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the **AMAZING SPIDER-MAN**



**GUGGENHEIM
CHECCHETTO
ROSS
MAGYAR
D'AURIA**

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Then.

PORTLAND, OREGON.

ALRIGHT...



Now.

QUEENS, NEW YORK.

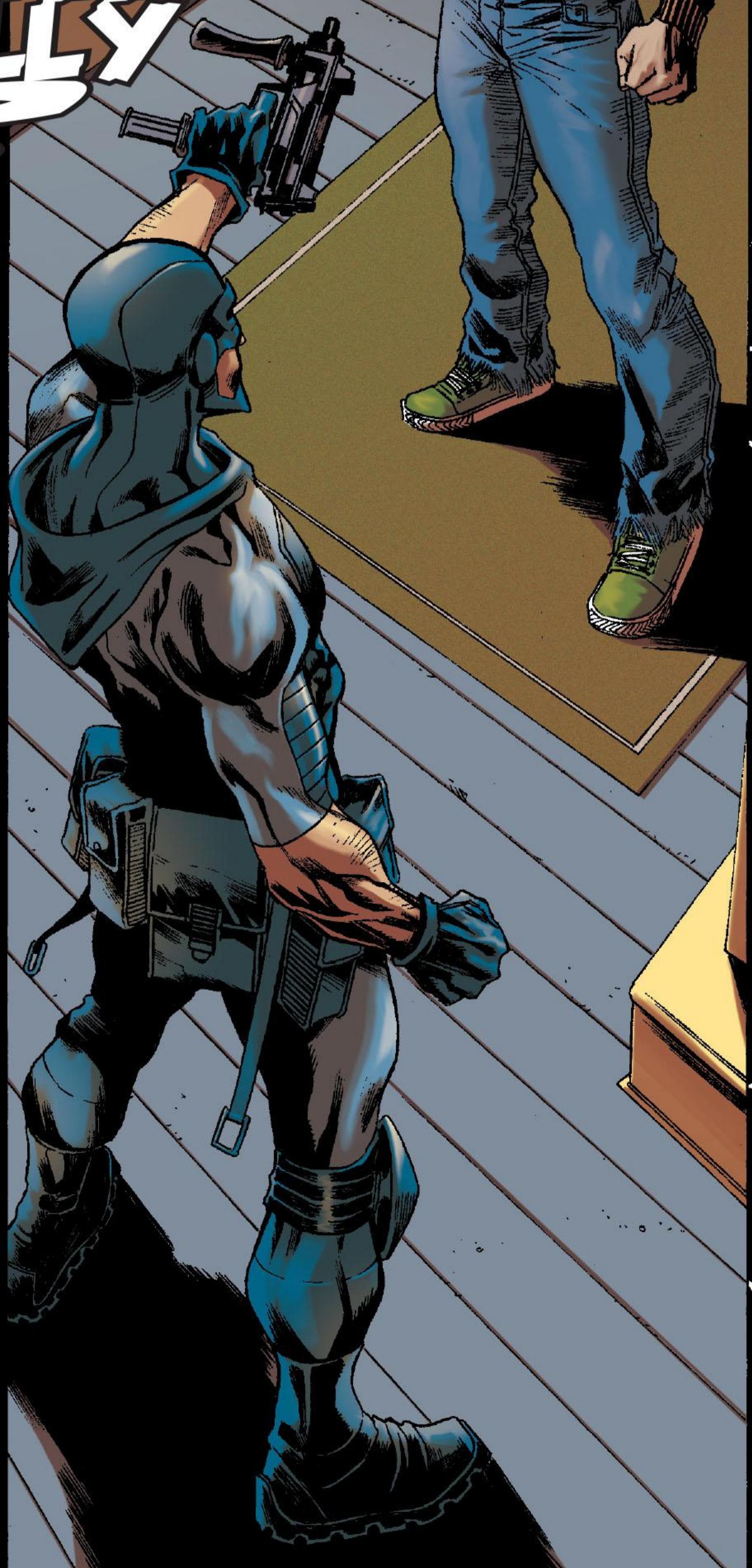
ALRIGHT...



BEN REILLY AND PETER PARKER! TWO SIDES OF THE SAME COIN. ONE WHO WATCHED A FRIEND GO MAD YEARS AGO AND THE OTHER FACING THAT SAME MADMAN TODAY WHILE SURROUNDED BY INNOCENTS AT HIS AUNT'S HOME!

ONE OF THESE MEN WILL SOON DIE HAUNTED BY THE QUESTION:

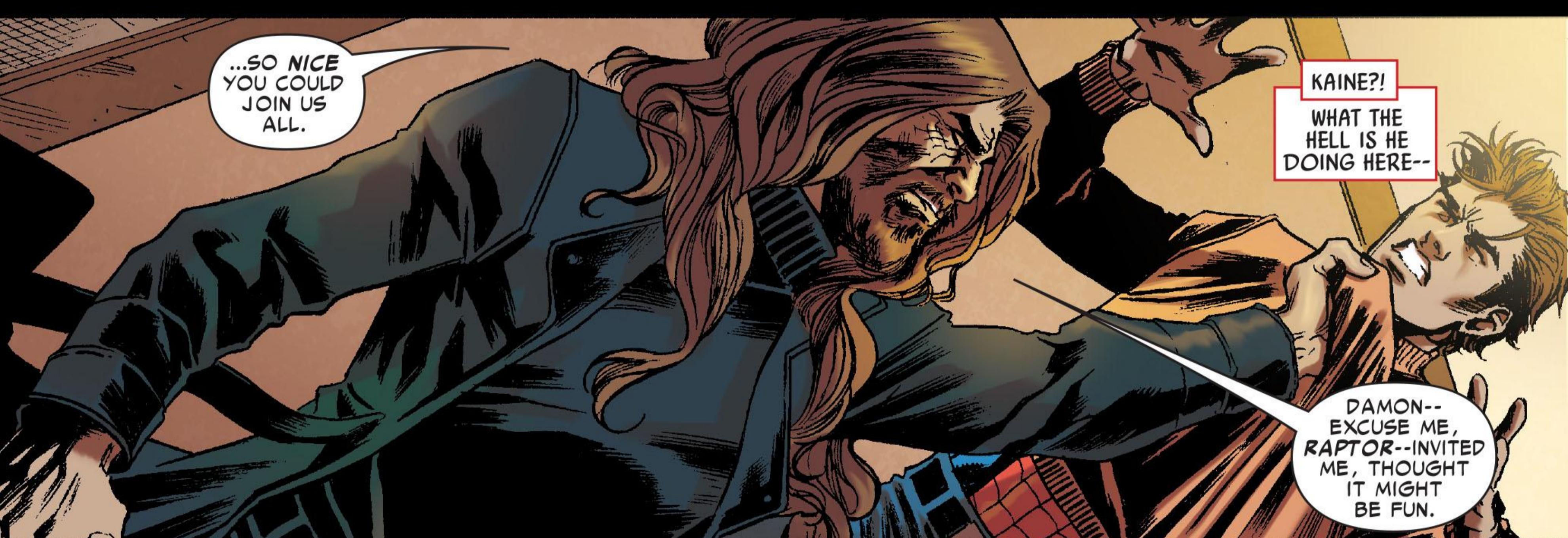
**WHO WAS
BEN REILLY?**







Now.



-HNK-
NO...

SHUT UP!

WE'VE GOT THE SAME DNA AND I KNOW FOR A FACT YOU'RE MADE OF STERNER STUFF THAN THAT.

YOU'RE AS SMART AS EVER, KAIN!

WHAT I MEANT WAS...

KSSHH

...THIS REALLY ISN'T A GOOD TIME.

Y'KNOW, NORMALLY I'D SAY THAT JOKE BROUGHT THE HOUSE DOWN...

..BUT I'M NOT REALLY IN A MOOD TO SCREW AROUND!





...RYDER
NEEDED ME HERE
HERE BECAUSE I
THINK HE WANTS TO
RELIVE A CERTAIN
EVENING IN
PORTLAND.

I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
YOU'RE TALKING
ABOUT,
KAIN.

ACTUALLY...

TEN!

...I THINK
YOU DO!

YOU'RE
GOING TO
WATCH YOUR
FAMILY BURN,
BEN.

Foooooom

YOU'RE GOING
TO EXPERIENCE EXACTLY
WHAT IT'S LIKE TO LOOK
AT THE BODIES OF YOUR
LOVED ONES, THEIR FLESH
CRACKED AND CHARRED,
THEIR EYES FILLED
ONLY WITH ASH.

WELCOME,
REILLY...

"...WELCOME
TO MY
HELL!"

I TOLD
YOU THIS
WOULD HAPPEN,
DAMON! I WARNED
YOU!

BEN!
NO---!!
GNF---

CHOK

DON'T YOU
UNDERSTAND HOW
LUCKY YOU WERE,
DAMON?! YOU WON!
IT WAS ALL IN
YOUR HANDS!

THINGS SOME
PEOPLE SPEND
THEIR LIVES
SEARCHING FOR!

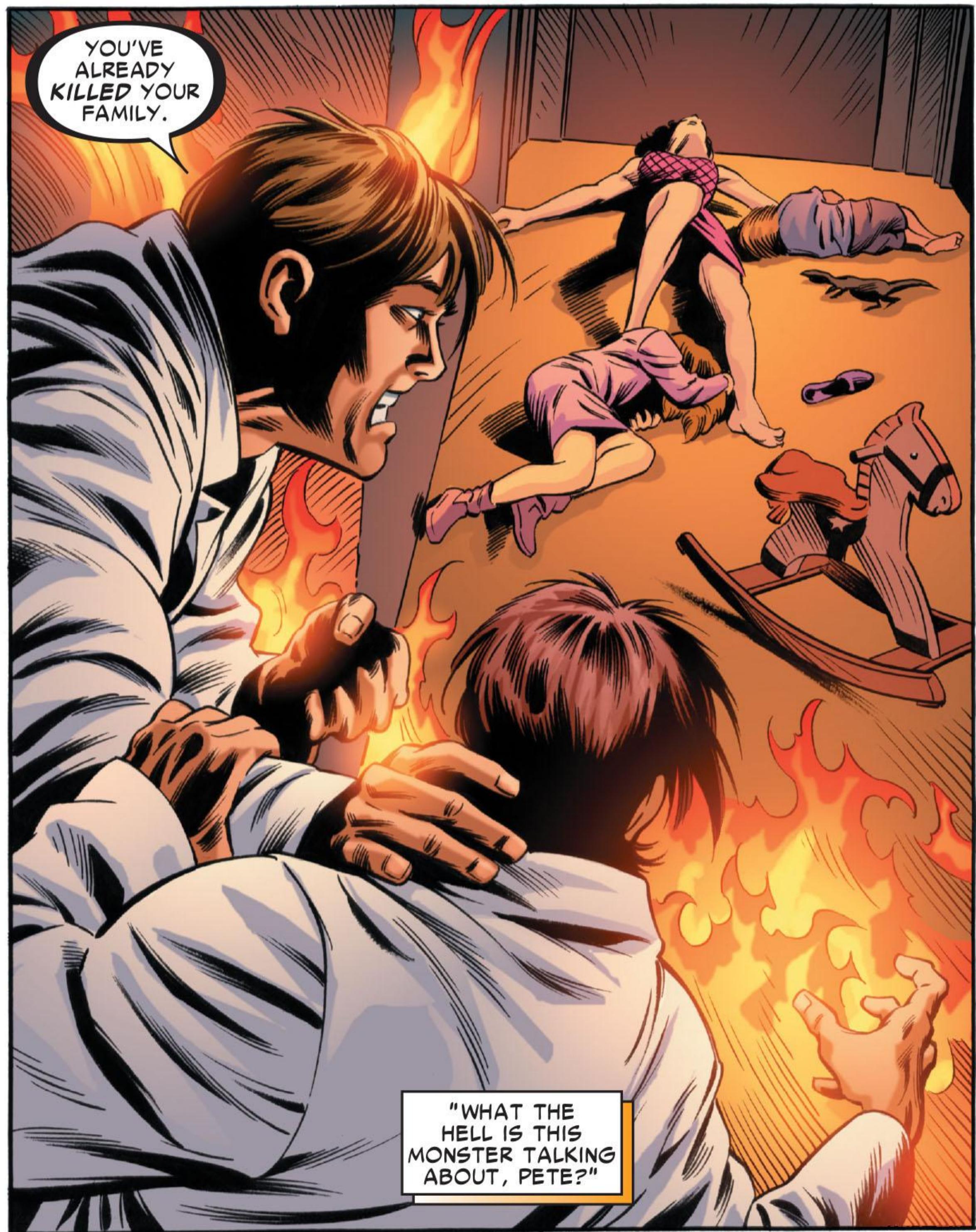
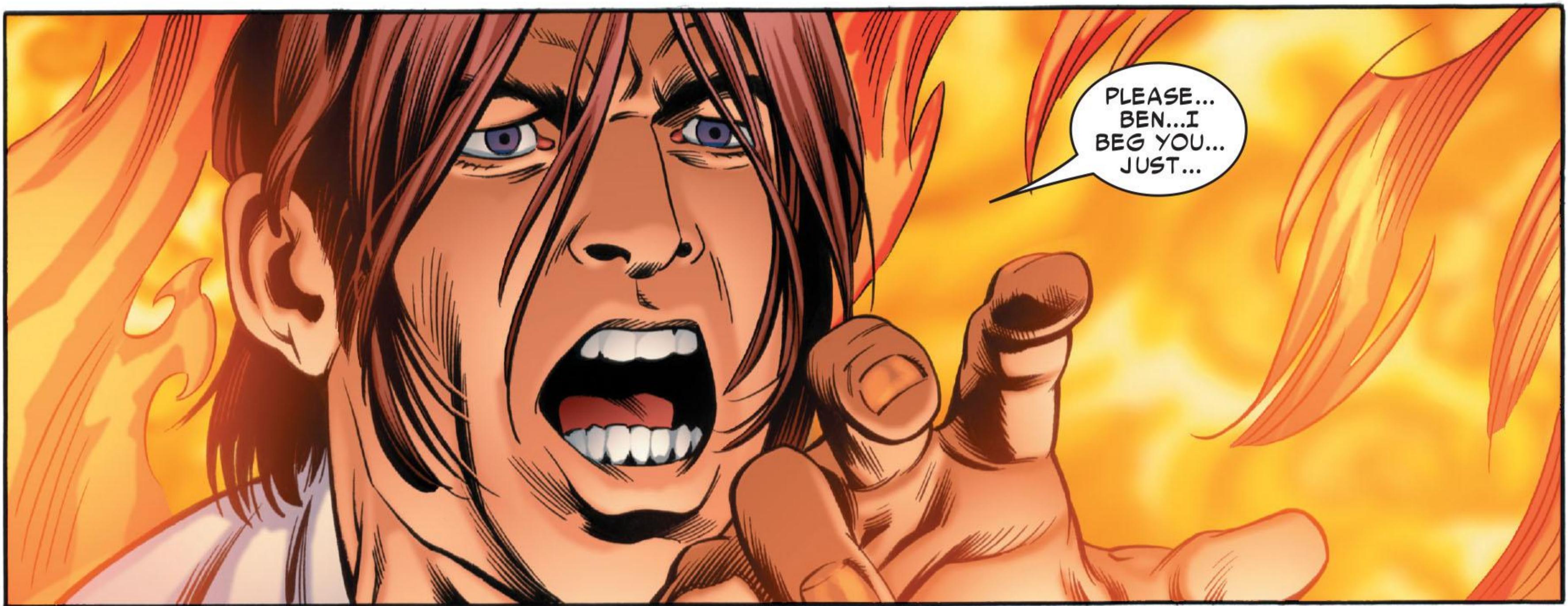
GRRN--

DOESN'T IT
MEAN ANYTHING
TO YOU? YOUR
CHILDREN...YOUR
WIFE...

UNGH-LAU--
LAURA...

DAMMIT!
WHY DIDN'T
YOU LISTEN
TO ME?

LAURA!
GET THE
KIDS OUT! GET
OUT OF THE
HOUSE!



Now.

DID YOU DO SOMETHING TO THIS GUY'S FAMILY?

BEN...WHAT DID YOU DO TO THIS MAN?

...HE'S INSANE! JUST-- JUST GET READY TO RUN...!

WHAT DO YOU THINK YOU'RE GONA DO THAT'LL GIVE 'EM THAT CHANCE?

HOW CAN I EXPLAIN THAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT A VERSION OF ME THAT'S, APPARENTLY, CAPABLE OF WHOLESALE SLAUGHTER OF INNOCENT PEOPLE?

TRUST ME, HARRY...

ME? NOTHING. THEN WHAT--

ALRIGHT, SCREWBALL FANS! IT'S TIME TO GET THIS PARTY STARTED!

FINALLY.

SOMETHING GOES RIGHT.

SCREWBALL ARRIVES PRACTICALLY RIGHT ON SCHEDULE.

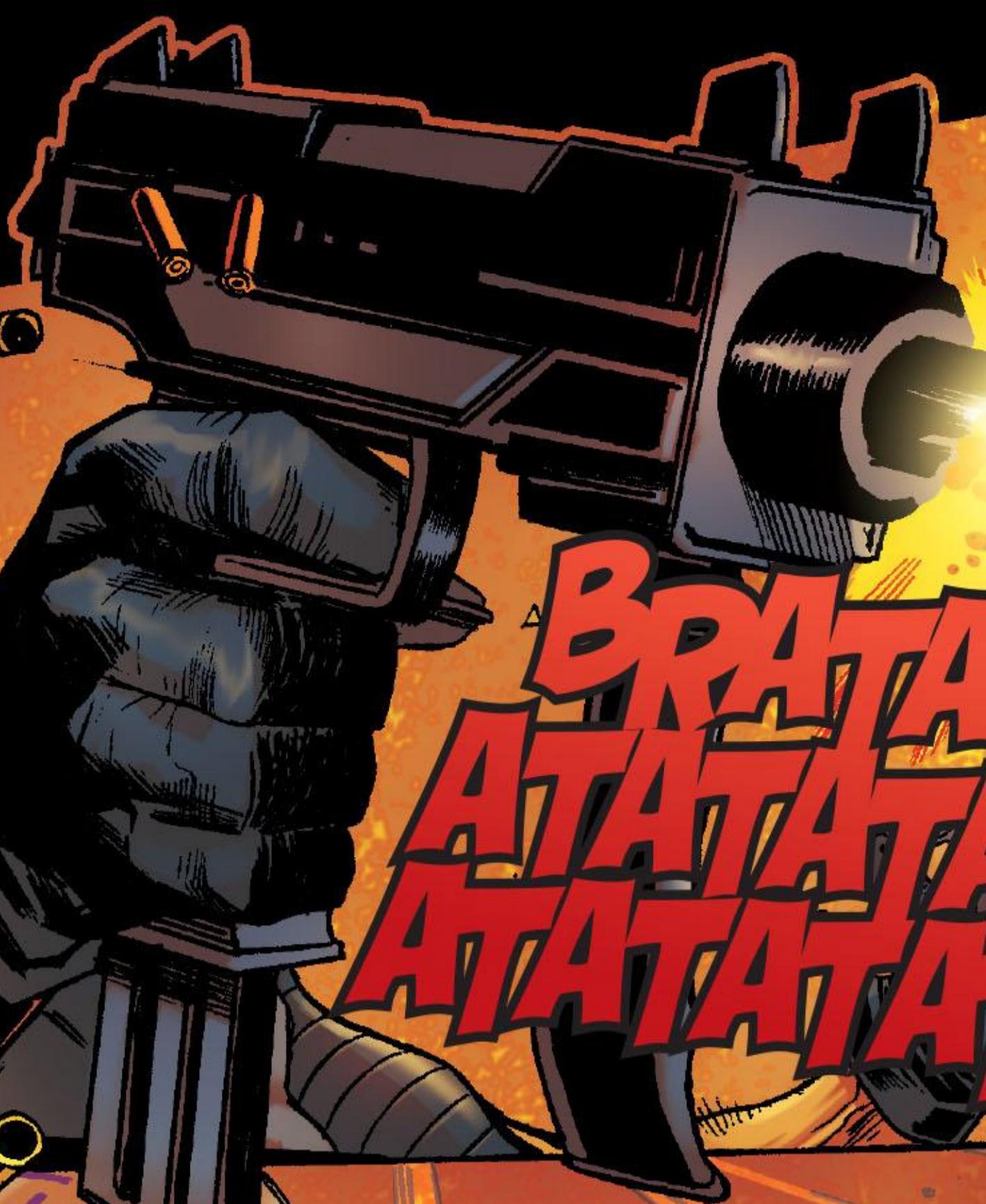
WOW. I REALLY COULDN'T HAVE TIMED THAT BETTER IF I'D PLANNED IT.

WAITASECOND, I DID PLAN IT.

MAN, AM I GOOD. I LOVE IT WHEN I'M THIS GOOD.

HEY, YOU'RE NOT SPIDER-MAN...

PERCEPTIVE.



BRATATAT
ATATATATAT
ATATATATAT

WOAH! WHAT'S WITH THE SHOOTIN', TEX?! AND WHERE THE HECK IS SPIDER-MAN?!

RIGHT HERE.

CRACK



I'VE GOT SUBSCRIBERS PAYING FOR THE GENUINE ARTICLE, NOT SOME CRACKPOT WHO LOOKS LIKE HE STEPPED OUT OF THE NINETIES!

*REMEMBER THAT TEXT SPIDEY MADE LAST ISSUE?
--WACKER

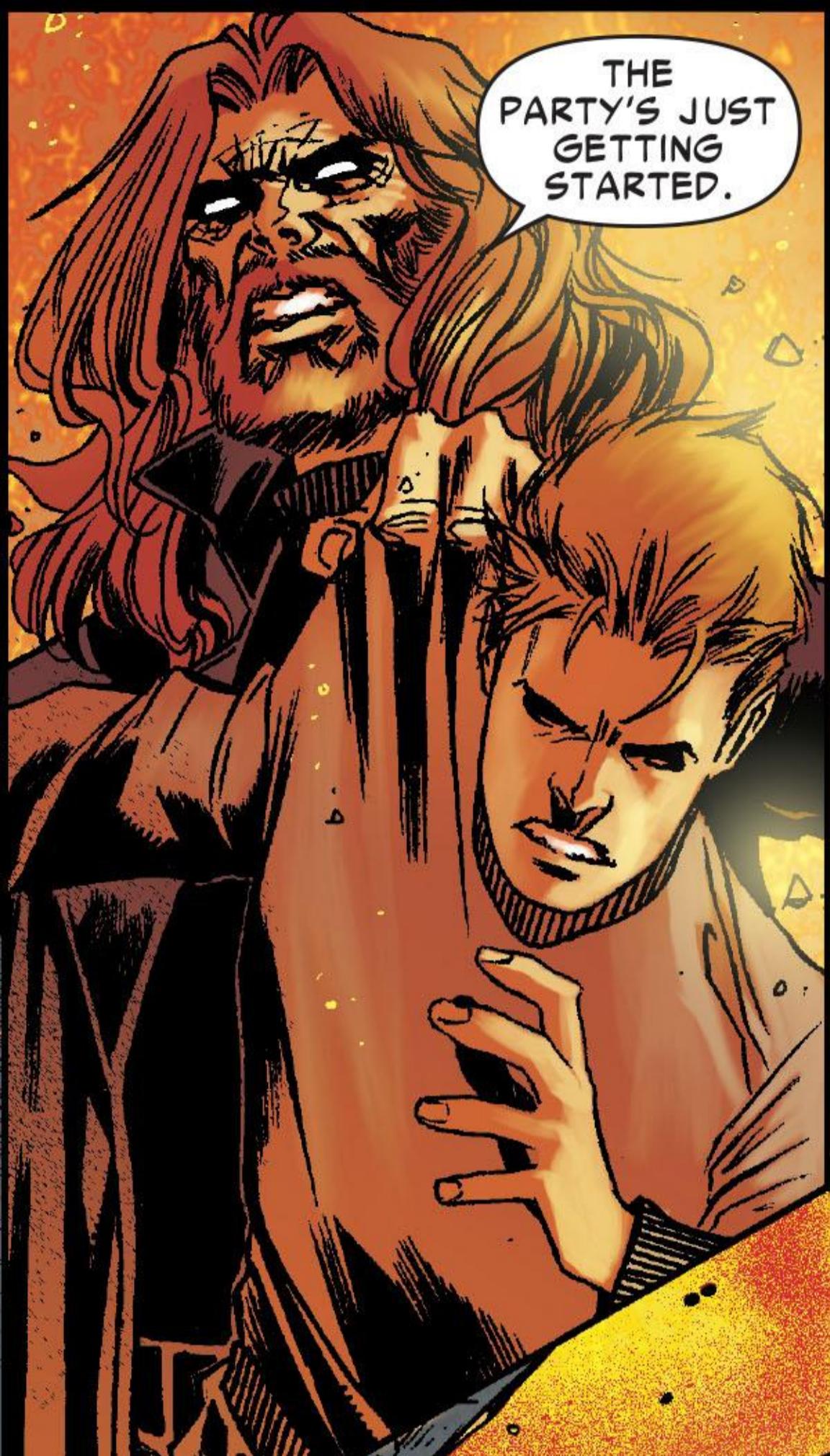
HARRY! GET MY COUSINS OUT OF HERE AND CALL THE COPS!

PETER!

IT'S GONNA BE OKAY...

WHO ARE THESE PEOPLE?

LONG STORY FALLOUT FROM A STORY I DID FOR FRONT LINE RISK OF THE PROFESSION VERY UNFORTUANTE SORRY YOU GOT SUCKED INTO IT.



SORRY,
AUNT MAY.

I KNOW YOU ALWAYS
WANTED TO OPEN UP
THE LIVING ROOM, BUT
I'M SURE THIS ISN'T
WHAT YOU MEANT.

SKARRNNHHHH

OH, BOY, THIS
IS GONNA TAKE
SOME MONEY
TO REMODEL.

GLAD YOU
MARRIED A
RICH GUY.

COST OF
DRYWALL...
\$3,000.

COST
OF LABOR...
\$8,000.

COST OF
KEEPING SECRET
IDENTITY SECRET...

PRICELESS.

SPIDER-MAN!

YOU
SHOWED!

OF COURSE
I DID. BUT NOW
THAT YOU'VE SERVED
YOUR PURPOSE AS A
DISTRACTION, I'M GOING
TO KNOCK YOU UNCONSCIOUS
AND THEN DEAL
WITH BIGGER
PROBLEMS.

WHAT--?

SORRY. I
THOUGHT WE
WERE HAVING
A STATE-THE-
OBVIOUS
CONTEST.

I WIN,
BY THE
WAY.

NGGH-

SHRAK



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SORRY FOLKS,
SCREWBALL'S
WEBCAST IS OFF
THE AIR.

PLEASE
GO BACK TO
WATCHING MONKEYS
ON ICE-SKATES OR
WHATEVER ELSE YOU
DO WITH THE
INTERNET.



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SCREWBALL
LIVE

SPIDER-MAN--

WHY DOES
EVERYONE
KEEP SAYING MY
NAME LIKE IT'S
A GUESS OR
SOMETHING?

I MEAN,
ISN'T IT OBVIOUS
I'M SPIDER-MAN
FROM THE
COSTUME?

OR THE WEB-
SHOOTING?

CHAK TAK
TAK TAK
CHAK

WHY ARE
YOU ALWAYS
PROTECTING
REILLY?!*

*SPIDEY "CONVENIENTLY"
SHOWED UP IN BOSTON
TO COME TO PETER'S
RESCUE BACK IN AMAZING
SPIDER-MAN ANNUAL #36.
--WACKER

THAT, MY
FRIEND, IS SUCH
A LONG STORY, YOU
WOULDN'T BELIEVE
ME IF I
TOLDYA!

BUT THE
SHORT VERSION
IS THAT THE GUY
YOU'VE BEEN CHASING
AFTER IS NOT BEN
REILLY.

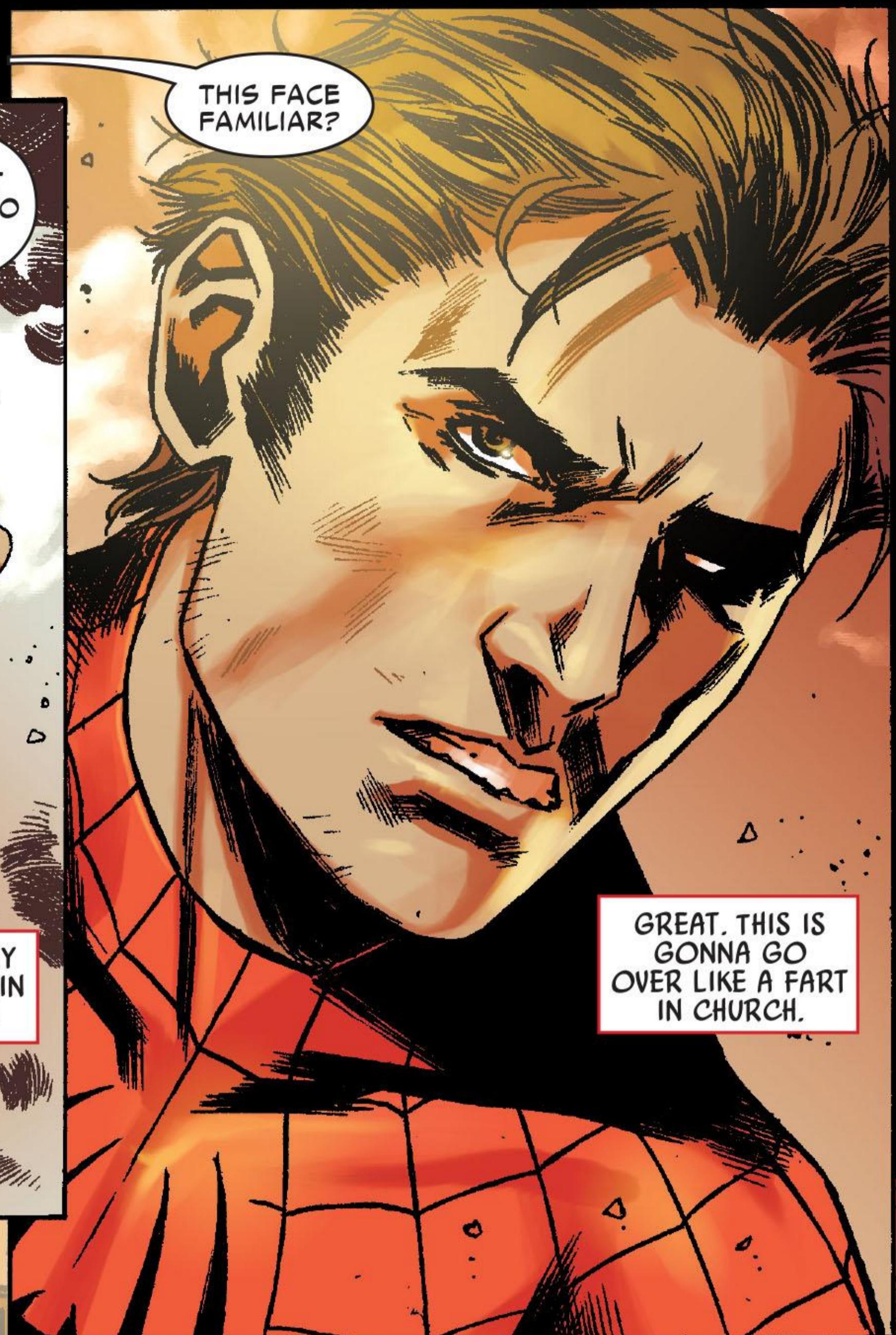
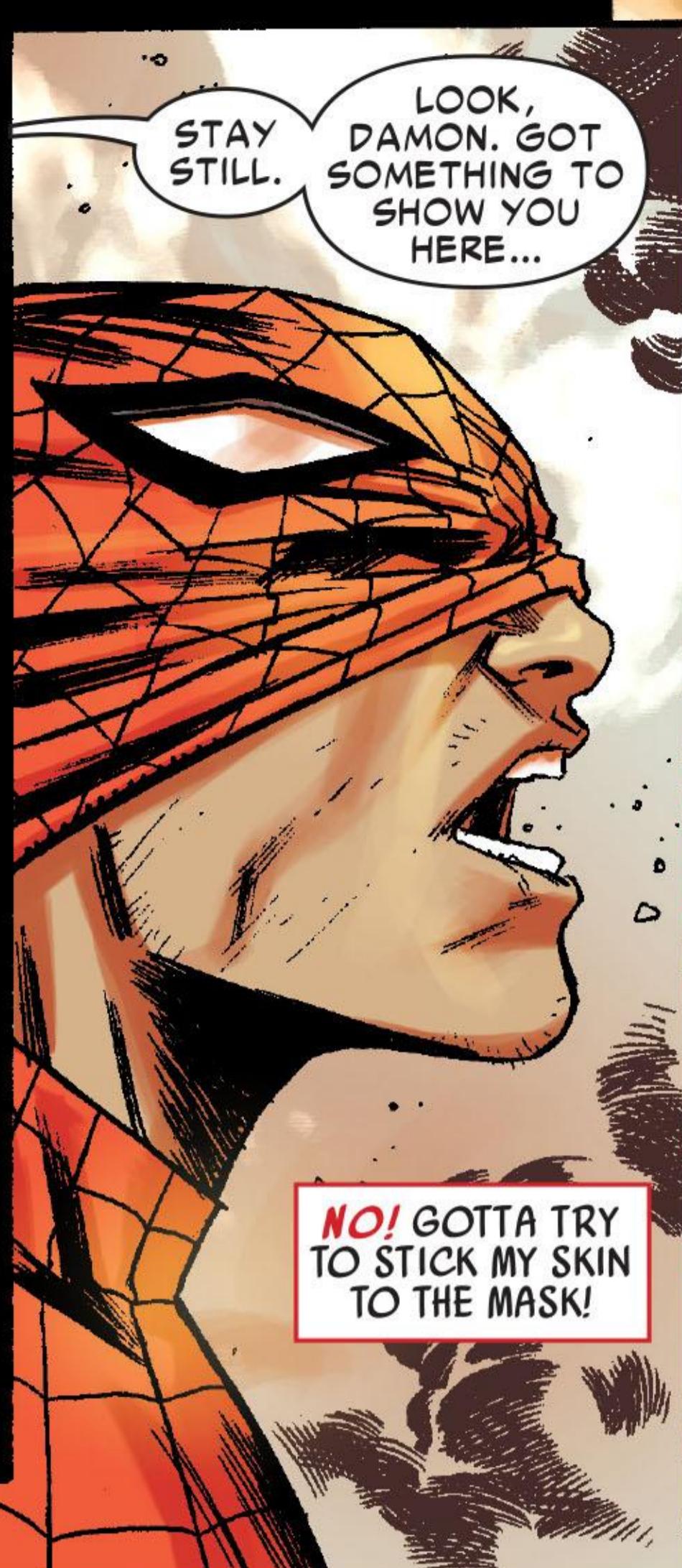
ENOUGH
OF YOUR
LIES!

GAR
R
RC
GH!!

IT'S
TRUE,
DAMON.

HE'S NOT
LYING. PARKER
AND REILLY ARE
TWO DIFFERENT
PEOPLE.

HCK--



"...WHATEVER REILLY'S CAPABLE OF, THIS GUY IS, TOO.

"REILLY KILLED YOUR FAMILY. BUT IT JUST AS WELL COULD HAVE BEEN THIS MAN.

"THERE'S REALLY NO DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE TWO.

SHAKT

"IT'S LIKE THEY SAY, 'THE SINS OF THE FATHER ARE VISITED UPON THE SON.'

"SO TAKE YOUR JUSTICE WHILE IT'S STILL BREATHING."

KAINES
RIGHT.

IT'S WHAT'S ALWAYS BOthered me about Kaine--whatever Ben was capable of...I am, too.

"I AM HE AS YOU ARE HE AS YOU ARE ME AND WE ARE ALL TOGETHER."

THANKS LENNON/MCCARTNEY... THAT MAY JUST BE MY WAY IN!

WHICH REMINDS ME THAT I'M GOING TO HAVE TO REPLACE ALL AUNT MAY'S BEATLES ALBUMS AFTER THIS.

DAMON...

HE'S LYING.

BEN REILLY DIDN'T KILL YOUR FAMILY.

Then.

NO...
NO...
NO...

YOU'RE LYING,
BEN!

YOU'RE LYING! I'D
NEVER DO THAT! I'D
NEVER HURT THEM!!! I'D
NEVER HURT THEM!
I'D NEVER--!

DAMON...

CRAK

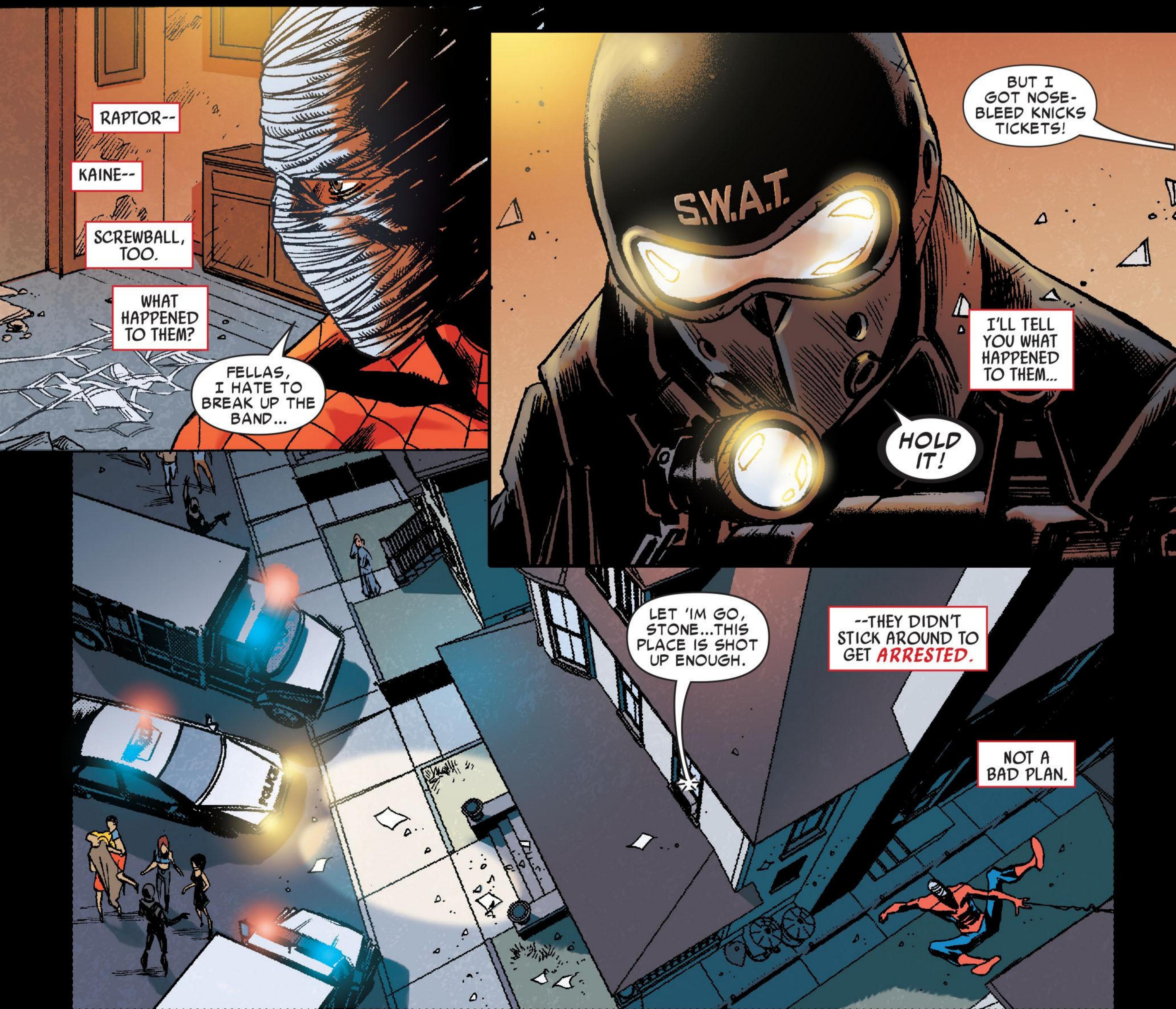
...SHUT
THE HELL
UP.

WELL,
ISN'T THAT
INTERESTING...

HE
BLAMES YOU
FOR ALL THIS,
BEN REILLY.
...AND
ONE DAY IT
WILL COST YOU
DEARLY.







Epilogue. That Night.

SO NOW I'VE GOT A WHOLE NEW MESS OF WORRIES WITH A HOUSE I NEED TO GET REPAIRED AND A MANIAC OUT THERE WHO'S SEEN MY FACE.

BUT SO FAR, NO SIGN OF RAPTOR.

NO TRACE OF KAIN.

AND SCREWBALL REMAINS #1 ON GOOGLE TRENDS.

NEW YORK'S FINEST HAD NO LUCK TRACKING THEM.

AND I COULDN'T.

BECAUSE I HAD SOMEWHERE ELSE I HAD TO BE.

HE THREW YOU THROUGH A WALL? HOW IS IT YOU DON'T HAVE A FEW BROKEN BONES?



"OH, JUST A BUNCH OF CRAZIES."

YOU SAID YOU COULD HELP ME!!!

YES...
I BELIEVE THAT'S WHAT'S CALLED A LIE.

YOU SEEMED SO EAGER TO KILL "PETER PARKER," IF I HADN'T TEMPTED YOU, IT WOULD'VE BEEN A WASTE OF PERFECTLY GOOD RAGE.

"IT'S FUNNY, BUT...THE LARGER ONE KIND OF LOOKED LIKE YOU, PETER."





"YOU COULD BE
A DEAD RINGER
FOR HIM."



"...AND IT MAKES YOU
THINK ABOUT THE
PATH NOT TAKEN."

