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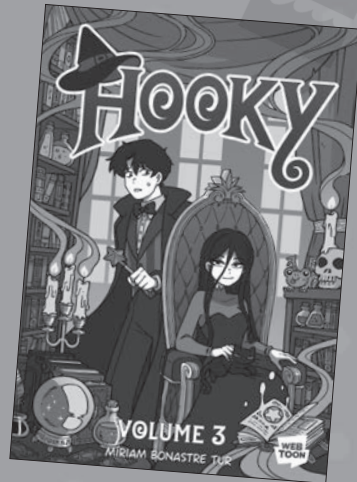
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DORIAN...

WHERE ARE YOU?



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WOAH!
WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU DOING, MARK?!

I'M SORRY, I TRICKED YOU TO CATCH YOU BY SURPRISE.

YOU HAVEN'T STOPPED BY LATELY SO I MISSED Y--

KEEP YOUR HANDS OFF OF HER, YOU FILTHY PIG!

HELLO THERE NICO!

HAVE YOU SEEN DORIAN?



NO. HAVE YOU CHECKED THE LIBRARY?

OF COURSE I'VE CHECKED THE LIBRARY!

ARGH! WHERE IS DORIAN?



IF I FLUNK THE CLASS, MY MUM'S GONNA KILL ME!

YOU KNOW, I'M ALSO QUITE GOOD AT MAGIC.

I CAN HELP YOU OUT FOR A SMALL FEE, DANI.

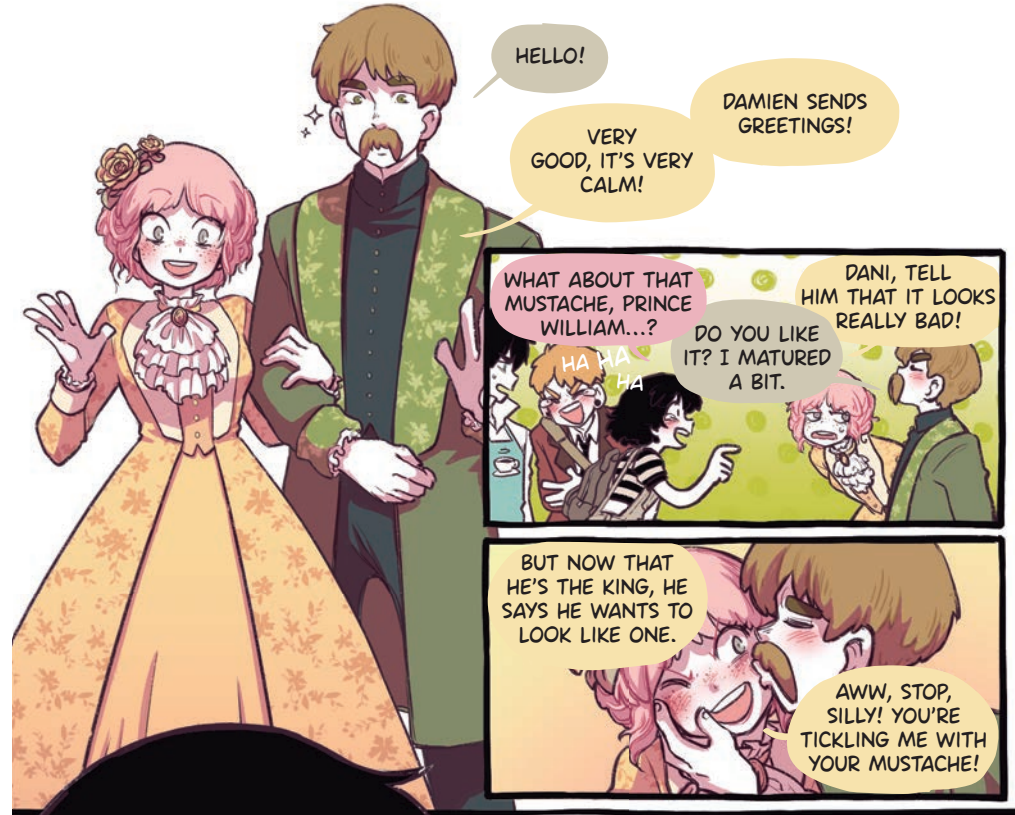


HELLO EVERYONE!

ARE YOU THROWING A PARTY WITHOUT ME KNOWING?

MONICA!

HOW'S THE MARRIED LIFE AT THE PALACE?



HELLO!

VERY GOOD, IT'S VERY CALM!

DAMIEN SENDS GREETINGS!

WHAT ABOUT THAT MUSTACHE, PRINCE WILLIAM...?

DO YOU LIKE IT? I MATURED A BIT.

DANI, TELL HIM THAT IT LOOKS REALLY BAD!

BUT NOW THAT HE'S THE KING, HE SAYS HE WANTS TO LOOK LIKE ONE.

AWW, STOP, SILLY! YOU'RE TICKLING ME WITH YOUR MUSTACHE!



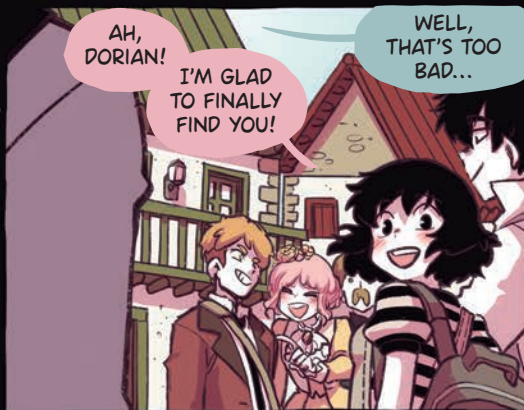
HA-HA!

I'M GLAD TO SEE YOU GETTING ALONG SO WELL, AS ALWAYS!

BY THE WAY, MONICA!

HAVE YOU SEEN DORIAN, BY ANY CHANCE?

WERE YOU LOOKING FOR ME, DANI?



AH, DORIAN!

I'M GLAD TO FINALLY FIND YOU!

WELL, THAT'S TOO BAD...



HUH?

WHAT...?

DON'T YOU REMEMBER...?



WHAT DO YOU MEAN...?

I'M NOT REALLY HERE, DANI...



YOU SAW ME DIE.

MANY.

YEARS.

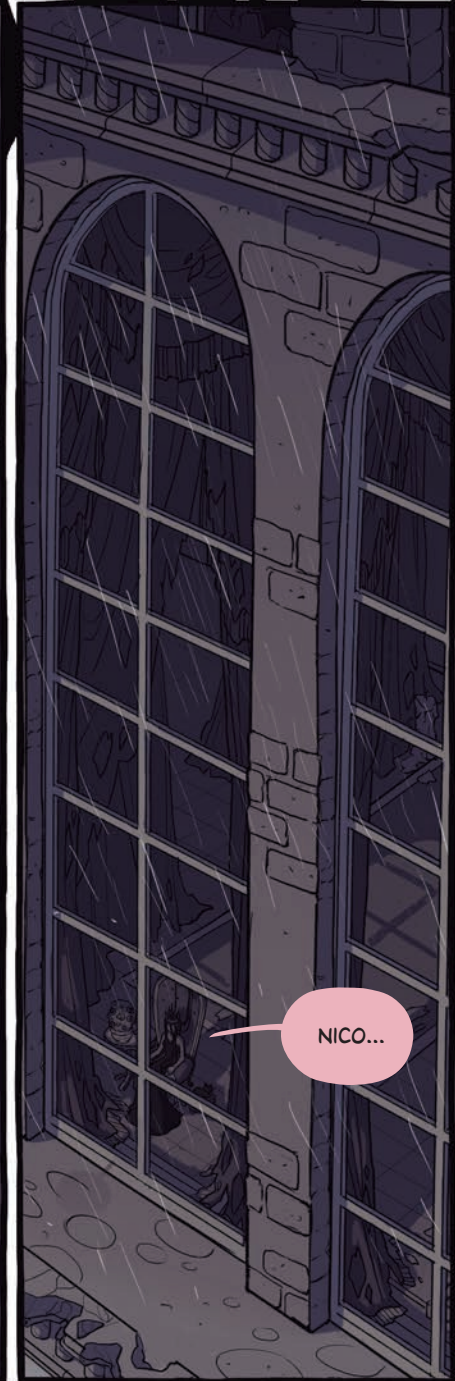
NO...

AGO.

NO...

THIS CAN'T BE...

DORIAN...?

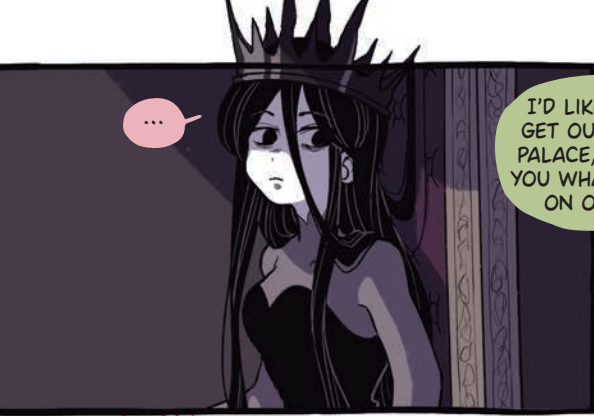


NICO...



OF COURSE I AM, DANI...
YOU KNOW I ALWAYS COME BACK.





...

I'D LIKE YOU TO GET OUT OF THIS PALACE, TO SHOW YOU WHAT'S GOING ON OUTSIDE.

I KNOW DEEP INSIDE YOU ARE STILL A GOOD PERSON.

SEEING WHAT'S HAPPENING IN THE WORLD RIGHT NOW... I THINK IT'D HELP YOU REACT.



...



DANI, FOR GOD'S SAKE, AT LEAST SAY SOMETHING!!

TELL ME WHAT I NEED TO DO AND I'LL DO IT RIGHT AWAY!!



AAARGH!!



UH...

WHY WERE YOU OUTSIDE FOR SO LONG, NICO?

SO LONG? I WAS ONLY GONE FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS...

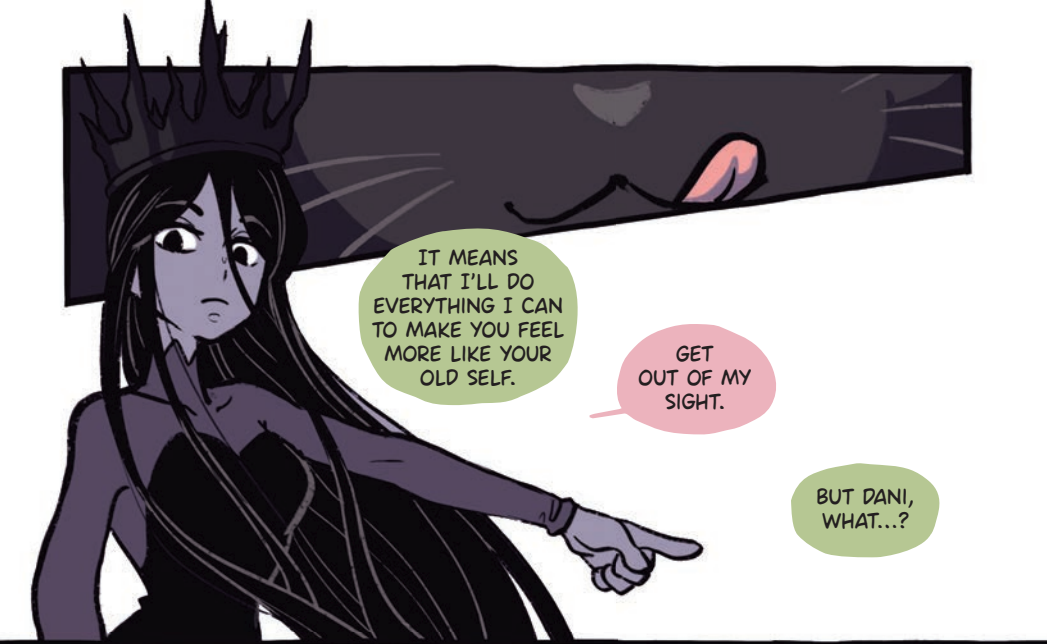
YOU THINK I DON'T KNOW WHY YOU ALWAYS COME BACK, AGAIN AND AGAIN?

IT'S BECAUSE YOU CAN ONLY BE NORMAL BY MY SIDE. I SHOULD MAKE YOU PERMANENTLY TINY TO TEST YOUR LOYALTY.

WHAT ARE YOU SAYING?

I TOLD YOU A LONG TIME AGO, DANI, I'LL ALWAYS BE BY YOUR SIDE!

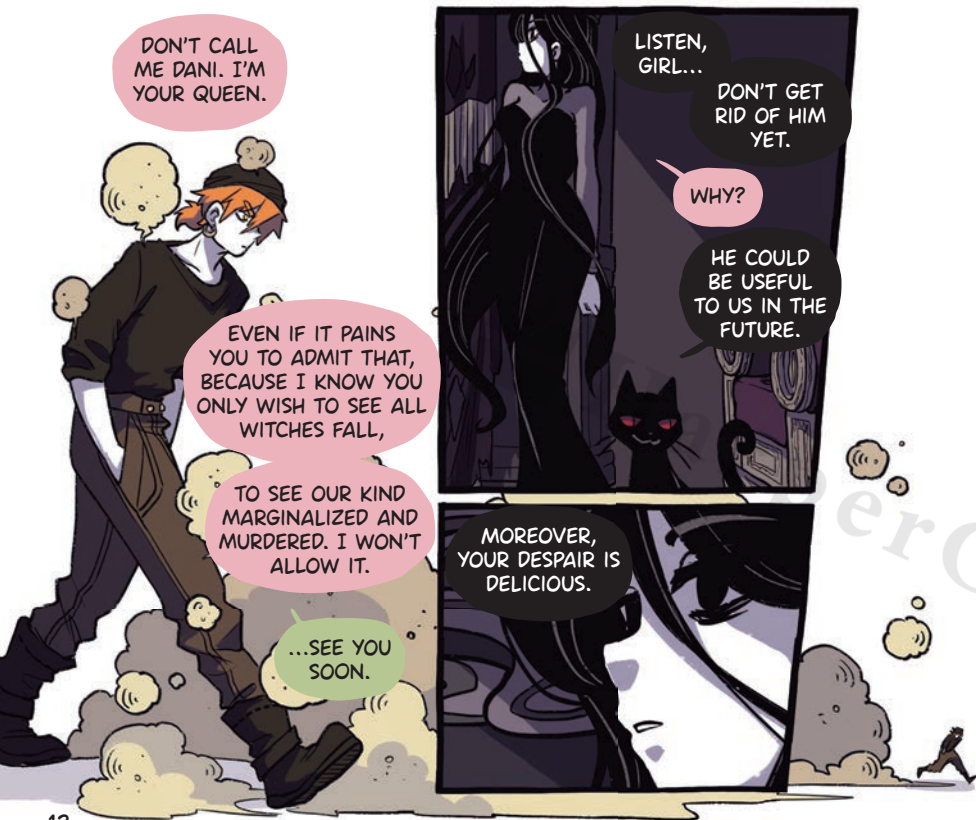
BUT THAT DOESN'T MEAN I AGREE WITH EVERYTHING YOU DO.



IT MEANS THAT I'LL DO EVERYTHING I CAN TO MAKE YOU FEEL MORE LIKE YOUR OLD SELF.

GET OUT OF MY SIGHT.

BUT DANI, WHAT...?



DON'T CALL ME DANI. I'M YOUR QUEEN.

EVEN IF IT PAINS YOU TO ADMIT THAT, BECAUSE I KNOW YOU ONLY WISH TO SEE ALL WITCHES FALL,

TO SEE OUR KIND MARGINALIZED AND MURDERED. I WON'T ALLOW IT.

...SEE YOU SOON.

LISTEN, GIRL...

DON'T GET RID OF HIM YET.

WHY?

HE COULD BE USEFUL TO US IN THE FUTURE.

MOREOVER, YOUR DESPAIR IS DELICIOUS.



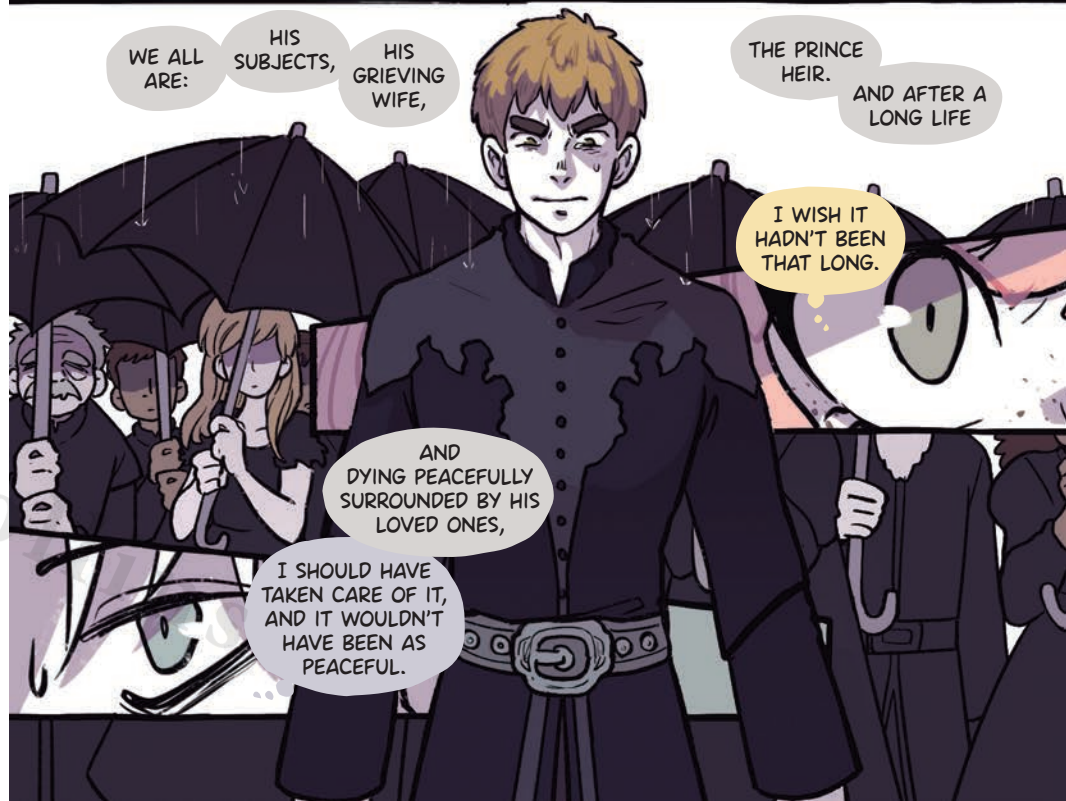
WE ALL GATHER HERE TO PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR BELOVED KING,

YET THANKFUL FOR HIS KINDNESS AND FORTITUDE,

WHO LEFT US AFTER A LONG, PEACEFUL AND PROSPEROUS REIGN.

WE'RE DEEPLY SADDENED BY HIS LOSS,

AND FOR PROTECTING US DURING THE YEARS OF THOSE EVIL WITCHES.



WE ALL ARE:

HIS SUBJECTS,

HIS GRIEVING WIFE,

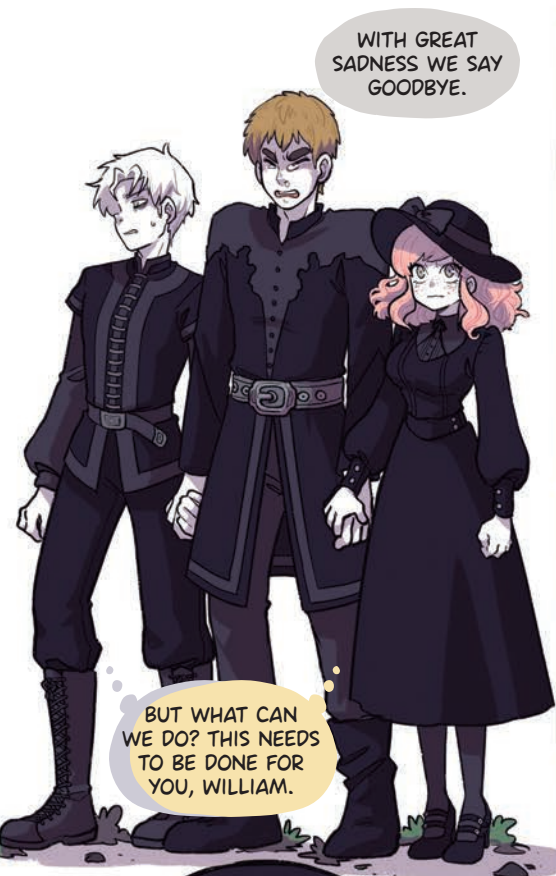
THE PRINCE HEIR.

AND AFTER A LONG LIFE

I WISH IT HADN'T BEEN THAT LONG.

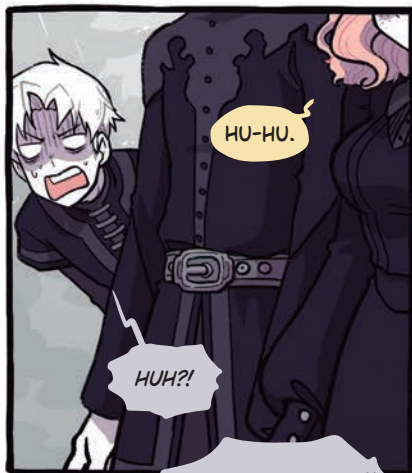
AND DYING PEACEFULLY SURROUNDED BY HIS LOVED ONES,

I SHOULD HAVE TAKEN CARE OF IT, AND IT WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN AS PEACEFUL.



WITH GREAT SADNESS WE SAY GOODBYE.

BUT WHAT CAN WE DO? THIS NEEDS TO BE DONE FOR YOU, WILLIAM.



HU-HU.

HUH?!



MONICA, PLEASE!! WE'RE ATTENDING A FUNERAL, TRY TO CONCEAL YOURSELF A LITTLE!!

THEY WILL FIND OUT!!



I'M SORRY, DAMIEN.

I CAN'T HELP IT. IT WAS ABOUT TIME.

OUR TIME HAS COME.

CHAPTER 59



I KNOW MY FATHER WASN'T EXACTLY THE BEST PERSON IN THIS WORLD, AND DEFINITELY NOT SOMEONE YOU WERE FOND OF,

BUT YOU CAN'T JUST BURST OUT LAUGHING IN THE MIDDLE OF A FUNERAL...

I WASN'T LAUGHING AT THAT, WILL!

WELL, I COULDN'T STAND HIM, AND HE COULDN'T STAND ME EITHER.

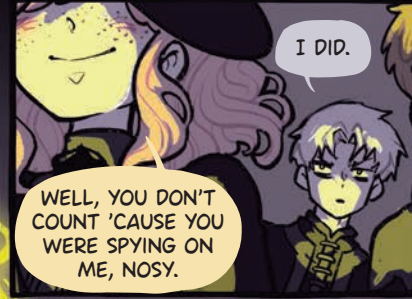
HE NEVER FORGAVE ME FOR REFUSING TO MARRY YOU AFTER I INSISTED FOR SUCH A LONG TIME.



COME, FOLLOW ME, AND DON'T MAKE A NOISE.



NOBODY SAW WHAT YOU'RE ABOUT TO SEE.



I DID.

WELL, YOU DON'T COUNT 'CAUSE YOU WERE SPYING ON ME, NOSY.



WHOA!



I'VE BEEN WORKING ON THIS SINCE WE GOT HERE, THREE YEARS AGO.

I COULDN'T STAND THE IDEA OF BEING LOCKED INSIDE THE CASTLE, EVEN IF IT WAS FOR MY OWN SAFETY, WHILE OUTSIDE THE BATTLE WAS RAGING.



I WANTED TO GET OUT AND FIGHT, BUT I REALIZED I COULDN'T JUST GO THERE EMPTY-HANDED.



I NEEDED A PLAN.

I NEEDED TO BECOME STRONGER.

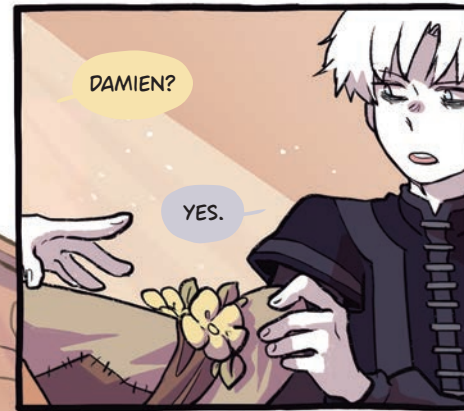


AND SO, I TRIED TO FIND INFORMATION ABOUT MAGIC.

IT WAS HARD, SINCE YOUR FATHER FORBADE ANYTHING RELATED TO WITCHCRAFT YEARS AGO.



BUT THANKS TO MY PERSUASIVE SKILLS, I GOT SOME PEOPLE TO BRING ME BOOKS FROM OTHER LOCATIONS.



DAMIEN?

YES.



MONICA...

YOU'RE...



I'VE READ, I'VE STUDIED, I'VE LEARNED.

NOW I KNOW I'M STRONGER.



AND I'VE GOT A PLAN.

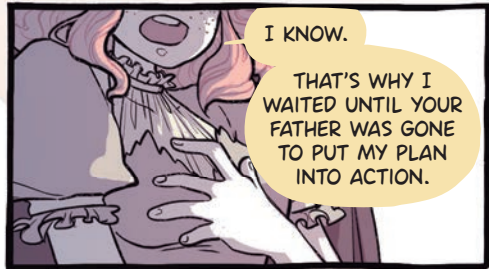
ARE YOU A WITCH?!



I CAN FLY ON A BROOM AND I'M PRETTY GOOD AT MAKING POTIONS.



BUT THIS IS SO DANGEROUS, MONICA!



I KNOW.

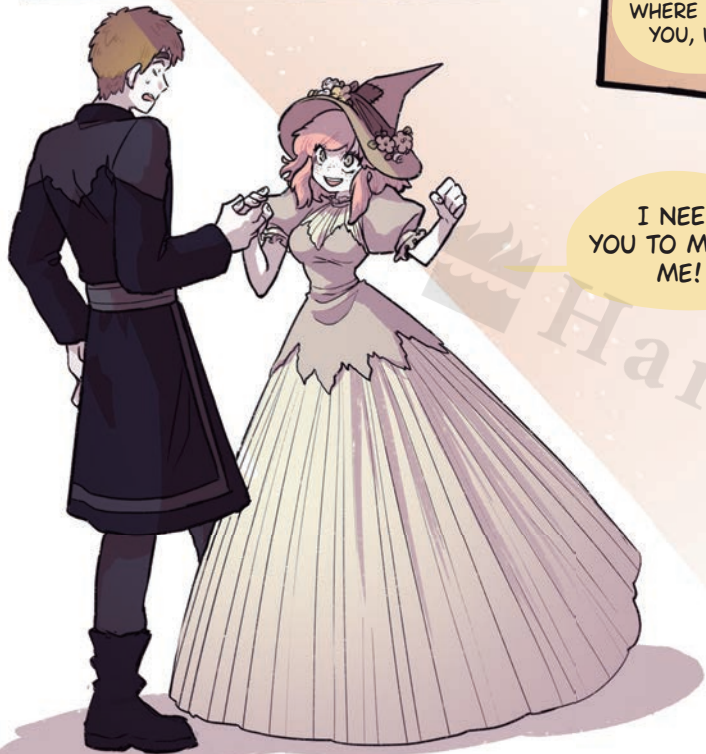
THAT'S WHY I WAITED UNTIL YOUR FATHER WAS GONE TO PUT MY PLAN INTO ACTION.



AND THAT'S WHERE I NEED YOU, WILL.



I NEED YOU TO MARRY ME!



I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T WANT TO MARRY ME!

THUMP
THUMP

CALM DOWN, MONICA.

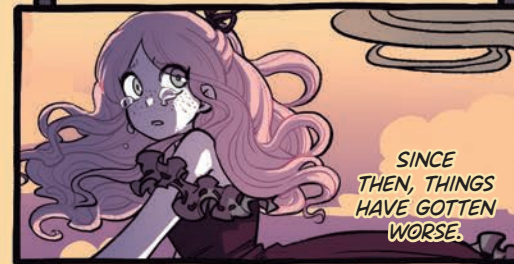
YOU HAVE TO DO THIS.

HE'S NOT COMING BACK ANYWAY.

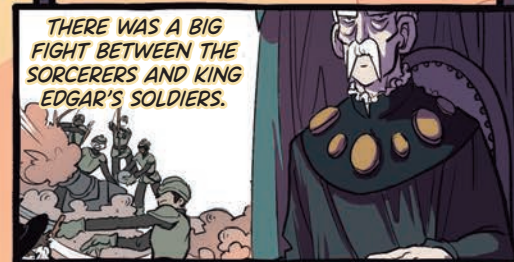
HE LEFT.

HE SAID HE'D BE BACK SOON.

THAT WAS THE LAST TIME I SAW DORIAN.



SINCE THEN, THINGS HAVE GOTTEN WORSE.



THERE WAS A BIG FIGHT BETWEEN THE SORCERERS AND KING EDGAR'S SOLDIERS.



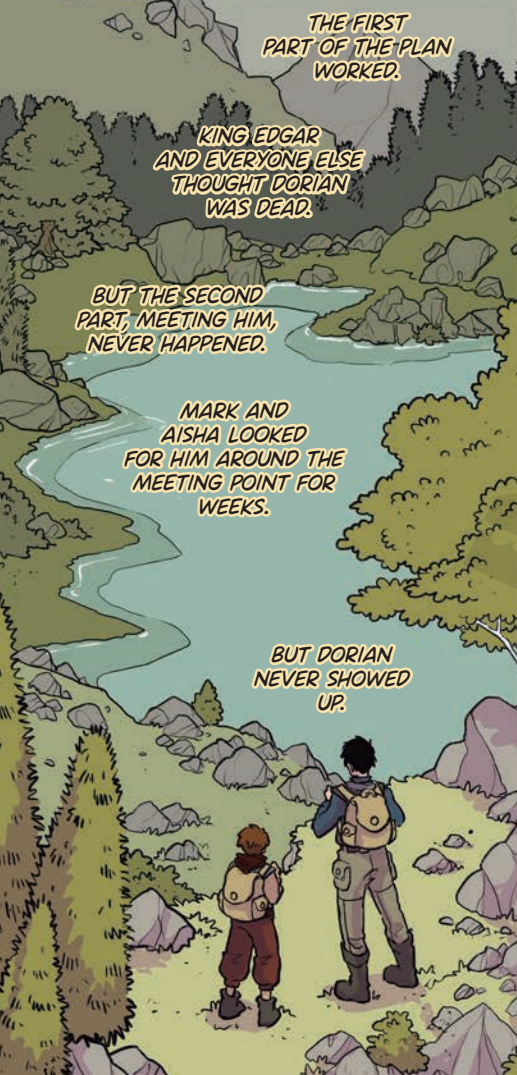
MANY DIED, BUT DANI AND HER MOTHER FLED BEFORE I COULD SEE HER AND TELL HER WHAT HAD REALLY HAPPENED.

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LATER, THEY EXPLAINED THE PLAN TO ME.

DORIAN WAS GOING TO MEET MARK AND AISHA FAR AWAY, IN A SAFE PLACE.



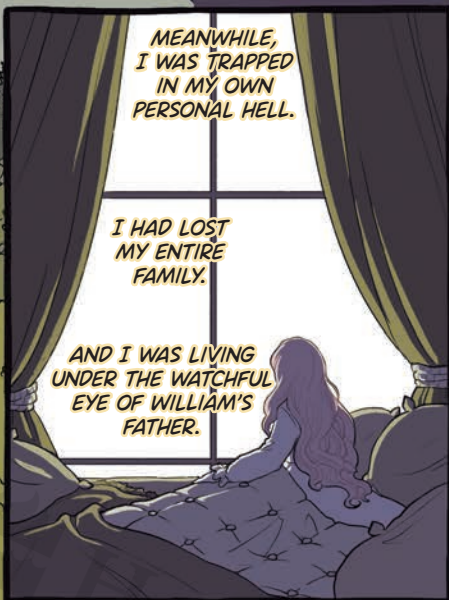
THE FIRST PART OF THE PLAN WORKED.

KING EDGAR AND EVERYONE ELSE THOUGHT DORIAN WAS DEAD.

BUT THE SECOND PART, MEETING HIM, NEVER HAPPENED.

MARK AND AISHA LOOKED FOR HIM AROUND THE MEETING POINT FOR WEEKS.

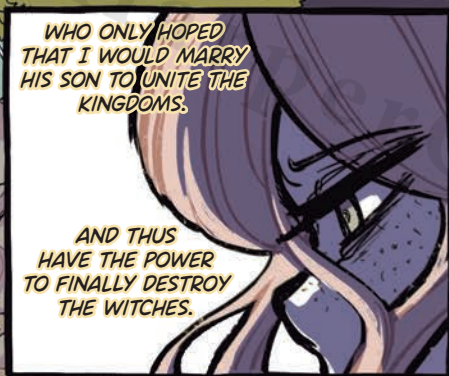
BUT DORIAN NEVER SHOWED UP.



MEANWHILE, I WAS TRAPPED IN MY OWN PERSONAL HELL.

I HAD LOST MY ENTIRE FAMILY.

AND I WAS LIVING UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE OF WILLIAM'S FATHER.



WHO ONLY HOPED THAT I WOULD MARRY HIS SON TO UNITE THE KINGDOMS.

AND THUS HAVE THE POWER TO FINALLY DESTROY THE WITCHES.



NICO SNEAKED OUT AS OFTEN AS HE COULD

GIVING US UPDATES ABOUT DANI AND ASKING FOR HELP

BUT WE COULDN'T GET CLOSE TO HER.

EVERY TIME THE KING SENT A MESSENGER OR A SPY, THEY ENDED UP BURNED AT THE GATES OF THE CITY.



I WANTED TO DO SOMETHING TO SAVE DANI.



AT A CERTAIN POINT, I DECIDED TO ACT.



I RESEARCHED, PRACTICED, AND BECAME STRONGER.



MARRYING WILLIAM IS
ESSENTIAL TO SECURE THE
SUPPORT OF THE NOBILITY
AND THE PEOPLE

AND TO OBTAIN
THE FULL STRENGTH OF
THE ARMIES OF BOTH
KINGDOMS.

THE PROMISE OF
LOVE I MADE TO
DORIAN

HAS FALLEN SO
FAR BEHIND ME IN TIME
THAT IT NOW SEEMS
LIKE CHILD'S PLAY.

IT HAS BEEN
THREE YEARS SINCE
HE LEFT

AND MY MEMORIES
OF THAT TIME HAVE
SLOWLY FADED.

AFTER ALL, I ONLY
SPENT ONE YEAR OF MY
LIFE WITH DORIAN.

I DON'T EVEN KNOW
ANYMORE WHAT PART
OF HIM IS REAL...

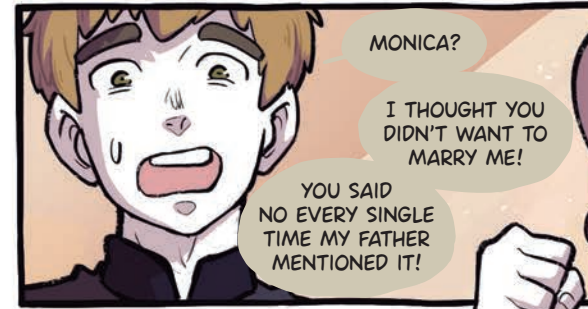
...AND WHAT PART
IS JUST AN IDEALIZED
MEMORY.

EVEN
THOUGH...

SOMETIMES
I STILL DREAM
ABOUT HIM

ABOUT TALKING
AND LAUGHING
TOGETHER

AND WHEN I
WAKE UP, I FEEL
VERY LONELY.



MONICA?

I THOUGHT YOU
DIDN'T WANT TO
MARRY ME!

YOU SAID
NO EVERY SINGLE
TIME MY FATHER
MENTIONED IT!



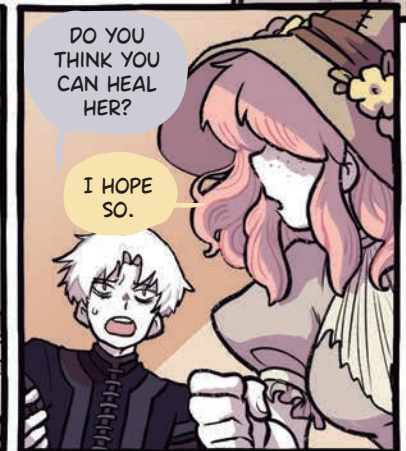
IF I HAD MARRIED YOU,
YOUR FATHER WOULD'VE USED
THAT AS AN EXCUSE TO CLAIM
MY FATHER'S KINGDOM!



HE WOULD'VE
ENTERED IT WITH HIS
ARMY TO KILL ALL
THE WITCHES!

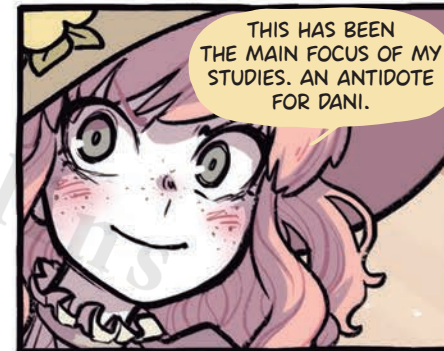
HE WOULD'VE
HARMED DANI AS
WELL AS OTHER
INNOCENTS.

I WILL DEFEAT
THE QUEEN, DANI, BUT
I WANNA DO IT MY
OWN WAY.



DO YOU
THINK YOU
CAN HEAL
HER?

I HOPE
SO.



THIS HAS BEEN
THE MAIN FOCUS OF MY
STUDIES. AN ANTIDOTE
FOR DANI.



I KNOW.

PERFECT, THEN!

I'LL TELL YOU MY PLAN IN MORE DETAIL, WILL, BUT FIRST...

WE HAVE A WEDDING TO PLAN! WE'RE GETTING MARRIED IN TWO WEEKS!

LOOKS LIKE I'M FINALLY GETTING MARRIED, DAMIEN!

CONGRATULATIONS...?

WHAAAAAT?! WHY IS THAT?! YOU MUST BE THERE!

THE THING IS... TOMORROW I'LL LEAVE AGAIN WITH MARK AND AISHA.

IT LOOKS LIKE WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO FIND DORIAN THIS TIME.

EVEN THOUGH I DON'T THINK I'LL BE ABLE TO ATTEND YOUR WEDDING.

WHAT? WHY DO YOU THINK THIS TIME WILL BE DIFFERENT?

AISHA TOLD ME THAT THEY RECEIVED A VISIT FROM SOMEONE WE CAN TRUST.

AND THEY BROUGHT A SIGNIFICANT CLUE.

CHAPTER 60

ALL RIGHT, THIS WAY...

DID YOU MANAGE TO FIND MILK, MARK?

NOT YET, MR. LOPEZ.

SOME THINGS ARE JUST IMPOSSIBLE TO FIND.

TRADERS DON'T COME HERE THAT OFTEN ANYMORE.

DESPITE THAT, WE BROUGHT A LOT OF FRUIT.

AWESOME!

WE'VE GOT RICE AND LENTILS, BUT ALSO SOME POTATOES AND CARROTS LEFT.

CAREFUL, LIKE SO...



OH NO, IT BROKE!

YOU NEED TO BE VERY GENTLE WHEN YOU REMOVE THE MOLD!



IF YOU'RE NOT PATIENT, YOU'LL NEVER BE ABLE TO MAKE ONE OF OUR FAMOUS EVANS-CAFÉ-STYLE APPLE PIES!



BUT IT CAN STILL BE EATEN, RIGHT?!

I DON'T THINK PEOPLE WILL MIND IF IT'S A BIT CRUMBLD...!

AH!



PENDRAGON, MY OLD FRIEND!

HELLO, EVANS.

I'M SORRY I VANISHED LIKE THAT... I KNOW YOU ALL NEEDED ME...



THE ONLY THING THAT MATTERS IS THAT YOU'RE OK. WE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD!

I DIDN'T COME BACK FOR PLEASURE, THERE'S STILL SOMETHING I NEED TO DO...

I CAN'T HIDE THIS ANYMORE...



MY GUILTY CONSCIENCE DOESN'T EVEN ALLOW ME TO SLEEP...

EH? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, PENDRAGON?

I...DID SOMETHING TERRIBLE, MY FRIEND...



IT'S ABOUT DORIAN...

TELL THE KIDS, TELL EVERYBODY... THEY SHOULD STOP LOOKING FOR HIM.

THEY'LL NEVER FIND HIM.

I DID SOMETHING TERRIBLE... I...



WHO'S THERE?!

MARK!! ARE YOU OK?!

UGH...

I'M FINE... DON'T WORRY...



ONLY AN OLD ACQUAINTANCE.

CARLO?!

CARLO'S JOURNEY

3 YEARS AGO

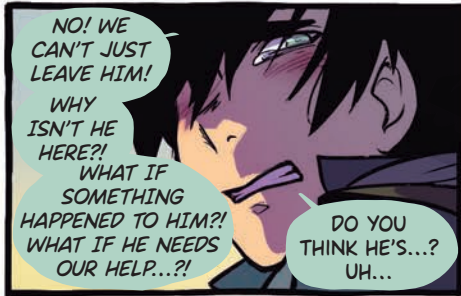


HOW CHILLY...



MARK, WE SHOULD GO BACK.

WE'VE BEEN OUTSIDE FOR TOO LONG, THERE'S NO TRACE OF DORIAN...



NO! WE CAN'T JUST LEAVE HIM!

WHY ISN'T HE HERE?!
WHAT IF SOMETHING HAPPENED TO HIM?!
WHAT IF HE NEEDS OUR HELP...?!

DO YOU THINK HE'S...? UH...



BUT THIS IS SO FRUSTRATING!

WE'LL FIND HIM!

BUT FIRST, WE NEED TO GO BACK. WE'RE ALMOST OUT OF FOOD AND WE DON'T HAVE ANY LEADS.



EH, MARK, LISTEN, I DON'T...!

I'M SORRY, I DIDN'T MEAN THAT!

I KNOW.



WHO KNOWS, PERHAPS HE HAS ALREADY RESCUED DANI AND THEY'RE BOTH SAFE, AT HOME.

DO YOU THINK SO...?

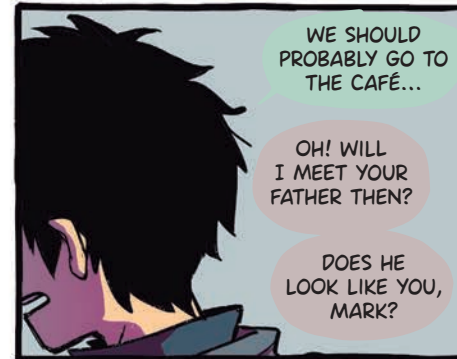
I DON'T KNOW.

BUT WE NEED TO LEAVE.

...ALL RIGHT THEN.



COME ON, CARLO, LET'S GET GOING!



WE SHOULD PROBABLY GO TO THE CAFÉ...

OH! WILL I MEET YOUR FATHER THEN?

DOES HE LOOK LIKE YOU, MARK?



HE'S MORE MUSCULAR, BUT YE...

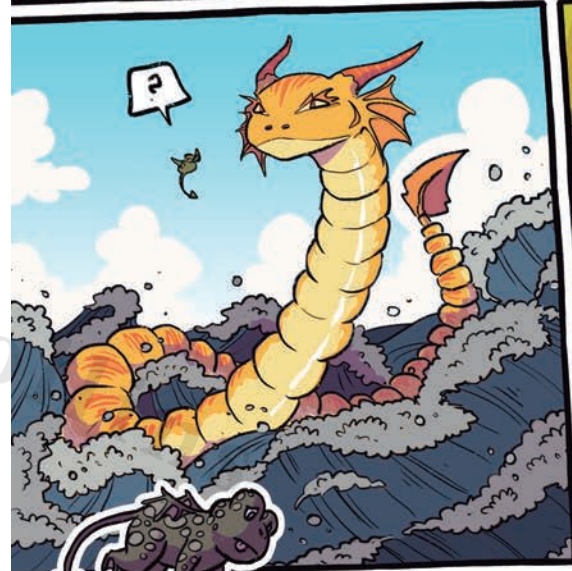
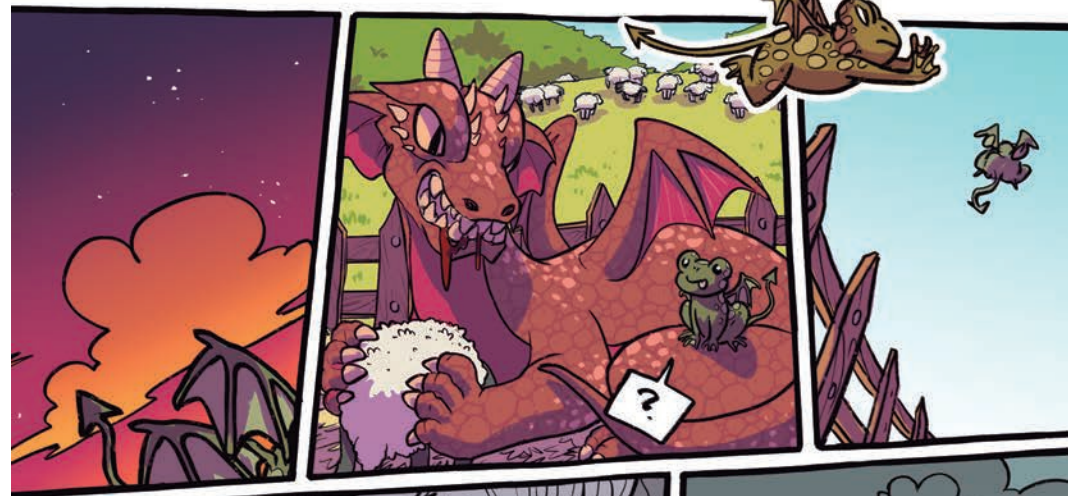
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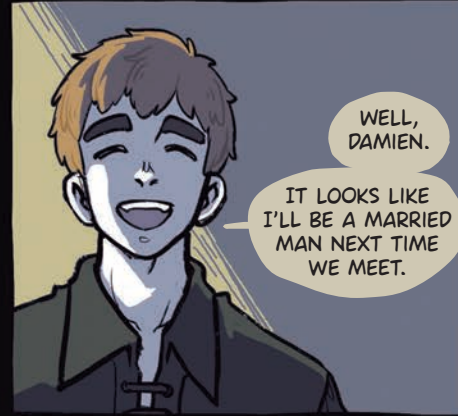
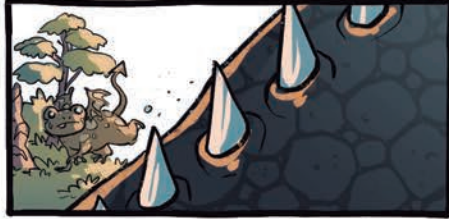
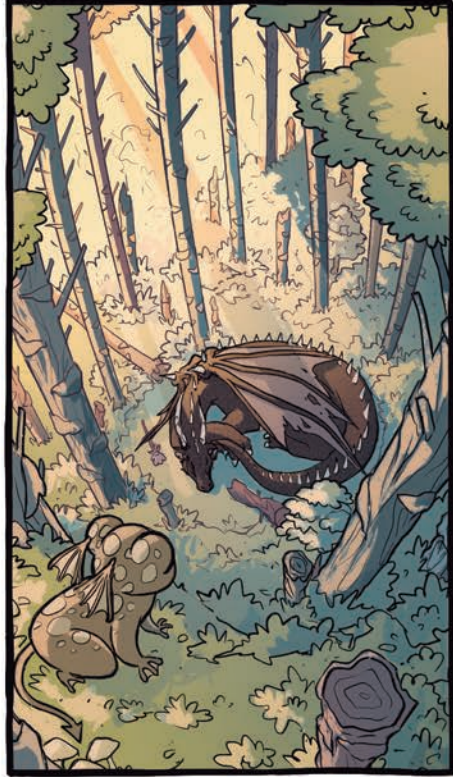


LET GO, CARLO!

WHAT IS GOING ON WITH YOU?!

LET GOOO!





WELL, DAMIEN.

IT LOOKS LIKE I'LL BE A MARRIED MAN NEXT TIME WE MEET.



YEAH, RIGHT...

I'M SORRY I CAN'T COME TO YOUR WEDDING.



DAMIEN,

I NEED YOU TO DO ME A FAVOR.

WHAT IS IT?



I'VE BEEN THINKING ABOUT IT...

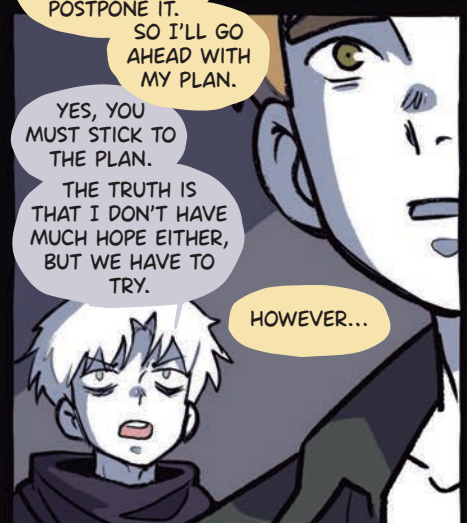
IT WOULDN'T BE THE FIRST TIME WE THINK WE'VE FOUND A CLUE AND IT ENDS IN NOTHING.

PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING AND I DON'T WANT TO POSTPONE IT.

SO I'LL GO AHEAD WITH MY PLAN.

YES, YOU MUST STICK TO THE PLAN.

THE TRUTH IS THAT I DON'T HAVE MUCH HOPE EITHER, BUT WE HAVE TO TRY.



HOWEVER...

IF YOU FIND HIM,
PLEASE TELL HIM TO
COME BACK.

I'M
REALLY EAGER
TO SEE DORIAN
AGAIN.



WELL THEN,
PENDRAGON...



ARE YOU GONNA
TELL ME WHAT KIND
OF VENOM YOU USED
AGAINST DORIAN?

LISTEN
TO ME.

I SHOULD HAVE
POISONED DORIAN AND
DANI THE MOMENT I
MET THEM.



LET'S GO,
CARLO.

READY?



GOOD LUCK,
GUYS.

BE
CAREFUL.

YES, DAD.



THAT
GUY, JUST
NOW...

WAS THAT
MAGIC?



WE'LL STILL BE
HERE, RESISTING!

I'M COMING
WITH YOU.



BUT I TOOK PITY
ON THEM AND THAT
WAS A MISTAKE.

LOOK AT DANI.
MANY PEOPLE DIED
BECAUSE OF HER.

THE TWINS WERE
BORN EVIL--THERE
WAS NO WAY TO
CHANGE THAT.



MASTER!



LUCKILY,

I KILLED
DORIAN.

HE'S
DEAD.

SHUT
U...!!



HE'S NOT.

... HOW DO YOU KNOW?

IF HE HAD DIED THREE YEARS AGO, HE'D ONLY BE A PILE OF BONES NOW.

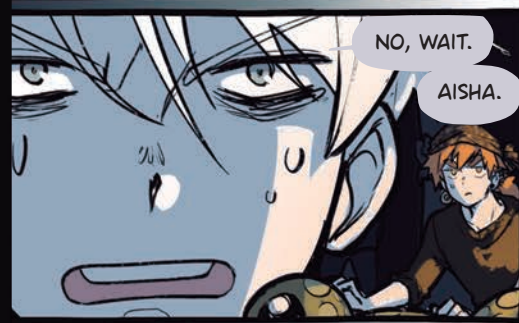


BUT AS FAR AS WE CAN SEE, HIS BODY IS STILL INTACT.



AH, I THINK I CAN HELP WITH THAT.

EH?



NO, WAIT.

AISHA.



I'LL DEFEAT THAT DRAGON!

IT'S NOT THE FIRST TIME I FACED ONE!

I'M COMING WITH YOU! WE'LL BEAT IT UP!



HE MUST BE UNDER SOME SORT OF SPELL, OR IN A COMA...

I KNOW IT WANTS TO PROTECT HIM, THAT'S WHY IT DOESN'T LET US GET CLOSE TO HIM.

I WONDER IF A KISS COULD WAKE HIM UP, JUST LIKE WILLIAM?

THE PROBLEM IS HIS DRAGON.

BUT DON'T WORRY, I KNOW HOW WE'LL GET DORIAN OUT OF THERE.



NOT A CHANCE!

HOLD IT THERE!

POW

ARGH!



UGH...

ALL RIGHT, DAMIEN...

YOU'RE REALLY DUMB, MARK.

NOBODY NEEDS TO DIRECTLY FACE THE DRAGON.

WE'LL USE THE DUMMY AS A BAIT. AS SOON AS IT GETS DISTRACTED, WE'LL GIVE DORIAN THE ANTIDOTE!



IN ORDER TO GET THE ANTIDOTE, WE MUST FIGURE OUT THE TYPE OF VENOM...

ISN'T THAT RIGHT, PENDRAGON?

... HE'S DEAD, GUYS.

I'M SORRY, BUT YOU MUST ACCEPT THAT.

IF THAT'S TRUE, YOU WON'T MIND TELLING US WHAT TYPE OF VENOM YOU USED, RIGHT?

HEH.

I'LL MAKE HIM TALK.



I KNOW EXACTLY HOW TO MAKE THE OLD MAN SPEAK.

LIAR, YOU'RE NOT COLD ENOUGH TO HURT ME.

YOU'RE ONLY SAYING THAT TO SCARE ME.

AH, REALLY?



DO YOU WANT TO TRY M...?



PERHAPS THE CIRCUMSTANCES TURNED YOU INTO THIS...

BUT...

I STILL CAN'T BELIEVE YOU TRIED TO KILL DORIAN...

YOU MIGHT HAVE EVEN SUCCEEDED.



MANY PEOPLE DIED, NICO.

IT WAS THE LIVES OF TWO CURSED CHILDREN AGAINST PEACE FOR EVERYONE.

WHAT ELSE COULD I DO?

CURSED CHILDREN?!

THEY'RE MY FRIENDS!

YOU KNOW THEM PERFECTLY WELL, THEY DON'T...

I KNOW, I...

HOW CAN YOU ALWAYS MAKE THE WORST DECISIONS, MASTER?

I...

I'M SORRY.

MAYBE I AM THE CURSED ONE, AFTER ALL.

ALL RIGHT. I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT THE VENOM.

NO!! AISHA, WAIT!

WE CAN'T BE DRAGGED DOWN TO THAT LEVEL!

YOU GUYS HAVE ALREADY HIT HIM BEFORE AND IT DIDN'T WORK...



NICO...

I... MASTER...



DID YOU FIND ANYTHING, DAMIEN?



I'M LOOKING THROUGH MONICA'S STUDIES ON POTIONS.



THEY ARE VERY THOROUGH,

BUT I CAN'T FIND ANY ANTIDOTE TO THE POISON MASTER PENDRAGON GAVE DORIAN.



WHOA!

BOOM



AH, OF COURSE!



I KNOW THAT POTION!



SO, I CHOSE A GENERAL HEALING POTION.

IT'S USED TO HEAL MINOR SPELLS, DIFFERENT TYPES OF WOUNDS...

BUT, MONICA HIGHLIGHTED THIS PARTICULAR RECIPE.

SHE EVEN ADDED A LOT OF EXCLAMATION MARKS AND LITTLE STARS.

HOW'S IT GOING?

DON'T MAKE HIM NERVOUS, IT'S A DELICATE MOMENT.



I REMEMBER WHEN THEY MADE IT FOR THE FIRST TIME!



THREE YEARS AGO



THIS WILL WORK...



HAVE YOU ALL GOT YOUR POTIONS READY?

YES!

WE'RE READY!

GOOD...

WE'LL SURROUND THE DRAGON...



HIDE BETWEEN THE TREES, DON'T LET IT SEE YOU.

AND DON'T GET TOO CLOSE, WAIT FOR THE DUMMY TO CATCH ITS ATTENTION.

ALL RIGHT!

COME ON, DUMMY, DO YOUR THING.



IT SAW THE DUMMY!

IT IS GETTING NERVOUS!

SPLIT UP, QUICKLY!

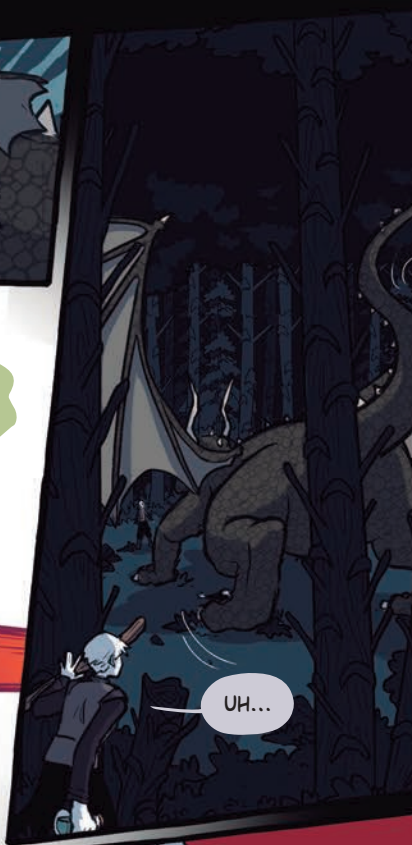
WHOEVER GETS THE OPPORTUNITY FIRST SHOULD GIVE DORIAN THE POTION.

WE NEED TO HURRY!





THE DUMMY DODGED IT!



UH...



THIS IS MY CHANCE!



DORIAN!



HERE, DRINK THIS.



HE DID IT!

AWESOME!

WELL DONE, DAMIEN.



AH...



CHOMP

CHOMP



IT...

... IT ATE THE DUMMY.



OH.

UH...



CRAP!

WE NEED TO GET OUT OF HERE!!

DORIAN, WAKE UP!



WHOA!



GUYS,
GET READY
TO ESCAPE!



I'LL TRY TO
DISTRACT THE
DRAGON, BUT WE
MUST GET DORIAN
OUT OF HERE...!



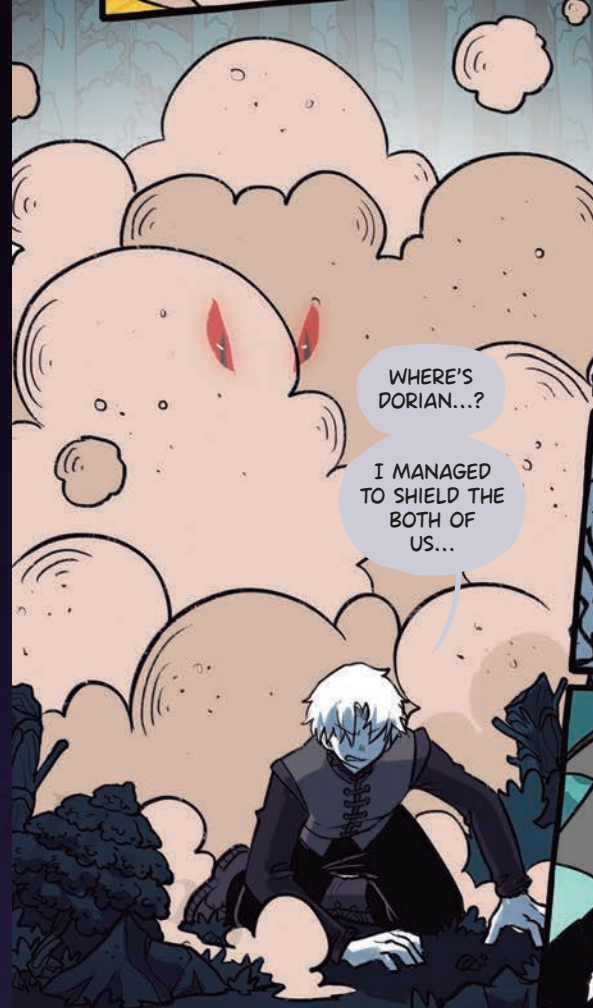
UH...?
IT SMELLS
LIKE...



SMOKE?
AAAAAAAARGH!
I'VE
GOT YOU,
DORIAN!!



WATCH OUT,
DAMIEN!
BEHIND
YOU!



WHERE'S
DORIAN...?
I MANAGED
TO SHIELD
THE
BOTH OF
US...



OH,
CRAP!



COME ON,



CALM DOWN, LITTLE DRAGON...

I KNOW YOU'RE SCARED...

BUT DON'T BURN MY BROTHER!

THERE, THERE...

I'M HERE NOW.



AH...
DORIAN?



UGH... IS THAT REALLY HIM...?
UH... I FEEL DIZZY...
DORIAN, YOU'RE ALIVE!!
THANK GOODNESS!!



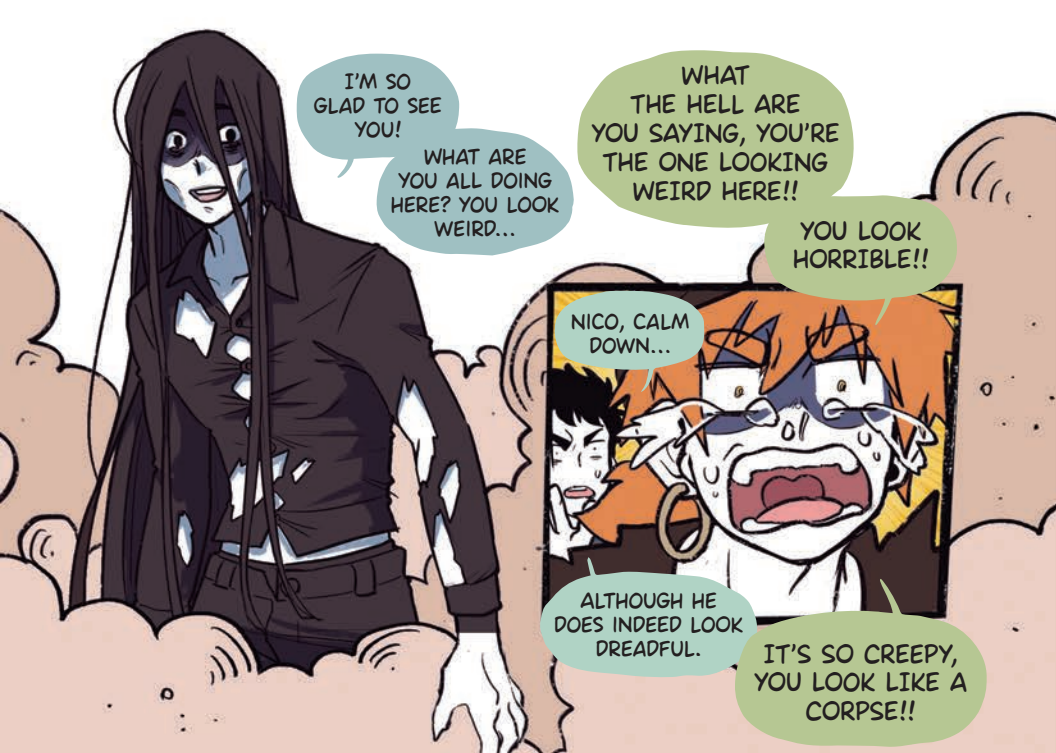
I'M SO GLAD TO SEE YOU!!
I'M SO RELIEVED...!
IT LOOKS LIKE THE POTION WORKED!
ALTHOUGH HE...



WHERE AM I...?
WHERE IS DA...?
UH...
AH, HI GUYS!



AH...
AAAARGH!
DORIAN, YOU...!
UH...
UH...
UH...



I'M SO GLAD TO SEE YOU!

WHAT ARE YOU ALL DOING HERE? YOU LOOK WEIRD...

WHAT THE HELL ARE YOU SAYING, YOU'RE THE ONE LOOKING WEIRD HERE!!

YOU LOOK HORRIBLE!!



NICO, CALM DOWN...

ALTHOUGH HE DOES INDEED LOOK DREADFUL.

IT'S SO CREEPY, YOU LOOK LIKE A CORPSE!!



INCREDIBLE... I DIDN'T THINK WE'D FIND HIM...
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT!
YOU'VE NEVER LOST HOPE, MARK!



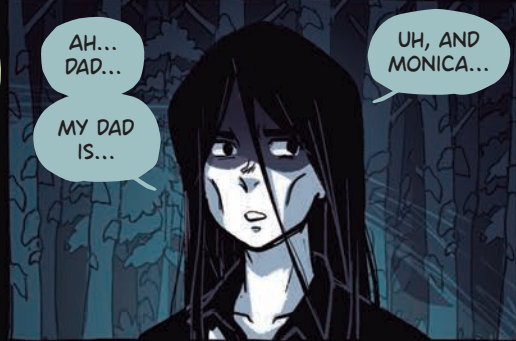
EVEN THOUGH, "ALIVE"...
I DON'T REALLY KNOW IF HE'S THAT ALIVE...
UH...



UGH...

DORIAN!!

AH!







OH, WOW.

THE BRIDGE COLLAPSED.

EH!

HEY!

NO, ABSOLUTELY NOT!

DON'T YOU DARE BURY A CORPSE UNDER THIS BRIDGE!



IF YOU MESS UP, DEAL WITH IT ON YOUR OWN, WE'RE WORKING HERE!

WE DIDN'T KILL ANYONE!

THAT'S MY BROTHER, WHO JUST FAINTED...



YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT.

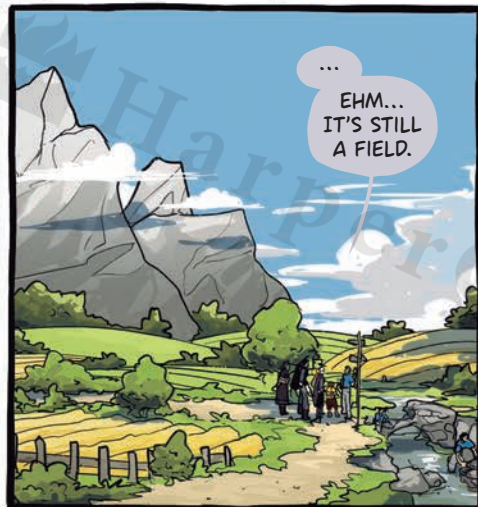
SO DO YOU KNOW OF ANY SAFE PLACE WHERE WE COULD SLEEP OR EAT SOMETHING?



YOU CAME ACROSS THE RIGHT PERSON!

I'VE LIVED HERE MY ENTIRE LIFE, SINCE I WAS A LITTLE BOY!

THIS PLACE USED TO BE A FIELD BACK THEN!



... EHM... IT'S STILL A FIELD.



I KNOW! AND IT'S ALL BECAUSE OF THIS STUPID WAR BETWEEN WITCHES AND ANTI-WITCHCRAFT PEOPLE!

WITHOUT THEIR NONSENSE, WE WOULD BE SUCH A PROSPEROUS COUNTRY!

AND THESE FIELDS WOULD BE FULL OF SCHOOLS, HOSPITALS, LIBRARIES AND MANY, MANY PUBS!

IF ONLY THEY'D LET ME LEARN MAGIC, I'D PUT EVERYONE RIGHT BACK INTO LINE!



SLAP

YOU! STOP CHATTERING AND GET BACK TO WORK!

THE BRIDGE WON'T BUILD ITSELF!!



AND YOU, GUYS, IF YOU'RE LOOKING FOR A PLACE TO STAY, JUST GO SOUTH.

YOU'LL BE AT THE VILLAGE IN THREE HOURS.

THANKS A LOT, SIR!

GOOD LUCK!

EH... DID YOU NOTICE?

THOSE DUDES... THOSE DUDES WEREN'T WITCHES, OF COURSE. BUT THEY DIDN'T SEEM AFRAID OF MAGIC.

AH, THAT'S TRUE!

YES, I'VE ALSO NOTICED THAT! HOW COOL!

YEAH, IT'S...

IT'S WEIRD.



BESIDES, THIS VILLAGE WAS PROBABLY TAKEN BY DANI'S ARMY... MANY PEOPLE LIVE ON THE STREET,



HALF OF THE BUILDINGS WERE BURNT DOWN.



THEY'VE BEEN THROUGH QUITE A LOT, AND THEY SEEM AFRAID OF THE QUEEN AND HER PEOPLE, YET...





EH, THEY SAID THERE ARE VACANT ROOMS!

AWESOME! WE'RE LUCKY!

TOMORROW WE'LL HAVE TO DEAL WITH A COMPLICATED MISSION.

AND WHAT IS THAT...?



TELLING DORIAN WHAT HAPPENED.

MAKING HIM UNDERSTAND THAT HE'S BEEN ASLEEP FOR THREE YEARS.



DO YOU THINK HE'LL TAKE IT WELL? OR WILL HE GO CRAZY?

YES, HE'LL MANAGE.

I'M SURE HE'LL HELP US ALL WITH DANI.



BUT WE CAN'T RISK UNTYING HIM. WE NEED TO KEEP AN EYE ON HIM FOR NOW.

TOMORROW MORNING WE'LL HEAD TO MONICA'S CASTLE, AND WE'LL LOCK HIM UP IN THE DUNGEON.

HEY, DON'T TALK AS IF I'M NOT EVEN HERE...



SO... ARE YOU HUNGRY?

DO YOU WANNA GO DOWN AND EAT SOMETHING?

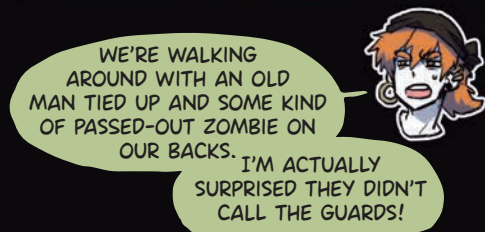
YEAH, I'M STARVING.



WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO WITH THIS ONE, THEN?



YEAH... WE CAN'T GO DOWN WITH THE MASTER TIED UP LIKE A CRIMINAL...



WE'RE WALKING AROUND WITH AN OLD MAN TIED UP AND SOME KIND OF PASSED-OUT ZOMBIE ON OUR BACKS.

I'M ACTUALLY SURPRISED THEY DIDN'T CALL THE GUARDS!

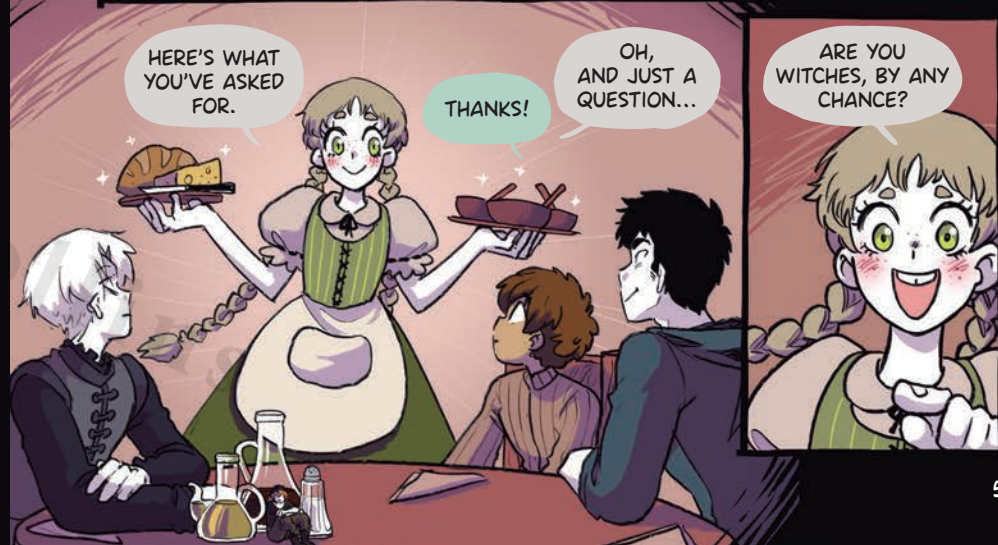


SINCE WE WILL BE TAKING PENDRAGON TO THE DUNGEON, IT LOOKS LIKE WE WILL ACTUALLY BE ABLE TO ATTEND WILLIAM AND MONICA'S WEDDING.



OH, THAT'S COOL!

MY BROTHER AND MOTHER WILL DEFINITELY BE THERE!

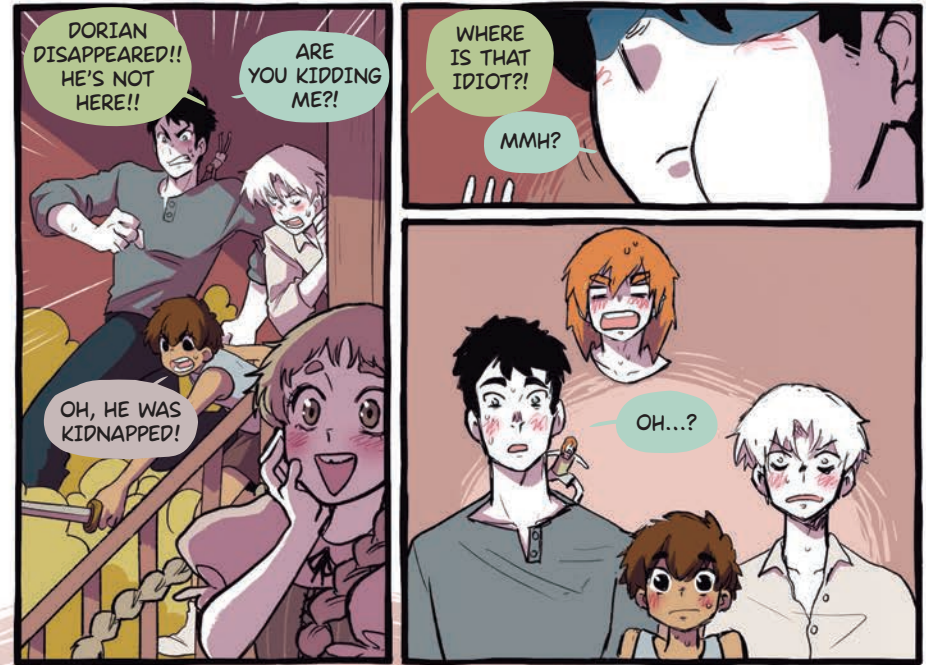
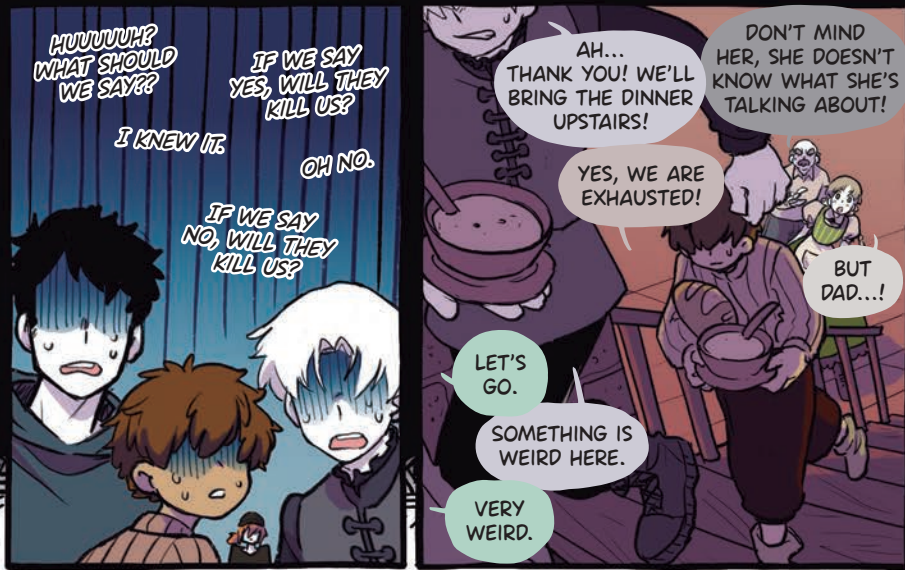


HERE'S WHAT YOU'VE ASKED FOR.

THANKS!

OH, AND JUST A QUESTION...

ARE YOU WITCHES, BY ANY CHANCE?



A FEW HOURS AGO...



I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!



WHAT...?

WHAT HAPPENED TO MY FACE?!

AND MY HAIR?!



AGH, I LOOK DREADFUL! AND... I LOOK WEIRD...

MAYBE... TALLER...?

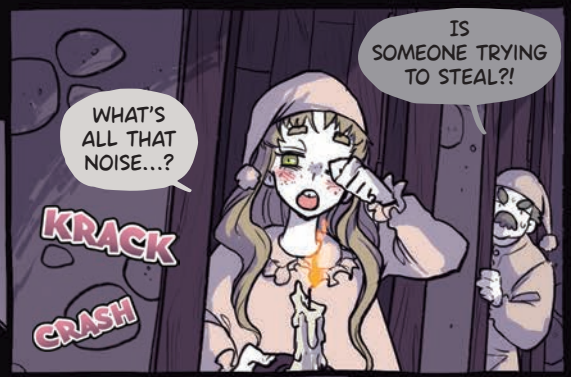


WHAT'S GOING ON...?

THIS CAN'T BE...



STEP
STEP
STEP



IS SOMEONE TRYING TO STEAL?!

WHAT'S ALL THAT NOISE...?

KRACK

CRASH



HEY! WHO'S THERE?

HURRY UP, I NEED TO READ A NEWSPAPER!!

AAAARGH!! A GHOST, IT'S A GHOST!!



HUH? ARE YOU HUNGRY?

OWWWW!

DO YOU WANT SOME SOUP?

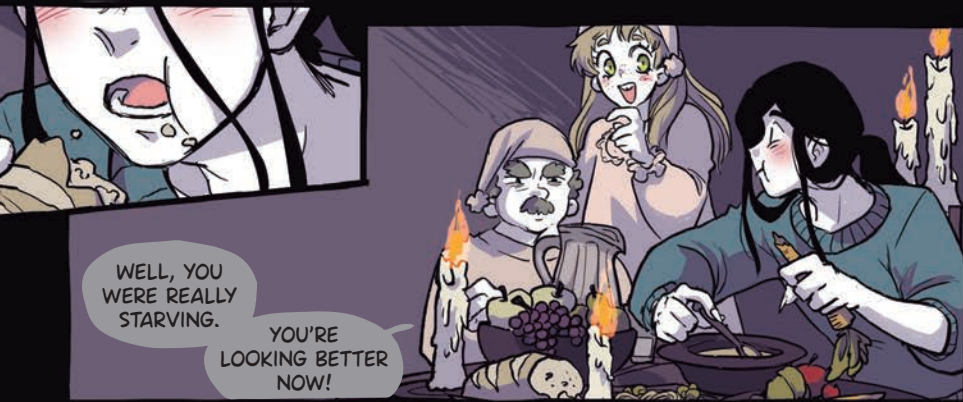
Y-YES, PLEASE. THANK YOU, MISS.

NO, I JUST...

NO, IT'S THE DYING BOY OUR LAST GUESTS WERE CARRYING AROUND!



GROOOOO



WELL, YOU WERE REALLY STARVING.

YOU'RE LOOKING BETTER NOW!

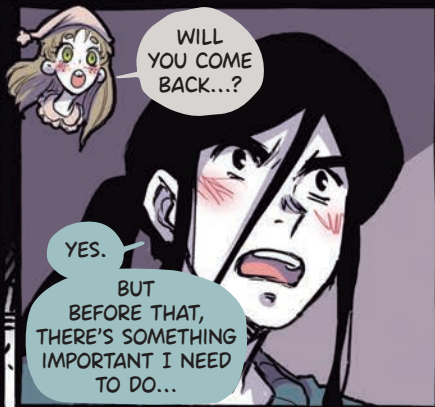


I NEED TO GO. THANK YOU FOR EVERYTHING!

EH, YOU'VE GOT TO PAY FOR THE FOOD, KID!

I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY ON ME.

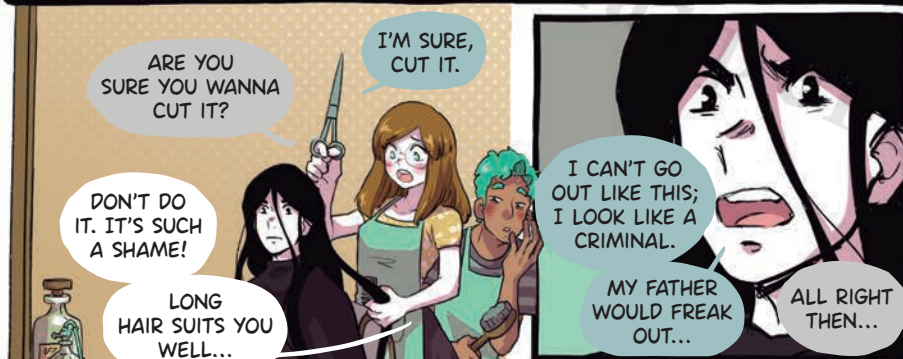
BUT MY FRIENDS ARE SLEEPING UPSTAIRS! THEY'LL PAY.



WILL YOU COME BACK...?

YES.

BUT BEFORE THAT, THERE'S SOMETHING IMPORTANT I NEED TO DO...



ARE YOU SURE YOU WANNA CUT IT?

I'M SURE, CUT IT.

DON'T DO IT. IT'S SUCH A SHAME!

LONG HAIR SUITS YOU WELL...

I CAN'T GO OUT LIKE THIS; I LOOK LIKE A CRIMINAL.

MY FATHER WOULD FREAK OUT...

ALL RIGHT THEN...



PERFECT, I LOOK SO MUCH BETTER!

NOW I CAN RECOGNIZE MYSELF!



EVEN THOUGH SOMETHING IS STILL OFF...



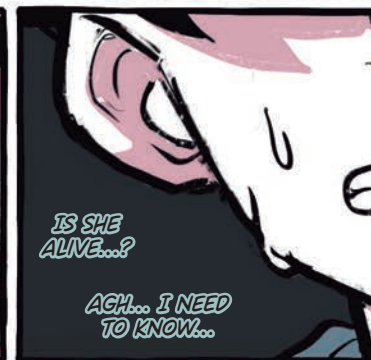
EH... EXCUSE ME... HOW OLD DO I LOOK?

WELL, I DON'T KNOW... SIXTEEN? SEVENTEEN?



SIXTEEN?!

THAT MEANS I SLEPT FOR THREE YEARS??



IS SHE ALIVE...?

AH... I NEED TO KNOW...

BUT I CAN'T JUST ASK... I DON'T KNOW ABOUT THE CURRENT SITUATION.

I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHAT YEAR IT IS OR WHERE I AM. IT COULD BE DANGEROUS.

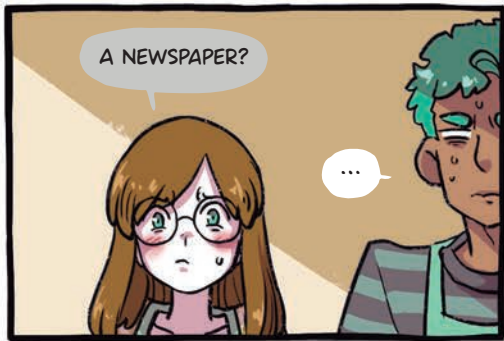
I'LL JUST GO WAKE UP NICO AND THE OTHERS... OR...

I HAVE AN IDEA.

DO YOU HAVE A NEWSPAPER BY ANY CHANCE?



WHAT?



A NEWSPAPER?

...

... NO.

THERE'S NO SUCH THING HERE, I DON'T KNOW WHERE YOU GOT THAT INFORMATION.

PLEASE LEAVE.

WHA...?

IT'S FIVE FOR THE HAIRCUT.



AH... I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY ON ME...

WHAT?!

DID YOU THINK WE'D WORK FOR FREE BECAUSE OF YOUR PRETTY FACE?!



OOOHH...

INCREDIBLE...



WELL, I HOPE THIS WORKS AS A PAYMENT!

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR EVERYTHING!

HE'S A WITCH.

DOES HE THINK WE'RE STUPID??



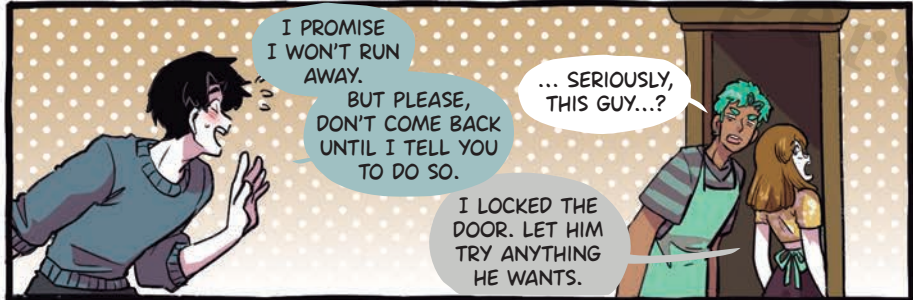
PAY US!!

UHM...



I CAN FIX YOUR WINDOW, IF YOU WANT.

BUT YOU'LL NEED TO LEAVE ME ALONE FOR A SECOND.



I PROMISE I WON'T RUN AWAY. BUT PLEASE, DON'T COME BACK UNTIL I TELL YOU TO DO SO.

... SERIOUSLY, THIS GUY...?

I LOCKED THE DOOR. LET HIM TRY ANYTHING HE WANTS.



...





WHO WAS IT?! WHO WAS HIDING IN THE SWAMP?!

TELL US ALREADY, DORIAN!

YOU DON'T NEED TO RECOUNT YOUR MORNING IN FULL DETAIL!



EH? IT'S QUITE IMPORTANT.

IN THE END, IT TURNED OUT EVERYONE WAS TRYING TO HELP ME, EVEN IF I COULDN'T SEE THAT.

LOOK, I FOUND THE NEWSPAPER.



WHAT'S THIS ALL ABOUT?!

HI MARK! LONG TIME NO SEE.

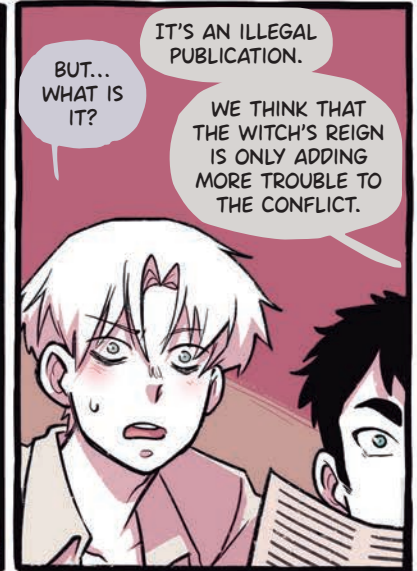
YOU BOTH GREW UP SO FAST!

... OH!

HEY!

NOAH! BARRY! WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!

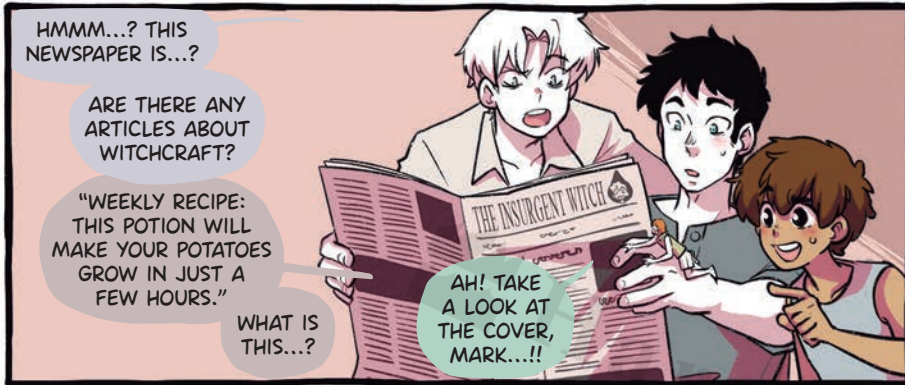
DO YOU LIKE OUR SECRET NEWSPAPER?



BUT... WHAT IS IT?

IT'S AN ILLEGAL PUBLICATION.

WE THINK THAT THE WITCH'S REIGN IS ONLY ADDING MORE TROUBLE TO THE CONFLICT.



HMMM...? THIS NEWSPAPER IS...?

ARE THERE ANY ARTICLES ABOUT WITCHCRAFT?

"WEEKLY RECIPE: THIS POTION WILL MAKE YOUR POTATOES GROW IN JUST A FEW HOURS."

WHAT IS THIS...?

AH! TAKE A LOOK AT THE COVER, MARK...!!



WHAT'S THIS DRAWING RIGHT HERE...?

IT'S ALEX!!



AND WE WANTED TO OFFER A DIFFERENT PERSPECTIVE,

TO SHOW THAT WITCHES DON'T AGREE WITH THE WYTTES' POLICIES.



WELL... MOST OF THE WYTTES.

SORRY, DORIAN.

IT'S OK.

WE PUBLISHED IT FOR THE PEOPLE. ALL OF THE PEOPLE.



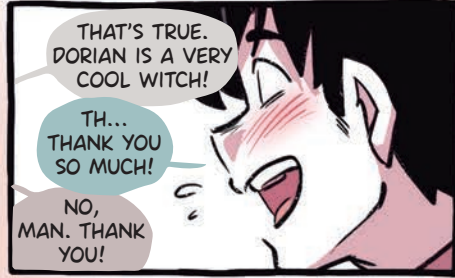
WE'RE TRYING TO KEEP IT A SECRET SINCE WE'D END UP AT THE STAKE IF DANI'S ARMY CATCHES US.



THAT'S WHY WE KEEP THE INSURGENT WITCH HIDDEN FROM THE OUTSIDERS.

AT LEAST UNTIL WE KNOW THAT WE CAN TRUST THEM.

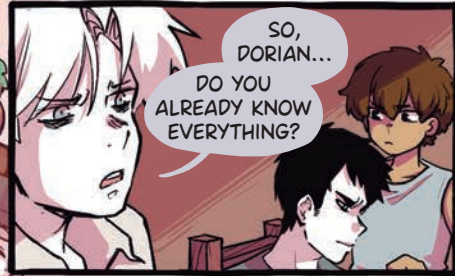
ALTHOUGH THE ENTIRE VILLAGE KNOWS.



THAT'S TRUE. DORIAN IS A VERY COOL WITCH!

TH... THANK YOU SO MUCH!

NO, MAN. THANK YOU!



SO, DORIAN... DO YOU ALREADY KNOW EVERYTHING?



ARE YOU AWARE...?

AWARE OF WHAT HAPPENED TO DANI?

... YES.



THERE YOU GO!

THANKS FOR FIXING MY DOGHOUSE!

THANK YOU. IT'S PERFECT.

...



I KNOW I WAS ASLEEP FOR THREE YEARS, FOR SOME REASON.

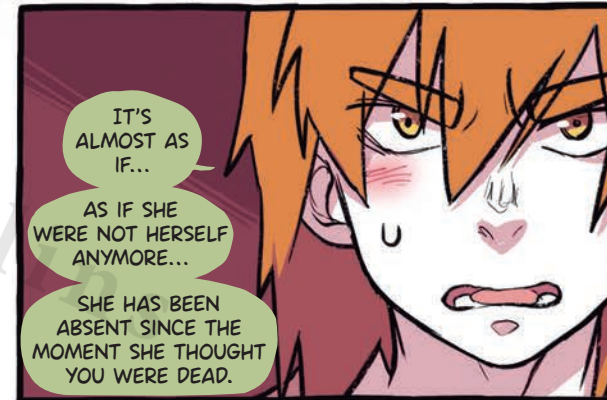
AND I KNOW THAT DURING THIS TIME, DANI HAS BECOME EVIL.



DORIAN...!

YOU'RE RIGHT, DORIAN. DANI ISN'T EVIL.

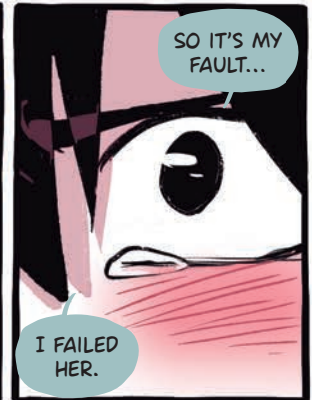
BUT SHE IS COLD.



IT'S ALMOST AS IF...

AS IF SHE WERE NOT HERSELF ANYMORE...

SHE HAS BEEN ABSENT SINCE THE MOMENT SHE THOUGHT YOU WERE DEAD.



SO IT'S MY FAULT...

I FAILED HER.

BUT I DON'T BELIEVE IT.

IT ALL HAS TO DO WITH MY MOTHER.

AND I WILL GO RESCUE HER TODAY.



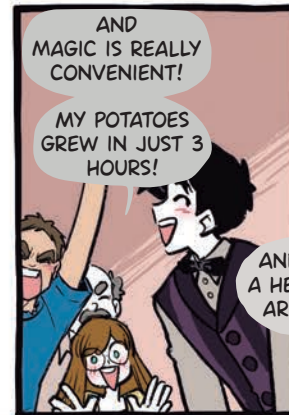
THREE YEARS... I CAN'T BELIEVE IT.

I PROMISED I WOULD GET HER OUT OF THERE AND IT TOOK ME THREE YEARS...



IT'S NOT YOUR FAULT, DORIAN!

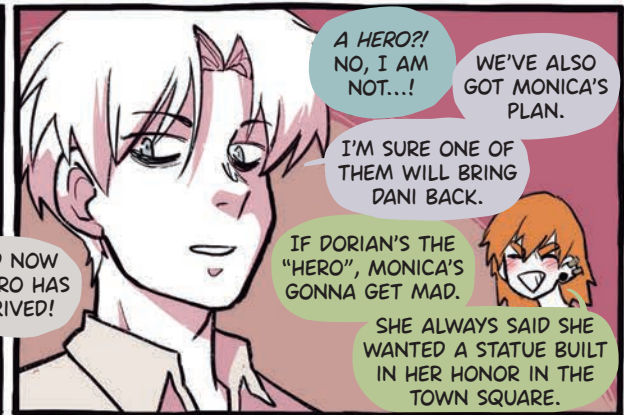
NO! IT'S...



AND MAGIC IS REALLY CONVENIENT!

MY POTATOES GREW IN JUST 3 HOURS!

AND NOW A HERO HAS ARRIVED!



A HERO?! NO, I AM NOT...!

WE'VE ALSO GOT MONICA'S PLAN.

I'M SURE ONE OF THEM WILL BRING DANI BACK.

IF DORIAN'S THE "HERO", MONICA'S GONNA GET MAD.

SHE ALWAYS SAID SHE WANTED A STATUE BUILT IN HER HONOR IN THE TOWN SQUARE.



IT'S THE MASTER'S FAULT.

BUT NOW THAT YOU'RE HERE, EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE!

I KNOW YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN MAKE DANI COME BACK TO HER SENSES!



AH! SPEAKING OF MONICA...

DORIAN, DO YOU KNOW...?



WELL...!

UM... DO YOU KNOW ANYTHING ABOUT MONICA OR NOT?

HAVE YOU FULLY READ THE NEWSPAPER...?

EH? NOT YET, I WAS DOING THAT WHEN YOU CAME DOWNSTAIRS.

WHY ARE YOU ASKING?



YES... I THINK SO TOO.



ALL IS NOT LOST, IT SEEMS...

NOT EVERYONE HATES WITCHES...

ACTUALLY, IT'S PRETTY WEIRD BUT PEOPLE SEEM TO BE A LOT LESS FRIGHTENED NOW!



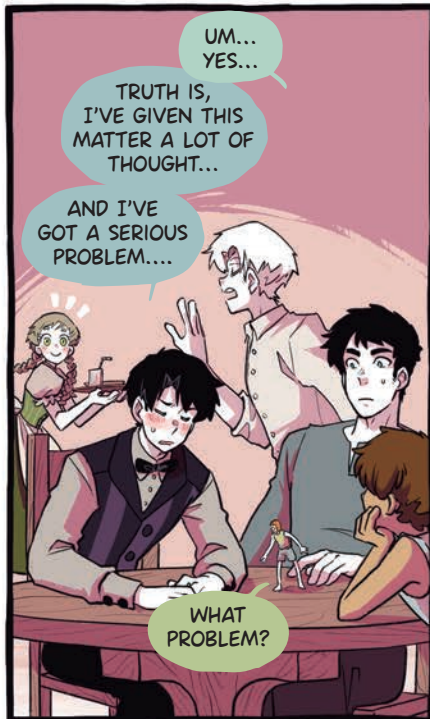
THAT'S BECAUSE PEOPLE ONLY WANT TO LIVE IN PEACE.

THAT'S SOMETHING WE HAVE IN COMMON.



HUH?! WE... WELL... I KNOW SHE'S SAFE AND SOUND IN THE CASTLE OF WILLIAM'S FATHER!

IS THAT RIGHT?

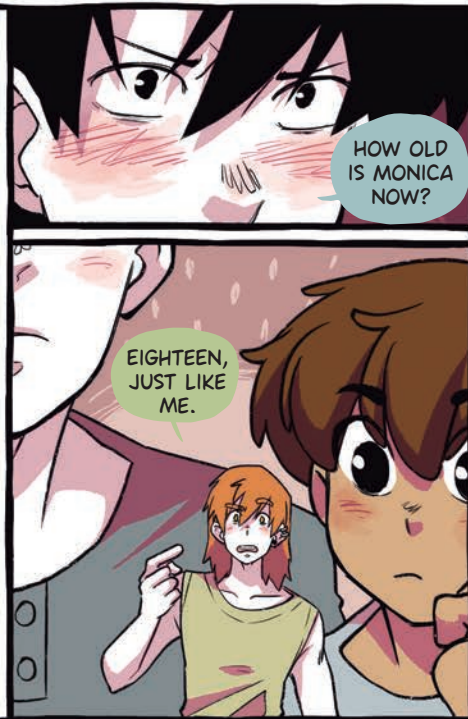


UM... YES...

TRUTH IS, I'VE GIVEN THIS MATTER A LOT OF THOUGHT...

AND I'VE GOT A SERIOUS PROBLEM....

WHAT PROBLEM?



HOW OLD IS MONICA NOW?

EIGHTEEN, JUST LIKE ME.



SHE'S AN ADULT!

HOW AM I SUPPOSED TO TALK TO HER NOW?!

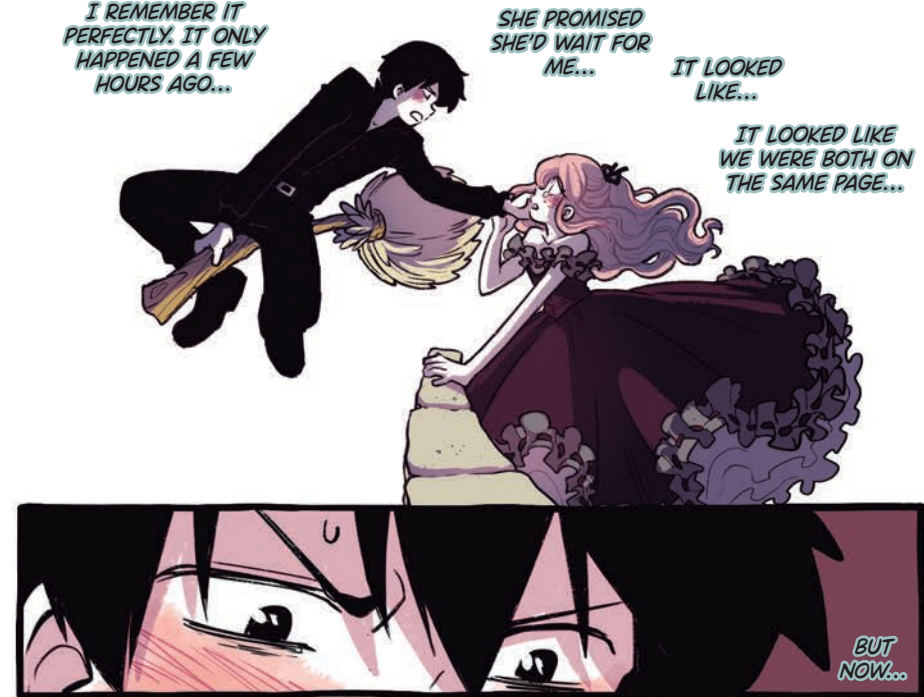
DON'T WORRY, SHE'S DYING TO SEE YOU.



PRECISELY!

I'VE MADE HER WAIT THREE YEARS. IT'S ONLY BEEN A WHILE FOR ME.

I BET SHE'S FURIOUS!



I REMEMBER IT PERFECTLY. IT ONLY HAPPENED A FEW HOURS AGO...

SHE PROMISED SHE'D WAIT FOR ME...

IT LOOKED LIKE...

IT LOOKED LIKE WE WERE BOTH ON THE SAME PAGE...

BUT NOW...



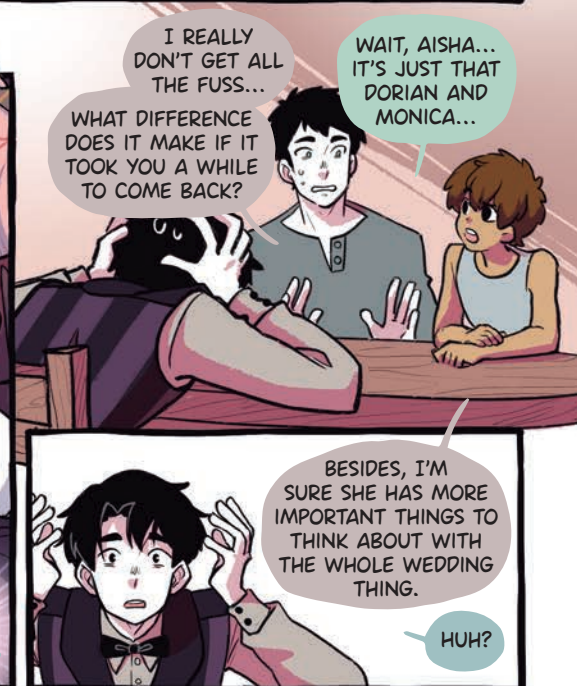
WHAT IS SHE GONNA THINK WHEN SHE SEES ME?!

WHO'S THIS KID?!

DO YOU THINK I'M GONNA PLAY HIDE AND SEEK WITH YOU, DORIAN?

WHAT A FREAK...

SHE'LL THINK I'M RIDICULOUS!



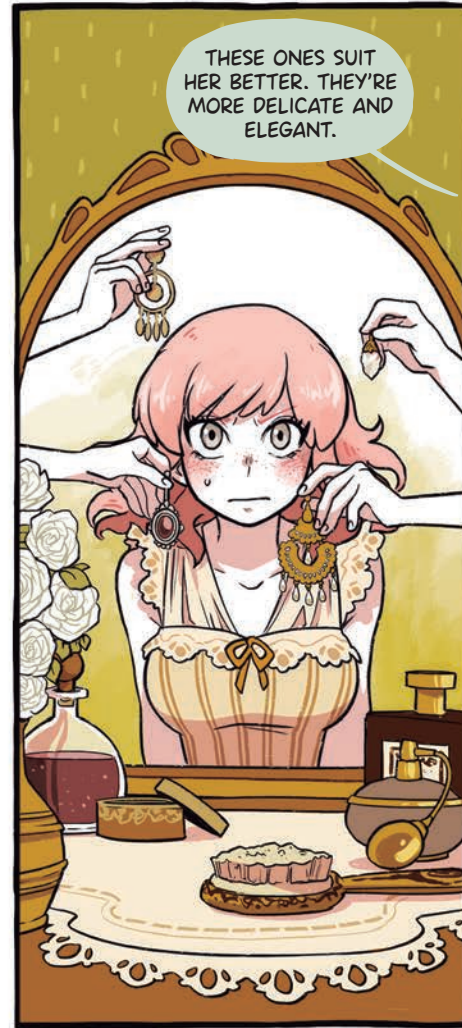
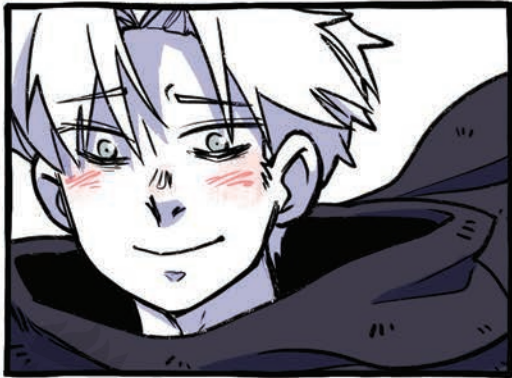
I REALLY DON'T GET ALL THE FUSS...

WAIT, AISHA... IT'S JUST THAT DORIAN AND MONICA...

WHAT DIFFERENCE DOES IT MAKE IF IT TOOK YOU A WHILE TO COME BACK?

BESIDES, I'M SURE SHE HAS MORE IMPORTANT THINGS TO THINK ABOUT WITH THE WHOLE WEDDING THING.

HUH?



THESE ONES SUIT HER BETTER. THEY'RE MORE DELICATE AND ELEGANT.



LET MONICA DECIDE!

COME ON! WHICH ONE'S THE BEST?

THE ONES I CHOSE FOR YOU, RIGHT?

MONICA, ANSWER!



I'M SORRY, GIRLS. I HAVE TO GO!!

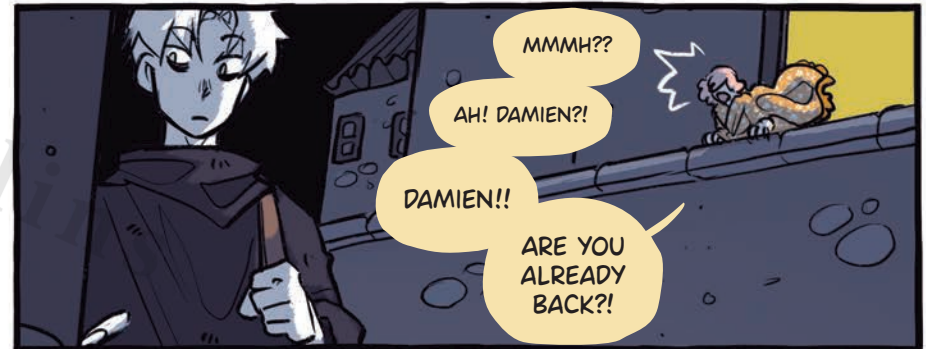
HUH? WHERE ARE YOU GOING?!

YOU CAN'T GO OUT LIKE THIS! YOU'RE NAKED!



OH, MONICA, THOSE EARRINGS WILL LOOK WONDERFUL WITH YOUR WEDDING DRESS!

COME ON, ANNE! THEY LOOK TERRIBLE!

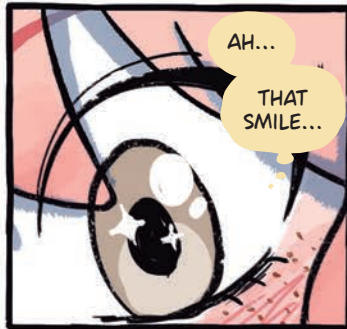


MMMH??

AH! DAMIEN?!

DAMIEN!!

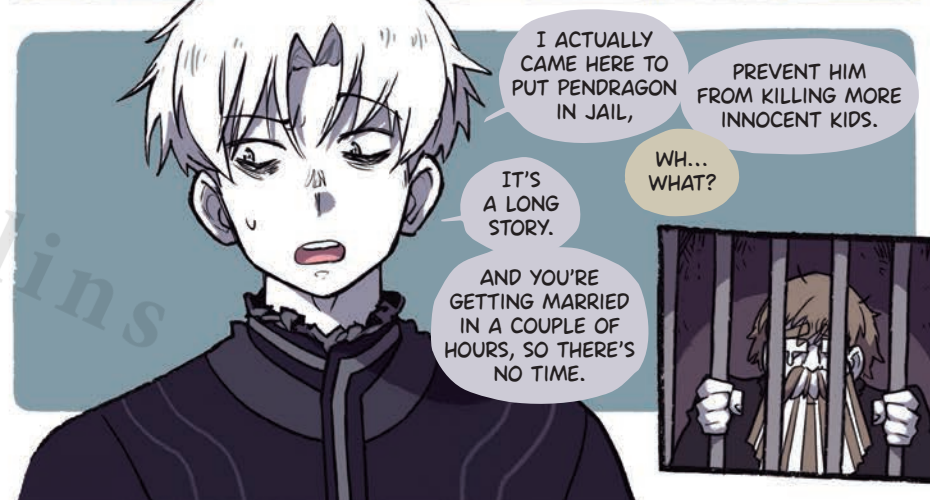
ARE YOU ALREADY BACK?!

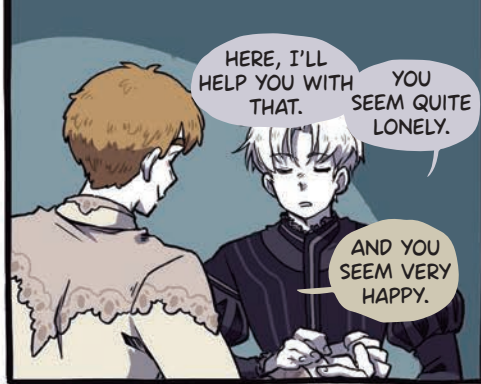


MONICA... LISTEN.



DORIAN...!

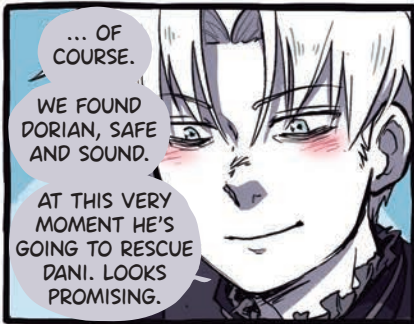




HERE, I'LL HELP YOU WITH THAT.

YOU SEEM QUITE LONELY.

AND YOU SEEM VERY HAPPY.



... OF COURSE.

WE FOUND DORIAN, SAFE AND SOUND.

AT THIS VERY MOMENT HE'S GOING TO RESCUE DANI. LOOKS PROMISING.

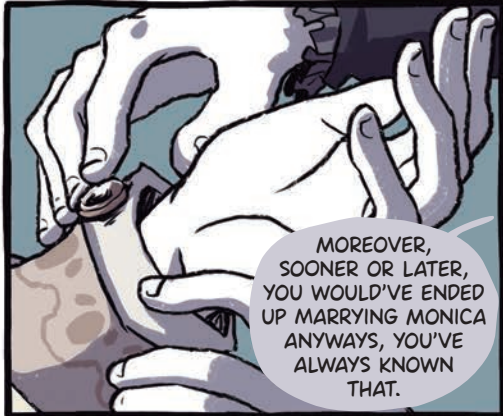


...IS THE WEDDING STILL THAT URGENT, THEN?

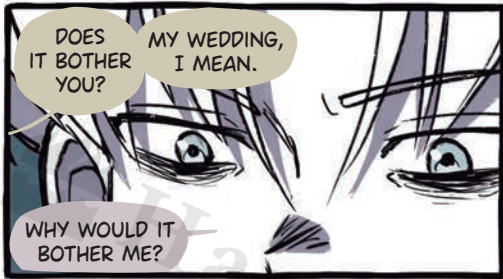
YES.

IF DORIAN DOESN'T SUCCEED, WE'VE GOT MONICA'S PLAN.

WE CAN'T SUDDENLY CALL OFF THE WEDDING, SPOILING THE WHOLE PLAN.



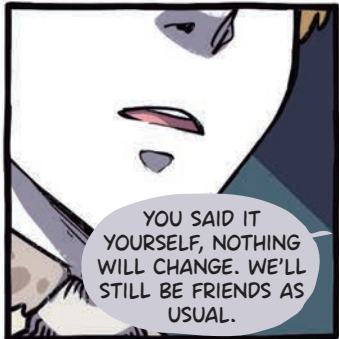
MOREOVER, SOONER OR LATER, YOU WOULD'VE ENDED UP MARRYING MONICA ANYWAYS, YOU'VE ALWAYS KNOWN THAT.



DOES IT BOTHER YOU?

MY WEDDING, I MEAN.

WHY WOULD IT BOTHER ME?



YOU SAID IT YOURSELF, NOTHING WILL CHANGE. WE'LL STILL BE FRIENDS AS USUAL.



BUT DAMIEN,

WHAT IS IT THAT YOU WANT?



JUST BEING FRIENDS?

WHA...?!

WHAT'S YOUR PROBLEM, WILL?!

WE BOTH KNOW EXACTLY WHAT I WANT!

EH...?

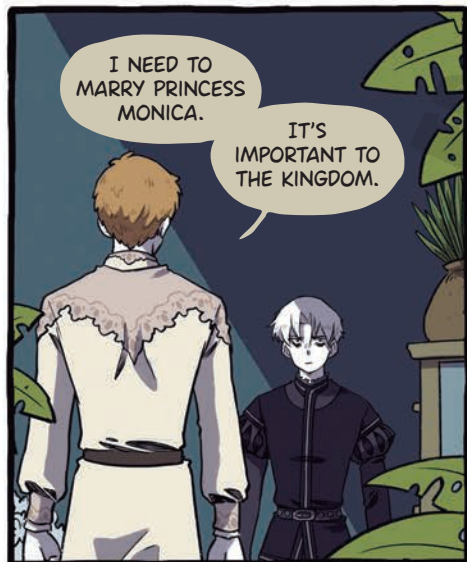


YOU KNOW I LOVE YOU.

SO MUCH.

WHAT WE DON'T KNOW IS WHAT YOU WANT.

I'VE KNOWN FOR YEARS, BUT I STILL ASK MYSELF WHAT'S ON YOUR MIND.



YET YOU'VE CHOSEN TO RESCUE DANI INSTEAD OF TRYING TO STOP THE WEDDING.

IT MAKES SENSE.



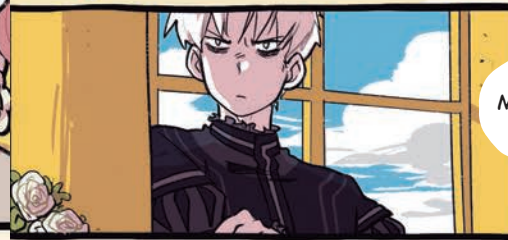
ALMOST ALL MY LOVED ONES ARE HERE.



MY PERFECT WEDDING, AND YET...

WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN US TOOK PLACE A LONG TIME AGO...

IT WAS JUST CHILD'S PLAY...



YOU MAY KISS THE BRIDE.



AND NOW...

I HAVE EVERYTHING PLANNED DOWN TO THE LAST DETAIL.

THE PERFECT DRESS.

THE IDEAL BANQUET.



IT'S DONE.

HUSBAND AND WIFE.

NOT SO FAST.

THE PEOPLE ARE EUPHORIC.



I'M ABOUT TO BECOME A MARRIED WOMAN.



WE DON'T NEED ANY OTHER QUEENS IN THESE LANDS, PRINCESS MONICA.

AH! WHO ARE THOSE LADIES?



THEY'VE STOPPED THE ROYAL WEDDING!

THEY'RE WITCHES!



AH!

DANI...!

WELL, I AM AFRAID YOU GOT HERE A BIT TOO LATE!



MMH...?

NOT AT ALL...



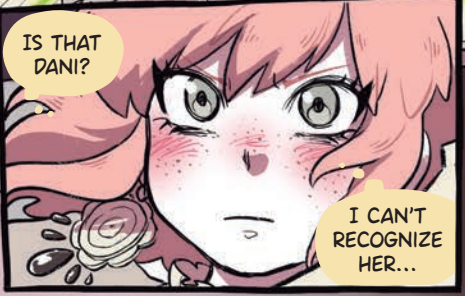
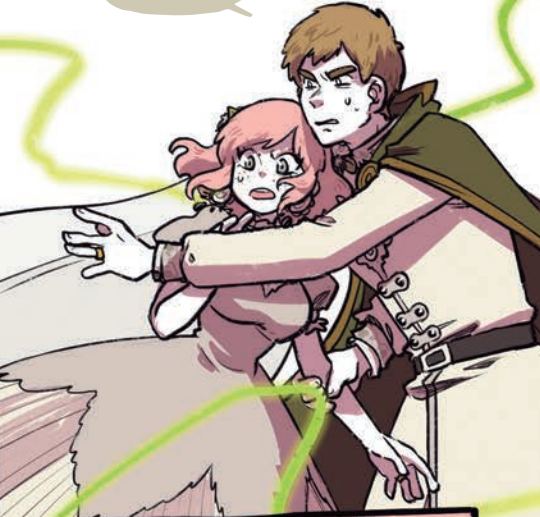
WE GOT HERE AT THE RIGHT TIME.

COME ON, EVERYONE, MOVE TOWARDS QUEEN MONICA!

KILL THE QUEEN AND THE KING!

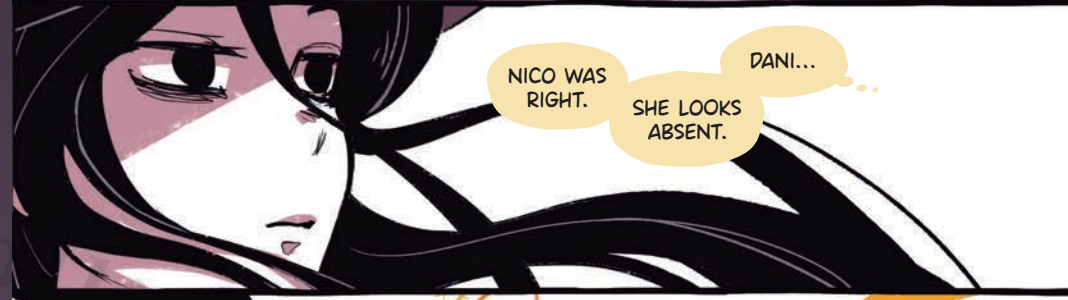
KILL AS MANY PEOPLE AS YOU CAN!

OF COURSE... THE WYTTES' ARMY.



IS THAT DANI?

I CAN'T RECOGNIZE HER...



NICO WAS RIGHT.

SHE LOOKS ABSENT.

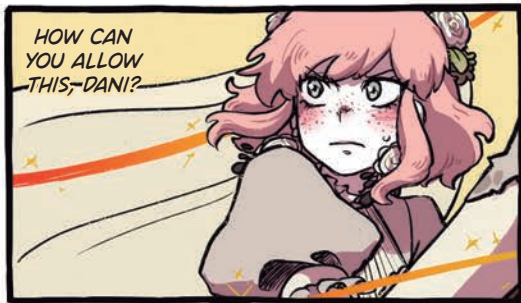
DANI...



AGGHH!! HURRY UP, TAKE COVER!

OVER HERE, QUICK!!

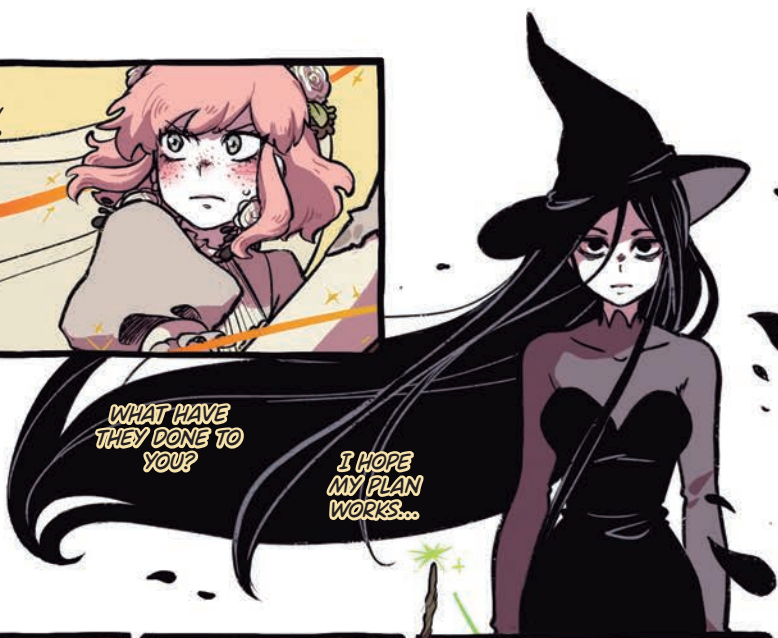
NICO WAS RIGHT ABOUT EVERYTHING...



ARE YOU THERE?

WHAT HAVE THEY DONE TO YOU?

I HOPE MY PLAN WORKS...





THIS SPELL...!

DAMIEN!



THE RIGHT MOMENT, YOU SAID?



INDEED.



YOU GOT HERE JUST IN TIME FOR THE PARTY.



I'VE ALSO GOT A POINTY HAT, YOU KNOW?

HEH...

LUCKILY, I HAD IT ALL READY.

NOW!



NO!

TOWARDS QUEEN DANI!





HE HIT THE QUEEN!

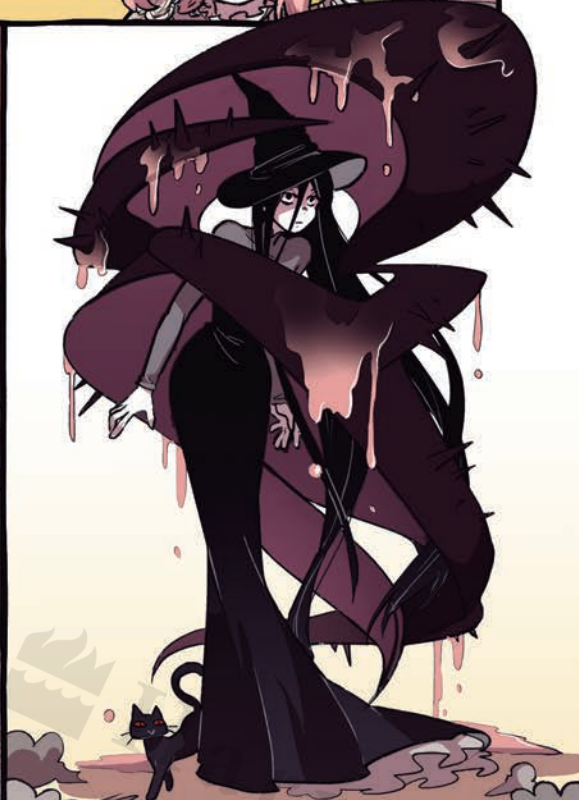
WHAT'S THAT? A LIQUID?!

IT'S A POTION!



DO YOU THINK IT WORKED?

...



AH!

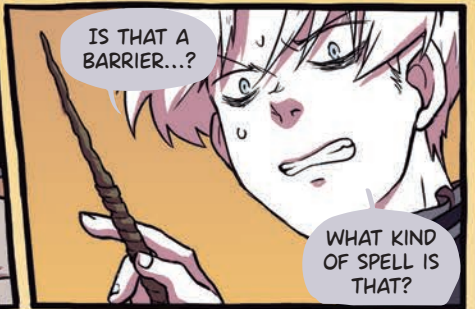
NO!



NOT A SINGLE DROP TOUCHED HER!



HA-HA!

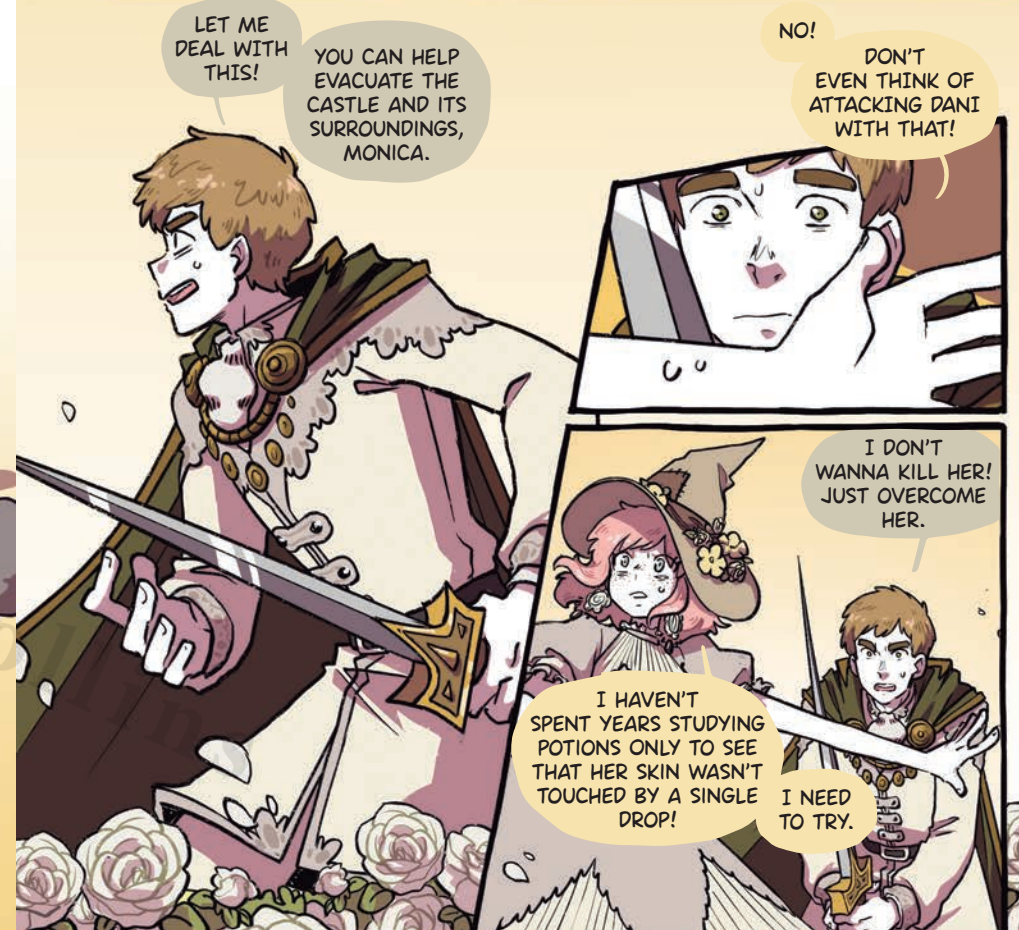


IS THAT A BARRIER...?

WHAT KIND OF SPELL IS THAT?



WHERE DID SHE LEARN HOW TO DO THAT?

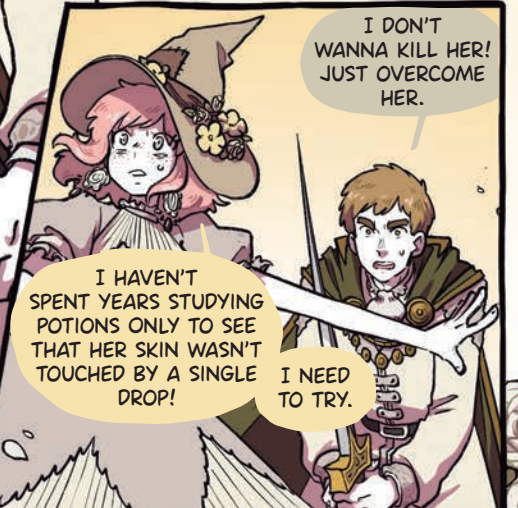


LET ME DEAL WITH THIS!

YOU CAN HELP EVACUATE THE CASTLE AND ITS SURROUNDINGS, MONICA.

NO!

DON'T EVEN THINK OF ATTACKING DANI WITH THAT!



I DON'T WANNA KILL HER! JUST OVERCOME HER.

I HAVEN'T SPENT YEARS STUDYING POTIONS ONLY TO SEE THAT HER SKIN WASN'T TOUCHED BY A SINGLE DROP!

I NEED TO TRY.



DAMIEN HAS EVERYTHING UNDER CONTROL.

DON'T WORRY, WILL!



WITCHES CAN'T GET OUT OF THE PROTECTIVE SHIELD...



AH!



MONICA!!



NO!

DID SHE HIT HER?

OH NO!

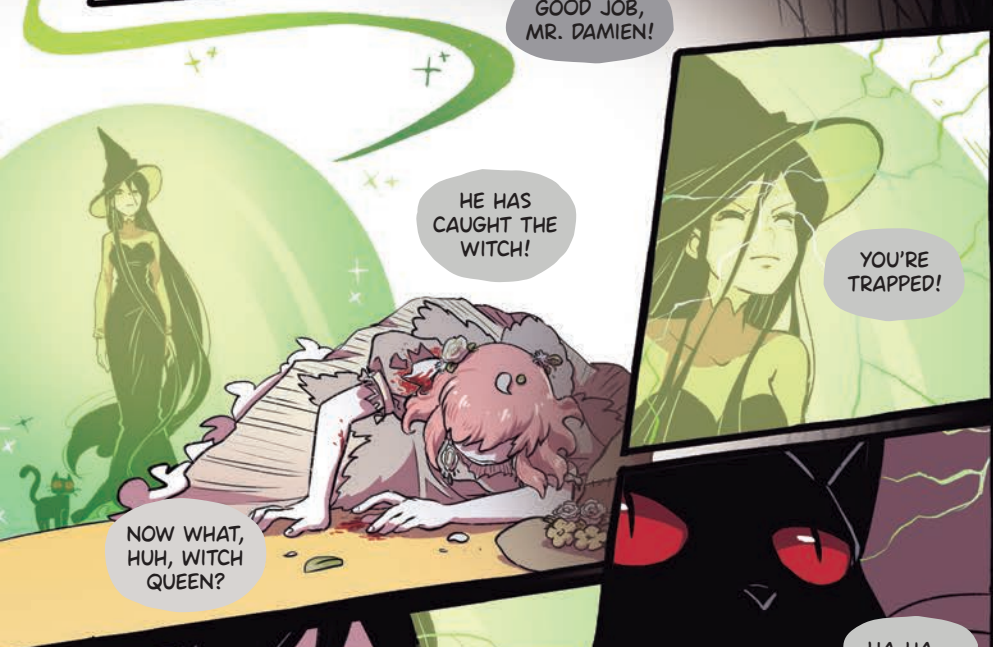


PRINCESS MONICA!

QUEEN MONICA'S HURT!

QUICK, I HAVE TO DO SOMETHING!

GOOD JOB, MR. DAMIEN!



HE HAS CAUGHT THE WITCH!

YOU'RE TRAPPED!

NOW WHAT, HUH, WITCH QUEEN?



HA-HA...



... HA.

OH.

IT'S OK TO LEND ME YOUR POWERS, BUT...

COULD YOU DO SOMETHING ON YOUR OWN FOR ONCE?



KILL HER NOW, DANI!

HURRY UP AND KILL QUEEN MONICA!

UGH...

NO...

PLEASE, REMEMBER...

IT'S ME, MONICA!

THIS CAN'T BE...

IS SHE REALLY LIKE THIS BECAUSE SHE THOUGHT DORIAN HAD DIED?

DIE.

UH... THAT DIDN'T WORK...

WELL, I'VE GOT A BETTER IDEA...

SINCE YOU'RE SO CLOSE NOW...

DRINK THIS!

?! CHEERS!

HOPE IT DOESN'T TASTE TOO BAD!

UGH!

NO!

HAVE YOU POISONED MY DAUGHTER?!

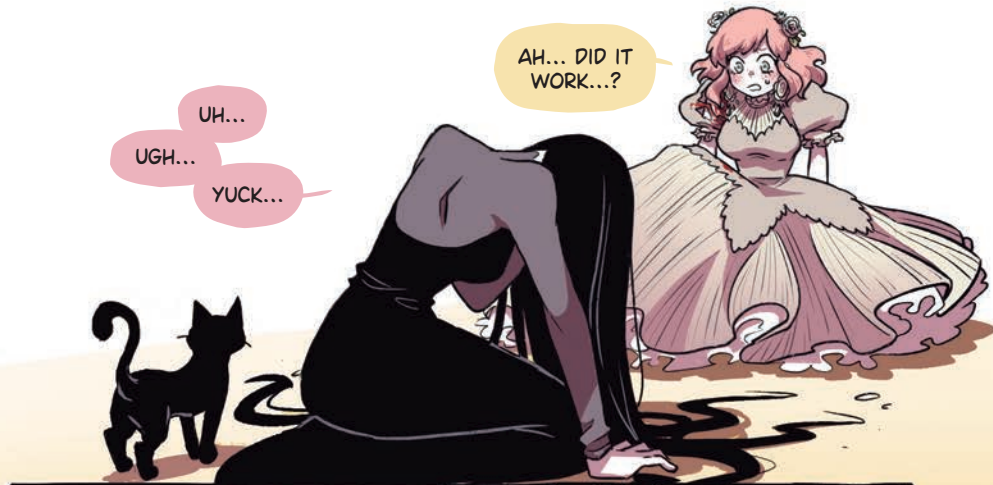
YOU'LL PAY FOR THIS!!

DID SHE SUCCEED...?

GREAT, THAT'S MY QUEEN!

I KNEW YOU WOULDN'T DISAPPOINT ME!

GREAT!



AH... DID IT WORK...?

UH...
UGH...
YUCK...



UH...
DANI...?



DANI...
A... ARE YOU OK?

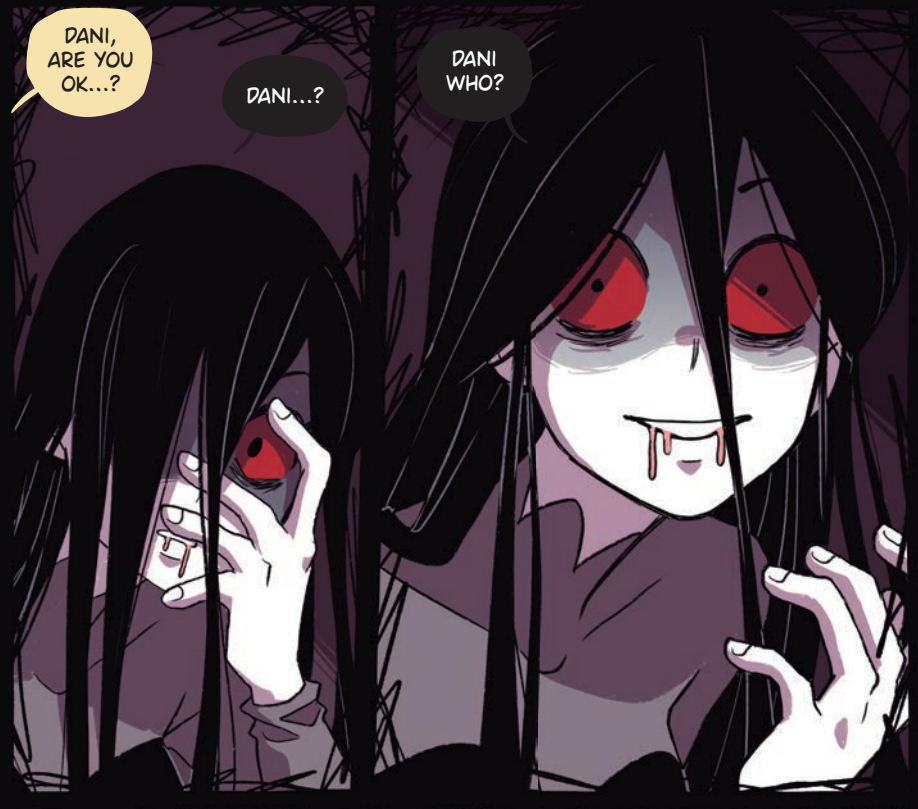


DON'T TOUCH ME.



DANI?!
LET GO, YOU'RE HURTING ME!

I'M SORRY IF IT TASTED BAD, DON'T PUKE IT UP THOUGH!



DANI, ARE YOU OK...?

DANI...?

DANI WHO?



EH?!



OH, LOOK, THE LITTLE PRINCESS...

I REMEMBER YOU VERY WELL, KID...

I'VE SEEN
YOUR GREATEST
FEARS...

WH...?

WHAT?

YES, YOUR
FEARS...

CAN'T YOU
REMEMBER
ME?

SO SELFISH
AND STUPID.

THAT'S...

WHO ARE
YOU?

YOU'RE NOT
DANI...

YOUR
FEARS ARE SO
CHILDISH,

YOU'RE
PATHETIC.

THAT'S NOT
TRUE!!

I'M NOT
LIKE THAT
ANYMORE!

GET OUT OF
HERE, STUPID
KID.

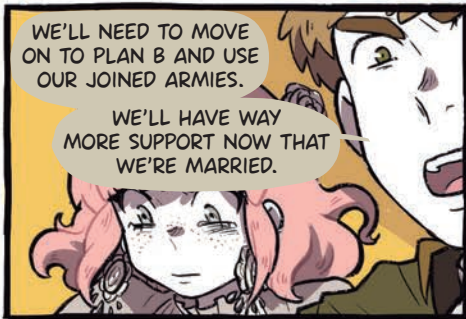
YOU CAN'T
DEAL WITH
THIS.

LET'S GO.



AH... SHE GOT AWAY.

SHE DESTROYED THE CATHEDRAL... MONICA'S PLAN DIDN'T WORK, IN THE END...



WE'LL NEED TO MOVE ON TO PLAN B AND USE OUR JOINED ARMIES.

WE'LL HAVE WAY MORE SUPPORT NOW THAT WE'RE MARRIED.



THAT'S NOT TRUE...



MY PLAN ACTUALLY DID SOMETHING.



ISN'T THAT TRUE, MRS. WYTTTE...?

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WE'RE ALMOST THERE! I CAN'T BELIEVE IT; I'LL FINALLY SEE DANI!



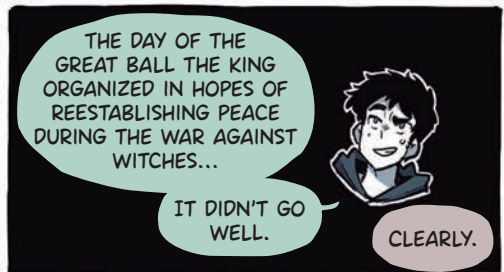
WOW... I REMEMBERED THIS PALACE WAY... BRIGHTER.



OF COURSE! I'VE SPENT MANY SUMMERS HERE.

MY BROTHER AND I WOULD SPEND THE DAY PLAYING WITH MONICA, WILL, DAMIEN, IVY AND ANNE.

OH, I WAS ONLY HERE ONCE.



THE DAY OF THE GREAT BALL THE KING ORGANIZED IN HOPES OF REESTABLISHING PEACE DURING THE WAR AGAINST WITCHES...

IT DIDN'T GO WELL.

CLEARLY.

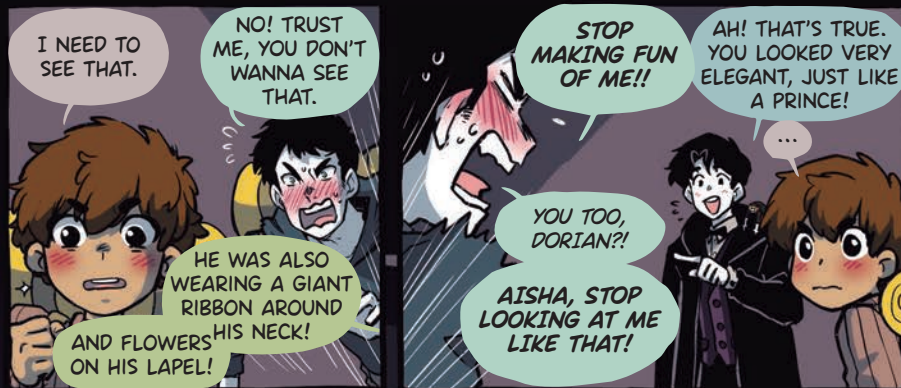


WHAT MATTERS THE MOST IS HOW MARK WAS DRESSED THAT DAY!

I'LL REMEMBER THOSE SILLY LITTLE PINK PANTS 'TIL THE DAY I DIE!

HA-HA!

HAVE YOU BEEN HERE BEFORE?



I NEED TO SEE THAT.

NO! TRUST ME, YOU DON'T WANNA SEE THAT.

STOP MAKING FUN OF ME!!

AH! THAT'S TRUE. YOU LOOKED VERY ELEGANT, JUST LIKE A PRINCE!

HE WAS ALSO WEARING A GIANT RIBBON AROUND HIS NECK! AND FLOWERS ON HIS LAPEL!

YOU TOO, DORIAN?!

AISHA, STOP LOOKING AT ME LIKE THAT!



HERE WE ARE. THIS IS WHERE DANI USUALLY SITS IN FRONT OF THE WINDOW.



WHAT A GLOOMY PLACE.

KEEP YOUR EYES OPEN.

IT'S STRANGE THAT WE HAVEN'T RUN INTO ANYONE YET.



AH! THERE SHE IS!

DANI...?

IT'S ME, DORIAN.



I'M SORRY IT...

IT TOOK ME SO LONG...



OOOOH! OF COURSE I KNOW WHO YOU ARE, YOUNG MAN!

I'M GLAD YOU'VE FINALLY DECIDED TO JOIN YOUR FAMILY!

WHA...?!

UH...



UGH...

WAAAAH! DANIII!

WHAT HAVE I DONE TO YOU?!

YOU LOOK SO OLD AND TIRED, IT'S MY FAULT!

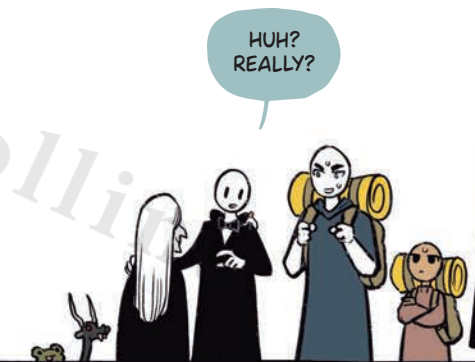
ALL THOSE YEARS ALONG WITH THE SADNESS OF MY LOSS LEFT SUCH A BIG MARK ON YOU!

I'M SO SORRY, DANI! PLEASE, FORGIVE ME!



WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT, DORIAN?! THAT'S AN OLD WOMAN!!

THAT'S NOT DANI!



HUH? REALLY?

I'M AFRAID NOT, YOUNG MAN! YOUR SISTER'S IN ANOTHER CASTLE!



BUT...

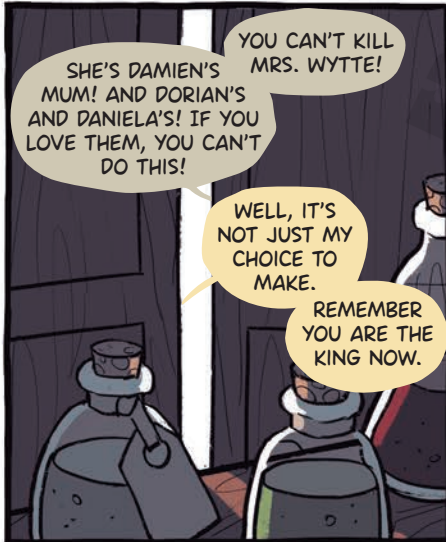
WHERE?



CAN YOU JUST STOP STARING AT ME? YOU'RE GETTING ON MY NERVES. IF YOU DON'T STOP, I'LL KICK YOUR ASS.



THIS IS NOT ACCEPTABLE! MONICA!!



SHE'S DAMIEN'S MUM! AND DORIAN'S AND DANIELA'S! IF YOU LOVE THEM, YOU CAN'T DO THIS!

YOU CAN'T KILL MRS. WYTT!

WELL, IT'S NOT JUST MY CHOICE TO MAKE.

REMEMBER YOU ARE THE KING NOW.



WELL, THEN... I FORBID YOU!

WILLIAM... DROP IT.

THAT'S NOT HOW YOU FIX THINGS.

DON'T ASSUME I'VE SPENT YEARS STUDYING, RESEARCHING, AND IMPROVING...

LOOK.



... JUST TO MAKE A SLIGHTLY STRONGER HEALING POTION.

NO...



I'VE STILL GOT MANY ACES UP MY SLEEVE.

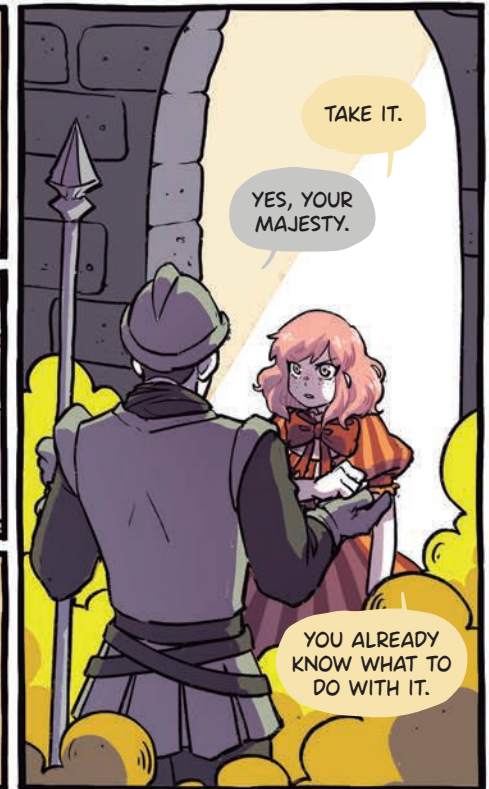


WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITH THAT?

WHAT'S THAT POTION FOR?



MONICA!



TAKE IT.

YES, YOUR MAJESTY.

YOU ALREADY KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH IT.



BE DISCREET.

AT YOUR SERVICE, YOUR MAJESTY.



YES, NICO TOO! I'M SURE THEY'D BE SCARED OF HIS FIERCENESS IF THEY SAW HIM...

THAT'S ENOUGH, IDIOT! I'D LIKE TO SEE YOU WITH MY SIZE!!



DEATH WING...

DEVIL...

BREATH OF HELL...

TORMENT OF HEAVENS...

I WOULDN'T BE AS CUTE AS YOU, THAT'S FOR SURE.



WE'RE HERE...

LAST TIME I WAS HERE FEELS LIKE YESTERDAY!



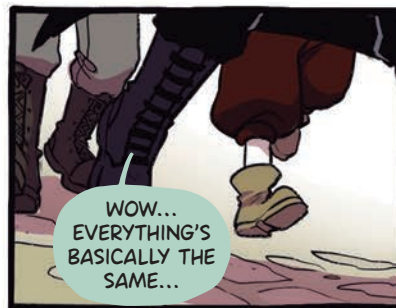
ONE SECOND, MARK, I NEED TO PUT THE LITTLE ONE IN MY BACKPACK!



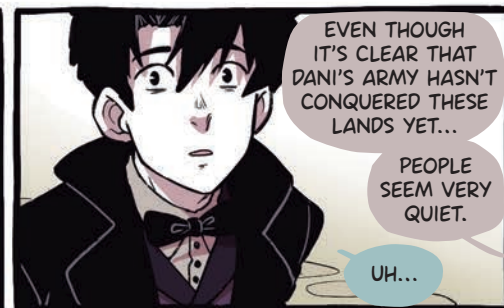
HE COULD SCARE SOMEBODY IF THEY SEE HIM...

YOU SHOULD NAME HIM! GIVE HIM A POWERFUL NAME! LIKE BLOODY OR MONSTROUS...

COME ON, GET IN! BE GOOD. LOOK HOW CARLO'S HIDING!



WOW... EVERYTHING'S BASICALLY THE SAME...



EVEN THOUGH IT'S CLEAR THAT DANI'S ARMY HASN'T CONQUERED THESE LANDS YET...

PEOPLE SEEM VERY QUIET.

UH...



IT WAS HERE...

THE PLACE WHERE THEY WERE GONNA KILL ME FOR WITCHCRAFT...

WHERE I SAW MONICA FOR THE LAST TIME...

WHERE DANI THOUGHT I...

IT'S WEIRD TO KNOW SO MUCH TIME HAS PASSED...



YOU'RE GONNA DIE, FOOLISH!

I'LL AVENGE MY SISTERS WHO DIED AT THE STAKE!!

NOOO, HELP!

HUH...

WHAT?!



WHAT A GAME...

MUAHAHA! YOU CAN'T RUN AWAY!



GET READY TO SUFFER MY WICKED MAGIC!

STOP, YOU EVIL WITCH!



OOOOH!



YES, IT'S ACTUALLY ME!! QUEEN MONICA, THE GOOD WITCH!! I'VE COME TO RESCUE YOU!!

I'M A GOOD WITCH TOO, LOOK! I'VE GOT A WAND!

THANK YOU, QUEEN MONICA!



YOUR POSH MAGIC CAN'T DEFEAT ME, LITTLE PRINCESS!

I'M NOT A PRINCESS, I'M A QUEEN!

AND YOU FELL INTO MY TRAP!! COME ON, SERVANTS, THROW THE POTION AT HER!



NOOOO!

HA-HA!

DORIAN? WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!

COME ON!

AH, SORRY!

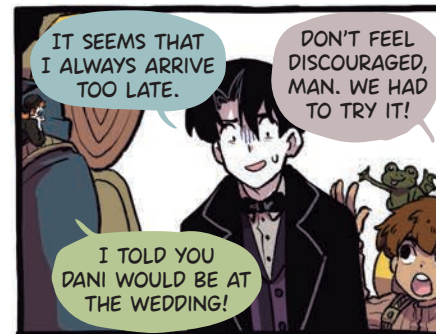
I'M COMING!



ACCORDING TO THE LOCALS, DANI WAS HERE.

YES, AND SHE DESTROYED THE CATHEDRAL!

THAT'S SCARY...



IT SEEMS THAT I ALWAYS ARRIVE TOO LATE.

DON'T FEEL DISCOURAGED, MAN. WE HAD TO TRY IT!

I TOLD YOU DANI WOULD BE AT THE WEDDING!



WHOA! WHAT'S GOING ON?!



WITCHCRAFT!

THEY'RE SPIES OF QUEEN DANI!

WHAT THE...?!

WOOOW!



AHA! NOW YOU CAN FINALLY SEE MY REAL HEIGHT!

YOU'RE GOING TO BITE THE DUST, MARK! SEE WHO'S TALLER NOW!



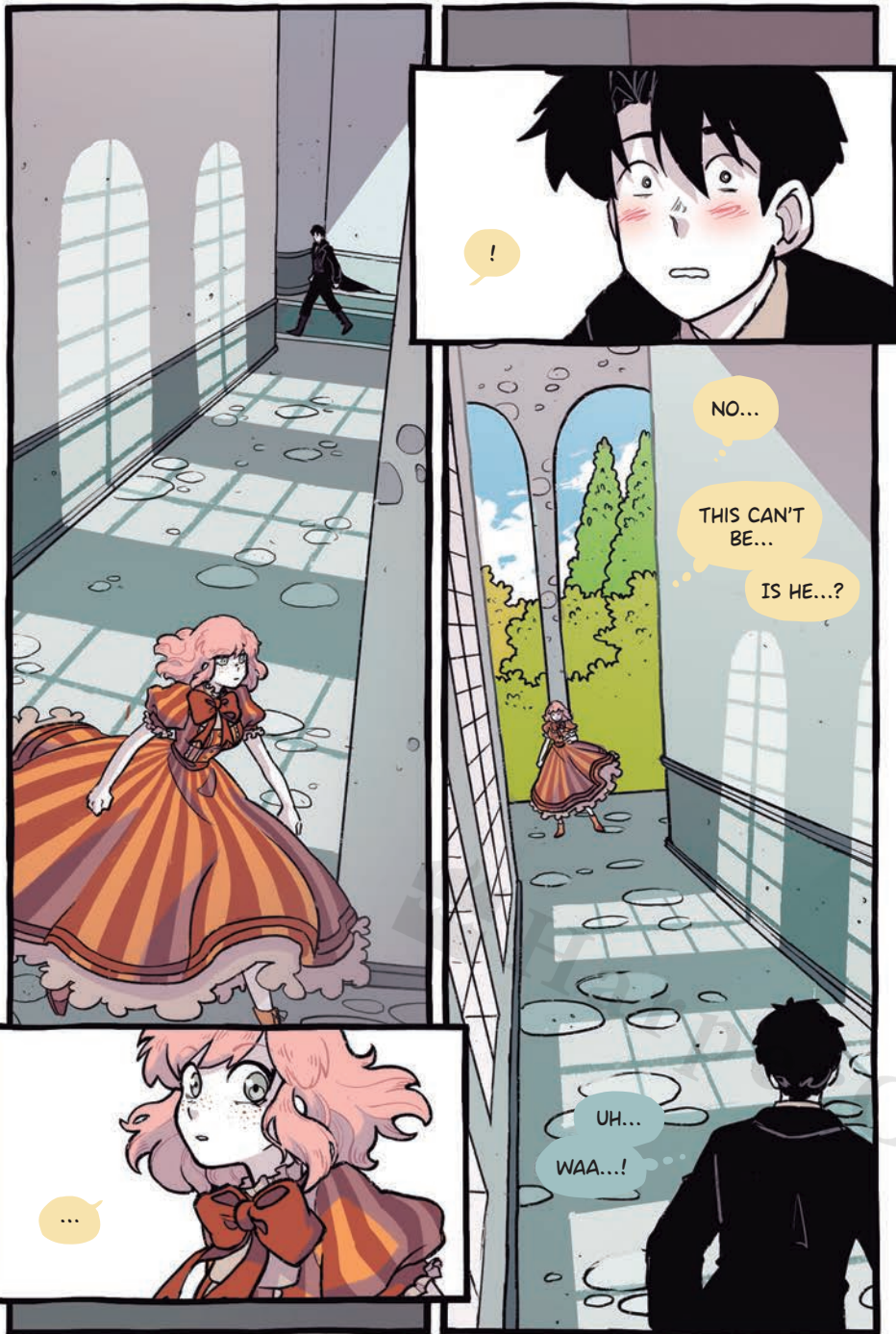
...I DON'T WANT TO HEAR A WORD.

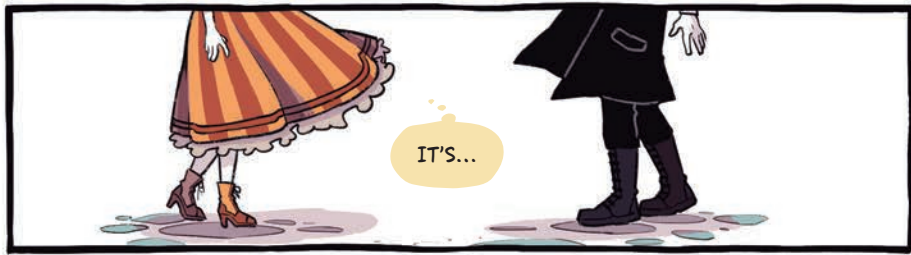


ANYWAY, THIS MUST MEAN THAT DANI IS HERE SOMEWHERE.

I ALWAYS GO BACK TO MY NORMAL SIZE WHEN SHE'S AROUND.







IT'S...



HIM?



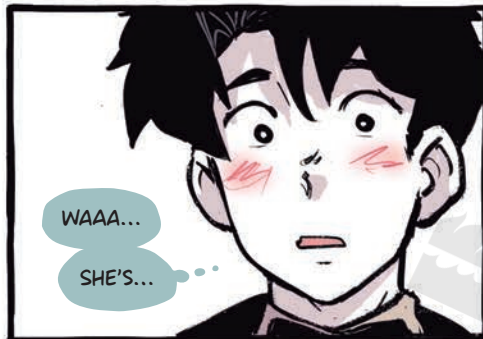
EH?



HUH, YES...
IT'S ME, DORIAN.



HIS VOICE.
IT SOUNDS SO DEEP!



WAAA...
SHE'S...



SHE'S SO...



TINY.
WAAAA!

HEY, YOU...!
IS IT REALLY YOU?



BUT YES, IT'S REALLY HIM.
I'M SO SORRY...ABOUT DISAPPEARING FOR SO LONG.
I... MMMH...
THERE'S NO DOUBT.



THIS IS SO WEIRD...
I'VE DREAMT OF THIS MOMENT FOR SO LONG.
I JUST WANT TO HUG HIM AGAIN,
I WANNA CHECK IF HE'S TRULY ALIVE.



BUT...
WOULD THAT BE OK? HUGGING THIS PERSON?

HE LOOKS SO DIFFERENT. I FEEL WEIRD.

UH... MONICA...

THIS...

THIS IS NOT WHAT I WAS EXPECTING...

I WONDER WHAT IT FEELS LIKE TO HUG HIM.

ARE YOU ANGRY?

EH? NO, OF COURSE N...!
MONICA, LOOK!!
THE SPELL SUDDENLY BROKE!!

NICO!! YOU'RE SO HANDSOME AND SUPER TALL!
I AM, AM I NOT?

OH, I'M SO GLAD!
HOW DID YOU GO BACK TO NORMAL?!
THAT'S WHY WE WERE WONDERING IF YOU HAD CAPTURED DANI OR...
I DON'T REALLY KNOW. I DIDN'T DO ANYTHING!
IF YOU HAD HEALED HER OR SOMETHING.
HI, MONICA!

ACTUALLY NO. DANI RAN AWAY BEFORE I COULD DO ANYTHING...
I DON'T KNOW WHERE SHE IS...
AW, HELLO SWEET CARLO! LONG TIME NO SEE!

I KNEW IT.

SHE HATES ME.

WHOOAAA!

INCREDIBLE!
WHAT AN AWESOME SECRET LAB, MONICA!
YOU'VE GOT EVERYTHING HERE!!
HU HU, I KNOW.

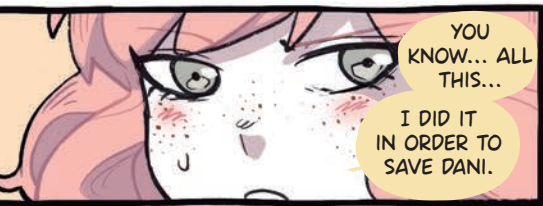
WHAT ABOUT THESE NOTES? DID YOU WRITE ALL OF THEM?!

I HOPE YOU'RE PROUD OF ME, PROFESSOR WYTTE.
YES, I AM.

I'M TRULY AMAZED.

THIS IS BRILLIANT, MONICA.

OH NO OH NO OH NO OH NO
HE ACTUALLY LOOKS LIKE A TEACHER NOW!



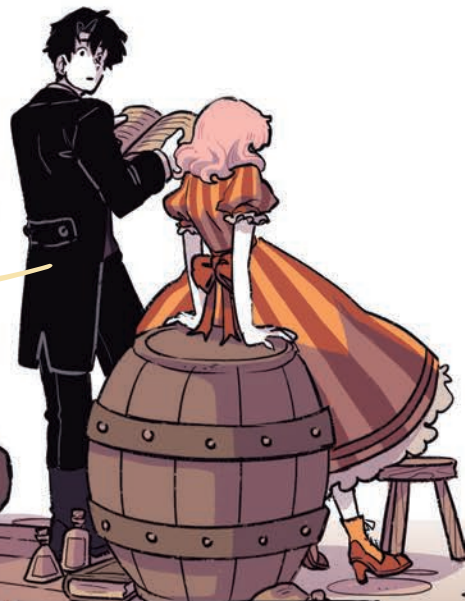
YOU KNOW... ALL THIS...
I DID IT IN ORDER TO SAVE DANI.



AT SOME POINT I LOST HOPE AND I THOUGHT YOU WOULDN'T COME BACK,

I COULDN'T JUST SIT AND WAIT.

I PROMISED YOU I'D STAY OUT OF THIS, BUT IT'S BEEN A LONG TIME...



I'M SO SORRY, MONICA.
UH?

IT HURTS TO HAVE BEEN GONE FOR THREE YEARS... I STILL CAN'T PROCESS IT.

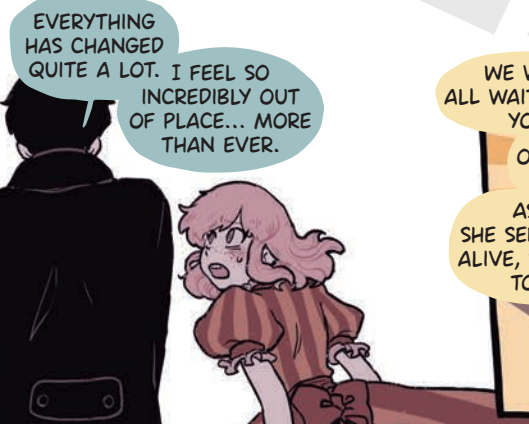
DON'T SAY SORRY... I DIDN'T MEAN TO...!



IT WASN'T YOUR FAULT! IT WAS THE MASTER'S!

TO ME, IT FEELS LIKE EVERYTHING HAPPENED YESTERDAY, AND YET...

YOU GUYS WENT THROUGH SO MUCH...



EVERYTHING HAS CHANGED QUITE A LOT. I FEEL SO INCREDIBLY OUT OF PLACE... MORE THAN EVER.



YOU'RE NOT OUT OF PLACE!
WE WERE ALL WAITING FOR YOU!
YOU'RE THE ONLY ONE WHO CAN BRING DANI BACK!
AS SOON AS SHE SEES THAT YOU'RE ALIVE, SHE'LL GO BACK TO NORMAL!

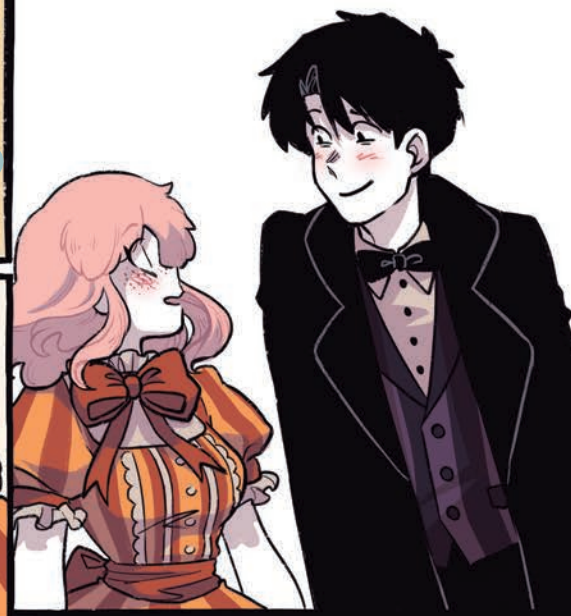


WE NEED TO GET THIS OVER WITH ONCE AND FOR ALL!

UH...
YOU'RE RIGHT.



LET'S SAVE HER.



WHAT A CLICHÉ.



THIS IS MY CHANCE TO GET OUT OF HERE.

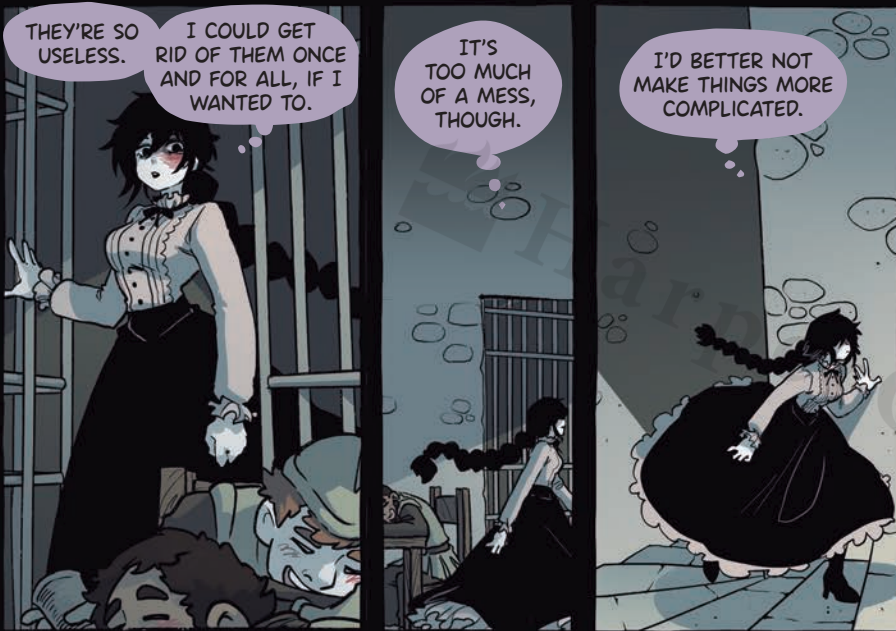
BUT WITHOUT MY WAND, THOUGH...



MMH?

OH, COME ON...

CLICK =



THEY'RE SO USELESS.

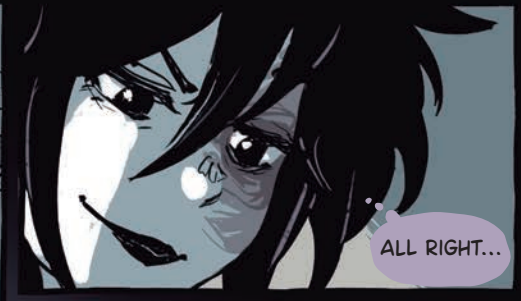
I COULD GET RID OF THEM ONCE AND FOR ALL, IF I WANTED TO.

IT'S TOO MUCH OF A MESS, THOUGH.

I'D BETTER NOT MAKE THINGS MORE COMPLICATED.



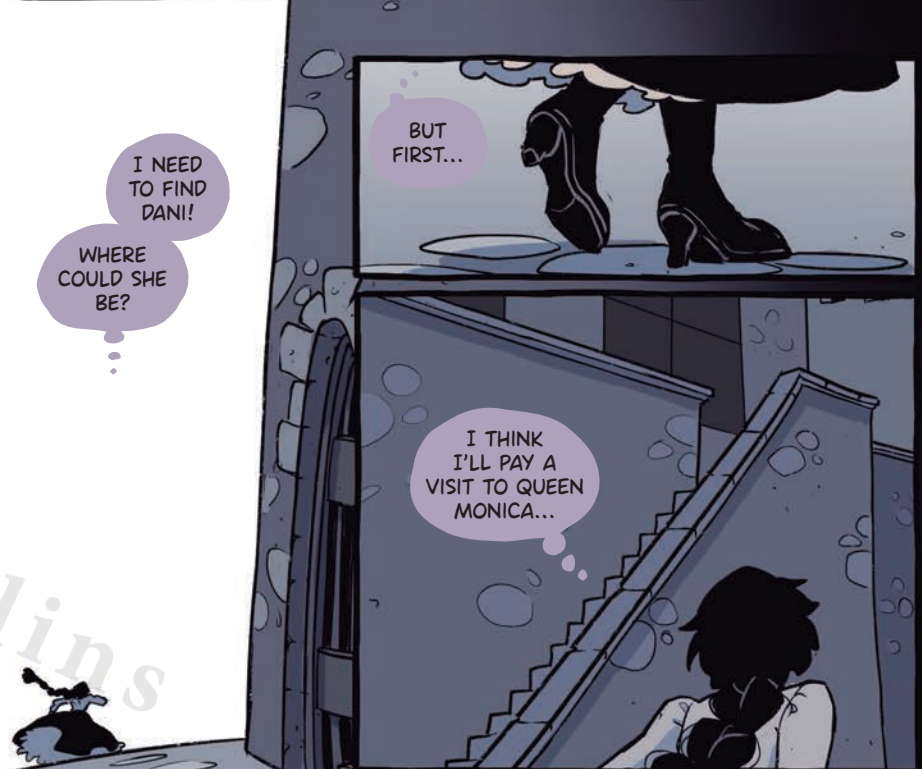
UH...



ALL RIGHT...



PERFECT.



BUT FIRST...

I NEED TO FIND DANI!

WHERE COULD SHE BE?

I THINK I'LL PAY A VISIT TO QUEEN MONICA...



TWO BIRDS WITH ONE STONE.



HOW EASY...



AND HOW IRONIC...



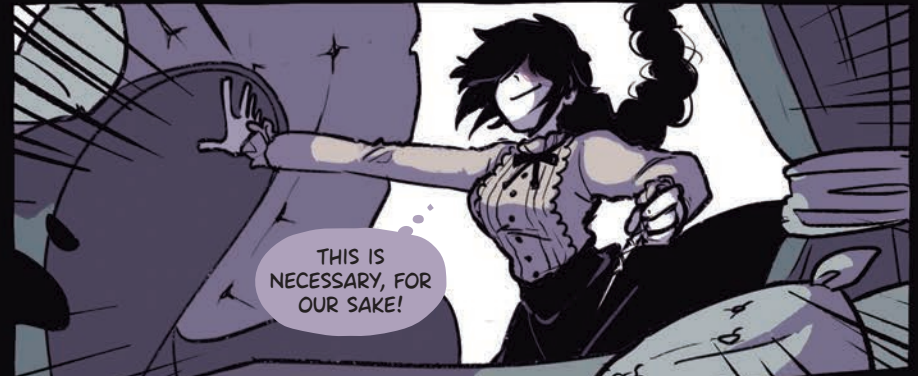
YOU'RE GOING TO DIE THE SAME WAY YOUR FATHER DID, MONICA.



AND YOU'LL NEVER HURT A WITCH AGAIN.

THE KING AND THE QUEEN MUST BE ASLEEP...

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THIS IS NECESSARY, FOR OUR SAKE!



EH?! SHE'S NOT HERE?!



WERE YOU LOOKING FOR ME, MRS. WYTTE?

WHAT...?!



YES, I WAS LOOKING FOR YOU, MONICA!



STOP, MUM.

DON'T ATTACK THE QUEEN, OR I'LL CURSE YOU.



DAMIEN... YOU...

WHAT'S ALL OF THIS...?



WHY DID YOU COME HERE, MUM?

COULDN'T YOU SIMPLY ESCAPE?



AFTER WHAT THESE PEOPLE HAVE DONE TO US, DAMIEN?

NO, THEY MUST PAY...

YOU KNOW PERFECTLY WELL THAT MANY WITCHES DIED AT THE STAKE...

EVEN...

EVEN YOUR BROTHER... HE...



IT WAS HERE WHERE THEY BURNED HIM.

BUT IT WASN'T ME, MRS. WYTTE.

I'D HAVE NEVER HURT DORI--

I DON'T CARE!

THE OLD KING DID IT...



... AND YOU AND YOUR HUSBAND COULD DECIDE TO FOLLOW IN HIS STEPS ANY DAY NOW!

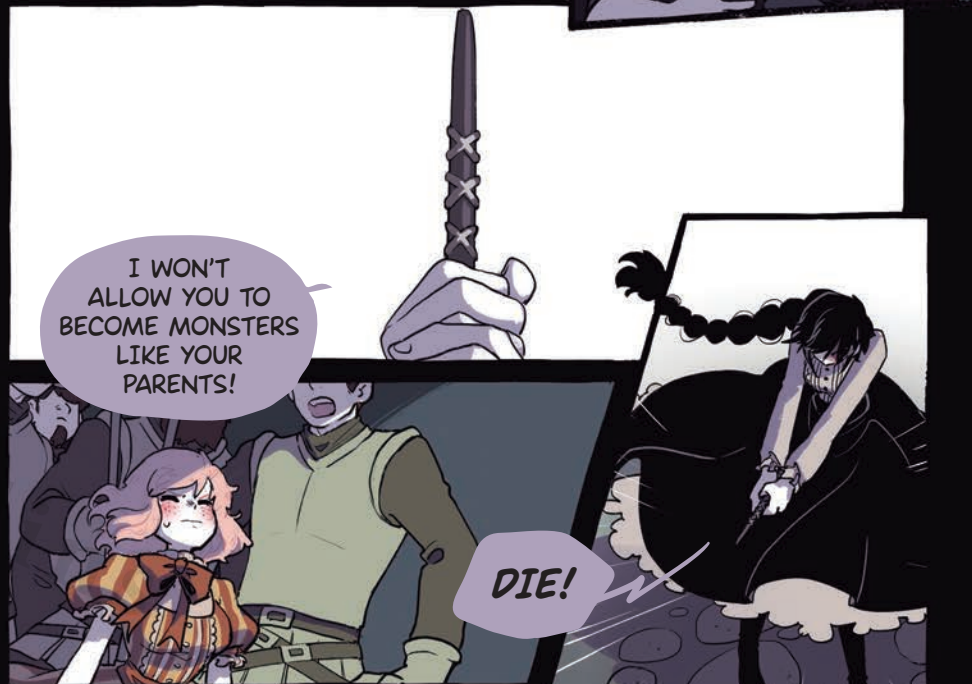
I DON'T KNOW WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO SHOW WITH THIS AMBUSH...

HEY...!



NO! WAIT!

...BUT YOU SHOULDN'T HAVE LEFT THE WANDS WITHIN MY REACH!



I WON'T ALLOW YOU TO BECOME MONSTERS LIKE YOUR PARENTS!

DIE!