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"Yes, I do have plans to bring over a team to conduct the research alongside them.

"I'm prepared to invest astronomical amounts into this. This is going to be a magnificent thing if we succeed. It'll mean that JW Electronics broke through the technology blockade and will mark a turning point in which JW Electronics can finally make its way toward the international market.

"Alright. Thank's for your trouble putting, Uncle Law. I'll take a trip to Waterhoof City immediately to contact them."

Hanging up the phone, Jasper had just stood to leave the room when his phone rang again.

This caught Jasper off guard as the phone call was from Gale, who Jasper had not talked to in a long time.

"Old Master Hurlbutt, is there a reason you've taken time out of your busy schedule to talk to me today?"

While Gale and Old Master Law were elders of the same generation, Jasper made sure to maintain enough distance with this crafty Haddock businessman that liked to look down on the younger generation for their lack of experience.

Crafty businessmen like him were ruthless, and they left no remains when they devoured others whole.

Take Conrad's aluminum mine that Jasper had tried hard to seize before for example.

It was an aluminum mine without too much developmental value, yet Gale had spent quite a bit of money to get it through Jasper.

Jasper remembered being confused as to why the old man would spend so much when there was not much to profits to be made from it. Even if Gale had gained ownership of the aluminum mine, he would still have to deduct inflation and interest from the remaining extractable ores.

He did not know why Gale was so stubborn about the aluminum mine.

However, what the old man did with the mine afterward completely stunned Jasper.

It also taught Jasper the difference between himself and this crafty businessman.

The old man had no desire to continue developing the mine at all. Instead, he immediately split the mining company into seventeen or eighteen smaller companies, each holding few resources and property rights. Then he completely reorganized them and sought out a few listed mining companies to sell the assets to.

Those listed companies released statements claiming that they had purchased important mining resources, and their share prices immediately skyrocketed.

Gale had made 800 million with this split and reorganization.

It was a win-win situation.

The only people who made a loss were investors.

However, even for them, the prices of their shares had increased.

Through this incident, Jasper came to believe that Gale was undoubtably Haddock Chamber of Commerce's most important figure. The old man had

managed to use ruthlessness and craftiness to maximize his profits in Haddock Chamber of Commerce.

"You are putting your guard up against dear old me, aren't you, sly child?" Gale's chuckle drifted over from the other end of the line.

Jasper decided he might as well sit down again for this phone call and replied with a bright smile, "Old Master Hurlbutt, you prefer working on yourself and sitting down to enjoy the world around you. But I'm still young and I like moving around and wreaking havoc. We're different people, so there's no trust between us, nor is there any need to keep up our guard."

Gale chuckled and replied, "There is no need to plot, sly child. I came looking for you this time with a specific goal in mind. I suppose you have forgotten your position, haven't you?"

Jasper asked confusedly, "What position, Old Master Hurlbutt?"

"Hmph. You are still the Vice President of the Haddock Chamber of Commerce's Waterhoof City Branch. You agreed to take this position back then, yet you have not walked through the Waterhoof City Branch doors even once. Does it not hurt your conscience to lie to an old man who is already living out his last years?"

Jasper pretended to be shocked as he replied, "I'm innocent, Old Master Hurlbutt. I've just been too busy lately..."

"Alright. I did not come to hear your excuses. Something has occurred at the Chamber of Commerce. We need you there."