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Matthew immediately told Sasha all about the issue with the herbs after leaving Wellness Herbary.

Sasha, who looked deeply shaken after listening to him, intended to call James in an instant but she was stopped by Matthew, who was of the opinion that something was fishy with the deal.

It was too much of a coincidence that someone sent a huge amount of defective herbs to James right after Wellness Herbary was established.

Obviously, this was a trap set by someone with the intention to sabotage James.

Therefore, Matthew decided not to alert the mastermind prematurely before he managed to lure him out.

When the Astragalus was delivered to Cunningham Pharmaceuticals from Wellness Herbary, Sasha had them moved to the storeroom instead of using it.

There were CCTV cameras installed in the storeroom which could capture the entire period of time the Astragalus was stored to serve as evidence in the future.

Ten days later, Francis suddenly visited James’ office.

As James had gained a huge profit from the deal, he started having an even more favorable opinion of Francis.

“Francis, you’re here. Come on in and take a seat!” James made some tea and served it to him.

With a bleak look, Francis exclaimed, “Mr. Cunningham, something bad happened!”

“What’s wrong?” James was stunned for a moment when he heard him.

“I was sabotaged by someone…” Francis muttered. “Mr. Rodgers kept a batch of defective Astragalus behind my back. They’re chemically processed and their quality is far below the required standard! I was just told that the government is currently trying to trace the herbs!”

With a clank, the teapot in James’ hands was dropped onto the floor.

Looking terror-stricken, James asked in a trembling voice, “H-How did this happen?”

“Alas!” Francis sounded helpless as he lamented, “We should never judge a book by its cover! Mr. Rodgers used to be so respectful when he worked for me back then. It’s out of everyone’s expectation that he would pull off something like that behind my back!”

“S-So… What will happen if the batch of Astragalus is found by the government? Will they confiscate everything? I spent a lot of money on the herbs. Wh-What should I do if they all get confiscated?” James said.

In a resigned tone, Francis said, “Mr. Cunningham, it’s not a big deal if just the herbs are confiscated. The problem is, the herbs were delivered to Cunningham Pharmaceuticals and used to manufacture other medicines, and all the medicines that contain the defective herbs have already been released to the market. This issue is capable of destroying Cunningham Pharmaceuticals for good if the government manages to track it down!”

“What?!” James collapsed onto the chair directly after listening to Francis.

It was with painstaking effort did they manage to seize the right to manage Cunningham Pharmaceuticals.

Their luxurious cars, their distinguished social statuses and their expenses all relied on the company.

If the company collapsed, did that mean they would have to go back to the penniless life they once had?

James had toiled for most of his life to get the life he was having now. How could he give it up so easily?

On top of that, the shareholders of the company would definitely give him a hard time if Cunningham Pharmaceuticals was destroyed because of the defective Astragalus.

All of a sudden, it dawned upon him that he had made a huge blunder this time.

“Francis, y-you have to help me solve this mess since you’re the seller…”

With a sigh, Francis said, “Mr. Cunningham, that’s exactly why I’m here—to help you. The only way out is to find another pharmaceutical company and claim it as the one which bought the batch of defective Astragalus. This way, the pharmaceutical company will be made the scapegoat for Cunningham Pharmaceuticals, but that company will be ruined!”

Looking lost, James asked, “Wh-Where am I supposed to find a pharmaceutical company to take the blame?”

“I happen to own a pharmaceutical company right now…” Francis said.