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The Penguin Returns

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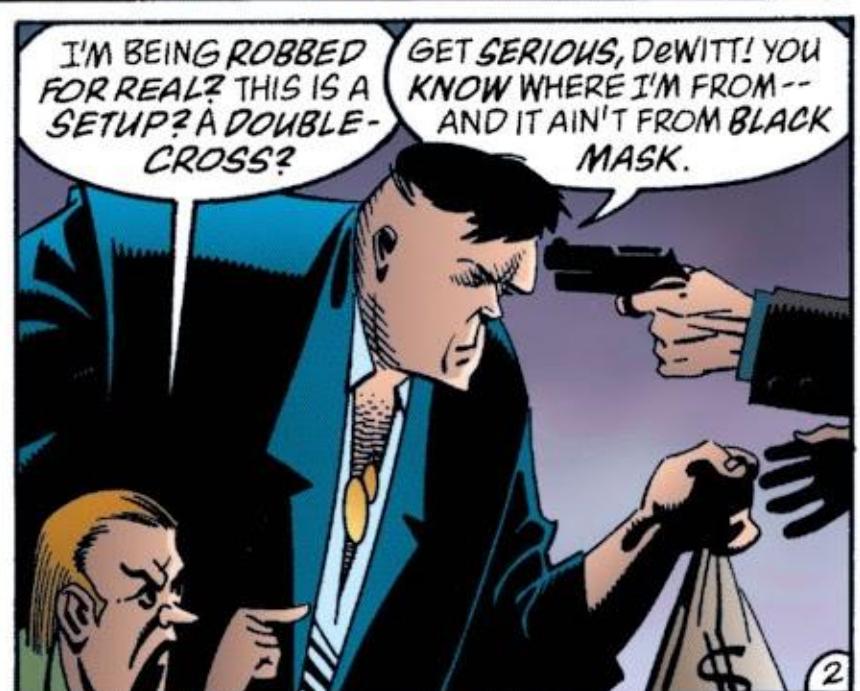
WAIT--THE MASKS
ARE HANGING BACK,
TAKING TO THE
SHADOWS.

HIDING.

AND HERE COMES A
THIRD MAN--HUGE,
NO MASK.



KNOCKING ON THE DOOR--
RATHER THAN BREAKING IN.



THANKS FOR YOUR COOPERATION, GENTS, BUT ME AND MY FALSE-FACED FRIEND ARE FEELIN' FRISKY TONIGHT, SO WE'RE GONNA SNUFF YEZ ANYWAY AND--

STAKT

WHA--?!

HWOOKK

BOTH MASKS DOWN--
BUT NOT OUT.

MY PIECE!
GOTTA GET
MY--

WOOA.



TWO MASKS SOON
OFF THE STREET...

BUT THE OTHER TWO ARE GONE.
SAVED THE MONEY AND THEIR
LIVES, BUT WHO WERE THEY?

AND WHO'S BEHIND IT?

ANOTHER
DRINK,
OZZIE?

OZZIE?
YOU HEAR ME,
HONEY?

SOMETHING MORE THAN SIMPLE
ROBBERY ALMOST WENT DOWN--
BUT WHAT?

YOU HEAR ME, OSWALD
CHESTERFIELD COBBLEPOT?
I SAID TAKE IT!

B-BUT, MA, IT... IT'S
SUNNY OUT...

TAKE
IT!!

I DON'T CARE WHAT IT'S OUT!
AND DON'T YOU DARE SASS
ME, YOUNG MAN!

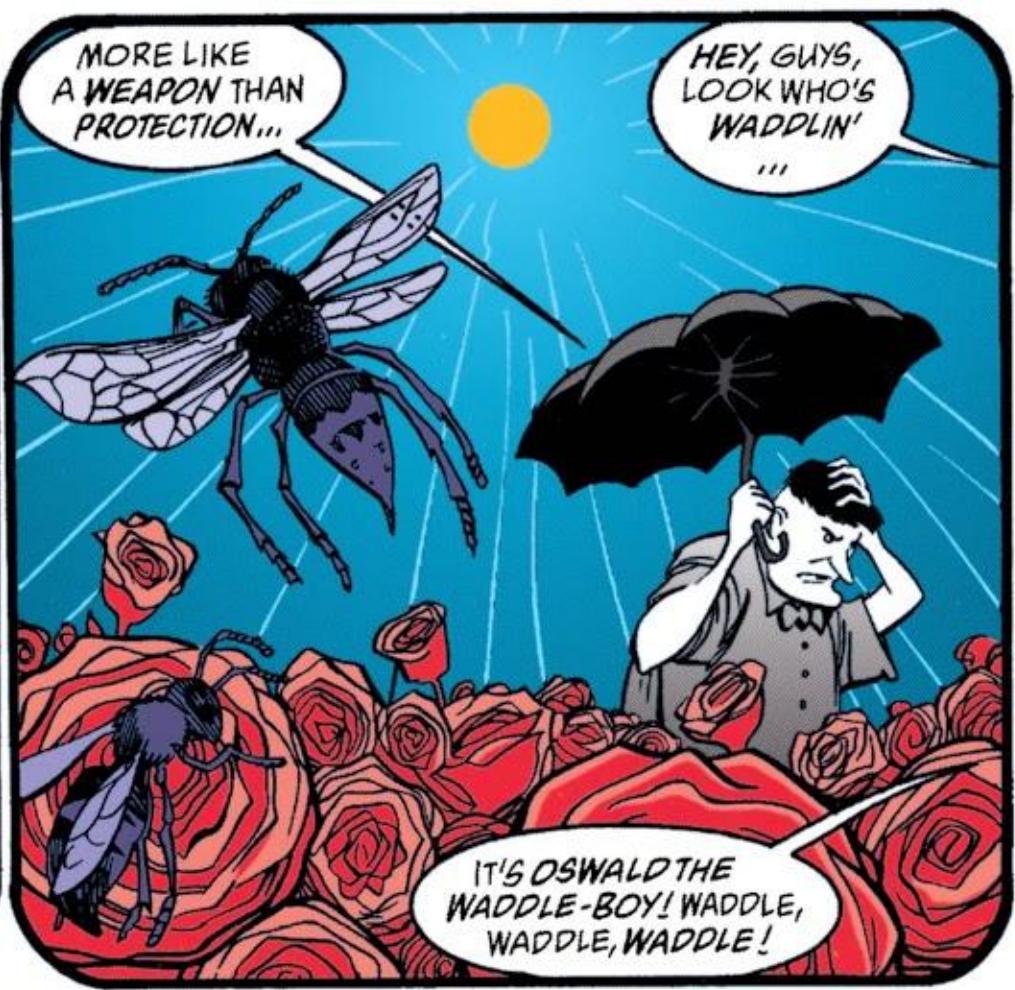
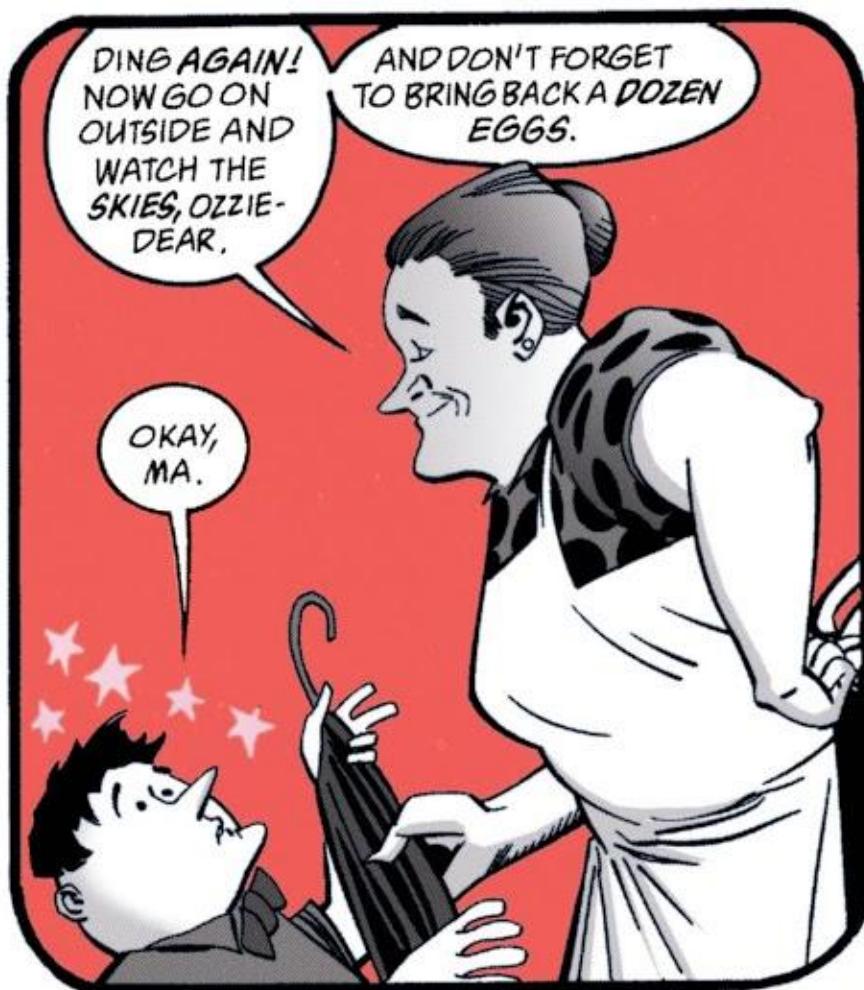
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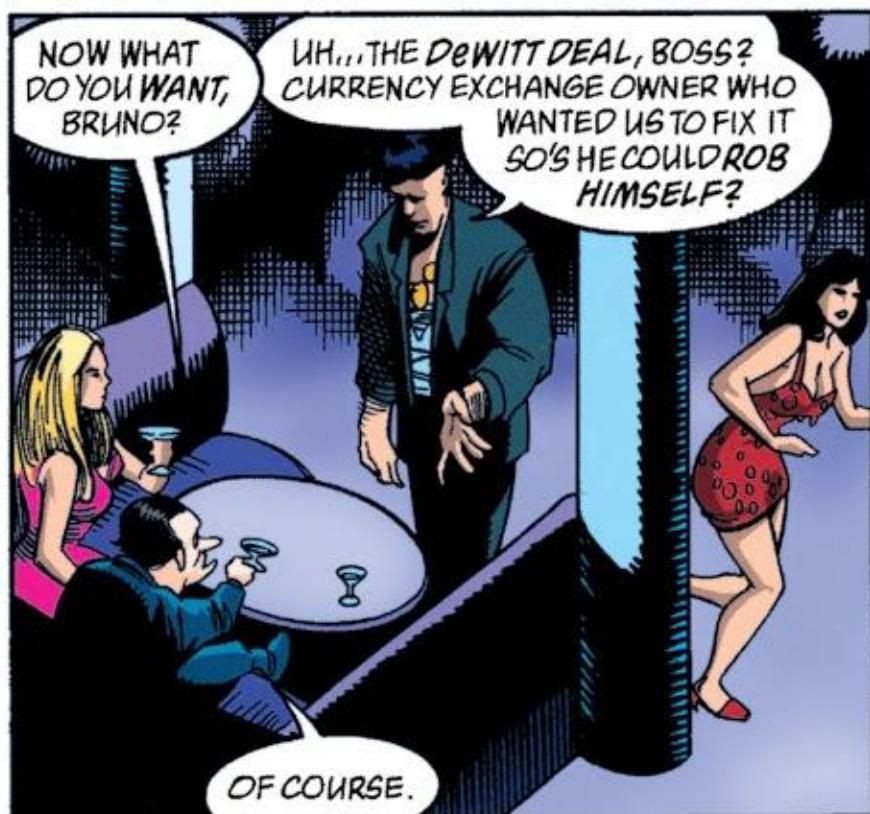
YOU NEVER KNOW WHEN THE SKY
MIGHT BLACKEN AND SPLIT! YOU
NEVER KNOW WHEN THE TORRENTS
MIGHT GUSH DOWN TO SWEEP YOUR
CHUBBY DROWNED CARCASS
STRAIGHT TO PERDITION!

NOW YOU'VE
GOT TO BE PREPARED,
SONNY-BOY!

NOW TAKE
THE UMBRELLA
OR DIE!!

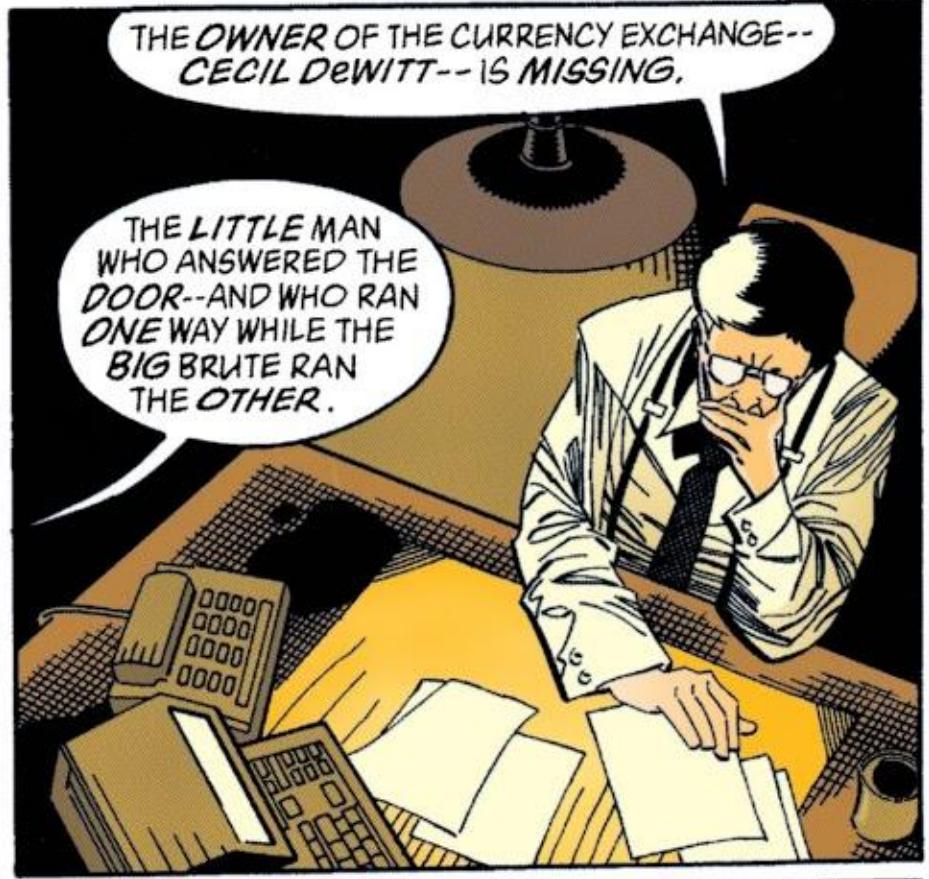
















ONE HOUR LATER...



DRILLINGGGGG

AND FINALLY,
SINCE THE POLICE
HAVE BEEN KNOWN
TO ANSWER ALARMS...



HWAH!

EVEN IF I'M
STOPPED AND
SEARCHED, WE
BOTH REMAIN
FREE AS
BIRDS!

THIRTY MINUTES LATER:

SIMPLE BURGLARY,
DUGAN. WHY'D YOU
CALL US?

I REALIZE YOU'RE WITH
MAJOR CRIMES NOW, SERGEANT
BULLOCK, AND THIS AIN'T
EXACTLY MAJOR... BUT IT
IS UNUSUAL.

HOW SO,
OFFICER?

WELL... ONLY
ONE THING
WAS TAKEN-- A
SINGLE SMALL
DIAMOND.

BUT EVEN
MORE UNUSUAL...
SOMETHING WAS
LEFT IN ITS
PLACE.

HUH?

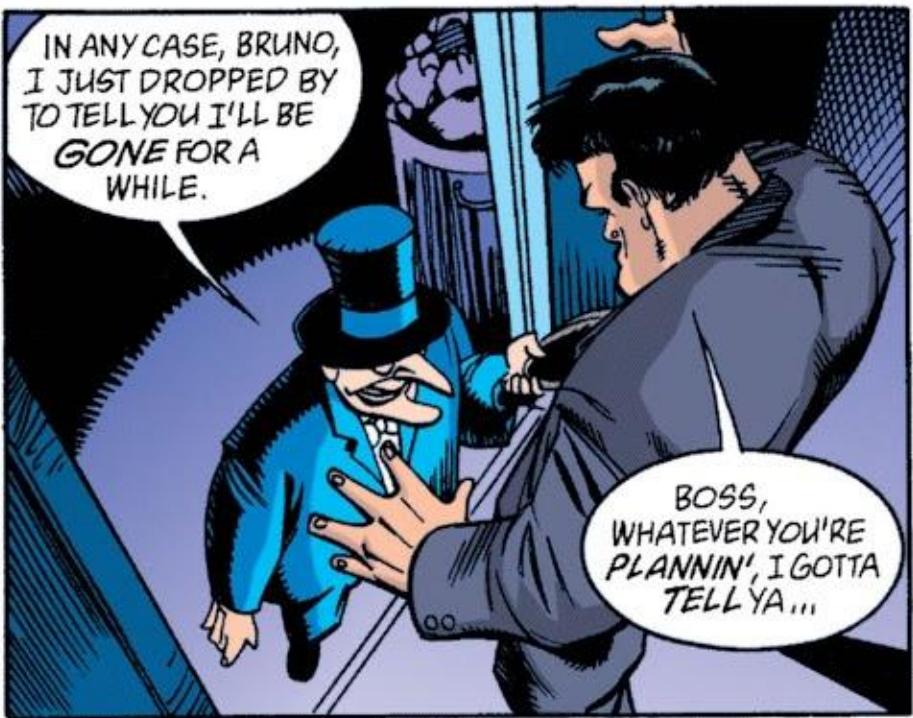
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HARV.

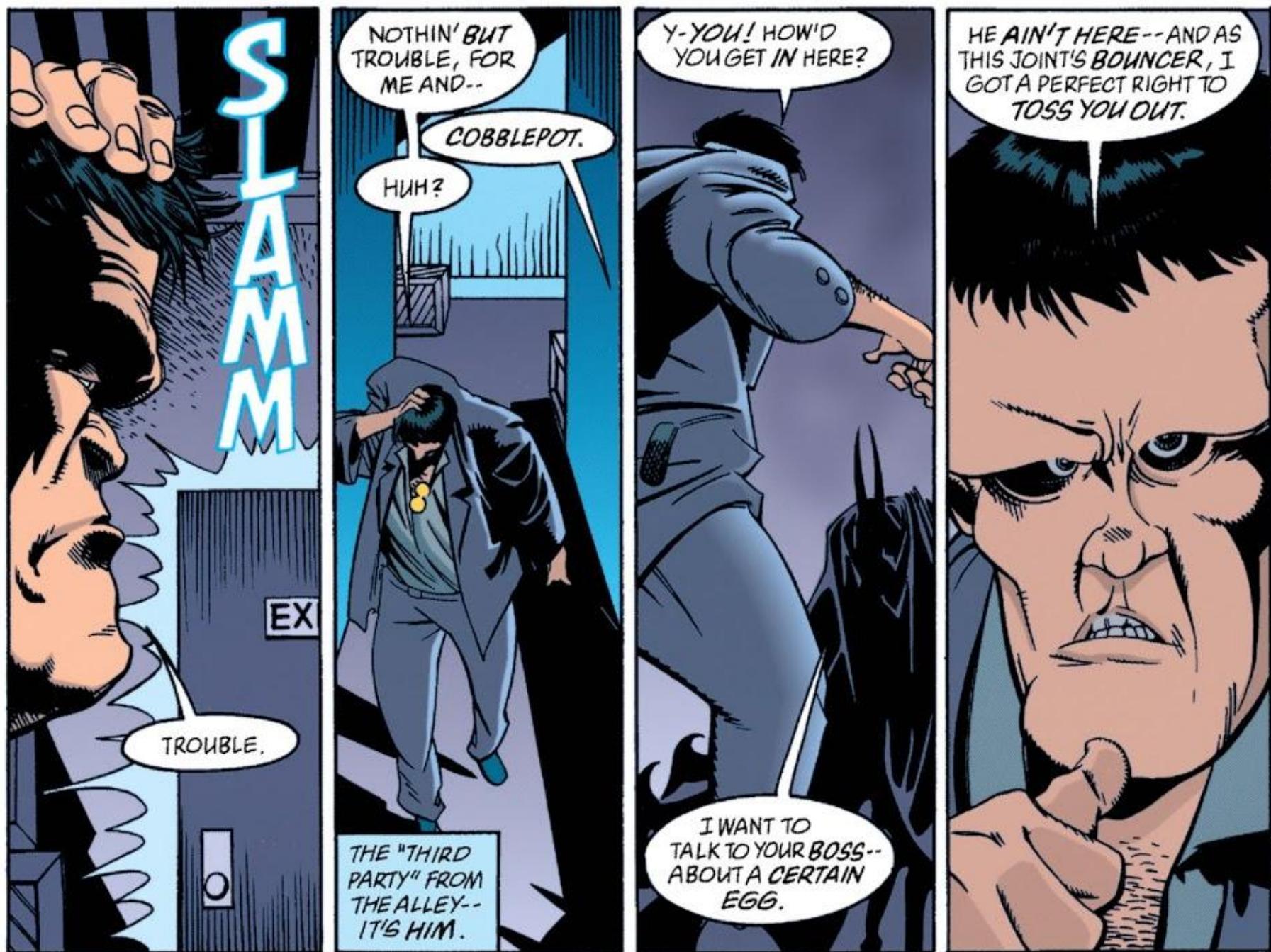
I AIN'T BLIND TO THE UNDERLINED
OBVIOUS, MONTOYA-- AND MAN, DO
I HATE THESE DELIBERATE-
CLUE CAPERS.

ONLY
WHACKOS GET
THEIR KICKS
TAUNTIN' THE
COPS.

TELL HER I
LOVE HER
SAVE 20%



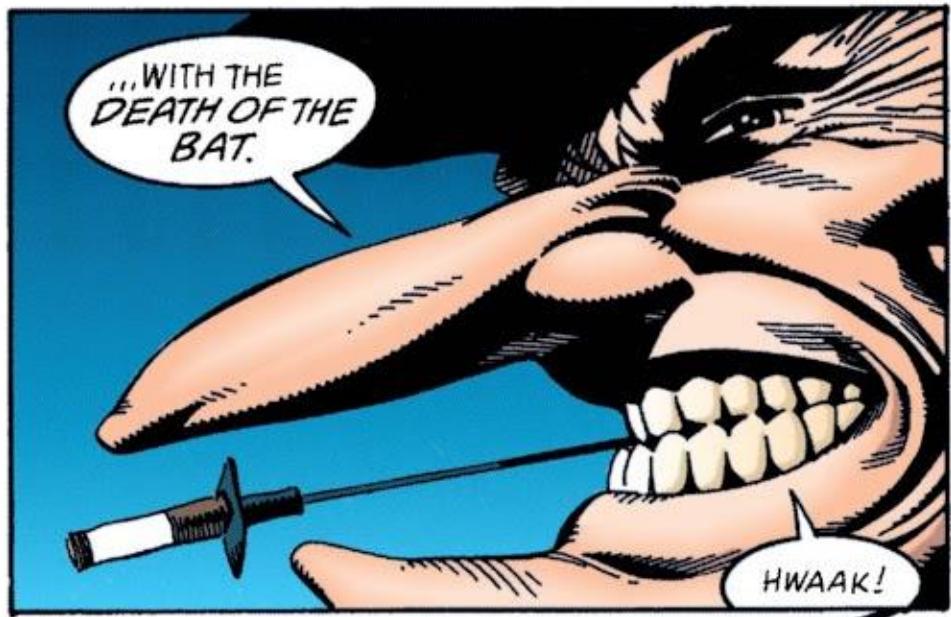
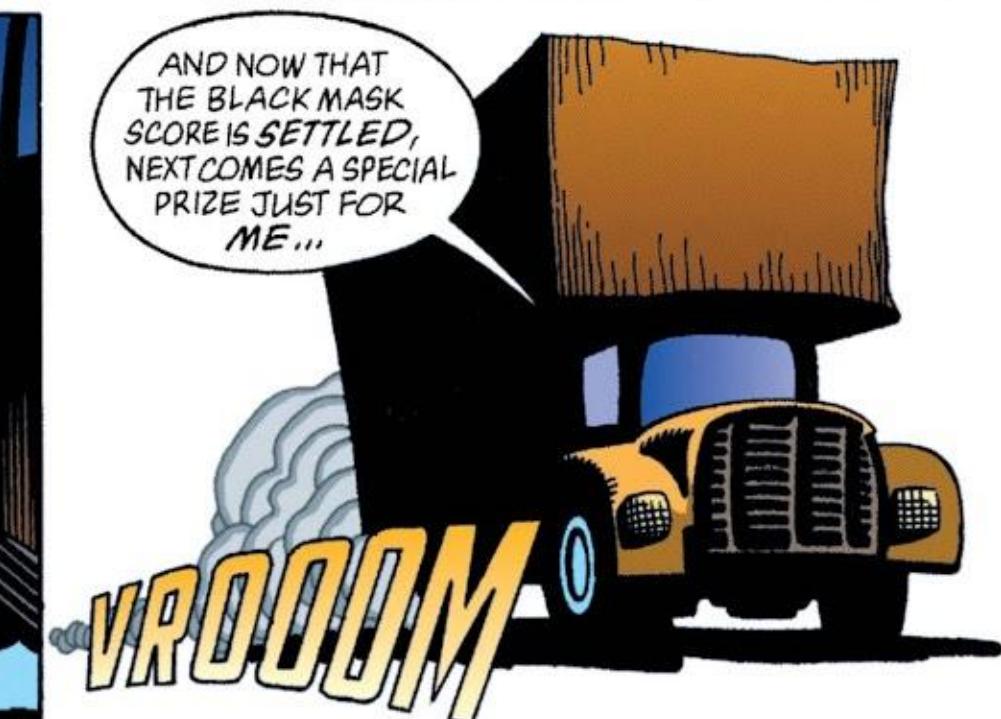
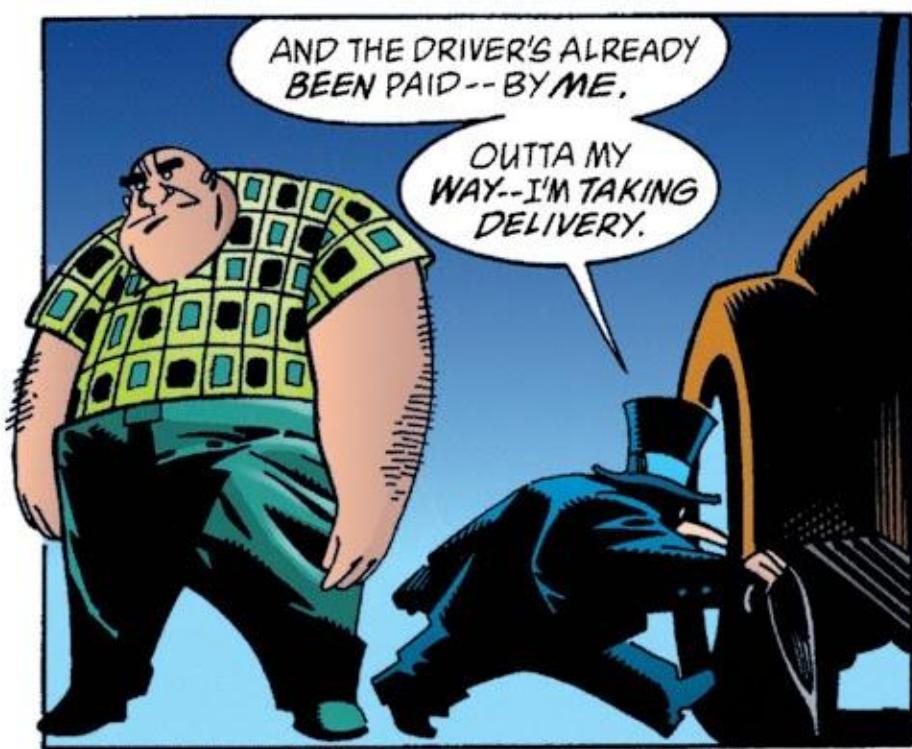












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