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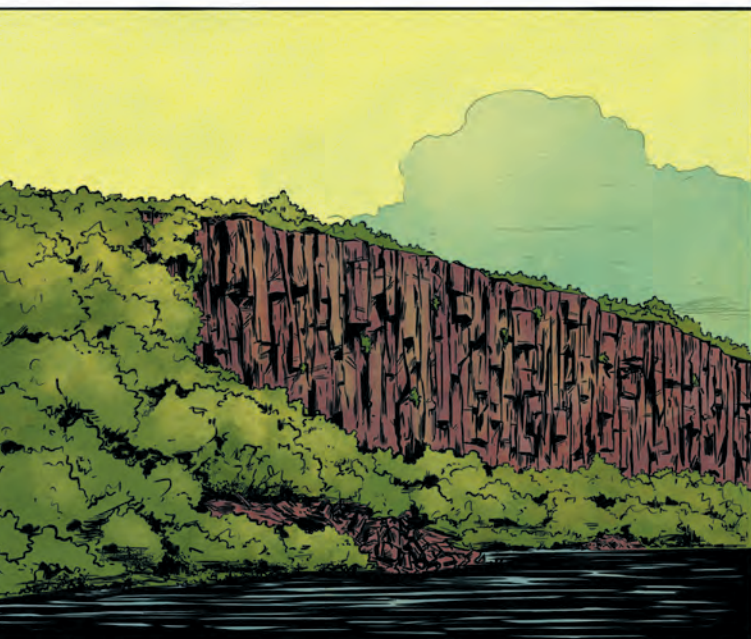


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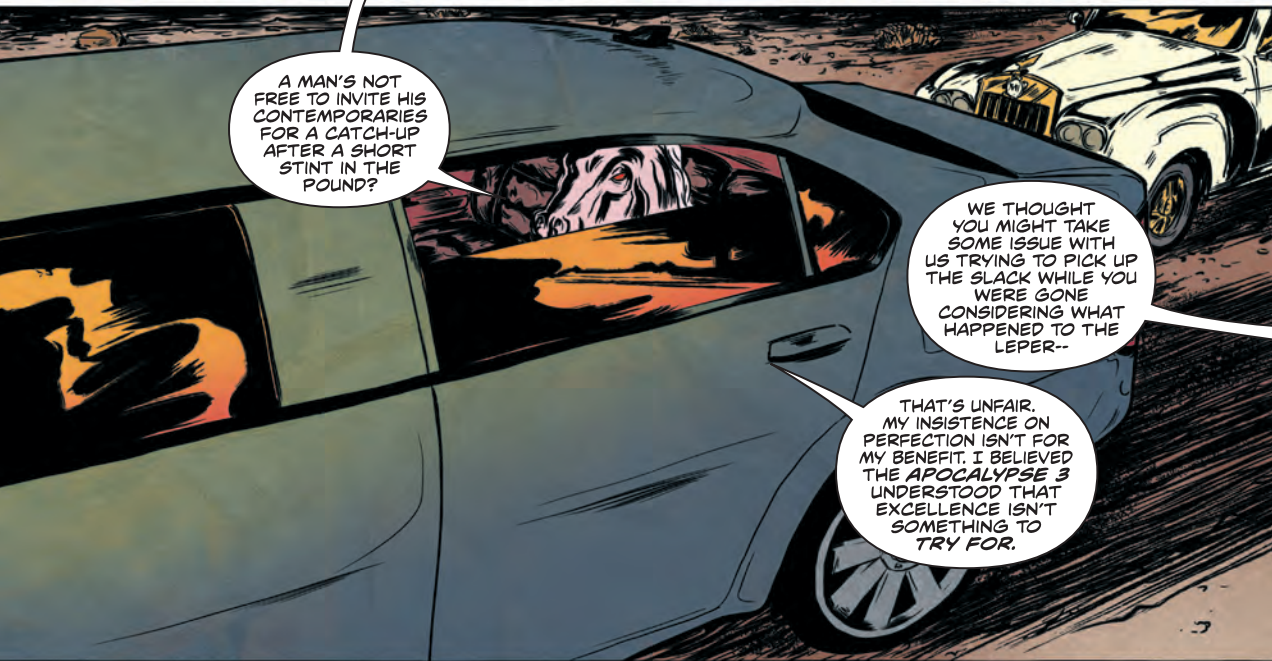
IT'S TIME TO FIND OUT HOW THE MICE HAVE PLAYED WHILE I'VE BEEN AWAY.

# TRANSLUCID WILD HORSES





YOU HAVE NERVOUS ENERGY. I CAN'T IMAGINE WHY.



A MAN'S NOT FREE TO INVITE HIS CONTEMPORARIES FOR A CATCH-UP AFTER A SHORT STINT IN THE POUND?

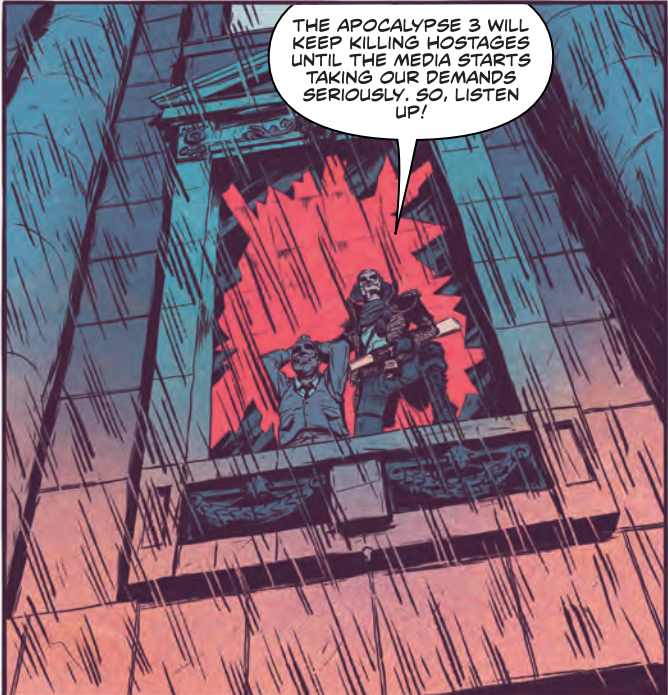
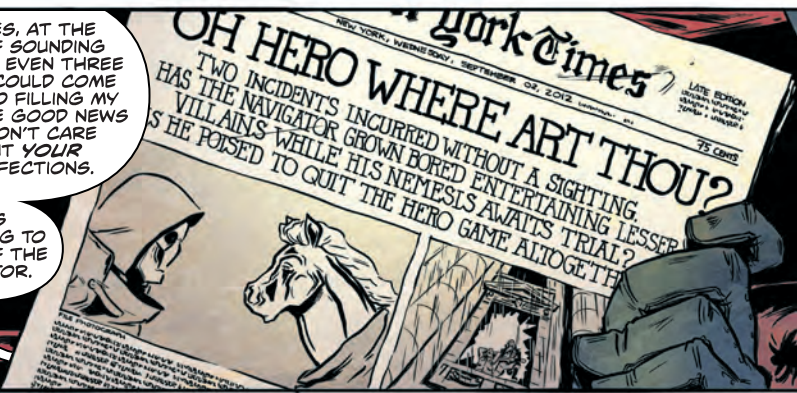
WE THOUGHT YOU MIGHT TAKE SOME ISSUE WITH US TRYING TO PICK UP THE SLACK WHILE YOU WERE GONE CONSIDERING WHAT HAPPENED TO THE LEPER--

THAT'S UNFAIR. MY INSISTENCE ON PERFECTION ISN'T FOR MY BENEFIT. I BELIEVED THE APOCALYPSE 3 UNDERSTOOD THAT EXCELLENCE ISN'T SOMETHING TO TRY FOR.



BESIDES, AT THE RISK OF SOUNDING VAIN, NOT EVEN THREE OF YOU COULD COME CLOSE TO FILLING MY ROLE. THE GOOD NEWS IS, I DON'T CARE ABOUT YOUR IMPERFECTIONS.

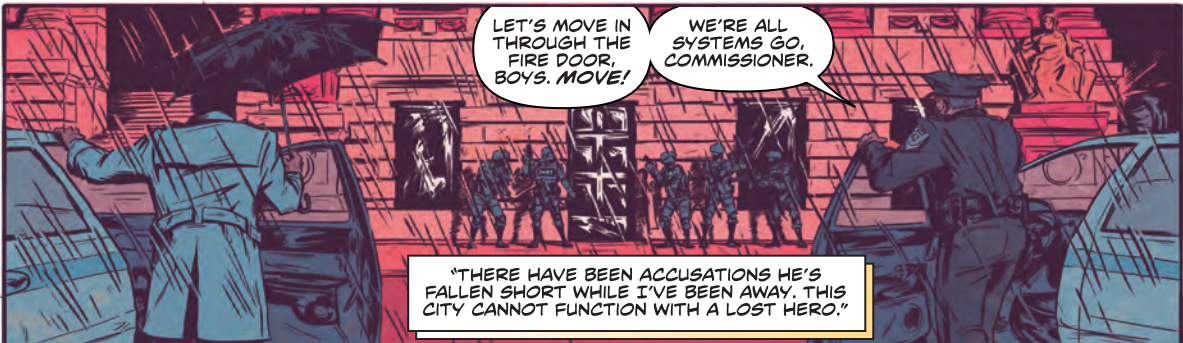
I WAS REFERRING TO THOSE OF THE NAVIGATOR.



THE APOCALYPSE 3 WILL KEEP KILLING HOSTAGES UNTIL THE MEDIA STARTS TAKING OUR DEMANDS SERIOUSLY. SO, LISTEN UP!



DAMMIT, ROGERS! I NEED YOU TO GET IN THERE!



LET'S MOVE IN THROUGH THE FIRE DOOR, BOYS. MOVE!

WE'RE ALL SYSTEMS GO, COMMISSIONER.

"THERE HAVE BEEN ACCUSATIONS HE'S FALLEN SHORT WHILE I'VE BEEN AWAY. THIS CITY CANNOT FUNCTION WITH A LOST HERO."



NOT SURE WHERE YOU'VE BEEN, OLD FRIEND, BUT I COULD SURE USE YOUR HELP ABOUT NOW.