

Jared couldn't believe Austin's words. "Why would your family be so willing to help me get the ten-thousand-year-old herb without requesting anything in return? Are you really that generous by doing this out of the goodness of your heart?" Jared looked incredulously at Austin.

"Mr. Chance, I would like to get closely acquainted with you. My intention is to gain your favor so that should our family ever find ourselves in need of assistance, you may be more likely to come to our aid," Austin revealed.

"That's all?" Jared's expression was one of surprise. "Yes, that's all," Austin affirmed with a serious nod. Since Austin didn't seem to be joking, Jared asked, "Mr. Zagorski, how strong is the Zagorski family?"

He had no idea how influential the Zagorski family was. If Austin was the only Greater Martial Arts Marquis in his family, whether or not they offered him help wouldn't make much difference.

"There are seven Greater Martial Arts Marquises in the family including me, around a dozen of Martial Arts Marquises, and a sacred martial arts relic," Austin told him truthfully.

Hearing that, Jared and Flaxseed were taken aback. They had no idea that the Zagorski family would be so capable despite being in Norham, which was a small border city.

"Mr. Zagorski, you're capable enough of establishing a sect in Jadeborough. Why did you choose to stay in Norham?" Jared questioned.

Austin quickly explained, "There might be many resources in Jadeborough, but it is also populated by numerous sects and prestigious families. Thus, we won't get much if we were to head there.

Additionally, the majority of the resources are managed by the Warriors Alliance, thus further impeding the development of the sects and prestigious families along with their access to the available resources. Norham is often overlooked due to its vastness and sparse population.

As a result, our family can enjoy an abundance of resources without fear of competition. Without the emergence of the ten-thousand-year-old herb, we wouldn't have seen an influx of elites coming to our city. Even if we invite them, they wouldn't bother making the journey here."

Jared thought about it and realized he was right. The sects and prestigious families in Jadeborough were focused on scheming against each other. Furthermore, the Warriors Alliance had a tight leash over the resources, resulting in an environment that hindered any sort of development.

"Mr. Zagorski, I can tell that you are being honest and forthcoming with me, so I am more than happy to accept your offer. As long as you can help me get the ten-thousand-year herb, Deragon Sect is willing to be your ally. If anything were to happen to you or your family, we will be there to offer whatever assistance we can!" Jared promised Austin as he patted his chest confidently.

Austin beamed in excitement and responded, "Good! As you've given your word, the Zagorski family will do our best to help you retrieve the ten-thousand-year herb!"

Suddenly, a thought occurred to Jared as he asked, "By the way, Mr. Zagorski, how did you find out about the manifestation of the ten-thousand-year-old herb?"

He had gotten the information from Demon Sect's map, so he was intrigued as to how Austin had managed to gain access to the same information.

“I’ll be honest with you, Mr. Chance. It was Master Williams who deduced it through peeking into the Heavenly Law,” Austin revealed. “Master Williams? Are you talking about Hank Williams?” Jared was surprised.

“Yes, that’s him. Do you know Master Williams, Mr. Chance?” Austin was curious. I wonder how they got to know each other. Jared chuckled lightly and turned to Flaxseed.

Flaxseed snorted icily. “He isn’t a master. Peeking into the Heavenly Law, huh? What a bunch of bullsh*t! Anomalies will appear on earth upon the manifestation of the ten- thousand-year-old herb, so anyone would know if they were capable enough.”

Austin glanced at Flaxseed before asking, “Mr. Chance, this is...”

“This is Mr. Flaxseed, an expert in charms. No one can top his Tomb Seeking Skill,” Jared lavished praises on Flaxseed. Hearing that, Austin instantly greeted Flaxseed politely, “Mr. Flaxseed, it’s a pleasure to meet you. Please accept my apology for being disrespectful.”

Flaxseed gave a curt nod in greeting. Sternly, Jared said, “Mr. Zagorski, you’ve been tricked by Hank.” Austin was baffled. “How is that so, Mr. Chance?”