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Demi looked delighted at once to hear Matthew's pledge. "Matthew, I've kept what you said in my mind. You'd better honor your promise or I won't let you go easily! Dad, Mom, let's go!" She let out a loud disdainful snort at Matthew before leaving in a buoyant mood.

Watching as the four of them left, Matthew let out a sigh again. He then headed straight to visit Stanley in order to gain some insights from him about the crisis. As Stanley had been running a business in the pharmaceutical industry for a very long time, he had a better understanding about the Hughes Family than Matthew himself. In fact, Stanley had long been aware of the Hughes' intention to punish Cunningham Pharmaceuticals.

After Matthew arrived at his place and informed him of the purpose of his visit, Stanley stated right away, "Mr. Larson, there are two ways to solve this. The first solution which is also the most straightforward one, you may ask Master Newman for help. Although the Hughes are very powerful, I don't think they have the guts to pay no respect to Master Newman."

Matthew shook his head slowly because he had dismissed this solution right from the beginning; he did not want to owe too many favors to Billy as he wanted to enjoy equal status with him in their relationship. "What about the second solution?"

Stanley revealed, "The second option is, you represent Eastshire to participate in the Six Southern States Medical Conference and score one of the top three rankings for Eastshire."

Matthew frowned and doubted, "Will that work?"

Stanley sighed and explained, "Mr. Larson, you might not know about this, but Eastshire has always been at the bottom of the ranking in the medical conferences for the past few years. Therefore, medical products from the rest of the five states can be sold in Eastshire, but those from Eastshire are not very marketable in all six states. This situation is very disturbing for the Hughes because their own interests are threatened. Over the years, they have been trying hard to seek a famous doctor who can help them get a good result in the medical conference. Mr. Larson, if you can help them get what they want, I'm sure they will treat you as a very important guest. Then, I guess you won't have to worry about the crisis that Cunningham Pharmaceuticals is now facing."

A crease formed on Matthew's forehead. Did that mean that he had to offer help to the Hughes Family? To be honest, he did not have a favorable opinion of them and he was unwilling to assist them. "Is there no other solution besides this?"

Stanley shook his head and replied, "Other options will be even more tricky. You can only solve this crisis if you are able to persuade one of the Ten Greatest Families of Eastshire to help you. Otherwise, there is no one else other than Master Newman in Eastcliff who is capable of making the Hughes compromise!"

Matthew went lost in thought because he was really reluctant to help the Hughes. At that juncture, his phone rang suddenly; it was Joseph Harrison who was trying to reach him.

Joseph could hardly contain his joy in his voice when he exclaimed, "Mr. Larson, I've found the Thousand-Year Snow Lotus that you are looking for!"

"Say what?!" Matthew cried out. The Thousand-Year Snow Lotus was the key to save his sister's life, who had been unconscious all this while because his prescription for her was short of that one ingredient. "Where did you find it? How much does it cost?" Matthew asked anxiously.

Joseph responded, "Mr. Larson, it isn't for sale. I was just told that it's the prize for the winning state who comes first in the Six Southern States Medical Conference!"

Matthew's eyes widened in surprise to learn about that. It seemed like he had no choice but to participate in the medical conference after all. He glanced at Stanley and stated, "It seems like I really have to join the conference this time!"

Stanley was overjoyed to hear that. "Mr. Larson, if you are going to show off your medical skills, I'm sure Eastshire will be in the top three of the medical conference this round. By the time it happens, not only the medical industry in Eastshire will gain tremendous benefits out of it, but even Cunningham Pharmaceuticals will enjoy their share of gains too."

"Could you arrange that for me?" Matthew asked.

Stanley nodded his head right away and agreed, "By all means! Eastcliff has the right to recommend a suitable candidate to represent its city, while every other state too is represented by their own candidate to take part in the conference. As people from the Hughes are coming tonight, I'll introduce you to them. From then on, you will then be able to represent Eastshire in the medical conference!"