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CHAPTER 2

The
**Status
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MR. BARNABY
DUNWOOD?

I DO
APOLOGIZE,
GERTRUDE.

IS THE
LADY OF
THE HOUSE
IN?

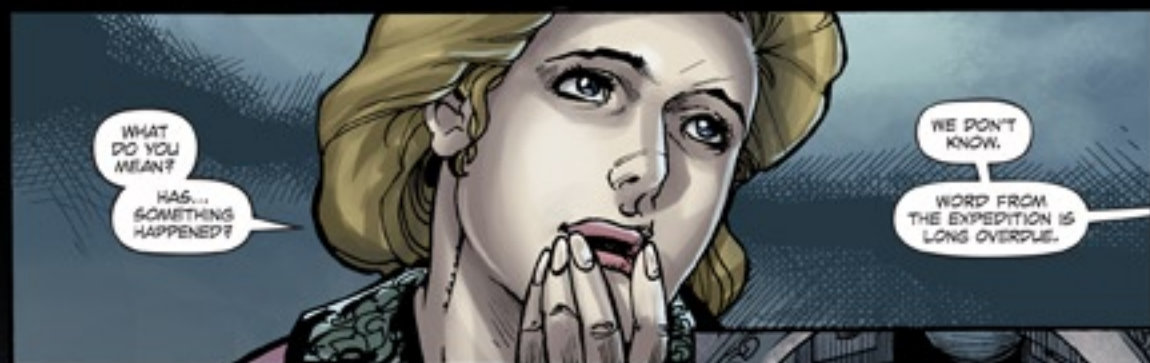


DON'T
KNOW WHERE
ELSE SHE'D
BE AT THIS
HOUR...

IF YOU'LL
WAIT IN THE
PARLOR, SUH,
I'LL FETCH MY
MISTRESS.



*The Douglas,
don't bore the
natives with your
civil... your friend
Barnaby*





WHAT, THEN?

I'M LEADING ANOTHER EXPEDITION, TO FIND DOUGLAS.



YOU ARE? OH, BARNABY, WHAT IF IT'S TOO DANGEROUS?

IF SOMETHING ~~WAS~~ HAPPENED...



I HAVE TO TRY LILLIAN.

THEN LET ME COME WITH YOU!



I COULDN'T DO THAT, LILLIAN.

BUT WHY?

IT WOULD MEAN THE WORLD TO ME!



BECAUSE IF ANYTHING HAPPENED TO YOU, I COULDN'T LIVE WITH MYSELF.



MY, MY...

