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IN

THE
PEOPLE
OF

CALL HERCULES

**GREEK 'DEMIGOD' IN
DRUNKEN NIGHTCLUB
BRAWL**
SCANDAL AFFRAY LEADS TO CHARGES



HAVE YOU SEEN THIS DOG?

**CENTAURS
IN CENTRAL PARK?**
WITNESSES DESCRIBED AS
"INTOXICATED," "MISTAKEN."



TAN
ECTS

IN NEED OF A
HERO

**M. TIRESIAS
WATCH AND CLOCK
REPAIRS**

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circumstances*

WHILE YOU WAIT!
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IN THE MUSIC
HERO?

**THREATENED BY
PERILS (MORTAL
OR IMMORTAL)**

CALL HERCULES

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HERCULES

IN ANCIENT DAYS, HERCULES WAS THE GREATEST HERO OF ALL. HE WAS THE WORLD'S FIRST SUPER HERO, AND SET THE STANDARD FOR ALL HEROES THAT CAME AFTER HIM.

BUT IN THE MODERN WORLD, IMMORTAL HERCULES HAS DONE LITTLE BUT ENJOY HIS CELEBRITY. THE SUBJECT OF GOSSIP AND SCANDAL, HE HAS BECOME AN IRRELEVANCE. HERCULES HAS REALIZED THAT IT IS TIME TO CLEAN UP HIS ACT AND RESTORE HIS REPUTATION.

THE UPRISING STORM HAS DESCENDED ON NEW YORK CITY. THE STORM IS A PANTHEON OF NEW GODS, AND IT IS ERADICATING ALL TRACES OF OLD MYTHS AND TRADITIONS. IT HAS STRUCK DOWN HERCULES' OLD FRIEND, THE BLIND SEER TIRESIAS, AND HAS CAUSED ANCIENT BEINGS TO EMERGE FROM ISOLATION, DESPERATE FOR HELP. AS HERCULES GRAPPLES WITH THE PROBLEM, HIS ROOMMATE GILGAMESH TRIES TO PROVE THAT HE TOO CAN BE A RELEVANT MODERN HERO.

BUT BEINGS OF THE MOST ANCIENT MYTH CYCLE OF ALL--THE FORGOTTEN SHADOWS OF THE STONE AGE--HAVE ARISEN AS WELL, AND GILGAMESH HAS WALKED STRAIGHT INTO THEIR TRAP...

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GILGAMESH?
ARE YOU HOME?
OF COURSE YOU'RE HOME.



HERCULES--
I HEARD YOU
COME IN.
YOUR
FRIEND, TIRESIAS.
HOW--
HE WAS ATTACKED,
SOPHIA. HE'S IN
THE HOSPITAL.
HE'S
DYING, I
THINK.



I'M
SORRY.
SO AM I.
BECAUSE OF
HIS SUFFERING,
OF COURSE.
AND
BECAUSE...



BECAUSE WHAT, HERCULES?

HE SHOULDN'T BE ABLE TO DIE-- TIRESIAS IS AN IMMORTAL. BUT, APPARENTLY, IMMORTALITY ISN'T WHAT IT USED TO BE.



WHERE'S GILGAMESH?

IS THAT A DOG? YOU CAN'T HAVE DOGS. IT'S IN THE LEASE.

NO PETS.

AH?



HE'S NOT A PET. WELL, HE'S NOT MY PET.

TENNYSON IS TIRESIAS'S DOG. SOMEONE NEEDS TO LOOK AFTER HIM.

OH, OKAY. IT CAN STAY.

FOR A DAY OR TWO. NOT FOREVER.

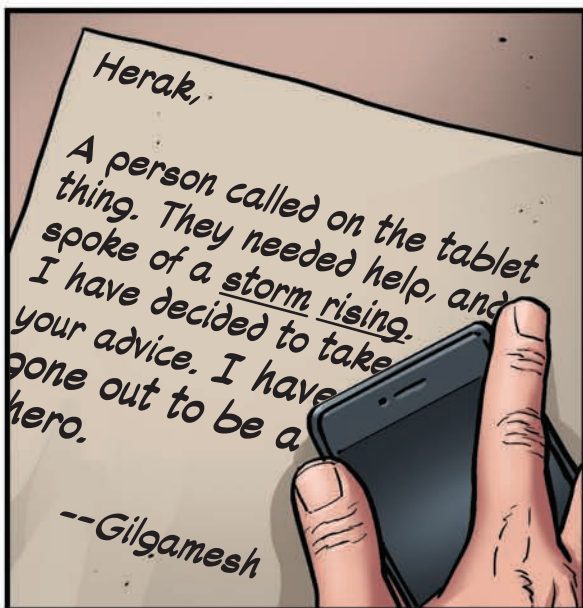


NOTHING'S FOREVER ANYMORE.

AH--

WHAT?

A NOTE. FROM GIL.



Herak,

A person called on the tablet thing. They needed help, and spoke of a storm rising. I have decided to take your advice. I have gone out to be a hero.

--Gilgamesh



THE STORM...

WHAT HAS THAT IDIOT GONE AND DONE?



YOU REALLY DO NOT WANT TO DO THIS.

LET THERE BE BLOOD

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