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Y-YOU...!

I...I'VE SEEN
YOU BEFORE...
THREE TIMES
SNEAKING AROUND
OUT THERE...IN
THE NIGHT.

The Badlands, South Dakota.
2:32 a.m., three years ago



AT FIRST I THOUGHT
I WAS JUST *DRUNK*...
BUT THEN I GOT BOOKS
ABOUT *OTHER* PEOPLE
SEEING YOU, TOO...

WH-WHERE
DID YOU COME
FROM?



WHO
ARE YOU?
WH-WHAT DO
YOU WANT?

NO! STAY
AWAY! PLEASE!
D-DON'T COME
ANY CLOSER
OR--



YAAAAIEEE!



STOP! P-PLEASE!
SPARE ME AND I'LL
DO ANYTHING YOU
WANT! I'LL GET
WHATEVER YOU
NEED!



I...I CAN
HUNT--AND I
SWEAR I
WON'T TELL
ANYONE!



JUST LET
ME LIVE AND I
PROMISE...

I'LL BE
YOUR SLAVE
FOREVER!



--THREE-YEAR STRING OF MISSING PERSONS, ALL WOMEN, IN THE VICINITY OF RED SHIRT, SOUTH DAKOTA.

FBI Headquarters.
9:17 a.m., today

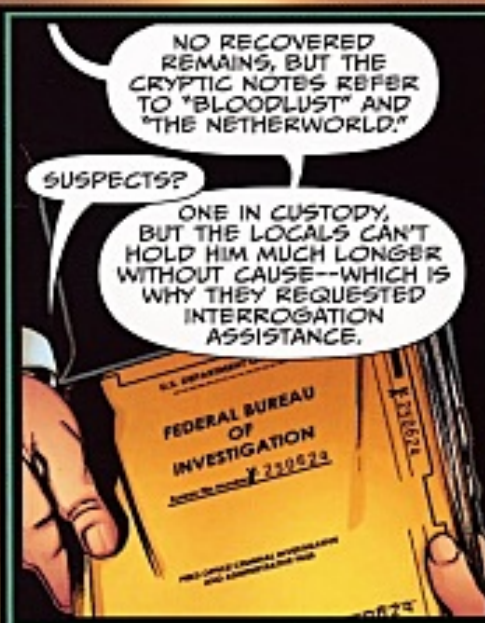


THAT'D BE THE BADLANDS.

VERY BAD, JUDGING BY THE NOTES SENT TO LOCAL AUTHORITIES--SIGNED "DANTE."

ANOTHER SERIAL KILLER?

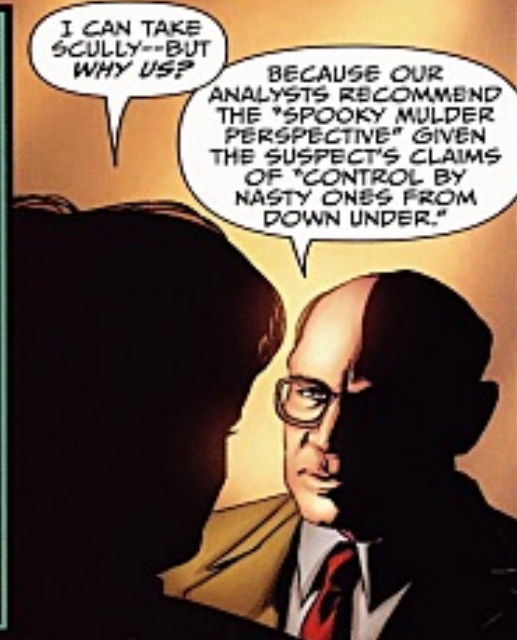
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NO RECOVERED REMAINS, BUT THE CRYPTIC NOTES REFER TO "BLOODLUST" AND "THE NETHERWORLD."

SUSPECTS?

ONE IN CUSTODY, BUT THE LOCALS CAN'T HOLD HIM MUCH LONGER WITHOUT CAUSE--WHICH IS WHY THEY REQUESTED INTERROGATION ASSISTANCE.



I CAN TAKE SCULLY--BUT WHY US?

BECAUSE OUR ANALYSTS RECOMMEND THE "SPOOKY MULDER PERSPECTIVE" GIVEN THE SUSPECT'S CLAIMS OF "CONTROL BY NASTY ONES FROM DOWN UNDER."



POSSESSED BY AUSSIES? OR A REFERENCE TO PERSISTENT BADLANDS SIGHTINGS OF GHOSTS, "PALE PEOPLE," DEMONS...

DEMONS SOUNDS RIGHT, ALTHOUGH THE SUSPECT HIMSELF SAYS HE DOESN'T BELIEVE IN DEMONIC POSSESSION.



ON THE OTHER HAND, HE CLAIMS "THE ONLY HOPE IS TO FEED EVIL."

AFTER A LONG FAST--NOW BROKEN.



REPORTS OF SPIRITS AND DEMONS HAUNTING THE BADLANDS TRACE FROM INDIAN LEGENDS ALL THE WAY TO THE POINT AT WHICH THEY STOPPED...

THREE YEARS AGO.

DANTE'S MUSE

Part I: Nasty Ones

SUSPECT'S
GIVEN NAME IS
EDWARD BLODGET,
NOT THAT HE'LL
RESPOND TO IT.

Red Shirt, South Dakota, 3:39 p.m.

WE JUST CALL HIM
DANTE, BUT BY EITHER
NAME HE'S A *LONER*
HERMIT--*ECCENTRIC*,
MAYBE SOMEWHAT
CRAZY...

WE SETTLED
ON "A BIT OFF,"
SHERIFF, AFTER
HIS NERVOUS
BREAKDOWN.

SEVERE?

BAD ENOUGH
FOR A HOSPITAL
STAY--AND TO MAKE HIM
AN *EARLY SUSPECT*
WHEN PEOPLE STARTED
GOING MISSING.

HE'S BEEN
A SUSPECT
FOR *THREE*
YEARS?

WITH NO PRIOR HISTORY
OF SERIOUS ARRESTS, HE
SEEMED HARMLESS
ENOUGH TO *ELIMINATE*
BACK THEN.

LOOKS LIKE A BAD
CALL FROM HERE AND
NOW, MANPOWER
SHORTAGE OR NOT.

SO WHAT
PUT HIM BACK
ON YOUR
RADAR?

WHEN BLODGET
GOT TO MUMBLING AT THE
RUSTY NAIL, BARTENDER
COULDN'T DECIDE IF IT WAS
SUSPICIOUS OR JUST
SOUSED--AND WE STILL
CAN'T TELL EVEN WHEN
HE'S SOBER, BUT MAYBE
YOU TWO CAN.

LET'S
DO IT.



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ALL RIGHT, DANTE, THIS AIN'T THE TIME TO CLAM UP AGAIN, NOT WITH TWO SPECIAL AGENTS COME ALL THE WAY FROM THE FEDERAL BUREAU.

DANTE?
YOU HEAR ME--?



TALK, DAMMIT!
FAMILIES AROUND HERE
WITH MISSING FOLK
NEED TO KNOW IF YOU'RE
CUNNING, CRAZY, OR
GUILTY AS SIN!

NOW SAY
SOMETHING AND
DO IT NOW!



IF YOU'D GO TO
HELL, SHERIFF, YOUR
RIBS'D MAKE GOOD
BARBECUE.

YOU LOUSY,
STINKING--

IF I
MAY?



I'M SPECIAL AGENT FOX
MULDER AND MY PARTNER
IS SPECIAL AGENT DANA
SCULLY.

WE'RE
HERE, DANTE,
DUE TO OUR OWN
INTEREST IN THE
NETHERWORLD.



WHAT DO YOU
KNOW ABOUT
WHAT'S DOWN
UNDER?

NOTHING
FROM DIRECT
EXPERIENCE,
DANTS...



JUST FROM RESEARCH--
AND I'D LIKE TO LEARN MORE
ABOUT THE NASTY ONES.

YOU KNOW
ABOUT THEM?
HOW THEY LURK
DOWN THERE?

TELL ME,
DANTE.

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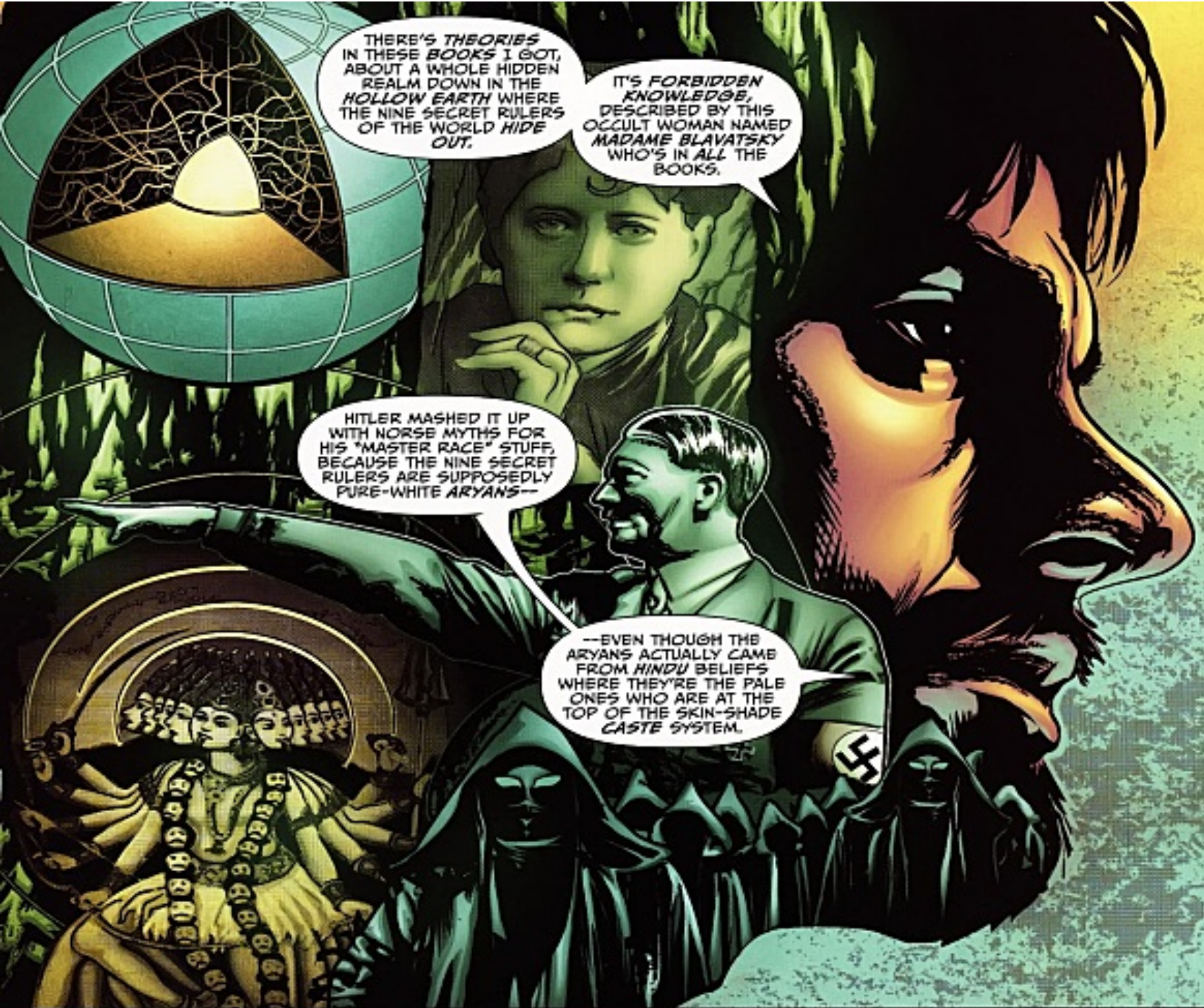
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MEANING
THERE'S TOO MUCH
FOR COINCIDENCE,
DANTE. THE EUROPEAN
LORE OF SUBTERRANEAN
TROLLS AND GNOMES,
BROWNIES LIVING UNDER
THE HILLS...

CHINESE
CAVERN-ENTITIES,
INDIA'S UNDERGROUND
NAGA SERPENT KINGS,
ON AND ON.

WE'VE EVEN GOT
ALICE TUMBLING DOWN
THE RABBIT-HOLE INTO A
BIZARRE OTHERWORLD, JULES
VERNE TAKING A JOURNEY TO
THE CENTER OF THE EARTH AND
EDGAR RICE BURROUGHS
DIGGING DOWN TO
PELLUCIDAR AT THE
EARTH'S CORE...

EVEN BEFORE
THE EGYPTIANS, ANCIENT
CULTURES LINKED DEMONIC
BEINGS TO THE
UNDERWORLD, PRESUMABLY
ASSOCIATING VOLCANIC
ERUPTIONS WITH A FIERY
SUBTERRANEAN HELL.



NOW, DO WE HAVE
MYTH AND FANTASY
HERE? YES, BUT WAS
EVERYONE MAKING
IT ALL UP?

I THINK NOT, DANTE,
BECAUSE ALL THESE
BELIEFS ARE SURELY
INSPIRED BY SOME
COMMON ELEMENT
OF TRUTH.

AND WHO
KNOWS? MAYBE
"DEMONS" REALLY
DO EXIST UNDER
THE--

THEY'RE NOT
DEMONS, SPECIAL
AGENT MULDER--
THEY'RE JUST
NASTY.



THEY ONLY COME UP AT NIGHT BECAUSE SUNLIGHT WOULD KILL THEM, AND NOW THEY DON'T COME UP EVEN IN THE DARK BECAUSE THEY DON'T WANT TO BE SEEN AT ALL.

*SEE, THEY ALMOST GOT WIPE OUT WAY BACK. NOT THAT ANYBODY TOLD ME THIS BECAUSE THEY CAN'T TALK--BUT I'VE DONE MY HOMEWORK AND I KNOW.

*THERE'S MULTIPLE NATIVE LEGENDS ABOUT THIS ALL-OUT WAR WITH THE PALE PEOPLE--



--AND FORGET GEORGE CUSTER AND JOHN WAYNE AND EVEN CHRIS COLUMBUS, BECAUSE THIS ALL HAPPENED LONG BEFORE NORMAL PALEFACES GOT HERE AND NOW A NEW WAR WOULD GO EVEN WORSE FOR THE NASTY ONES, SO THEY--

SHERIFF--?

ANOTHER ONE--NUMBER FIFTEEN--JUST FILED.

LAURIE SKYE FROM PINE GAP, LAST SEEN LEAVING WORK TWO DAYS AGO.



RIGHT BEFORE WE HAULED YOU IN, YOU TWISTED CREEP! WHERE IS SHE? DID YOU KILL HER?!

YOU'RE STILL STUPID AND YOU STILL DON'T UNDERSTAND!

I NEVER KILL ANYONE!



IF YOU HAD HALF A BRAIN, YOU'D LEAVE ME ALONE AND MAKE IT ALL STOP!

WAIT.

MAKE WHAT STOP, DANTE?



MAKE THIS STOP!

SHARP



THIS, SPECIAL AGENT MULDER-- THIS!

DON'T YOU GET IT! DON'T YOU SEE?!



WHAT IS IT, DANTE? HOW DID YOU GET THAT WOUND? WHERE DID YOU GET IT?

DANTE--?



WASTE OF BREATH, AGENT MULDER, WHEN HE GOES SIMPLE LIKE THAT.

TRUST ME, HE WON'T GIVE ANOTHER BOO TILL MORNING IF WE'RE LUCKY.

ALL RIGHT, SHERIFF.

IN THE MEANTIME, WE'LL NEED FULL TRANSCRIPTS OF PREVIOUS INTERROGATIONS AND ANY UPDATES TO THE OVERALL CASEFILE DELIVERED TO ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SKINNER.

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MULDER?
SCULLY?
NOTHING.
YOU DRIVE.



MULDER?
SCULLY?
WAS THAT
"HOLLOW EARTH"
RIFF A PLOY TO
GAIN CONFIDENCE
AND KEEP THE
SUSPECT
TALKING...



...OR WERE YOU
JUMPING SHARKS
AGAIN?
AS USUAL,
SCULLY, IF YOU
COULD JUST
OPEN YOUR--
NEVER MIND.
SORRY I
MENTIONED
IT.



SCULLY?
MULDER?
MAYBE WE
SHOULD JUST
SNAG SOME
TAKEOUT?



TO EAT IN
OUR MOTEL
ROOMS.
WHILE
GOING OVER THE
REPORTS.
SEPARATELY.
FINE.
GOOD.

STOP DRAGGIN' YOUR TAIL,
BLODGET--IT'S TWENTY
MILES BACK TO YOUR JAIL
CELL AND I'M **ALREADY**
SHOT.

HE DON'T CARE
WHEN HE'S LIKE THIS,
DO YA, DANTE? HE
DON'T EVEN CARE
THAT I'M STARVED ON
TOP O' SHOT.

HEAD DOWN,
BLODGET, AND
INTO THE--



UNH!

KUNCH

WHAT
THE--?!



HOOF!

CHUFT



YOU FOOLS!
YOU'LL NEVER
STOP IT!



DAMMIT,
THERE'S ALL
HELL TO PAY
NOW.

COME
ON!



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ABSURDLY APPROXIMATE ADDRESS WAS PUTTING IT *MILDLY*, SCULLY, OUT IN THE MIDDLE OF A RIDICULOUS NOWHERE LIKE *THIS*...



...BUT AT LEAST MY BEST-GUESS "X" MARKED THE PURPLE SAGE NEIGHBORHOOD.



LOOKS LIKE OUR BOY DANTE HAD DREAMS OF GOING *MOBILE*...

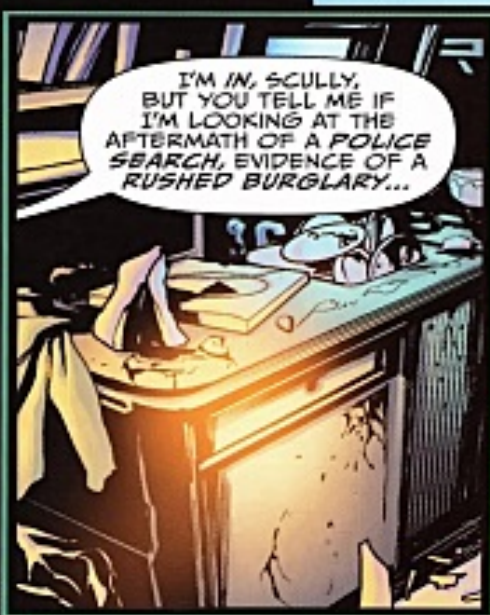
...BEFORE HIS DREAMS ENDED UP ON BLOCKS GOING *NOWHERE*.



I'M IN, SCULLY, BUT YOU TELL ME IF I'M LOOKING AT THE AFTERMATH OF A POLICE SEARCH, EVIDENCE OF A RUSHED BURGLARY...

...OR TRAILER-TRASH DANTE'S PREFERRED LIFESTYLE.

IN ANY CASE, NO LAURIE SKYE OR ANY OTHER MISSING PERSON IN THE RUBBLE--AND IT'LL TAKE DAWN'S LIGHT TO SIFT IT MORE CLOSELY.



GIVING ME TIME TO HUNT SOME DEMON-SPOOKS OF THE LOCAL TERRAIN.

OTHERWISE KNOWN AS SKINNER'S VERY BAD LANDS INDEED.





SOMEBODY JUST
TOSSED ME AN "O"
AT THE BACK-END OF
BINGO, SCULLY.

I'M AT THE
BOTTOM OF A
SWALE SOUTH OF
DANTE'S TRAILER--
AND I'M PEERING
INTO A TUNNEL.



NO SHARKS
IN HERE, NOTHING
BUT ROCK AND
NO ROOM TO
JUMP IT.

IT'S SLOPING
DOWNWARD--BUT
TO HELL OR THE
HOLLOW EARTH,
WHO KNOWS?



LOOKS LIKE
NEITHER, JUST YOUR
TYPICAL MOONLIT
BOWL-CANYON.



CAN'T DECIDE
IF THE SCENE IS
SPOOKY OR BEAUTIFUL,
BUT THERE'S SOME
SORT OF STRUCTURE
DOWN ON THE CANYON
FLOOR...

...AND I'M
FEELING
MORBIDLY
DARING.



IT'S AN ANTIQUE
SHACK, SCULLY. PROBABLY
ABANDONED BY SOME
LONG-AGO PROSPECTOR...
CONFERRING A CERTAIN
INTRIGUE ON RECENT
TRACKS TO AND FROM
THE DOOR.



NO AWFUL SMELL,
BUT IT JUST MIGHT BE
DANTE'S ADOPTED
HOME AWAY FROM
CRIPPLED-MOBILE-
HOME ANYWAY.



FEDERAL
AGENT!

ANYONE
HERE--?

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NO DICE,
SCULLY--BUT
DANTE'S A *SECRET*
SQUATTER, ALL
RIGHT.

THE BOOKS
HE MENTIONED...
THEY'RE STASHED
HERE IN THE
SHACK.

ANNOTATED, NO LESS.
HUNDREDS OF CLUBS TO
STUDY--PARANOID
MARGINALIA ABOUT THE
"NASTY ONES" ON EVERY
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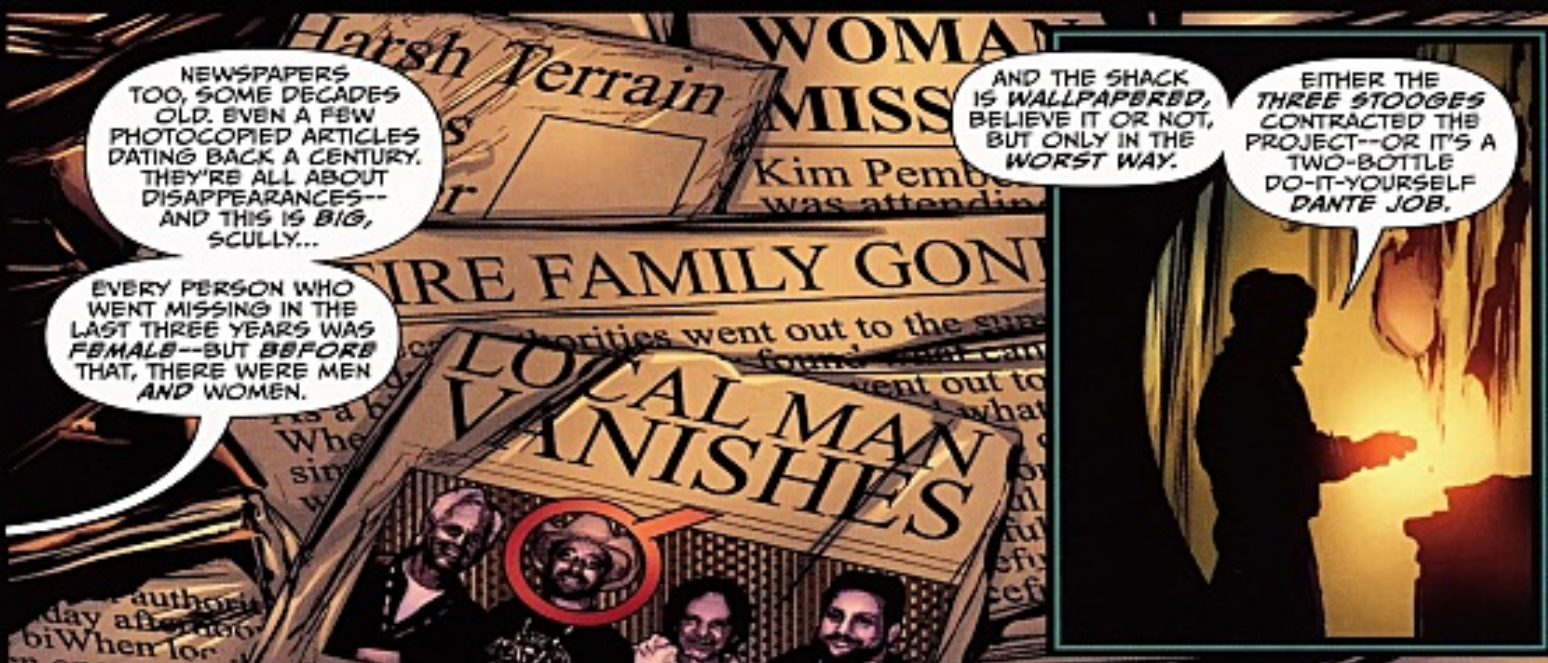


NEWSPAPERS
TOO, SOME DECADES
OLD. EVEN A FEW
PHOTOCOPIED ARTICLES
DATING BACK A CENTURY.
THEY'RE ALL ABOUT
DISAPPEARANCES--
AND THIS IS *BIG*,
SCULLY...

EVERY PERSON WHO
WENT MISSING IN THE
LAST THREE YEARS WAS
FEMALE--BUT *BEFORE*
THAT, THERE WERE MEN
AND WOMEN.

AND THE SHACK
IS WALLPAPERED,
BELIEVE IT OR NOT,
BUT ONLY IN THE
WORST WAY.

EITHER THE
THREE STOOGES
CONTRACTED THE
PROJECT--OR IT'S A
TWO-BOTTLE
DO-IT-YOURSELF
DANTE JOB.



SOMETHING
UNDER THE
WALLPAPER,
SCULLY, WHICH
MEANS IT AIN'T
DÉCOR...



IT'S A
COVER-UP.

AND DANTE
MIGHT AS WELL
BE *KILROY*--
BECAUSE
THEY'VE BOTH
BEEN HERE.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SKINNER, THIS IS SCULLY IN RED SHIRT.

THE "DANTE" LETTERS REMIND ME OF SAN FRANCISCO'S ZODIAC KILLER...

BOTH SENT TAUNTING LETTERS TO THE POLICE "SIGNED" WITH STRANGE, RUNE-LIKE SYMBOLS--SO IT MIGHT HELP IF YOU COULD FAX THE ZODIAC FILE TO THE MOTEL FIRST THING IN THE MORNING.

GOING DOWN ALL AROUND
BUT YOU JUST CAN'T FIND
THE DARKNESS, CAN YOU?
DANTE

*NOT THAT THERE'S A TRUE LINK, AND NOT THAT I EXPECT TO DECIPHER EITHER SET OF SYMBOLS, BUT IF DANTE'S A COPYCAT KILLER, MAYBE THE ZODIAC FILE WILL JOG SOMETHING.

AS FOR THE SUSPECT, NO MATCH BETWEEN HIS BLOCK-CAPITAL HANDWRITING SAMPLES AND THE DANTE NOTES...

GOING DOWN ALL AROUND
BUT YOU JUST CAN'T FIND
THE DARKNESS, CAN YOU?
DANTE

going down all
around but you can't
find the darkness,
can you?

CALL IT SHARK-JUMPING IF YOU WILL, SCULLY...

...BUT I'M CONVINCED I'VE JUST OPENED MORE THAN A CHILLING WINDOW INTO THE DERANGED MIND OF A SERIAL KILLER.

SO IF BLODGET AND DANTE ARE ONE AND THE SAME--AND IT'S VIRTUALLY CERTAIN THEY ARE--THEN THE TAUNTING NOTES WERE PROBABLY COMPOSED LEFT-HANDED.

I'LL COLLECT SOUTHPAW SAMPLES FOR THE GRAPHOLOGISTS TOMORROW.

IT'S MORE LIKE A HISTORY--IN FEVERED WORDS AND SYMBOLS AND CRUDE HIEROGLYPHS--ETCHED ACROSS ALL FOUR WALLS.

THE WHOLE SHACK IS BOUND IN IT, SCULLY, AND THE BLOCK-CAPITAL WORDS MATCH THE HAND-PRINTING IN THE LETTERS SENT TO THE LOCALS.

HERPENT'S
TALKS

SO PALE
SMELL THE
LAMB

THE DEE
IS NOT
NET

UNDER
THE
RADAR

WASTY
HUNTER
NOT EATER

BLODGET MUST BE DANTE, PROBABLY WRITING WITH HIS LEFT HAND TO DISSOCIATE HIS NORMAL PERSONA FROM AN UNACCEPTABLE ALTER-EGO...

BUT HERE'S HOPING I'M WRONG, SCULLY, HERE'S HOPING THIS IS JUST A SERIAL KILLER'S DELUSIONS...

WAYS WITH US
EARTH INFESTED
RUMBLE BENEATH
OUR FEET

...RATHER THAN THE HISTORY OF SOMETHING REAL.

NEITHER WORLD
FEED THE
DEVIL IN
HELL



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OUT THIS MONTH!

Right off the bat, I could tell the concept art to *Prototype* was fantastic! This was something that they had worked on for a long time. It was their secret baby and they knew it would be a fantastic game. And sure enough, when I saw the cut scenes they had, it blew me away!

Alex Mercer is the main character. He has a really cool look and it's very, very contemporary. In the demo I played, he's running up the side of a building. He's got these gigantic claws out and there are thousands of soldiers after him. Wow, they're really shooting for the sky on this.

Not only is the action great in this game, but so is the story—and that's what we wanted to capture with *PROTOTYPE* #1. Jimmy Palmiotti and Justin Gray deliver a kinetic "action investigation" in Alex Mercer's misunderstood world. The textured, visceral art of Darick Robertson and Matt Jacobs drips into every panel to flesh out this dark, paranoid world where man and monsters collide.

Staying with the theme of adrenaline-filled man vs. monster sagas, one monstrous talent comes to mind, Simon Bisley. He's drawing issue #7 of *GEARS OF WAR*, which tells the tragic tale of Tai Kalliso. Joshua Ortega has also been writing one knockout issue after another and this one's sure to be another blockbuster story.

That's it for this month. I'm on my way to the New York Comic Con now, so I hope you had a chance to stop by!

Best,

SMILE

EX MACHINA
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SORRY FOR THE SILENCE, SCULLY--BUT MY HEARTBEAT JUST TOOK A STANDING EIGHT-COUNT.



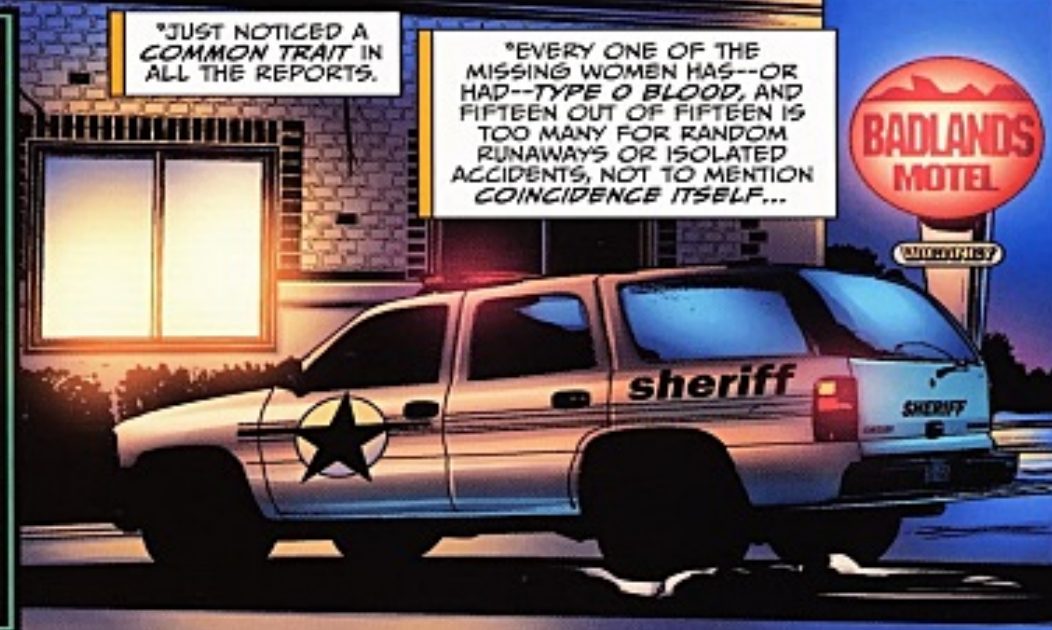
CALL LAURIE SKYE A MISSING PERSON AGAIN--THIS TIME GONE UNDERGROUND, AND NOT OF HER OWN VOLITION--WHICH LEAVES NO CHOICE BUT TO GO AFTER HER...



...FOLLOWING THE SAME SCUFFING SOUNDS I HEARD BEFORE.



NOT THAT THERE'S...--ANSH--...ANY LEeway TO STRAY.



*JUST NOTICED A COMMON TRAIT IN ALL THE REPORTS.

*EVERY ONE OF THE MISSING WOMEN HAS--OR HAD--TYPE O BLOOD, AND FIFTEEN OUT OF FIFTEEN IS TOO MANY FOR RANDOM RUNAWAYS OR ISOLATED ACCIDENTS, NOT TO MENTION COINCIDENCE ITSELF...

BADLANDS MOTEL

WINDFEST



...THEREBY INCREASING THE LIKELIHOOD THAT THEY'RE ALL VICTIMS LINKED TO THE SAME PREDATOR.

BUT WHY WOULD DANTE CALL ONLY TYPE O VICTIMS?



HOW COULD HE EVEN KNOW OR IDENTIFY THEIR BLOOD TYPE? AND HOW COULD--

TOY TOY TOY



ABOUT TIME
YOU DECIDED
TO APOLOGIZE,
MULDER.



SORRY TO DISTURB
YOU, SPECIAL AGENT
SCULLY, BUT...WELL, OUR
SUSPECT ESCAPED ABOUT
AN HOUR AGO, AFTER
LEADING TWO DEPUTIES ON
A WILD GOOSE CHASE
IN THE DARK.



ONE OF THOSE
FOOTCHASING
DEPUTIES
BEING YOU.

DAMN FOOL
ME, YES, M'AM...
UNTIL DANTE
CIRCLED BACK
TO STEAL
A CAR.

A SQUAD
CAR.

IF YOU
DON'T MIND,
M'AM, YOU'RE
BRUTAL.



ANYWAY, SHERIFF
THOUGHT YOU PEOPLE
SHOULD KNOW, BUT
SPECIAL AGENT
MULDER'S ROOM IS DARK
AND I DON'T SEE YOUR
CAR OUT--



WHERE IS
DANTE'S
RESIDENCE?



LAST PLACE
HE'D GO, SEEMS
TO ME, BUT IT'S AN
OLD AIRSTREAM
TRAILER OUT
BEYOND--

TAKE
ME.
NOW.



FEEL LIKE
A WORM, SCULLY...
~NFF~...IF WORMS
KNEW THE PANIC OF
CLAUSTROPHOBIA...
~NGH~...AND
BELIEVE ME, I'M
THERE.

GOOD THING
THE SLANT'S
STEEP...~NHN~...
ALMOST VERTICAL
IN SOME
STRETCHES...



THANKS TO
MAXED GRAVITY AND
SLICK MUCK GREASING
THE TUNNEL, I JUST
SLITHERED OUT INTO
A CAVERN.

DIM LIGHT NOW,
SCULLY--MUST BE
PHOSPHORESCENT
ROCK...



...ETCHED WITH
DANTE'S SUBTERRANEAN
INSPIRATION...HIS
SIGNATURE SYMBOLS
CARVED INTO--



CHUP

TAKT



SAY ONE OF
YOUR PRAYERS,
SCULLY...



...BECAUSE
I'VE JUST
STUMBLED INTO
HORROR.

TEETHMARKS,
SCULLY...THIS
CLAVICLE HAS BEEN
GNAWED.

HARDLY LAURIE
SKYE, NOT YET, BUT IT
COULD BE HER FATE
IF I DON'T FIND--

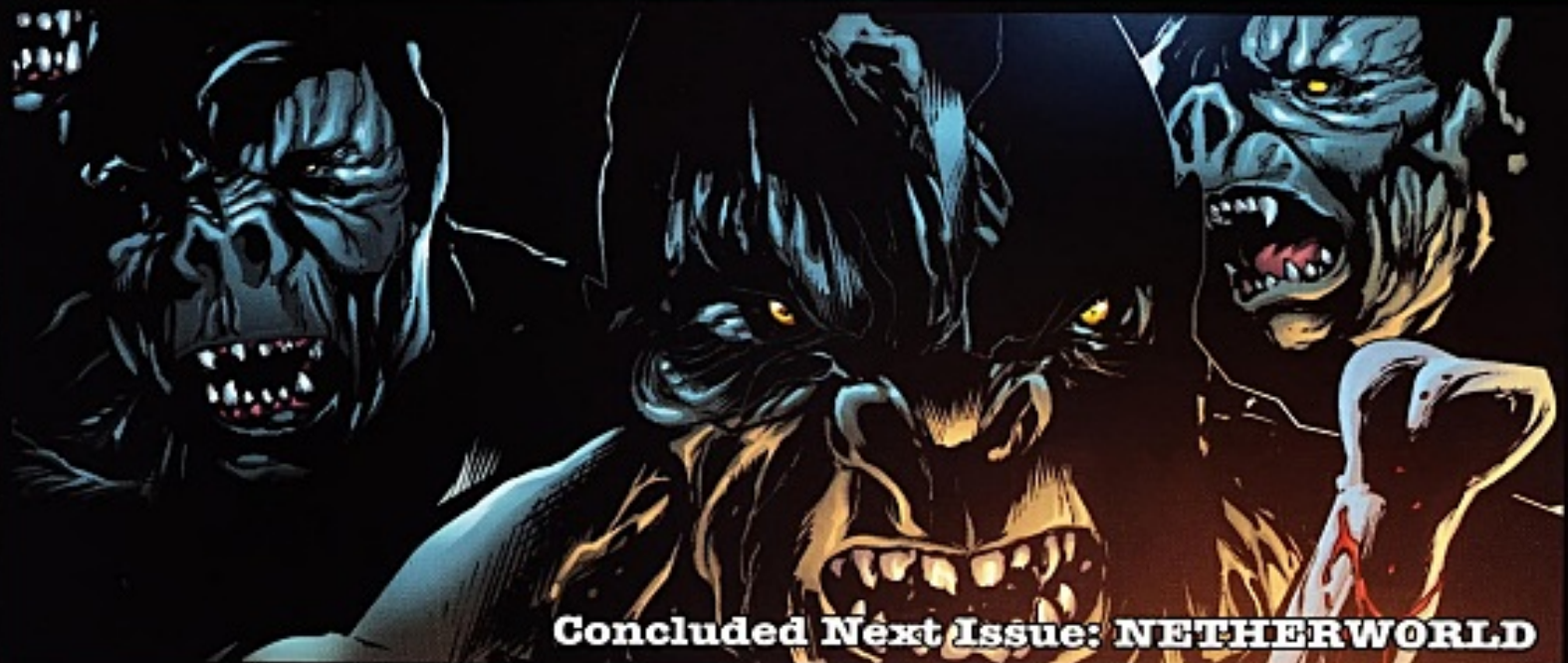


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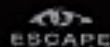
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