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SPINNING OUT OF ALAN MOORE AND GARY FRANK'S RETELLING OF THE AGELESS HORROR CLASSIC, DRACULA HAS COME TO AMERICA TO PLAY OUT HIS TIMELESS NARRATIVE IN THIS BRAVE, NEW WORLD. ONLY HE DIDN'T REALIZE ANOTHER VAMPIRE ALREADY BEAT HIM TO IT. DRAWN TO ONE ANOTHER ACROSS CONTINENTS AND CENTURIES BY A MYSTERIOUS FORCE, BOTH VAMPIRELLA AND DRACULA FIND THEMSELVES AT THE CENTER OF A TIME-TOSSED EPIC OF LOVE, HATE, DEATH AND DAMNATION.

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The Carpathian
foothills, where
the time, for us,
is unspecified--

--and the age
insignificant.

THIS WAY,
SZGANY! THIS
WAY, GYPSY
TRAVELLERS!

OURS IS
THE ORDER OF
THE DRAGON,
AFTER ALL...







And her new role
in the Great Narrative
had only begun to be
revealed....



YOU
WON'T SEE
IT NOW...



THE ORDER
OF THE DRAGON
ONLY SHOWS THEIR
INFLUENCE WHEN THE
MOMENT IS PIVOTAL.
THEY DO NOT ANNOUNCE
THEMSELVES,
RATHER...

THEY
LET YOU KNOW
WHEN THEY'VE
BEEN THERE.



YOU
MENTION THIS
GROUP-- THIS
ORDER.

CAN
THEY BE
FOUGHT?

HM..
UNLIKELY.



THEY ARE
ETHEREAL IN THEIR
MAKEUP. THE MOST
CRAFTY AND SHIFTLESS
OF SPECTERS AND
TROUBLEMAKERS.

BUT
THEY CAN BE
DENIED THEIR
MOMENT.



WE CAN
DENY THEM,
YOU AND I.

YOU DON'T
SAY...



WHEN I ABDICATED MY PLACE IN THE ORDER'S DESIRED NARRATIVE, THEY ADAPTED. THAT WE ARE HERE, IN NEW YORK CITY, IN THIS TIME, IS EVIDENCE OF THIS.

NOW, THEY SEEK A NEW TERRIBLE VAMPIRE THREAT FOR THEIR TALE...



YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT VAMPIRELLA, AREN'T YOU.

I'M TALKING ABOUT STORIES, MR. HALLORAN.

ABOUT HEROES.



ABOUT MONSTERS.



I'M TALKING ABOUT FREEING OURSELVES FROM THEM.

ABOUT TAKING BACK CONTROL SO THAT WE MIGHT OWN THE ENDING OF OUR OWN STORIES.

BUT... YOU DIE AT THE END OF OUR STORY.



WE SHALL SEE ABOUT THAT, MR. HALLORAN.

WE SHALL SEE...



We pushed through the snow, our prize secured.

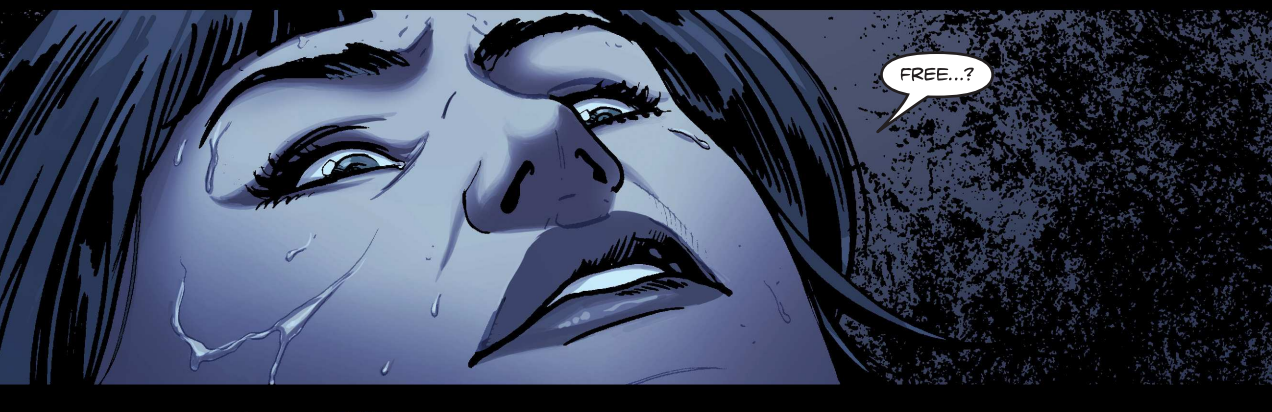
THIS WAY, YOU LAGABOUTS! NOT MUCH FARTHER!

But the final leg of our journey would be the toughest...



DAMN YOU, I WOULD BE--

FREE...?



...for all parties involved.



EVERY GOOD TALE NEEDS ITS INSPIRATION...

HA! WE'LL GIVE IT A GOOD ONE, WON'T WE?



The story was a familiar one...

Segany minions bore the vampire's cashot back toward the castle high in the mountain snow.



IF THESE BONDS NNNGH...

...WILL NOT BREAK...



Only vigilantes pursued, determined to stop them from reaching safe haven.

A brutal battle awaited. Each participant oddly knowing the bloody fate they faced.



THERE IS ONLY ONE GAAA...

...OTHER WAY...



And yet... it felt so now all at once.







FREE HER FROM THE ORDER'S GRIP AND WE CAN PUT THINGS BACK THE WAY THEY--

YOU'RE A LIAR.



YOU DON'T CARE ABOUT ANY OF THIS.

YOU JUST CAN'T STAND THAT THE ORDER MIGHT'VE REPLACED YOU.



THIS IS A GAME TO ALL OF YOU PEOPLE. AND I DON'T KNOW HOW MUCH YOU EVER CARED ABOUT WINNING IT...

BUT YOU SURE AS HELL DON'T LIKE TO LOSE!



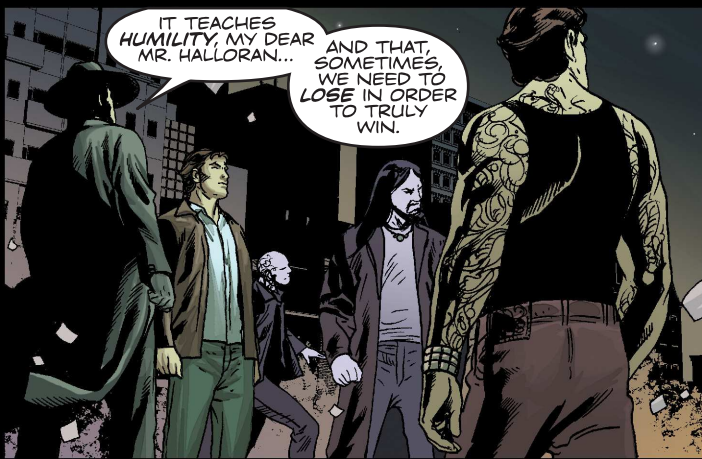
DO YOU KNOW I HAVE NOT SEEN THE SUN RISE IN OVER FIVE HUNDRED YEARS?

CAN YOU IMAGINE THAT...?



TO FOREVER
KNOW DARKNESS
AND NEVER THE
LIGHT AGAIN?

OH I THINK
YOU'VE HAD YOUR
PLEASURES, COUNT.



IT TEACHES
HUMILITY, MY DEAR
MR. HALLORAN...

AND THAT,
SOMETIMES,
WE NEED TO
LOSE IN ORDER
TO TRULY
WIN.



DO YOU MEAN TO
STAKE ME THROUGH
THE HEART, JACK?

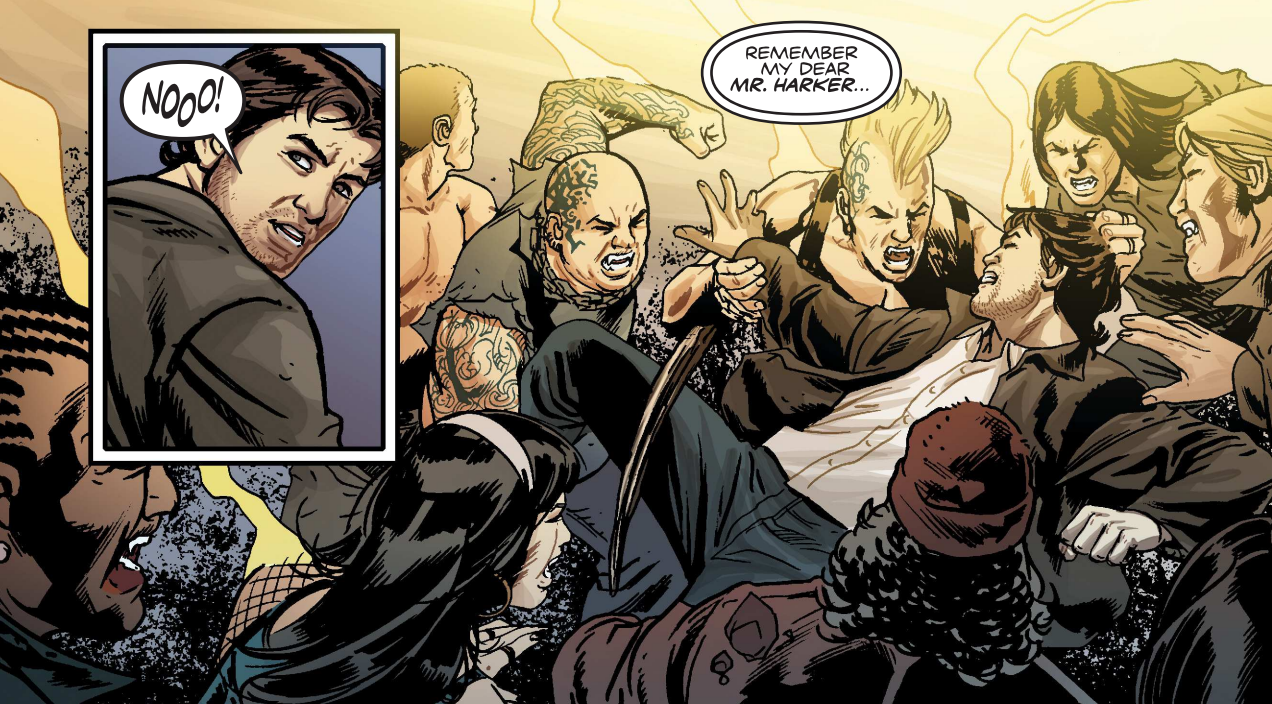
WITH THE
SUN ABOUT TO
COME UP...?



NOT
EXACTLY!





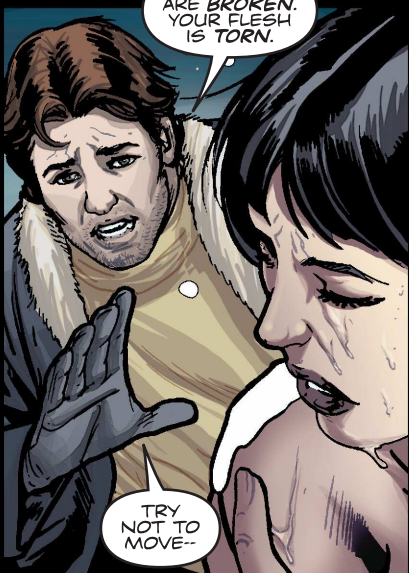






I--
I KNOW
YOU...

YOUR BONES
ARE BROKEN.
YOUR FLESH
IS TORN.



TRY
NOT TO
MOVE--



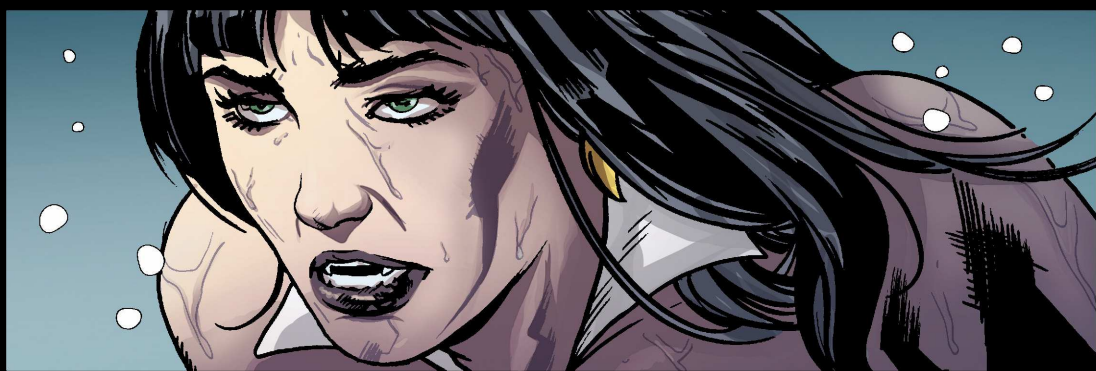
HOWOOO



AH...
DO YOU HEAR
THEM, THESE
CHILDREN?

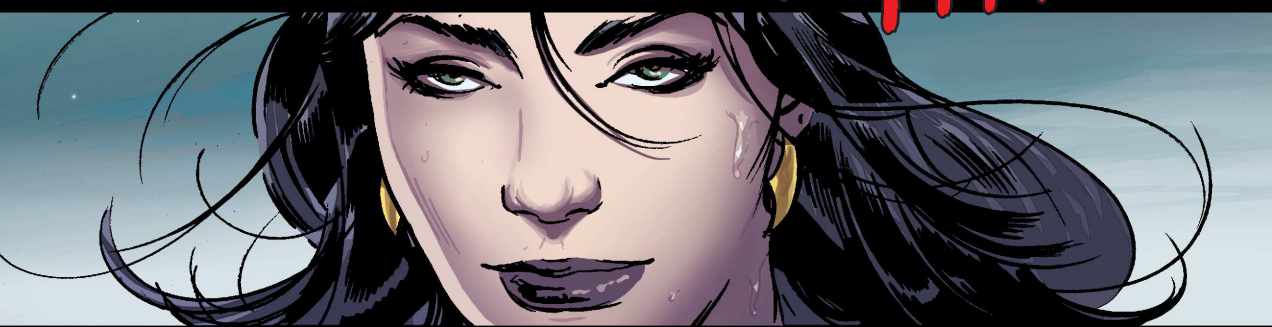


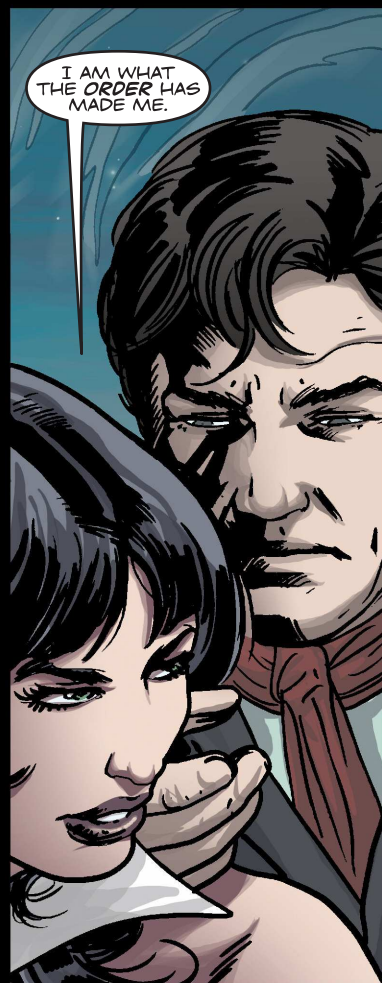
THEIRS IS
THE ETERNAL
SONG.

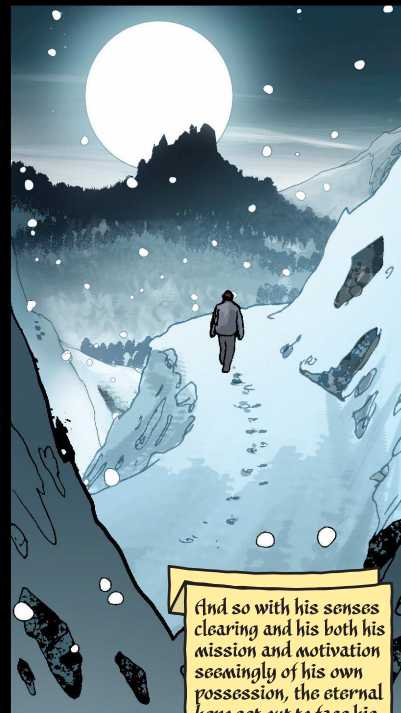
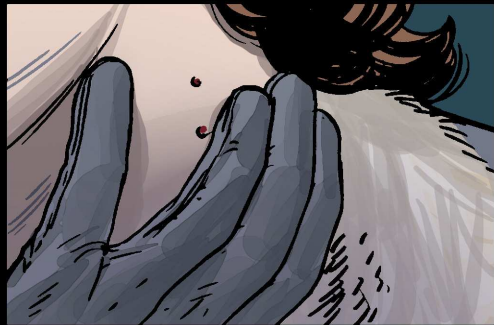












And so with his senses clearing and his both his mission and motivation seemingly of his own possession, the eternal hero set out to face his greatest challenge...



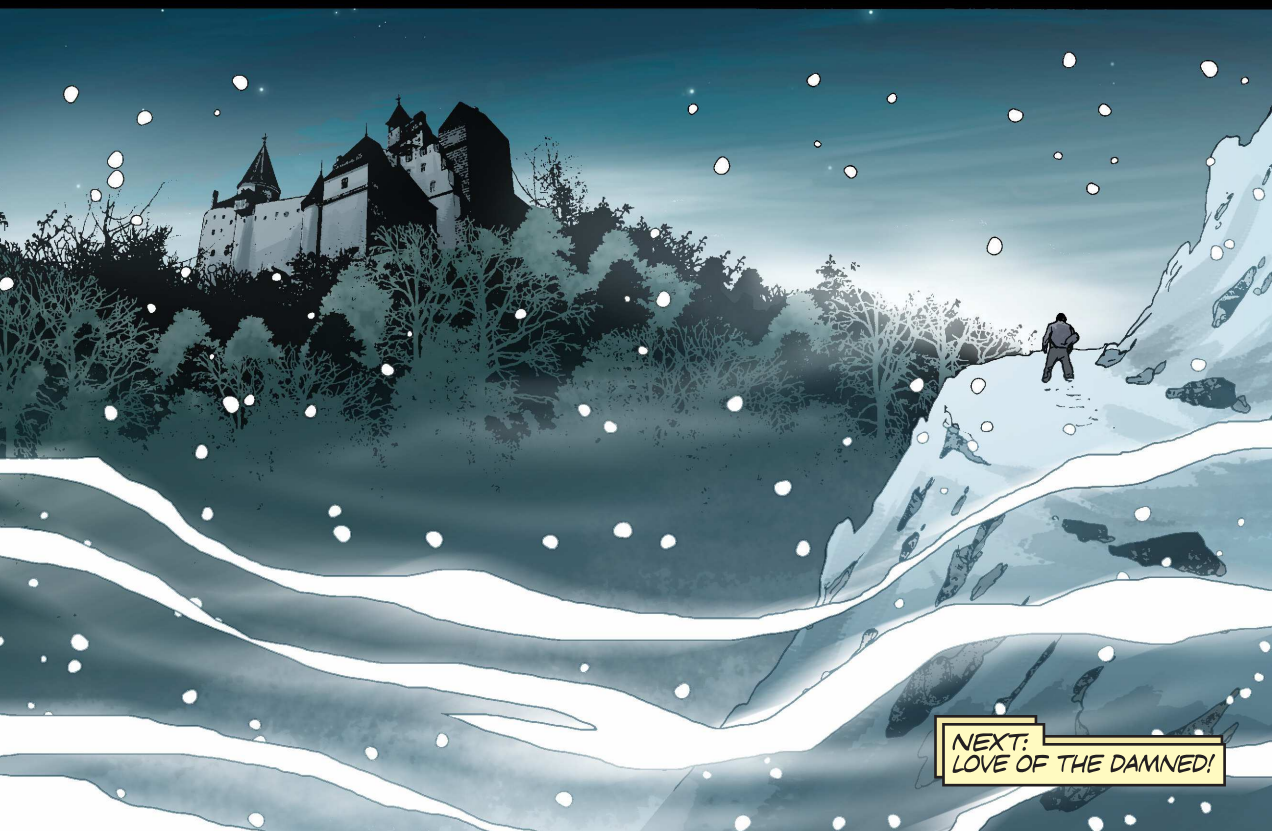
He left with
a heavy heart,
but renewed
purpose...



...as well as the
curious, nagging
feeling...



...that he'd done
all this before...



NEXT:
LOVE OF THE DAMNED!