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"MY DEAR FRIENDS, AS MY CORONATION CEREMONY APPROACHES..."

...I ASSURE YOU OUR FRIENDSHIP WILL NOT BE AFFECTED.

OH, AHKTENKHAMEN, I WISH IT WERE TRUS. BUT BEING KING CARRIES GREAT WEIGHT.

YEAH, I DON'T REALLY SEE US GOING OUT DANCING ANY MORE.

NEFERHOTEP... CRAIG... I PROMISE YOU—KING THOUGH I SHALL SOON BE, I AM EVER YOUR FRIEND. MY RULING DUTIES WILL NEVER CHANGE WHO I—

**CRASH**

YOU CARELESS SON OF A WHORE! THAT WAS MY REPAST!

A THOUSAND PARDONS, SIRE-TO-BE, I SLIPPED AND—

HAVE MY CLUMSY CUR OF A FORMER SERVANT FLOGGED AND MADE A STONE-BEARER!

ANYWAY, AS I WAS SAYING, DO NOT WORRY ABOUT ME WEARING THE CROWN. IT WILL NOT CHANGE ME AT ALL.

YEAHHH...



GODS. IF WE STEP OUT OF LINE NOW, WE'RE AS DOOMED AS THAT POOR SOUL.

TOTALLY, MAN. THIS IS BAD NEWS FOR US AND OUR PAL AHK.



A GREAT SHAME. WOULD THAT I WERE BORN INTO ROYALTY INSTEAD. BENEFICENCE IS MORE MY THING.

BUT YOU WEREN'T. NOW HE'LL BE KING. SET UP FOR THIS LIFETIME AND THE NEXT. WE'RE REALLY SCREWED.



HOW DO YOU MEAN?

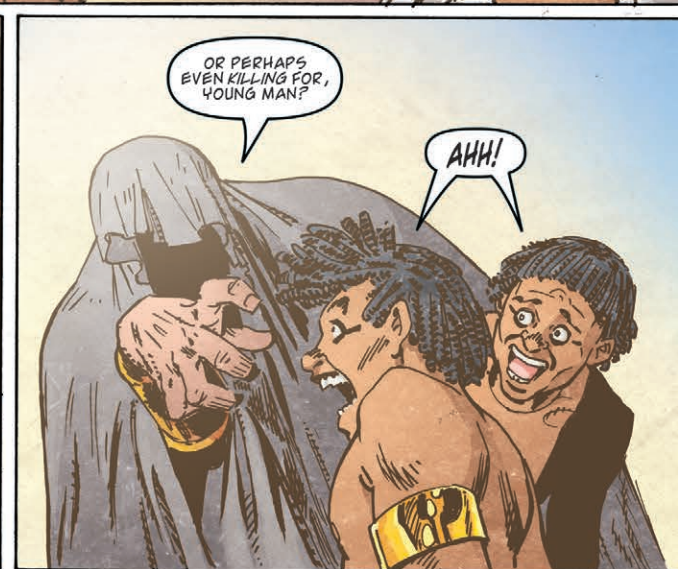
YOU DON'T THINK THAT PALATIAL UNDERGROUND TOMB BEING BUILT OUT THERE IS FOR US, DO YOU?



NO IT IS HIS, BUT —

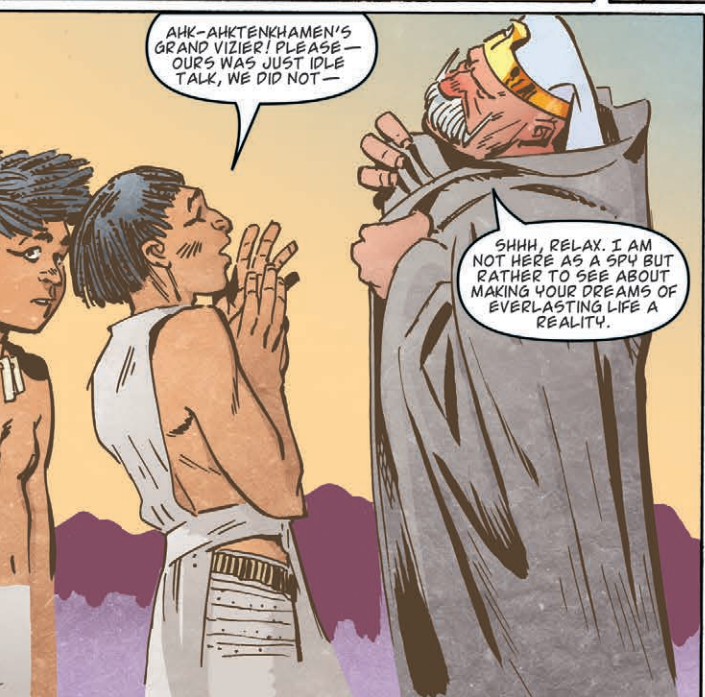
KINGS GET IMMORTALITY. US? DIRT. OR NOURISHING THE KING'S GOATS. NOT THE AFTERLIFE WE DESERVE.

AFTERLIFE IMMORTALITY. NOW THOSE ARE GIFTS WORTH DYING FOR.



OR PERHAPS EVEN KILLING FOR, YOUNG MAN?

AHH!



AHK-AHK TENKHAMEN'S GRAND VIZIER! PLEASE — OURS WAS JUST IDLE TALK, WE DID NOT —

SHHH, RELAX. I AM NOT HERE AS A SPY BUT RATHER TO SEE ABOUT MAKING YOUR DREAMS OF EVERLASTING LIFE A REALITY.



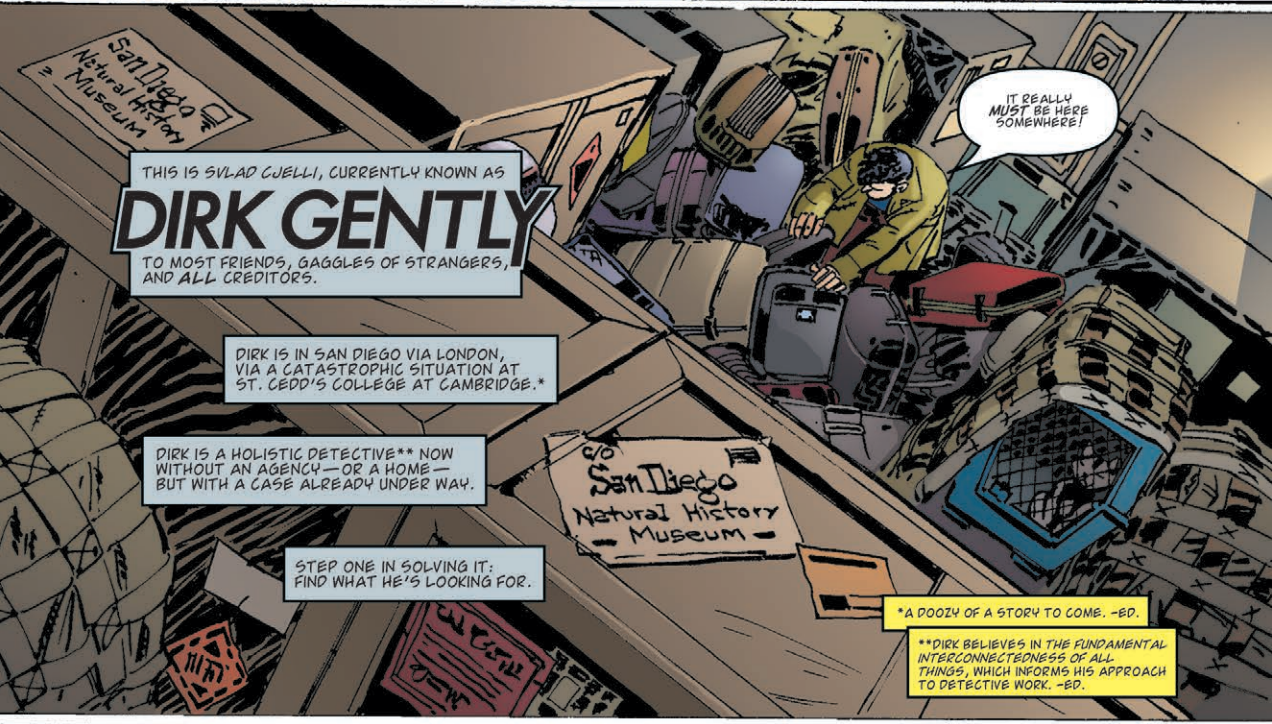
AM I NOT THE IMMORTAL MISTER BIRD?

COME, LET US TALK A WHILE, THAT WE MAY SPEAK OF THE LIFETIMES OF RICHES AND POWER THAT I MIGHT PROVIDE YOU...



SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, USA. NOW.

ARGH!



IT REALLY MUST BE HERE SOMEWHERE!

THIS IS SVLAD CUELLI, CURRENTLY KNOWN AS **DIRK GENTLY** TO MOST FRIENDS, GAGGLES OF STRANGERS, AND ALL CREDITORS.

DIRK IS IN SAN DIEGO VIA LONDON, VIA A CATASTROPHIC SITUATION AT ST. CEDD'S COLLEGE AT CAMBRIDGE.\*

DIRK IS A HOLISTIC DETECTIVE\*\* NOW WITHOUT AN AGENCY—OR A HOME—BUT WITH A CASE ALREADY UNDER WAY.

STEP ONE IN SOLVING IT: FIND WHAT HE'S LOOKING FOR.

\*A DOOZY OF A STORY TO COME. -ED.  
\*\*DIRK BELIEVES IN THE FUNDAMENTAL INTERCONNECTEDNESS OF ALL THINGS, WHICH INFORMS HIS APPROACH TO DETECTIVE WORK. -ED.



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UFF!



THANK HEAVEN I'M NOT TOO EARLY!



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THIS BAG WILL DO, NO TIME TO CHAT, BYE!

MEET ESTELLE AND BILL PARSNIP. DIRK'S UNKNOWING FLIGHT MATES, HERE IN TOWN WITH TIME TO KILL.



I TELL YOU, ESTELLE, I NEED THAT BAG!

PLEASE, BILL...



...DON'T FRET OVERMUCH. AIRPORTS ARE MASTERFUL AT FINDING LOST BAGS.

NOT AS SKILLED AS THEY ARE AT LOSING THEM, IT SEEMS. AND WHEN IT DOES TURN UP, WHAT IF THEY OPEN IT AND FIND...

-HUFF!

IT WILL BE FINE. AIRPORTS FIND LOST BAGS, THEY DO NOT OPEN THOSE BAGS.

I SUPPOSE SO. I JUST HOPED TO TRY OUT THE THINGS IN THAT BAG, SO I WORRY...



I KNOW YOU DO— THAT'S ONE OF THE MANY THINGS I LOVE ABOUT YOU.

REMEMBER, MY DEAR, KEEPING OUR HEADS HAS GOT US THIS FAR.



PARDON, MANY THOUSAND OF PARDONS...

HEY!



HOW RUDE.

I DETEST RUDENESS.



TAXI! IT'S (PROBABLY) LIFE OR DEATH!

