

## **Master Odell 1921**

### Chapter 1921

John's study was inside another courtyard.

Caprice walked to the adjacent courtyard.

Upon her arrival, she noticed that the windows of the study were open. Her eyes shone. She quickly tiptoed to the window, careful to not make any noise.

She heard voices coming from inside the study.

"It's a very new project. If you're planning to expand its scope, why don't we work on it together? I just happen to be planning to expand into the Glanchester market."

It was Liam's voice. There was a gravitas in his voice that one usually would not expect coming from a person in his mid-twenties.

She could not resist the urge to poke her head through the window and steal a peek inside.

Liam and her father were seated on separate armchairs.

Her father was in the middle of taking a sip from a teacup. He started shifting some documents around on the table, and that was when he suddenly directed a piercing gaze in Caprice's direction.

quickly ducked away

the middle of her sudden jerk of movement, she accidentally bumped into

the pain, she groaned out loud.

he quickly rose and walked out

spot on her head with her fingers. The pain started to fade away

she noticed someone offering a hand to her

looked up with a blank and confused

part of her head while casting a displeased look into her

"I didn't mean

before asking.

it doesn't hurt anymore," Caprice answered with a childlike

to scowl at her and proceeded

her fingers over his face which was

something she had always wanted to do, and now she finally had a chance to.

briefly startled.

to pinch his cheeks.

Chapter 1922

Liam stopped.

Caprice jerked away and fell over, landing on the ground with a soft thud.

She saw her father standing in front of the window.

Her cheeks were burning. She covered her face with her hands and did not even bother to pick herself off the ground.

For the first time, she could spot a hint of nerves in Liam's usually cool and composed expression.

It went away as quickly as it came. After he recomposed himself, he went to Caprice and carried her in his arms.

He turned to John and spoke solemnly, "Uncle Stockton, Caprice hit her head. I'll carry her back to her room."

John cast a sharp look at him with a grunt, "Hm."

With that, Liam carried Caprice in his arms and started to walk away.

Once they were out of the courtyard, she removed her hands from her face. She instantly met Liam's eyes.

He was looking down at her. He must have seen how rattled she had become, but he wore a faint smile. It looked like he was holding back laughter.

in his

across the courtyard of

Liam brought her

very neat, and her room was well-decorated

stepping inside, Liam settled her on the couch.

up, then she felt a palm gripping her

over and brought his face within inches

she could react, he had planted his soft and luscious lips onto hers.

taste and spoke in between kisses, "Close your eyes."

alluring and seductive.

her

a while, filling each other with passion while maneuvering their heads and lips delicately around each

she began to feel up his body the

held his

from the couch as if she did not weigh anything at all. He

had become erratic at this point as he smothered

losing her mind and moaned softly.

seemed to have snapped Liam back to his senses. He suddenly let go of her. He pulled away from her and stared at her reddened cheeks, her quaint

excitement in his chest came surging back up again like a torrent. He pursed his lips tightly and promptly went

in passion, was confused by his sudden

Chapter 1923

Liam cast a blank look at her before taking the towel and drying his face with it.

Then, he gently ruffled her hair. "Did I scare you back there?"

Caprice shook her head. "No."

She was slightly startled, but not to the point of being scared.

Liam smiled faintly. "Sit down. Let me see your head."

Caprice did as she was told and sat down on a nearby chair.

He delicately parted her hair with his slender fingers and studiously inspected the spot where she had just bumped her head when she was lurking outside the study.

Caprice pursed her lips into a thin smile and told him, "Liam, I'm fine. It doesn't even hurt anymore."

He seemed relieved. "Yeah."

There was some slight redness, but there was no wound.

After watching him return to his usual demeanor, she asked, "What happened to you back there?"

he wanted to

just... a common reaction from a man."

a man? What

was left more

already walking away and seemed

stop probing him for answers.

and gestured. "Here, let me show you the garden in the back. It looks very pretty now because all

her

Time passed quickly.

a while when one of the housemaids had shown up and told

but to join them at the

a

John, Sherry, and Madam

spending time in the garden with Caprice, he had to answer two urgent calls. Something had

than to get in the way

car was parked in

and turned around to look at

nobody around, she

her hair. "I'll be going

raised herself on her tiptoes and pecked the corner

radiant smile. "Take care at home."

Chapter 1924

After a while, she received a response from Liam.

Instead of sending her a text, he gave her a video call.

Her eyes shone with joy as she promptly accepted the video call.

His charming and handsome face, which she had been missing for so long, showed up on the display.

She greeted him with a brilliant smile, "Hey, Liam, finished with work already?"

"Almost." Liam leaned against his chair and asked with a sparkle in his eyes, "What have you been up to today?"

"Same old, same old," she remarked, then added shyly, "And I've been thinking about you."

It was true-she had been thinking about him.

Something stirred in Liam's eyes, and a shadow of a smile surfaced on his lips. "I'll visit you in a few days"

was glad to

the voice of his assistant in the background. It sounded like the

you get

up late.” He hung up

put away her phone and

Her parents went to attend a certain event and were not home yet. Only Madam Stockton was at wandering over to Madam

was ecstatic to see her, especially at such a late hour. She waved her over. “Caprice. come over

Stockton began to ramble about all sorts of things. She talked about her recent interests, mixed with some candid gossip as well as recollections from the past.

of these

one ear and out the other, and she would nod

pinched her cheeks

was honest

pinched her cheeks again. “If you’re so bored, go to your parents and ask them to find something for you to do. You’re not a child anymore. It’s time for you

and Sherry, which made her the only successor in line to

laze around at home rather than

taking her grandmother’s advice lest she got subjected to more nagging. “I got it,

gladly and moved on to another subject.

Chapter 1925

John suddenly fell into a pensive silence, then he said curtly, “I’ll have one of my staff talk to you about it.”

“Alright.” After a momentary pause, Liam remarked, “Uncle Stockton, I have a certain candidate in mind that could handle the project for you.”

John asked suspiciously, “Who would that be?”

Liam proposed, “Caprice.”

John fell silent.

Meanwhile, Sherry who was seated in the car with him on their way back home noticed the queer expression on his face. She turned to him and asked perplexedly, “What happened?”

John grinned, seemingly amused by the suggestion. He gave Sherry a look to say that he would tell her about it after the call, then he answered Liam, “Sure.”

It was about time his daughter started getting involved with the family business.

He knew that Liam had certain ulterior purposes behind this suggestion, but it was a good chance for Caprice to pick up some experience nonetheless.

With that, he hung up.

Sherry cast a strange look at him. "What did Liam tell you?"

told her about the project Liam mentioned and about the boy's

"He must have figured that it's a good chance for him to meet Caprice

"Sneaky

to get involved with the family business, but the girl was too playful and had zero interest in such affairs. He

that she would refuse.

Caprice slept until

sweet time

dressed, she casually strolled to Madam

she met her

aren't you

usually not at home

and Sherry greeted her

on today," Sherry

waved Caprice over. "Caprice, sit with me. I have

Something important?

down

were her parents smiling suspiciously at her, but even her grandmother also wore the same knowing look

and she began to probe nervously, "What's going on? Tell me already!"

gadget I want to introduce into the Glanchester market with Liam, but my hands are full these days. I was wondering if you would help me take over this project

Chapter 1926

After breakfast, Caprice and John arrived at the Stockton Corporation headquarters.

John personally walked her into the department in charge of the project. He made sure to leave behind a message with the supervisor before leaving.

Soon, a personal desk was assigned to Caprice.

Seated to her left and right were two senior members of the team, and they were going to be her assistants going forward.

They were both in their thirties, one was a man named Logan, and the other a lady named Brianne. They seemed very friendly. It was only right that they would be very cordial with her. They were dealing with the future successor of the corporation after all.

Most of the preliminary details of the joint project with Carter Tech City had been worked out.

Brianne handed Caprice a stack of documents with the relevant information. Then, she went through everything along with Logan and made sure to highlight certain key phrases as well as some industry lingo that Caprice may be unfamiliar with.

After hearing their detailed presentation, Caprice briefly read through the documents again and caught up on the current status in no time.

Logan and Brianne stared at her expectantly.

When they failed to elicit a response from Caprice, Brianne asked cautiously, "Miss Stockton, is there anything you'd like us to clarify?"

assured them before adding, "No need to be so formal with me. Just address me by my name."

a moment before nodding reluctantly. "Alright."

call me

to Logan. "You

over the corporation, she was essentially a novice. Both Brianne and Logan were very

Logan seemed taken aback.

There was not a hint

with the documents for a moment before asking, "Brianne, Logan, is this the contact information

nodded

up the phone on the table. She dialed the number

Beep.

voice. "President Carter's office, may I know who I am

was Liam's

Stockton Corporation. I'd like to discuss the upcoming collaboration project with Li-

promptly informed, "Please wait a moment. I will transfer the call for

"Alright."

two beeps before the call was connected to Liam's office.

raspy voice

"Liam- I mean, President Carter, it's me. I'm here to talk to you about

stiffly, "Yeah,

Chapter 1927

"Alright, see you!"

Caprice smiled briskly before hanging up.

She then turned to Brianne. "Hey, Brianne, could you give me a rundown of the general procedures of a joint project?"

Although the joint project with Carter Tech City was in ways nothing more than a formality, she still wanted to make sure she took it seriously.

It turned out that things were more tedious than she expected, and many kinks needed to be worked out

Even before she got involved, the team had already gotten started on the preliminary stages in preparation for adopting Carter Tech City's new gadget into the market. When Liam arrived tomorrow, she would have to meet him with Brianne and Logan and have him sign the letter of intent, then they had to perform a site survey.

All in all, the preliminary process of the project would take at least a month.

The day passed in the blink of an eye.

By the time she finished sorting out the work for the day, it was already dark outside. The office was eerily silent at this hour of the day.

The employees seated across from her did not make a sound the entire time because they were hard at work.

turned around and looked behind

her father had shown up. He must

expected to see her lazing around but was pleasantly surprised to see that she was hard at

her with a smile, "Finished with

Caprice smiled. "Yeap."

go

"Okay"

sure to say goodbye to Brianne and Logan before

the car, she was

was surprised to see her here. "Mom,  
smile, "I had nothing to do and figured I'd come to see you."

the car jerked to motion.

"How was your

of Caprice and regarded

and said, "It went pretty

any problems?" Sherry asked in a

"No, at least, not yet."

Sherry smiled gladly.

Chapter 1928

It was a dreamless night.

Knowing that Liam would be coming, she woke up the next day before dawn even broke.

After she washed, she stayed inside the dressing area for a while and debated on what to wear. She ended up opting for a formal shirt paired with a fitted skirt with a coat thrown on top. She combed her hair neatly behind her ears.

With that, she walked out of the dressing area, ready for the day.

Brianne and Logan had already supplied the required documents to her. All she needed to do was to hand them over to Liam and brief him about the details.

At around ten, the receptionist informed her that Liam had arrived.

She rose immediately and went to the VIP room with Logan and Brianne.

The VIP room was on the second floor. They took the elevator, and it took five minutes for them to get there.

Upon opening the door, the bright, brilliant ceiling lights flashed in their face. They saw a man in a leather jacket seated on the couch.

Her eyes shone. Her first instinct was to call him by his name, but with Brianne, Logan, and Liam's crew in the room with them, she decided against it. She put on a serious expression and greeted him with a professional, polite smile, "Good afternoon, President Carter."

Liam had just taken a sip of water. Upon noticing Caprice dressed in her business attire coupled with the formal way in which she carried herself, he nearly spat out his drink.

to suppress a laugh, then he spoke, "Good to see you,

Caprice frowned.

Miss Stockton?

awkward way of  
swiped a look at him before taking her seat on the couch next to him. She began,  
a look at  
gave Brianne a  
and handed a copy to Liam. President Carter, here is  
doing so, scraped the tips of his fingers against the flesh of her hand. There  
heating up and had to still  
already reading the documents as if what happened  
merely  
quickly brushed it off and collected  
documents rather quickly and was finished in no time. After that, he set  
and turned to  
do you  
herself and formulated them with  
at  
a while before remarking, "It's fine,

#### Chapter 1929

Liam turned to Caprice with a faint smile.

"Miss Stockton, do you have anything you'd like to add?"

"No, that's all for now."

The proposal had been essentially rejected, and he had already laid out what to do next, thus there was nothing left for her to add. She sighed and got up, ready to leave.

"One second." Liam stopped her. She turned to him.

"Is there anything else you need, President Carter?"

"There is something else [ need to speak to you about in private," he remarked.

Caprice did not think much of it and promptly turned to Brianne and Logan.

"I'll talk to you two later."

With a firm nod, the two went outside.

Liam gave Mitch a look as well.

escorted the other two assistants out and excused  
gone, Caprice turned to face Liam again. She wondered what it  
of her, so he only needed to take a half step before he  
felt she was still slightly upset about what happened back there and  
gently cupped one side of her face and said softly, "You look very nice  
her cheeks growing hot, and her dark mood was thrown out the window  
as if hoping that  
a gentle smile and said,  
was very handsome whenever he put on that rare charming smile  
not seen him for several days and had to stifle the urge to throw  
chest. She pressed her face close to her chest and muttered affectionately,  
the back  
back there? It doesn't feel like you miss me when  
then she  
calling me Miss Stockton." Liam expressed, "Why wouldn't I address you as Miss Stockton when you  
started with addressing me as President  
in his chest again and yelled, "I don't care. It's your  
rejected  
her lack of experience, but it still did not sit  
gently caressed her and  
"Sorry, it's my fault."

## Chapter 1930

Fortunately, his movements were very gentle.  
Caprice quickly moved past the shock. She hugged him tightly and craned her head up. She responded to  
his passionate kisses with her own inexperienced kisses.  
At one point, he suddenly removed his lips from hers and pressed her head into his chest.  
Caprice clung to him like she was going to melt into him. She could not pry herself free and asked softly,  
"What's wrong?"  
Why did he suddenly stop kissing her? She was just getting in the mood.

Liam took a few deep breaths. He took his time getting the tempo of his breathing back to normal before he answered, "Nothing, I'm fine."

After a pause, he suddenly proposed, "Caprice, let's get engaged."

Caprice made a start, then she turned up to look at him. He had removed his palm from the back of her head at one point.

The moment she looked up, she stared into the glow in his eyes.

On the outside, he may look cool and imposing, but what was on the inside was a complete contrast — there was softness and tenderness.

That was enough to melt Caprice. She had feelings for him ever since she was a child.

He felt the same for her as well.

Since their feelings were mutual, there was no reason for them to not be together.

He smiled tenderly and answered, "Of

course, I've been silent for a moment as if he had

just taken her into his arms

before Caprice came out of the

messily

for the washroom with

times

feeling had not dissipated

stood up straight and observed her swollen lips in

scenes in the

ended up shoving Liam into the couch before falling onto him!

covered her face. She stayed in the washroom for a long time before finally

to start preparing for the site visit

back to the office

She worked until noon.

to a well-known restaurant

while before Liam showed up, followed by his assistant Mitch and two other members of

saw him, their interaction in the VIP room earlier today immediately began to play in her mind, and she could feel

wore a

from the one smothering her with passionate kisses

slightly

not seem to notice the look on her

a point of greeting her with

have