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SHRIEKING PART ONE

the AMAZING
SPIDER-MAN



"LIFETHEFT" AND
"PURSUIT" WERE JUST
THE BEGINNING OF
SPIDER-MAN'S
LIVING NIGHTMARE --

-- AND SHRIEK AND
CARRION ARE ALL
TOO HAPPY TO HIT HIM
WHILE HE'S DOWN!

BITTEN BY A RADIOACTIVE SPIDER, STUDENT PETER PARKER GAINED THE PROPORTIONATE STRENGTH AND AGILITY OF AN ARACHNID! ARMED WITH HIS WONDROUS WEB-SHOOTERS, THE RELUCTANT SUPER HERO STRUGGLES WITH SINISTER SUPER-VILLAINS, MAKING ENDS MEET, AND MAINTAINING SOME SEMBLANCE OF A NORMAL LIFE!

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IT'S ALMOST AS IF SPIDER-MAN AND THE GREEN GOBLIN EXIST INDEPENDENT OF PETER PARKER AND HARRY OSBORN...

...AND NOTHING -- NOT EVEN THE GRAVE -- CAN STOP THEIR DIRTY LITTLE WAR.

I CAN'T BELIEVE IT, HARRY! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU PUT THE CHAMELEON UP TO IT!

ACCORDING TO THE INFORMATION I FOUND IN SMERDYAKOV'S COMPUTER FILES, YOU CONTACTED HIM MONTHS BEFORE YOU DIED, PUT THE WHOLE IDEA OF "RESURRECTING" RICHARD AND MARY PARKER* INTO HIS HEAD.

AND WHY?

BECAUSE YOU COULDN'T DEAL WITH THE REALITY OF WHAT A MONSTER YOUR FATHER WAS -- COULDN'T FIND IT IN YOUR HEART TO HATE HIM...

*SEE LAST ISSUE FOR HOW IT ALL PLAYED OUT. --DANNY

...BLAMING YOUR BEST FRIEND FOR ALL THE INSANITY, ALL THE DEATH.

YOU WANTED TO HURT ME THE WAY YOU'D BEEN HURT. WELL, GUESS WHAT, OLD BUDDY?

YOU SUCCEEDED.

I HOPE YOU'RE HAPPY, NORMAN.

HARRY AND I MADE PEACE WITH EACH OTHER BEFORE HE DIED. BEFORE YOUR STRENGTH-ENHANCING FORMULA KILLED HIM.

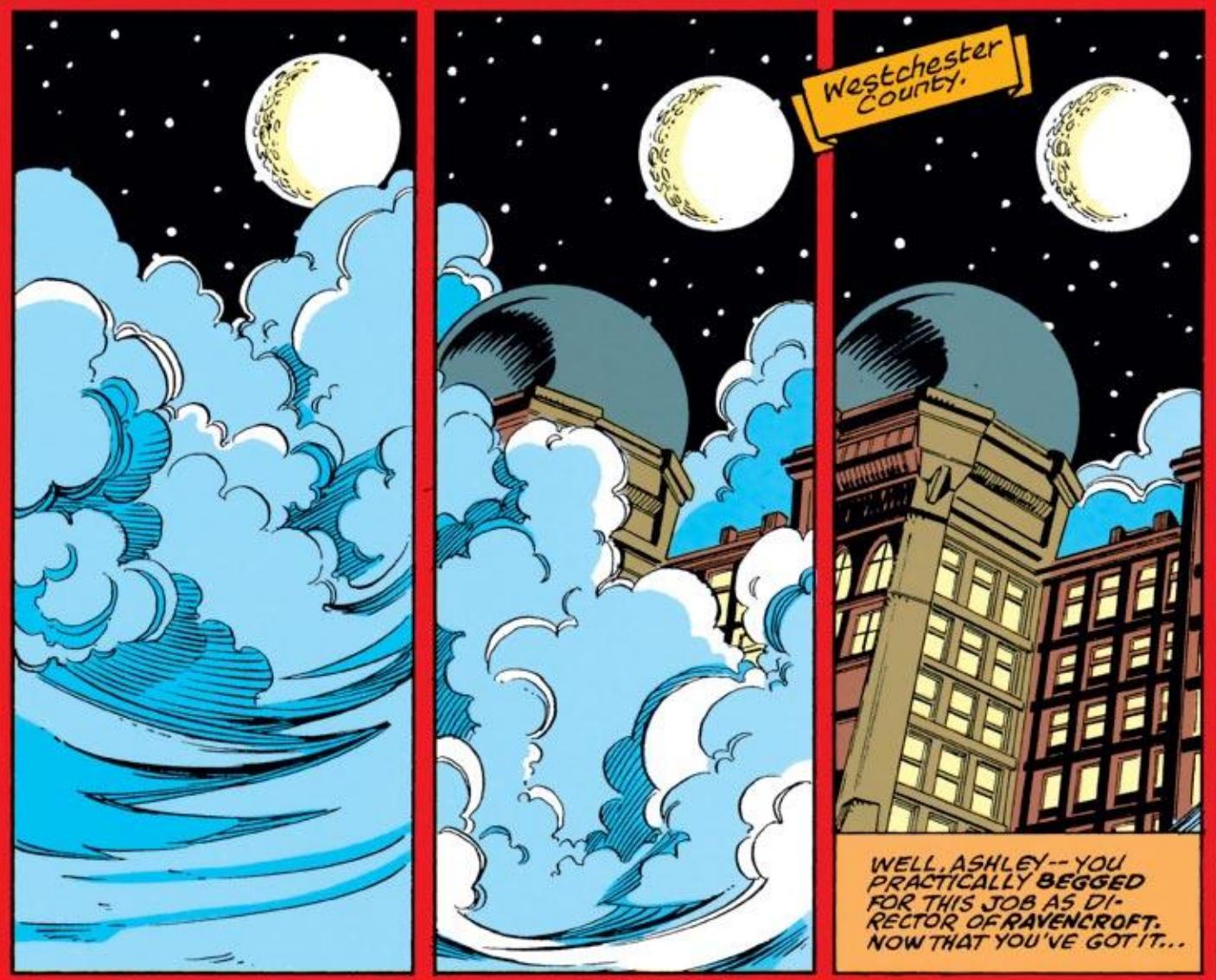
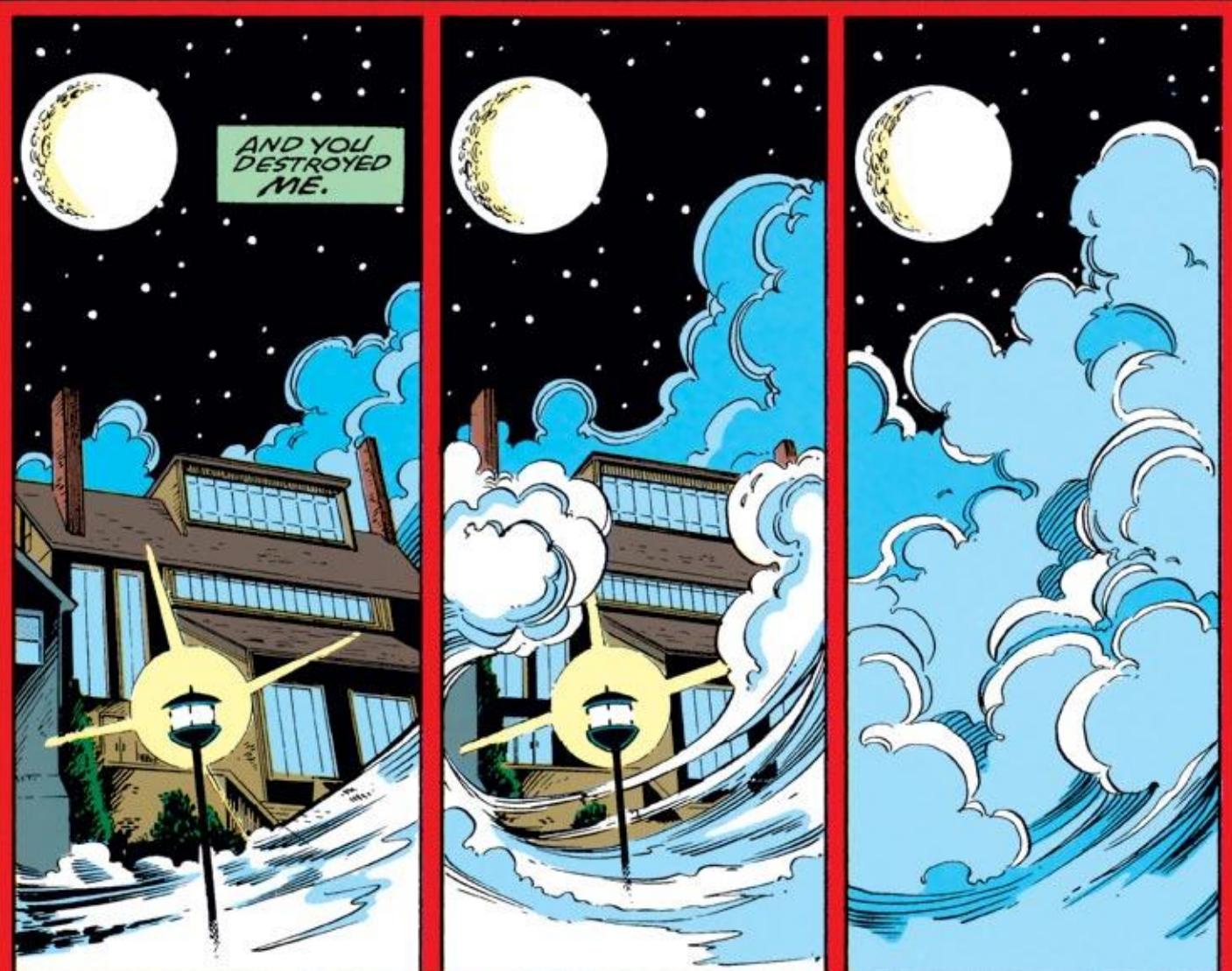
BUT THE OSBORN LEGACY LIVES ON. THE HATE AND MADNESS SURVIVE YOU BOTH.

MAYBE THAT'S WHY I'VE COME HERE TO YOUR FAMILY MANSION -- WHERE THE GOBLIN AND I HAD ONE OF OUR LAST BATTLES, TO CONGRATULATE YOU.

AFTER ALL THESE YEARS, YOU'VE WON. YOU DESTROYED HARRY.







...I HOPE YOU'RE HAPPY.

AHHHHHHHH

I CAN'T FIND THE SOURCE OF HER PAIN. SHE'S TOO WELL PROTECTED. SHE WON'T LET ME IN!

SOMETHING HAPPENED TO HER WHEN SHE WAS A CHILD... SOME TRAUMA SO PROFOUND, SO SHATTERING-- THAT IT REDEFINES THE WORD.

AHHHHHHH--!

BUT THERE'S A PART OF HER... BURIED DEEP, BUT IT'S THERE... THAT'S HUNGRY FOR HOPE, FOR A SENSE OF BELONGING, MOST OF ALL, FOR A SENSE OF FAMILY.

IF I CAN JUST FEED THAT HUNGER, PROVIDE FRANCES WITH AN ATMOSPHERE OF TRUST AND LOVE... I MIGHT BE ABLE TO REACH HER YET.

BUT HOW DO YOU LOVE SOMEONE WHO'D JUST AS SOON CUT YOUR HEART OUT...

SORRY, DOCTOR-- I DIDN'T MEAN TO STARTLE YOU.

NOT YOUR FAULT, EDWARD. I'M FEELING A LITTLE... EDGY TONIGHT.

IS IT TIME?

LOOK AT HER: FRANCES LOUISE BARRISON-- KNOWN MORE COMMONLY AS SHRIEK. EVEN IF THEY FILLED EVERY WING OF THIS FACILITY WITH MENTALLY-IMBALANCED SUPER-CRIMINALS...

...SHE'D STILL BE MY MOST PERPLEXING CASE.

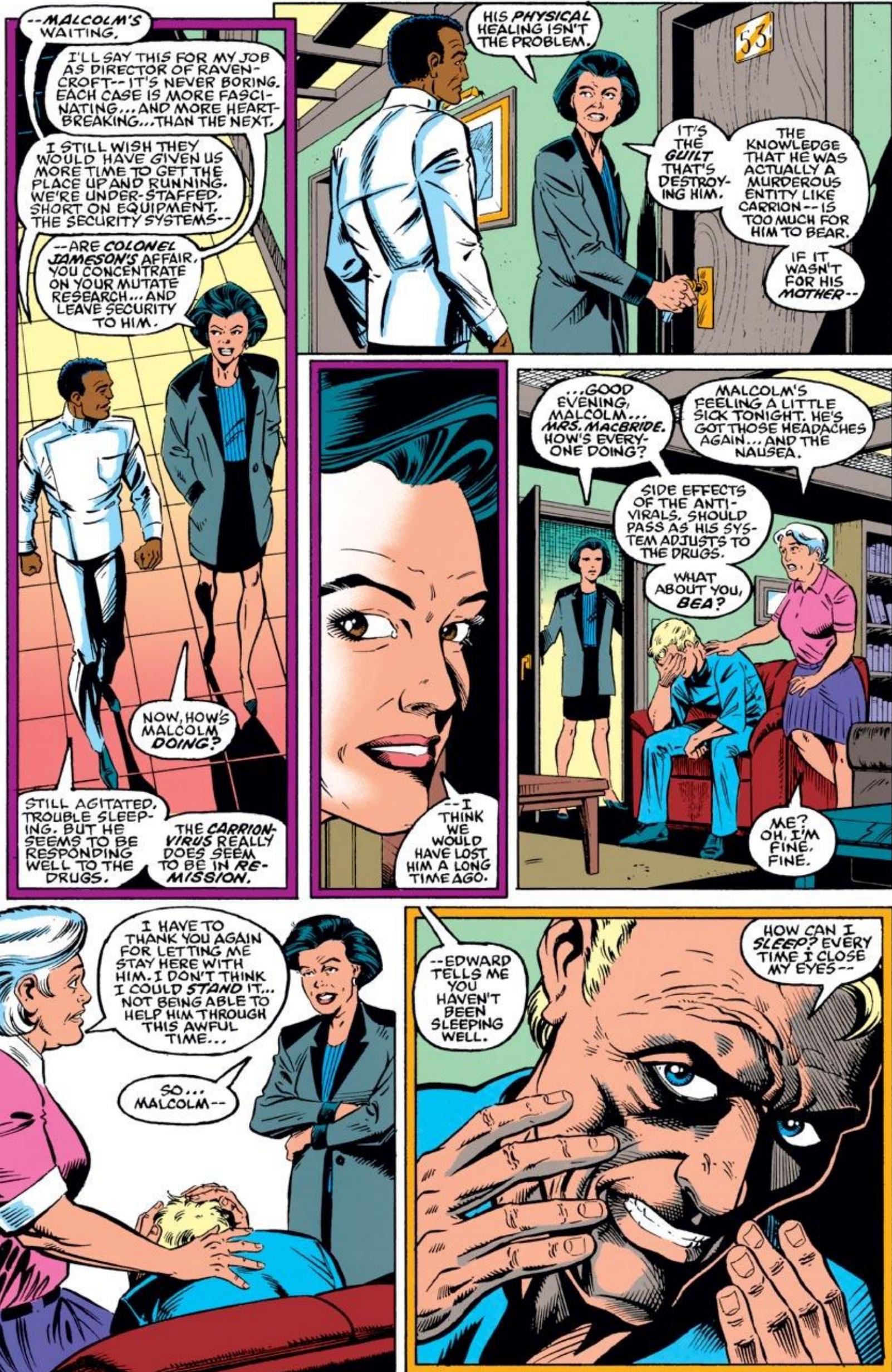
HOW MANY WEEKS OF THERAPY HAVE I DONE WITH HER? AND FOR EACH LAYER OF EMOTIONAL PAIN I PEEL BACK... I FIND FIVE MORE.

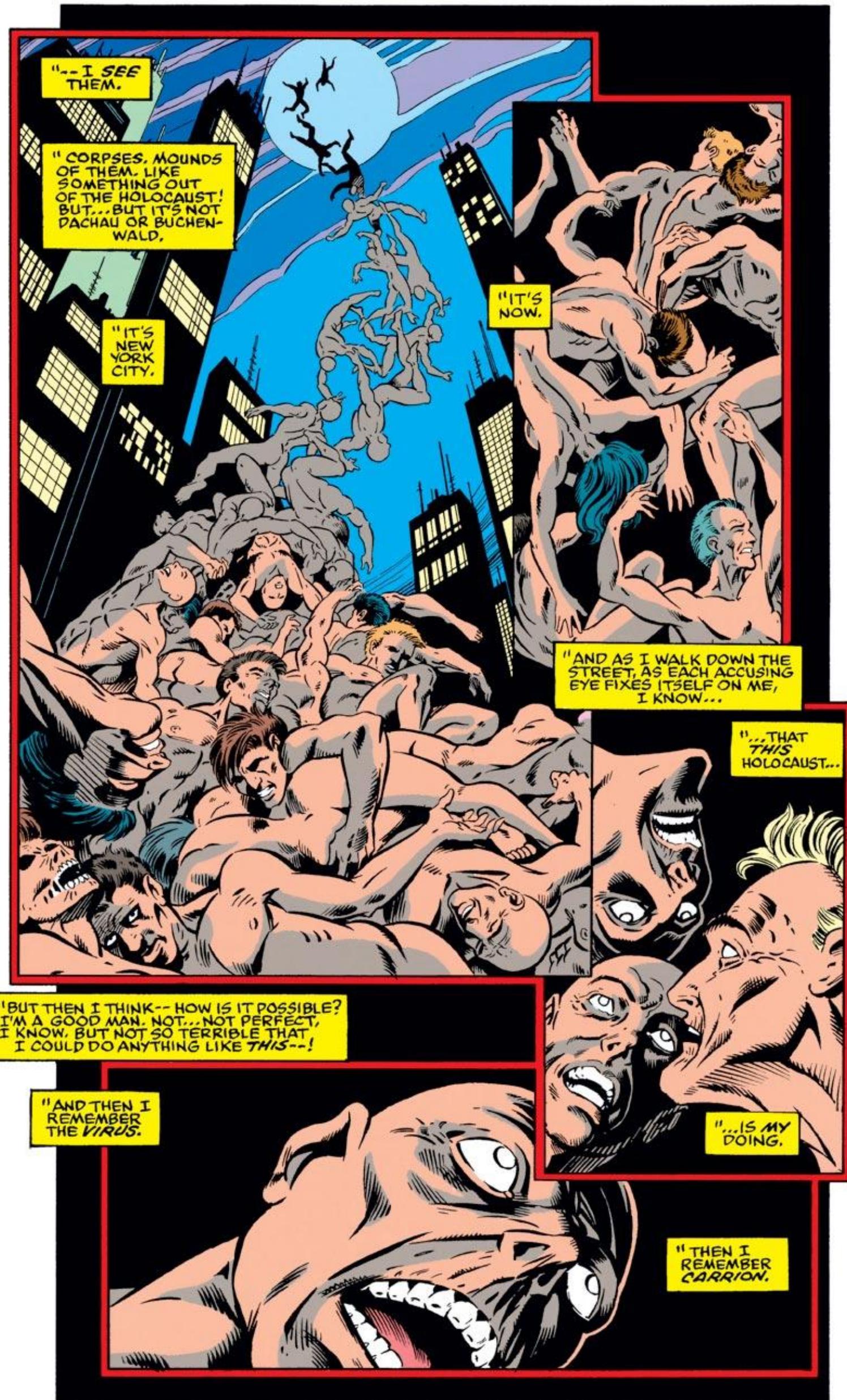
DOCTOR KAFKA?

WHO?!

...AS SAY GOOD MORNING?

YES--





"AND THEN HE COMES--"

"--AND I PRAY,
WITH ALL MY
HEART AND SOUL--"

-- THAT HE KILLS ME,
TOO, I'D BE HAPPY,
DOCTOR... REALLY,
I WOULD... IF HE'D KILL
ME, I DESERVE TO DIE.

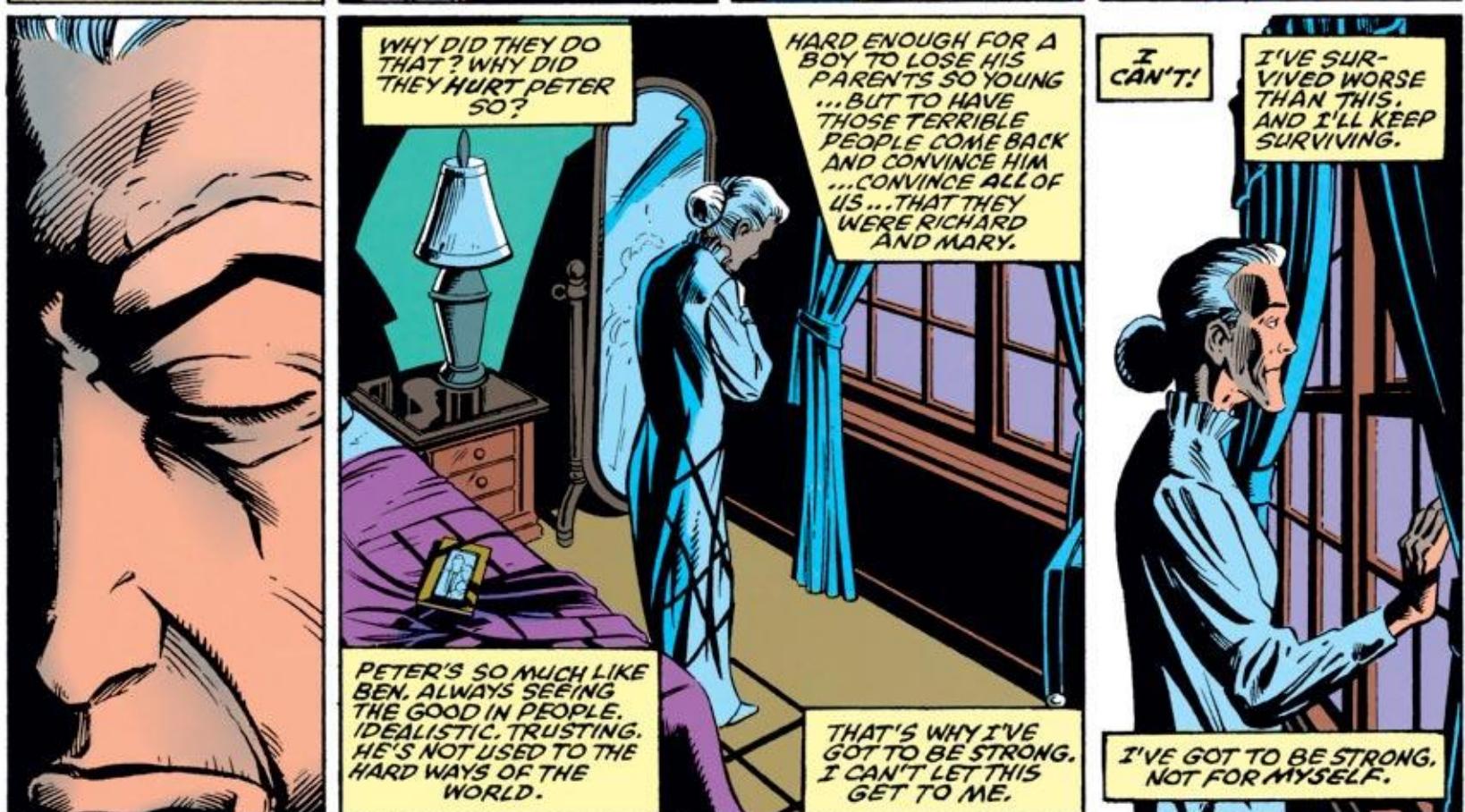
BUT... BUT HE
DOESN'T KILL
ME, THAT'S NOT
WHAT HE WANTS.

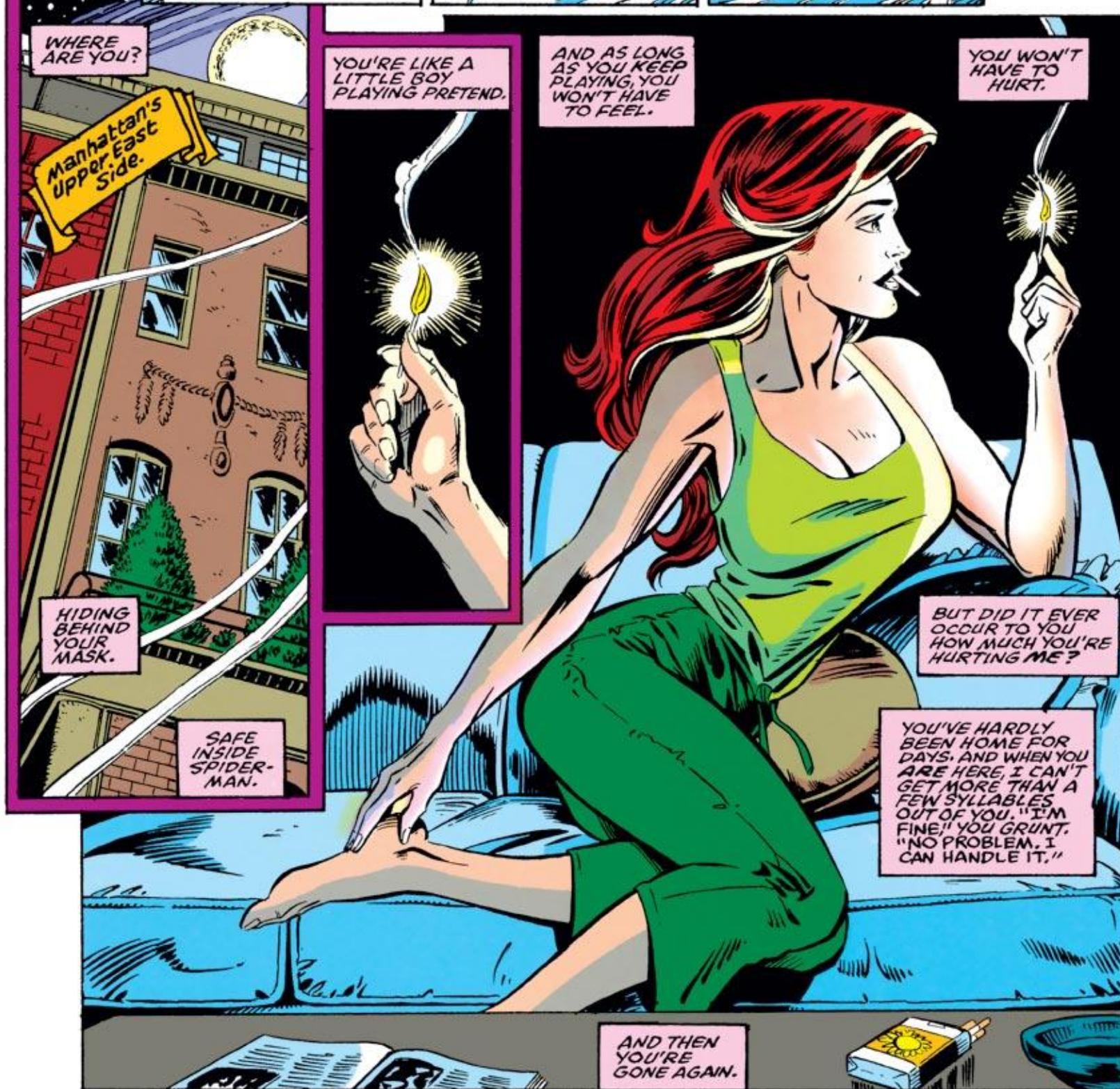
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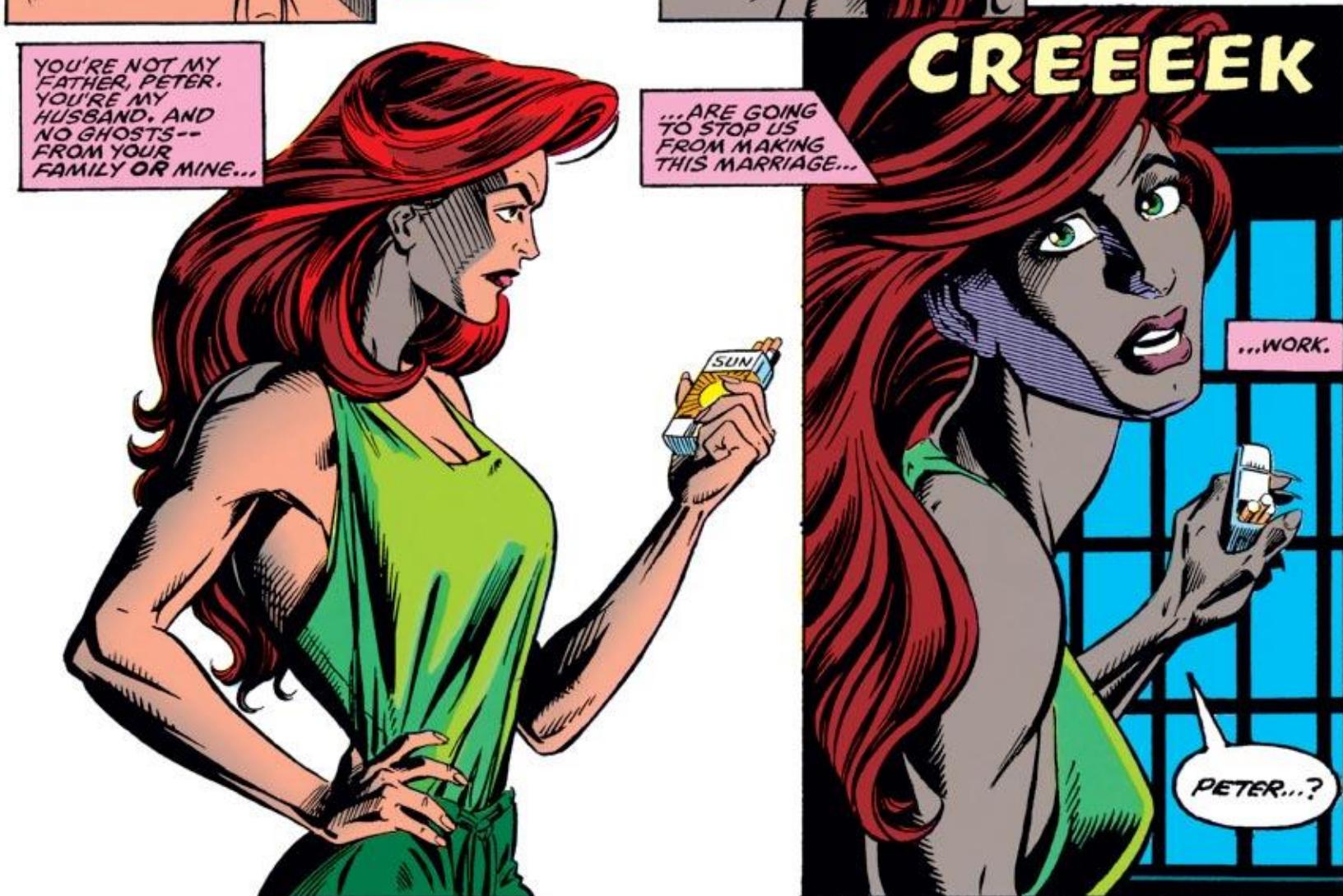
-- IS FOR ME
TO TAKE HIM
BACK."

Forest Hills.

PETER--!

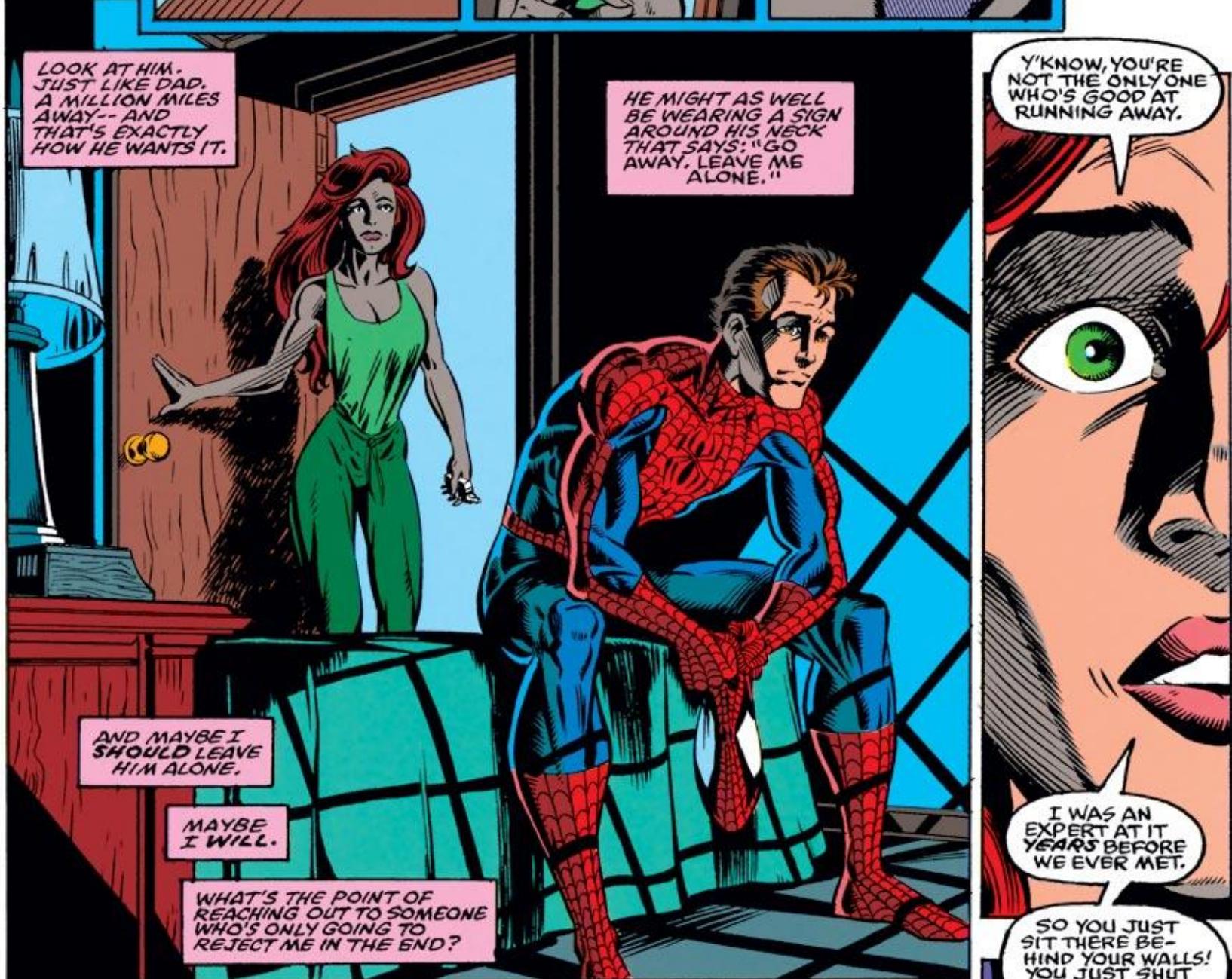




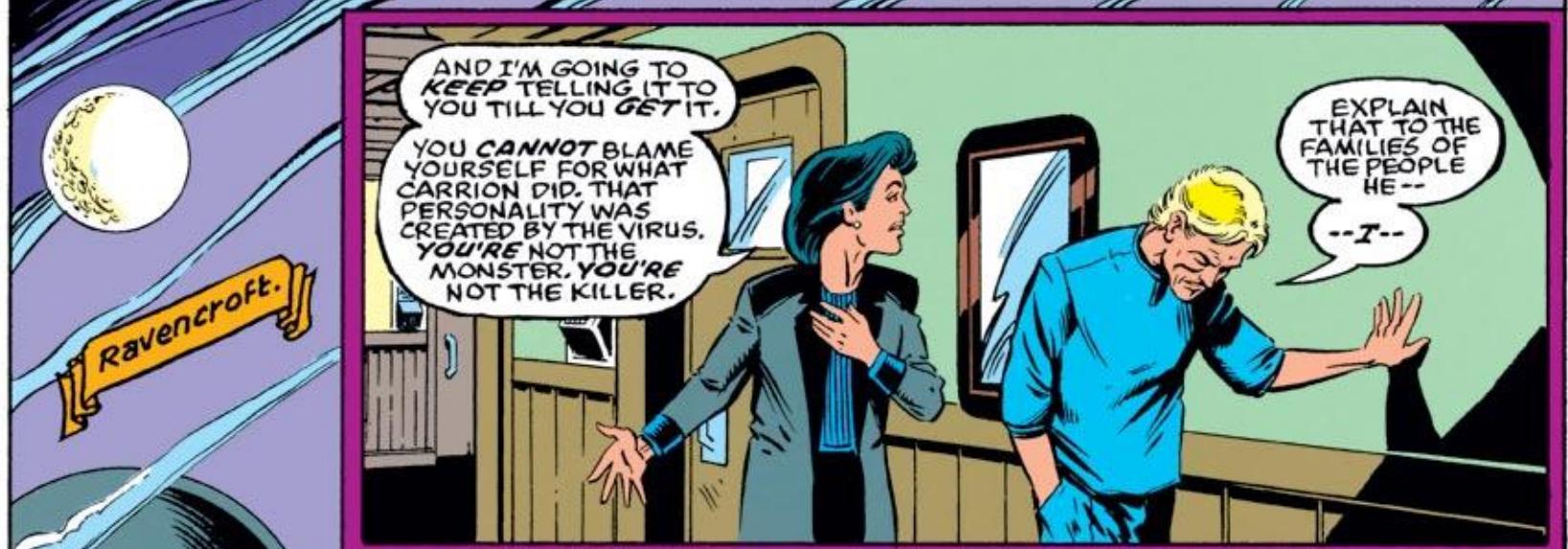


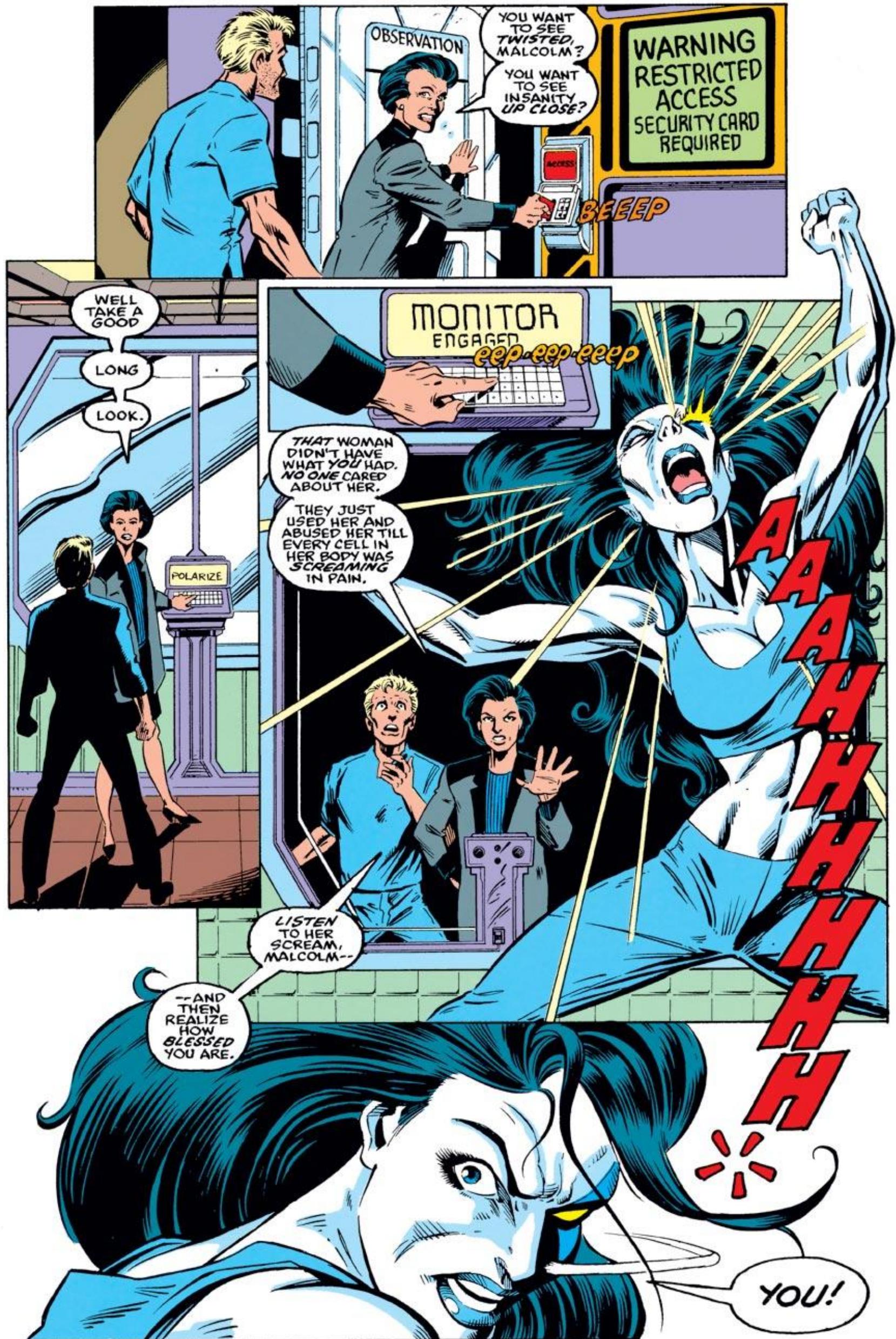


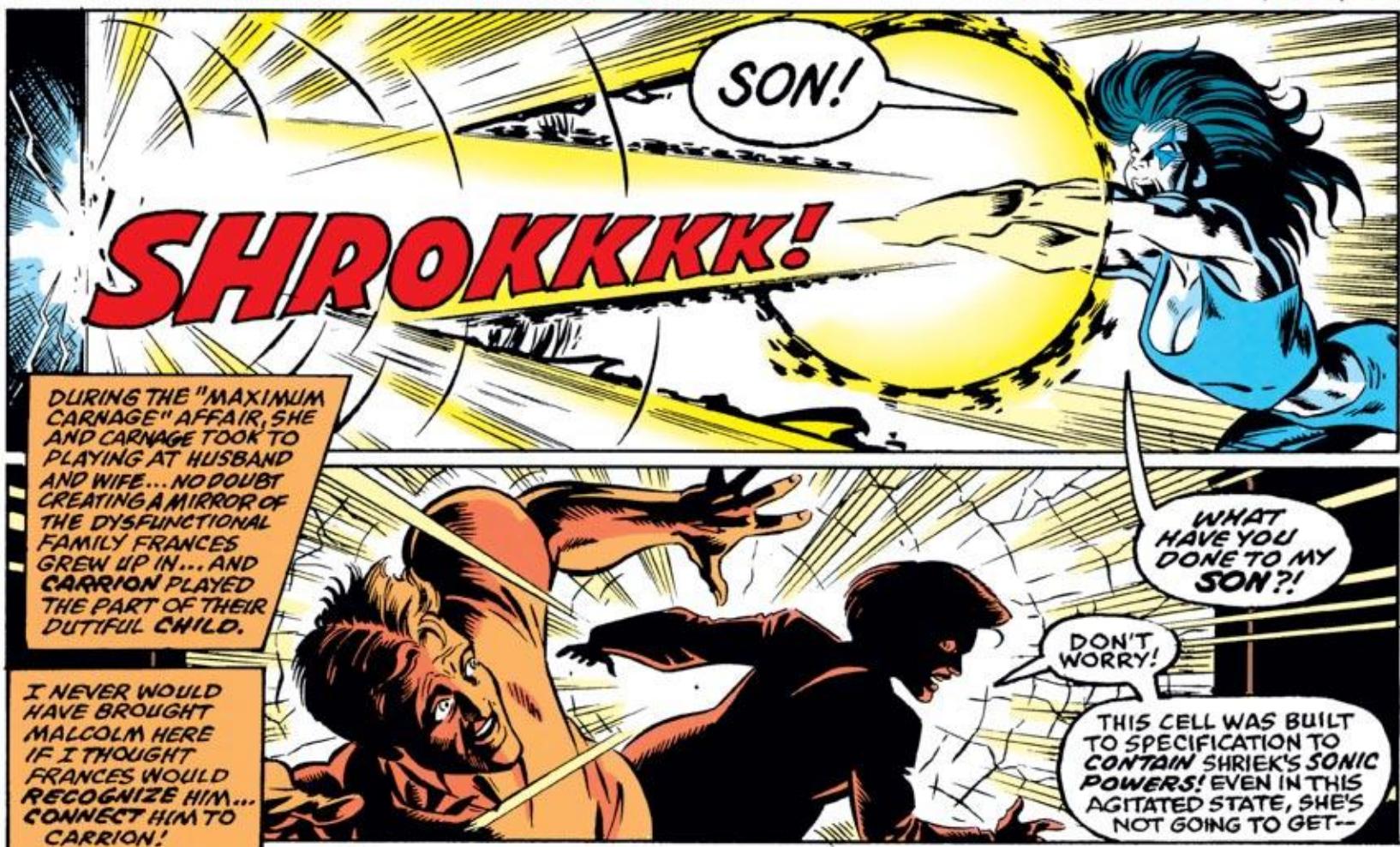
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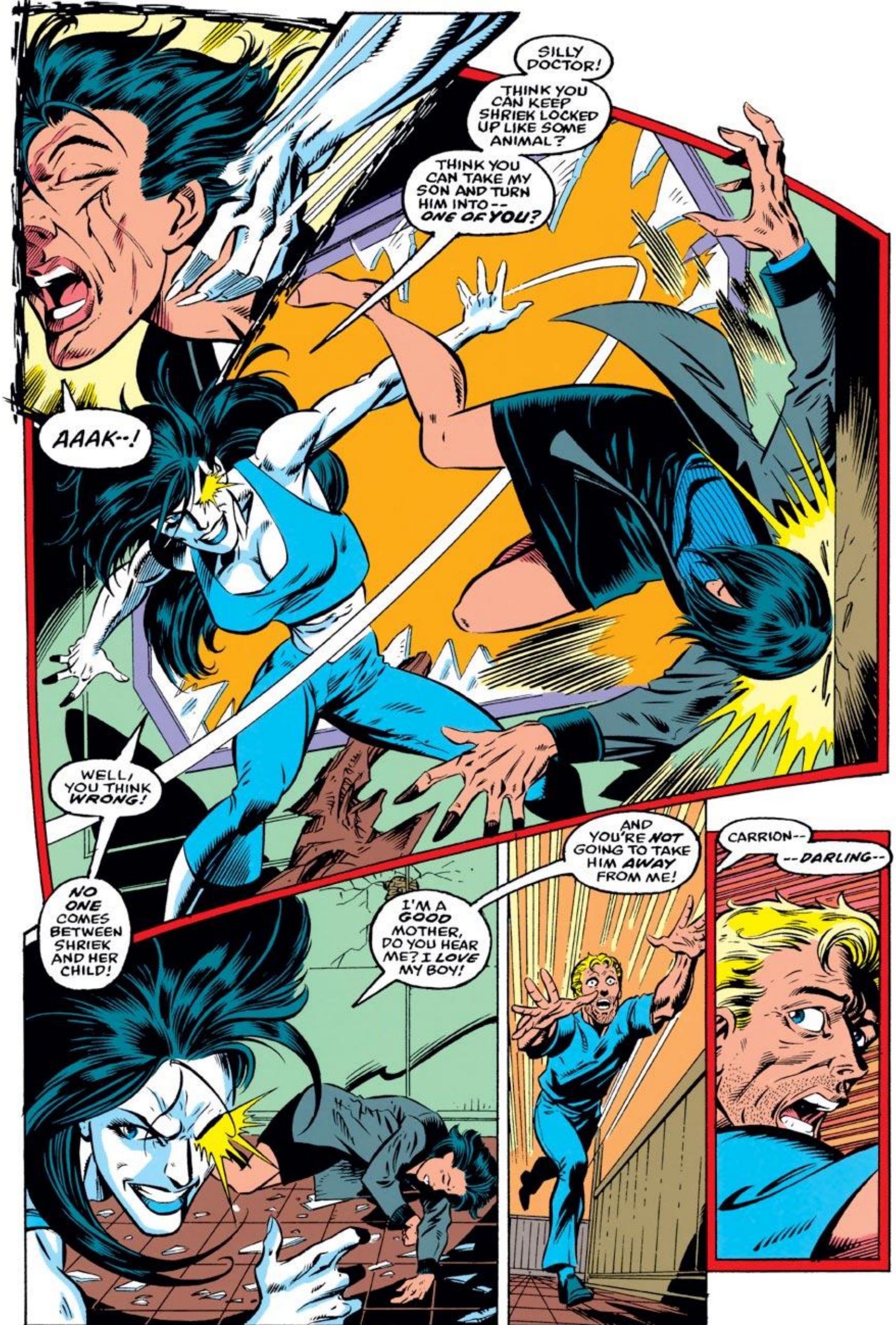


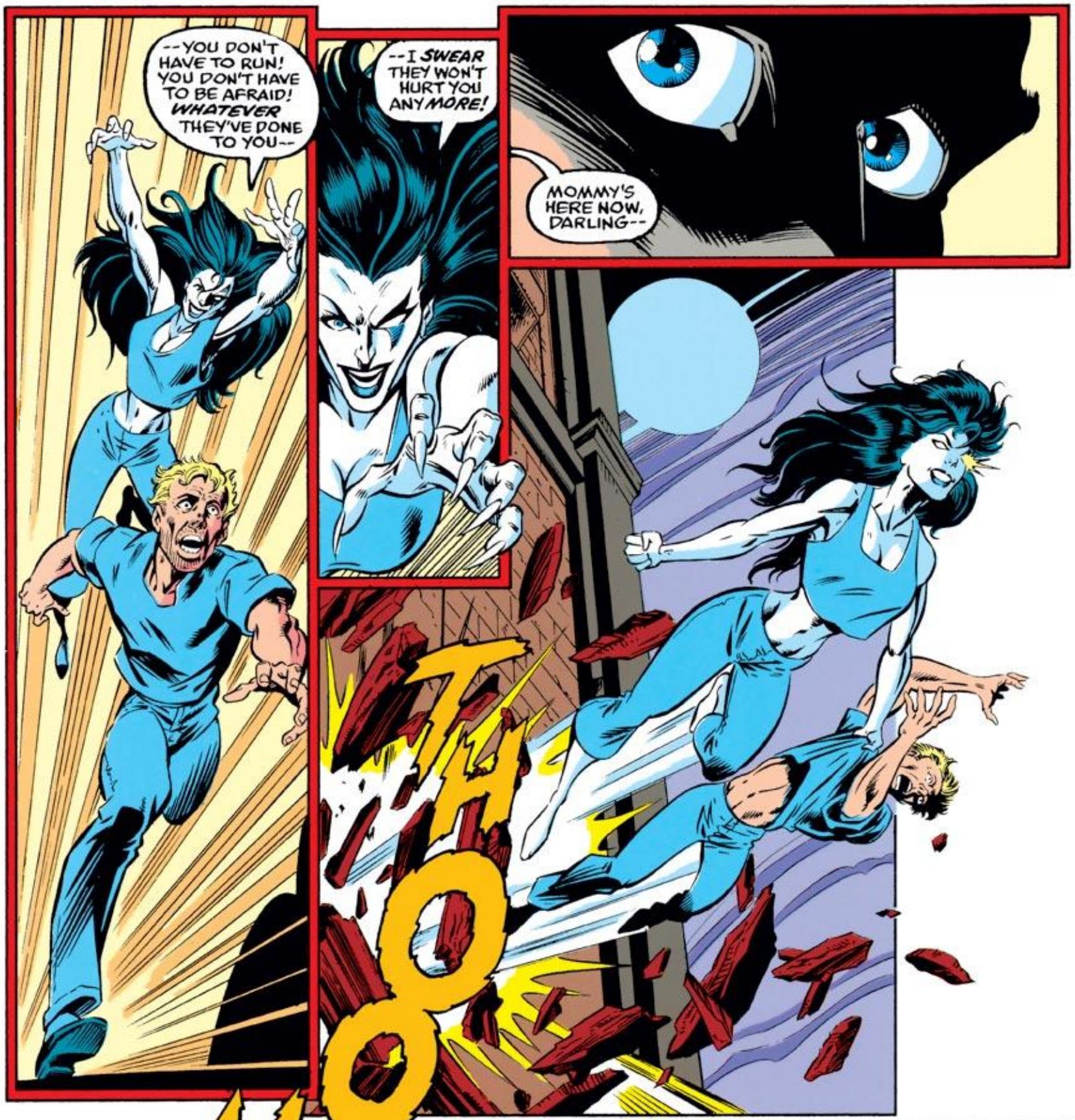


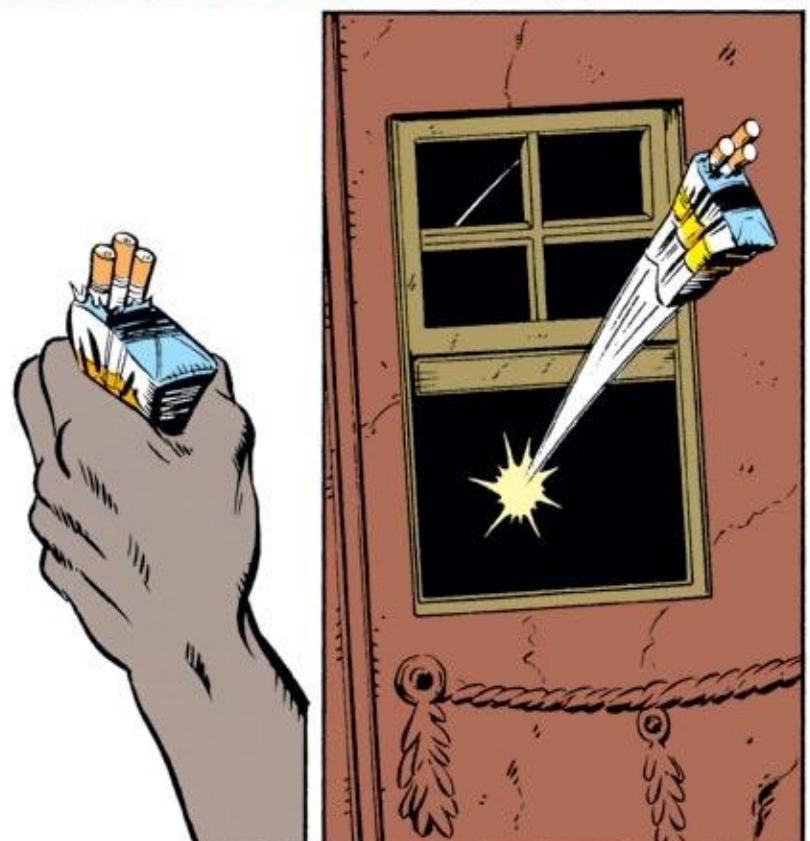
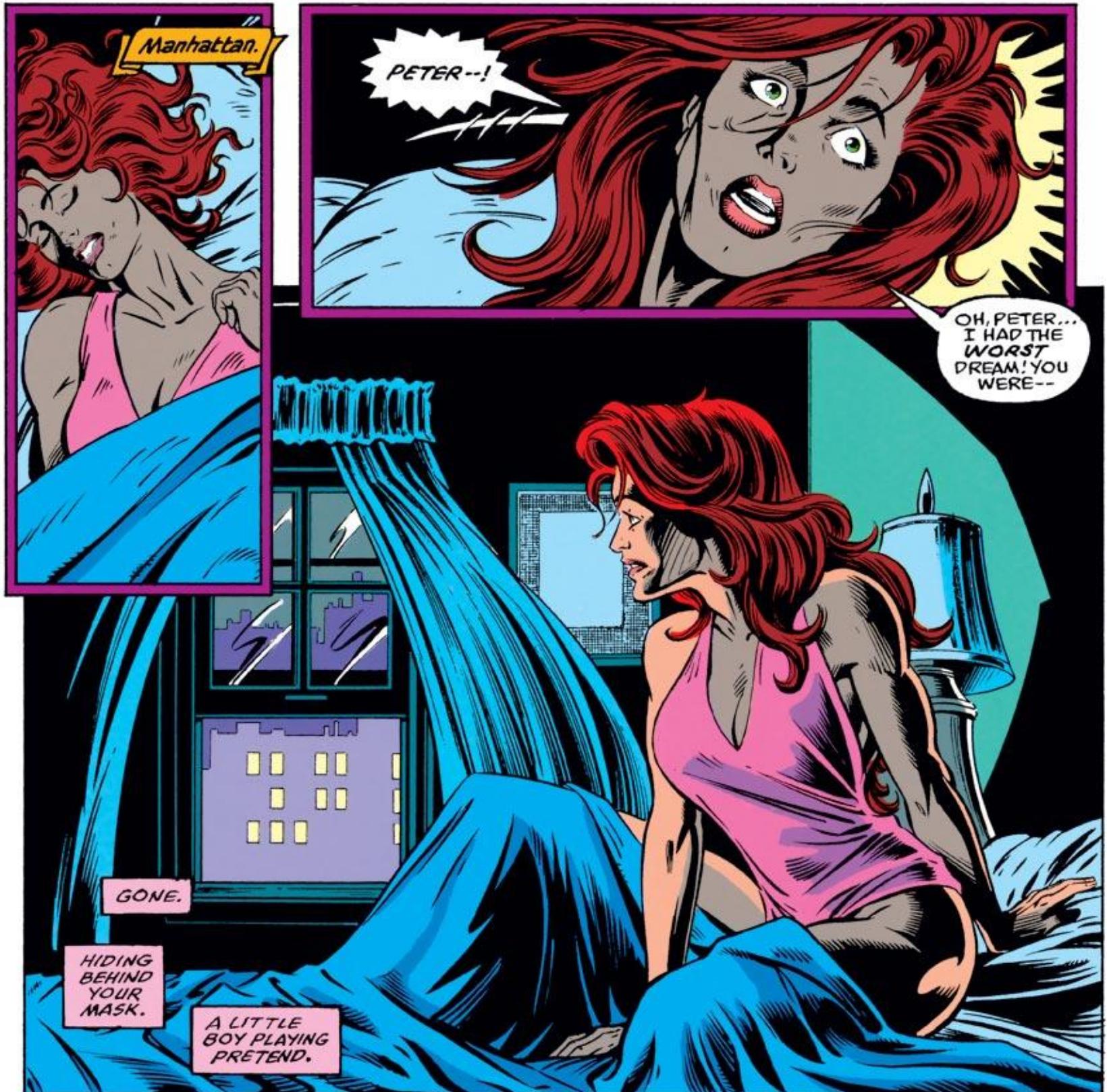


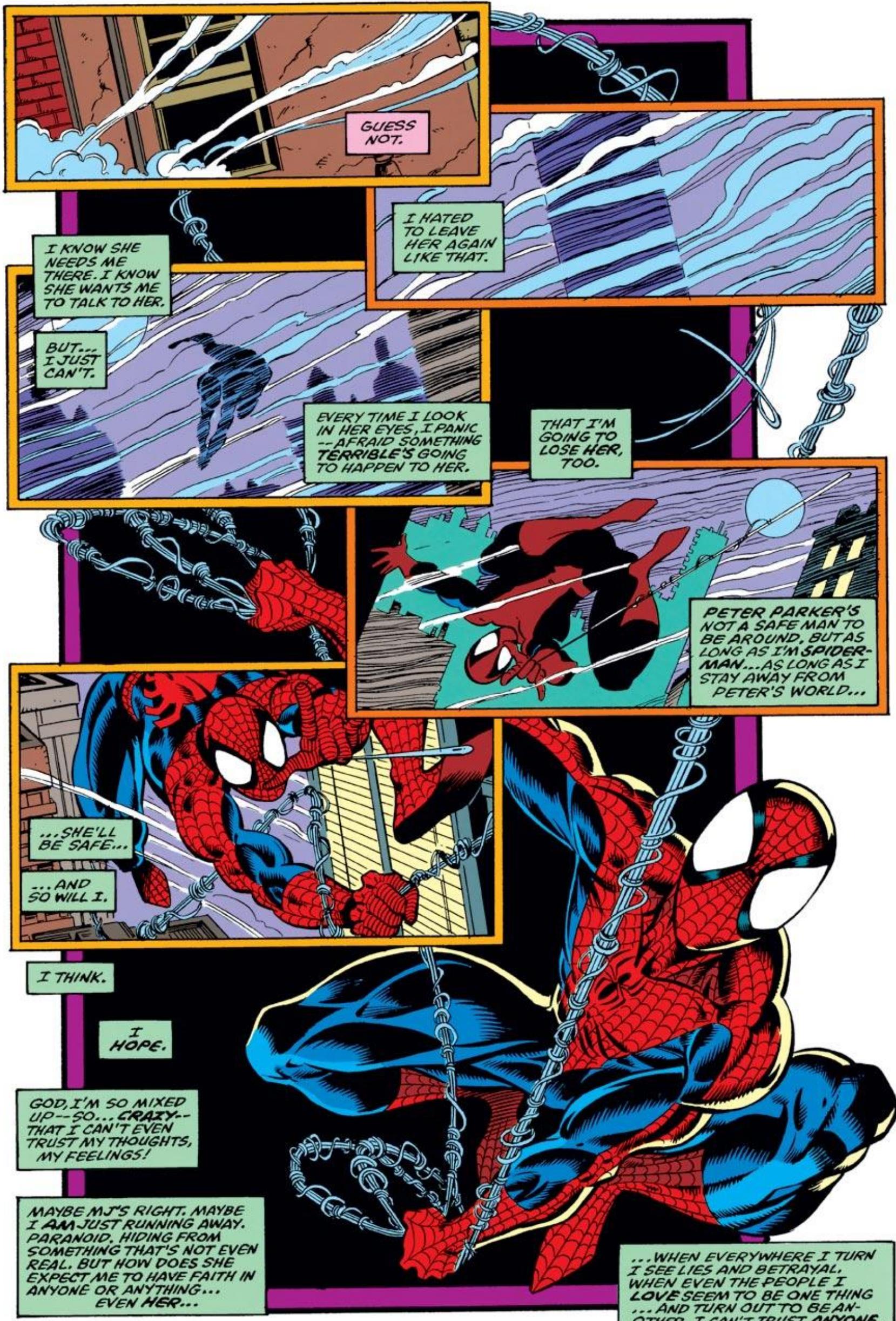












...NOT EVEN--
MYSELF.

NO--I CAN TRUST ONE PERSON!
SHE HELPED ME BEFORE...WHEN
I WAS SO LOST THAT I THOUGHT
I'D NEVER FIND MY WAY BACK!
IF ANYONE CAN HELP ME SEE
WHAT'S REAL AND WHAT'S NOT...

...IT'S
DOCTOR
KAFKA!

SHRIEKING
CONTINUES
NEXT
ISSUE!