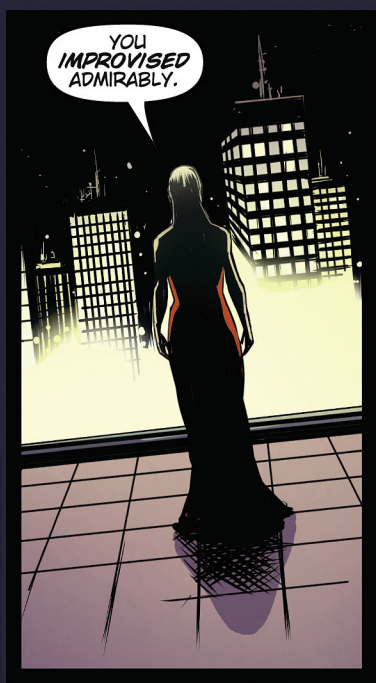


I'M SURPRISED YOU'RE *HERE*, SARA. I THOUGHT YOU'D STILL BE RECUPERATING FROM YOUR *EXERTIONS* AT OTUNDE'S ESTATE.



I KNOW THE SITUATION DIDN'T UNFOLD AS PLANNED, BUT YOU CERTAINLY MADE THE *BEST* OF IT.



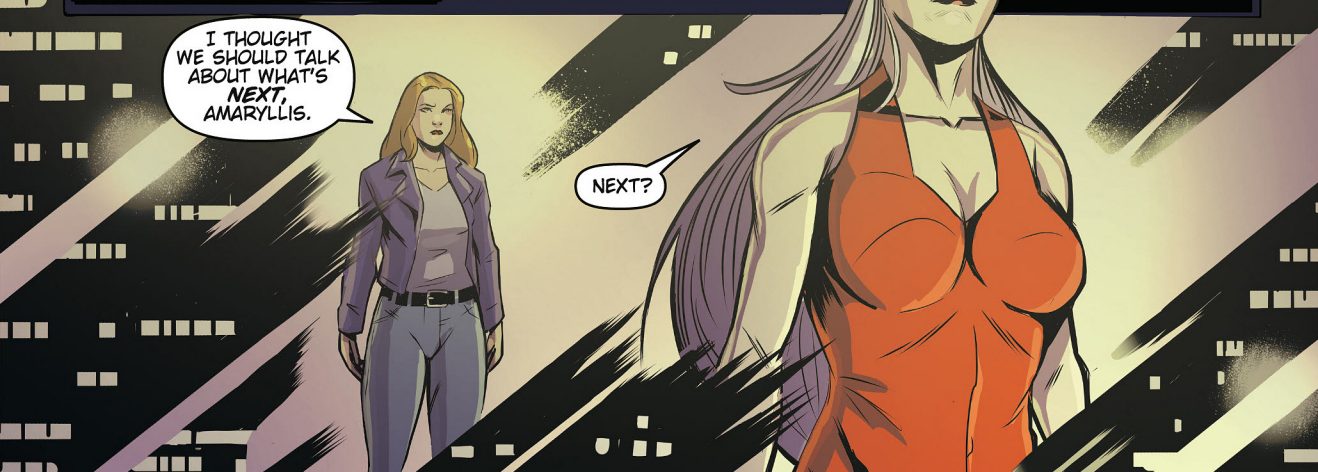
YOU *IMPROVISED* ADMIRABLY.



I *APPRECIATE* THAT IN MY EMPLOYEES.




NOW WHAT WAS IT YOU WANTED TO *TALK* ABOUT?



I THOUGHT WE SHOULD TALK ABOUT WHAT'S *NEXT*, AMARYLLIS.


NEXT?



WITH OTUNDE
OUT OF THE
WAY, AND HIS
COLLECTION
NOW IN YOUR
POSSESSION,
WHAT DO WE
DO NOW?

I WANTED TO
GET A SENSE OF
WHAT THE **REST**
OF MY DUTIES
WOULD BE. THAT
IS...


...IF THIS
WASN'T A
ONE-TIME
JOB.



THE CITY IS **SAFE**,
AND BY EXTENSION,
EVERYONE WHO LIVES
IN IT. I THINK YOU
WOULD AGREE THAT'S
OUR **FOREMOST**
CONCERN, YES?

OF
COURSE.

BUT
CONCENTRATING THIS
MUCH POWER IN ONE
PLACE COULD BE
DANGEROUS. DON'T
YOU THINK?



I'D HATE
FOR IT TO FALL
INTO THE HANDS
OF SOMEONE
WHO WOULD
MISUSE IT.

THEN IT'S
GOOD THAT
WE HAVE IT
ALL HERE.

SAFE.

ANYTHING
ELSE ON
YOUR MIND?



NO, I THINK I KNOW
WHAT I NEED TO
KNOW.

OH, ACTUALLY, **ONE**
MORE THING. I'M JUST
CURIOUS...



...HOW
OLD ARE
YOU?

MY DEAR,
THAT'S SOMETHING
YOU SHOULD
NEVER ASK A
WOMAN.



YOU JUST HAVE ONE OF THOSE **FACES**. YOU COULD BE FORTY...
...OR YOU COULD BE **MUCH OLDER**.



YES, I COULD BE.



BUT MAYBE THAT SHOULD STAY MY SECRET.

MAYBE SO.



SHOULD I ASSUME I'M FIRED?



I HAD HOPED THIS WOULD WORK OUT, SARA.



BUT APPARENTLY THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE. SO YES...



...I'M AFRAID YOU'RE **TERMINATED**.