



Home

The Second



ARE YOU
SAKURAI-SAN?

UP UNTIL NOW,
HAVE I JUST
BEEN GIVEN
THE RUN
AROUND...?

YES.

WHY ARE
THE POLICE
HERE!?



WE'RE
PATROLLING
THE AREA, SO
IF YOU SEE
ANYTHING
SUSPICIOUS,
THEN PLEASE
LET US
KNOW.

YOU
MAY HAVE
HEARD ON
THE NEWS,
BUT...

WE'VE GOT
INFORMATION
THAT THE SUSPECT
IN THE RECENT
BOMBING IS
HIDING IN THE
AREA.


IS THAT
SO? I DON'T
HAVE A RADIO
OR A TV, SO
I HAVEN'T
HEARD ANY-
THING.

THE
STORIES
ARE STILL
PRETTY
VAGUE,
BUT...

WHO
SAW
ME!?







WHAT SHOULD WE DO? AT THIS RATE YOU'RE WONDERING WHEN THEY'RE GOING TO FIND YOU, RIGHT?

I WANT YOU TO TURN YOURSELF IN.



SAYING GOODBYE AGAIN IS LONELY, BUT...

IF THAT'S THE CASE THEN I THINK THAT SURRENDERING WILL LIGHTEN YOUR GUILT.



WE'VE MET BEFORE ON THIS STREET.

I REGRET THAT IT'S BEEN SO LONG, BUT...



YOU DON'T REMEMBER?



WHAT DO YOU MEAN, "AGAIN"?





WOAH!
THAT MAN
WITH THE HAT
IS REALLY
SUSPICIOUS.

YEAH.

ARE YOU
DRAWING THAT
FAR-AWAY
FOREST?



OKAY,
LET'S GO.

WHAT!?



AHHH! SO
ANNOYING!

IS THAT
KID STUPID!?

AREN'T YOU
CUTE! HOW
OLD ARE
YOU?



DO
YOUR TREES
MATCH THE
REAL THING?
WOULD YOU
LIKE TO TAKE
A CLOSER
LOOK?

IDIOT! AT
THIS HOUR
THERE ARE
KIDNAPPERS
AROUND.

This is
SO
suspicious...



thrust

HEY!
WAIT, YOU
BASTARD!!

RUSTLE

AAAH!!

HUU...

HUUN...





DON'T YOU HAVE ANY FRIENDS?



WHIMPER



OKAY!

AND FROM NOW ON, I'LL PLAY WITH YOU.

THEN I'LL WAIT FOR YOU BY THAT TREE OVER THERE,



GOING WITH THAT BASTARD WAS PRETTY STUPID.


IT'S NOTHING SERIOUS, SO DON'T CRY.

hiccup hiccup



THAT'S RIGHT. I REMEMBER NOW.

THEN LET'S SHAKE PINKIES ON IT.




SO ARE YOU SAYING THAT YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR ME EVER SINCE THAT DAY?

IN THE END, RIGHT AFTER THAT MY PARENTS GOT DIVORCED AND...

I LEFT THIS AREA. AFTER ALL OF THAT, I WAS UNABLE TO MEET AT THAT PLACE.



ARE YOU *STUPID*? YOU CAN'T BELIEVE PROMISES THAT CHILDREN MAKE!



YES. I OFTEN WENT AND STOOD AT THE BOTTOM OF THAT TREE.



BUT... YOU FULFILLED YOUR PROMISE AND CAME.

I KNOW
SO SHUT-UP
ALREADY.

SO
PLEASE,
TURN
YOUR-
SELF...

UNTIL THE
DAY YOU COME
BACK TO THIS
HOME.

I HAVE WAITED
FOURTEEN YEARS
AND TWO MONTHS.

~~I WILL
WAIT AGAIN...~~



PLEASE
RETURN
HERE
WITHOUT
FAIL.

YOU MUST!







SEE YOU.

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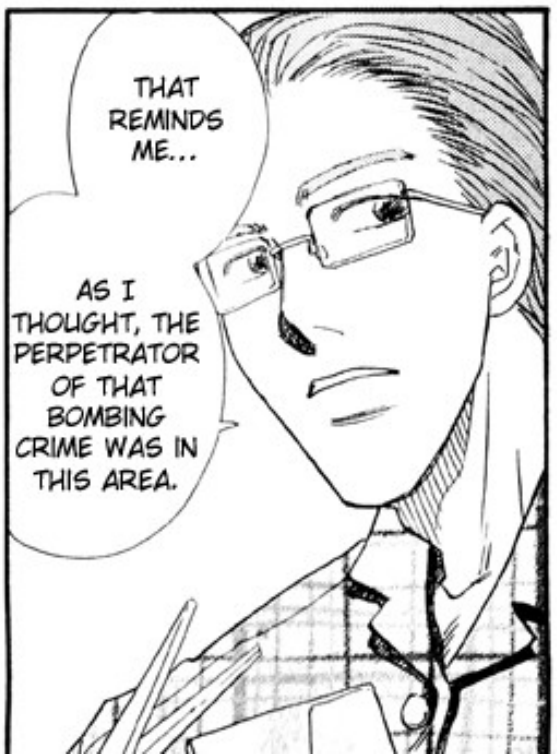
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WHAT A RELIEF THAT IS.

HE SURRENDERED TO THE POLICE NEAR HERE.

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THAT REMINDS ME...

AS I THOUGHT, THE PERPETRATOR OF THAT BOMBING CRIME WAS IN THIS AREA.



THE SENTENCE GIVEN IS SHORT. I HEARD IT WAS ONLY AROUND FIVE YEARS.

YES, BUT HIS INVOLVEMENT IN THE CASE WAS LIMITED.



IS THAT SO...



AFTER FIVE YEARS!?

FIVE YEARS...



IF I GET A REPLY IN RETURN, WOULD YOU PLEASE READ IT FOR ME?

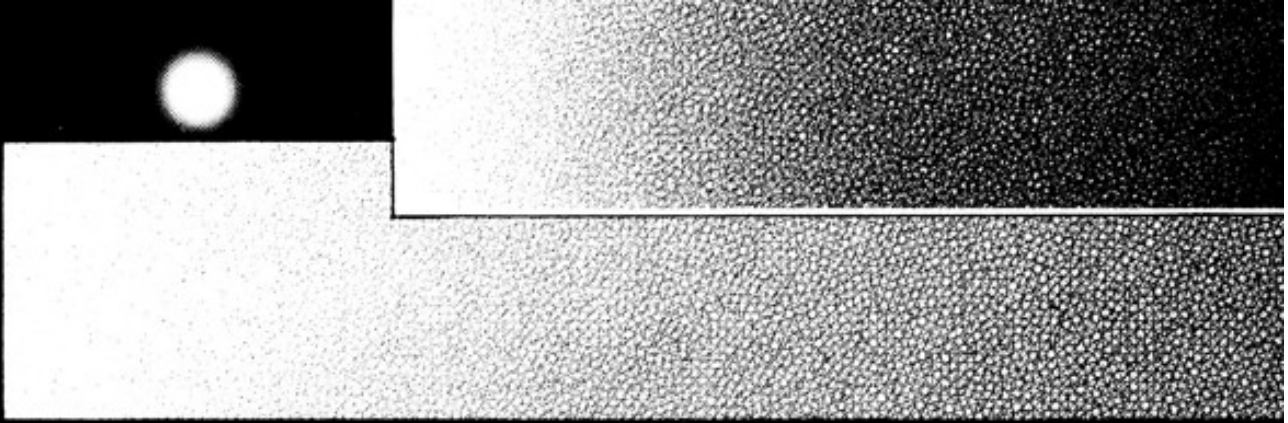
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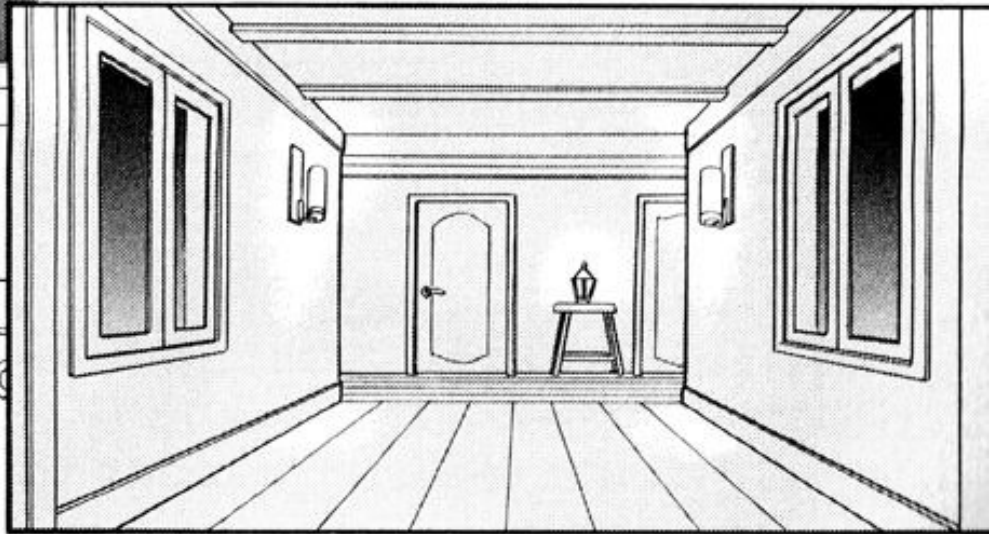


WHAT!?

Why!?

HIRANO-SAN. I THINK THAT I AM GOING TO WRITE THAT GENTLEMAN A LETTER.







SAME AS USUAL, WHAT AN UNSAFE HOUSE.

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HEY...





THE DOORS
ARE ALWAYS
PROPERLY
LOCKED.

clatter



WELCOME
HOME.



SOMEHOW,
I HAD A
PREMONITION
THAT YOU
WOULD RETURN
HOME TODAY
SO...

I LEFT
THE DOOR
UNLOCKED.

CLINK
CLINK



THIS IS THE
FIRST TIME THAT
I WAS RIGHT
IN GUESSING
WHEN YOU
WOULD COME.

AS ALWAYS,
THERE ARE
THESE STRANGE
FEELINGS...



I'M SO HAPPY
THAT YOU CAME BACK.



Why so
cheerful? ...

COMPARED TO
OUR PREVIOUS
DINNERS, DOES IT
FEEL LIKE THE
ATMOSPHERE
HAS CHANGED?



YOU MUST
BE HUNGRY.
LET'S EAT
DINNER.

CLATTER
CLATTER

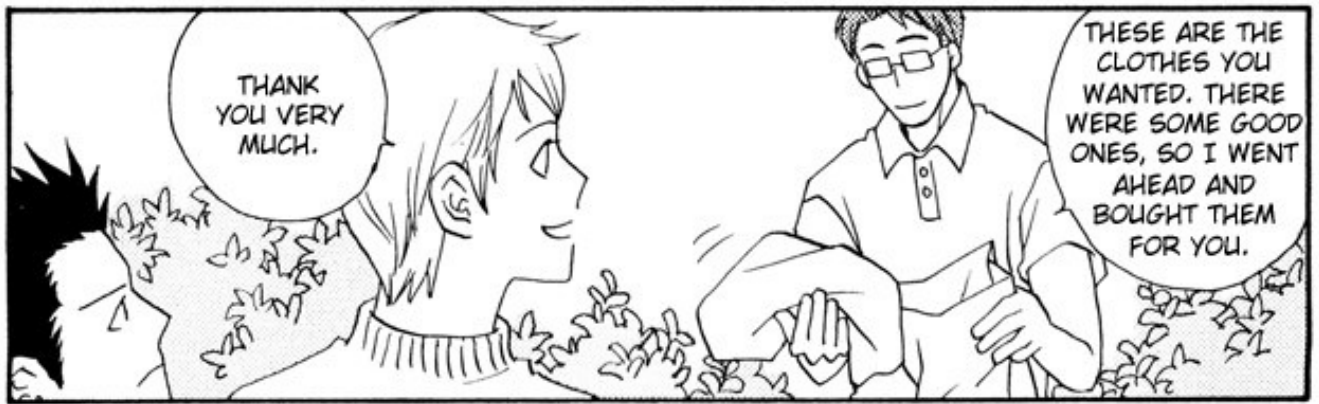
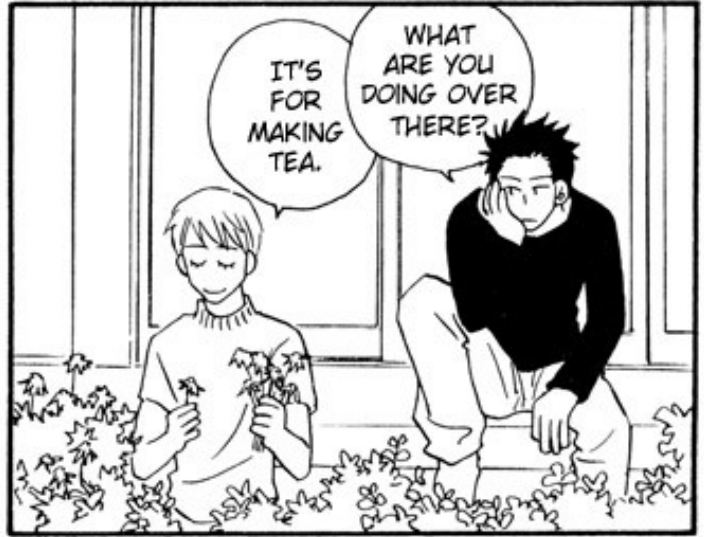


WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT?

DO YOU HAVE
SPECIAL POWERS
OR SOMETHING?

END

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The letters increased to a letter every three days.



Yellow Handkerchief Letter

END