

YOU WERE **SHOT**!?

OH M'GOD!

IT'S NOTHING.
JUST A SCRATCH ON
THE SHOULDER.

NOTHING?
A PULSE LASER
WAS INCHES FROM
YOUR NECK. YOUR
HEART!

THIS IS
THE **SECOND**
TIME YOU'VE BEEN
SHOT DOWN IN
THAT U-TOWN
SEWER.

NAH- THAT
FIRST ONE WAS
A RICOCHETED CHIP
OF CONCRETE.

WHEN IS THAT
DAMN TASK FORCE
GOING TO FINISH
CLEANING OUT
U-TOWN?

THE PLACE IS
THE SIZE OF SMALL
CITY. YOU KNOW THAT
FIRSTHAND, SCOTT.
THE CRIMINAL
FACTIONS ARE DIVIDED
INTO GANGS WITH SHIFTING
COALITIONS. IT'S
COMPLICATED.

AND
NEVER-ENDING.

I KNOW YOU
WORRY. BUT I'VE GOT
A GOOD TEAM AND
STATE-OF-THE-ART
EQUIPMENT.

DAMN.
I JUST GOT THIS
UNIFORM.

POLICE





HE JUST DOESN'T UNDERSTAND.



HE'S BEEN LEADING THAT POLICE TASK FORCE INTO THAT U-TOWN WAR ZONE FOR ALMOST A YEAR NOW.

THE PLACE IS FULL OF PSYCHOS TRYING TO KILL HIM.

SOMETIMES HE DOESN'T GET HOME UNTIL THE WEE HOURS.



AND I CAN'T SLEEP UNTIL I KNOW HE'S OK.

I'M A WRECK, BUT HE'S THRIVING.



EVERYDAY IS A NEW ADVENTURE FOR HIM.

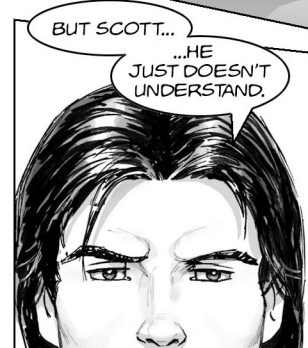
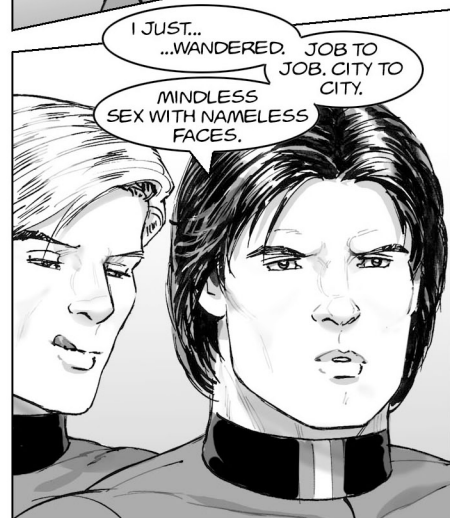
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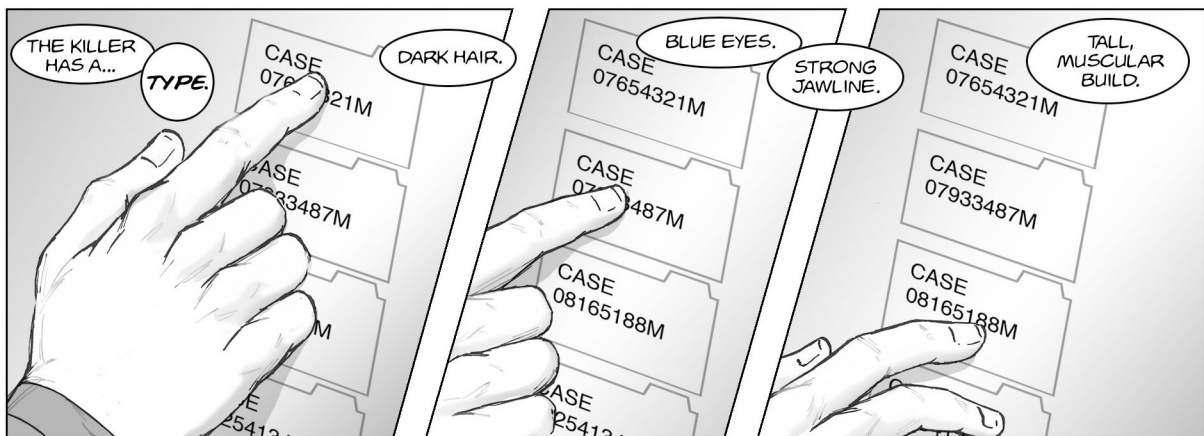
WE HAVE FIGHTS ABOUT IT, AND THEN I FEEL EVEN WORSE.



HE JUST DOESN'T UNDERSTAND.







YOU'LL
BE THE **BAIT**,
SORT OF.



OUR I.T. TEAM
HAS CREATED A
RENT BOY ACCOUNT FOR
YOU ON THE SITE THAT
THE KILLER USES TO
PROCURE HIS
VICTIMS.

ALL WE NEED
IS A PORTFOLIO OF
PHOTOS OF YOU AND YOU'LL
BE IN **BUSINESS** AS RENT
BOY "TREY INGELS."



OH, NO.

NO, NO, NO....

WHY DON'T
YOU USE A **REAL**
RENT BOY WHO FITS
THE LOOK AS
BAIT?



TOO RISKY.
THE KILLER IS VERY, VERY
CAUTIOUS AND THOUGHTFUL
IN HIS PLANNING AND
FOLLOW-THOUGH.

THEY NEED
SOMEONE TRAINED
TO THINK TWO STEPS
AHEAD. SOMEONE WITH
YOUR SKILL SETS.



CHIEF, THE
DEPUTY MAYOR
IS ON THE
PHONE.

LOOK, JT,
YOU WON'T BE
WHORING YOURSELF
OUT.

THIS IS ALL
SMOKE AND MIRRORS TO FLUSH
OUT A SERIAL
KILLER.



DETECTIVE
LEWIS HAS A GOOD
PLAN.

BUT THE
DECISION IS
YOURS.



HERE'S WHAT WE KNOW. AS I SAID, ALL FOUR RENT BOYS HAVE A SPECIFIC LOOK.

THEIR WEB SERVICE LOG FILES SHOW THEY WERE CONTACTED VIA DISPOSABLE DEVICES - THE KIND AVAILABLE AT KIOSKS ON ANY CORNER IN THE CITY, SO NOTHING TRACEABLE.

APD
DETECTIVE

POLICE

BUT WE KNOW IT'S THE SAME GUY BECAUSE HE ALWAYS USES THE SAME NAME - **SNOW WHITE** - AND THE ICON OF A SNOWFLAKE.

A.K.A. "SNOW WHITE"

EMAILS TOLD EACH RENT BOY THAT AT THE MOTEL, HE'D FIND A VERY SPECIFIC OUTFIT TO WEAR -

WHITE JEANS, WHITE T-SHIRT, WHITE BRIEFS AND SOCKS.

A COUPLE OF THE GUYS ALREADY HAD PHOTOS OF SIMILAR CLOTHES ON THEIR WEB PAGES.



AFTER SNOW WHITE KILLED THEM, HE TOOK THE CLOTHES WITH HIM AND POSED THE BODIES NAKED.

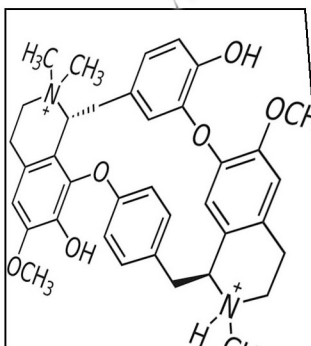


DID HE HAVE SEX WITH THE RENT BOYS?

UNCLEAR. FORENSICS SHOWED SEMEN IN THEIR COCKS AND DEFINITE ACTIVITY UP THE ASS.

POSSIBLY, THOUGH, THEY HAD ANOTHER CLIENT PRIOR TO SNOW WHITE.

ALL KILLED THE SAME WAY?



YEAH, SOME FORM OF CYANIDE POISONING IN TEQUILA.

M.E. SAYS EACH DIED IN SECONDS.

WHAT ABOUT WHERE THE BODIES WERE FOUND?

EACH VICTIM HAD RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS TO GO TO A CERTAIN MOTEL AND A SPECIFIC ROOM.

THE ROOMS WERE PREPAID VIA AN UNTRACEABLE OFFSHORE E-BANKING SERVICE.

SNOW WHITE KILLED THEM THERE.

FOUR DIFFERENT MOTELS, ALL IN REMOTE AREAS.

NO SECURITY CAMERAS EXCEPT AT THE FRONT DESK.

"NO-TELL" MOTELS, AS THEY SAY....

AND EACH ONE SEEDIER THAN THE LAST.

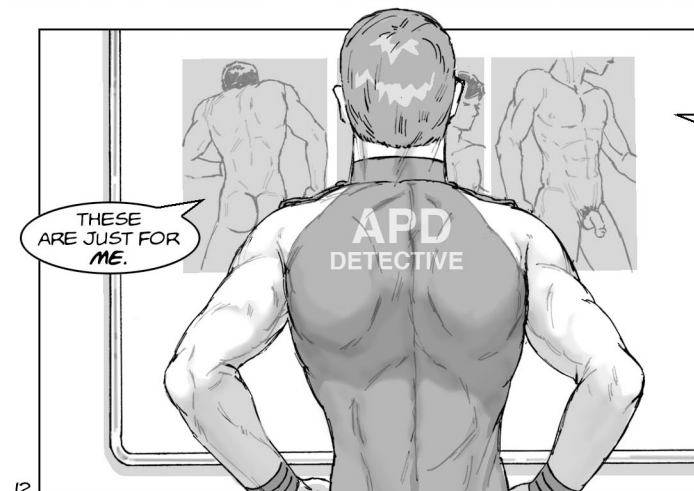
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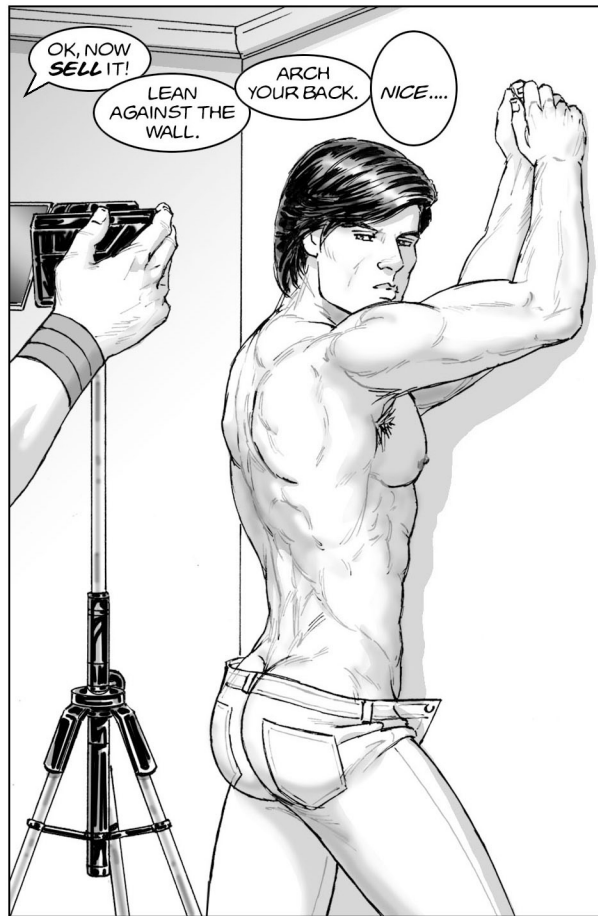
YUCK.

HUNDREDS OF DNA SAMPLES, BUT NO MATCH TO ANYONE IN THE SYSTEM.









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