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Confederate MONSTER



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THE SOUTH WILL RISE...UN-DEAD!

IN THE FINAL MONTHS OF THE AMERICAN CIVIL WAR, A SECRET CONFEDERATE PLOT IS UNFOLDING. DESPERATE TO TURN THE TIDE TOWARD THEIR FAVOR, THE CONFEDERATES HAVE PURSUED A GHASTLY GHOST STORY AS A LAST RESORT. A HORRIFIC TALE ABOUT A MAD SCIENTIST WHO IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BROUGHT A HIDEOUS DEAD MONSTER BACK TO LIFE! STRANGELY ENOUGH, THIS FOREIGN FAIRY TALE HAS PROVED TO BE MUCH MORE FACT THAN FICTION.

AS THE REBELS PUT THEIR FINAL PLANS INTO ACTION, A RECONSTRUCTIVE SURGEON NAMED DR. DANIEL SCHMIDT REBUILDS THEIR BROKEN SOLDIERS. ALL THE WHILE LIVING WITH BONE CHILLING SECRETS OF HIS OWN. FOR ALL HIS CHARM AND BRILLIANCE, DANIEL HIDES A MONSTROUS PAST. MANY YEARS AGO IN A DIFFERENT LIFE, HE WAS NONE OTHER THAN THE LAB ASSISTANT TO THE VERY SAME MAD SCIENTIST THE CONFEDERATES NOW SEEK, DR. VICTOR FRANKENSTEIN!

THESE TWO WORLDS COLLIDE IN THE PAGES OF CONFEDERATE MONSTER. AN ALL NEW STORY FROM COMIC BOOK CREATOR DAVE SWARTZ. ENJOY A 21 PAGE PREVIEW OF THE JAM PACKED 36 PAGE DEBUT ISSUE COMING TO PATREON THIS SUMMER.

VIRGINIA, 1864

Fireflies. A rare creature that can produce its own light. The secret to their magic known only to God himself.

If I had to guess, I'd say the process is much like igniting gun powder.

As if stealing the power of the sun.

Mix the correct chemicals together, and they will unleash a beautiful miracle.

Their joyous symphony rings out through the shadows, as if the darkness would last forever.

But nothing lasts forever in this world.

Not even a peaceful summer's night.



The war has waged on for what seems like decades now. Tens of thousands of men have been ripped apart by its savagery.

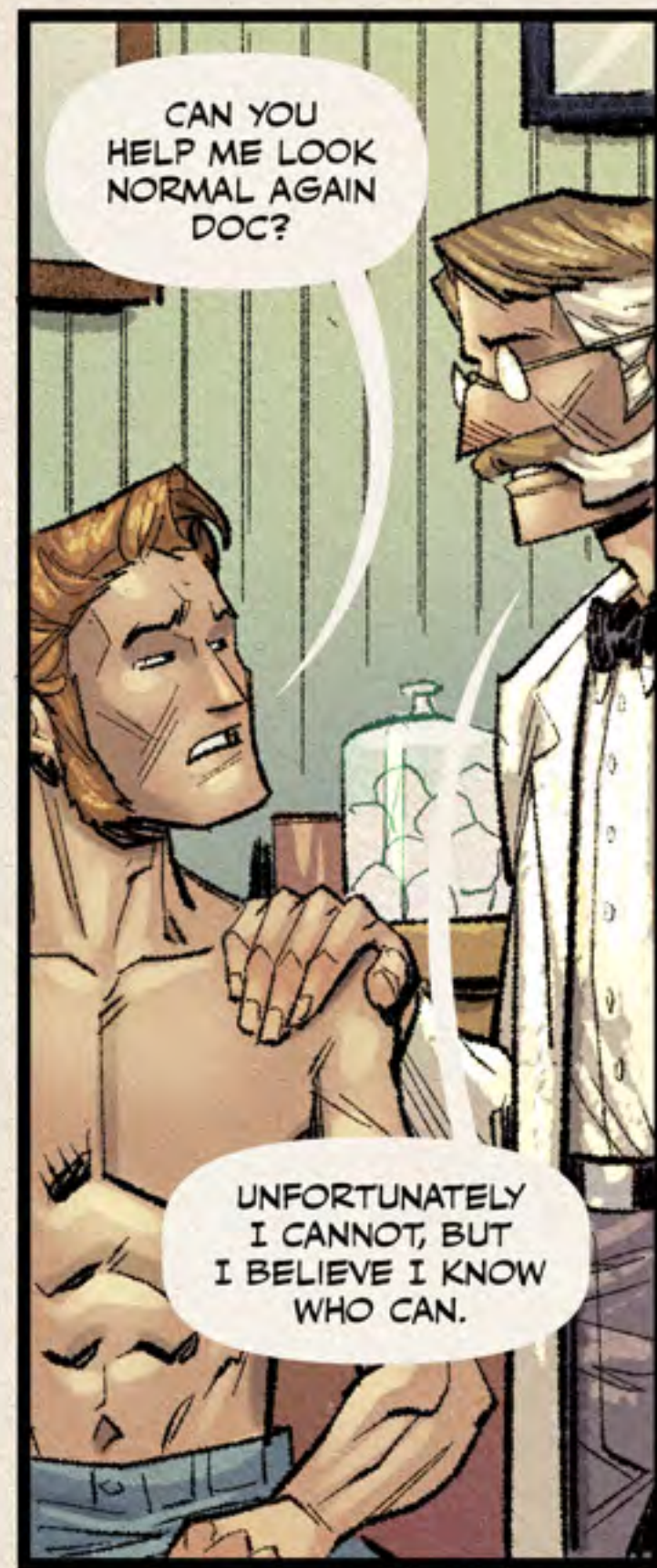
Battle after battle, they fight. Brother against brother, they lose. I'm afraid when it's all over, no one will truly be the victor.

All to protect a brutal way of life.

The carnage is unlike anything I've seen before, and I've seen monstrous things in my time.



The worst of which I fear, has yet to come.





IT MEANS TO HELP PATIENTS, SUCH AS YOURSELF, REGAIN THEIR LIVES AGAIN.

HOW DO YOU DO THAT?

WON'T I STILL LOOK LIKE A MONSTER THOUGH?

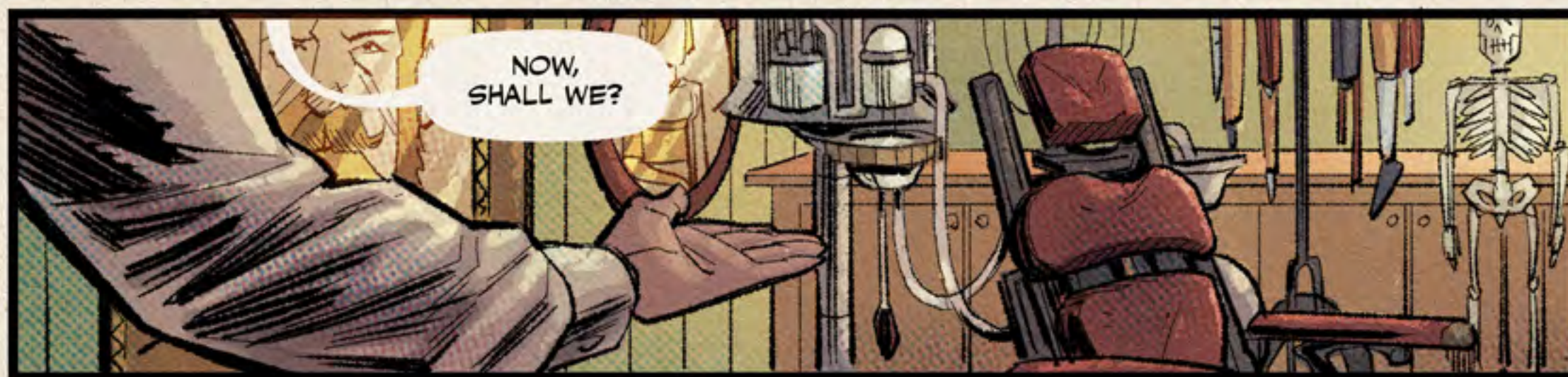
I'VE SPENT YEARS RESEARCHING AND REFINING MY SPECIALIZED SKILL, KNOWN AS PROSTHETICS. HOWEVER, SIMPLY PUT, I CREATE A NEW PART FOR SOMETHING YOU MAY BE MISSING. LIKE A HAND, OR AN ARM, OR IN YOUR CASE, A LEG.

NOT AT ALL MY GOOD MAN.



THESE ARE ALL MY HAPPY AND SATISFIED CUSTOMERS.

ALL WHOM WHERE ONCE IN THE EXACT SITUATION YOU FIND YOURSELF IN.



NOW, SHALL WE?



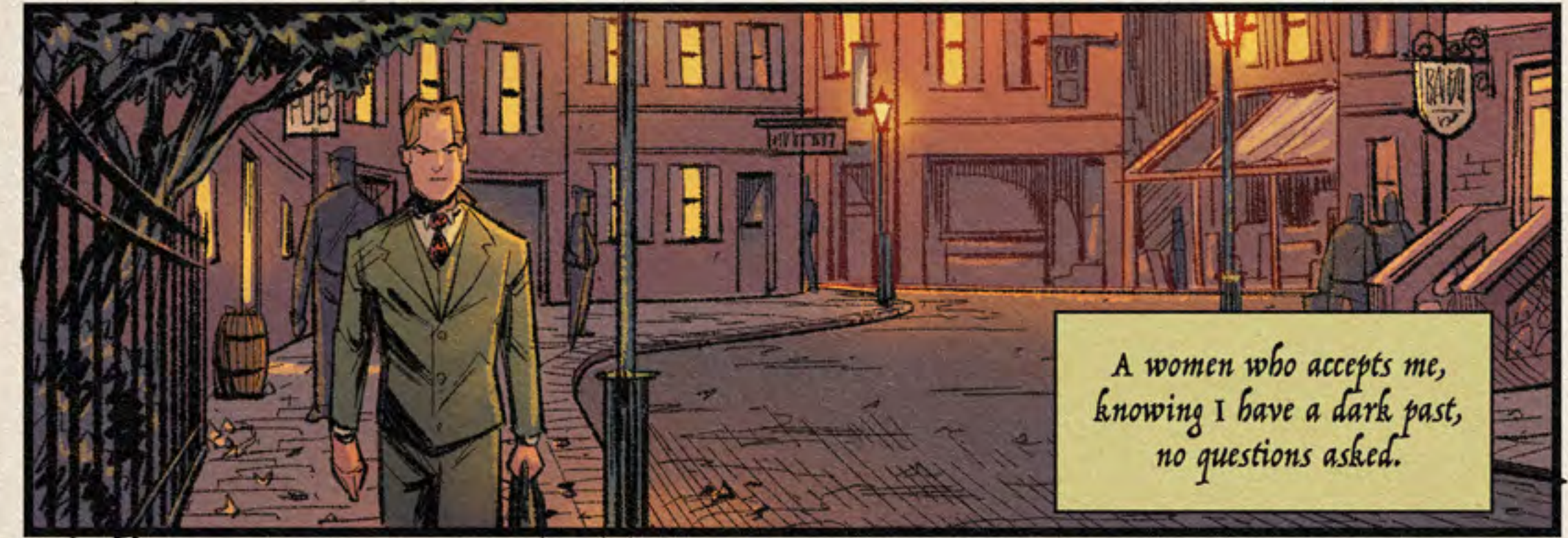
It's moments like these that make the sacrifices I've made worth it.



The long hours in the library, the night shifts at the hospital, pale in comparison to the lies I live with each day.



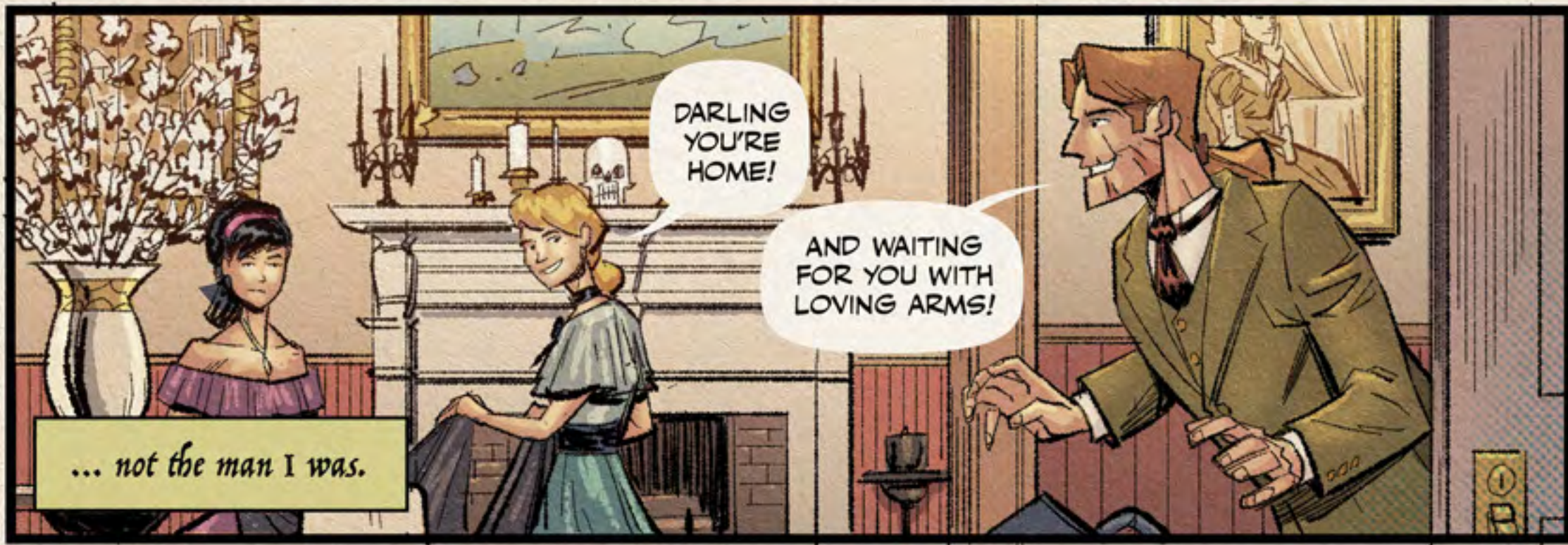
Deception takes a toll, but I would do anything to protect the woman I love.



A women who accepts me, knowing I have a dark past, no questions asked.



I don't know what I would tell her if she did. But, she loves the man I am...



DARLING YOU'RE HOME!

AND WAITING FOR YOU WITH LOVING ARMS!

... not the man I was.



HOW WAS YOUR DAY?

MOST ENJOYABLE, AND YOURS?

GETTING READY FOR OUR BIG PARTY! ARE YOU EXCITED?



MUST YOU MAUL HER LIKE AN ANIMAL DANIEL?

SO MUCH SO I CAN'T ... CONTAIN ... IT...



CALM YOURSELF MRS. STEPHENS. I'M JUST GETTING INTO CHARACTER. IN FACT ...



... I CAN FEEL THE TRANSFORMATION STARTING... RUN WHILE YOU STILL CAN!



OH DANIEL, LEAVE HER ALONE.

I'M JUST HORSING AROUND DARLING THAT'S ALL.



IF IT WEREN'T FOR YOUR GOOD LOOKS, I DON'T KNOW IF I'D FORGIVE YOU SO EASILY.

IF IT WEREN'T FOR MY GOOD LOOKS, YOU'D BE MARRIED TO A POLITICIAN.



EXCUSE YOU?



ONLY KIDDING DEAR. I'M SURE THE SENATOR LOVES YOU VERY MUCH.

THAT'S IT, TIME TO LEAVE THE PARTY PLANNING COMMITTEE TO DO IT'S WORK.



DEEPLY SORRY LOVE, I JUST CAN'T HELP MYSELF.

YOU SCOUNDREL. I'LL GET YOU FOR THIS.

IT'S THE MOST AMAZING NEW TECHNIQUE, WELL, DANIEL CAN TELL YOU MORE.

THEY BOTH INSISTED UPON HIRING DANIEL'S PATIENTS TO CATER. I TOO THOUGHT IT WOULD LOOK AS UNSEEMLY AS IT DOES.

DR. JOHNSON MAY BE OVER STATING IT A BIT. HOWEVER, MY PATIENTS SEEM TO BE ABLE TO LEAD RELATIVELY NORMAL LIVES AFTER AMPUTATION.

LOOK AT THEM OVER THERE. SMUG DOCTORS FLOCK TOGETHER LIKE VULTURES LOOKING FOR THE NEXT WOUNDED CARCASS TO PILFER.

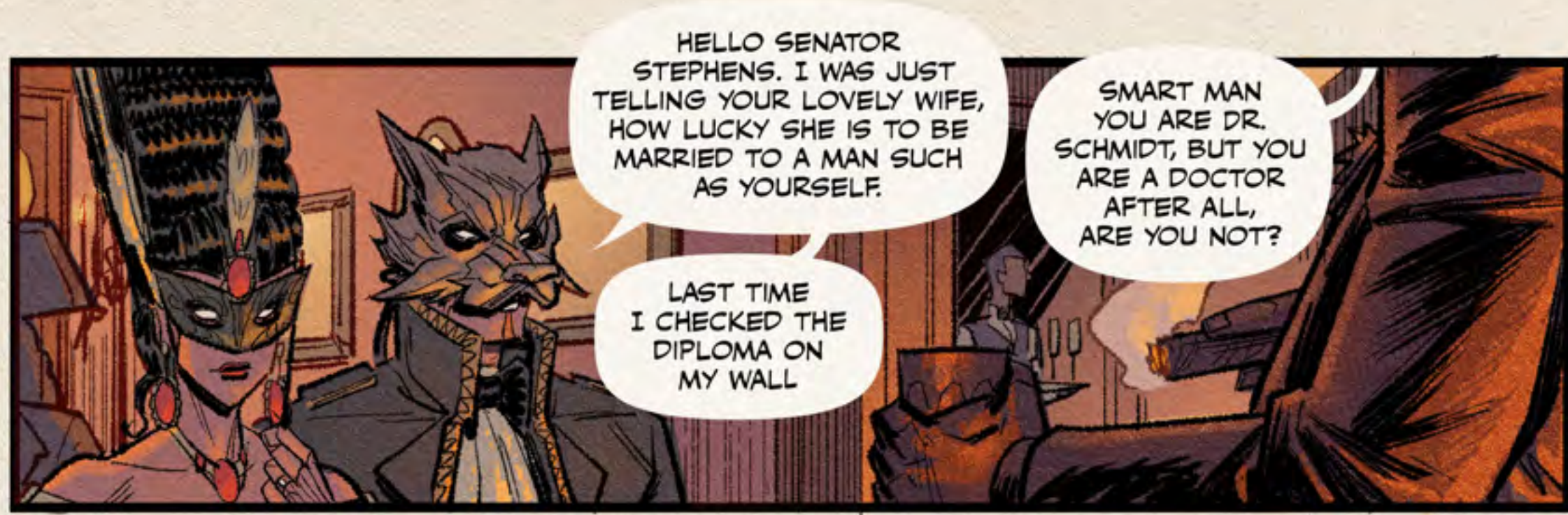
HIS WORK IS TRULY A MIRACLE FOR THOSE POOR SOLDIERS.

DOESN'T HE HAVE ANY PROPER HELP AROUND HERE? ALL THESE MEN ARE WHITE SOLDIERS!

IS THAT ALL YOU HAVE DISCOVERED WHILE BEFRIENDING MRS. SCHMIDT MY DEAR?

DR. SCHMIDT FITS THE DESCRIPTION OF OUR TARGET IN NEARLY EVERY WAY. YOUNG MALE SURGEON, ORIGINALLY FROM SOUTHERN GERMANY.

HE HAS SCARES ON HIS FACE, BACK AND CHEST. HIS WIFE KNOWS LITTLE ABOUT HIS ORIGINS...



HELLO SENATOR STEPHENS. I WAS JUST TELLING YOUR LOVELY WIFE, HOW LUCKY SHE IS TO BE MARRIED TO A MAN SUCH AS YOURSELF.

SMART MAN YOU ARE DR. SCHMIDT, BUT YOU ARE A DOCTOR AFTER ALL, ARE YOU NOT?

LAST TIME I CHECKED THE DIPLOMA ON MY WALL



THE GOVERNOR AND I WERE JUST DISCUSSING WHY YOU HAVE PROUD CONFEDERATE VETERANS SERVING FOOD & DRINK TONIGHT?

SURELY A MAN OF YOUR WEALTH CAN AFFORD YOUR PICK OF THE BEST SLAVE SERVANTS IN ALL THE COMMONWEALTH.

YOU ARE CORRECT SENATOR. THESE MEN ARE PROUD CONFEDERATE SOLDIERS. MANY OF WHOM CAN NO LONGER DO THE JOBS THEY ONCE COULD, BECAUSE THIS WAR HAS TAKEN A PIECE OF THEM AWAY.

I'VE PERSONALLY SEEN THE AGONY OF THEIR INJURIES BOTH PHYSICAL AND MENTAL, AND I CAN TELL YOU, ALL THEY WANT IS TO BE NORMAL AGAIN. THE LEAST ANY OF US CAN DO IS TRY AND HELP THESE BRAVE MEN REGAIN WHAT'S LEFT OF THEIR PRIDE.



MEN LIKE YOU SCHMIDT DON'T KNOW WHAT REAL PAIN AND SACRIFICE IS. UNTIL YOU'VE HELD A GUN IN YOUR HAND, AND LOOKED YOUR FELLOW COUNTRYMEN IN THE EYES BEFORE YOU PULL THE TRIGGER.

THAT TAKES MORE GUTS THAN YOU'LL EVER STITCH BACK TOGETHER DOCTOR.



WELL GENTLEMEN, DESPITE OUR CLEAR DIFFERENCE OF OPINION, I HOPE YOU CAN STILL ENJOY OUR LITTLE PARTY. DON'T FORGET TO TRY OUT THE ZOETROPE, AMAZING LITTLE THING! THIS WAY DANIEL.



EGOTISTICAL BLOWHARDS!

DANIEL, YOU KNOW YOU CAN'T CHALLENGE MEN LIKE THAT.

YES MY LOVE, YOU RENEW LIVES, WHILE THEY SEEK TO DESTROY THEM. BUT IF WE'RE NOT CAREFUL, WE MAY BE NEXT ON THEIR LIST.

THOSE SIMPLE MINDED WAR MONGERS CAN'T COMPREHEND TRUE POWER.

YOU'RE RIGHT. I SHOULD BE MORE CAREFUL. IT'S HARD TO KNOW WHO TO TRUST DURING A WAR BETWEEN BROTHERS.

SEND WORD TO THE HORSEMEN. TONIGHT THEY RIDE.

YES SENATOR.



ALEXANDER, YOU JUST HAVE TO SEE THIS. IT'S AMAZING!

OH, AND GOVERNOR...



... TELL THE GENERAL, I WANT TO BE THERE WHEN HE DOES IT.



DR. SCHMIDT AND I ARE SO THANKFUL FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK THIS EVENING. HE'S JUST SORRY HE COULDN'T SAY GOOD NIGHT IN PERSON.



THIS PLACE IS MY HOME DANIEL, WE ARE NOT HAVING THIS DISCUSSION AGAIN.

HOW CAN WE CONTINUE TO LIVE HERE? IT'S BEEN NEARLY 4 YEARS OF RUBBING ELBOWS WITH THE WHITE SUPREMACIST ELITE. FIXING BROKEN MEN WHO LYNCH BLACK CHILDREN FOR FUN!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN?! I SPEAK MY MIND? I DON'T PRETEND I'M SOMEONE I'M NOT?!

I AM NOT LEAVING VIRGINIA DANIEL! THIS WAR WILL BE OVER SOON, AND SLAVERY WITH IT.



THE SPIRIT OF SLAVERY WILL NEVER DIE IN THE HEARTS OF THESE MEN. IF WE DON'T LEAVE, WE WILL NEVER BE RID OF IT.



WE UNDERSTAND MRS. SCHMIDT. YOUR HUSBAND IS TRULY A MIRACLE WORKER. WE'RE JUST SO GRATEFUL HE HIRED US INSTEAD OF THOSE DIRTY COLOREDS.

OH... WELL, YOU ARE TOO KIND. HAVE A GOOD NIGHT NOW.



I KNOW YOU'RE STILL UPSET DANIEL, BUT THOSE MEN LOOK UP TO YOU. YOU COULD AT LEAST SHOW THEM YOUR GRATITUDE.

HOW DO YOU DO IT?

DO WHAT?



PRETEND AS IF WE DON'T LIVE IN A DEN OF SNAKES.

DANIEL, YOU'RE DRUNK AND ANGRY, AND WE BOTH KNOW WHAT HAPPENS.



KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK

WHO COULD THAT BE?

ONE OF THE SOLDIERS MUST HAVE LEFT SOMETHING BEHIND.



DON'T BOTHER WITH THE GLASS DANIEL...



... I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT.



STAY BACK!
DON'T MAKE ME
SHOOT YOU
DOC!

STOP!
WHAT DO YOU
THINK YOU'RE
DOING?

GET OFF
OF ME!

UNHAND
HER YOU
MONSTERS!

HELP
ME!

DANIEL
WATCH
OUT!

DOC'S
GOT SOME
FIGHT IN 'EM!
I LIKE IT!

DANIEL!
NO!!!

ERGG...

HELL
P P P P P
ME E E E E E



MORNING

This is all my fault.



After 8 years I thought it was over.



I covered all my tracks. Destroyed all the evidence.



Sailed nearly around the world, and I still can't escape it.



How did they find me?

DR. SCHMIDT! CAN WE SEE YOU IN THE KITCHEN PLEASE.



YES DETECTIVE?

PLEASE, HAVE A SEAT.

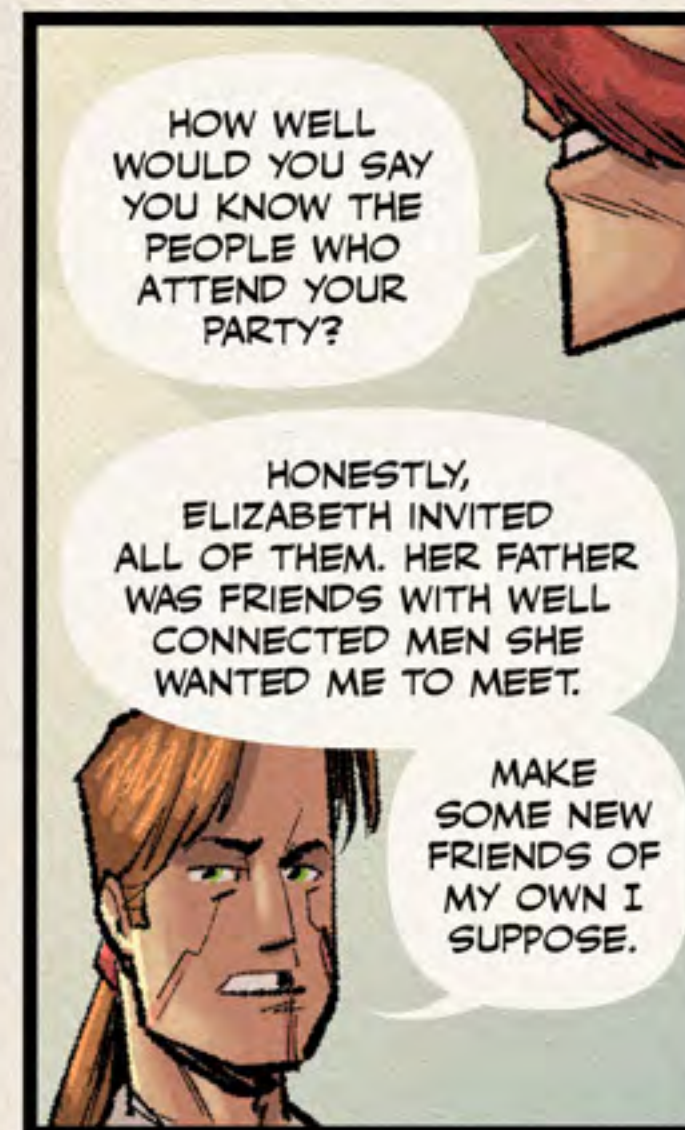
WE JUST NEED TO ASK YOU A FEW ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS BEFORE WE LEAVE.

FIRST I'D LIKE TO OFFER MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY ON THE GRISLY SITUATION YOU PRESENTLY FIND YOURSELF IN. NO ONE SHOULD EVER HAVE TO ENDURE THIS.

WE WILL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO FIND HER SIR. MY OFFICERS MENTIONED THAT YOU AND YOUR WIFE HAD A PARTY HERE LAST NIGHT, WITH OVER A DOZEN PEOPLE IN ATTENDANCE. IS THAT CORRECT?

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONCERN, BUT FRANKLY, ALL I WANT FROM YOU AND YOUR MEN IS TO GET MY WIFE BACK.

YES, WE HAD GUESTS UNTIL AROUND MIDNIGHT OR SO.



HOW WELL WOULD YOU SAY YOU KNOW THE PEOPLE WHO ATTEND YOUR PARTY?

HONESTLY, ELIZABETH INVITED ALL OF THEM. HER FATHER WAS FRIENDS WITH WELL CONNECTED MEN SHE WANTED ME TO MEET.

MAKE SOME NEW FRIENDS OF MY OWN I SUPPOSE.



I KNOW YOU WERE KNOCKED UNCONSCIOUS DURING THE STRUGGLE, BUT CAN YOU REMEMBER ANYTHING ABOUT YOUR ATTACKERS?



NOT MUCH I'M AFRAID. IT ALL HAPPENED SO QUICKLY. I HEARD ELIZABETH SCREAM. I RAN TOWARD THE DOOR, AND I SAW FOUR MEN, IN ALL BLACK WITH SKULL MASKS COVERING THEIR FACES.

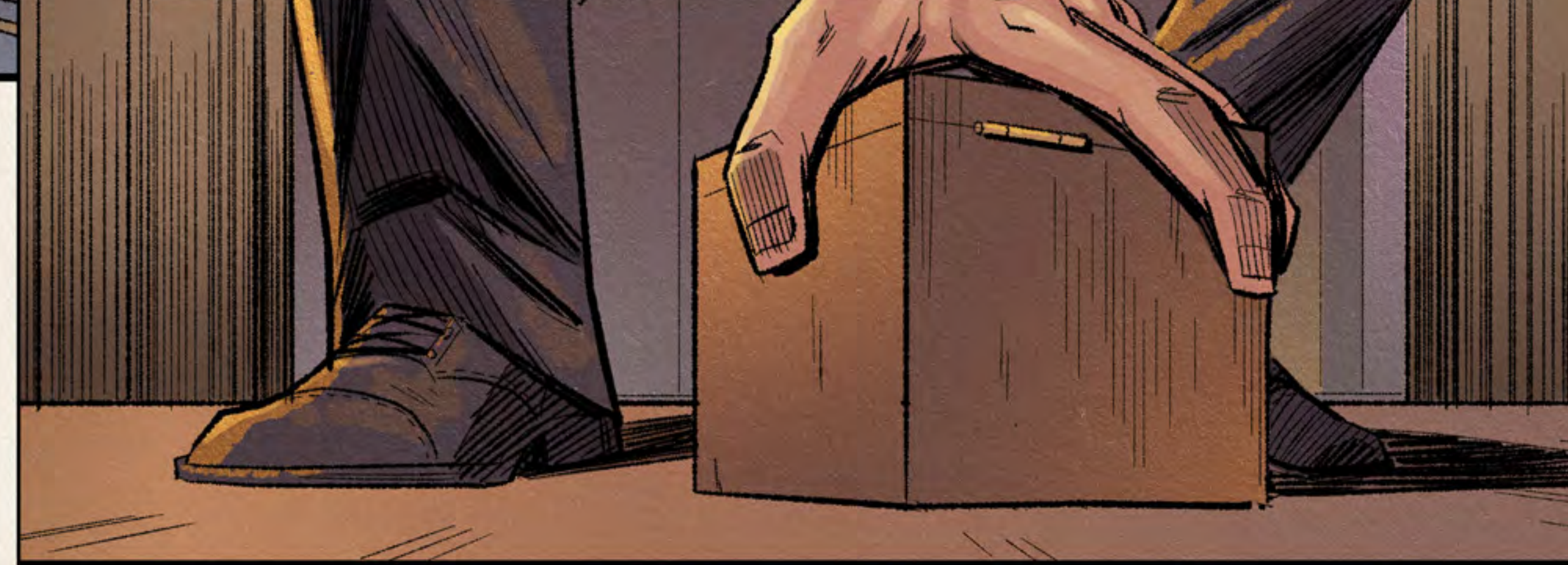


THEY WERE ALL VERY LARGE AND VERY STRONG. I COULDN'T....

...COULDN'T... STOP THEM.

IT'S ALRIGHT DR. SCHMIDT, WE WILL DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO BRING HER HOME ALIVE.

UNFORTUNATELY, FOR NOW ALL WE CAN DO IS WAIT UNTIL THEY MAKE THEIR DEMANDS KNOWN.





Meet us at
the Cavalry
Ranch. Tell
no one



...OH GOD...



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ON
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FINISH THE FINAL 15 PAGES OF THE SHOCKING
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