



## "Burrowing under blankets..."

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How burrowing under blankets in the  
bedroom to which Heed <sup>had</sup> directed her,

Junior fought to <sup>sleep</sup> stay ~~we~~ to organize —  
assess what had happened.

She had eaten too much too quickly, <sup>as in</sup> like the  
first ~~early~~ days at Correctional before she learned  
how to make meals last. And, <sup>just as it was thick,</sup> ~~and~~ she

<sup>already</sup> was ready for more. Her burger had not

surprised her but its ~~prose~~ <sup>prose</sup> had. Watching

Christine, ~~the one who cooked~~ <sup>earlier in the kitchen</sup> cleaning

shrimp earlier had been faintly nauseating, but

she had ~~no trouble~~ <sup>no trouble</sup> ~~figuring out~~ <sup>figuring out</sup> that  
a woman <sup>who</sup> cooked with eight diamond  
rings on her fingers <sup>would enjoy and need</sup> ~~might need~~ <sup>flattery</sup>.

~~At a~~ <sup>light</sup> boot licking. ~~Minor order.~~

~~But~~ And although she had <sup>caught</sup> ~~understood~~  
~~immediately~~ <sup>at once</sup> Heed's pose — right away  
and knew it for a warden's <sup>righteous</sup> shield  
She knew also how to pierce it.

that <sup>up front</sup> ~~flinch~~ would scratch it

quickly  
understood  
that a bit  
of boot licking



But sleep - alone, in silence  
~~without~~ in total darkness - was  
too ~~good~~ delicious to fight ~~off~~.  
Tomorrow was time enough to <sup>reconsider</sup>  
the ~~good~~ bath ~~would~~ she craved  
had to be postponed. When <sup>the weather</sup> Fred  
suggested it was too nasty - and why  
not spend the night - Junior thought  
first of a solitary Proak - preferably  
in her underwear so skin and  
cotton ———.

But she heard <sup>the</sup> ~~bathtub~~ water running <sup>she heard</sup>  
above, <sup>redoubled</sup> ~~redoubled~~ the spigot in the  
bathroom working to a cough. She

~~rose~~ rummaged around in the  
Closet; found two <sup>untraveled</sup> ~~unwashed~~ looking  
panties - looked - sniffed them  
but nothing more. Yearning for  
another taste of —, she undressed,













