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THE DESERT
WAS NOT WHAT
I IMAGINED FROM
THE COMFORTABLE
CONFINES OF THE
READING ROOMS OF
THE SORBONNE.

LE CHEVAL...
IT IS SICK.

IT WAS HARSH AND
UNYIELDING, BARREN AND
NEAR LIFELESS, BUT AT THE
SAME TIME SO MUCH MORE.

AND WITH EACH PASSING
STEP DEEPER INTO ITS
HEART, ITS TRUE NATURE
BEGAN TO REVEAL ITSELF...

...LESS A PHYSICAL PLACE
AND MORE A REFLECTION,
A MIRROR HELD UP TO
THOSE OF US WHO DARED
TRAVEL WITHIN IT.

FOR ALL HIS FAULTS, AND HE
HAD MANY, I BELIEVE BAPTISTE
HAD LONG KNOWN WHAT I WAS
ONLY JUST BEGINNING TO GRASP.

AND WITH NOTHING LEFT TO
DISCOVER, ONWARD BAPTISTE
MARCHED, PUSHING US ON,
AS ACCOMPLICES AND
WITNESSES TO A FATE THAT
SEEMED ALL BUT SEALED.

SPREAD
OUT THE
REMAINING
PACKS.

GWW
EXCLUSIVE

BLANNM

THE ONLY QUESTION
LEFT IN MY MIND WAS
WHAT FINAL FATE THE
DESERT MIGHT HAVE
IN STORE FOR ME...



THE SMOKELSS FIRE PART 2



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PARLEZ-VOUS
FRANÇAIS, MONSIEUR
CONSTANTINE?

JOHN CONSTANTINE CREATED BY ALAN MOORE, STEVE BISSETTE,
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MAIS
BLOODY
QUI...

GWM
EXCLUSIVE



PARIS.
PRESENT
DAY.

QUE
FAISIEZ-VOUS À LA
MAISON, MONSIEUR
CONSTANTINE?



BIEN SÛR, MON
PLEASURE MONSIEUR
DETECTIVE.

<VERY GOOD.
SO WHY WERE
YOU AT THE HOUSE,
MISTER
CONSTANTINE?>

GWN
EXCLUSIVE



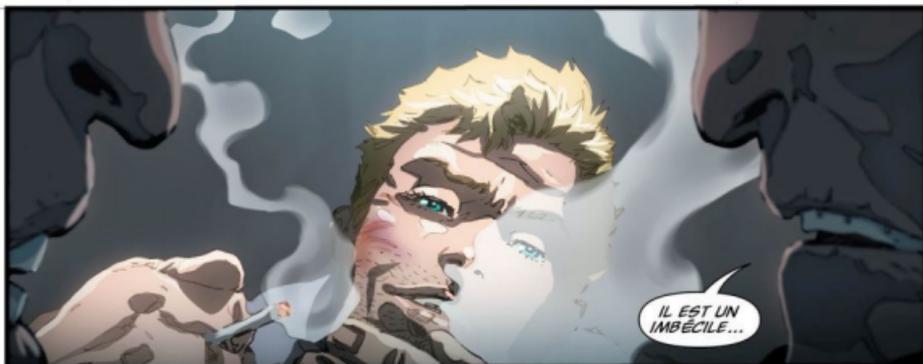
LE VENDEUR DE
GLACÉE...

...EST DERRIÈRE
LA GRILLE.

<WHAT IS
HE TALKING
ABOUT?>



<HE SAID
"THE ICE-CREAM
SALESMAN IS
BEHIND THE
RAILING?">



IL EST UN
IMBÉCILE...

MISS BRUNI,
SECOND-YEAR
FRENCH.

"IL, ELLE,
NOUS SOMMES..."
IT WAS THE ONLY
THING THAT
STUCK.

TOO BUSY
STARING AT
HER
CANKLES.



QU'EST-CE QUE
"CANKLES"?



YOU
KNOW--"CANKLES"?
BIG ANKLES THAT
NEVER END, START AT
THE HEEL AND GO
STRAIGHT UP, UNTIL
THEY HIT THE--

SLAM

CRÉTIN
ANGLAIS...



GWW
EXCLUSIVE

NOW THE
QUESTION IS,
WHERE THE HELL
HAS MERCURY
GOT TO?

...YOU'VE ALWAYS WONDERED.

WHY YOU WERE DIFFERENT.

WHY YOU OF ALL PEOPLE WERE GIVEN THIS GIFT.

BUT YOU DON'T KNOW THE REASON-- DO YOU, MERCURY?

YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW WHOSE FOOTSTEPS YOU FOLLOW IN?

ISN'T THAT WHY I'M HERE? AND WHY YOU'RE HERE? ADNAN, YOU PROMISED ME ANSWERS...

AND YOU SHALL HAVE THEM.

YOUR ABILITIES TO HEAR THINGS OTHERS CANNOT, TO SEE AND TRAVEL BEYOND WHAT IS KNOWN... THOSE YOU HAVE LONG KNOWN ABOUT.

BUT, MERCURY, THERE'S MORE, SO MUCH MORE TO WHAT YOU CAN DO...

TELL ME WHAT I CAN DO.

TELL ME WHAT I AM.

YOU AND YOU ALONE COULD MASTER CONTROL OVER MY KIND...

...JUST AS KING SOLOMON HIMSELF ONCE DID...