

SOMEWHERE IN BURNSIDE.  
9:04 P.M.

HON? YOU  
COMING TO  
BED?

Bio  
Glass

I'M DOING  
MY SKIN-CARE  
ROUTINE!

COOL. SEE YOU  
IN TWENTY YEARS,  
RIP VAN WRINKLE  
PREVENTION.

HAR HAR.  
I'M NOT DOING THE  
TEN-STEP K-BEAUTY  
THING ANYMORE! I  
GOT THIS NEW PRO-  
BIOTIC FACE  
WASH, AND--

SO IT'LL BE  
MORE LIKE A  
DECADE?

NOT FUNNY,  
PAUL!

I DON'T  
NEEDLE YOU  
ABOUT YOUR  
INSECURITIES!

OOH, IT  
TINGLES.

BLURP



GASP!



SCREEEEEEAAA--

CLAIRE?!  
OH MY GOD,  
OH MY  
GOD--

2:00 A.M.

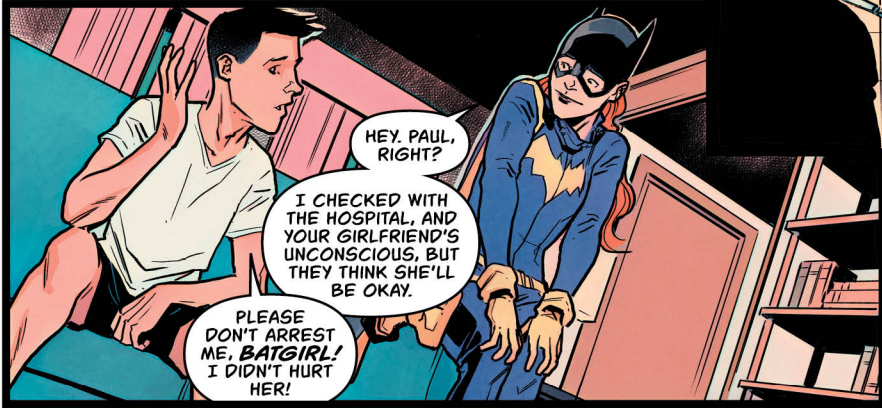


HAS HE TOLD YOU WHAT HAPPENED?

CLAIMS HE SAW AN INTRUDER IN THE BATHROOM WITH HIS GIRLFRIEND, BUT FORENSICS HASN'T FOUND ANY EVIDENCE OF THAT.

YOU THINK SHE'S ANOTHER ONE?

YEAH, COULD BE.



HEY, PAUL, RIGHT?

I CHECKED WITH THE HOSPITAL, AND YOUR GIRLFRIEND'S UNCONSCIOUS, BUT THEY THINK SHE'LL BE OKAY.

PLEASE DON'T ARREST ME, **BATGIRL!** I DIDN'T HURT HER!



I KNOW IT'S ALWAYS THE BOYFRIEND, BUT--

IT'S OKAY. NO ONE THINKS IT WAS YOU.

CLAIRE IS THE FIFTH WOMAN IN BURNSIDE TO FALL UNCONSCIOUS IN HER BATHROOM, UNDER MYSTERIOUS CIRCUMSTANCES.

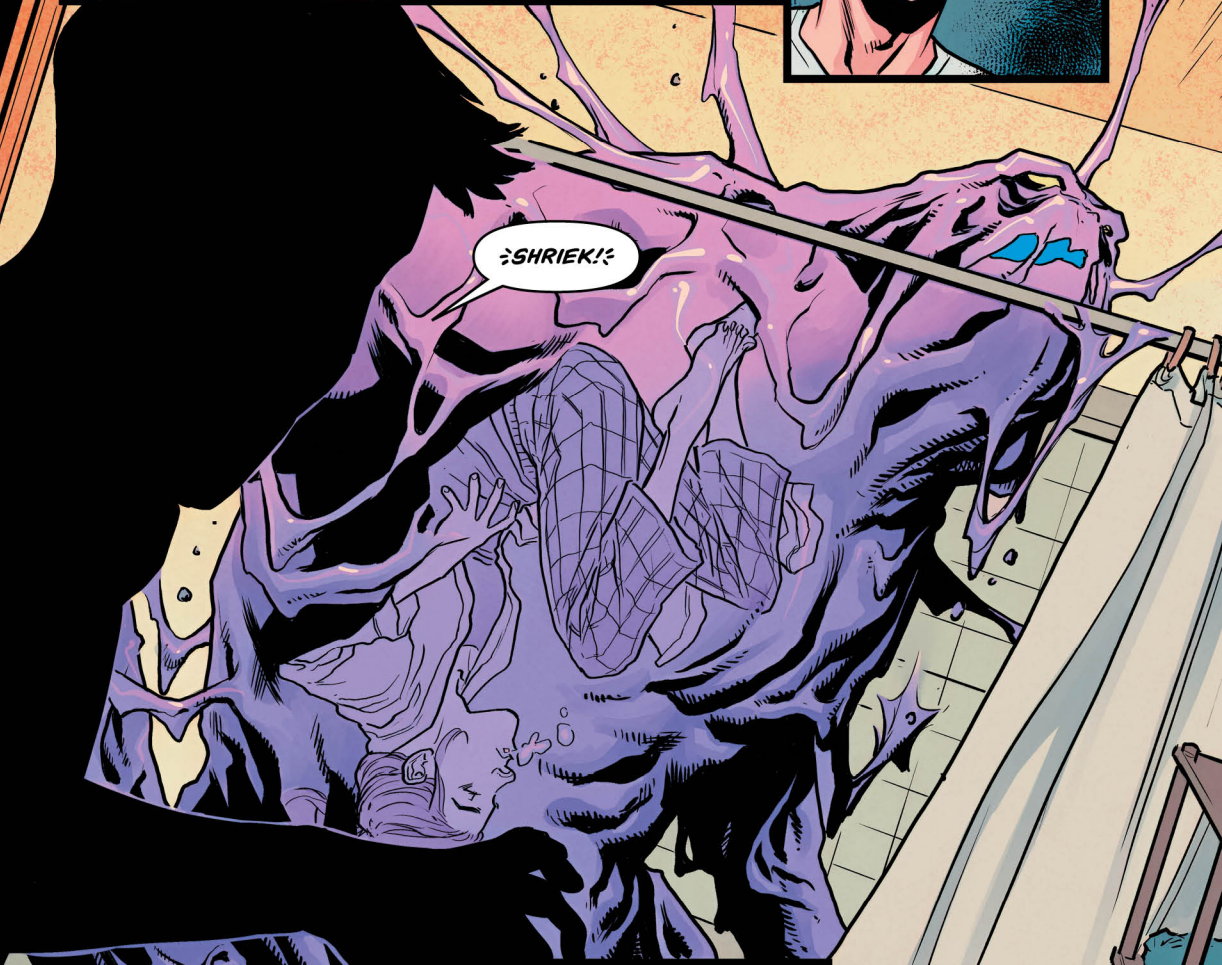


THEY SPEND A FEW DAYS IN A COMA, THEN WAKE UP WITH NO MEMORY OF WHAT HAPPENED TO THEM.

YOU'RE THE FIRST WITNESS. CAN YOU TELL ME WHAT YOU SAW?



OKAY, BUT--IT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE. WHAT HAPPENED WAS--





"THAT THING, WHATEVER IT WAS-- THAT **MONSTER**-- IT WAS GONE."

TRUST ME, THERE'S NOTHIN' TO SEE. IF THERE WERE ANY CLUES, WE'D HAVE FOUND 'EM.

OH REALLY?

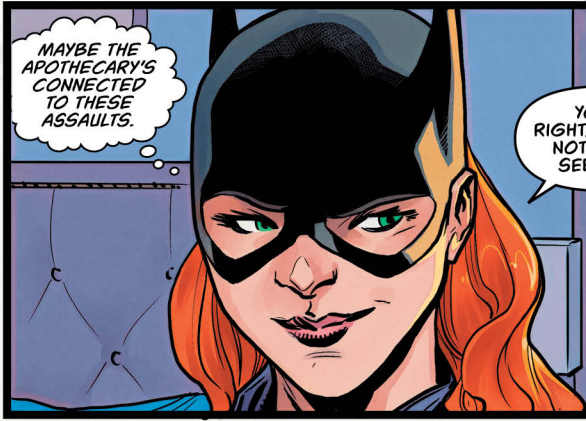


THIS SOAP--!



I SAW A TUBE OF IT AT THE LAST TWO CRIME SCENES. IT'S MADE AT AN APOTHECARY RIGHT HERE IN BURNSIDE.

C'MON. I GOTTA GET HOME IN TIME TO DRIVE MY KIDS TO SCHOOL.



MAYBE THE APOTHECARY'S CONNECTED TO THESE ASSAULTS.



YOU'RE RIGHT, OFFICER. NOTHING TO SEE HERE.