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It is a time of magic and monsters, a time when the civilized world has been reduced to a few scattered points of light glowing with stubborn determination amid a rising tide of shadows. It is a time when only the bravest dare tread the wilds of the unknown.

A small town built upon the ruins of a larger city, Fallcrest lies at the crossroads of the Nentir Vale, a great wilderness dotted with a handful of inhabited villages and towns where bandits and monsters roam freely, threatening all who venture far from settlements.

This is a place in need of a few heroes.

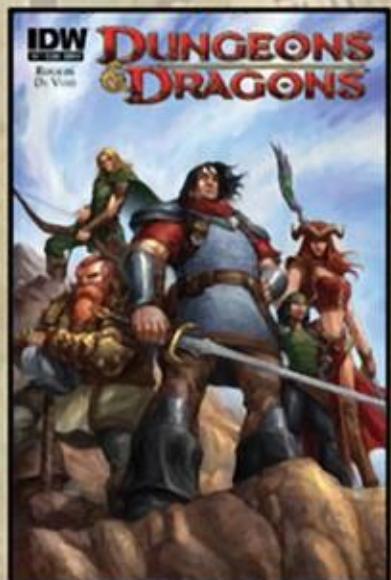
OUR TALE THUS FAR...

The town of Fallcrest is home to many adventurers, and Adric Fell leads one such group.

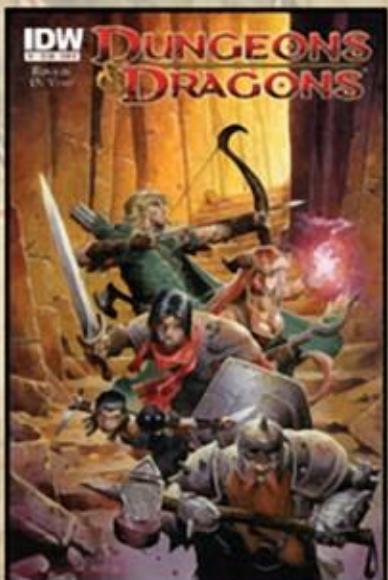
Joined by Kahl the dwarf, Varis the elf, and Bree the halfling, Adric plumbed the depths of the Underdark in search of a band of brigands, but instead found a group of gnoll slavers and a young black dragon.

Our heroes managed to slay the dragon and gnolls, saving the human slaves, thanks to the help of tiefling warlock Tisha...

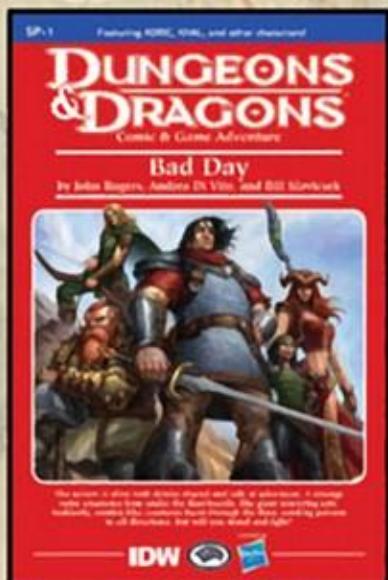
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SHADOWPLAGUE

PART ONE: BAD DAY





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AND SUDDENLY, IT WAS A BAD DAY.

AHHHHHHHH

UNNNHHHH...

CRRRAASHHH

KHAL! I'M
SORRY! CALL
THEM OFF!

THESE ARE
NOT MINE!
THEY ARE
EVIL!

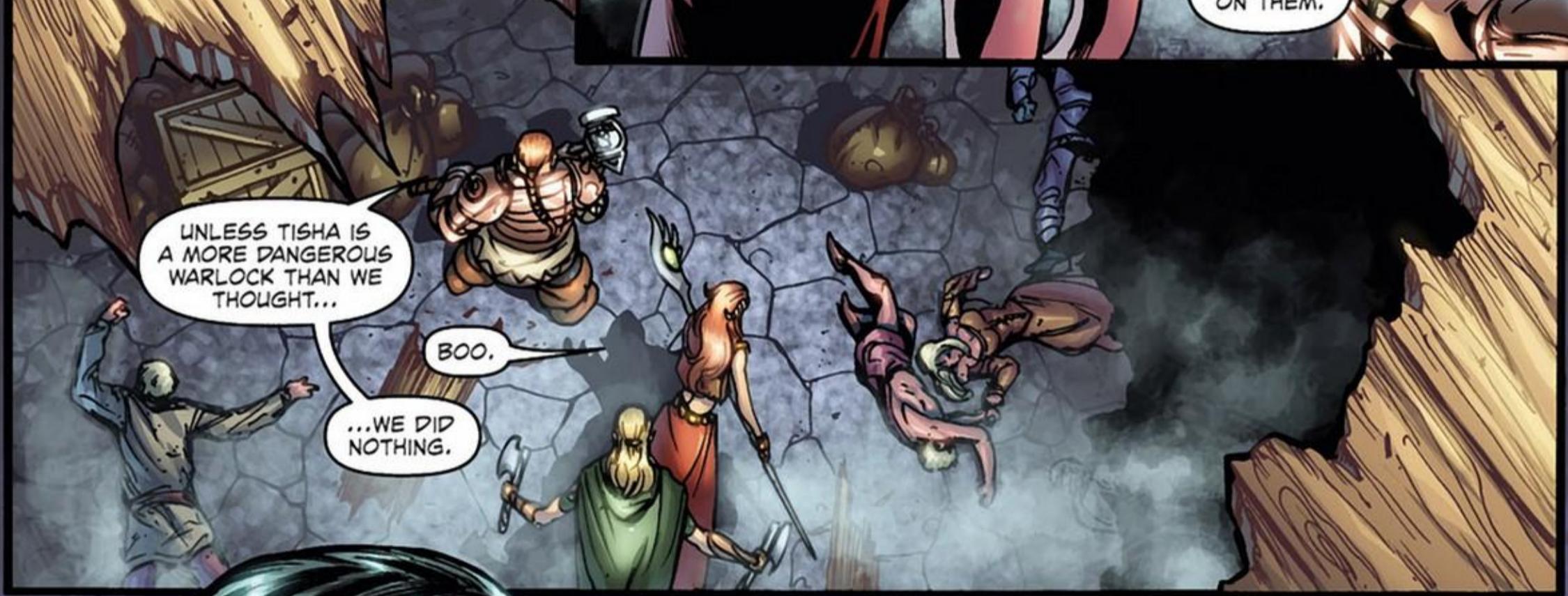
TISHA!
CALL THEM
OFF!

THEY'RE
EVIL, SO IT'S
THE TIEFLING'S
FAULT?

WELL,
YEAH.



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IN THE NAME
OF THE LORD
WARDEN—

—HOLD!

FELL.
FINALLY
CAUGHT IN
THE ACT!

OF COURSE,
GONDAR, I'M ACTING
LIKE THERE ARE
ZOMBIES COMING OUT
OF THE FLOOR!

WHAT
ZOMBIES?

AAAND SUDDENLY, IT
WAS A VERY BAD DAY.

QUICK AS A SAILOR'S KISS,
GONDAR HAULS US UP
BEFORE THE LORD WARDEN.

NOTORIOUS
REPROBATES...

...DISTURBING
THE PEACE.

INDEED.

DESTRUCTION
OF PROPERTY.

SCANDALOUS.

AND NOW
FINALLY—
MURDER.

I HAVE THE
GIST OF IT,
GONDAR.

KHAL
KHALUNDURRIN,
ALLEGED PALADIN
OF THE MOST
RIGHTEOUS
MORADIN.

"ALLEGED"?

BREE
THREE-HANDS,
SUSPECTED IN
COUNTLESS THEFTS
AND INJURIES.

THE ELF KNOWN
AS VARIS, AN
EXILE FROM HIS
OWN PEOPLE.

"EXILE" IS A BIT
HARSH. CAN'T AN ELF
RENT A ROOM AT AN
INN WITHOUT AWKWARD
QUESTIONS?

THE
TIEFLING TISHA
SWORNHEART,
UNKNOWN TO
FALLCREST
'TIL NOW.

MY LORD, KHAL,
VARIS, AND I ARRIVED IN
THIS TOWN TOGETHER.
TISHA AIDED US AGAINST
THE GNOLLS LAST MONTH.
I VOUCH FOR THEIR
CHARACTER.

AND THE
HALFLING?

I CAN VOUCH
SHE INDEED IS A
HALFLING.

ADRIC, LET'S BE
FRANK. THIS TOWN HAS
ADVENTURERS. I EXPECT
A CERTAIN AMOUNT OF
MURDER.

I ENCOURAGE
IT, AS LONG AS IT'S
PROPERLY DIRECTED.
OUTWARDS. AT BRIGANDS
AND GOBLINS
AND SUCH.

I SWEAR THAT
MAN WAS AN UNHOLY
CREATURE WHEN IT
CAME OUT OF THE
FLOOR!

CAME OUT
OF THE FLOOR.

AYE.

WHEN YOU
KILLED HIM.

AYE.

YOU ADMIT
KILLING HIM.

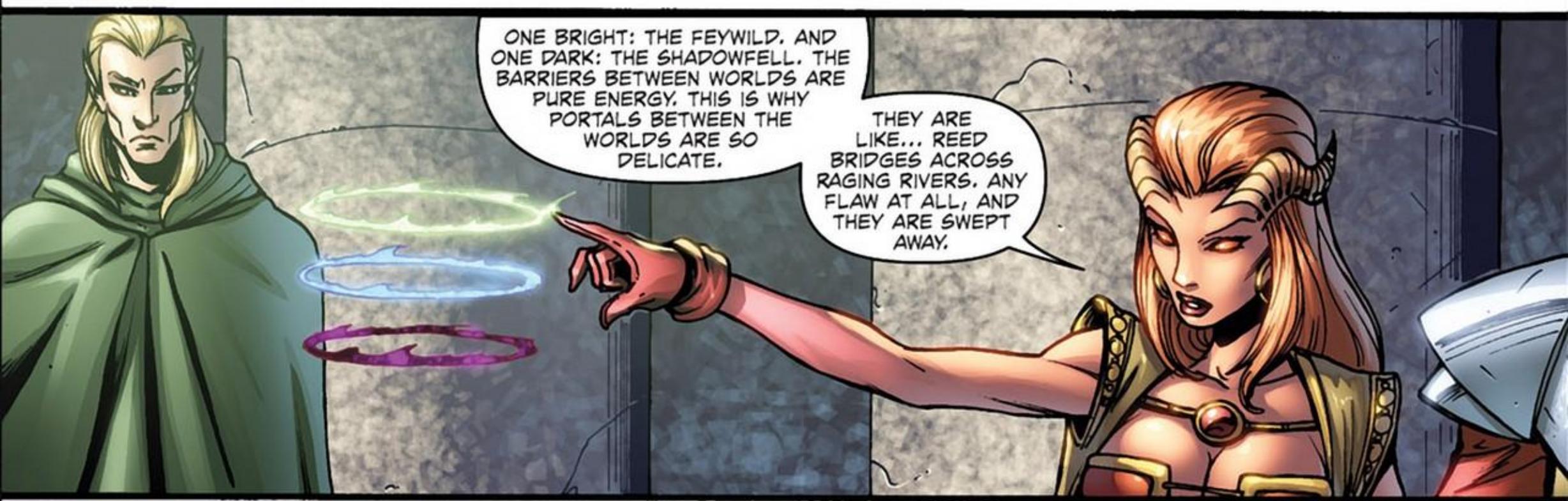
DO YOU
THINK YOU'RE
TRICKING
ME?

YOUR
LORDSHIP, I
THINK I KNOW
WHAT'S GOING
ON!









SO,
SOMEBODY
OPENED A
PORTAL.

A RAGGEDY,
LEAKING PORTAL.
DARK ENERGIES
FLOODING THROUGH
AND FLOODING
OUR MINDS.

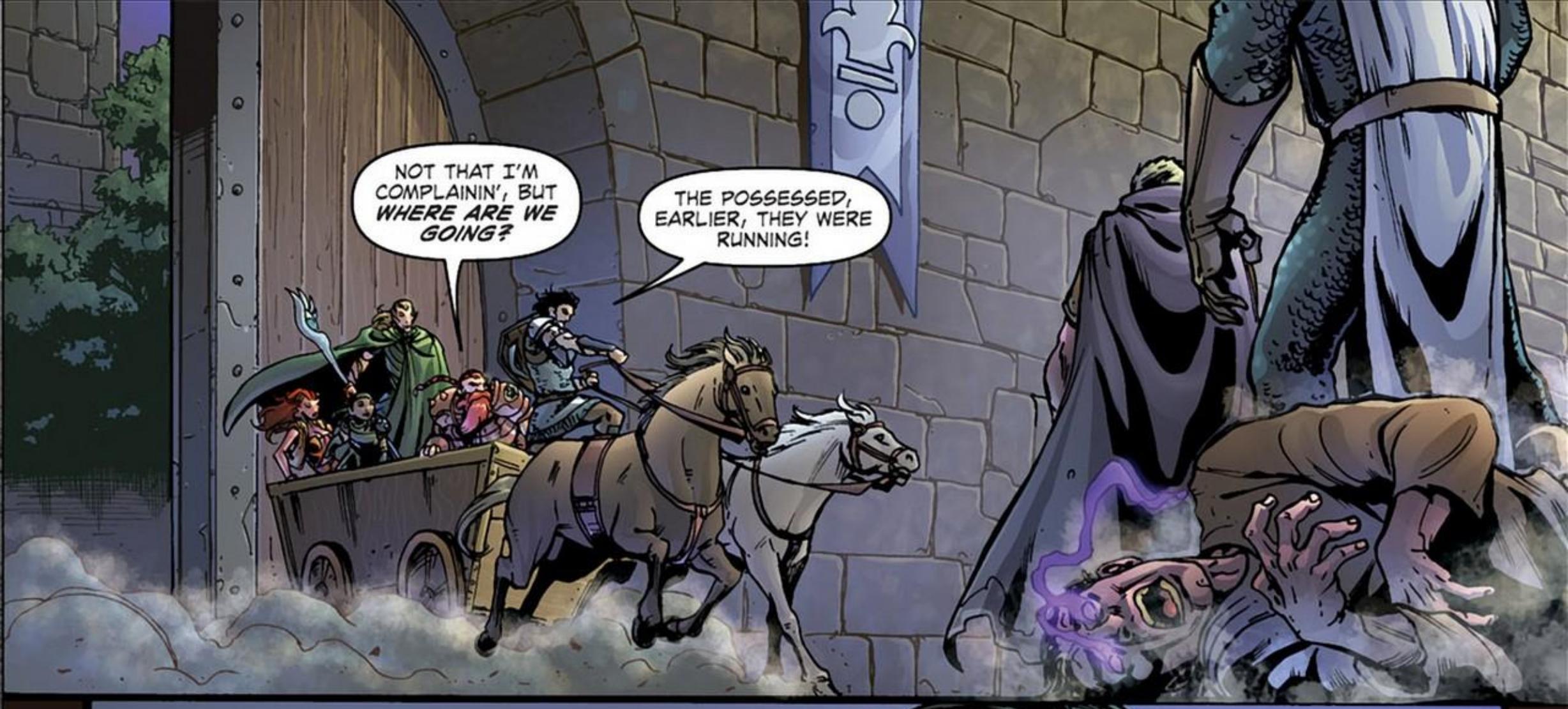
HEY,
HERE'S GOOD
NEWS.

I THINK
OUR TRIAL'S
OVER.

HAVE I MENTIONED HOW
BAD A DAY IT WAS?













DWARVEN
WORK.







NOW YOU'RE ALL CAUGHT UP.

ON THE BRIGHT SIDE, THEY'RE ORPHAN ZOMBIES...

... SO NOBODY'S GONNA MISS 'EM.

RRRRRRRRRRRUMMBBLE

YOU FEEL THAT?

I HEAR IT. IT SOUNDS LIKE, LIKE—

JUST IN TIME.

JUST IN TIME FOR OUR LUCKY BREAK.

KH-
BOOM

NEXT TIME: MISTAKEN IDENTITIES! HOT PURSUIT AND COLD SOUP! AS THE SHADOWPLAGUE CONTINUES!

EMPIRE

