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WEDNESDAY

CRIME & PUNISHERS



A recent revival of superhuman forces in the criminal underworld has Spider-Man on high alert. First, Hammerhead received a power upgrade and position within Mr. Negative's burgeoning criminal organization. Then Pete found himself aligned with the Punisher, of all people, to stop old Avenger's foe Moses Magnum from an arms deal that would put ordinary mobsters on a super-powered level. Factor in Spidey's tacit alliance with super-villain bet-taker extraordinaire, The Bookie (whose shoddy investigation of the Spider-Tracer killings left him on the business end of a stun gun, courtesy of Spider-Foe and deposed Daily Bugle publisher, J. Jonah Jameson), and you get the feeling that when it rains for Spider-Man, it pours...

POLICE TIE SPIDER-MAN TO RECENT MURDERS!

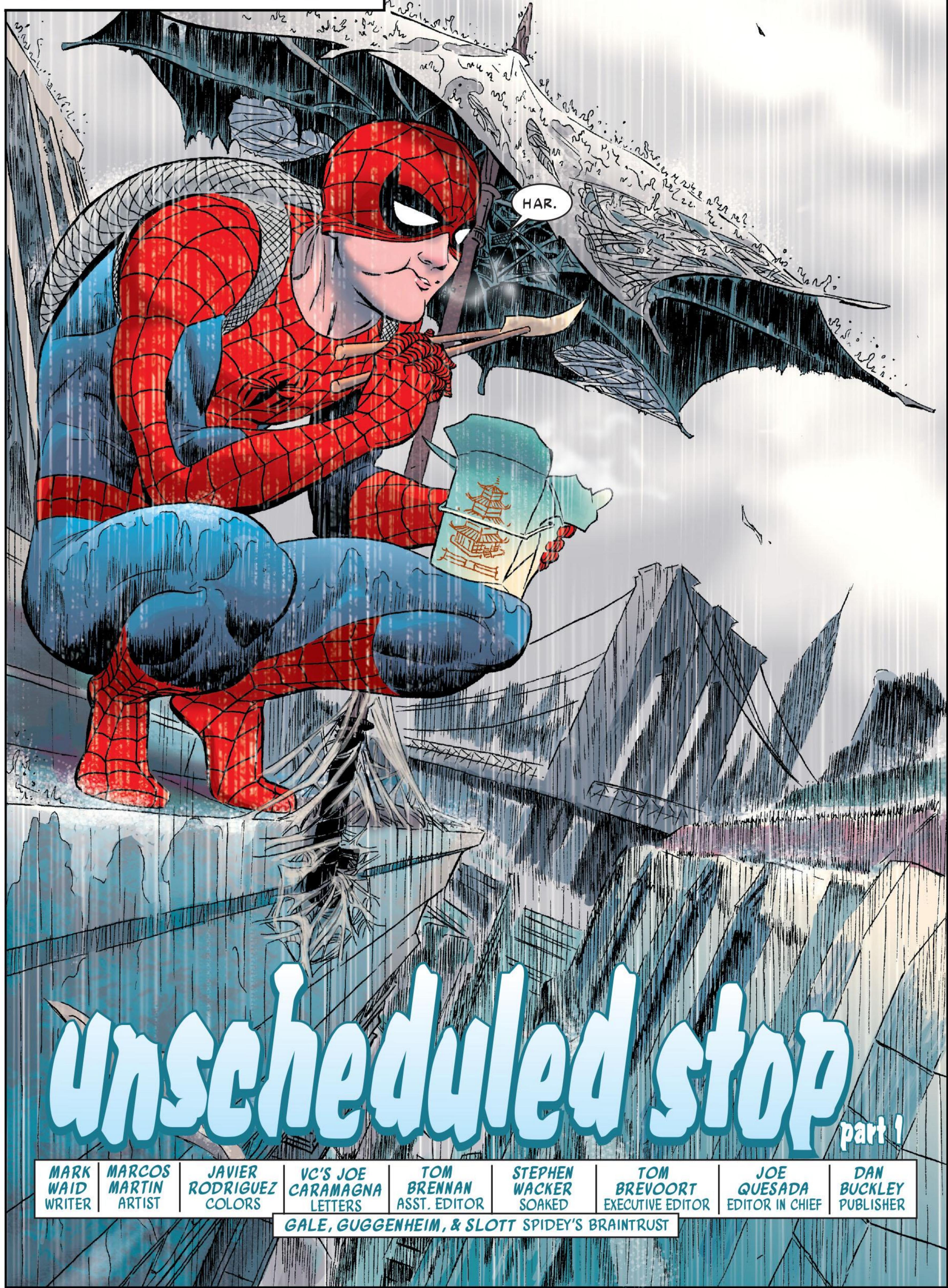
EXCLUSIVE TO THE DB!

In off-the-record conversations with DB staffers, police have confirmed that Spider-Man is the key suspect in the string of recent murders that has shocked this city. Although police have been reluctant to discuss the specifics of the murders, so-called "Spider Tracers" have definitely been found on each victim, leaving no doubt as to the involvement of Spider-Man. Spider-Man is already wanted for violations of...

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TODAY WILL BE
YOUR LUCKY DAY



LUCKY
DAY, MY
SOAKING-WET
SIZE NINES.

NO SOONER
DO I DROP MY
LAST DIME ON
A HOT LUNCH
THAN THE SKY
OPENS UP.

I COULD
SWEAR I SAW
A GUY OVER ON
FLATBUSH
BUILDING AN
ARK.

NOW AUNT
MAY'S EXPECTING
HER FAVORITE NEPHEW
AT THE F.E.A.S.T. CENTER
IN HALF AN HOUR, AND BY
THE TIME I WEB IT FROM
BROOKLYN IN THIS
MESS, I'M GONNA BE
AN HONORARY
ATLANTEAN.

MAN,
WHAT I
WOULDN'T
GIVE FOR--

SPLATT



--CARFARE--



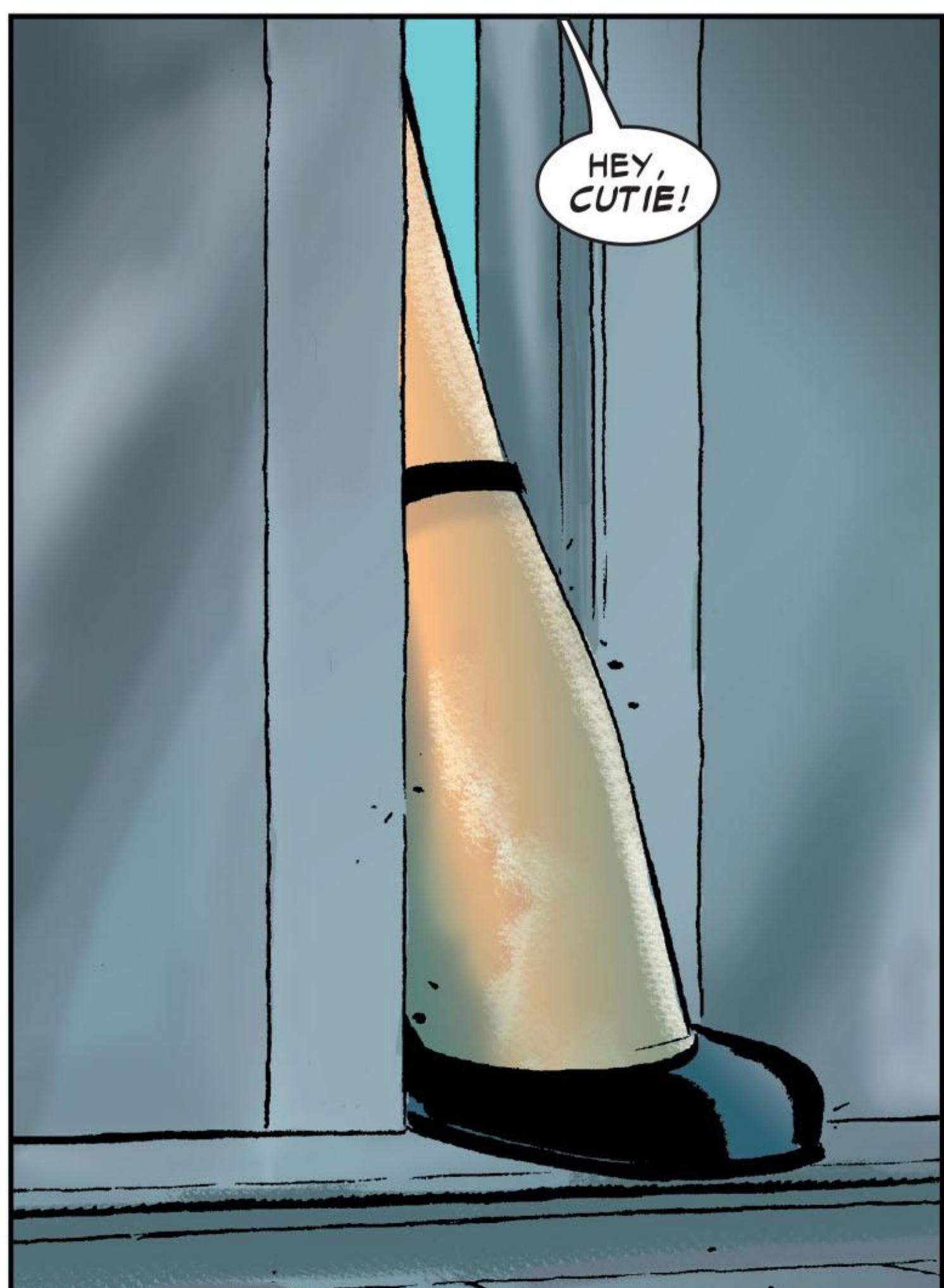
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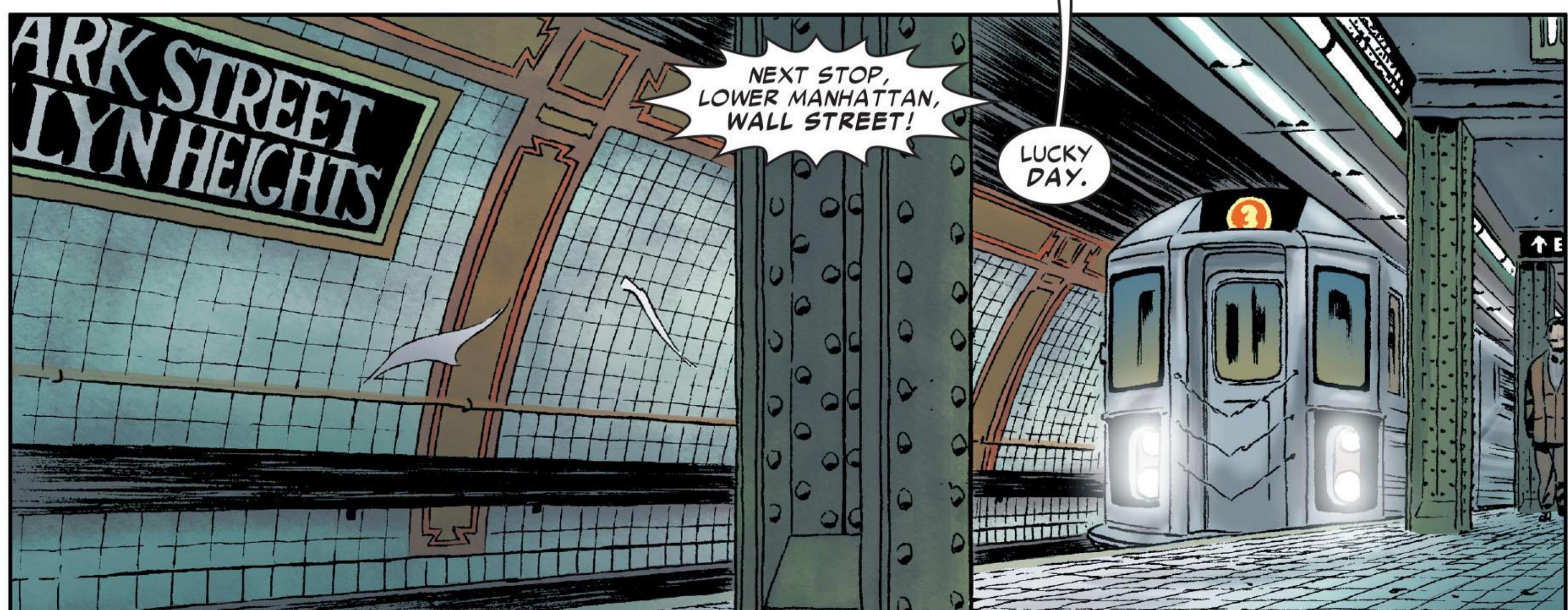
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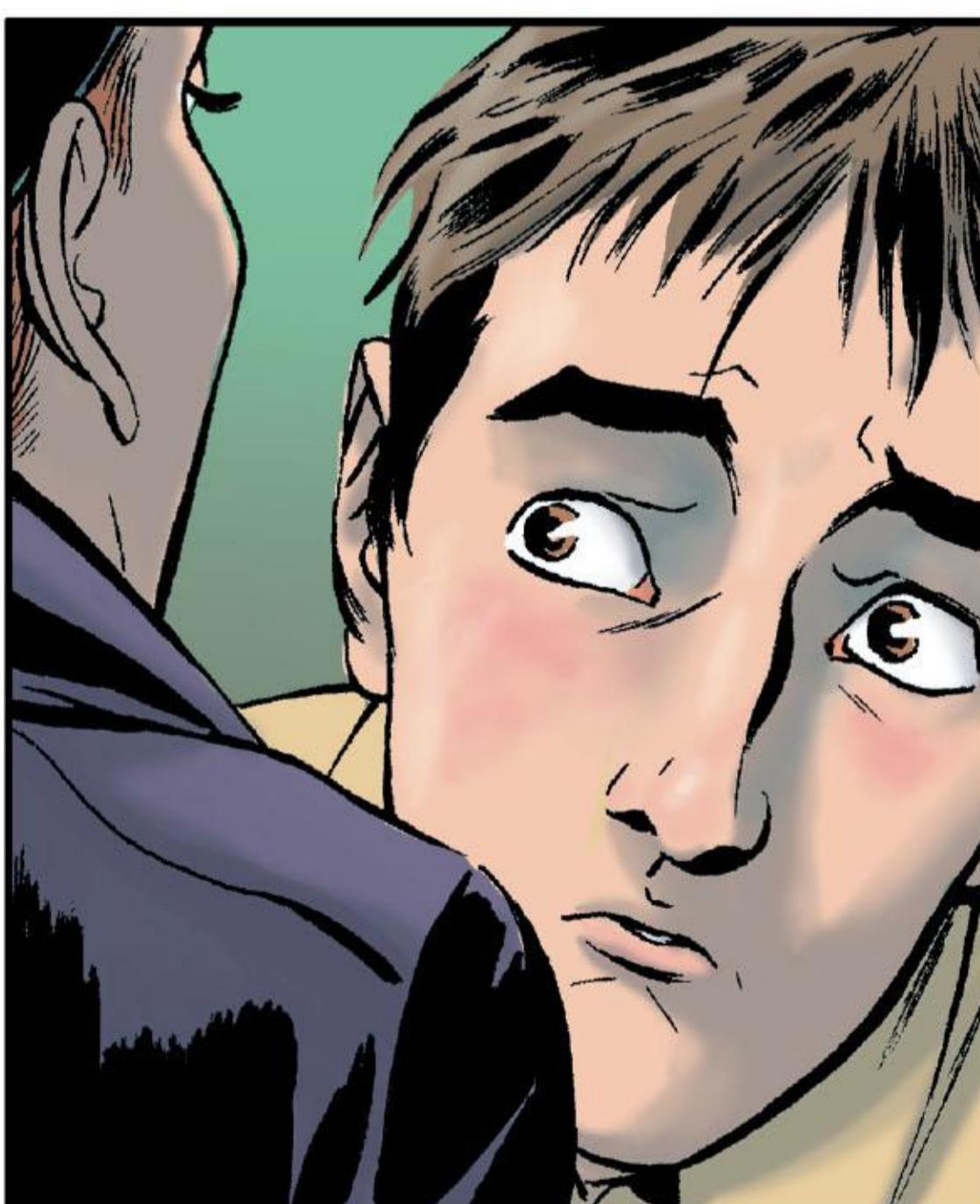
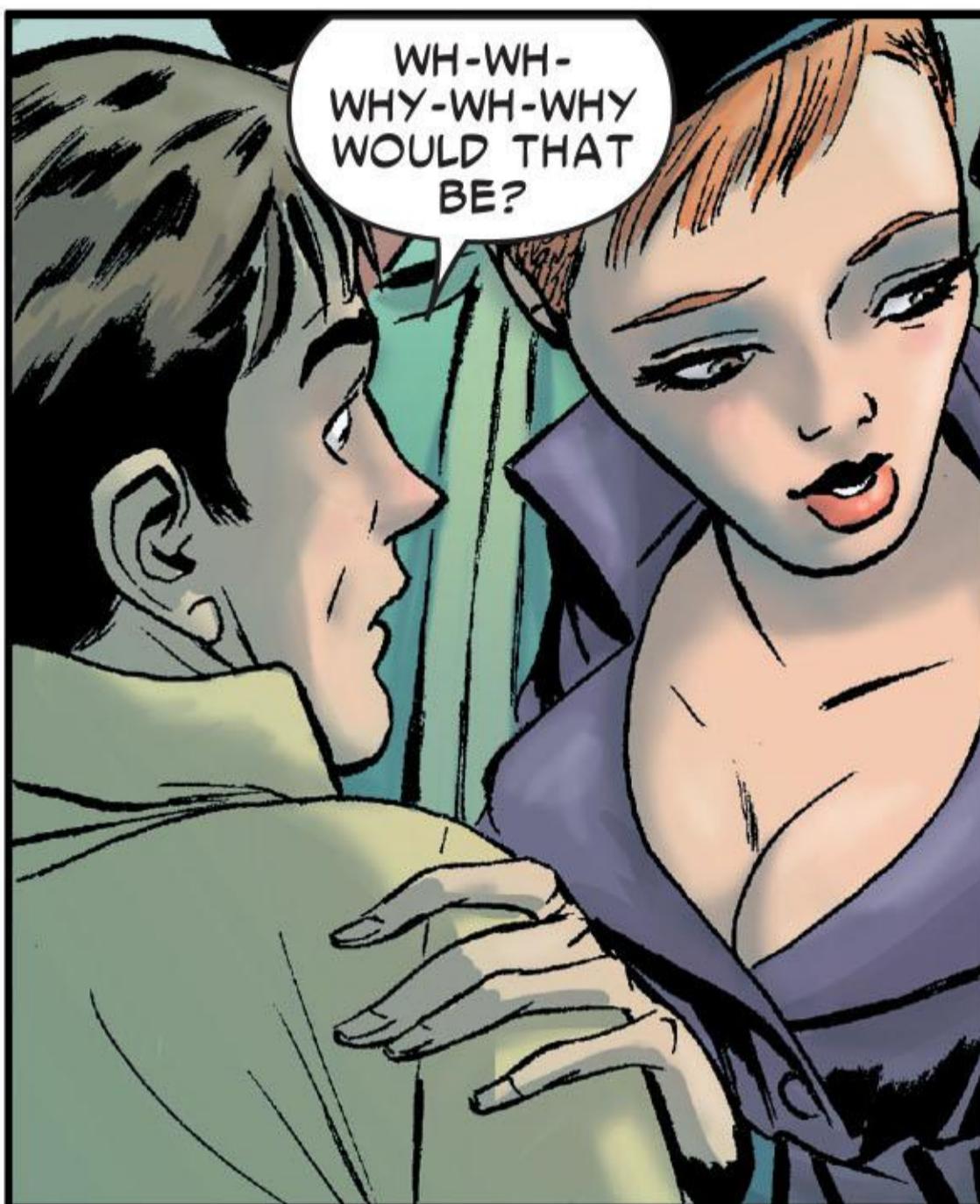
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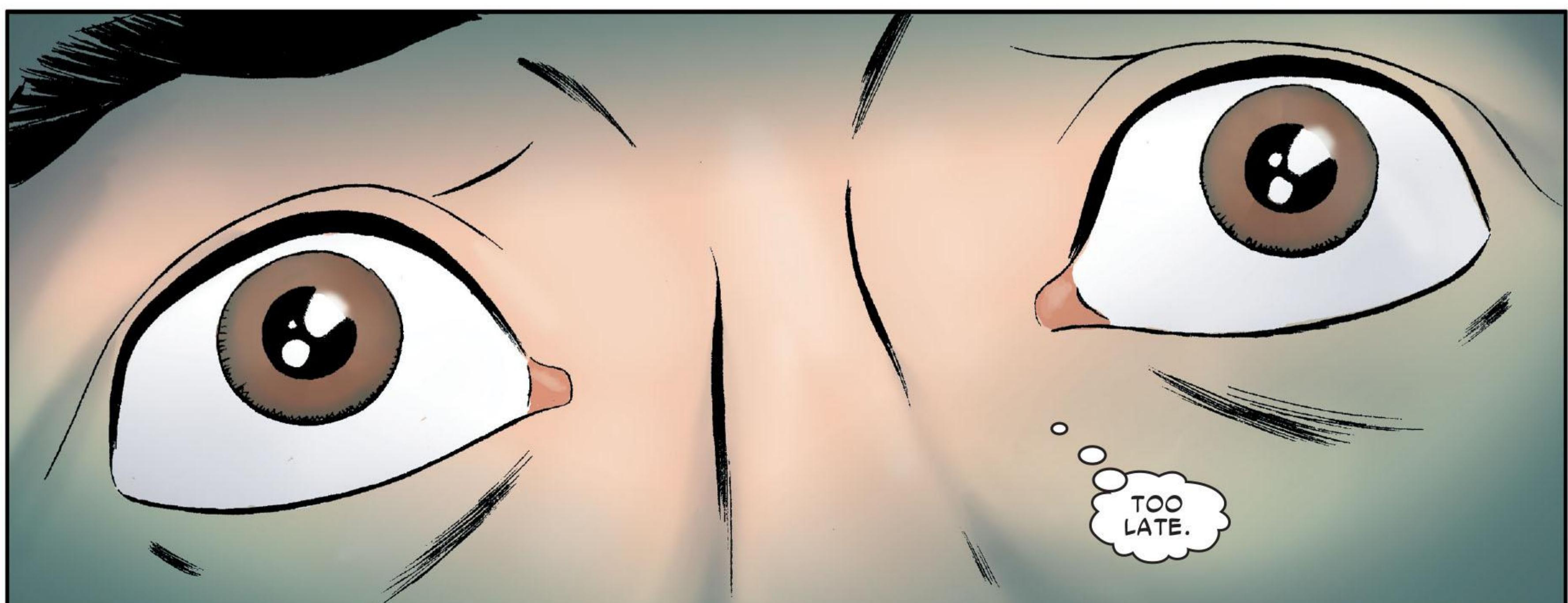
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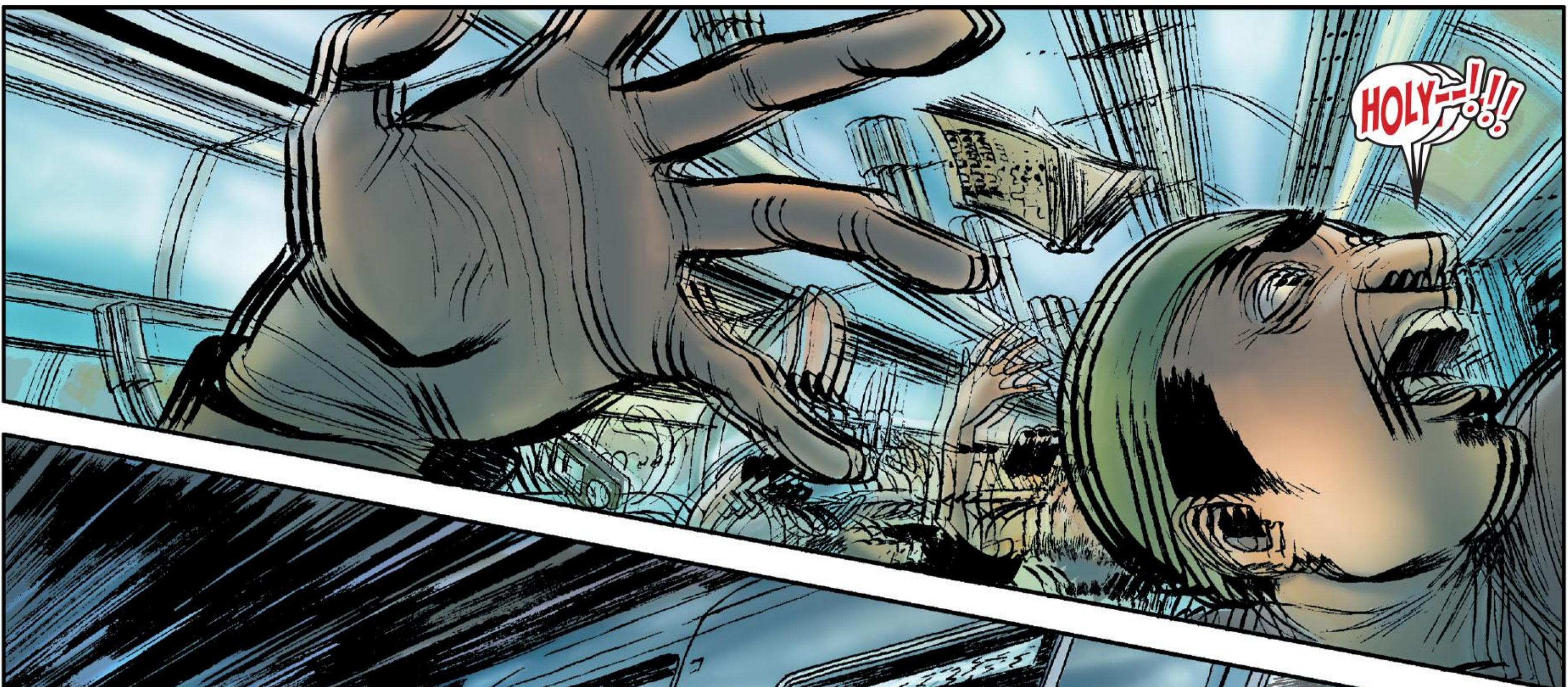










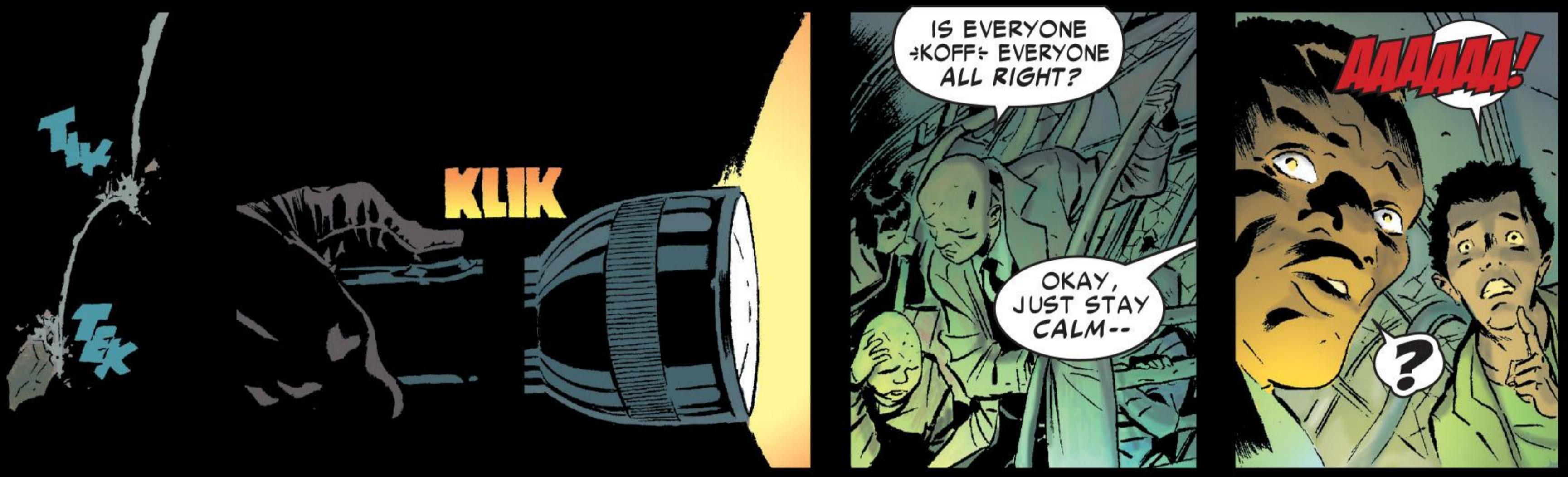


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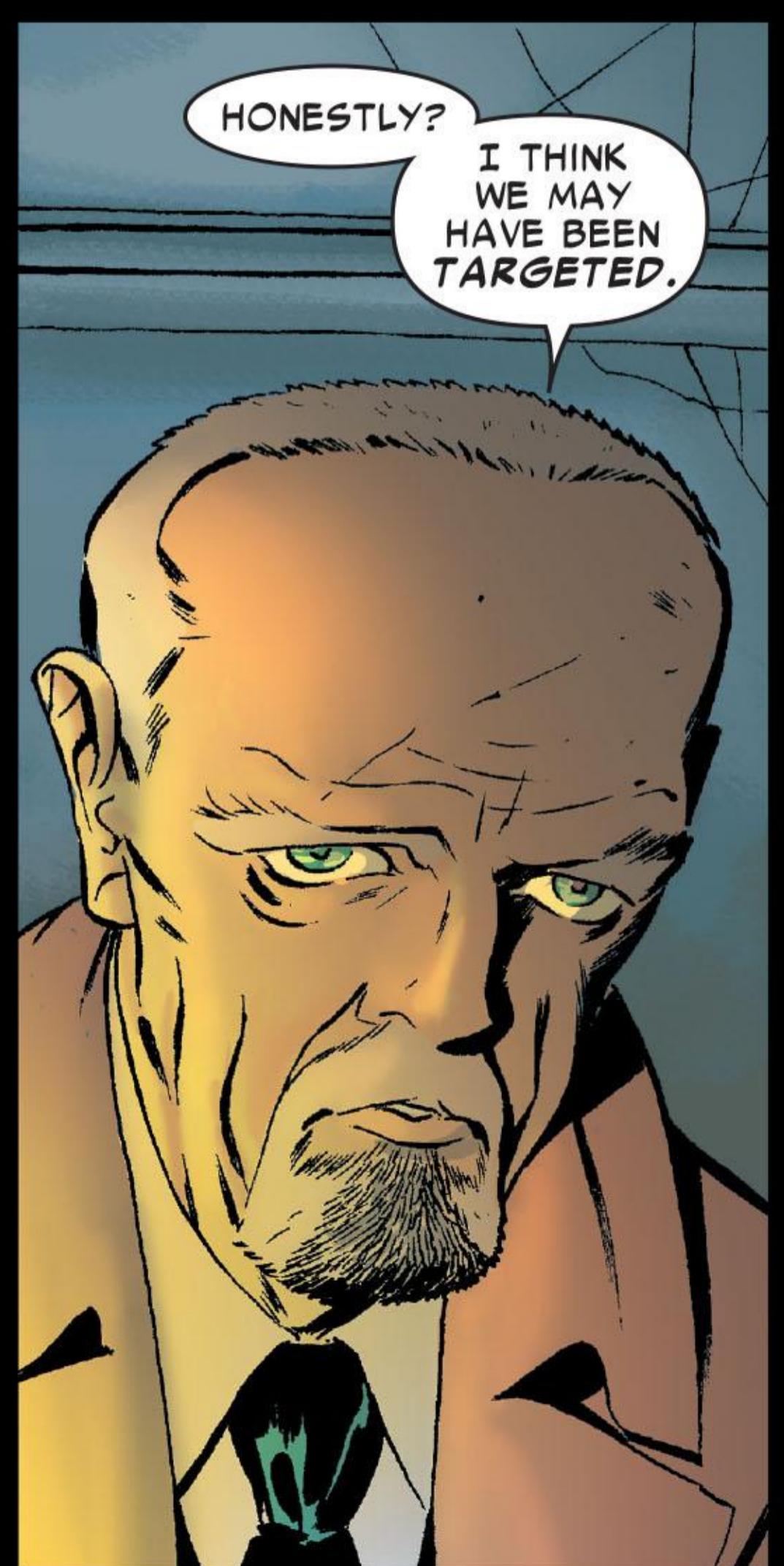


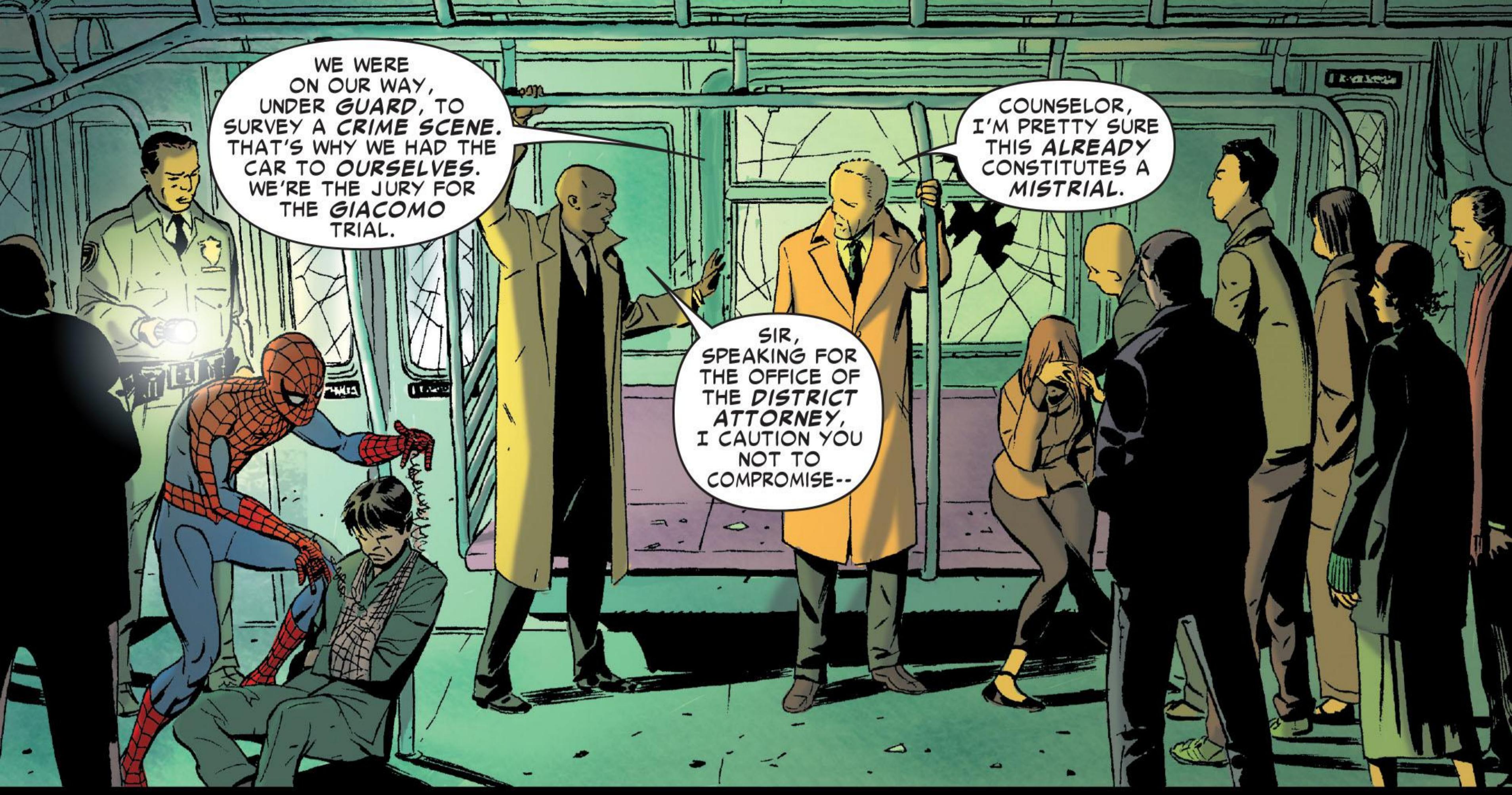
SKREEEECHAHOO!











--BUT
WHATEVER HIT
US KNOCKED OUT THE
THIRD RAIL AND ANY
EMERGENCY LIGHTS--AND
MY SPIDER-SENSE IS STILL
A-CLANGIN', WHICH MEANS
WE'RE SITTING DUCKS
IF WE DON'T
VAMOOSE.

FAUX-
QUAKE. SUBTLE,
AT LEAST BY
KARNELLI
STANDARDS.

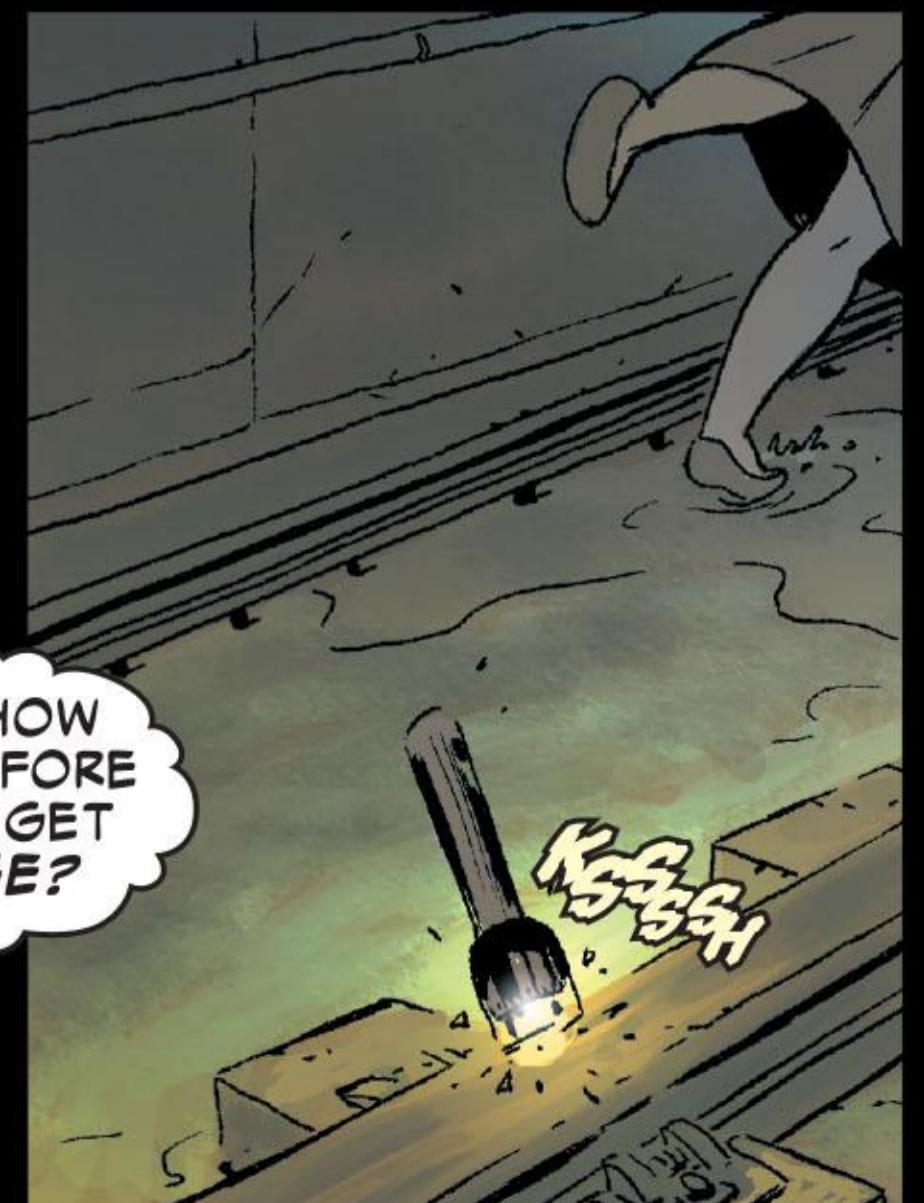
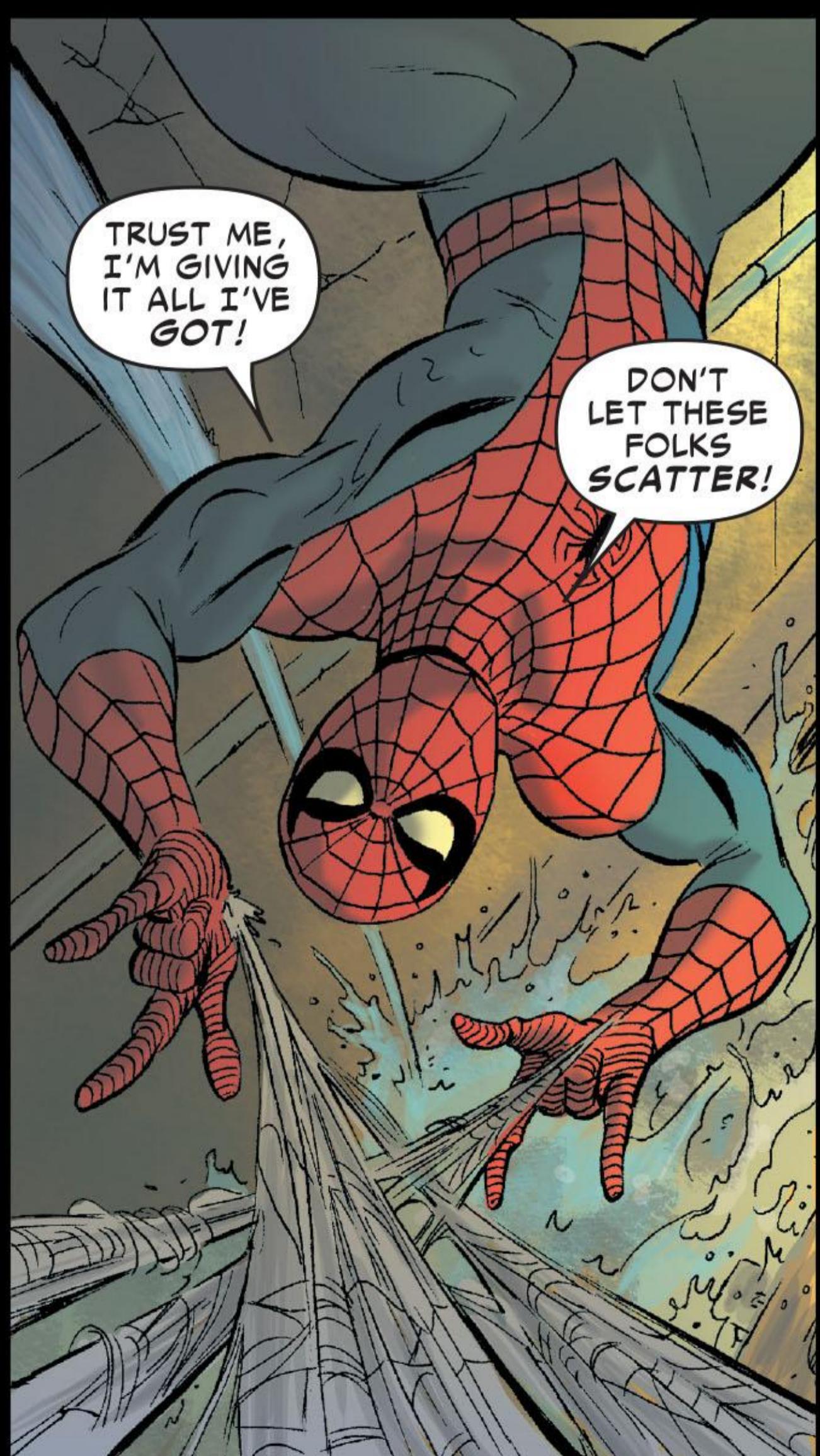
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THE JURY, MAKE
IT LOOK LIKE AN ACCIDENT,
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF
THE MISTRIAL TO STALL
A VERDICT. THERE
ARE EASIER
METHODS...

WELL
OBSERVED.
DO I KNOW
YOU?

NO.

BECAUSE
YOU SEEM REALLY
FAMILIAR TO ME FOR
SOME REASON.
WHAT'S YOUR
NAME?





AAAAAAH!

I CAN'T
SEE! I CAN'T
SEE!

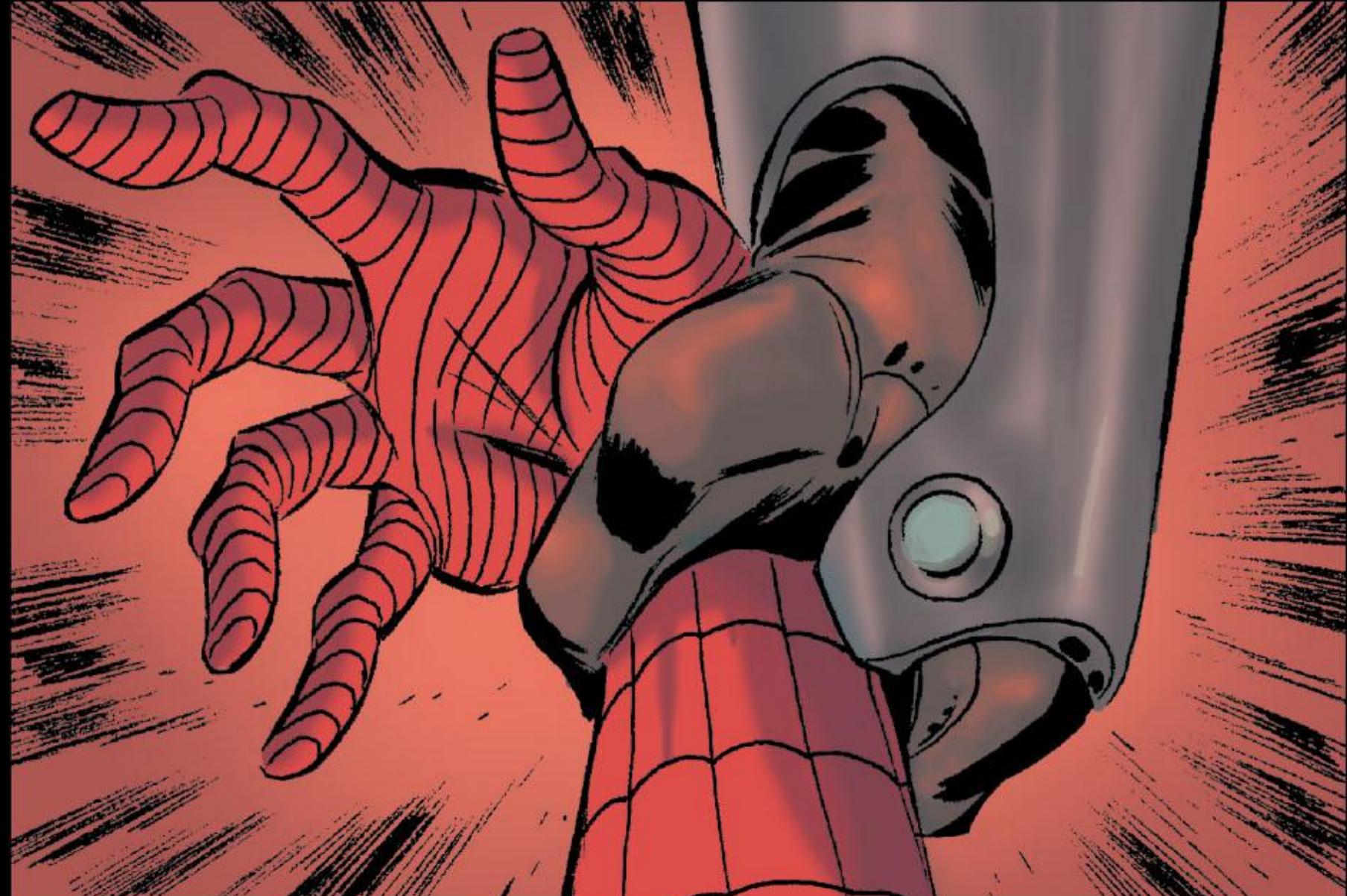
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DIE

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ME

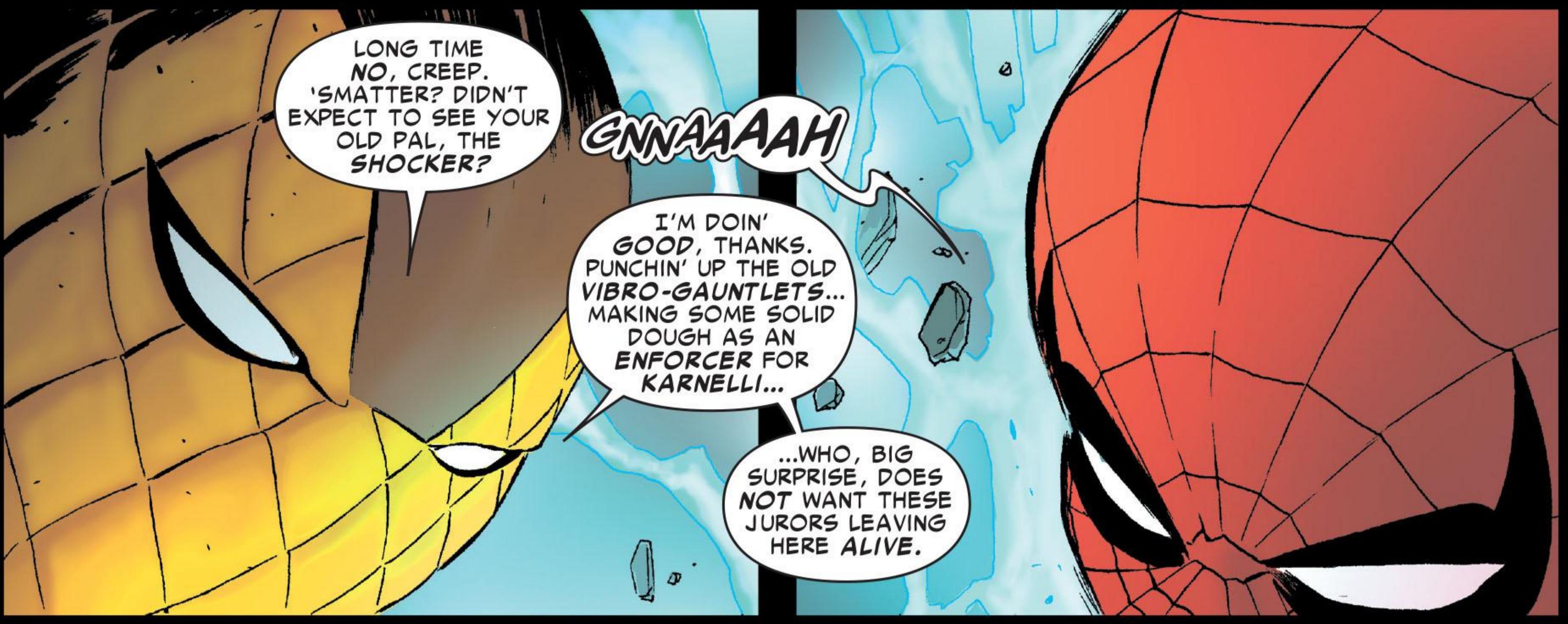
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THIS IS A
LADDER!

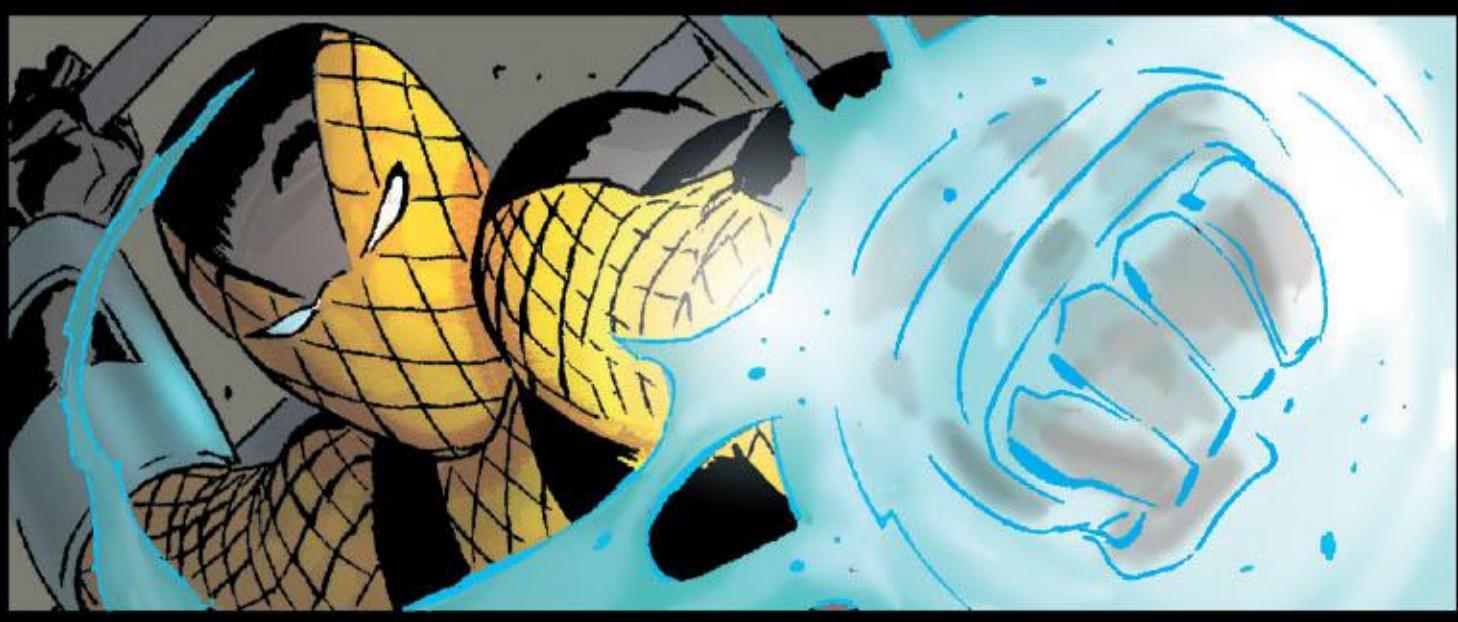
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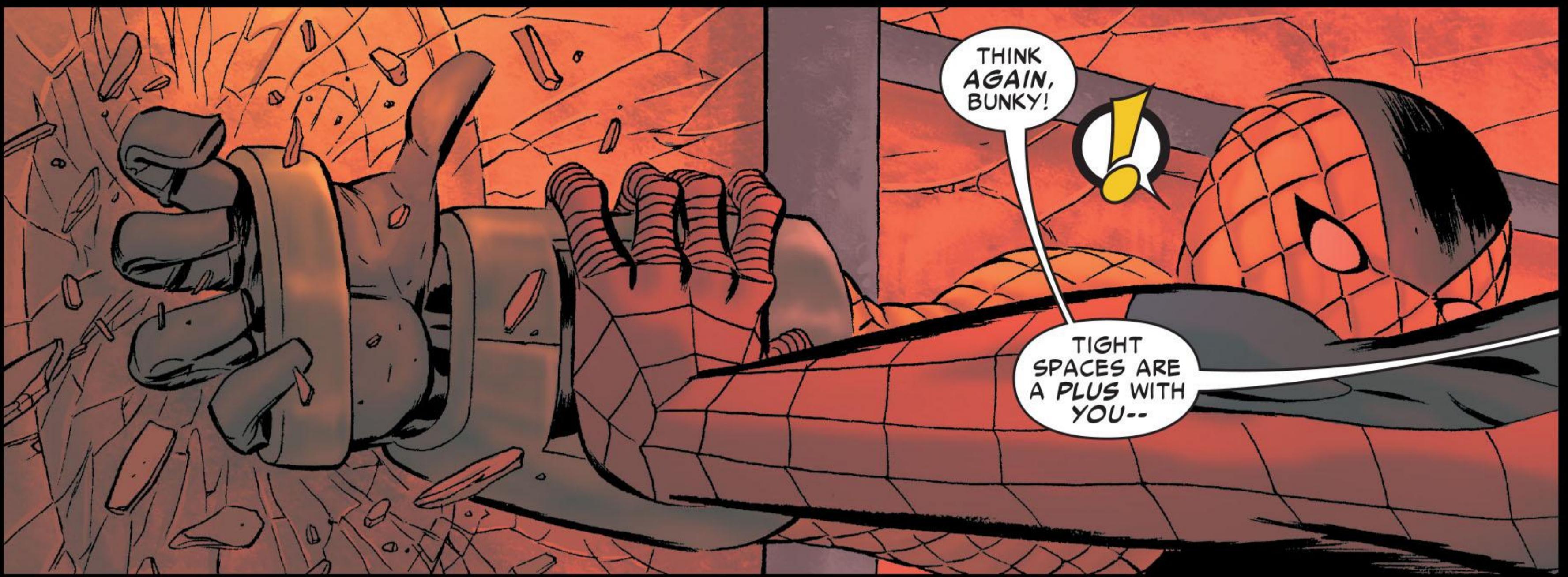
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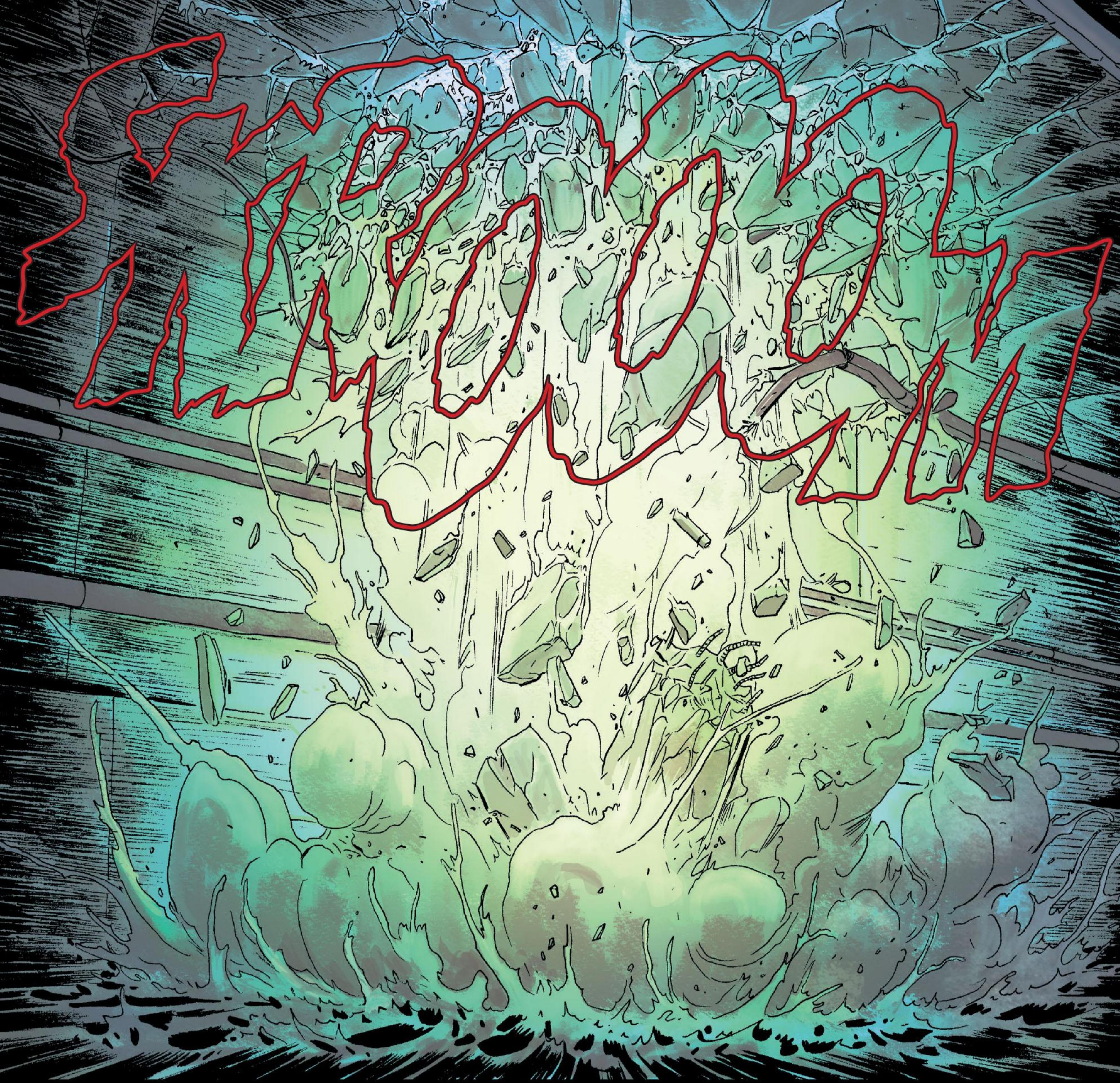
















MY NAME IS
J. JONAH
JAMESON...

...SENIOR.



 To be continued...

the AMAZING SPIDER-MAIL



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(please mark as OKAY TO PRINT)

As usual, we've had another busy week in the ASM office. This issue marks our 12th over the past 14 weeks, so we're all getting a bit punchy, yet we somehow muddle through.

Brennan and I (well, mostly Brennan), are putting together some exciting Spidey comics over the next few months including:

-A brand new AMAZING SPIDER-MAN EXTRA! (with more on Anti-Venom and the new Kraven)

-The soon-to-be-monthly AMAZING SPIDER-MAN FAMILY

-A one-shot in January called SPIDER-MAN: FEAR ITSELF featuring the muck-encrusted Man-Thing.

-An all-new AMAZING SPIDER-MAN DIGITAL COMIC found solely on the Marvel.com website!

-MS. MARVEL #34 which features Spidey and follows up on this year's MS. MARVEL ANNUAL that also guest-starred our web-head.

-the wrap-up of the long running series SPIDER-GIRL, which is edited by Brennan (and I just find it adorable watching him give his little notes like a big boy. They grow up so fast.) Don't worry, though, there are plans for young May, so you won't be without her for too long.

Pew, plus I'm sure we don't have to remind you to catch the Swingin' One each and every month in the biggest book in comics: NEW AVENGERS! I know some of what's coming around the bend in that book and it's going to affect Peter Parker and his friends directly. You gotta be there.

Okay, let's wrap up the e-mail on *New Ways To Die* and clear the decks for the ton of letters we're getting on #574's Flash Thompson issue... Take 'er away, readers!

Dear Spider-gang,

I love the direction you are taking with our web-slinger. But I would love it even more if you brought Black Cat back--and more Jackpot wouldn't hurt either.

I also LOVE all the new villains you've brought into the Spidey-verse, like Anti-Venom and Freak. I really like Kraven and Paper Doll too. But even though I love the new villains, I'm most glad that you brought Venom back. I can't explain it since most of my favorite characters are kick-butt female heroines (and Spidey, of course), but for some reason Venom is my absolute favorite! I have no idea why. I even had a dream that he was my grandpa and I turned him good. I'm so glad Osborn brought Venom back with him to New York. *New Ways to Die* should have been called "New Ways to Rock"! It is my favorite story arc yet.

Until Doc Ock becomes president, make mine Marvel!

Alicia Ford, Age 9
Via e-mail

Gang,

Good job! An excellent storyline from start to finish! *NWTD* part 6 was completely worth the three week wait (which by the way was horrifyingly long)!

The art was amazing and it complemented the tone of the story perfectly! The Colbert backup story was very funny too. The menace hints by Norman made me pretty sure it was Harry, at least until the end of the book, now it might be Lily!

Also, thank you for making Eddie Brock

Anti-Venom. Now if only he could get his own mini-series, or ongoing series. So, until Spider-man retires, MAKE MINE MARVEL!!!

Zachary Boatright
Via e-mail

Dear Steve,

I just finished reading *New Ways to Die*, and I can finally see the relevance of the new characters. At the beginning of *BND*, I simply thought the addition of some new characters injected some freshness and life to the book. Now, I can see the master scheme unfolding.

Mr. Negative's enigmatic characterization continues to build with his relationship to Eddie Brock. Freak now seems more relevant than I ever could have imagined. And, finally, Menace has a showdown with the Original Goblin-fantastic!

NWTD has surpassed my expectations in all ways: fresh use of older villains, new villains taking their place against and amongst classic villains, fantastic storytelling, and great art by JRJR.

And speaking of art, the Bullseye cover by David Finch is beautiful and disturbing at the same time. I love it. When can we get Finch on an arc?

Keep "spinning" more yarns, and I'll be there.

Steve Dishon
Kokomo, Indiana

Dear Spider-Mail,

Before *BND* I rarely read Spider-Man. So when *Brand New Day* launched, it was the perfect time to start reading, and I have to admit I am very excited for each new issue that comes out. The new enemies Spidey has to face on and off with are quite the memorable bunch (I really like Freak and Anti-Venom the most, although Anti's name is a little.... lame) and the three times a month thing you have going makes it easier to remember events issue to issue.

I just wanted to give you a heads-up that the Spider Staff just scored one new regular customer for a long time to come, especially because of the *New Ways To Die* event going on. Great job!

Brooks M. Williams
Via e-mail

Dear Spider-Crew:

BND turned me into a Spidey regular, and the *New Ways to Die* storyline has, honestly, hooked me for life. I can't claim to have been with the character through thick and thin, but I'm more than happy to read a back-to-basics Spider-Man that's intelligently done. Whether the moment that got us here was the wisest way "out," what's followed has been good for the character, I think, at least in terms of generating buzz and renewing the interest of readers like me. For once, my luck couldn't have been better.

Thanks to everyone in the Spider-Man office for your hard work. I'm one reader, at least, who believes the effort has been worth it!

Dion C. Cautrell
Kearney, Nebraska

Spidey-folks,

I'm sure that you'll be getting a lot of mail regarding the conclusion to *New Ways to Die*, but this letter is regarding your back-story, side-story, after-story, or whatever you want to call it about Stephen Colbert.

Hilarious. I barely know anything about the guy, yet it was still hilarious. But, you made one flaw regarding Grizzly. On the fifth page of the story, last panel, Grizzly lashes out, yelling "Don't make fun of me!" However, this is clearly a confusion with another villain who debuted around 30 issues earlier, the Gibbon.

The Gibbon, or Martin Blank, is not as much a villain as he is a loser and freak who is preparing to hunt me down for calling him that. In fact, he would hardly even be titled a "villain", but was actually being manipulated by the then-living Kraven the Hunter. The Grizzly, on the other hand, is an ex-pro-wrestler who blames JJJ for ending his career. He first appeared alongside Jackal in their combined effort to kidnap Peter Parker as bait for Spider-Man.

Still, the mistake is understandable, for they are both minor villains from over 30 years ago with similar costumes and basis and even once appeared together in the League of Losers (which I have yet to read).

Thank you for your time and WHERE'S MY NO-PRIZE?

David B. Jacobs
Via e-mail

No NO-PRIZE for you, David. We know exactly who the Gibbon is and you can find his most current adventures in the recently completed MARVEL APES mini.

And look, if you really have a problem with how Grizzly was being portrayed...wait until we reveal him as Menace in #585!



All right, let's wrap it there. Don't forget, fans, you can reach Brennan directly at BrennanTheMenace@gmail.com. I will make sure he answers none of your letters. That kid's got work to do if he ever wants to rise in the ranks here at Marvel and make enough money to someday settle down with the love of a good wife. And that wife could be YOU!!!

Viva Templar!
Simperin' Steve

This week's cover by mi amigo número dieciocho, Marcos Martin.

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