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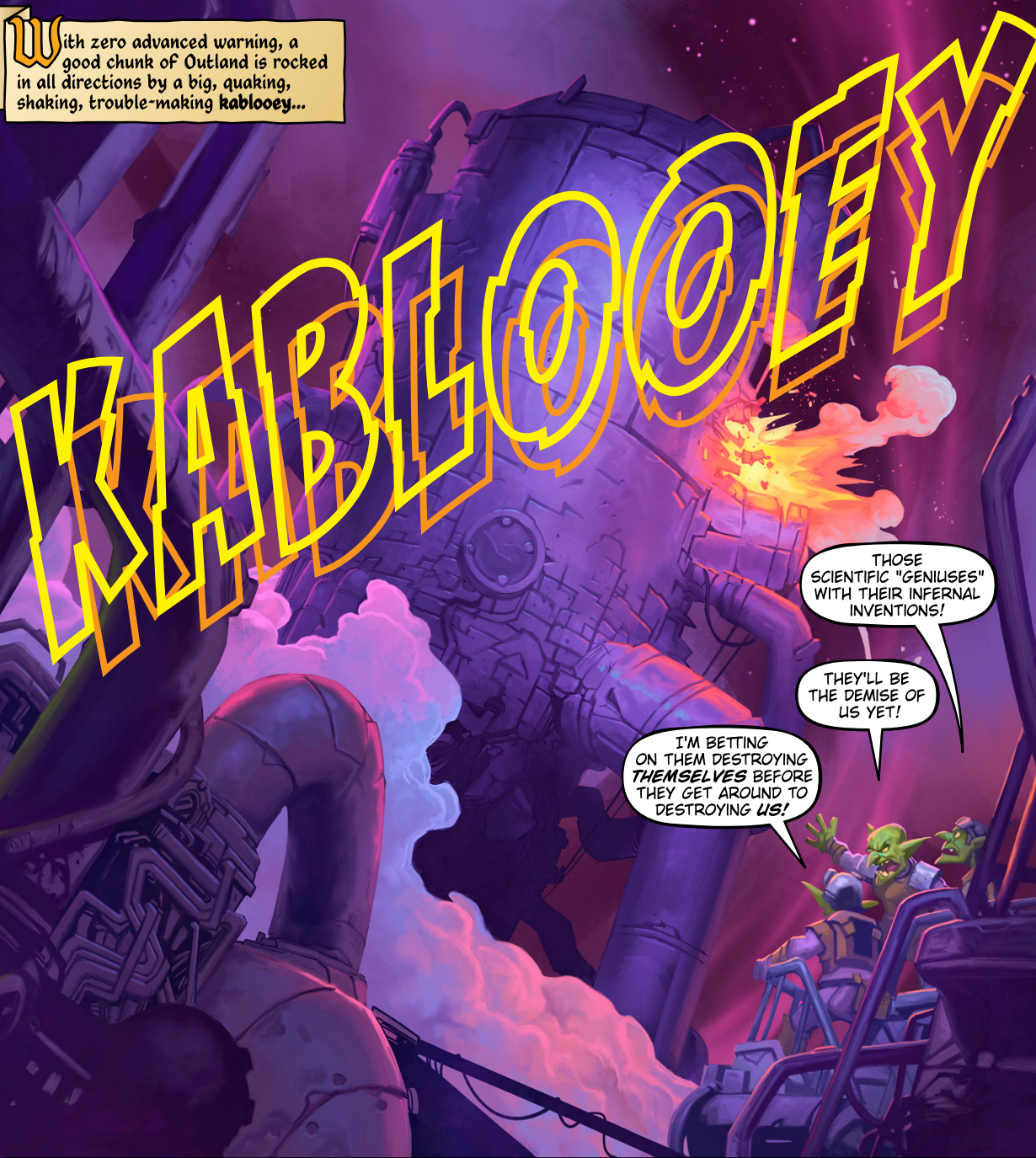
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With zero advanced warning, a good chunk of Outland is rocked in all directions by a big, quaking, shaking, trouble-making kablooey...



THOSE
SCIENTIFIC "GENIUSES"
WITH THEIR INFERNAL
INVENTIONS!

THEY'LL BE
THE DEMISE OF
US YET!

I'M BETTING
ON THEM DESTROYING
THEMSELVES BEFORE
THEY GET AROUND TO
DESTROYING *US*!



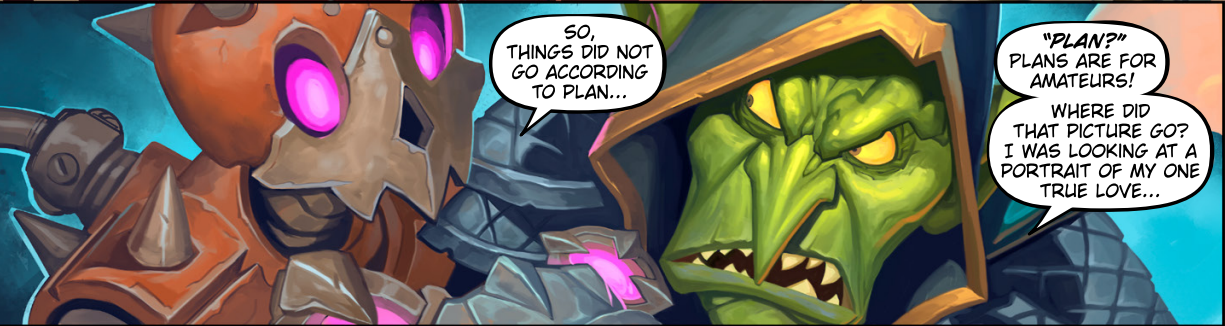
DR. BOOM!
DR. BOOM, ARE YOU
STILL FUNCTIONAL?
SPEAK TO ME!

**SAY
SOMETHING
ARROGANT AND
POWER-MAD!**



THERE YOU ARE! WHAT HAPPENED?

I CONNECTED THE *THING-A-MA-BOB* TO THE *WHATZIS* INSTEAD OF TO THE *WHATCHAMACALLIT!* HELP ME UP, DEAD RINGER!



SO, THINGS DID NOT GO ACCORDING TO PLAN...

"PLAN?" PLANS ARE FOR AMATEURS!
WHERE DID THAT PICTURE GO? I WAS LOOKING AT A PORTRAIT OF MY ONE TRUE LOVE...




THIS ONE?

NO...MY OTHER TRUE LOVE!
KEEP LOOKING! IT MUST BE AROUND HERE SOMEWHERE!



IF YOU'RE GOING TO CONQUER ALL OF AZEROTH, IT MIGHT *HELP* TO HAVE A PLAN! MAYBE?

I'M *TOO BUSY* TO FORMULATE A PLAN! HOW CAN I POSSIBLY GET ANYTHING DONE IF I'M GOING TO SPEND TIME KNOWING WHAT I'M DOING?



WAIT ONE MIND-
NUMBING MINUTE!
WHAT IF WE COULD CREATE
SOMETHING THAT WOULD
DO MY PLANNING
FOR ME?

FOUND IT!



IS THIS HER? THE
ONLY GOBLIN AS BOOM-
TASTIC AS YOU?

THAT IS SHE!
SOMEONE I ADORE
ALMOST AS MUCH
AS I ADORE ME!

DO YOU THINK
SHE WILL NOTICE ME
WHEN I CONQUER AZEROTH
AND EVERYONE THERE
BOWS TO MY EVERY
COMMAND?



WHO
WOULDN'T BE
IMPRESSED?


I'LL NEED THE
AID OF MY FELLOW
MAD GENIUSES HERE IN
BOOMLABS, BUT WE WILL
BUILD THE INVENTION THAT
WILL TELL ME HOW TO
REALIZE MY DREAMS!

IT *WILL*
WORK...



I'M SO SURE OF IT, I'M
WILLING TO PUT YOUR
LIFE ON THE LINE!

N-N-NOT
YOURS?



LEADERS NEVER
GAMBLE WITH THEIR
OWN LIVES! THAT'S
WHAT **FOLLOWERS**
ARE FOR!

**FOLLOW
ME!**

ARE YOU
SURE ABOUT
THIS? I MEAN, AS
SURE AS YOU
ARE ABOUT
ANYTHING?

And off they go to the other modules of the BoomLabs complex...

YOU CAN HELP, ELECTRA?

ABSOLUTELY!
HERE IN THE SHAMAN WING, WE CAN HARNESS THE *INCOMPARABLE POWER* THAT IS *LIGHTNING*! BEHOLD OUR COLLECTOR DEVICE WHICH ACQUIRES THE MIGHT OF ANY STORM...



MILES OFF, OUR SKY-SUCKING ANTENNAS ATTRACT THAT AWESOME FORCE OF NATURE, CAPTURE IT, AND RELAY IT TO THE TARGET OF OUR CHOICE!



THERE! YOU SEE IT? IN FIVE SECONDS, THAT LIGHTNING WILL COME VIA CONDUIT TO US...



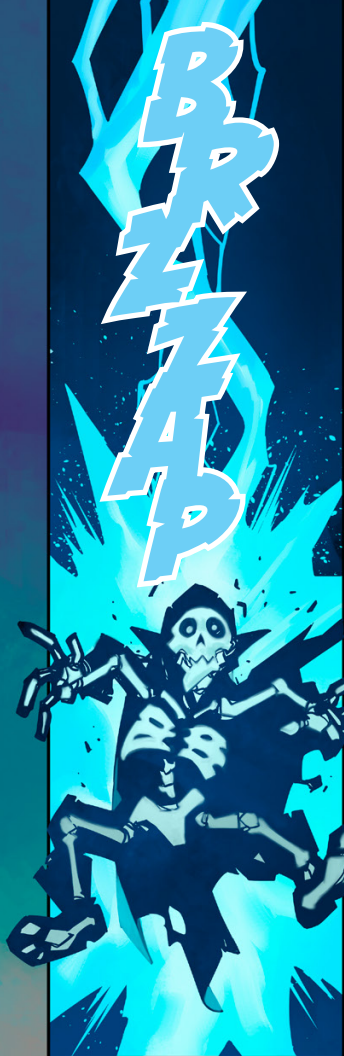
...SO WATCH OUT FOR THE **TARGET!** THAT'S WHERE IT WILL HIT!

I DON'T SEE ANY TARGET IN THIS ROOM!

IT'S ON THE FLOOR!



OH.



DR. BOOM!
ARE YOU ALL
RIGHT?

I AM ALL RIGHT.
I AM ALL RIGHT.
I AM ALL RIGHT.

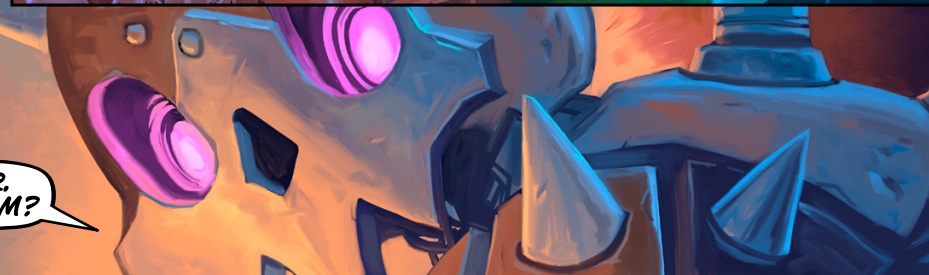
LET'S GO TO
ANOTHER LAB. I
AM ALL RIGHT.



Flobberkins Floop has
his druids hard at work...

WE HAVE BEEN
GROWING SENTIENT
VEGETATION THAT
CAN PLAN FOR DR.
BOOM!

THAT
SOUNDS
GREAT!




DID YOU HEAR THAT,
DR. BOOM? THE DRUID
SCIENTISTS MAY BE
ABLE TO DO IT!

DR.
BOOM??



MPPHLLLLP!

DR.
BOOM!!!



Boommaster Flark
has hunters hunting
for new solutions...

WE CONTINUE TO
DEVELOP NEW AND MORE
DANGEROUS EXPLOSIVE
CHARGES...

THINGS
THAT GO "BOOM,"
I HOPE? I SO LOVE
BOOMS.



PERHAPS WE
SHOULD INCLUDE
A **FAILSAFE**
DEVICE...

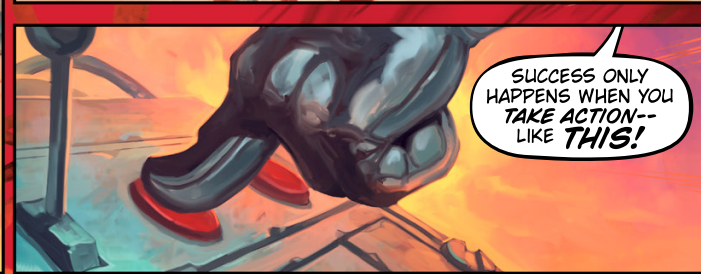
WHY? IF IT
WILL BE PERFECT,
WHY DO YOU NEED A
FAILSAFE DEVICE?



GOOD POINT.
STILL, MAYBE WE
NEED A FAILSAFE DEVICE
IN THE FAILSAFE DEVICE?

AND IN CASE *THAT*
FAILS, A FAILSAFE DEVICE
IN THE FAILSAFE DEVICE
IN THE FAILSAFE
DEVICE...

ENOUGH
TALK OF
FAILURE!



SUCCESS ONLY
HAPPENS WHEN YOU
TAKE ACTION--
LIKE **THIS!**

BLAMMM!



SPECTACULAR!
STUPENDOUS!

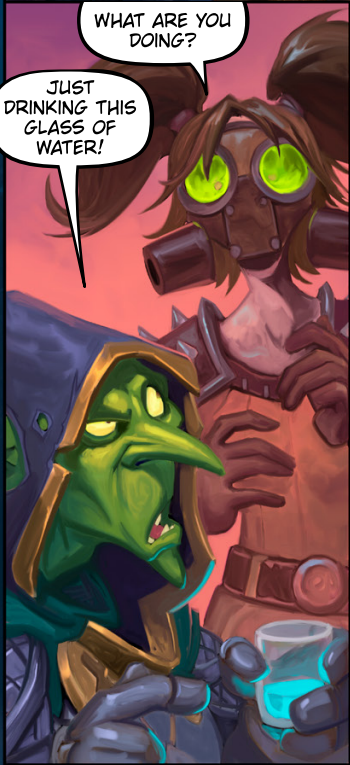
INJURIOUS!

'TIS BUT A SCRATCH!
ONWARD!

Myra Rotspring has
a roguish approach...

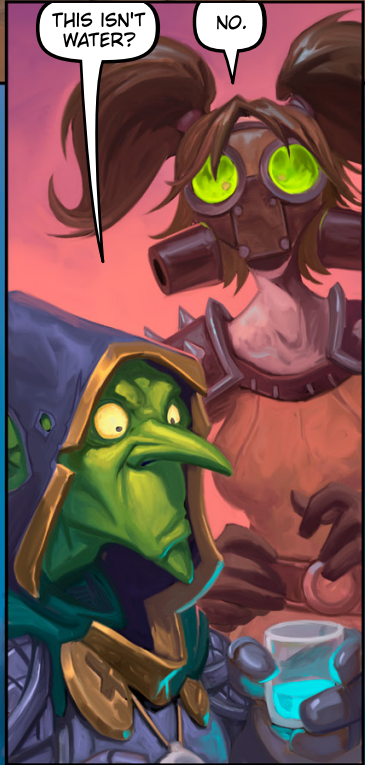


WE FORMULATE
POTIONS AND
VARIOUS FORMS
OF TOXIC GLOOP
AND--



WHAT ARE YOU
DOING?

JUST
DRINKING THIS
GLASS OF
WATER!



THIS ISN'T
WATER?

NO.



IT WORKS!
IT REALLY
WORKS!

--THOUGH I
SUPPOSE NOW
YOU'LL WANT AN
ANTIDOTE OR
SOMETHING!

Finally, Zerek the Cloner knows how to use his priestly power to beastly ends...

YOU SEEK A MASTERMIND...

THE MORE MASTERMINDFUL, THE BETTER!

...SOMEONE WHO IS **LASER-FOCUSED** TO CREATE **BRILLIANT PLANS!**

THE **PLANNER**, THE **BETTER!** AND I LOVE, SIMPLY **LOVE LASERS!**

WE HERE IN MY CLONING LAB HEARD ALL YOUR REQUIREMENTS AND SO WE CREATED...

...THIS!

YES!

HE IS JUST LIKE YOU...BUT WITH A ROBOT BRAIN PERFECT FOR PLANNING!

I AM **BESIDE MYSELF** WITH DELIGHT! BECAUSE WHAT THIS ME WILL PLAN IS...

...BOOMSDAY!!!

ARE YOU **SURE** THIS IS A GOOD IDEA?

More to come...sooner rather than later!