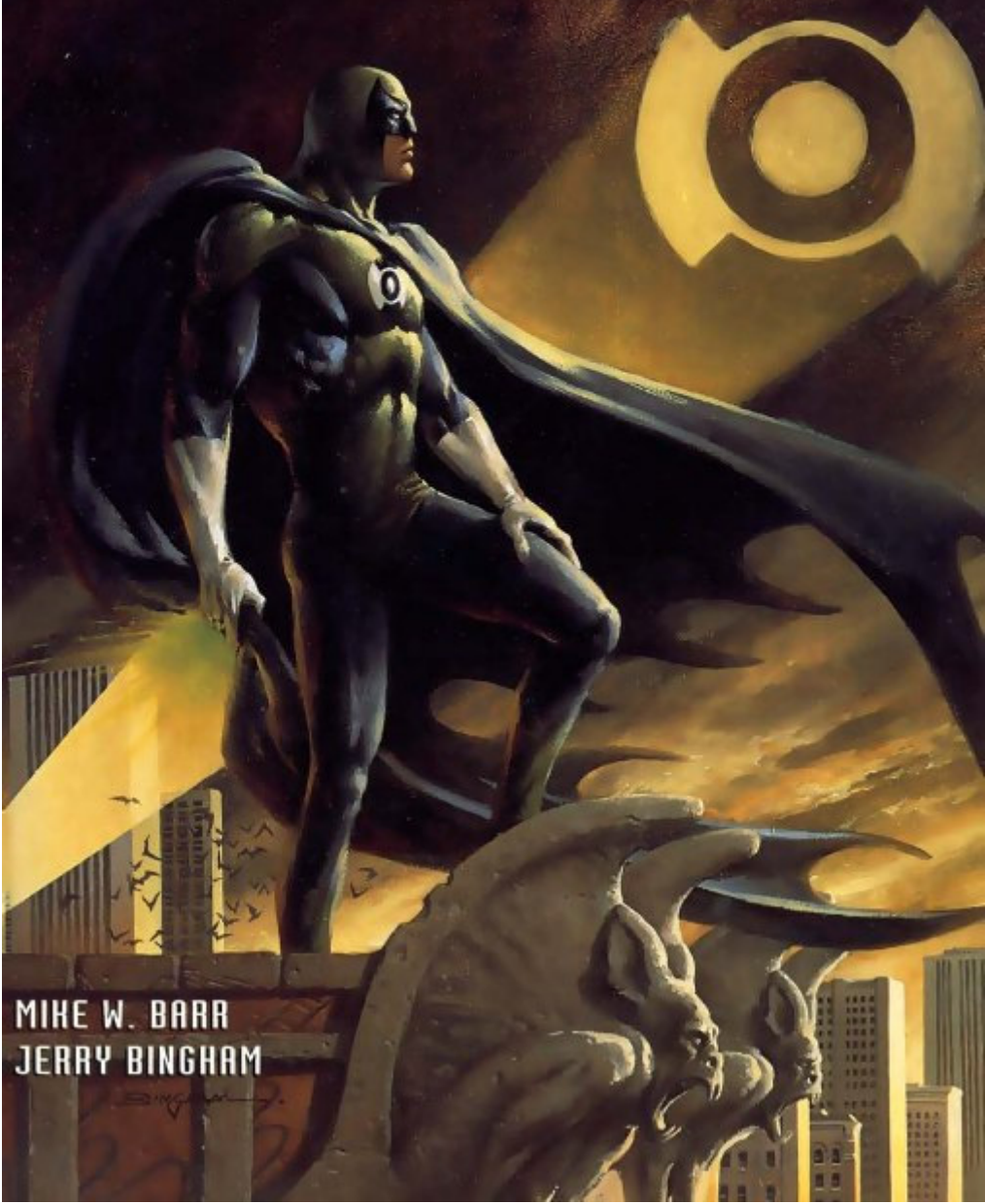




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IN DARKEST KNIGHT



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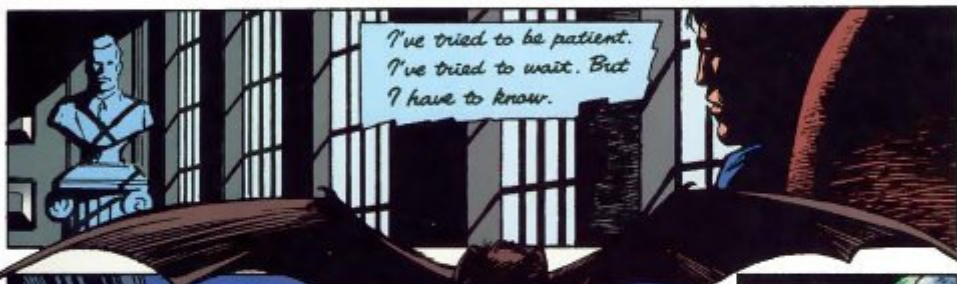
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PAT BROSSEAU
L E T T E R E R

BATMAN CREATED BY BOB KANE





... To make
them afraid?

... YOU
HAVE BEEN
CHOSEN !



YOU SHALL RECEIVE POWER, BRUCE WAYNE! POWER TO BRING JUSTICE TO THIS FAR-FLUNG SECTION OF SPACE!

Delirious. Too much blood. I'm sorry, Father.

I've failed you and Mother. If I'd done better, perhaps--

YOU DO NOT BELIEVE ME, BRUCE WAYNE? YOU THINK ME SOME ERRANT DELUSION?

THEN FEEL MY POWER!


SIR, THE CAR IS FILTHY WITH BLOOD! ARE YOU--?

SIR!

It's real.


SHALL I PREPARE A GUEST ROOM, SIR?

It's mine.

A man in a blue jacket (Alfred) is in a control room, looking at a glowing green hand. He is holding a blue cable.


Alfred doesn't even try to come in here. It's as though he knows.

IT IS I WHO AWAIT YOU, BRUCE WAYNE, AS YOU HAVE AWAITED ME-- ALL YOUR LIFE, I THINK.

A close-up of two hands, one glowing green and one normal, reaching towards each other.

Not all my life. Just since that night.


YOU ARE NOW A GREEN LANTERN, ONE OF MANY, OF THE NOBLEST CALLING IMAGINABLE. YOU WILL FIGHT IN JUSTICE, ON THIS PLANET AND MANY OTHERS.

Alfred is shown in profile, looking at a glowing green lantern.

THE MASTERS WILL SOON APPEAR, TO TELL YOU YOUR DUTIES. DO... DO NOT FAIL ME...


I know my duty. I've known it since I watched you die, Father. Your death gave me my purpose...

... His death gave me the way.

A man in a green suit (Green Lantern) is talking to Alfred. Alfred is holding a glowing green lantern.

SIR, PERHAPS YOU SHOULDN'T TOUCH ANYTHING. THE AUTHORITIES WILL--

THE AUTHORITIES WILL NEVER FIND IT, ALFRED.

A man in a green suit (Green Lantern) is walking away from Alfred. Alfred is holding a glowing green lantern.

I'LL PUT IT THERE.

"THERE"? SIR, I DON'T--

THERE.

VSHOOM

SIR, ARE YOU WELL?

Never better.

The ring has told me what it can do. What I must do to maintain its power. Now it's up to me.

IN BRIGHTEST DAY, IN DARKEST NIGHT, NO EVIL SHALL ESCAPE MY SIGHT! LET THOSE WHO WORSHIP EVIL'S MIGHT BEWARE MY POWER, GREEN LANTERN'S LIGHT!

SKEEEEE

SKEEEK

To betray my oath would be to betray you, Father. I will do neither.

I have the power to make them afraid. All I require is the aspect...



HOW LONG HAVE THEY BEEN HOLED UP IN THERE, COMMISSIONER?

FIVE HOURS, PENT-- SINCE THEIR ROBBERY WENT SOUR.

WHAT MADE THEM THINK THERE WAS ANY MONEY IN THERE?

"I DON'T KNOW-- BUT THERE ARE LOTS OF THINGS DEADLIER."

THIS'LL MAKE 'EM THINK TWICE ABOUT TAKIN' US!

DON'T--!



THE MAYOR WANTS AN ANSWER, COMMISSIONER.

DOES THE MAYOR WANT THOSE LOSERS TO RE-LEASE THAT POISON INTO THE RIVER? THEY'RE AFRAID, AND THEY WILL IF WE--

I DIDN'T ORDER A FLARE SENT UP.





Yellow. The ring warned me about this.



I needed something the ring can affect indirectly.
Dust to dust!

Once we're all safe from the gas, I can--



NO!

DON'T--!





NOT TO ME, YOU CAN'T--

EXCUSE ME--





WE SEEK CONGRESS WITH HIM WHO WEARS THE RING.

MASTER BRUCE? SIR--?!



THE RING TOLD ME A LITTLE ABOUT YOU. YOU ARE THE GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE--CREATORS OF THE POWER.

YES, WIELDER 2814. YOU ARE ORDERED TO THE PLANET KORUGAR IN SPACE SECTOR 1417, ON A MATTER OF PRIMAL IMPORTANCE TO THE CORPS.



I HAVE MY HANDS FULL WITH THIS PLANET, MUCH LESS MY SECTOR.

YOUR PRESENCE IS REQUIRED IN THE MATTER OF A SENTIENT DESIGNATED "SINESTRO."



LET THE GREEN LANTERN OF THAT SECTOR TAKE CARE OF IT.

SINESTRO AS THE GREEN LANTERN OF THAT SECTOR, WIELDER 2814.



HE HAS ABUSED HIS POWER, USING IT TO INCREASE HIS OWN TREASURE...

...AND TO ABUSE THE RIGHTS OF THE INNOCENT.

They know what buttons to press. I'll give them that.



When I was a boy, I would have loved this... flying through space to other worlds, other civilizations... now such things only take me from my work.



My childhood ended with your life, Father. I won't let that happen to anyone else -- even if it means risking the Guardians' bad will.



A tyrant would probably consider a nightmare like this a suitable home. Assuming that's the case...



...I won't bother to knock.

MOONS OF KORUSAR!
WHO -- ?



AH! A COLLEAGUE! I HAVE SO FEW OPPORTUNITIES TO SHARE STORIES OF SERVICE TO THE CORPS! WOULD YOU CARE FOR SOME REFRESHMENT?

NO THANKS, SINESTRO ...



...I COULDN'T KEEP ANYTHING DOWN, KNOWING IT HAD BEEN TAKEN BY FORCE.



YOU DARE--?

I was enjoying myself too much to realize I'd telegraphed my punch.

Sinestro knew in an instant why I was there...



...And I knew he'd been ready for this moment.

My first reaction was instinctive, and the right one...




... But I knew I had to start thinking, or I'd lose.

GRAAH--!




COME BACK HERE, YOU PUSILLANIMOUS ...!

A detective named Harvey Harris, my mentor, told me your enemy's anger was one of your best weapons. I figured now was as good a time as any to find out if he was right.




COME TO PLEASE
YOUR MASTERS,
HAVE YOU? THEY CAN'T
ABIDE ANYONE WHO
USES HIS POWER FOR
HIS OWN GRATIFICATION,
RATHER THAN TO TADY
UP TO THEM...!

*Like all losers,
Sinestro had his
own unique slant
on reality...*



WHAT--?

... None of which I
cared much about. I
was trying to win a
battle, not a debate.




NOT AS EASY
AS YOU'D
THOUGHT,
EH, LACKEY?




WHOOOM!

... It meant he'd
sacrifice anything
that got in his
way to achieve
his goal...



AIEEEE--!

It took me a lot longer
than it should have to
realize Sinestro's world-
view was more than hatred
of the Guardians...



On anyone. Like the man who
killed you, Father. Then I
remembered something else
Harvey Harris told me...



... He said your enemy's overconfidence was right up there with anger.

I WILL ENTERTAIN ANY PLEAS YOU MAY CARE TO MAKE --!



Noooooo...

KRIZZZZ



And I thought that was that. Until...

HUM?

WHAT HAVE YOU DONE?



SINESTRO... HE WAS OUR **BENEFACTOR**... REWARDED US FOR SERVING HIM... HE TOOK CARE OF US.

I...

WHO WILL CARE FOR US NOW? WILL YOU?



YES, YOU!
WE ARE
YOURS
NOW!

PLEASE...
BE OUR
SAVIOR!

WE WILL
WORSHIP
YOU, WE--

GET OFF
YOUR
KNEES!



YOU CALL
YOURSELVES
CITIZENS OF
KORUGAR? YOU
DESERVED EVERY-
THING SINISTRO
GAVE YOU!

WHO
ARE--?



TO DEFY HIM
WAS *DEATH*, BUT
NOW THAT HE IS
GONE, YOU WISH
TO REPLACE HIM?
YOU SICKEN ME!
THIS MAN IS TO
BE OUR PRO-
TECTOR! NOT
OUR GOD!

ACTUALLY,
I'M HERE TO
DEPOSE
SINISTRO...



...BUT YOU
WILL NEED A
NEW GREEN
LANTERN...



...AND I DON'T
THINK I'M LIKELY
TO FIND A BETTER
CANDIDATE!

OH...!



THE RINGS WILL
TELL YOU ALL YOU
NEED TO KNOW--
FOR NOW, I HAVE A
MISSION OF MY
OWN TO GET BACK
TO, MISS...?

I AM
CALLED
KATMA
TUI.

GOOD
LUCK.

The headquarters of the Green Lantern Corps on Oa is as spectacular as anything I've ever imagined. For the first time, I'm beginning to be aware of what I'm a part of.

YOU JOIN MANY DISTINGUISHED MEMBERS OF THE CORPS, WIELDER 2814 ...

...MOST EMINENT OF ALL BEING TOMAR RE, CHIEF AMONG YOU.

YOU DO ME HONOR, MASTER.

YOU SHOW THE PROMISE OF GREATNESS, 2814, BUT YOUR ACTIONS ARE OFTEN RASH ...

...YOUR DECISION TO REPLACE SINESTRO WITH KATMA TUI, FOR EXAMPLE, WE SHOULD HAVE BEEN CONSULTED.

I APOLOGIZE FOR MY RASHNESS, SIR ...


...BUT I DIDN'T THINK I COULD HAVE MADE A WORSE DECISION THAN SINESTRO.

WE VALUE INDEPENDENCE, 2814-- SO LONG AS IT DOES NOT ENGENDER INSOLENCE.


YOU ARE NOT TO SPEAK TO THE GUARDIANS IN THAT MANNER, 2814. THEY ARE THE FOUNDATION OF OUR CORPS AND OF GALACTIC ORDER. YOU WILL ADDRESS THEM WITH RESPECT.

SINESTRO THINKS WE TREAT THEM WITH TOO MUCH RESPECT. TOMAR RE-- MAYBE HE'S NOT WRONG.






SINESTRO, YOU HAVE ABUSED THE GREATEST POWER TO WHICH A SENTIENT MAY ASPIRE. OUR JUDGMENT IS FINAL. HAVE YOU ANY LAST WORDS?



YOU BROUGHT ME HERE, 2814? YOU HUMILIATED ME BEFORE THOSE WHO SHOULD WORSHIP ME! YOU WILL SEE ME AGAIN!

YOU'LL FORGIVE ME IF I DON'T KEEP A LIGHT IN THE WINDOW.




YOU WILL NOT RETURN FROM THIS JOURNEY, SINESTRO. INDEED, THE SITE OF YOUR BANISHMENT SUITS YOU.

YOU ARE THE FIRST BEING EVER TO BE TRANSPORTED TO THE ANTI-MATTER UNIVERSE OF QWARD...



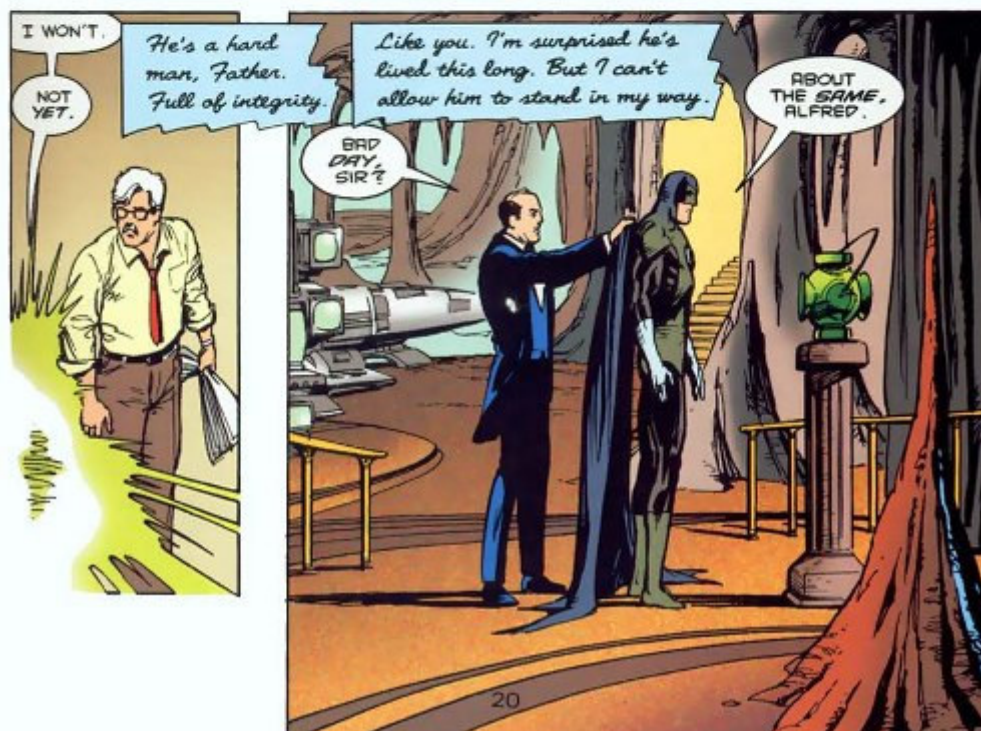
"...REST ASSURED, YOUR BANISHMENT IS IRREVERSIBLE."

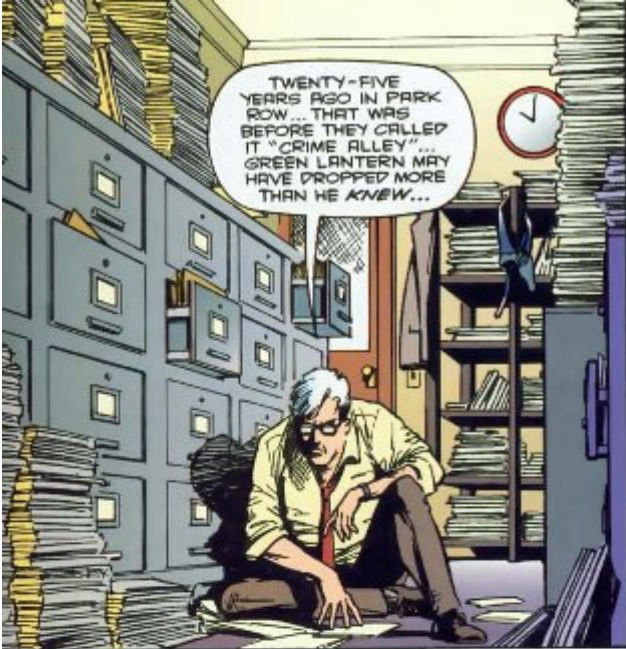
WELCOME, SINESTRO. DESPITE THE GUARDIANS' BEST EFFORTS, YOUR COMING WAS NOT UNKNOWN TO US...



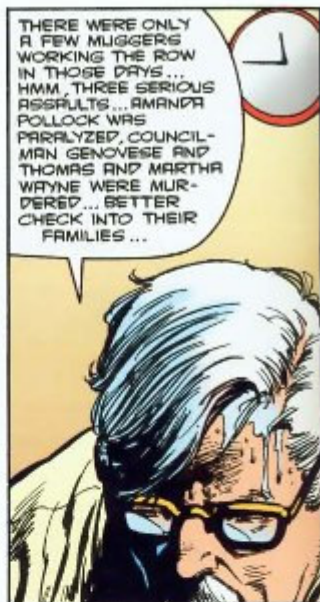
...WE THINK YOU'LL FIND WE'VE PROVIDED YOU WITH ALL THE COMFORTS OF HOME.







TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO IN PARK ROW ... THAT WAS BEFORE THEY CALLED IT "CRIME ALLEY" ... GREEN LANTERN MAY HAVE DROPPED MORE THAN HE *KNEW*...



THERE WERE ONLY A FEW MUGGERS WORKING THE ROW IN THOSE DAYS ... HAMM, THREE SERIOUS ASSAULTS ... AMANDA POLLOCK WAS PARALYZED, COUNCILMAN GENOVESE AND THOMAS AND MARTHA WAYNE WERE MURDERED ... BETTER CHECK INTO THEIR FAMILIES ...



THERE WERE NEVER ANY ARRESTS IN THE PARK ROW MUGGINGS, BUT THESE THREE BOY SCOUTS WERE KNOWN TO HAVE WORKED THE AREA. I'LL GET ONE OF THEM...



I DO HOPE THE PEOPLE OF THIS MISBE-GOTTEN CITY APPRECIATE YOUR *INDUSTRIOUSNESS*, COMMISSIONER ...

GREEN LANTERN?



HARDLY.

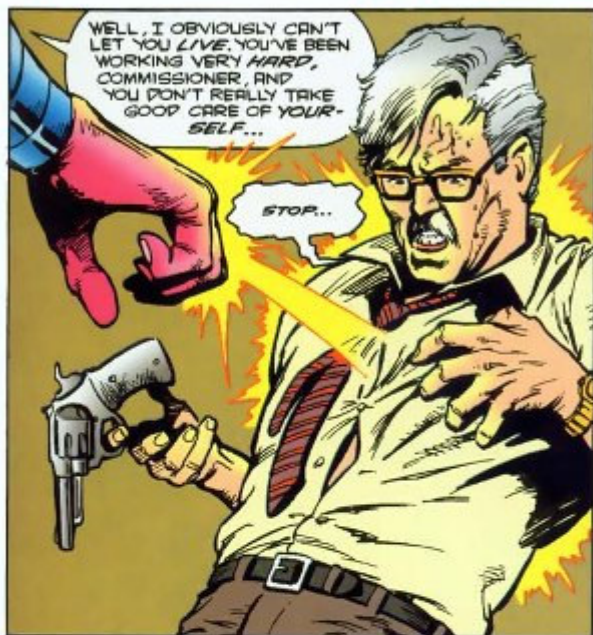


SO YOU THEORIZE THAT ONE OF THE BEREAVED *FAMILY* MAY BE GREEN LANTERN. EH? YOU'RE VERY SHARP ... FOR AN IN-FERIOR SPECIES ...



...BUT YOU STILL TEND TO THE OBVIOUS.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?



WELL, I OBVIOUSLY CAN'T LET YOU LIVE. YOU'VE BEEN WORKING VERY HARD, COMMISSIONER, AND YOU DON'T REALLY TAKE GOOD CARE OF YOURSELF...

STOP...



...YOU'VE ONLY YOURSELF TO BLAME. IF YOU HADN'T PULLED THAT PRIMITIVE WEAPON, IT WOULDN'T HAVE HURT SO!

GAARRAK!



THERE WERE MANY MORE PAINFUL DEATHS I COULD HAVE SUBJECTED YOU TO, YOU KNOW.



YOU SAID IT'D BE JUST YOU!

ALL RIGHT, ALL RIGHT!

NOK NOK







OF COURSE...

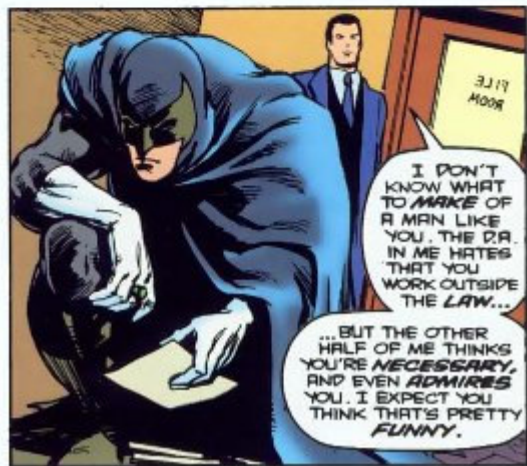
...IT'S ALL SO CLEAR!

HA HA HA HA HA HA



I KNEW YOU'D BE HERE. I'M GOING TO ASK YOU HOW YOU FOUND OUT.

THERE'S VERY LITTLE THAT GOES ON THAT I DON'T KNOW ABOUT, DENT.



I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO **MAKE** OF A MAN LIKE YOU. THE D.A. IN ME HATES THAT YOU WORK OUTSIDE THE LAW...

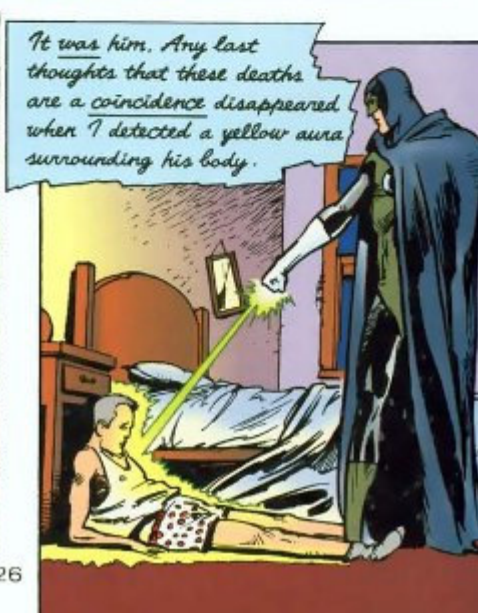
... BUT THE OTHER HALF OF ME THINKS YOU'RE **NECESSARY**, AND EVEN **ADMIRES** YOU. I EXPECT YOU THINK THAT'S PRETTY **FUNNY**.



THERE'S NOTHING I FIND FUNNY ABOUT THIS, DENT.

Gordon knew, or was close to knowing. Someone got to him. What do they know?

WAYNE MURDERS



His face was the last thing you ever saw, Father. I'd dreamed for years of finding him, of making him scream. Someone beat me to it.

It couldn't have hurt enough.

YOU STILL HAVE YOUR CHANCE AT REVENGE UPON US, WAYNE ...

"Wayne...?"

...AND WE'LL BOTH HAVE OURS!

AKKK--!

"Both-?" In a second, it was clear to me: I was facing Sinestro and Chill.

Sinestro thought that would give him an advantage...

...It never occurred to him it would just fire me up all the more!

COME BACK HERE, LACKEY! WE'RE NOT FINISHED WITH YOU YET!

He didn't know how true that was!



WHERE ARE YOUR MIGHTY GUARDIANS NOW, EH, LICKSPITTLE? PERHAPS WE'LL LEAVE ENOUGH OF YOU FOR A NICE GRAVE ON OR!

This was no good; I was on the run, and innocents were being endangered...



...And the solution to those problems was the same.

FWOOM
CROOM!



WHERE IS HE, YOU OAF?

I DON'T KNOW! YOU LOST HIM, YOU FOOL!

NO, YOU LOST HIM!



I'M HERE, SINESTRO...

...AND HERE...

LINGGGH!



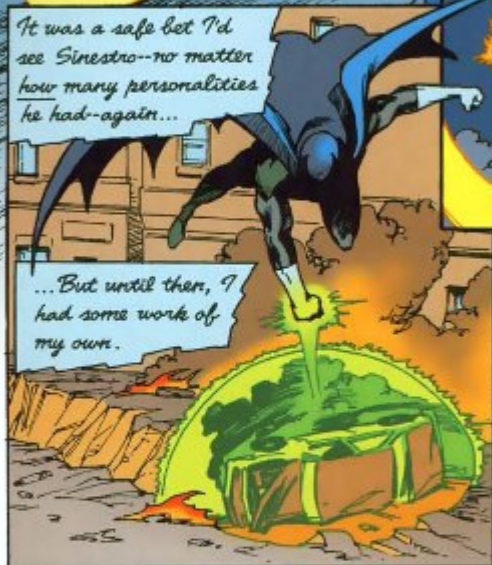
...AND HERE!

GAARG!



It was a safe bet I'd see Sinestro--no matter how many personalities he had--again...

...But until then, I had some work of my own.





WHAT ARE WE DOING OUT HERE IN SPACE, WHEN GREEN LANTERN IS ON EARTH?

YOU WOULDN'T TELL ME WHAT YOU WERE DOING WITH THAT WOMAN, SO I'M NOT TELLING YOU WHAT WE'RE DOING HERE!

MY, WE ARE IN A SNIT!

No sign of Sinestro for days, then the security field I placed around this government plant was nullified! Only one chance in a million it's not a trap...



... So I'll go in invisibly, and hope--

THERE!
THERE!
HE IS!

YOU HAVE THE EYES OF A CAT, STAR SAPPHIRE!

DENT?
HARVEY DENT?
WHAT HAS SINESTRO DONE TO YOU?



HE SIMPLY MADE ME MORE OF WHAT I TRULY WAS, GREEN LANTERN... AND GIVEN ME THE STELLAR POWER TO BACK IT UP!



AS HE HAS DONE WITH BINARY STAR, HE HAS DONE WITH ME, MAKING ME POWERFUL ENOUGH TO STAND UP TO ANYONE-- AND ESPECIALLY ANY MAN!



Her, I met her that night in the East End, the night I got the ring. I almost died that night. She wants to complete the job.

LADIES FIRST.

RRWWRR!



AND YOU--
I DON'T SUPPOSE
YOU'LL MIND WAITING
FOR SECOND!



SAPPHIRE...
WE'VE COME
IN SECOND
BEST...

ONLY ONE
THING TO
DO...!

DON'T
TRY
IT--!



Too late. I was expecting
another attack, not an
escape.

SEE YOU IN
ROUND
TWO, GREEN
LANTERN...!!



SINESTRO DID THIS TO
YOU, PENT-- JUST LIKE HE
FOULS EVERYTHING HE
TOUCHES. BUT I WON'T REST
UNTIL HE'S EXPELLED FROM
MY PLANET, ONCE AND FOR
ALL!





Not even the ring can put me everywhere at once... but what the ring can make can. These spy satellites look for any sign of Sinestro...

...But they're good for spotting deviltry of all sorts.

...But they don't spot the one I want.

HE WAS US PINNED DOWN, SINISTRO!

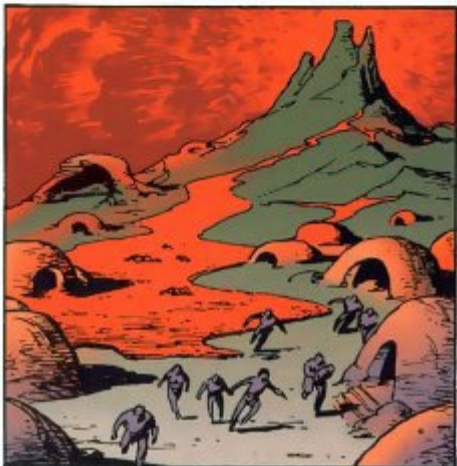
WE CAN'T MOVE TWO FEET WITHOUT HIM KNOWING IT!

YOU CAN'T, NO--



-- BUT HIS POWER-RINGED SATELLITES CANNOT PENETRATE MY YELLOW CLOAKING FIELD ...

"...AND I HAVE BEEN QUITE BUSY ON OTHER PLANETS IN THIS MIS-BEGOTTEN SECTOR!"



MUST ALL THOSE PEOPLE DIE?

BY MAGMA AND VOLCANIC GAS--A DOUBLE ROOM.

THEY ARE BARELY SENTIENT-- AND EVEN IF THEY WERE, THEIR DEATHS ARE NECESSARY FOR OUR PLAN!

WE WOULD HOLD CONGRESS WITH WELDER 2814.

I'LL SEE IF HE'S AVAILABLE, SIR.

IT'S ALL RIGHT, ALFRED.

ARE YOU NOT AWARE OF THE CHAOS ON PLANET REGOR IV? YOU WILL LEAVE IMMEDIATELY TO--

YOU MOCK US BY YOUR DEFIANCE.

I DON'T MEAN TO THE MAN I HATE MOST IN THE WORLD AND THE MAN WHO HATES ME MOST IN THE UNIVERSE ARE HERE ON EARTH, AND THEY ARE THE SAME MAN-- SINESTRO!

ONE OF THE OTHER 3599 GREEN LANTERNS CAN TAKE CARE OF REGOR IV-- I CAN'T LEAVE MY HOME PLANET UN-ATTENDED FOR A MINUTE AS LONG AS SINESTRO'S HERE.


YOU'LL HAVE TO TAKE IT.

SORRY, NO.

SUCH ABRIGATION OF DUTY MERITS REMOVAL OF THE RING, 2814.




WONDERFUL,
EVEN BETTER
THAN MY INITIAL
PLAN! THE HIGH-
AND - MIGHTY
GUARDIANS WON'T
STAND FOR SUCH
INSOLENCE;
THEY'LL TAKE HIS
RING...



...AND THEN
HE'LL BE
MINE.

NO,
HE'LL BE
MINE!


YOU CAN
HAVE WHAT'S
LEFT OF HIM--
IF THERE IS
ANYTHING.



SUCH
DISOBEDIENCE
CANNOT BE
PERMITTED.

2814 MUST BE
STRIPPED OF HIS
RANK AND HIS RING
IMMEDIATELY ...

BUT HE IS
THE MOST VALIANT
OF OUR CORPS ...



YOU SEEM TO HAVE
FORMULATED A
STRATEGY, BROTHER.

PERHAPS, THERE
MAY BE A METHOD
BY WHICH ALL OUR
GOALS CAN BE
ACHIEVED ...



CLARK KENT, HEAR
ME AND HEED ME.
I REPRESENT THE
GUARDIANS OF THE
UNIVERSE. YOUR
ABILITIES ARE KNOWN
TO US ...



QUEEN HIPPOLYTA, I BEG YOUR INDULGENCE FOR DISTURBING YOU AT YOUR PLACE OF WORSHIP.

I REPRESENT THE GUARDIANS OF THE UNIVERSE ...



CRAAAAK



No sign of Sinestro. No response from the Guardians, either. It's hard for me to believe they'll let what they see as a direct challenge to their leadership stand, but for all our sakes--



-- I can't say I didn't expect this.

WELDER 2614 ...!



...YOU ARE HEREBY ORDERED TO SURRENDER YOUR RING IMMEDIATELY!

Katma Tui, Tomar Re, Kilowog and Arisia.

Four Lanterns! I suppose that's a backhanded compliment...

... But I've got my work cut out for me.

YOU WANT THE RING? I'LL TELL YOU WHAT I TOLD THE GUARDIANS: YOU'LL HAVE TO TAKE IT.

OVER MY DEAD BODY!

WE SHALL.



IT IS OUR FERVENT HOPE IT WILL NOT COME TO THAT, 2014.



They're using Chapter One strategy—Let your foe think he's escaping, while herding him right where you want him.

Guess they haven't gotten to Chapter Two yet.

NOW, WHILE HE IS OCCUPIED, HIS FELLOW LANTERNS WILL DEFEAT HIM... BUT IF THEY DO NOT-- IT WILL DO NO HARM TO IMPLEMENT MY FIRST SCHEME!

I HOPE YOU HAVE A SECOND IN MIND, AS WELL!





...BUT
THEN, I
HAVEN'T BEEN
AROUND
MUCH.





YOU ARE THE REASON I BECAME A GREEN LANTERN-- PLEASE CEASE THIS REBELLION!

YOU'RE ONE OF OUR BEST-- WHY WOULD YOU WANT TO FIGHT THE GUARDIANS, ANYWAY?

I APPRECIATE THE COMPLIMENTS, LADIES ...

... BUT I'M NOT SO VAIN THAT I CAN'T SMELL A SET-UP!



THEN MAYBE YOUR SNIFFER NEEDS A LITTLE WORK, EH?

WAP

UHHH!



I TAKE NO PLEASURE IN THIS, 2814...



...ME NEITHER-- WE'RE ONLY DOING OUR DUTY.

AND I'M DOING MINE, ARISIA-- IN THE ONLY WAY I CAN!









2814. IS THERE NO END TO YOUR DISRESPECT?

I'd tell him I'm only doing my duty...



...But he'd never believe me.



THERE IS NOTHING THAT CAN BE DONE FOR HIM.

HE SACRIFICED HIMSELF TO SAVE HIS FRIEND.



AND, MORE IMPORTANT...

HEY, WHAT'S--



...IT PROVIDES A CHANCE FOR US TO TAKE OUR LEAVE.



ALFRED?
ALFRED!

I THINK
THIS
IS YOUR
FRIEND...



...I'M SORRY.
KNOW HIS DEATH
CAME FROM CONCERN
FOR YOU.

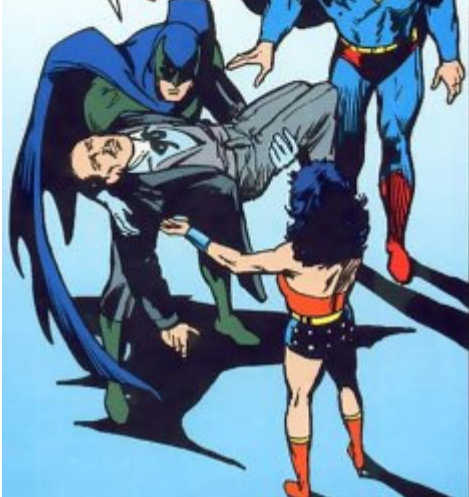
WHO ARE
YOU?



THE *GUARDIANS*
CONTACTED US... TOLD
US OF YOUR SITUATION.

*My parents. My friend.
Everyone he touches.*

WHERE'S
SINESTRO?



SOMEWHERE IN
SPACE, I THINK.
WE'VE MADE EARTH
A LITTLE TOO HOT
FOR HIM.

THEN
THAT'S
WHERE I'M
GOING.



PLEASE...
STAY AND
MOURN YOUR
FRIEND.

MY
MOURNING
HAS ALWAYS
BEEN MY
WORK.





ALFRED WOULD UNDERSTAND THAT ...



...As you understand it, Father.

IT'LL BE MONTHS BEFORE ANYONE MISSES BRUCE WAYNE... USE THE HOUSE AND CAVE AS A HEADQUARTERS, IF YOU LIKE.



BUT... YOU CAN TEACH US SO MUCH ...!




YOU'LL FIND EXPERIENCE IS THE BEST TEACHER ...

... AND I HAVE PROMISES TO KEEP.



MASTERS, WE HAVE FAILED, WIELPER 2814 HAS ESCAPED. DO YOU WISH US TO RESUME OUR MISSION, OR REPORT FOR DISCIPLINE?

YOU WILL RETURN TO YOUR HOME PLANETS AND RESUME YOUR DUTIES. TOMAR RE ...



...THERE IS
NO NEED FOR
DISCIPLINE. ALL
PROCEEDS AS WAS
INTENDED...

...YOU
HAVE DONE
WELL.

*I'm sorry to leave your world behind,
Father... your possessions, the home
you gave your name, the legacy you
left me. But I know you'll understand.
Sinestro is out there, somewhere. I'm
coming for him.*

*I hope he
knows that.*

END

To the memory of Bill Finger,
who was present at the birth of each.

MWB

Dedicated to all those who've come before.

Jerry Bingham

This time he had the most powerful
weapon in the universe
- a Green Lantern ring -
to find the killer of his parents.

This time there was no Joker
-unless you count the evil alien
with a maniacal bent.

This time he was a hero alone.
Who knows what legends he would inspire?

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