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Chapter 19: Andrea's Trap

Andrea, who was walking next to her, had a shadow on her face because she knew better than anyone that all those compliments were for Mariana instead of for her.

Even if someone were willing to mention it occasionally, they would only say that the dress she wore was beautifully designed and wonder which designer it came from.

-Mr. Durán.

Pedro, who had spoken to Leopoldo earlier about the contract, approached through the crowd and was about to open his mouth when he noticed Leopoldo gazing intently at the stage.

-Mr. Durán...

-Mr. Pedro, I don't want to talk about the contract right now," came a few cold words from his thin lips.

Mr. Pedro was a little surprised, but also discreetly closed his mouth.

Leopoldo narrowed his eyes and his deep gaze was fixed on the woman's perfect back until she slowly moved away.

His wife seemed different from anything he had known before. It seemed that it was necessary for him to examine her again.

By now, Mariana was about to walk to the end of the stage, while Andrea had fallen behind her at some point.

And just in the nick of time, the latter suddenly quickened her pace and walked straight past Mariana, the long hems of their dresses intertwined behind them.

Mariana looked back in shock without noticing the difference under her feet completely.

The next second, an accident suddenly occurred!

She stepped on the hem of Andrea's skirt, causing Andrea to fall to the floor with an exclamation.

In the panic, Mariana only felt a force come upon her and the image in front of her inverted and then fell weightlessly to the ground. With a "Boom", she felt a dense pain in her forehead.

It all happened so suddenly that by the time everyone reacted, Andrea was already sitting on the floor with a pained face covering her ankle.

Mariana, on the other hand, had collapsed on the floor.

-What's going on?

The staff and models who were making preparations at the exit were startled into immediate chaos.

Amidst the shouting, no one paid attention to the parade on stage anymore and everyone got up and headed for the stairs.

-Mr. Durán...

Peter looked to his side in surprise and was about to explain that it was just an accident and would not affect his cooperation, but who knew that the man next to him was already gone.

The launch originally with an excellent atmosphere turned into chaos, and even Mr. Raven was alarmed.

Amidst the disturbance, an upright figure avoided the onlookers around him and bent down to pick up Mariana.

-I'll take her to the hospital!

He left in a hurry a sentence and left with quick steps on his long legs.

-Leo! -Andrea called out to him painfully as she noticed that the situation was not going her way.

Leopoldo did not turn around and his face darkened even more.

-I sprained my foot, can you take me to the hospital? I'm in a lot of pain.

Andrea sat on the floor with red eyes and pitifully stretched out her hand to him. Such a tender and weak gesture, any man would hesitate to see it.

Leopoldo, however, did not stop at all and, seeing that Mariana's face was getting paler and paler, he quickened his pace!

Andrea's raised hand dropped helplessly. She watched with frozen body the man walk away as the mocking gazes around her landed on her indiscriminately.

Numerous people began to whisper in front of her.

-What the hell is going on here! Wasn't that Mr. Durán from Grupo Durán?

-It's him, but... I've always heard that he has an ambiguous relationship with Andrea, why did he take Mariana without looking back? This... they shouldn't be in that kind of relationship too, right?

-Who knows? There are always many stories in this business.

At this point, Andrea just felt like a loser who had been stripped naked.

Clutching her skirt tightly, she fixed her eyes full of resentment in the direction in which Leopold had gone, her lips almost bitten.

Mariana!

It was her again!