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DOUBLE JEOPARDY

THERE IS A GIFT OF GREAT POWER, GRANTED TO WORTHY DEFENDERS IN THE ENDLESS BATTLE AGAINST EVIL.

THE GIFT IS CALLED THE DRAGON FORCE. ITS PREVIOUS GUARDIAN, SUNSET, PASSED THE GIFT TO THREE MEN, JAMES AND WILLIAM LEE.

THEY ARE THE FIRST THINGS EVER TO POSSESS THE DRAGON FORCE IN THEIR HANDS. THE DRAGON'S AWESOME POWER IS FORTHWITH.

SUNSET HAD PLANNED TO GIVE THE NEXT ADVENTURERS AN INTERESTING AND ANNOYING THE GIFT. IT'S OF THE DRAGON FORCE'S LINE!

FATE, NOW-
EVER, AND
OTHER
PLANS

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SUNSHINE'S MEDITATIONS ARE LAY-
BARRY THIS EVENING.
HIS JOY IS DISTURBED
BY A FAINT BUT PER-
SISTENT THUMP OF
SHOES.

SUNSHINE TAKES THE THREAT
SERIOUSLY AND REFOCUSSES
HIS CONCENTRATION, ALTHOUGH HE
NO LONGER POSSESSES THE DRAGON
POWER, HE IS STILL ATTUNE TO IT.

BUT FEELING NOT ATTUNE SHUNSHINE.
ONCE THE VOICE OF THE DRAGON
WOULD RING ITS WARNING IN SHUNSHINE'S
EAR, NOW HE CAN BARELY HEAR THE
SHUNSHINE WHISPER...



"SOMETHING IS WRONG."

GREETINGS,
SHUNSHINE?

SILENCE,
WILLIAM. I
BEHAVE GREAT
SHUNSHINE.
I MUST
CONCENTRATE.



--AND, IT HAS
ELUDED ME WHERE
IS YOUR BROTHER?
PERHAPS THE TWO
OF YOU CAN--

--THE WHERE
ABOUTS OF MY
"BROTHER" ARE
THE LEAST OF
YOUR WORRIES,
OLD MAN.



WHY WOULD
YOU SPEAK SO
TO ME IF IS SOME-
THING WRONG?



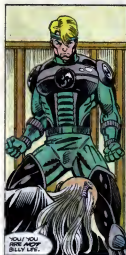
NOT
PARTICULARLY...

--WHY DO
YOU RISK?

CHOK

Why do you risk?





YOU! YOU
ARE **NOT**
BILLY LIFE.



NO FLIES ON
YOUR GARBAGE.



AT LEAST,
NOT **YET**.

WE **HAVE**
WINDSHIELD



AND YET, I STILL
SENSE HIS PRESENCE
SOMEWHERE WITHIN
THE ROOM...

IN THIS FORM, I'M FILL
BUT UNUSABLE. HIS
SKILLS MUST BE
INCREDIBLE!



ALL THE MORE
REASON TO FINISH
THIS **QUICKLY**.



CHOK



SPAX



GEEZ! HOW MANY SHOTS CAN THIS GEEZER TAKE?



KRAK



THAT'S ONE UP IT.



HE PUT UP AN AWFULLY GOOD FIGHT, BUT THERE'S NO DEFENSE AGAINST **STELTH!**



AND NOW THE GREAT DRAGON STATUS IS **ADDED!**

AND ADVENTURE WILL PAY ME ANY PRICE TO HAVE IT!

IN ORDER TO RESCUE THEIR FRIENDS, POLICE-WOMAN ANDERSON STEALS FROM CERTAIN DEATH. THE ESCAPEES BRIMMON HAVE JUST RUN A GAUNTLET OF DEATH—THINGS LEFT FOR THEM BY NIGHTFALL, OVERLORD OF CRIME IN THE CITY OF GLANFOLIS.

JIMMY! THE SPEED LIMITS! SLOW DOWN!

SPARE ME THE TRAFFIC SAFETY LECTURE. YOU'RE HERE IN DANGER, AND THE CRIMINAL STATUS IS BEING STOLEN.

AND WITHOUT THE CRIMINAL FORCE, WE ARE NO MATCH FOR THOSE WHO WOULD ENSLAVE THE CITY.

OTHER THAN THATS THOUGH...

RRROAR

THE STATUS IS THE SOURCE OF OUR POWERS. WITHOUT IT, WE NO LONGER CONTROL THE CRIMINAL FORCE!

*ARE THE CRIMINALS FOLLO'G OUT LAST ISSUE... EVEN

IT'S BEEN A GREAT DAY.

NO!!

WORTHLESS!

WHO SEND THEM TO YOU?

NOT ANONY! BILLY, WE MUST GET HIM TO A HOSPITAL!

NO, I WOULD NOT SURVIVE BEING MOVED.

I HAD HOPED TO TEACH YOU A GREAT CIVIL ANONY. SIMPLY, NOW THERE IS TIME FOR BUT ONE LAST LESSON.

YOU MUST LISTEN CAREFULLY, YOUNG CRIMINAL...



YOU TWO ARE BUT
THE MOST RECENT
BENEFICIARIES OF A THOUSAND
GENERATIONS OF MEN AND WOMEN
WHO HAVE BEEN GIFTED WITH
THE POWER OF THE
DRAGON FORCE. ALL
HAVE CHOSEN TO USE
THEIR GIFT FOR THE
GREATER GOOD.

IT WOULD BE MY WISH TO TEACH YOU
ALL OF THE ABILITIES THE DRAGON
FORCE GRANTS YOU. THIS IS NOT TO BE

"PERHAPS BY DISCOVERING YOUR
POTENTIAL YOURSELVES YOU CAN
DISCOVER WHAT WE HAD BELIEVED
TO BE THE LIMITS OF THE DRAGON'S
POWER. PERHAPS NOT."

"I DO KNOW THIS, YOU TWO
MUST ALWAYS FIGHT AS ONE,
AND YOU MUST ALWAYS
GIVE IN TO DESPAIR."













KRAK

KENNY!

THOX













ONE THING I
CANNOT ASIDE
IS A FINE FIGHT.

LET'S SEE IF MY POWER
OF ILLUSION CAN'T REVERSE
THE DECK AGAINST THE
DRAGONS ONCE AGAIN.

NOW
EVERYONE
WITHIN THE
RANGE OF MY
ILLUSION FIELD
IS A DUPLICATE
OF ONE OF THE
DRAGONS.

HEY! THEY ALL LOOK
JUST LIKE US! NOT THAT
IT ISN'T A MAJOR AN-
NOVENEMENT MIND
YOU, BUT WHAT ARE WE
SUPPOSED TO DO?

WE HAVE NO
CHOICE. WE
CONTINUE TO
FIGHT.

AND FIGHT THEY DO,
BUTLINE WITHOUT
RESPIRE FOR ONE HOUR.
TWO, THREE.

UNTIL OUT OF THE THREE
HUNDRED-ODD MEN WHO
BEGINNED THE BATTLE, ONLY
TWO REMAIN STANDING

HEY, "JIMMY"!



THE ODDS OF MY BROTHER AND I
BOTH SURVIVING THAT FIGHT
WITHOUT OUR POWERS IS PRACTI-
CALLY NIL.



THEN YOU MUST BE
AN AMERICAN. PERHAPS YOU ARE
STEALTH, HERSELF.



JUST THE KIND OF
THING I'D EXPECT
HEROES TO SAY.

THIS WORKED OUT BETTER
THAN I HAD HOPED. BOTH
OF THE REAL DOUBT DIVISIONS
CAN SURVIVE. NOW BROTHER
WILL KILL WHOMEVER REMAINS.
THE FINAL VICTORY IS MINE!





SO, YOU
READY TO
RUMBLE?

ALRIGHT
THEN,
"BROTHER"
TO THE
DEATH!

NEXT:

IT HAD TO HAPPEN! BROTHER AGAINST
BROTHER—IN THE MOST BRUTAL BATTLE
OF THE CENTURY! BE HERE IN THIRTY DAYS
TO SEE "ONE SHADOW ON THE GROUND!"