

**STEAM
WARS**



No.2
BOUNTY HUNTERS

The Assassination of Ambassador Orr

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I AM SORRY TO MEET YOU LIKE THIS, MR. BRAND. MY NAME IS CORDELL. I WAS THE HEAD SERVANT OF THE LATE AMBASSADOR ORR.

I DIDN'T KNOW ORR WAS DEAD.



WE HAVE YET TO TELL A SOUL. THE LATE AMBASSADOR WAS A FINE MAN. LIKE A SON TO ME, HE WAS.



WE WILL HIRE YOU TO FIND HIS KILLER AND HER PURPOSE.

CERTAIN POLITICAL POWERS NEED THE NEWS OF THIS ATTEMPT TO BE HANDLED CAREFULLY, SINCE WE ARE ON THE VERGE OF AN ALL-OUT WAR!



BURGANDY! STOP GLARING AT THIS GENTLEMAN AND GIVE HIM BACK HIS GUN!



I KNOW YOU LOVE T' HOLD GRUDGES, BRAND, BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP IN A HURRY!

YOU NEGOTIATE MY BOUNTY FEE AT GUNPOINT.

YOU TELL ME THIS IS A MATTER OF GLOBAL WAR.

YOU ALSO TELL ME THAT THERE IS A FEMALE BOUNTY HUNTER INVOLVED.

SURE, WHATEVER. WHERE ARE MY BULLETS?



ON BEHALF OF THE THE OLD MAN, I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU!

I KNOW ME SOME LADY HUNTERS, AND BELIEVE ME, YOU DO NOT WANT TO GET INVOLVED WITH THEM!

SO, DON'T THANK ME NOW, BURGANDY. I HAVEN'T DONE ANYTHING YET!



I THOUGHT ONLY KINGSMEN AND THEIR LACKEYS RODE AROUND IN THESE THINGS!

LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH.



WHAT A BLOODY MESS!

FOUR DEAD... ONE SERVANT TWO GUARDS, AND THE AMBASSADOR...

THAT RUSTY DRAGOON FOIL... ONE OF THEM WAS A COLLECTOR. PROBABLY FANCIED HIMSELF A DRAGOON WITHOUT THE SKILL SETS INHERENT.



WHY DID YOU MOVE THE BODIES?

WE DID IT OUT OF RESPECT FOR THE DEAD, BOUNTY HUNTER!



NO HANDPRINTS. I GUESS THIS WASN'T HARKANNA!

SHE ONLY HUNTS DRAGOONS. ANYWAY, THIS IS NOT HER STYLE.

THAT WOMAN HAS SERIOUS ISSUES WITHIN HER FAMILY OF ORIGIN.



WHERE IN THE HELL DID SHE GO?


WITH THOSE BOOT MARKS, HOWEVER... THIS WAS DEFINITELY A WOMAN HUNTER!

WAS IT A WOMAN? I DIDN'T SEE WHAT HAPPENED.

YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE TO COME CLEAN WITH ME, OLD MAN. I KNOW THAT YOU ARE HIDING SOMETHING!

WHAT IS IT?





I WAS THERE
COWERING IN THE
CORNER AS SHE CUT
HIM TO PIECES. ALL
FOUR MEN!

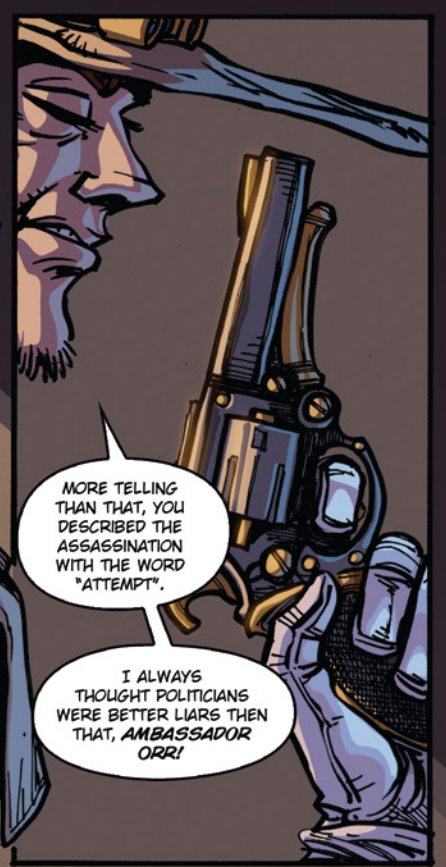
YEAH,
ALL FOUR
MEN...

TWO BOUNTY
HUNTERS, A
SERVANT, AND THE
AMBASSADOR.

EARLIER, WHEN
YOU SPOKE OF THE
DEATH OF AMBASSADOR
ORR, YOU ALSO MENTIONED
THE BOUNTY HUNTER
WAS A "SHE".


I HAVE WORKED
WITH AND AROUND
BURGANDY FOR
YEARS. HE IS A VERY
PROUD MAN.

HE WOULD NEVER
TAKE ORDERS FROM
A MERE PISSANT
SERVANT!



MORE TELLING
THAN THAT, YOU
DESCRIBED THE
ASSASSINATION
WITH THE WORD
"ATTEMPT".

I ALWAYS
THOUGHT POLITICIANS
WERE BETTER LIARS THEN
THAT, **AMBASSADOR
ORR!**



SO YOU KNOW,
EH? VERY WELL. I
NEED YOU TO HELP US
FIND THE ASSASSIN!

PRICE IS NO
OBJECT, THIS
TIME, BOUNTY
HUNTER.