

Chapter 2775 Deep Rivers

Prince Gadel's reputation for extravagance was widely known throughout Montiria. It could be said that everyone, including the powerful forces of Seraphis, was aware of it.

Judging from the state of Prince Gadel's study, those rumors were indeed true, as the level of opulence adorning the room was indescribable.

The room covered an area of over five thousand square meters, almost occupying the entire floor. Rows of bookshelves, each over ten meters high, lined up one after another. However, Matthew could tell at a glance that these books were not mere decorations. Instead, they were ancient books collected by Prince Gadel's subordinates from all over the world, with many of them being unique copies.

The collection encompassed various categories, including history, medicine, philosophy, society, and war. One could say that this was not just a study, but a miniature library.

Matthew looked at the magnificent scene before him and couldn't help but be impressed.

"It seems that His Royal Highness is also an avid reader!"

Tyga didn't even have a chance to reply when a voice came from a nearby bookshelf.

"Mr. Larson, you flatter me. These books are merely for show. They are part of my facade, so to speak."

Matthew knew that the other party was being modest. He could tell that the man was well-read, as several books showed signs of frequent use.

As the voice spoke, Gadel slowly approached Matthew.

"I have heard countless praises about your medical skills. It is truly an honor to finally meet you in person. Although we have already been introduced, I would like to have the chance to meet you without all the formalities. So, it's a pleasure to meet you. I'm Gadel!"

At this moment, Gadel's appearance was completely different from the extravagant image he usually presented to the public. Even though he was wearing a plain robe, he couldn't hide the strong scholarly aura emanating from him. Coupled with his handsome features, he truly looked like a scholar from ancient times.

Gadel waved his hand towards Tyga, who was standing guard. The man understood and quietly left the room.

"Please have a seat, Mr. Larson."

The two of them went to the tea room in the corner of the study. Gadel invited Matthew to sit on a luxurious golden Phoebe wooden chair. Meanwhile, he brought out the purple clay tea set that he had carefully preserved for a long time.

"I never expected that Prince Gadel, known for his extravagance and indulgence, would be so refined in private."

Matthew had never imagined that Gadel's true character would be so different. While information from word of mouth could be unreliable, it was difficult to fake one's true self. Gadel's refined and scholarly temperament must have been cultivated over a long period of time.

Gadel also didn't expect Matthew to be so straightforward in his speech. However, he didn't mind at all as he continued to clean his tea set methodically.

"No one is perfect! The royal family's secrets run deep!"

Matthew agreed with his statement. The struggle for the royal throne was predetermined as soon as Gadel was born. He could either fight for the throne or be exiled or executed by his brothers. This was his fate.

Besides, portraying himself as a flawless prince would only make him an easy target.

Nevertheless, Matthew was surprised that Gadel would reveal so much about himself during their first private conversation.

"Your Highness is wise. Superficial friendships with hidden motives are highly discouraged."

After Matthew finished speaking, he calmly looked at Gadel, waiting for his response. Gadel simply smiled calmly in return.

"Mr. Larson, you are also a smart person. I approached you because I want to collaborate with you. Therefore, hiding behind a facade would only push you away. Don't you agree, Mr. Larson?"

Gadel eloquently chose to be genuine and exposed both his and Matthew's hidden agendas. Moreover, his form of address towards Matthew indicated that he was aware of Matthew's identity as a Summit Warden.

This was also the reason why Gadel was being so courteous. Summit Wardens were individuals closely linked with the Martial League. As long as these individuals continued to grow and cultivate, they would eventually become powerhouses in Cathay. Thus, Gadel decided to communicate with Matthew as equals based on this fact.

Matthew was not surprised by his decision. If a prince of a country lacked this level of intelligence, Matthew would simply give up on the idea of cooperating with him and leave.