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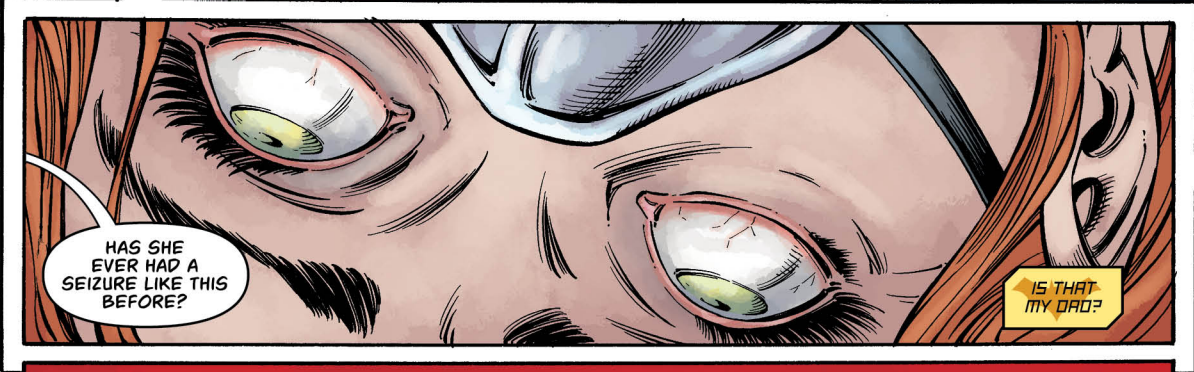


COMMISSIONER,
I'M GOING TO
NEED YOU TO GIVE
ME SOME ROOM
TO WORK!

YOU DON'T
UNDERSTAND.
SHE WAS
FINE!



AND WE'RE
GOING TO TRY
AND MAKE HER
FINE AGAIN, BUT I
NEED YOU TO
FOCUS.



HAS SHE
EVER HAD A
SEIZURE LIKE THIS
BEFORE?

IS THAT
MY DAD?

Art of the Crime

PART TWO:
FOUND OBJECTS

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I TRY TO
REMEMBER WHAT
HAPPENED.

I WAS FIGHTING
GROTESQUE.

HE WAS
KILLING PEOPLE.
MUTILATING THEM.

BUT WHY?
HE DOESN'T
DO THAT.

NO. HE DID
AND I FINALLY
HAD HIM.

WHEN I TRY TO
PICTURE IT, NOTHING
MAKES SENSE.

MY MEMORY
ALWAYS MAKES
SENSE.

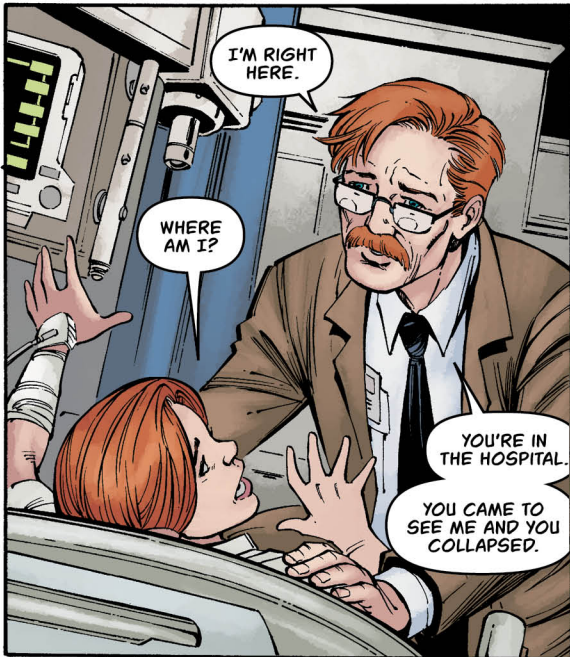
SO WHY IS IT ALL
FALLING AWAY?



GOTHAM GENERAL HOSPITAL.

AH!

BABS! IT'S OKAY!



I'M RIGHT HERE.

WHERE AM I?

YOU'RE IN THE HOSPITAL.

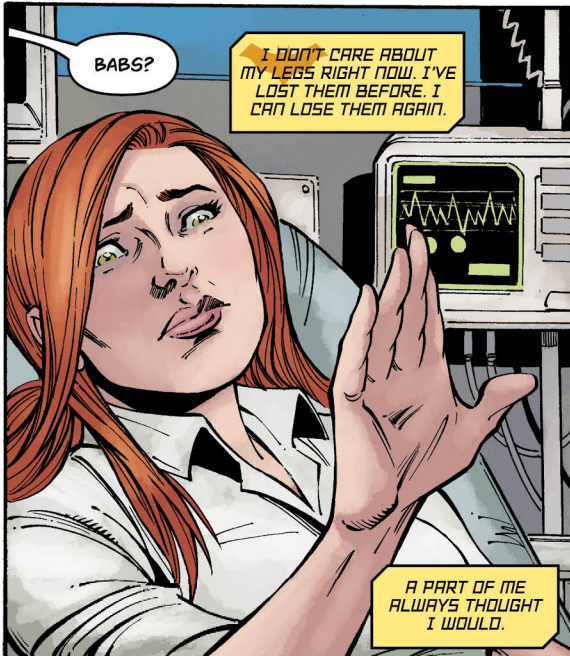
YOU CAME TO SEE ME AND YOU COLLAPSED.



THEY SAY IT'S YOUR IMPLANT.

CAN YOU FEEL YOUR LEGS?

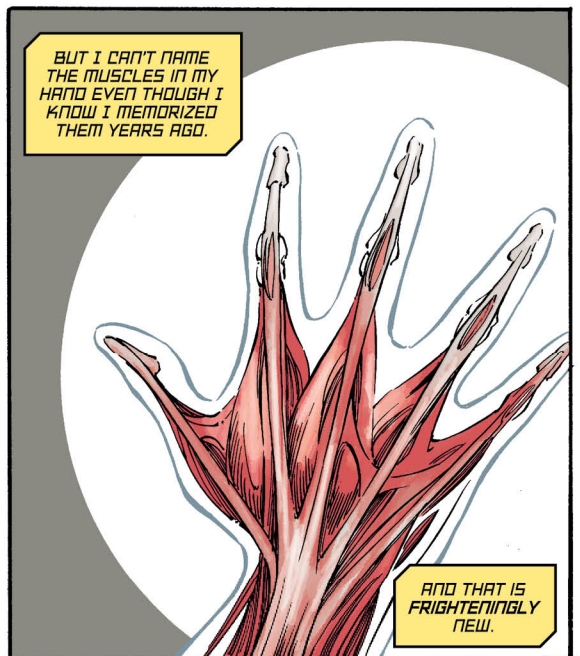
THEY'RE FINE, BUT...



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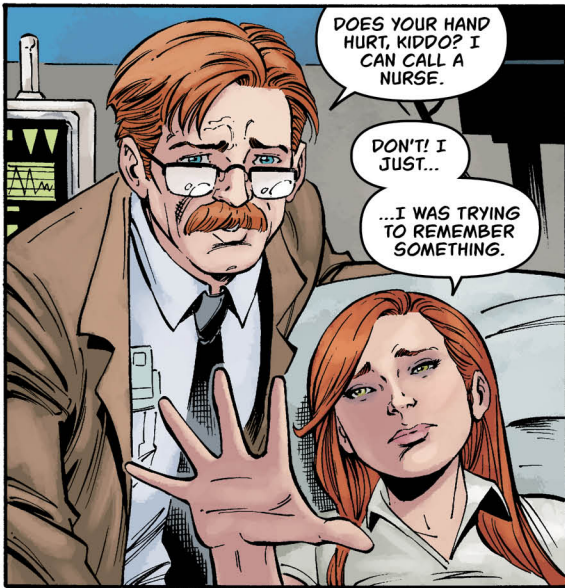
I DON'T CARE ABOUT MY LEGS RIGHT NOW. I'VE LOST THEM BEFORE. I CAN LOSE THEM AGAIN.

A PART OF ME ALWAYS THOUGHT I WOULD.



BUT I CAN'T NAME THE MUSCLES IN MY HAND EVEN THOUGH I KNOW I MEMORIZED THEM YEARS AGO.

AND THAT IS FRIGHTENINGLY NEW.



DOES YOUR HAND HURT, KIDDO? I CAN CALL A NURSE.

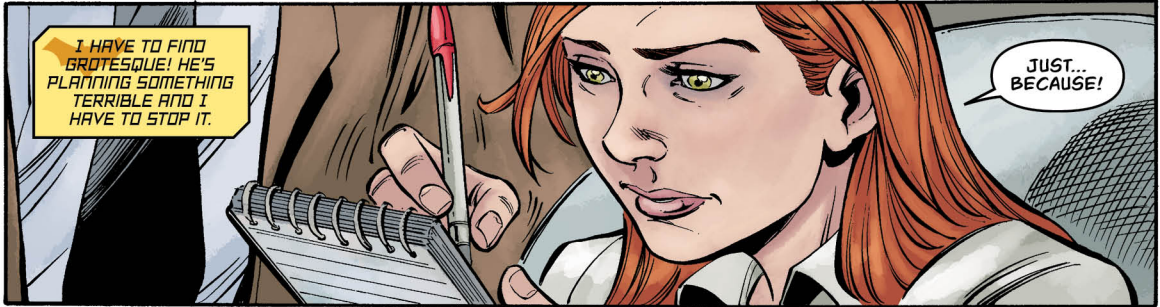
DON'T! I JUST...

...I WAS TRYING TO REMEMBER SOMETHING.



DAD, I NEED YOUR NOTEBOOK.

WHAT? WHY?



I HAVE TO FIND GROTESQUE! HE'S PLANNING SOMETHING TERRIBLE AND I HAVE TO STOP IT.

JUST... BECAUSE!

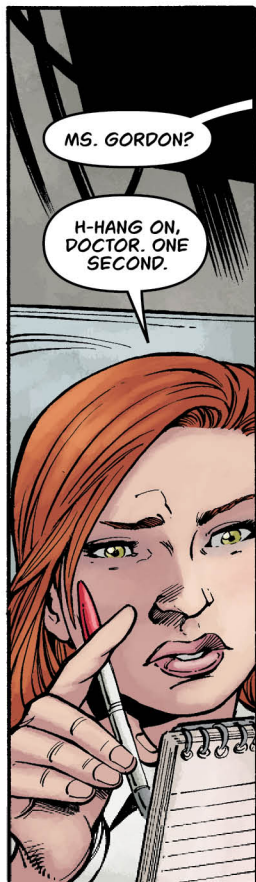


MS. GORDON. I'M NOT SURE IF YOU RECALL ME. MY NAME IS DR. NAIDOO.

I WAS THE GOTHAM-SIDE POINT PERSON FOR YOUR SPINAL IMPLANT SURGERY.

BUT IF I CAN'T REMEMBER...

NO! I DO REMEMBER. I HAVE TO REMEMBER.



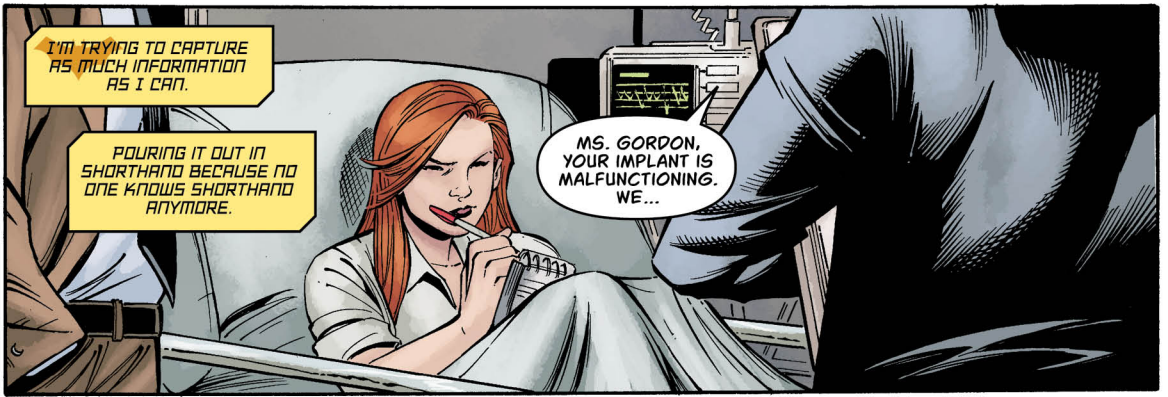
MS. GORDON?

H-HANG ON, DOCTOR. ONE SECOND.



I KNOW I'M CATASTROPHIZING...

...BUT IT FEELS LIKE MY MIND IS SLIPPING THROUGH MY FINGERS.



I'M TRYING TO CAPTURE AS MUCH INFORMATION AS I CAN.

POURING IT OUT IN SHORTHAND BECAUSE NO ONE KNOWS SHORTHAND ANYMORE.

MS. GORDON, YOUR IMPLANT IS MALFUNCTIONING. WE...



GROTESQUE CAN'T GET AWAY WITH TURNING PEOPLE INTO HIS GRUESOME PIECES OF ART.



EVEN IF I LOSE MY MIND...

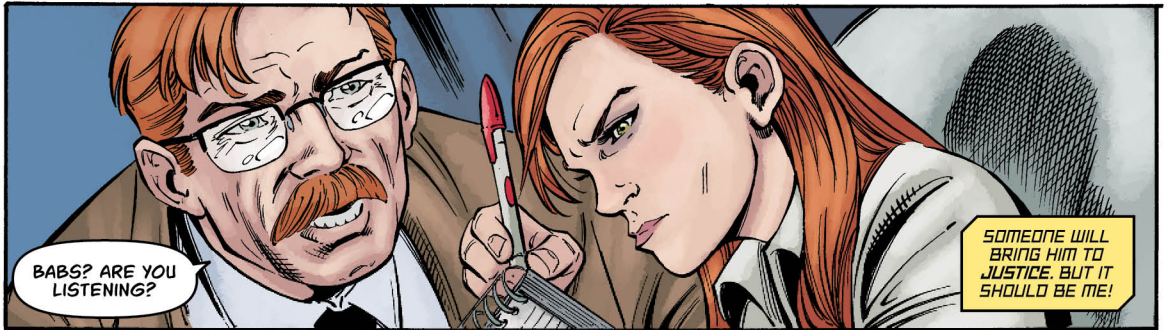
IT HAS TO BE REPLACED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. I HAVE CONTACTED THE SPECIALISTS FROM YOUR SOUTH AFRICAN TEAM. WE CAN DO IT WITHIN THE WEEK.



...BATMAN WILL BE ABLE TO DECIPHER MY NOTES.



--EVIDENCE OF BRAIN DAMAGE. IF YOU DON'T REST YOU COULD CAUSE PERMANENT INJURY TO--



BABS? ARE YOU LISTENING?

SOMEONE WILL BRING HIM TO JUSTICE. BUT IT SHOULD BE ME!

