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Chapter 1531

Sherry furrowed her brows. "What are you trying to do?"

John took off his jacket and shoes. He sat down on the other side of the bed and picked up a book to read.

Sherry blushed. Her eyes flickered.

John's silence clearly stated that she was overthinking.

A while later, Sherry's eyes closed and she dozed off. When she woke up, the sky was still dark, but she was alone in the room.

John and Caprice were gone.

She got up and went outside.

Then, she saw John and Caprice sitting on the couch in the living room. John was sipping on tea while Caprice's chubby body leaned on him.

The girl was holding his phone while having a video call with Liam, who had just gotten home, with a wide grin.

screen and then said, "Liam,

pursed his lips. "Bye."

call ended.

widened as she returned

he pocketed his phone, Sherry came over and carried the little girl into

did you talk

What did the little couple talk about that

that the man's rich voice spoke, "They video-called

even more

Ten things?

at him. "How

curved his lips.

momentarily before she continued, "Well, what are the ten

questions about dinner, how she was doing, and so on. Then,

Sherry was baffled.

topics last for ten minutes and

Chapter 1532

Caprice answered in her adorable voice, "Grandma."

Sherry smiled. "It's been days since you last see her. Do you miss her?"

Caprice honestly shook her head.

Sherry's lips twitched helplessly momentarily. "But Grandma misses you. Why don't you go in and visit her?"

Caprice hesitated for a moment before he said, "Okay."

Sherry put her down and added, "Caprice, go have dinner with Grandma. When you're done, Mommy will come to pick you up."

Caprice furrowed her brows. "Mommy is not going in together with me?"

"I have something else to do, so I can't go in with you. Go on, Grandma is going to be really happy when she sees you," Sherry said as she stroked the girl's head.

Caprice pursed her lips. "Mm-hmm..." She moved her tiny legs and slowly waddled inside.

Sherry hid behind the gate and watched the girl go in.

steps later, one of the older servants who served Madam Stockton came running out. A closer look later, the servant screamed excitedly

the living room. The moment she saw Caprice, her eyes gleamed. She discarded her elegance and ran towards the girl to hold

Stockton then went inside with the servant while

the scene and then

afternoon, she spotted the old lady hiding behind the wall just to have a

lady resented her but liked

strange

the couch. She ordered the servant, "Go prepare Caprice's favorite

went off

brightly and said, "Caprice, why did you come here alone? Did you miss Grandma?"

shook her head.

did

me here. She said Grandma misses me, so

froze and

Fowler brought

decided to hide behind the door to see what she was up to. She did not expect that Sherry would send Caprice here just to visit Madam Stockton. Had she not seen it herself, she would never have believed it

Sherry would bring Caprice here just to accompany her. She asked the servant again, "Did she really say

nodded. "Yes,

Chapter 1533

Her concerned expression was immediately replaced by a delightful smile.

She hugged Caprice and pointed at the table with toys and snacks. "Caprice, which snack do you want? Or which toy do you want to play with?"

Caprice shook her head.

"You don't want to play or eat?"

Caprice nodded and hummed a reply.

"Then, tell me what you want. Even if you want the stars from the sky, I'll get you one right away!"

Caprice opened her mouth. "I'm hungry. I want to eat."

Madam Stockton choked for a moment before she burst out in laughter. This would be the first in many days since she felt this happy.

The servant also smiled when she saw Madam Stockton laugh. "I'll tell the kitchen to serve dinner right away."

"Tell them to prepare Caprice's favorite."

"I understand."

her hands as she returned to her own place.

couch when she came in, and when he noticed Caprice was

"At your mother's."

was slightly surprised. He asked with a smile, "How did she end

averted his gaze and explained, "She said she missed her Grandma, so

servant was

the table and was ready to dig in.

opposite her. He stared at her with his sharp gaze and asked, "Is it true that she missed her

else why would I send her

"Haha."

you

think that, as a father, I don't

his eyes and lips

eyes flickered. She did not

her. "Be honest. Why did

the man had already seen through her disguise, there was nothing else to

behind the wall when we came

Chapter 1534

Madam Stockton held Caprice in her arms by the table and fed the girl herself.

The girl was not picky but was a slow eater. Though the slower she ate, the more time Madam Stockton could spend with her.

Caprice's adorable look when she chewed melted the old lady's heart and made her grin widen.

It was then that Julie came in. She wanted to have dinner with Madam Stockton and checked on her condition.

Given her understanding of Madam Stockton, the old lady must be sulking and refusing to have dinner. Maybe with a little more push, she could urge the old lady to think of a way to chase Sherry out of the house tonight.

She came in with a grin, but when she heard Madam Stockton speaking happily and gently, she was stunned.

"Good girl, Caprice. Here, have more."

Julie's expression froze when she saw Caprice in Madam Stockton's arms.

is the girl here alone?! Why did

Madam Stockton noticed her. Madam Stockton waved and said, "Julie, come.

went over. She asked, "Mother, why is Caprice here? Did John bring her here?"

shifted. "It wasn't

"Then, who?"

knew it was Sherry, but she refused to accept the fact. "Caprice missed me, so she

her? Though it sounded absurd, it was the only explanation if John

later, Julie decided to

Caprice came over to see told the servant to inform him." with an excuse and continued mouth, ate the food, chewed, and swallowed Stockton was said, "Mother, why don't you have dinner ahead." She had pursed her lips. Chapter 1535

Sherry rolled her sleeves up and went out of the house.

A while later, she arrived at Madam Stockton's front yard. The gate remained open, but there was no one in sight, so she took the liberty to go up to the front door.

She saw Madam Stockton happily feeding Caprice fruits. The girl basically ate everything her grandmother put in her mouth, and she looked adorable.

Julie was also sitting opposite them.

When the maid noticed Sherry's arrival, she told Madam Stockton, "Madam, Ms. Fowler is here."

Both Madam Stockton and Julie turned to Sherry together.

Caprice also saw her mother. Her eyes gleamed. She stopped eating and said, " Mommy..." Her tiny chubby hands reached out to Sherry, seemingly asking for a hug. Madam Stockton's expression turned grim, and her brows furrowed.

Julie caught her change in expression and her eyes flickered. She then smiled at Sherry and said, "Ms. Fowler, Caprice isn't done eating. Why don't you let her finish the fruits?"

done," Caprice said without a

Julie's smile froze.

said to Madam Stockton, "Madam

Stockton gave her the cold shoulder and silent treatment, but she released the girl from her

her arms. The girl leaned on her mother's shoulder and curled her

don't you leave her here for a

Sherry frowned.

sake? Why?

that if she insisted on taking Caprice away,

and also Madam

Her lips twitched helplessly. Just when she was arranging her words to retort, Madam Stockton said, " Caprice already

grumpy look, Madam Stockton's tone sounded rather gentle. Sherry was surprised

Sherry regained her composure. She said to Caprice, "Caprice, say goodbye

said,

smiled gently. "See you,

Chapter 1536

The old maid nodded. "She does seem a little strange to me."

Madam Stockton enquired further, "Can you tell me what you saw?"

"If I do, please don't get angry at me."

"Oh, don't worry about inconsequential things like that. Just get it over with," Madam Stockton pressed her on.

The old maid uttered discreetly, "What Ms. Weiss said to Ms. Sherry just now sounded like a threat no matter how you put it. If Ms. Sherry doesn't do as Ms. Weiss says, would it be seen as a sign of disrespect? In the same vein, would it be seen as opposing your authority as well?"

Madam Stockton seemed very intrigued by this. "You make a good point. Julie said something very interesting back there, and it took me a moment to fully understand what she was trying to imply."

"It was a good thing you stepped in back there. Judging by Mrs. Sherry's temper, it wouldn't surprise me if she made the situation worse."

Madam Stockton almost seemed offended by this remark. "I only did that so my granddaughter can get some rest. I wasn't trying to help her at all."

The old maid smiled and answered flatteringly, "I see, I see. I understand."

"Forget the flattery. Tell me what else you have noticed."

the maid continued, "What really confuses me now is Ms. Weiss's behavior. She usually tries to play the good mediator between you and Ms. Sherry, but why was she

Stockton frowned and remarked, "Maybe she only said all those things because she was just trying to help me and get Caprice to stay behind."

maid sighed. "Let's hope that's

balled

What went wrong?

woman suddenly defending Sherry? How did this happen?

merely because Caprice wanted to

a good mood back there because she had a chance to enjoy a meal with Caprice? Was that why she decided to go easy on Sherry this

and the more she thought about it, the angrier she became. She cursed out

Sherry and John's, as soon as Sherry brought Caprice into the living room, the girl stretched her tiny arms as far

voice was like

right to blame Caprice for being attached to her father. She swallowed

and approached Caprice, immediately taking

into his neck and wrapped herself around

Sherry grimaced.

noticed Sherry's reaction. Then, he turned to Caprice and asked tenderly," What's wrong? Did you miss your

"Uh-huh."

Daddy or Mommy more?"

Chapter 1537

They bumped into Queenie on the way out.

Upon being told that they were going shopping, Queenie immediately volunteered to join them.

Since it would be rude to not take her along, Sherry obliged.

They arrived at a famous shopping district in Glanchester. Sherry brought her card with her and braced herself for a wild shopping spree with Caprice.

They bought clothes, jewelry, and all sorts of toys that Caprice liked.

Queenie was a shopaholic herself as well.

They were not done with shopping even when it was past noon, but the car was already loaded to the brim with their hauls for the day.

Finally, they decided they had enough and went home.

On the way home, Caprice sat between Sherry and Queenie and was jovially fiddling with a new doll that Sherry had bought for her while munching on a pack of snacks. She seemed like the most satisfied out of the trio.

stopped at their residence, she was still nibbling on the same pack of snacks.

car was parked outside Sherry and John's

just gotten out of the car with Caprice in her arms when she saw Madam Stockton walking

snacks that she hardly noticed

here to see you. Say 'hello, Grandma.'

turned to Madam Stockton and greeted her,

her. "Hey!" After that, she directed her attention

down and gently nudged her forward. "Caprice, go play with your new toys with your grandma and aunt. Mommy

very well-mannered and

Caprice? She quickly took Caprice into her arms. "Little Caprice, come on,

took out the haul of new toys they bought for the little girl from the car and joined Madam Stockton with Caprice in the

the garden. She watched her daughter joyfully unpacking her fresh collection of toys.

Stockton and Queenie, she walked

to her room and turned

trait from one of her parents as she got bored with her toys very

played with it for a while. She

was at a loss by this point. She tried to salvage the situation by bringing Caprice's favorite excavator toy.

Chapter 1538

She approached Queenie and Madam Stockton.

Madam Stockton was focused solely on Caprice and did not acknowledge her. Julie turned to Queenie with a smile, "Queenie, didn't you just come back from shopping with Sherry? Why is it just you and Caprice? Where is Sherry?"

Queenie informed her, "Sherry said she has some work to do."

Julie had a strange reaction and commented, "What's the matter with her? How could she just leave Caprice behind?"

Queenie frowned. She felt that Julie was being unfair and immediately spoke up for Sherry, "What do you mean by that? She entrusted Caprice to me and Mother, didn't she?"

Madam Stockton seemed to have overheard what Julie said as well, which was evident by her darkening, expression.

Julie hurriedly explained, "No, I'm *not* saying that you two cannot take good care of Caprice. I just can't help but notice the difference between Sherry and John. John always keeps Caprice by his side at all times while Sherry seems like she doesn't mind letting her be on her own."

Queenie countered, "It's not like that. She knows that we miss Caprice as well, so she specifically made a point of letting us spend time with her."

Julie looked towards the garden. It seemed like Madam Stockton was not paying attention to what they were saying anymore and only had her eyes fixed on Caprice. Julie mumbled under her breath, "Wouldn't it be nice if that were the case?"

have a problem with Sherry," Queenie

seemed intimidated by this question.

looked like she was only paying attention to Caprice, but she was fully alert and listening in.

you asking this out of the blue? Did Sherry say something

was on her mind, "She never badmouthed you or anything like that. I only asked because what you just said

to salvage it, flashing the same smile as always. "It's not like that. You might have misunderstood. I just found it surprising that she would entrust Caprice to Mother because I thought there were some issues between them. Then, when you told me she specifically entrusted Caprice to you two I

situation very expertly.

smile, "Sister-in-law, Sherry is a good person. She has some problems here and there, but at the end of

the same way too, but I just thought it would be better

shot her a

with Sherry, which only generated the same sort of response from Sherry. If they wanted to fix things, it would require the same amount of effort from both sides, Madam Stockton had

Stockton would give her a stern scolding if she ever said it out loud.

her apprehension of continuing the discussion, Julie smiled faintly

looking at Caprice, but her mood

because Sherry did not respect

at this moment, but it was not because of

Chapter 1539

Julie greeted him warmly, "Welcome home, John."

John flashed a quick smile at her, then he walked past her and marched straight for Caprice.

"Daddy..." Caprice chirped and put her arms out toward him.

John obliged and took her into his arms. He looked around and asked, "Where's your Mommy?"

Julie informed, "Sherry said she has work to do."

Madam Stockton glanced at her.

Queenie spoke up, "Brother, we just got back from a shopping trip with Caprice. Sherry wanted to let Caprice spend more time with Mother, so she entrusted Caprice to us."

turned to

goodwill toward Sherry, but

me, so I'll

that, he

followed him into the

in the same spot. She wore a lingering look in her eyes as she watched Caprice being carried off.

sighed, and mumbled what sounded like a complaint, "It's still

the same way, but she was not going to hold it against her son and said, "He hasn't seen Caprice for

it off as a joke, "He barely has time to talk to his mother! He

grave when she heard this.

her eyes and asked, "Is there something wrong?

off. "No, nothing."

Julie followed her.

around briskly and waved her off. "Stop following

Chapter 1540

The old maid shifted with suspicion and asked in a low voice, "Has she been whispering many things in your ears since you were upset two days ago?" Madam Stockton seemed to have made the connection and was stunned.

The maid knew that Madam Stockton finally recognized what was happening at last. She sighed and expressed, "Madam, if my suspicions are correct, she is trying to drive a wedge between you and Ms. Sherry. She wants you two to claw at each other's throats."

Madam Stockton was puzzled by this. "Why is she doing that? I already dislike Sherry enough as is. I don't need her help to dislike her more."

Although it was true that things were becoming more amiable between her and Sherry over the last two days, she never said anything about completely opening herself up to Sherry either.

The old maid considered for a while then suggested, "Could she be doing this so you would be angered enough to try to drive Ms. Sherry out of the house?"

Madam Stockton was baffled by this suggestion.

She remained stunned for a long time, then she finally spoke, "That just might be it. Why else would she say all those things about Sherry otherwise?"

The maid sighed. "It seems like she's very good at keeping up appearances but must have it out for Ms. Sherry deep inside."

"Sherry never did anything to get on her nerves, so why would she do this?" Madam Stockton was puzzled.

The maid thought for a long time. At last, she spoke, "I think she's worried about Ms. Sherry growing on you given the time. She's the wife of the young master and that automatically places her in a higher position. If you've come to acknowledge her place in the family, that would easily make her the cadet of the family. If I had to guess, Ms. Weiss is worried about her position. It's a power struggle all the way through."

saying that she's worried about Sherry taking

"I suppose so."

never thought Julie to be the scheming

be installed as the lady of the family, it

the second lady of the family would

Sherry would do

short meeting and was now working on

her fingers dancing over the keyboard rhythmically. She was deeply focused.

it had become dark outside that she finally finalized the said documents. She went through it again to check for mistakes and only sent it

slumped over and breathed a sigh of relief. She planned to look for Caprice

soon as she swung around, she saw a familiar figure standing by the

leaning gracefully against the door frame, his arms perched across his chest as usual. She

aback. "When did you get home?"

"Half an

an hour ago?

asked, "Why didn't

"What, like you'd be able to set your work aside even if I

"Well, that's true."