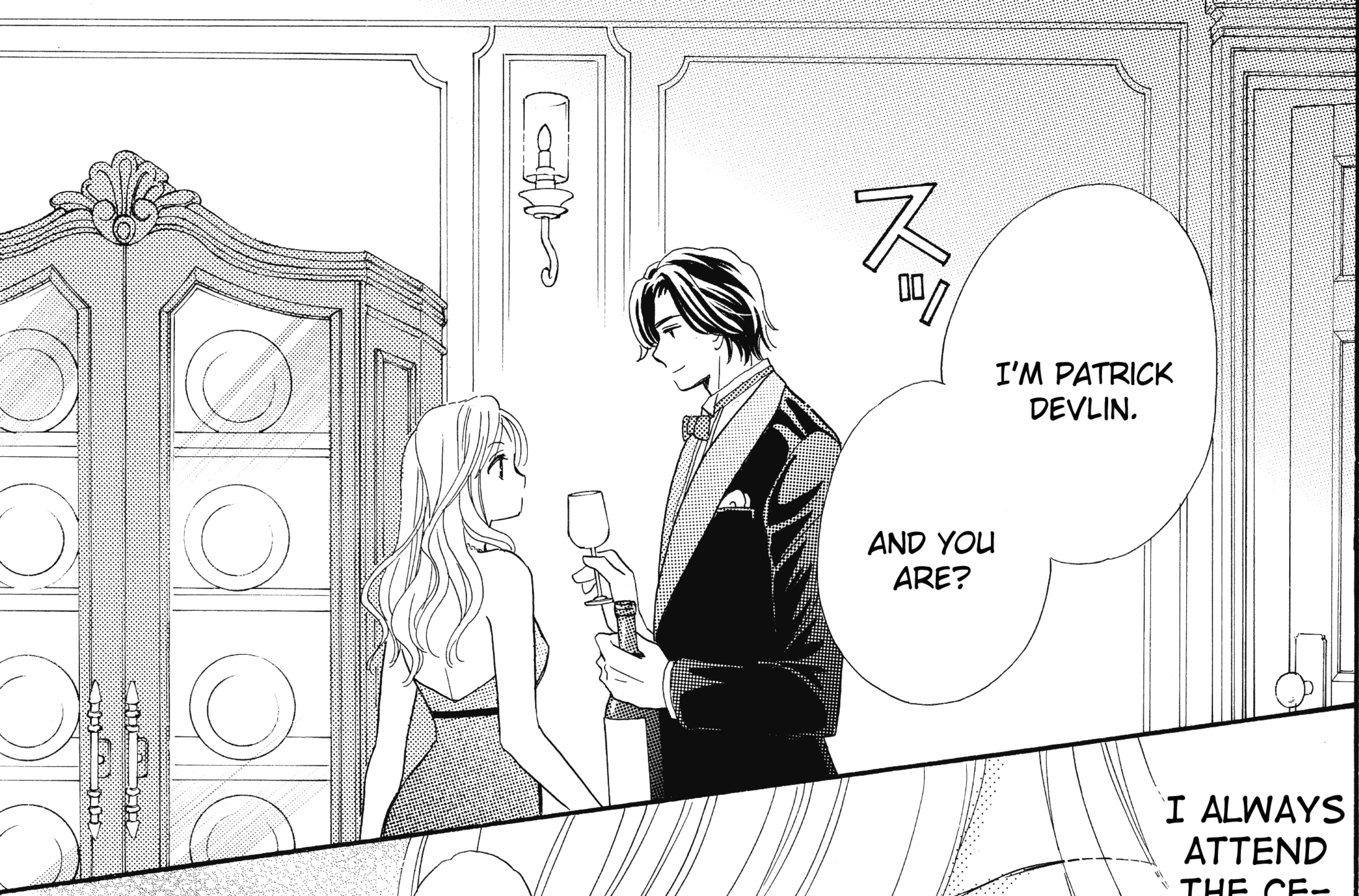
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ORIGINAL NOVEL BY
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I'M PATRICK
DEVLIN.

AND YOU
ARE?



I ALWAYS
ATTEND
THE CE-
LEBRITY
PARTIES
IN
LONDON.

...

LILLI.

YET HE
DOESN'T
RECOGNIZE
ME,
ELIZABETH
BENNETT?



CLINK

A-HA.
I DON'T
MIND THAT,
THEN.

THAT'S ALL.
WHAT ELSE
WOULD YOU
NEED?

LILLI?
THAT'S
ALL?

OH, NO.
MY FACE
FEELS
HOT!

WELL, THEN,
JUST LILLI...

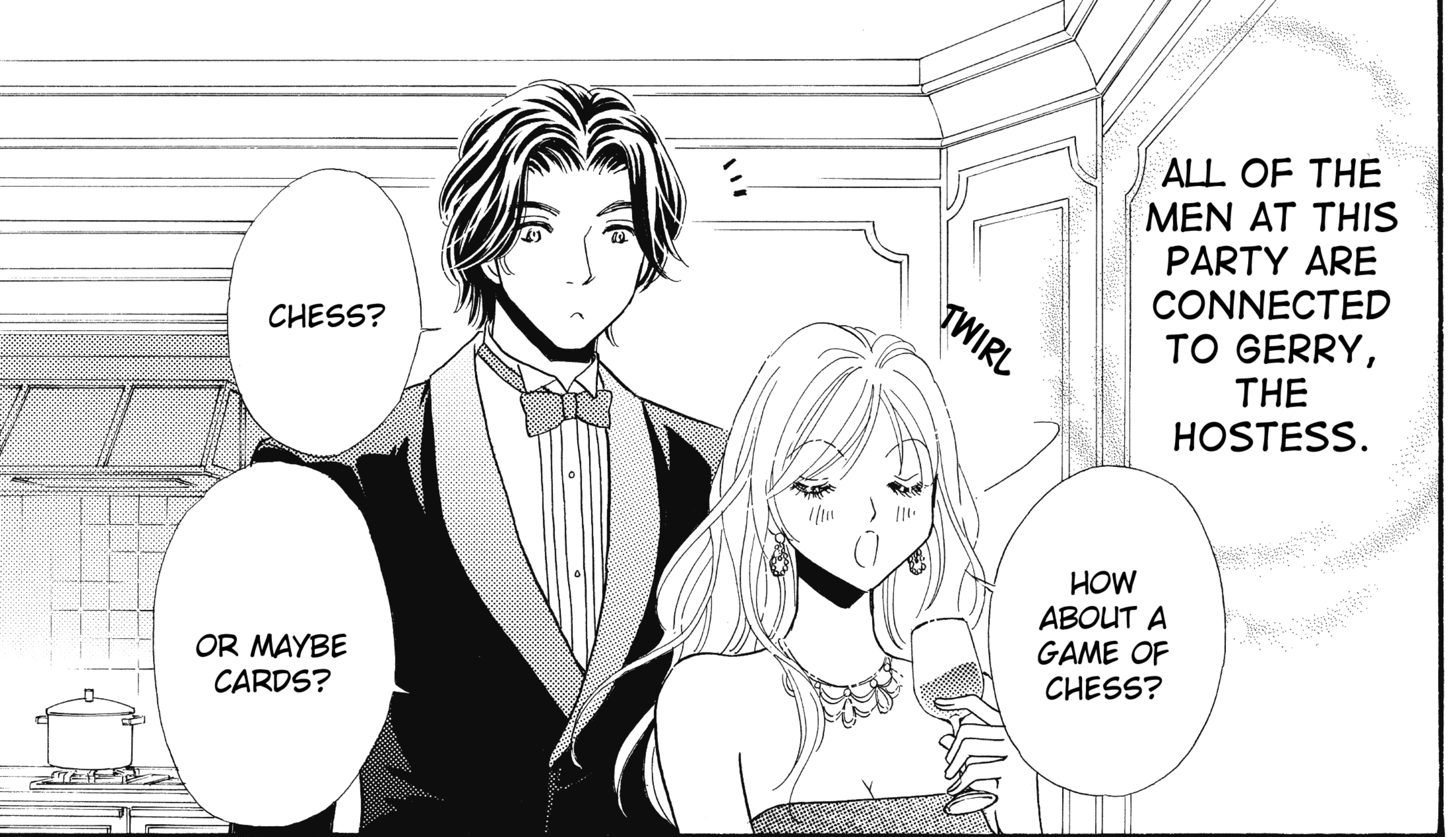
DID I
DRINK
TOO
MUCH
CHAM-
PAGNE?

OR IS IT
BECAUSE
HE'S
STARING
AT ME?

NO, I CAN'T
THINK THAT
WAY.

HOW SHALL WE
PASS THIS TEDIOUS
NIGHT?

TH-THUMP



CHESS?

OR MAYBE CARDS?

TWIRL

ALL OF THE MEN AT THIS PARTY ARE CONNECTED TO GERRY, THE HOSTESS.

HOW ABOUT A GAME OF CHESS?



I'VE NEVER ONCE LOST TO MY SISTER.

SO AM I.

I LIKE THAT IDEA.

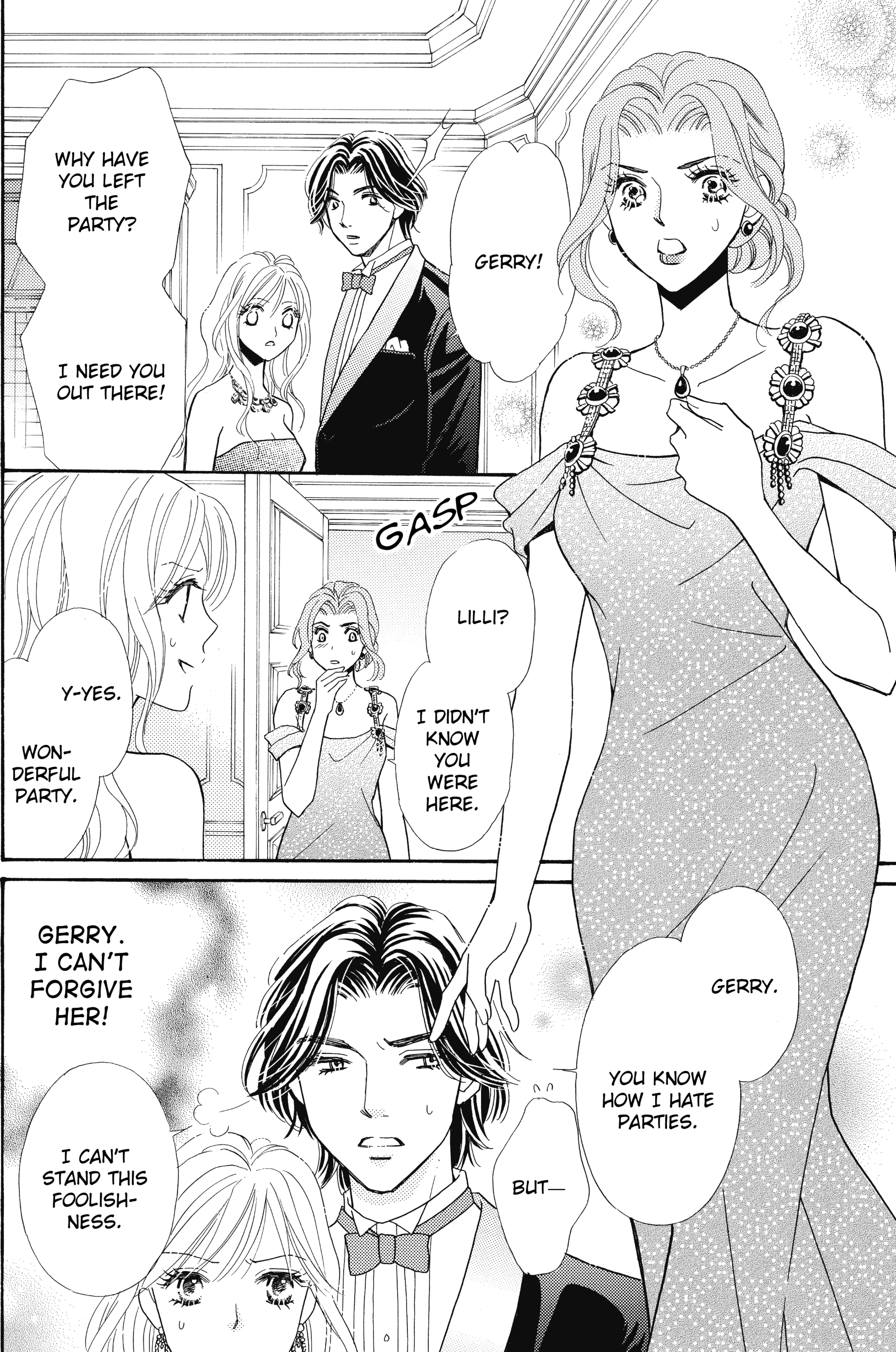
I'M VERY GOOD AT CARDS, YOU KNOW.

KA-CHAK

PATRICK!

...THERE'S A GAME WE BOTH KNOW THAT WOULD BE BETTER—

LILLI...



WHY HAVE
YOU LEFT
THE
PARTY?

I NEED YOU
OUT THERE!

GERRY!

GASP

Y-YES.

WON-
DERFUL
PARTY.

LILLI?

I DIDN'T
KNOW
YOU
WERE
HERE.

GERRY.
I CAN'T
FORGIVE
HER!

I CAN'T
STAND THIS
FOOLISH-
NESS.

BUT—

GERRY.

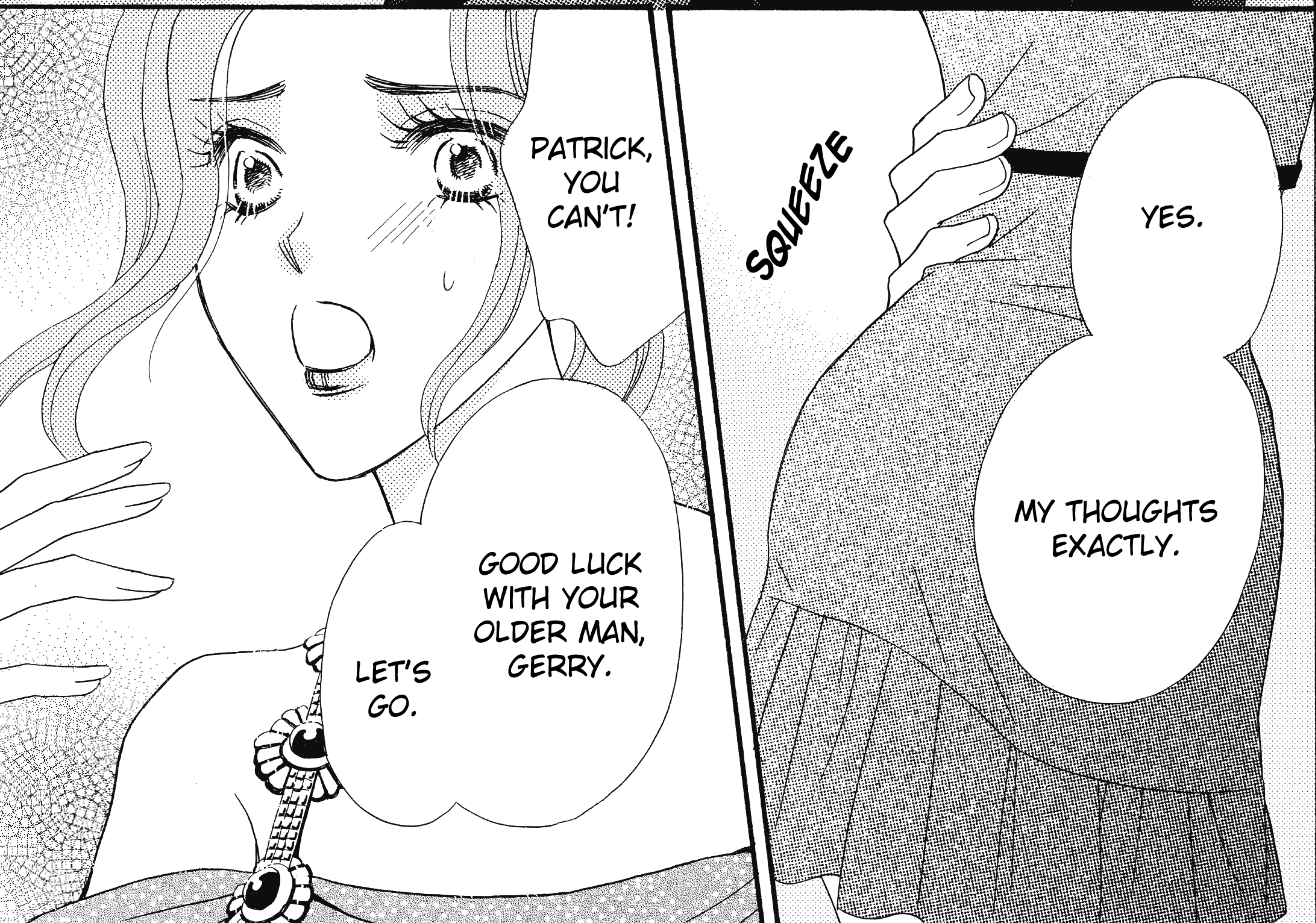
YOU KNOW
HOW I HATE
PARTIES.



HOW COULD
SHE FOOL
AROUND WITH
MY DAD WHILE
KEEPING SUCH
A HANDSOME
MAN FOR
HERSELF?

THAT'S
RIGHT.

IN FACT, WE WERE
JUST ABOUT TO
LEAVE.



PATRICK,
YOU
CAN'T!

GOOD LUCK
WITH YOUR
OLDER MAN,
GERRY.

LET'S
GO.

SQUEEZE

YES.

MY THOUGHTS
EXACTLY.

YES.

WHY
NOT BE
A NUISANCE...

...TO BOTH DAD
AND GERRY!

LILLI!

DON'T DO
SOMETHING
YOU'LL
REGRET!

SO,
MY PRIN-
CESS...

...WHERE
SHALL WE
GO?

