

Chapter 2528 Striking a Deal

Having served as the city-level Martial League President in Hulwin for over a decade, Stellan had long resigned himself to his fate.

He silently attended to the Yarwood Family's interests and diligently guarded his modest domain, all while harboring dreams of a peaceful retirement in his later years.

Yet, when he heard Matthew's words, an unexpected tremor coursed through his once-steady heart.

Even his breathing seemed to grow heavier involuntarily.

Sensing all of this, Stellan took a gulp.

After forcing himself to regain his composure, he wore a customary professional smile.

"Mr. Summit Warden, you must be joking. I lack any skills, resources, or aspirations. Moreover, the Yarwood Family has held an unshakable grip over Hulwin for countless years. I dare not entertain any hopes."

Despite Stellan's firm refusal, a glimmer of hope persisted in his eyes.

In truth, beneath his words of refusal, he appeared to be considering the unique proposition Matthew had presented.

After Stellan finished speaking, Matthew's lips curled up in a smile.

"Mr. Warrington, let's speak frankly. Please don't take this personally. You've been out of touch with our province for too long and haven't witnessed the remarkable changes occurring in our Cathay. A new generation of talent is emerging rapidly, and the Martial Alliance is making significant strides. The province's restructuring and alignment are inevitable. However, those who obstruct the Martial League's path will face insurmountable challenges."

At this point, Matthew's presence surged with determination.

His expression shifted instantly to seriousness as he continued, "Would a mere Yarwood Family dare to interfere in the Martial League's affairs? Even if my provincial mission fails, even if I were to meet my end here, there are thousands of Summit Wardens standing behind me. Mr. Warrington, believe it or not, the choice is yours."

The strength of youth was the strength of a nation.

Under Matthew's intimidating aura, Stellan found himself stunned and contemplative. In Matthew, he saw the embodiment of the Martial League's ideals.

The rapid development of Cathay nowadays was nothing short of astonishing.

After a prolonged moment lost in thought, Stellan's gaze gradually cleared, and his fervor grew.

"Is this the path to the future? Mr. Summit Warden, I comprehend fully! As the President, I also aspire to witness the splendid landscape that unfolds after the province's complete unification."

With these words, his once-hunched posture subtly straightened.

Observing this transformation, Matthew smiled with satisfaction.

When the backbone straightened, so did the mindset.

"Mr. Warrington, you are a wise man. I can assure you that the future of Cathay will live up to your aspirations with a splendid future."

Having spoken, Matthew rose to his feet and extended his hand.

Without any hesitation, Stellan also rose from his seat.

The two promptly shook hands, sealing their full partnership.

Little did Stellan know that this seemingly simple gesture would bring about a tremendous transformation in his future. But that story would have to wait for another time.

With their agreement reached, Matthew wasted no time in addressing the matter at hand.

"Time doesn't wait, Mr. Warrington, so I'll be direct."

Stellan nodded in agreement. "Mr. Summit Warden, please speak your mind!"

"I require your assistance with a couple of matters, Mr. Warrington. First, I need your help in locating a reliable mining company with trustworthy personnel. Second, I need detailed information about the Yarwoods' power distribution in Hulwin."

Understanding the importance of knowing one's adversary, Matthew was determined to overcome the obstacle posed by the Yarwood Family.

After briefing Stellan on the matter, Matthew promptly contacted Leanna.

The implementation of all plans relied on financial support.

When Matthew contacted Leanna and explained the purpose, she readily agreed to join him once she had wrapped up her current affairs.

Making the most of the available time, Matthew and Evander set out for Warly Hill together. They planned to conduct a firsthand survey to prepare for the upcoming implementation of their plans.