

# UPSURGE

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FEATURING!



BALDNESS!



STUPIDITY!



ROMANCE!

GOSHDARNIT! I THOUGHT  
USING THE **REST OF MY**  
**BODY** TO PROPEL US  
WOULD HELP US FIND  
OUT WHO CAUSED  
ALL THIS...



...BUT THE ONLY  
THING I'VE MANAGED BY  
GRABBING THIS MAN AND  
HIS CHISELED, LEATHER-  
WRAPPED MUSCLES IS TO  
FALL INTO THE FEARSOME  
CLUTCHES OF **HOMO-  
EROTICISM!**

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COVER**

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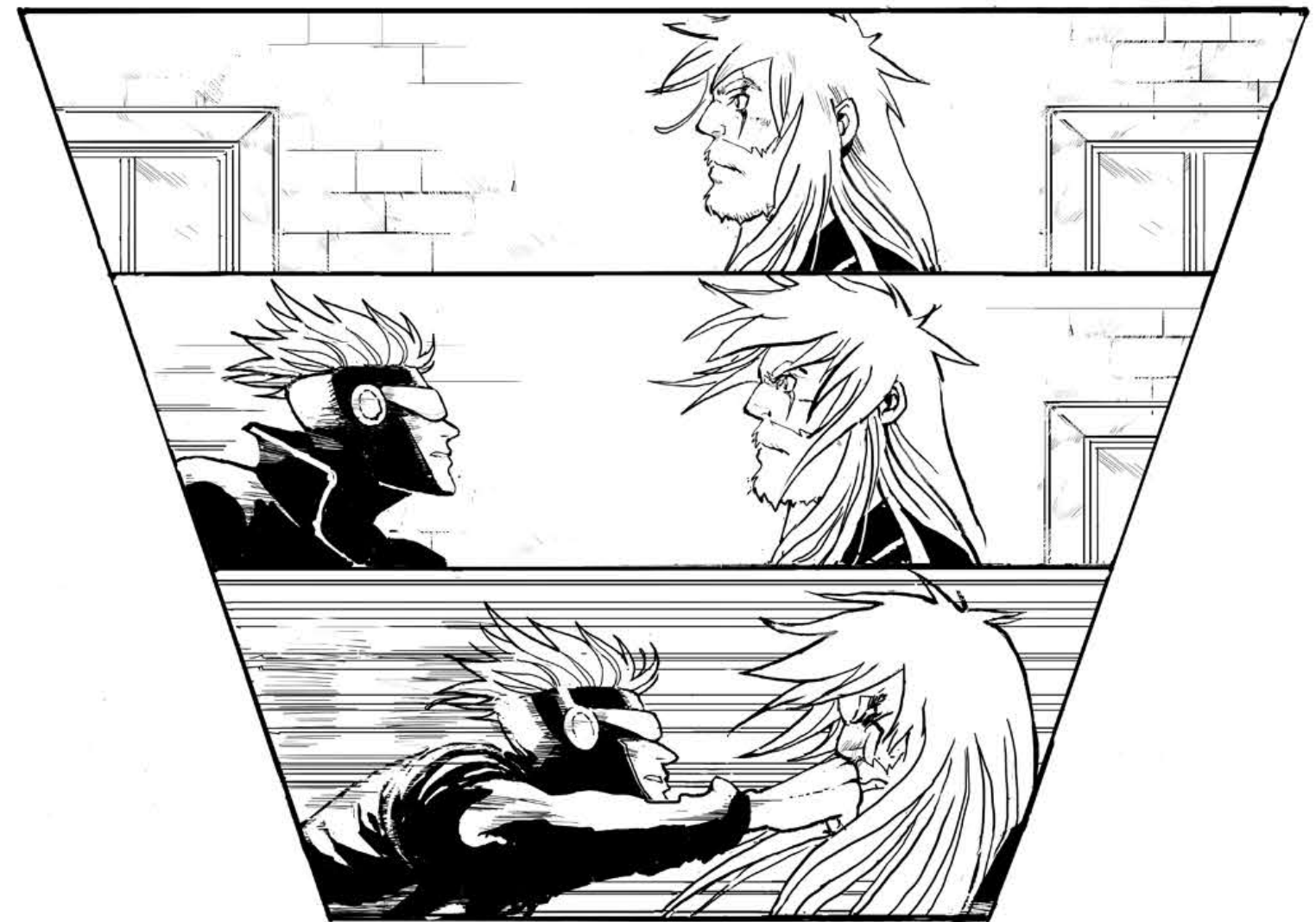
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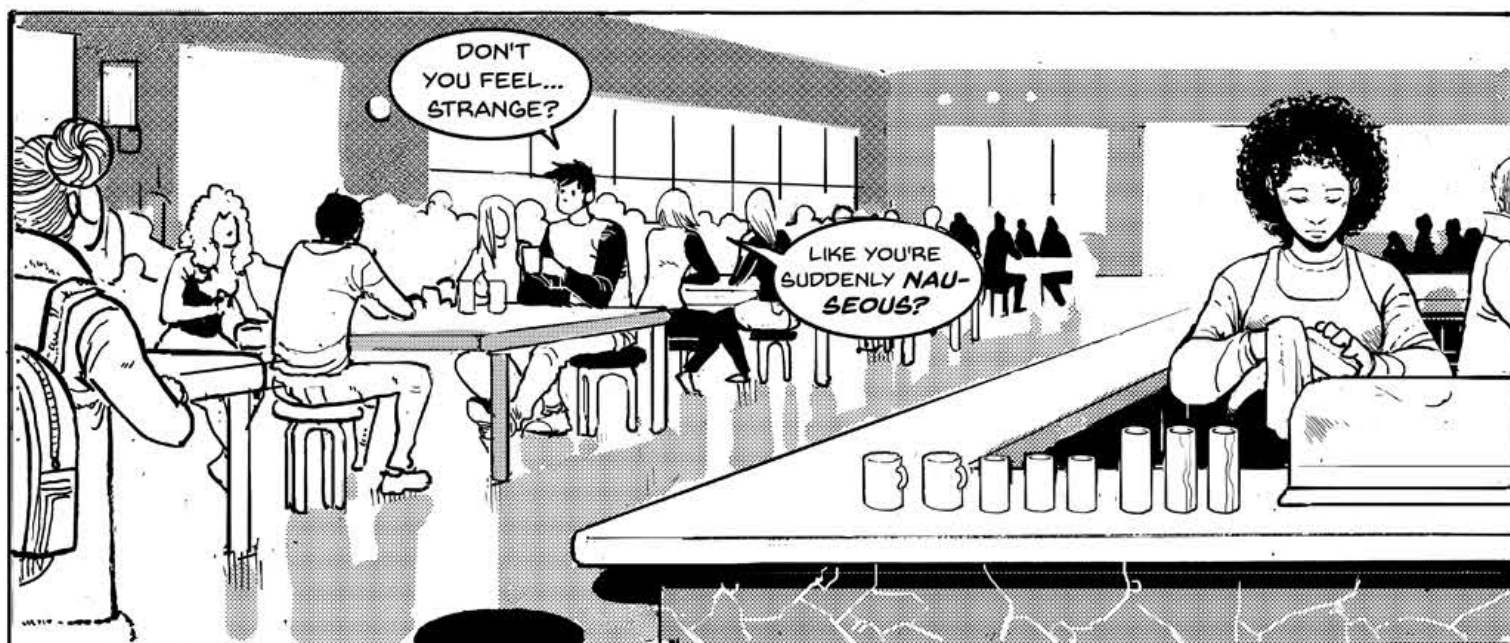
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DON'T  
YOU FEEL...  
STRANGE?

LIKE YOU'RE  
SUDDENLY NAU-  
SEOUS?

\*THEY'RE ACTUALLY TALKING IN ENGLISH



WHY CAN WE  
GO THROUGH  
ALL THESE  
PEO...?

WE'RE  
NOT IN THE  
SAME PLANE!

JUMP  
HERE!



CAN YOU  
EXPLAIN  
WHAT'S...?

KEEP YOUR VOICE  
DOWN. THE GUY IN  
THE MASK IS DAN-  
GEROUS.



WE'RE IN A DEMONIC REALITY, IF WHAT ESSEX SAYS IS  
TRUE, RIGHT? THE DEMON IS SUBJUGATED, IF  
WE FIND OUT HIS NAME, WE CAN RELEASE HIM AND  
GET OUT OF HERE.

WHAT ABOUT  
THOSE TWO?

THOSE TWO... THEY'RE  
AFTER ME AND ESSEX...



"WE KNOW TOO  
MANY THINGS".



THE STUDENTS  
DON'T SEE ME.  
THEY *PASS*  
THROUGH ME...

WHERE AM I?  
JACOB DID  
THIS?

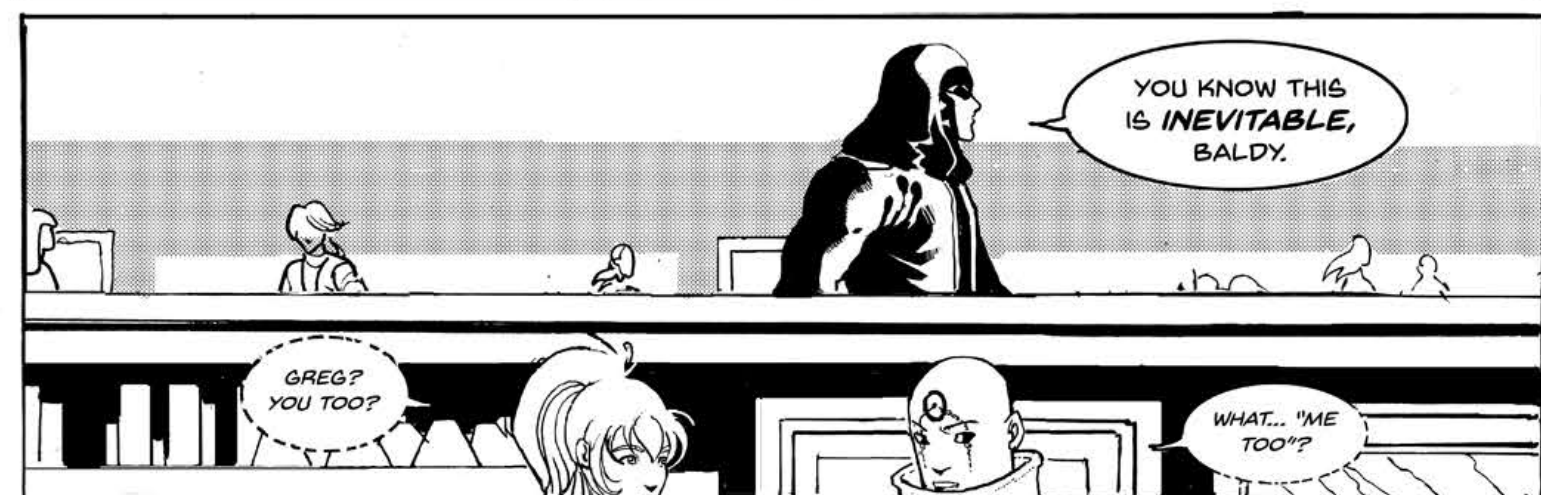
"THINGS? WHAT  
THINGS?"



JAAA-  
COB...

DOESN'T MATTER.  
LISTEN. I WAS LOOKING  
FOR A STUDENT ON  
THIS CAMPUS, GREG  
LAUTREC.

DO YOU KNOW  
HIM?

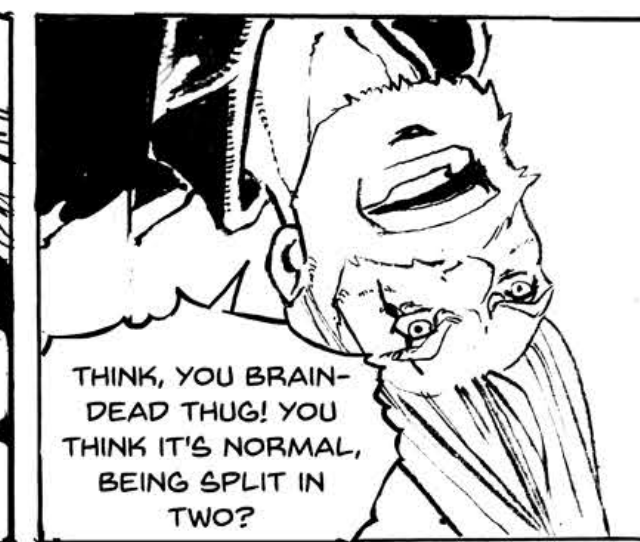
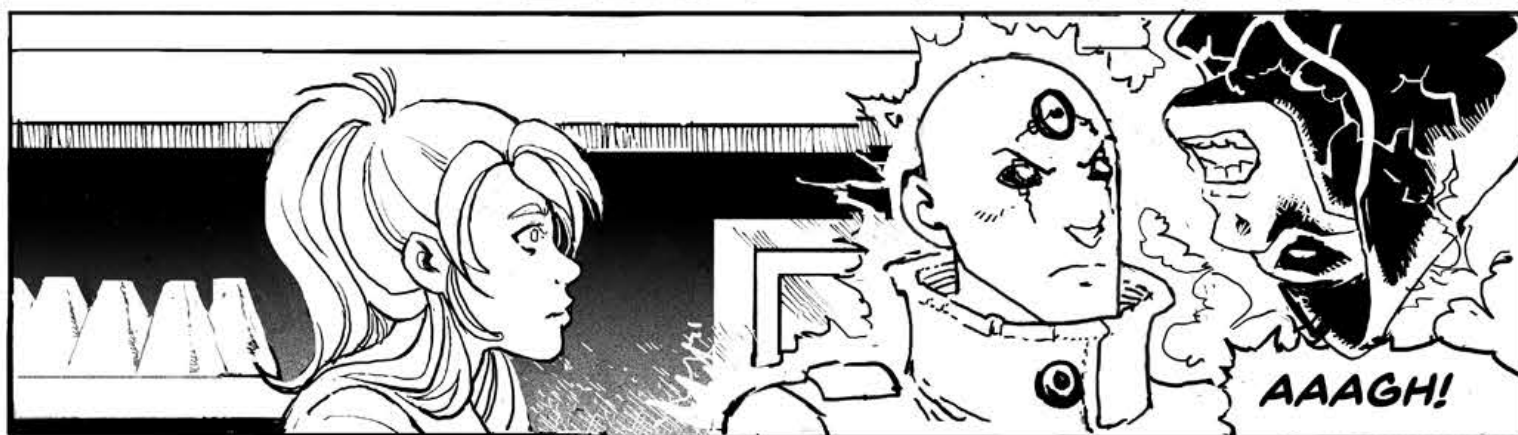
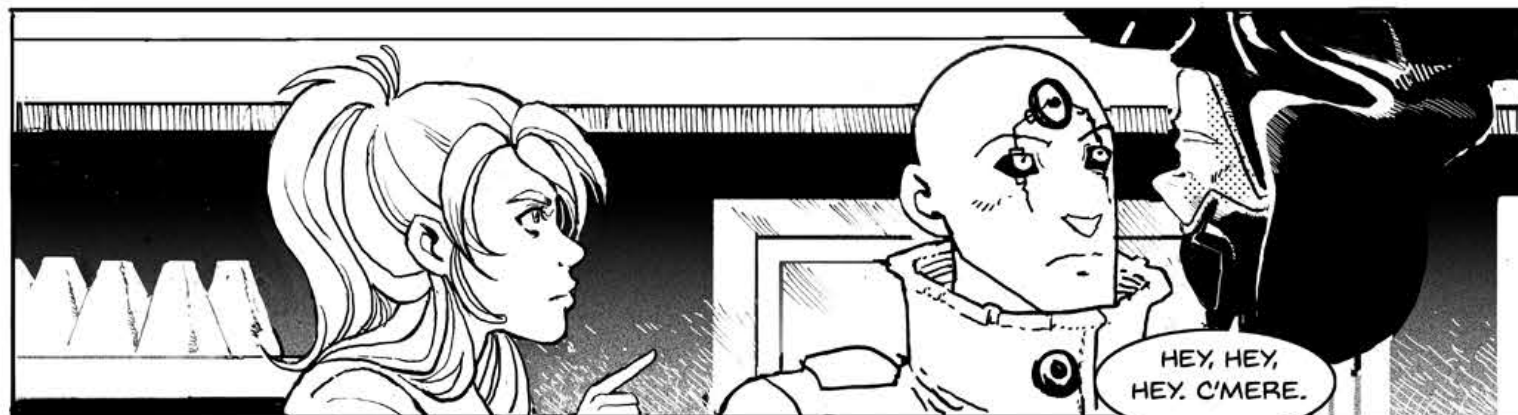
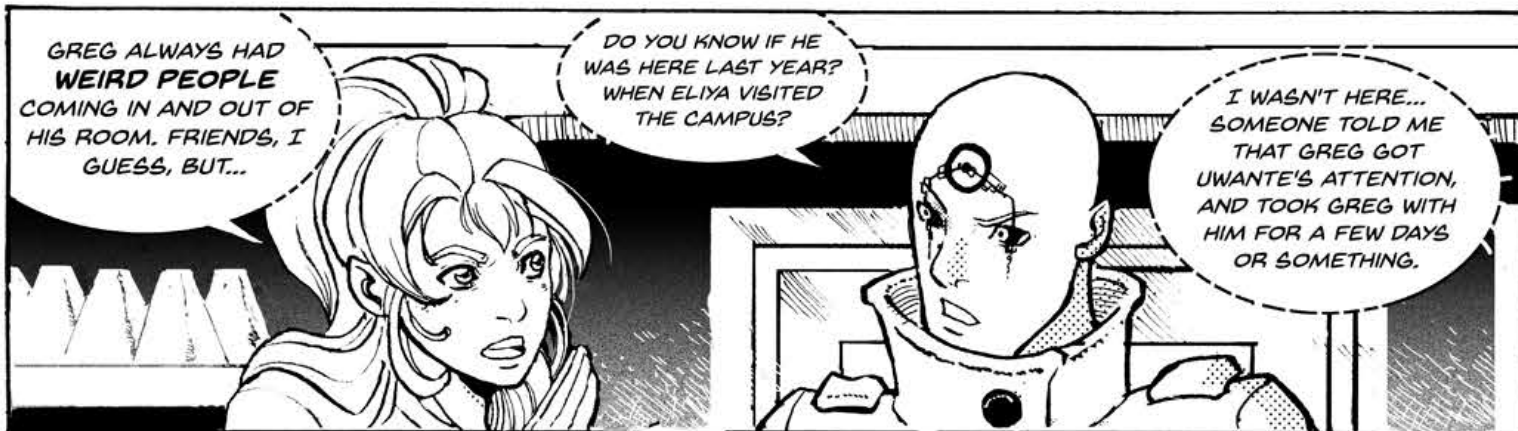


YOU KNOW THIS  
IS *INEVITABLE*,  
BALDY.

GREG?  
YOU TOO?

WHAT... "ME  
TOO"?









YOU THINK I CARE? I DON'T USE MAGIC, I HAVE NO IDEA WHAT...

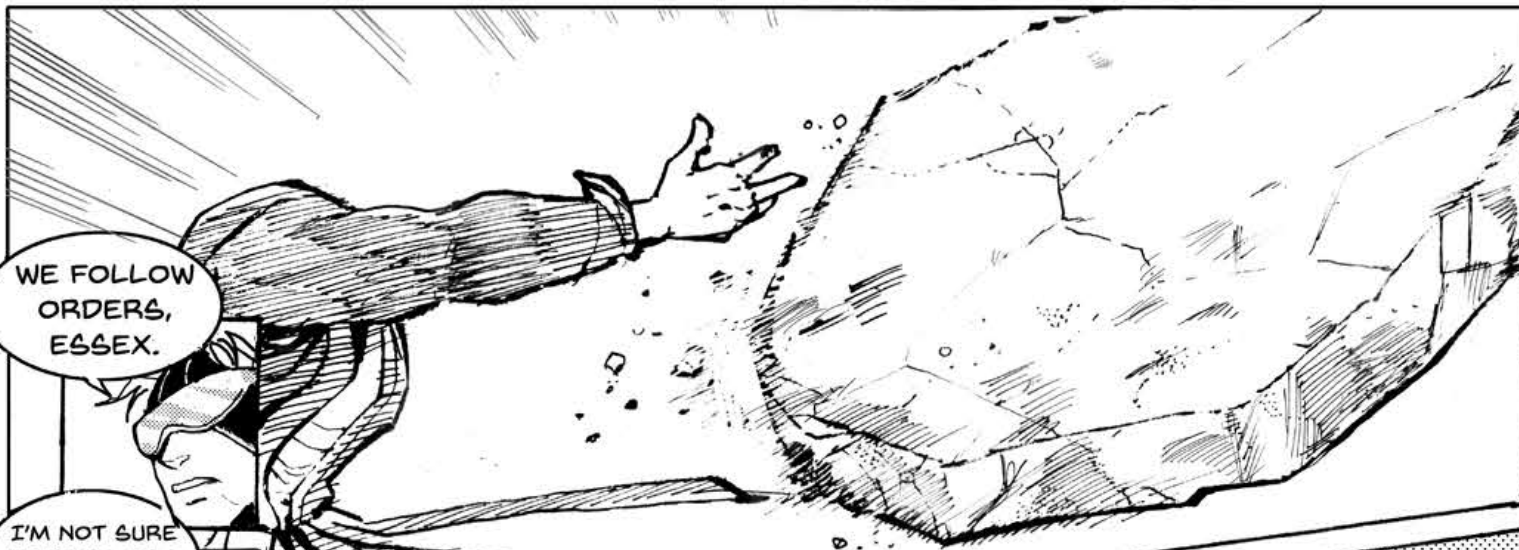
SERIOUSLY, YOU THINK I DID THIS TO MYSELF?



LOOK AT THE **RUBBLE** AROUND US!



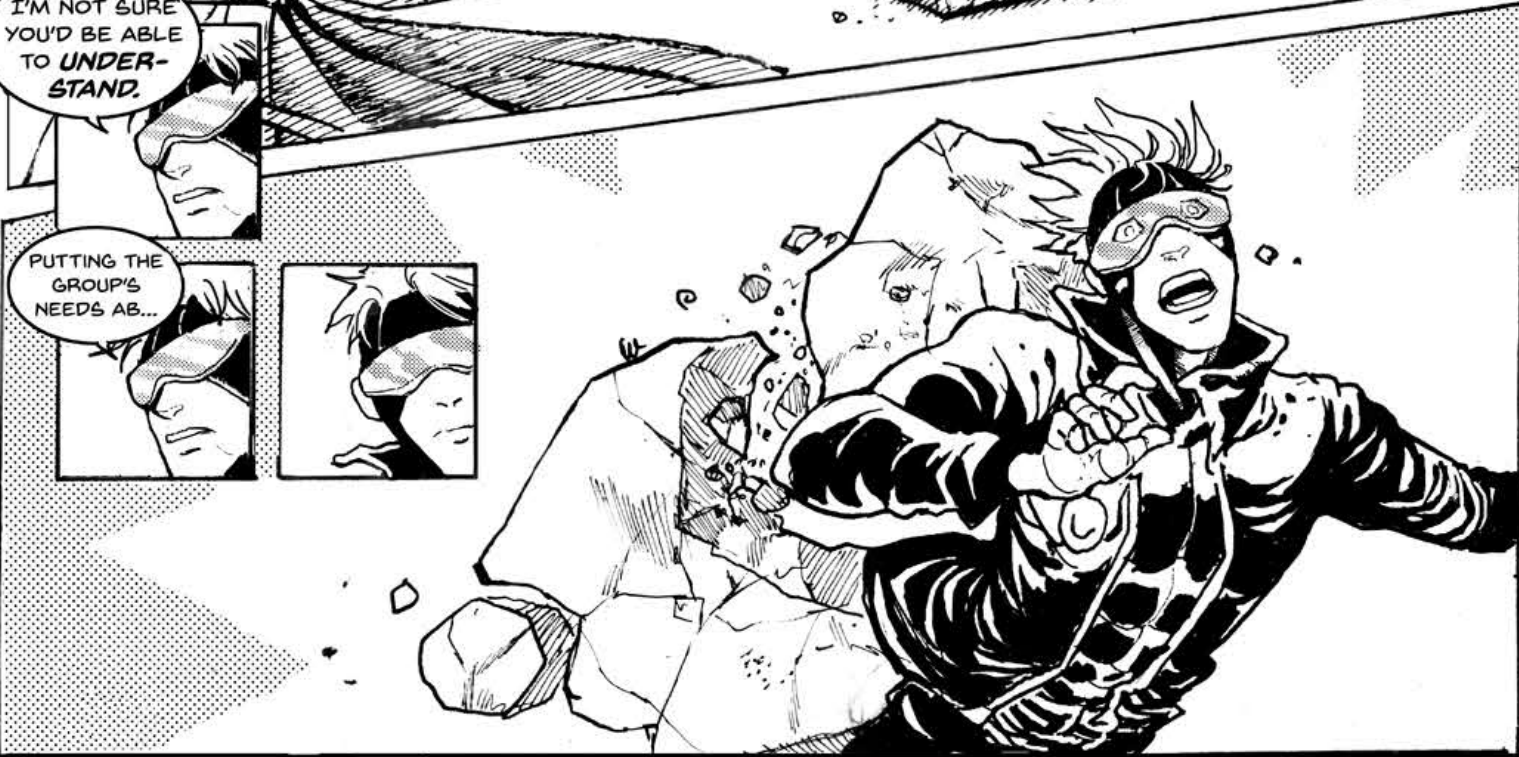
GODDAMMIT, CAN'T YOU SEE THERE'S SOMETHING WRONG?



WE FOLLOW ORDERS, ESSEX.

I'M NOT SURE YOU'D BE ABLE TO UNDERSTAND.

PUTTING THE GROUP'S NEEDS AB...



NGR...



HAVE I... HEARD A CRACK? MNH... GROGGY...



HEH...



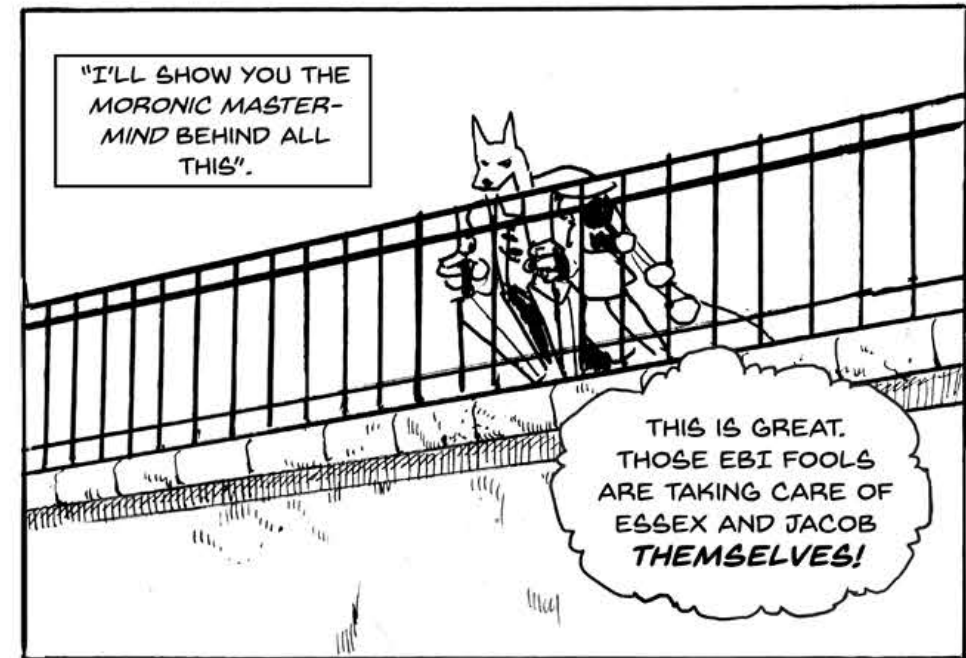
WANNA SEE HOW... LONG TILL I... UNGH... RECOVER?



SNIFF NOT MUCH, I ASSUME. YOUR PARTNER ALREADY SHOWED US HOW **RESILIENT** YOU ARE...



DOESN'T MATTER, THOUGH. I ONLY NEED YOU GROGGY FOR ONE MINUTE.



"I'LL SHOW YOU THE MORONIC MASTER-MIND BEHIND ALL THIS".

THIS IS GREAT. THOSE EBI FOOLS ARE TAKING CARE OF ESSEX AND JACOB THEMSELVES!



**EUROPEAN META-HUMANS!**

A PERFECT **GIFT** FOR OUR ALLIANCE WITH THE HEREMITES...

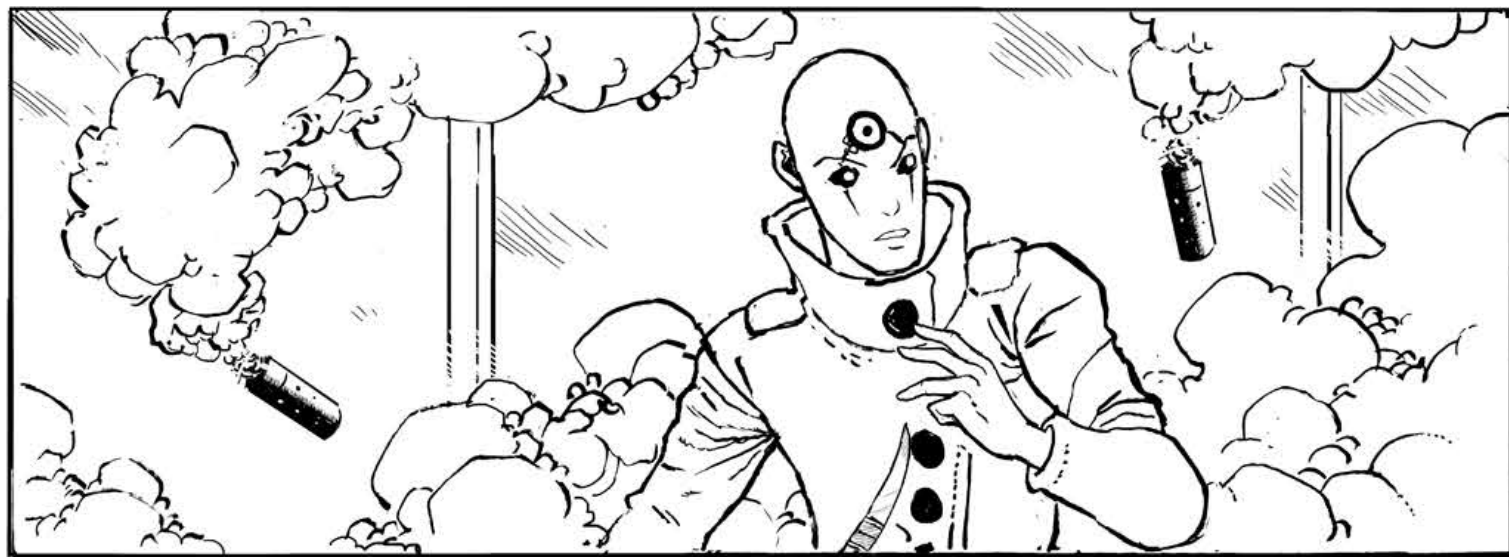
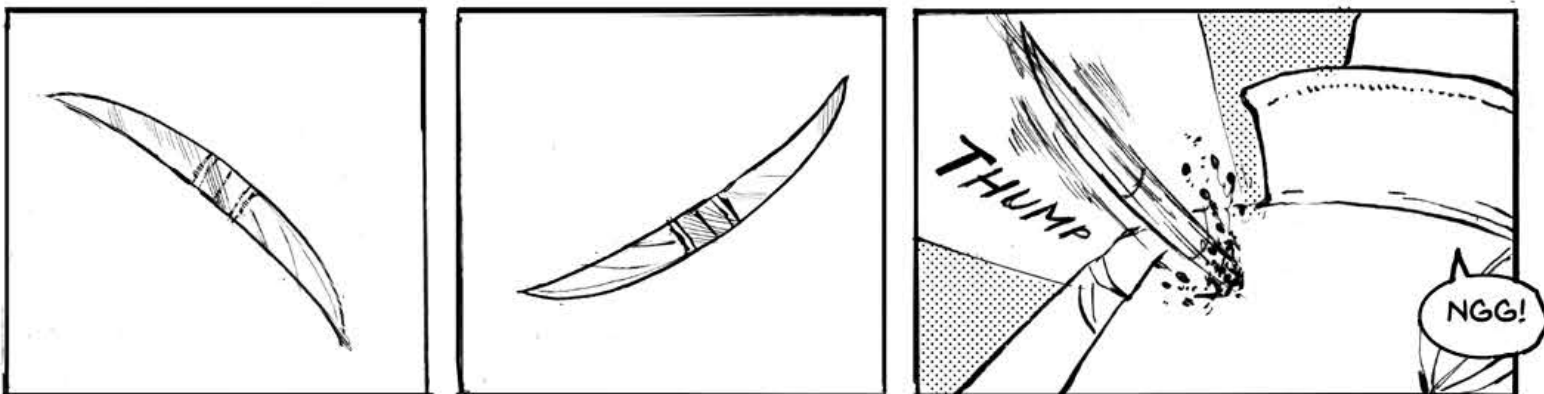


JOHN?



TELL YOUR CONTACT WITH THE HEREMITES TO CALL ME.









NOW I JUST HAVE TO WAIT.

DUDE, WHA...

CHST. YOU'LL SEE.



HAHAHA! EVERYTHING'S PERFECT!



I WILL TAKE REVENGE ON JACOB AND STRENGTHEN OUR ALLIANCE WITH THE HEREMITES!



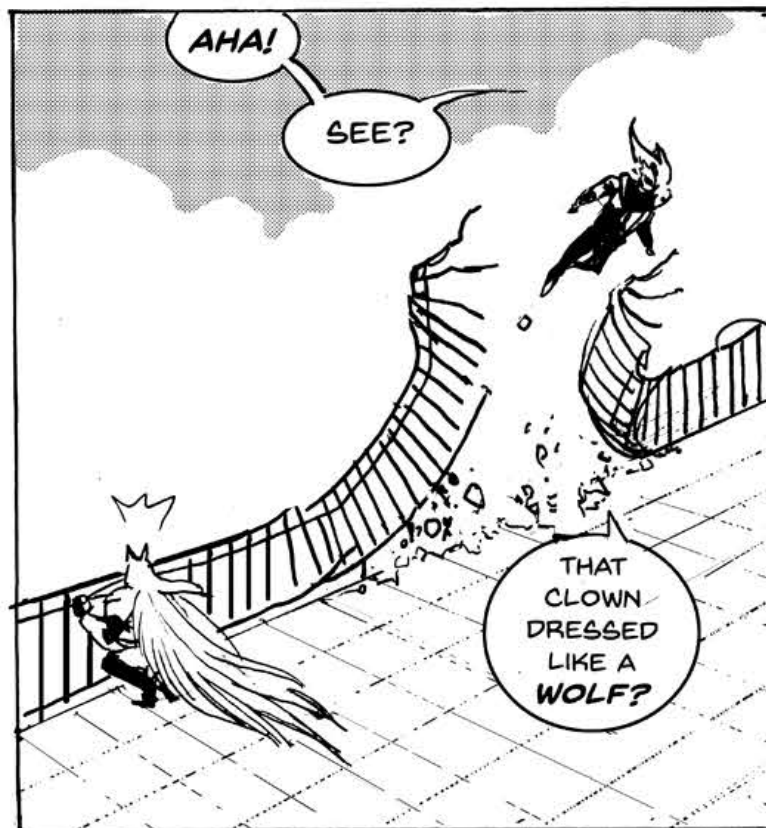
SERIOUSLY, WHAT...?

LISTEN TO ME! I'VE DETECTED HIS SMELL!



AND AS LONG AS I'M HIDING HERE NO ONE CAN...

...UH?



AHA!

SEE?

THAT CLOWN DRESSED LIKE A WOLF?



HEH.



SHIT!

SHIT, FUCK!



GO BUST YOUR FUCKING MOTHER'S BALLS!

SEE, ASS-HOLE! THE CUT!

OKAY, OKAY!

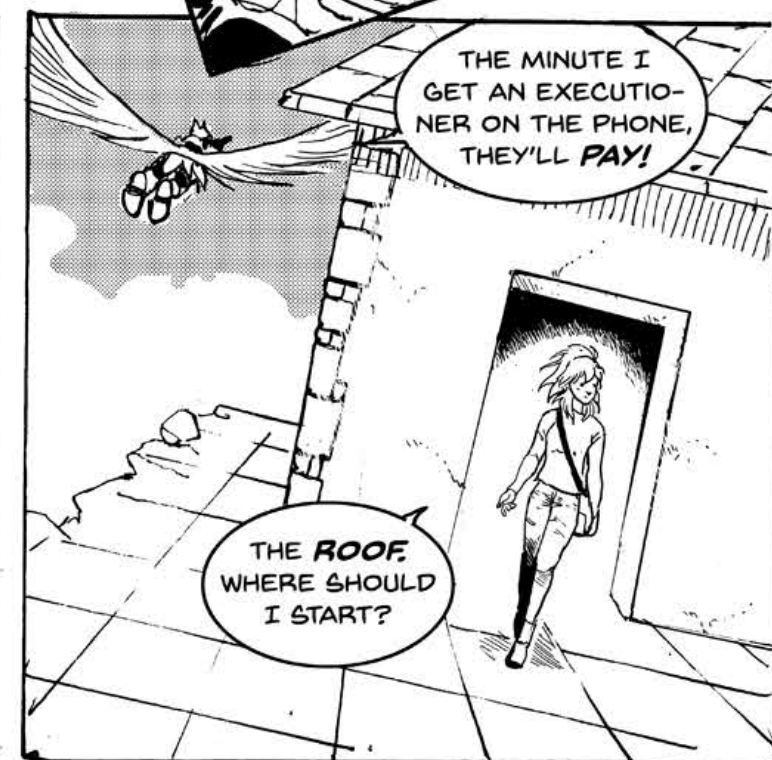
I BELIEVE YOU!

I MEAN, IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE ME NOW YOU'RE FLAT-BRAINED!



GOD. THAT WAS CLOSE. I COULD HAVE BEEN KNOCKED OUT IN SECONDS!

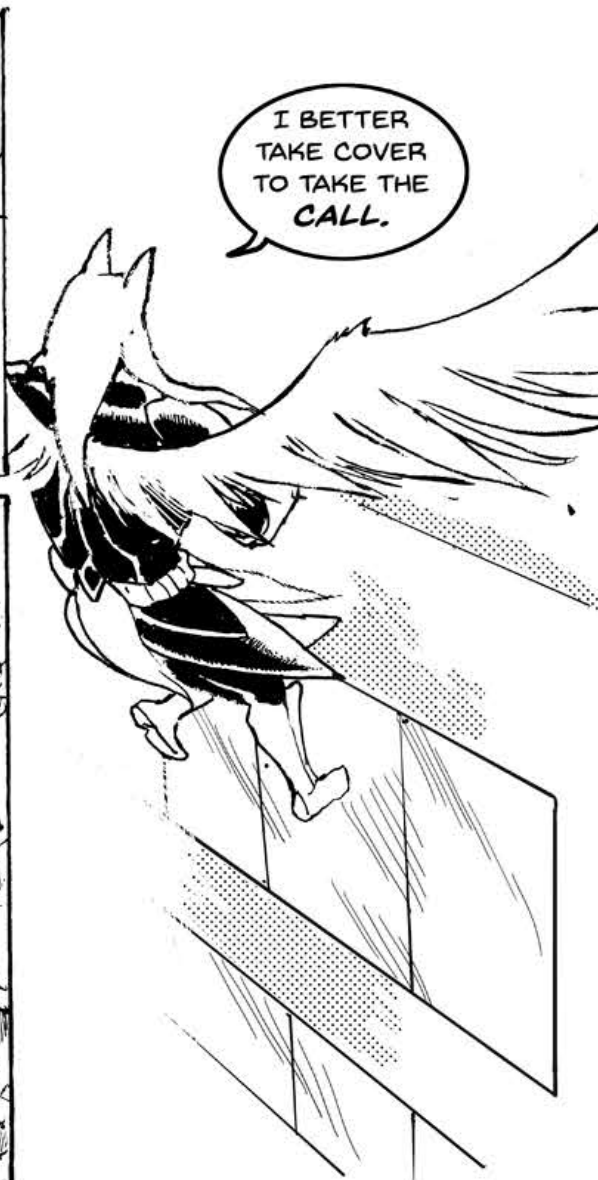
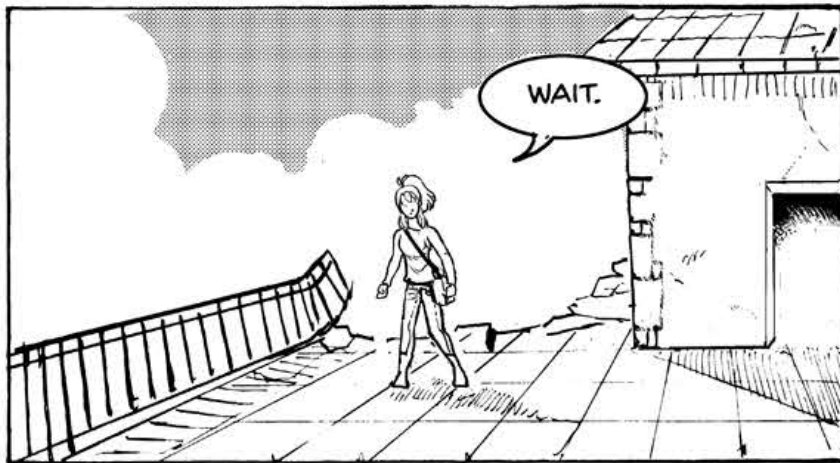
COME ON, YOU STUPID PHONE. RING!



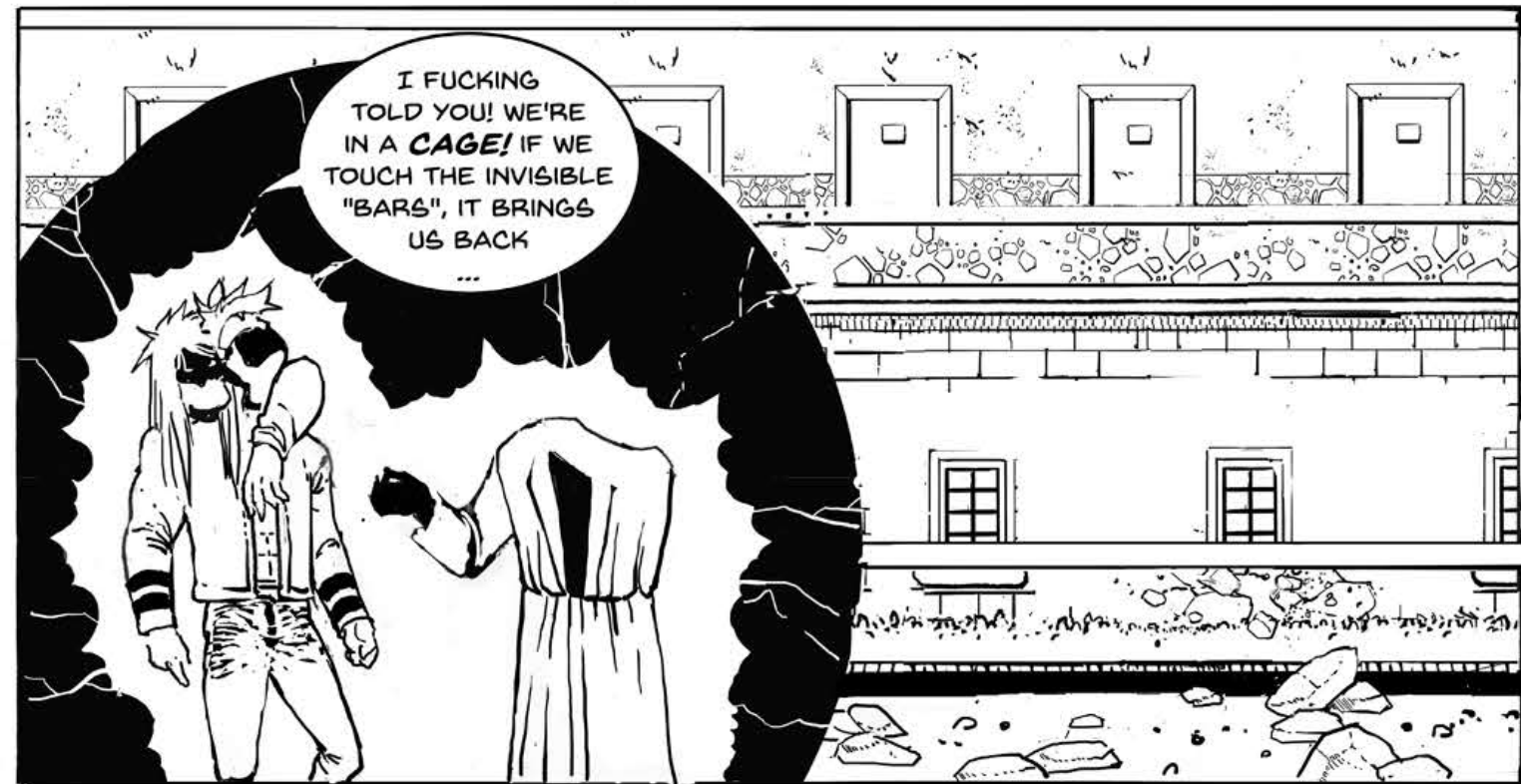
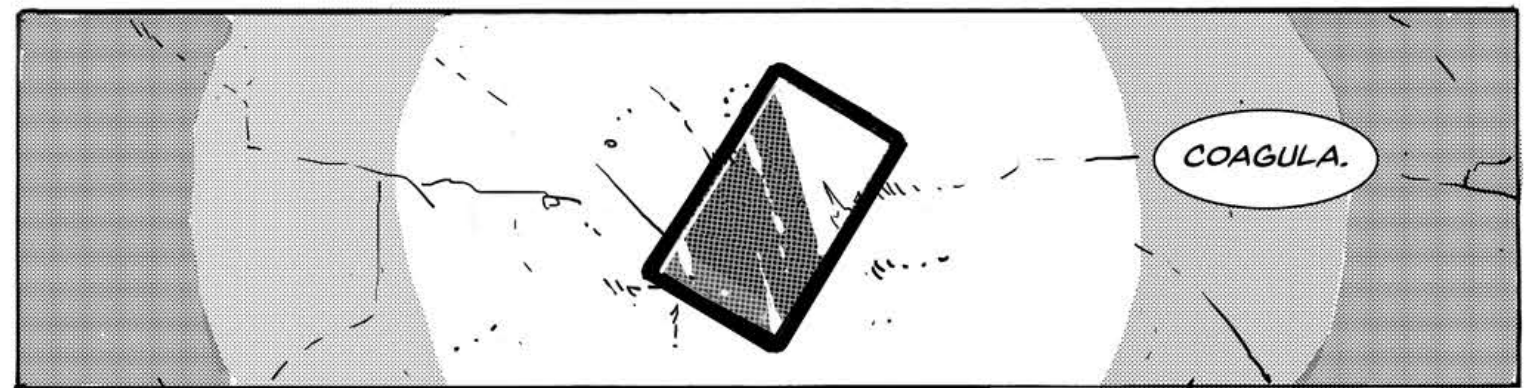
THE MINUTE I GET AN EXECUTIONER ON THE PHONE, THEY'LL PAY!

THE ROOF WHERE SHOULD I START?













WHAT?

...?

BALDIE'S MINE.



STRONG OPPONENTS.



THIS EXPLOSIVE SIGIL WOULD HAVE VOLATILIZED MERE HUMANS...



WHO'S THIS...?

...I THINK... THIS GUY'S A HEREMITE.



SERIOUSLY?



MY PARTNER ONLY WARNED ME ABOUT **METAHUMANS**...

BUT THERE'S ALSO ESSEX AND JACOB HERE, THE CUSTODIANS OF ADAM.

HOW APPROPRIATE.

HOW...?

...SHIT, I THINK THE ONES WITH THE MASK...

WHAT IS...?

WE WERE GOING AFTER YOU ANYWAY...

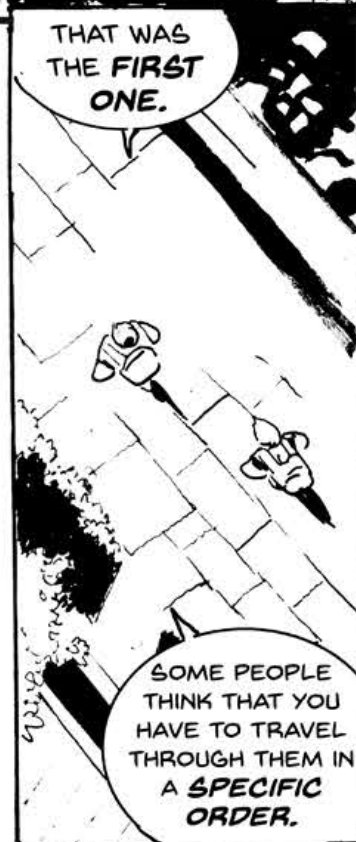
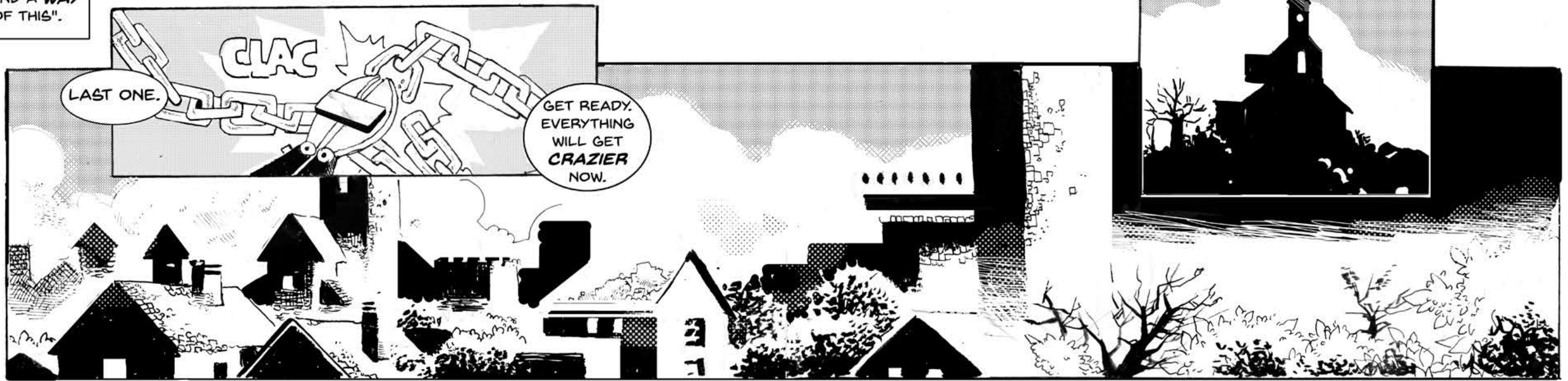
...WE WERE WAITING FOR A LESS VOLATILE SITUATION.

DOESN'T MATTER.


THE OLD ONES WANTED THIS ENCOUNTER TO HAPPEN. IT'S ALL IN THEIR PLAN...



"WE'LL FIND A WAY  
OUT OF THIS".







SO... DO YOU  
KNOW HOW TO  
GET INTO THE  
CITY?

NOT EXACT-  
LY... BUT... ALL THE  
LEGENDS POINT  
THERE... TO THE  
**CHURCH OF  
RENNES.**

THE CHURCH  
WHERE, DURING THE  
FRENCH REVOLUTION,  
THEY SCULPTED AN IN-  
VERTED CRUCIFIX AND  
WROTE: "**VEKAM,  
ADONAI**".

## ...TO BE CONTINUED

UPSURGE IS AN ALMOST MONTHLY (40 DAYS) SERIES THAT STILL HAS A LONG WAY TO GO TO REACH THE INTENDED ENDING. HOWEVER, WE CAN'T KEEP DOING IT FOR "FREE" INDEFINITELY. IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN HELPING US WHILE ALSO GETTING **EARLY ACCESS** TO AN ISSUE, **PREVIEWS** OF FUTURE EPISODES, OR **VIDEOS** AND TEXTS ABOUT OUR CREATIVE PROCESS, PLEASE CONSIDER SUPPORTING US THROUGH PATREON AT THE 3\$ PLEDGE LEVEL (LINK BELOW). IF WE HAVE ENOUGH HELP, WE'LL TURN UPSURGE INTO A **MONTHLY** SERIES. THANK YOU!

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