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Instantly, Matthew's expression went frigid and he spat, "Watch what you say, Grace! You can talk however you want to me, but don't ever involve my parents! You better listen carefully. No matter what, you should respect other people's parents. This is the basic quality of a human being!"

After being scolded by Matthew, Grace was frustrated. "How dare you speak about quality with me? Look at yourself! A live-in son-in-law who works in a hospital as a janitor. You're simply discrediting all of us just by attending this reunion party! Respect? Quality? Look at your stupid face. Can you bear it if I were to respect you?"

At this moment, Ed could no longer stand her. "Grace, y-you've gone too far. You've got no say in how other people live their lives. It's none of your business. How can you say that Matthew is embarrassing himself when he's working to support himself with his own labor? H-How can you say something like that?"

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"That can't be!"

"You're a chomp, Leo!"

"The great Leo!"

They were all cheering in high spirits while Leo was dumbfounded.

He was simply talking big earlier, but in reality, he and Leonno had only met once before.

At the time, he participated in a meeting in place of his uncle. A few minutes after Leonno arrived, she gave a speech then proceeded to leave.

As for her contact details, it was just her office number.

Moreover, he could only reach her secretary through that number. If it was unimportant, the call would not get transferred to Leonno.

In other words, she was unaware of his existence. Why would she pay the bill for him?

Nonetheless, he had come to this point, so he could only go with it shamelessly.

They were astonished. Grace was the first one to look at Leo. "Leo, did you pay beforehand? It's fine. We're going Dutch, so we'll transfer you the money. How much was the total?"

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He gently checked on the young woman's breathing and took a look into her eyes, then he nodded. "All good."

Leanna was astonished. "Is it done?"

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