

Master Odell 1601

Chapter 1601

Sherry grimaced.

Perhaps there was truly no salvaging their relationship this time around.

After half an hour on the highway, a silver car turned into a familiar intersection that led it back to the Stockton Villa.

After a while, it stopped in front of the courtyard.

John stepped out of the car and walked into the courtyard.

Before he even managed to step into the living room, a tiny figure hopped like a rabbit toward him.

“Daddy!” Caprice pounced into his arms.

John reacted quickly and immediately carried her into his arms.

Caprice was all over John in an instant as she touched his face and burrowed her face into his neck. She missed her father.

John immediately felt a sense of relief, his gloomy mood was alleviated.

and joined them. She smiled kindly and greeted John warmly, “Welcome
get her to

for taking care of Carrie

“No, don’t worry about it, I’m more than happy

should go back and catch up on

to come back so she could get some rest as well.” With that, she walked out of the house

eyed her briefly, then he carried Caprice back to

finally getting

going to come home after

Rescue?

he immediately asked, “Rescue? Who did Mommy

asked Uncle Brandon to stop the car and rushed out of the car with a can of water to put out the giant
fire.” John pondered about this and asked again, “What happened after

continued chirping, “I saw Mommy drag two people out of the car. After that Uncle Brandon

John grimaced.

told him. She mentioned regretting what she had done after their phone call and how she was going to

mother's car on fire while she was on

that all of this would never have happened if not for her running off, prompting Madam Stockton to chase

some urgent business to deal

Chapter 1602

Something shifted in Emerence's expression briefly, she smiled and replied, "Thanks for your concern, Madam, but I've already slept a bit just now. I'm not tired."

"Alright." Julie approached the bed without another word.

She did not bother the unconscious Madam Stockton and went to Queenie instead. She gently patted her on the shoulder.

Queenie woke up easily and looked at her with a dazed expression. "Julie? Why are you here?"

Julie spoke softly, "Hey, Queenie, why don't I watch over her tonight instead? You need to go home and get some proper rest. You can come back tomorrow."

Queenie rubbed her sleepy eyes. "No need for that, I'll just stay here and be with her. Thanks for the offer though, you can go back if you want to."

"I'll take care of her, don't worry about it."

Queenie smiled. "I know you're trying to help, but I don't want to leave her right now, I just want to stay by her side. Besides, I'm sure there are many things you have to deal with at home. Why don't you go back?"

Julie hesitated.

Emerence suddenly chimed in. "Second Madam, I think the lady is right. We need someone at home to keep an eye on things now that Madam Stockton isn't around at home. We'll stay over here and keep watch."

Julie gave in. "Alright."

of food she brought with her and offered it to them. "Here you go, I brought some supper

Queenie thanked her sincerely and added, "You should go home,

take care of

bodyguard was posted by the

turned to the bodyguard and thanked him, "Thank you for

"I'm just doing my

me."

then. Make sure you keep a good eye on them. Queenie can be a little inattentive sometimes. If Madam Stockton exhibits any signs of movement,

be a rather odd request. What sort of

his thoughts

Julie went

collision with the driver. She did not expect her to

as dead. Still, it was better to be cautious and on the lookout

Inside the ward.

left, Queenie no

to her as eating felt like a task and she did so numbly. Every time she looked at her mother

to console her. "Queenie,

Chapter 1603

Queenie frowned. She was not ready to forgive Sherry just yet. "It's still on her. Even if she did reset her actions and decided to come back, none of this would've happened if she didn't try to take Caprice away in the first place."

Emerence considered this, then she stated, "Based on that rhetoric, I'd say that the Second Madam is to be blamed as well."

"Julie? What makes you say so?"

Emerence expressed with a stout expression, "She was the one who first spotted Sherry taking Caprice away. If she hadn't been in such a rush in informing Madam Stockton of that, then the Madam wouldn't have been as frantic as she had been in trying to rescue Caprice."

Queenie defended Julie. "Julie was only trying to be helpful, she was worried about Caprice."

"Yes, I suppose you're right." Emerence did not try to correct Queenie, but she still held her suspicions.

She believed there was more than met the eye.

Queenie was too naive and trusted Julie too much. Nothing would convince her of Julie's involvement in all this.

As expected, Queenie began to point out more evidence justifying her stance. Besides, it's been a day already and Sherry hasn't even shown up to visit my mother. How could she be so cruel?"

was rushing here this morning, I happened to see her stepping into a car,

and snapped. "Stop trying to defend her! She's evil! She was the one who put my mother in this hospital bed!"

point in counting their discussion. "Alright, I'll just keep quiet

up feeling
that it felt like there was a cramp in her stomach, she was doubling over
yet risen, the sky
bodyguards
milk on the side. The food was laid out across the table.
table and
at her stomach and snuck up to them like a
could, she slowly inched toward the table
grabbed a piece of
Everyone at the table soon noticed as well and turned their
with shock. She seized the bun faster than they could react.
from her and immediately stuffed the entire
were struck speechless

Chapter 1604

Although the interior of the house was coated in dust, having been inhabited for years, the furniture and electrical appliances were all in fine condition.

She only realized that when she bumped into a light switch after John left last night.

After she finished her stolen buns, she went to the kitchen and found an electric kettle. She made sure to wash it several times before using it to boil some water to drink.

After having eaten and drank, she felt much better. Her strength was restored at last. That was when she began to miss Caprice.

It had been a full day since her absence. She wondered if her daughter was missing her.

At John's.

He opened his eyes before dawn even broke.

He was going to head straight to the hospital.

He took a quick shower and as soon as he stepped out of the shower, he saw Caprice sitting up in the center of the bed and staring at him with her large and pearly eyes that she inherited from her mother.

She seemed to be slightly perturbed as if there was something deeply bothering her.

she saw John, she glowed up and cried out in a sweet, angelic

stretched her arms out toward John and demanded

softened. He stepped toward the bed and took her into

felt safe in his arms and burrowed herself into his neck as usual, it was

why are you

It was only at this point that John

and immediately reassured her. "Caprice, you'll forever be Daddy's sweetheart. There's

and asked, "What about

a double take, he said quite unconvincingly, "Mommy won't abandon you too."

did seem quite

go to

with Daddy, I don't want Aunt Julie." She protested and wrapped her arms tightly around John's neck.

at her, slightly troubled. "But Daddy has to go

would not give up easily. "I want to go

this

breakfast, they went out of the courtyard just in

company today, so she was quite surprised when she saw both Caprice and John stepping out

Caprice wants to follow me. I'll take her to the hospital to see Mom, I won't have to trouble

anything to do today anyway, why don't I go to

Chapter 1605

Just wait, you brat.

After she managed to sink her claws into John, she would show the brat who was boss.

She held firmly to this future prospect and managed to maintain her cool that way.

She wore the same benign smile.

Caprice eyed her several more times after that, then she sank back into John's shoulder and caught some shuteye.

The car was heading toward Glanchester Hospital.

When they were about halfway there, a phone rang.

John reached for the phone in his pocket.

The moment he saw who the caller was, he tensed up. Slowly but calmly, he put the phone to his ear.

While doing so, he made sure Caprice continued laying on his other shoulder so she would not overhear the conversation on the phone.

It was one of the members of his trusted security team calling. An elaborate report was given to him, relaying what happened earlier in the morning when Sherry had stolen two pieces of buns from them while they were not paying attention. He was informed that Sherry had boiled herself some hot water to drink and that she was now lying idly on the couch.

made no

asked, "Master Stockton, she hasn't eaten anything since yesterday. Should we order some

asked in a sharp voice, "She stole some buns

bodyguard caught on and replied, "Understood, sir."

hung up and went back to coddling

of affection in John's eyes when he was on the

pieces of buns must

still had no clue where he had Sherry taken to, but judging by how she had to steal buns, she wagered that Sherry was

would be willing to cast her away for good this time.

the villa in the middle of the forest somewhere in

was bored out of her mind

of work, the kitchen and living room were finally in a presentable condition.

machine and had them dried using a

dust in the house, the place was clean and

room with warmth. The place suddenly felt

had

a beast by the time

saw a car arriving outside. It was someone bringing

a small table

chops, and chicken drumsticks inside the

Chapter 1606

When John arrived at the hospital with Caprice, the nurses were just changing out Madam Stockton's saline IV drip.

Queenie stood guard by the bed. There were dark and heavy circles under her eyes.

Emerence was there as well.

They rose to greet John and Caprice when they entered.

John held Caprice tightly in his arms with Julie trailing behind them.

He turned to Queenie. "Thanks for the hard work, go home and get some rest."

Queenie did not protest this time. "Alright."

"Queenie, Aunt Emerence, I brought you two some breakfast, eat before you leave." Julie set down a container filled with food on a table set on the other side of the room.

Queenie nodded weakly and walked to the table with Emerence.

Meanwhile, John took Carrie with her to the hospital bed to look at Madam Stockton. The old madam's eyes were closed and it seemed like she was sleeping peacefully.

Caprice asked out of genuine curiosity, "Dad, why is Grandma still sleeping? The sun is already up."

very innocent and did not

John frowned.

of the room, Queenie who was just about to

lost her appetite as well and

how upset they had become. Before John could come up with a proper response, Julie told the child, "Caprice, your grandma is very sick and since she's older, she needs more time to

"Oh, I see."

was appeased, she did not pester them

you want me to take you somewhere to

head, then sank back

go anywhere, she wanted to be with her

was slightly saddened by this.

will be sticking with me, don't worry about

and went to sit

looked and did her best to console her

the only sound echoing

was nighttime.

Glanchester Hospital.

left around the afternoon to head back to his office. As

the hospital with Caprice.

was getting

Chapter 1607

The head bodyguard was calling to report on what Sherry had been up to at the house all day. After he finished relaying the report, he asked in a slightly concerned voice, "Master Stockton, she seems to be starving. Would you like us to give her something to eat?"

"Hasn't she been drinking water?"

The bodyguard stated cautiously, "Yes, but surely water isn't as filling as food."

John darted a glance at the slumbering Madam Stockton, a harsh glare appeared in his eyes as he remarked, "She's not going to starve to death just because she hasn't eaten for a day."

The head bodyguard knew better than to debate the matter so he brought up another concern of his. "One more thing, sir. She has a burn on her arm which I think is quite serious. Should we have someone dress her wound?"

"It's alright, it's not going to kill her," he said without a tint of affection.

The head bodyguard had nothing to say to this.

With that, John hung up.

On the other side of the ward, Julie, who was seated on the couch the entire time, heard what John had said on the phone and was very pleased with what she heard, though she did not let it show.

Something suddenly came to her. She rose and approached John and asked in an unassuming manner, "I haven't seen Sherry since she left the hospital yesterday. Did you have her locked up somewhere?"

John scowled and answered crossly, "Yeah."

remarked in a low voice so as to not upset him, "John, can't even though Mom ended up in this state because of

Forgive her?

at all and declared sharply, "She might have been Caprice's mother at one point, but after all that's patience was at its end. He no longer had any room for affection for Sherry

he held nothing but hatred for her. This was the

mother were to miraculously wake up at one point, otherwise,

of Sherry's name. He was trembling with rage at this point. Likewise, she was trembling as well, but not for the same reason as John. She was trembling with joy

this be it? Was he going to drive Sherry to her

I'm to blame for what happened to Mom as well. I shouldn't have gone to her in such a hurry and told her what I saw back then. If I hadn't told her, she wouldn't be so nervous and frantic in trying to rescue Caprice. I feel like I'm just

as she expressed her remorse.

you that this has nothing to do with

have let Mom go!" Julie cried out, her emotions spilled over and she burst out

Tears fell endlessly.

I ever blamed you. I'm fully aware that you're not the one who put

away her tears and whimpered. "I'm sorry, I didn't want to feel this way either, but every time I see her

a warm glow appeared in his eyes. "Don't cry, come on, you've been here all day, you

she was told and quietly slipped away back

ward fell

with a

Chapter 1608

Julie warily watched John from a safe distance. After a while, his eyes remained closed and it did not seem like he had woken up. She heaved a sigh of relief and retreated to the couch with a faint smile hung on her lips.

She threw on a blanket and planned to nap for a while. When she lay down on the couch and kicked her legs out to the other edge of the couch, her feet brushed against something. It was Caprice.

Caprice was sprawled out over the other edge of the couch, sleeping soundly and comfortably.

Julie scowled at the mere sight of the child as she deliberately kicked her legs out again and jabbed at Caprice with the soles of her feet.

She made sure to temper her strength at just the right amount so Caprice would not wake up.

She was not going to hurt the child, she was merely doing it for her satisfaction.

Caprice only groaned and mumbled in her sleep but did not wake up.

Julie chuckled.

'You little brat, just wait! I'll make your life miserable once you grow up!'

With that, she shut her eyes and got some sleep.

The night was tranquil and peaceful. After some time passed, a figure who had been spying on the room the entire time withdrew from the door and carefully shut the door close.

It was Emerence. She had been standing outside for several hours, keeping an eye on what had been going on inside.

long and deep sigh and tapped against her chest to calm her restlessness.

in the blink of an eye.

remained jailed inside the house in the middle of the

on the couch just like she had done the

cars before returning

a bite of food. The only thing that

more water, she went back to lie on the

living room was clean and cozy, but no matter how much she tossed and turned around on

She was hungry.

Terribly hungry.

even if it was bread with mold on it!

to irritate her as

region which made her

rolled around.

yard outside, someone was delivering food to the bodyguards again. Sherry gathered what strength she had left and dragged her feet outside.

had to get her hands on some food!

out of nowhere and seized her. She had no strength to fight them

Bang!

door was

proceeded to eat

the door and pleaded stubbornly, "Hey, could you guys please give me some food?"

was completely ignored.

hunger was draining her willpower at this point, she whimpered

Chapter 1609

It was only after she had wolfed down whatever leftover there was that one of the bodyguards approached her. "Stop eating, please go back inside."

Sherry grabbed several more crumbs of rice before reluctantly shuffling back into the house.

She licked every single crumb of rice off of her finger, making sure not even a single one of them went to waste. She chewed them thoroughly and savored their taste.

At least she finally had something to fill her stomach with.

She drank two more cups of hot, boiling water before she slumped on the couch again, this time with a book to read.

She found the book in the study upstairs, this was her only way to pass time.

Now that she had taken care of her hunger, there was still the wound on her arm to worry about. It was itching badly and distracting her, she eventually threw the book aside, feeling greatly irritated.

She rolled around the couch, unable to find anything to alleviate her condition.

Her physical discomfort was the least of her concern as she could not stop thinking about Caprice. Furthermore, her mind replayed montages of her pulling Madam Stockton out of the burning car as well as when John had tried to strangle her that night.

She continued letting these thoughts hound her until at one point, she fell asleep. Around this point, one of the bodyguard's phones rang.

It was John calling.

The bodyguard promptly answered the call and greeted John cordially, "Yes, Master Stockton."

was sharp and brutal. "How is she now? Has she starved to death yet?"

bodyguard stammered, "No-

sharply, "Is there something you're hiding from me?"

confessed," No- no sir.

"What's going on?"

rushed out

was a deathly silence on

while, John spoke, "And you guys let her eat?"

left. We were just stunned and didn't

If this happens again, all of you will

bodyguard sounded like a reprimanded child. "Yes sir. Understood."

John hung up.

sighed and proceeded to relay what John had told

expressed

seriously trying to starve Mrs.

she's Miss Caprice's mother at the

think, we better keep a close eye on
of them

Glanchester Hospital.

ray of sunlight spilled through the window into the ward and beat against
next to the couch and watched

Chapter 1610

Two more days passed in the blink of an eye.

Inside the house nestled deep within the rural area.

Sherry was so hungry that she felt like she was a walking skeleton by this point. She collapsed onto the couch and could barely move her limbs.

For two whole days, she had not ingested anything except for water.

John must have ordered the bodyguards to starve her to death, she was sure of it. Ever since the incident two days ago, they had taken special attention to properly discarding all the leftovers after they ate so there was no chance she could steal anything to eat.

A glimpse of sunlight spilled into the living room from between the cracks of the curtain.

Sherry opened her eyes, feeble and weak.

Hungry.

So hungry.

At this rate, even if she did not starve to death, she was going to lose her sanity.

No, she could not let herself waste away like this.

She had to pull herself together, she had to find a way out of here!

glow shone in her eyes. She rose and walked out of

like spring was approaching. Even though there was still a chill in the air,

tiny sprouts, then she touched them with her

she unearthed them, roots and all, then she tossed them into her mouth

and slightly gross since it was mixed with the

tasty, but she had to eat

the substance that could barely pass as food, then she plucked another sprout and ate it

way through this excruciating experience, she suddenly felt a movement in the air, someone was approaching. A large

seized with panic and

domineering. She could not make out this person's face from this angle but she could recognize those

was not a trace of warmth

handsome, but also exuded a threatening and repulsive aura.

and immediately jumped away

John stepped forward and approached

gave away and she fell and sat on the ground, planted in the soil. She continued nudging herself backward with her

she could

seized her in no time. He held her by her

him

starve to death

grass, her will for survival certainly deserved

still pieces of grass on Sherry's lips when she muttered weakly,

hearing of