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ADAM is taking down chairs off the bar tables.

The front door swings open, and COLIN walks in - dressed in a long dark trench coat. ADAM immediately stops what he's doing and rolls his eyes - he knows what's coming.

COLIN

Where did the summer go, eh? It feels like we had one nice week and then we're right back to this shit.

ADAM

(reluctant)

I bet you'll be off to somewhere nice soon enough though, won't 'ya?

COLIN

Are you trying to be funny?

ADAM

...No.

COLIN

In actual fact, me and the missus have just booked Marrakesh. It's in Turkey.

ADAM

Morocco.

COLIN

What?

ADAM

Marrakesh is in Morocco.

COLIN

...Okay, and I care why? It'll still be hot, won't it?

ADAM turns away and pulls down the next chair.

COLIN (CONT'D)

Now, as much as I enjoy chitchatting about my holidays, that's obviously not why I'm here.

ADAM

No? That is a shame.

COLIN walks over to ADAM, who in turn, reluctantly stops what he's doing.

COLIN

This morning I had the misfortune of being informed that you owe my boss in the region of five large, and you had until yesterday to pay. But seeing as I'm here, it appears you missed that deadline.

ADAM

(reluctant)

Okay, let me explain-

COLIN immediately sucker punches ADAM in the stomach - causing him to hunch over, gasping for breath.

COLIN

I don't care about your excuses, or the why haves and the why nots, but what I do care about is my job, and keeping it. Now, are you going to make this hard for me or can we switch to an friendlier gear?

COLIN pulls ADAM up so he can face him.

ADAM

I haven't got the money-

COLIN lands another right hook across ADAM's face - who falls against the table.

COLIN

That's not the correct answer, Adam.

ADAM pushes himself off the table.

ADAM

I did have it.

COLIN

Oh, and what happened? Misplaced it on your way over, did 'ya? Easily done, I suppose. I lost a grand in a sock once. Forgot I left it there, then it got washed. Devastated I was.

ADAM

My sister's husband laid heavy into her last week, so I gave it to her so she can start a new life.

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ADAM (CONT'D)

So, whatever it is you're going to do, go ahead and do it. I'm happy to live with the consequences.

COLIN

Nawh, isn't that a nice little story? You've got me all teary, look-

COLIN pretends to wipe away a tear.

COLIN (CONT'D)

But the boss doesn't like happy endings. Sorry, Adam. I'm gonna have to take a few of your fingers.

COLIN then pulls out a hammer and walks over to ADAM - grabs his hand and raises the hammer above his head.