There was no way Jared was unaware of it. Nonetheless, Marcelo was a stubborn man. While the others kept quiet about the ten- thousand-year-old tuber fleeceflower, he refused to let the matter drop.

"Mr. Garcia, the ten-thousand-year-old tuber fleeceflower belongs to someone else. It was found at the borders of Norham. As the mayor of Norham, I have the right to decide where to distribute it." Just then, Austin stepped forward and confronted Marcelo. Marcelo snorted as he stared at Austin. "Austin, do you have a few screws loose? How dare an insignificant family like the Zagorski family say such a thing? So what if the ten-thousand-year- old tuber fleeceflower belongs to the Zagorski family? What can you do if I say I'm taking it for myself? If you don't want the Zagorski family to be destroyed, you'd better not get involved."

Marcelo viewed the Zagorski family with disdain. Although the family had Greater Martial Arts Marquises, they were still fairly insignificant among the ranks of prestigious families.

A secret realm of prestigious families and sects stood behind the Garcia family. Unimportant families of the mundane world could never hope to measure up against them.

"Marcelo, you're far too arrogant! The Zagorski family are not pushovers." Austin was livid. Emanating a terrifying aura, several Greater Martial Arts Marquises from the Zagorski family stepped forward. Behind them, dozens of Martial Arts Marquises, too, stared intently.

"Austin, do you intend to stand with Jared?" Marcelo narrowed his eyes slightly. "That's right. Even if I have to throw everything the Zagorski family has at it, I intend to help Mr. Chance!"

Although Austin's expression was determined, he was also taking a chance. At a glance, Marcelo appeared to be much stronger than Jared. However, Austin knew Jared's true capabilities. The latter was much stronger than he looked.

"Since you're helping Jared, I see no reason to hold back." Marcelo gave his subordinate a look, and the Greater Martial Arts Marquis who stood near him leaped forward and rushed toward Austin. As a Greater Martial Arts Marquis himself, Austin was unafraid when faced with the onslaught. He gripped his fist tightly and brought it forward in a powerful blow.

Boom! The moment their fists collided, explosive martial energy spread out in all directions. A huge crater that was several meters wide appeared on the surface of the ground. It was obvious that the two of them had exerted great power.

Austin's figure was sent hurtling into the air, and when he landed on the ground, he was forced to take several steps backward. His shoulder began to feel numb. It was apparent that Austin was slightly inferior to his opponent.

Unsatisfied with merely sending Austin flying back, his opponent continued to attack relentlessly and sent another fist hurtling toward Austin's face.

He attacked with the intent to kill. Upon seeing the attack, Austin reached toward his waist and pulled out a halberd. The halberd emanated a chilling light as a stream of Martial Arts Saint energy began to spread. "A sacred martial arts relic..."

Everyone in the crowd gasped as they saw the halberd Austin held. The expert from the Garcia family stilled, and a trace of shock appeared in his eyes when he saw the sacred martial arts relic in Austin's hand.

"Die!" Austin shouted as he slashed the halberd diagonally. A ray of light soared into the air just as a gust of wind blew straight toward the expert from the Garcia family.

Shocked, the expert immediately jumped backward. However, it was far too late. His entire body was enveloped by that ray of light.

The crowd watched as the Garcia family's expert was suspended in the air. Violent energy buffeted his body until it was completely covered.

Boom! A bloody mist rained from the sky as the body of the expert from the Garcia family was blown to bits. Marcelo's expression turned grim as he witnessed the scene before him.

He had not expected an insignificant family like the Zagorski family to own a sacred martial arts relic! Even the influential sects and prestigious families of Jadeborough did not necessarily own a sacred martial arts relic.

Could the Zagorski family also be a hidden family or a representative of a secret realm? Marcelo furrowed his brows at the thought.