

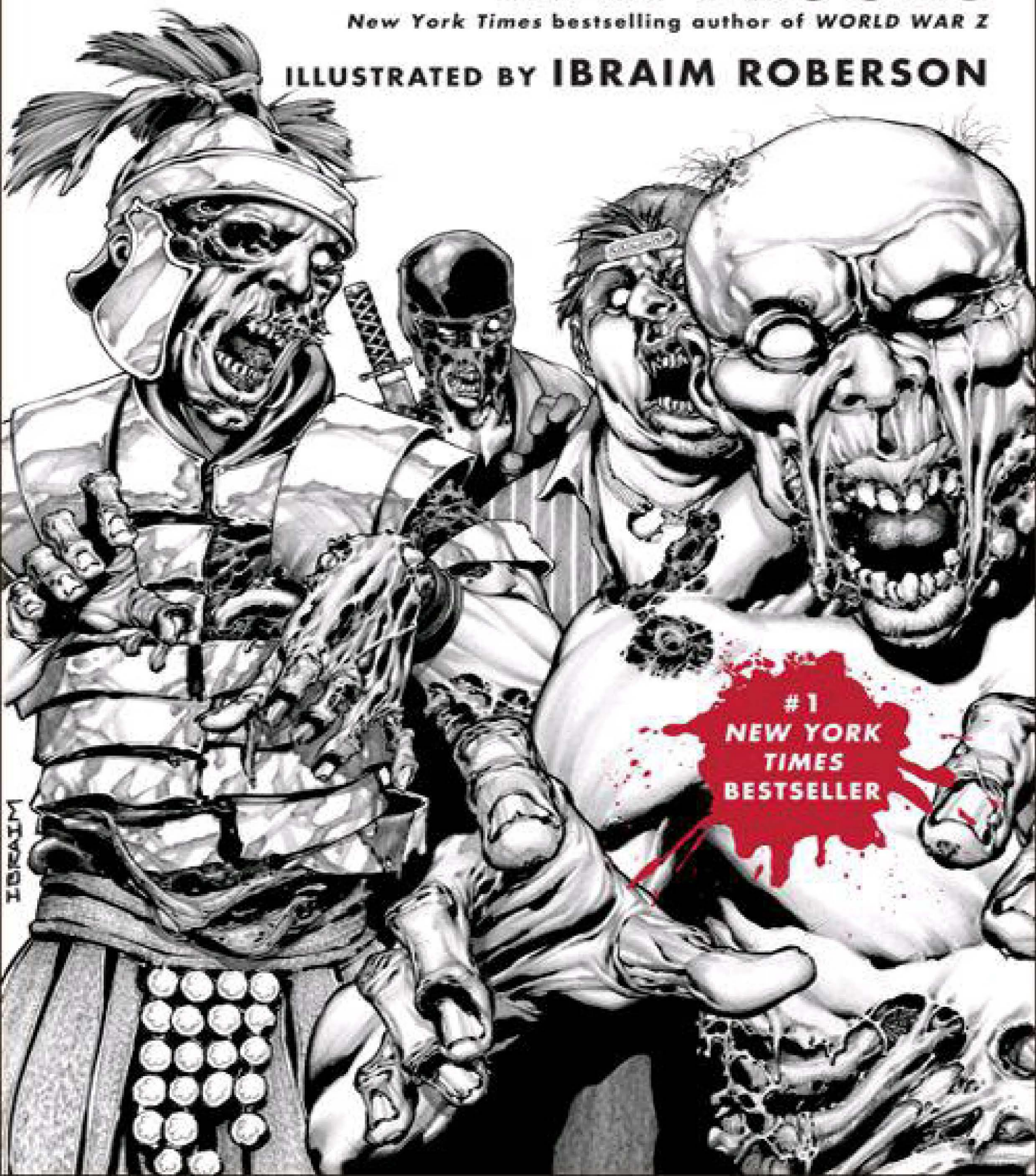
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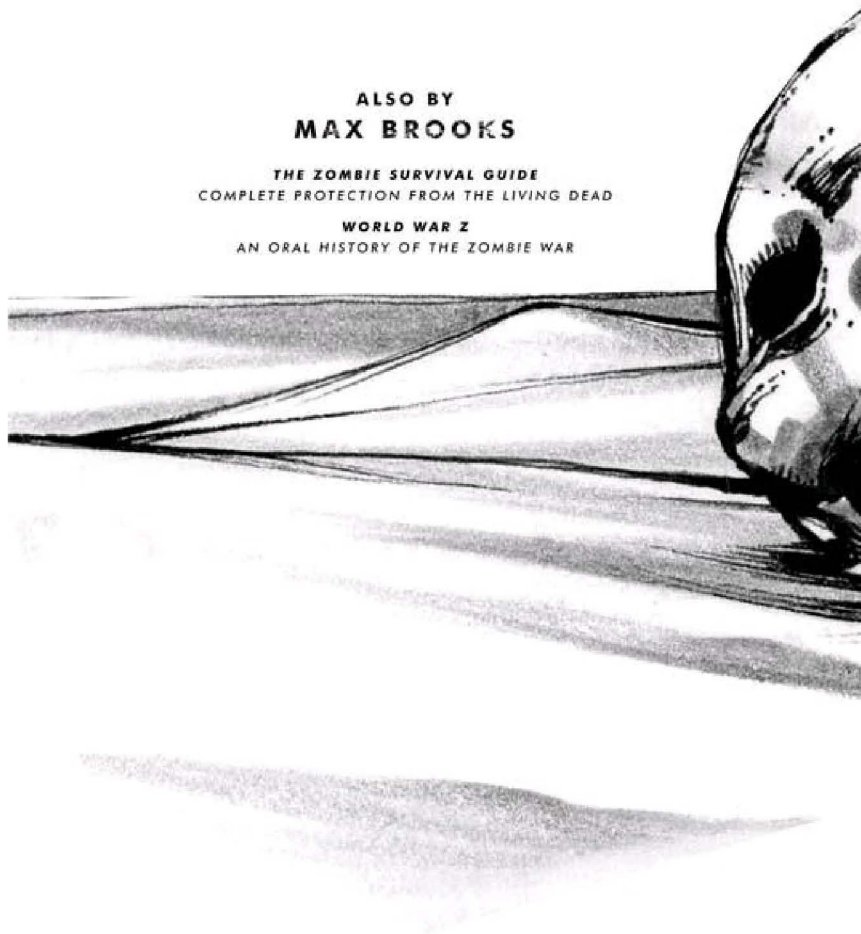
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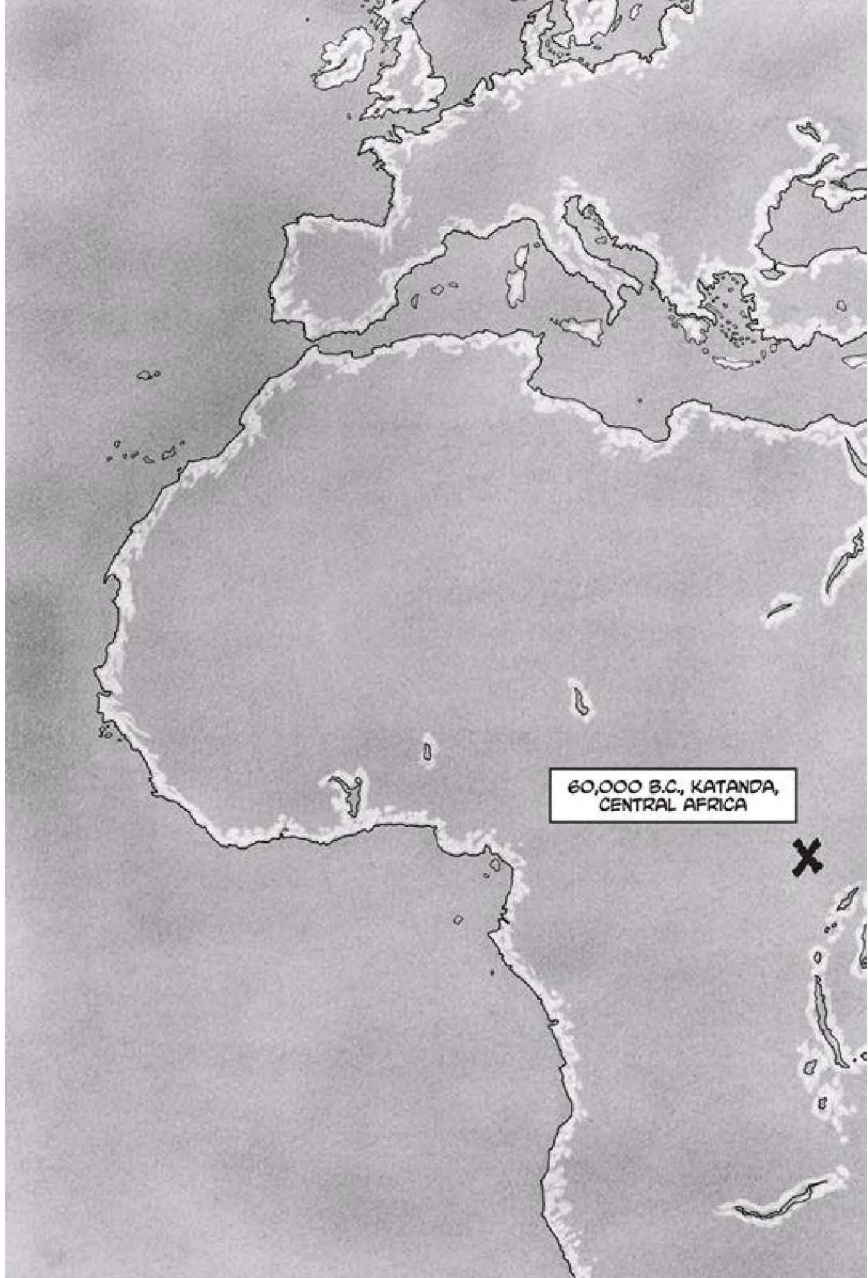
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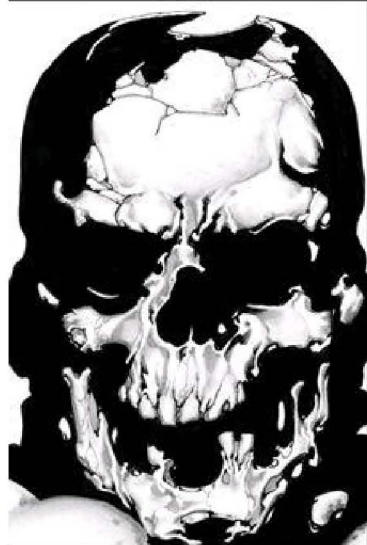
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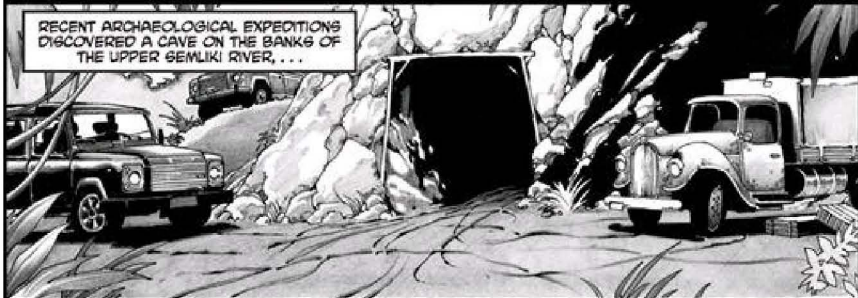
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RECENT ARCHAEOLOGICAL EXPEDITIONS  
DISCOVERED A CAVE ON THE BANKS OF  
THE UPPER SEMLIKI RIVER, ...



... WHICH CONTAIN  
THIRTEEN HOMO  
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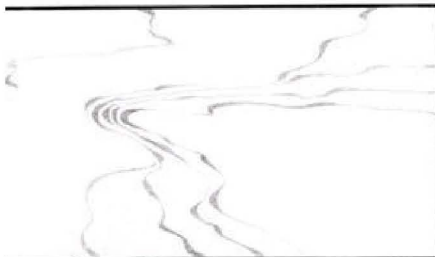
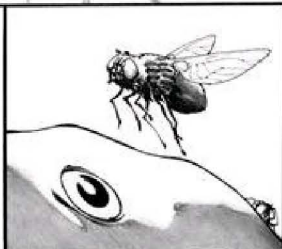
ALL HAVE RECEIVED  
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PAINTING THAT  
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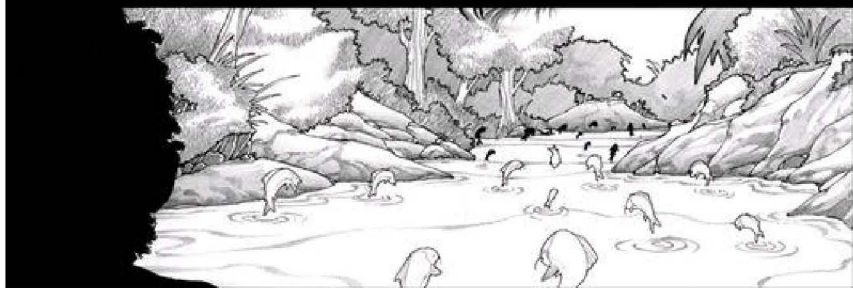
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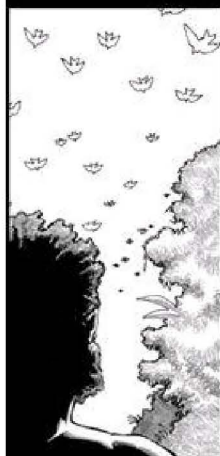












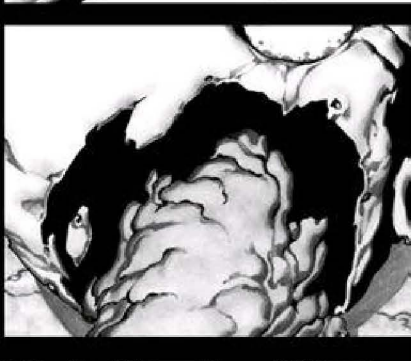
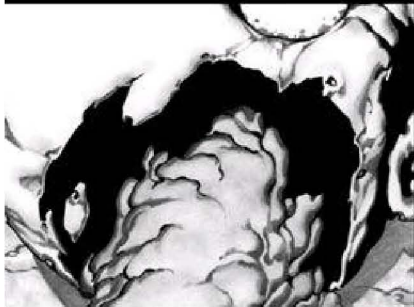






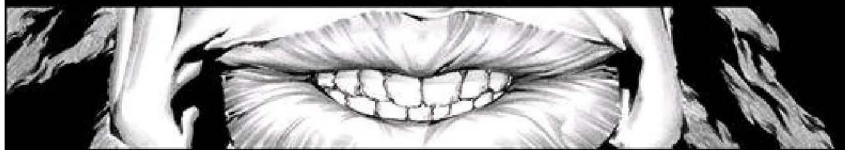
















ACADEMICS CONTINUE TO DEBATE THE EXACT MESSAGE CONVEYED IN THE CAVE PAINTING.



ONE SCHOOL OF THOUGHT CONTENDS THAT IT IS A WARNING OF THE UNDEAD'S CARNIVOROUS NATURE, ...



... WHILE ANOTHER ...



... BELIEVES IT TO REVEAL THE INFECTION TRANSMITTED THROUGH A ZOMBIE'S BITE ...



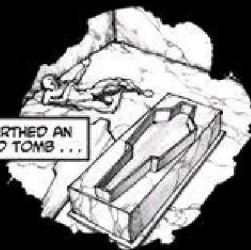
... AND ITS EFFECT ON LIVING HUMANS.



3000 B.C.,  
HIERACONPOLIS, EGYPT

A BRITISH DIG IN 1892 ...

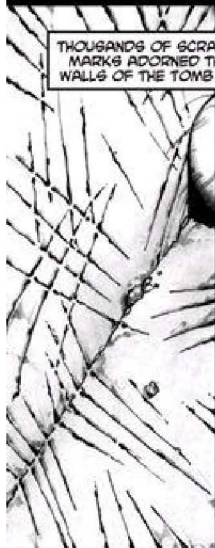
... UNEARTHED AN UNMARKED TOMB ...



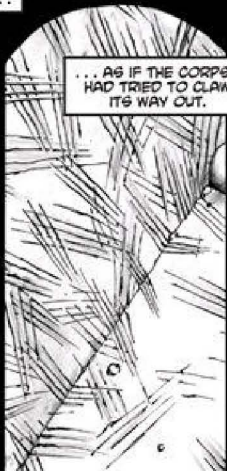
... CONTAINING AN OPEN SARCOPHAGUS AND A SINGLE, PARTIALLY DECOMPOSED BODY.



THOUSANDS OF SCRATCH MARKS ADORNED THE WALLS OF THE TOMB ...



... AS IF THE CORPSE HAD TRIED TO CLAW ITS WAY OUT.



FORENSIC EXPERTS HAVE DETERMINED THESE MARKS TO HAVE BEEN MADE OVER THE COURSE OF SEVERAL YEARS ...



... AND THEY EXACTLY MATCH THE WORN STATE OF THE CORPSE'S HANDS.



THE BODY ALSO DISPLAYED SEVERAL BITE MARKS ON THE RIGHT RADIUS.



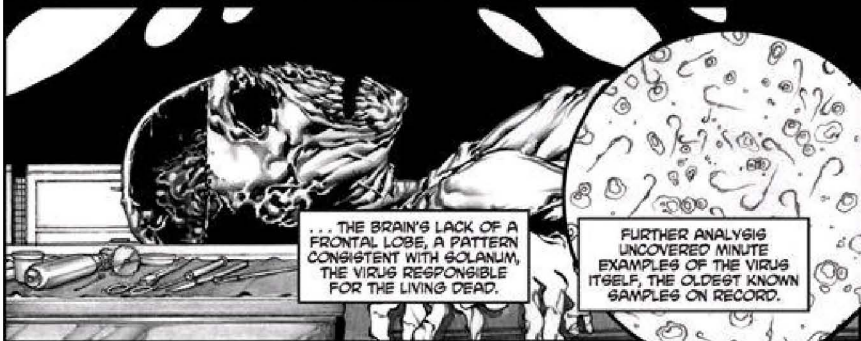
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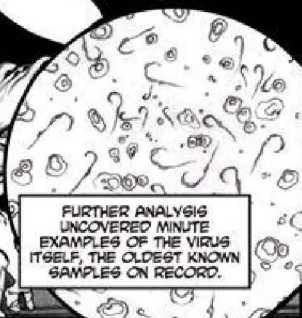
A LATER, TWENTIETH-CENTURY AUTOPSY CONFIRMED ...



... THE BRAIN'S LACK OF A FRONTAL LOBE, A PATTERN CONSISTENT WITH GOLANUM, THE VIRUS RESPONSIBLE FOR THE LIVING DEAD.



FURTHER ANALYSIS UNCOVERED MINUTE EXAMPLES OF THE VIRUS ITSELF, THE OLDEST KNOWN SAMPLES ON RECORD.



A DEBATE NOW  
RAGES ...

... AS TO WHETHER  
THIS CASE PROMPTED  
LATER EGYPTIAN  
SPECIALISTS TO  
REMOVE ...



... THE BRAINS FROM  
THEIR MUMMIES.

IT IS NOT KNOWN IF THIS CUSTOM  
WAS PURELY CEREMONIAL ...



... OR PRACTICAL.



A.D. 121, FANUM  
COCIDI, CALEDONIA

WHILE THE INITIAL SOURCE  
IS STILL A MYSTERY, ...



... METICULOUS RECORDS  
TELL OF AN OUTBREAK ...



... IN THIS REMOTE, WILD LAND  
BORDERING ROMAN BRITAIN.



THE NATURE OF THE OUTBREAK  
WAS CLEARLY LOST ON THE  
LOCAL CHEFTAIN, ...



... WHO BELIEVED  
THE LIVING DEAD TO  
SIMPLY BE INSANE ...




... AND UTTERLY  
HARMLESS.









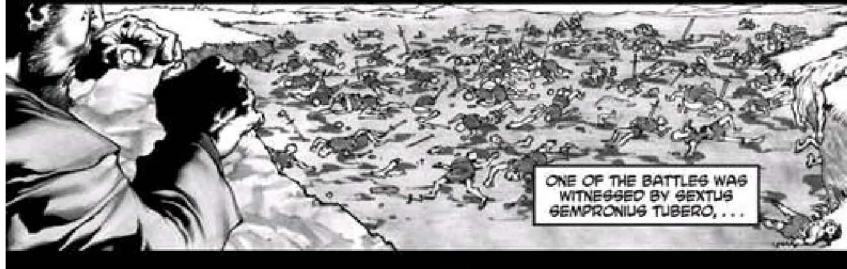
IN A SERIES OF  
DISORGANIZED, ...

... FUTILE  
ENGAGEMENTS, ...

... 600 WARRIORS  
WERE COMPLETELY  
DEVoured.

WHILE ANOTHER  
3,000 WOUNDED  
FIGHTERS ...

... SWELLED THE RANKS  
OF THE LIVING DEAD.



ONE OF THE BATTLES WAS  
WITNESSED BY SEXTUS  
SEMPRONIUS TUBERO,...



... A ROMAN  
MERCHANT TRAVELING  
THROUGH THE REGION.

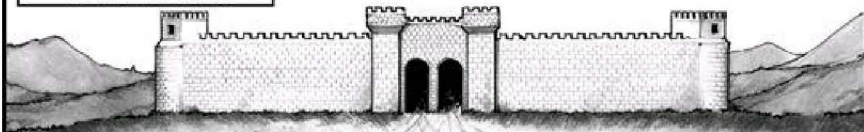


WITHOUT REALIZING THAT THE  
UNDEAD WERE JUST THAT, ...



... HE WITNESSED THAT  
DIRECT DECAPITATION  
SEEMED TO BE THE ONLY WAY  
TO STOP THESE CREATURES.

TUBERO BARELY ESCAPED  
WITH HIS LIFE TO THE CLOSEST  
ROMAN OUTPOST ...



... AND REPORTED HIS FINDINGS  
TO ITS COMMANDER, MARCUS  
LUCIUS TERENCEUS, ...



... THAT A SWARM OF  
OVER 9,000 "CREATURES"  
WERE ON THE MOVE ...



... FOLLOWING THE  
FLEEING REFUGEES  
SOUTH ...



... TOWARD  
ROMAN TERRITORY.



TERENTIUS GATHERED A FORCE  
OF CIVILIAN LABORERS, ...



... WHICH HE IMMEDIATELY  
SET TO WORK ...



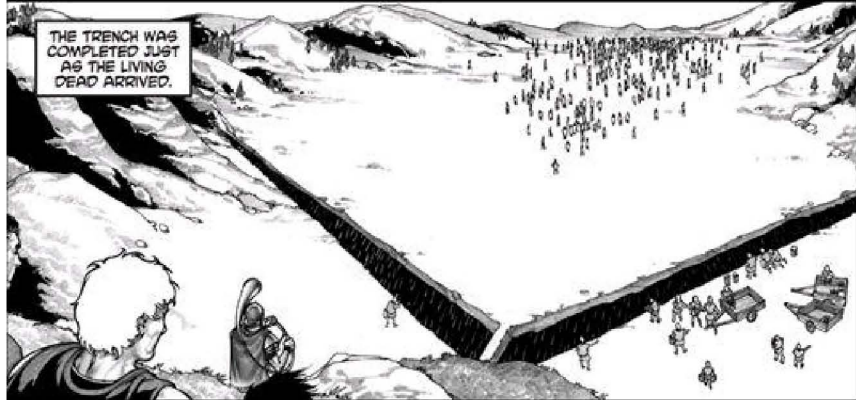
... DIGGING TWO  
INWARDLY NARROWING  
TRENCHES ...



... AND REINFORCED  
PALISADES.



THE BOTTOM OF EACH  
TRENCH WAS LINED  
WITH STAKES AND  
FILLED WITH BITUMEN  
LIQUIDUM (CRUDE OIL).



THE TRENCH WAS COMPLETED JUST AS THE LIVING DEAD ARRIVED.



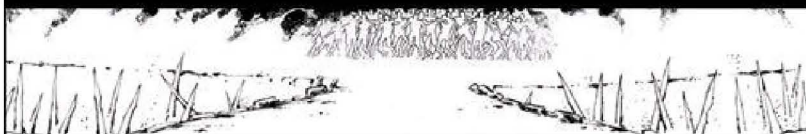
UNTIL THEN, TERENTIUS'S ONLY COMBAT TROOP, A SINGLE COHORT OF 480 MEN, WERE KEPT IN RESERVE . . .



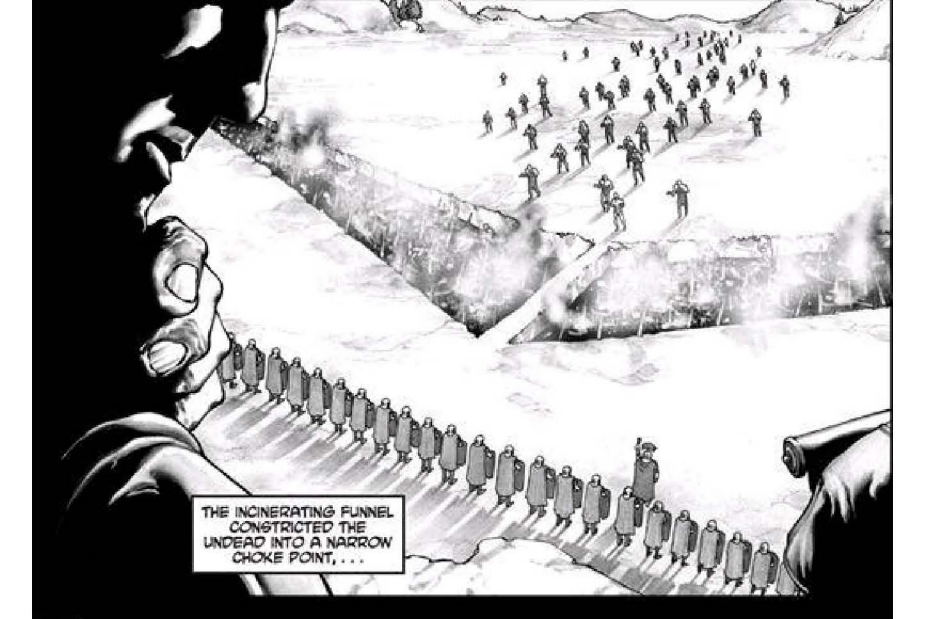
... TO CONSERVE THEIR ENERGY ...



... FOR THE LONG NIGHT AHEAD.







THE INCINERATING FUNNEL  
CONSTRICTED THE  
UNDEAD INTO A NARROW  
CHOKE POINT, ...



... ALLOWING THE  
OUTNUMBERED  
ROMANS ...




... TO FACE THE ENEMY ...


... ON EQUAL TERMS.








THE BATTLE LASTED  
UNTIL DAWN...



... WHEN THE LAST  
ZOMBIE HEADS ...



... WERE ROLLED INTO  
THE FLAMING DITCHES.



NO UNDEAD SURVIVED  
THE ENGAGEMENT.




NEITHER DID  
ANY ROMAN...


... UNLUCKY ENOUGH  
TO BE BITTEN.



THE HARSH LESSONS LEARNED  
THAT DAY WERE INCORPORATED  
INTO THE ROMAN STANDARD  
COMBAT DOCTRINE.




THIS BECAME KNOWN,  
SIMPLY, AS "ARMY ORDER  
THIRTY-EIGHT," ...



... WHICH WAS READ  
TO EVERY LEGION ...

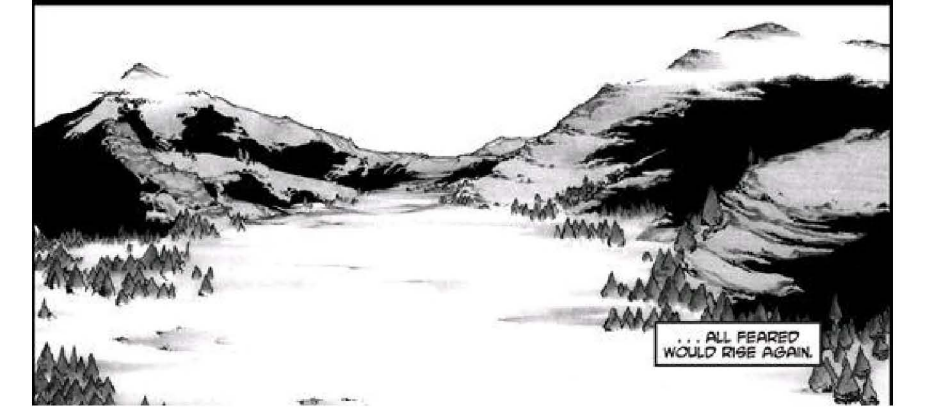
... IN EVERY CORNER  
OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE.



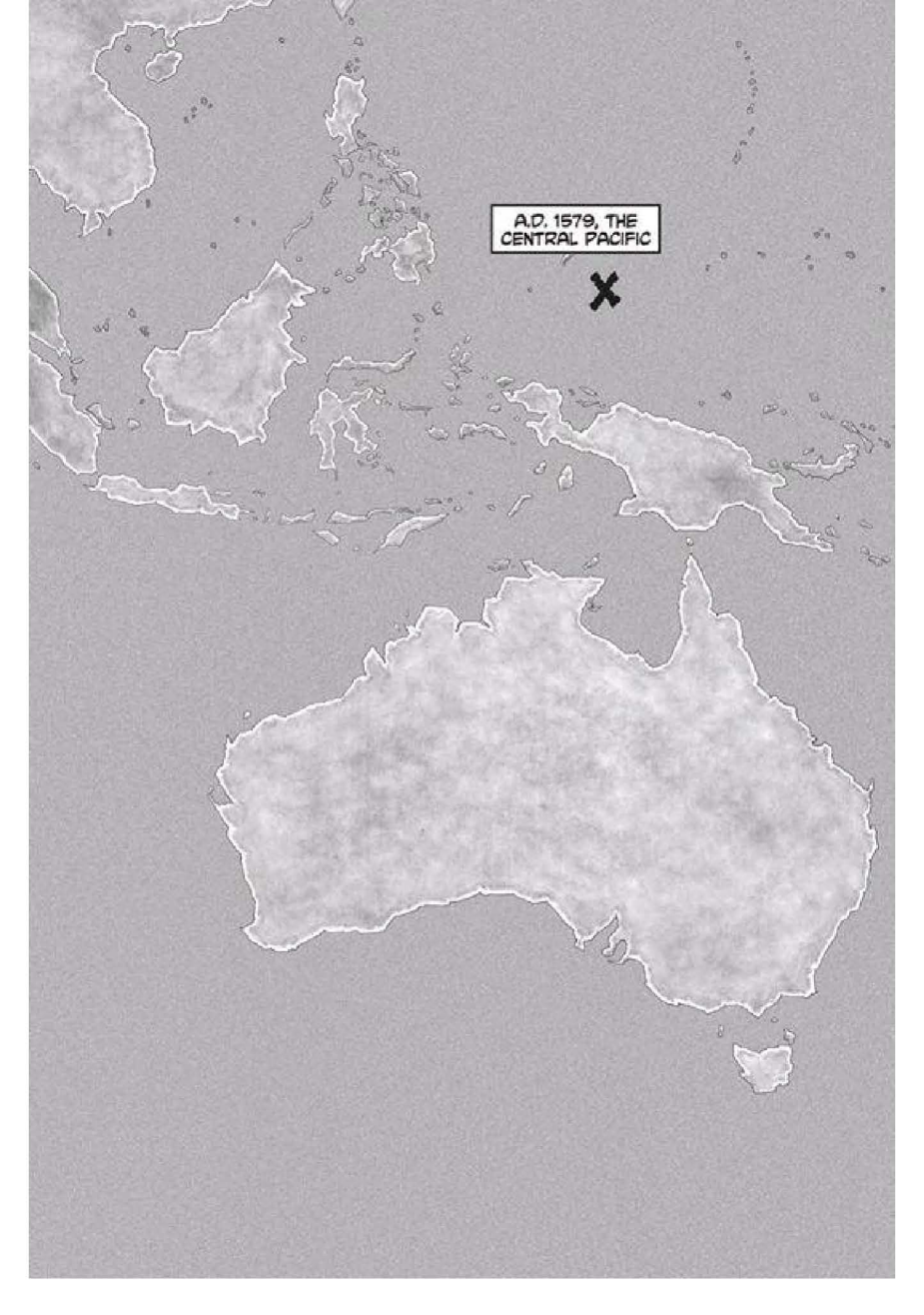
SOME SAY IT PROMPTED  
EMPEROR HADRIAN TO  
CONSTRUCT A MASSIVE WALL  
ACROSS THE ENTIRE WIDTH  
OF NORTHERN BRITAIN ...



... TO GUARD AGAINST  
AN ENEMY ...



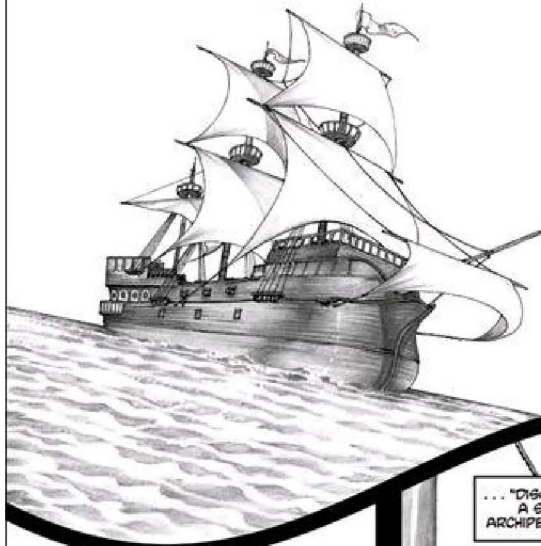
... ALL FEARED  
WOULD RISE AGAIN.

A grayscale map of the Pacific Ocean region, showing the eastern coast of Asia, the Philippines, the Indonesian archipelago, and the continent of Australia. A black 'X' is placed in the central Pacific Ocean. A white rectangular box with a black border is positioned above the 'X', containing the text 'A.D. 1579, THE CENTRAL PACIFIC'.

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CENTRAL PACIFIC



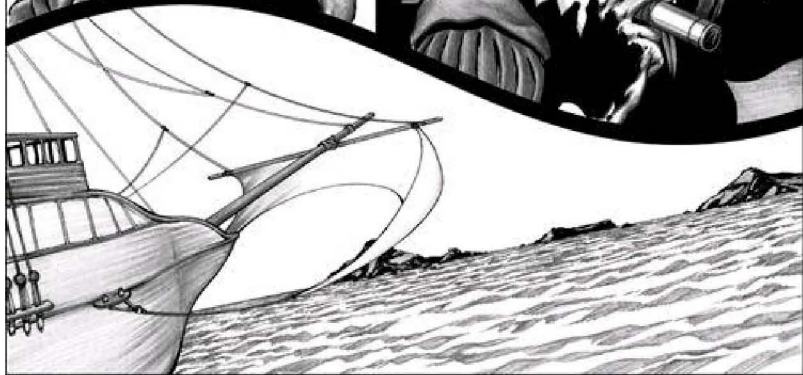
DURING HIS  
CIRCUMNAVIGATION  
OF THE GLOBE, ...



... THE  
RENOWNED  
PIRATE  
FRANCIS  
DRAKE ...



... "DISCOVERED"  
A SMALL  
ARCHIPELAGO ...



... AND LANDED  
IN SEARCH OF  
PROVISIONS.

THE NATIVES  
WARNED HIM  
NOT TO VISIT A  
NEARBY CAY, ...

... WHERE THE "GODS OF  
THE DEAD" WOULD TAKE THE  
TRIBE'S DECEASED\* AND  
TERMINALLY ILL TO LIVE WITH  
THEM FOR ALL ETERNITY.

\*MOST SCHOLARS AGREE THAT DRAKE MUST HAVE  
MISUNDERSTOOD THE CONCEPT OF "YOUNGHEARD" BECAUSE THE  
SCLAVUS VIRUS HAS NO REANIMATE POWERS UPON DEAD FLESH.



DRAKE WAS  
FASCINATED BY  
THEIR STORY...

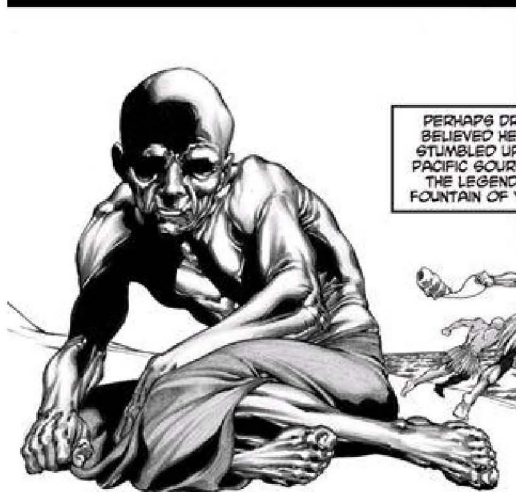


... AND SOMEHOW  
"CONVINCED THE  
ISLAND CHIEF" ...

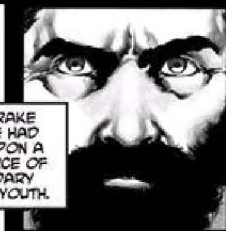


... TO GIVE HIM A DEMONSTRATION  
OF THE ISLAND'S SUPPOSED  
SECRET OF IMMORTALITY.





PERHAPS DRAKE BELIEVED HE HAD STUMBLED UPON A PACIFIC SOURCE OF THE LEGENDARY FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH.



IF 60,...

... HIS FANTASY  
WOULD HAVE A  
QUICK DEATH.



DRAKE NEVER SPOKE  
OF THIS INCIDENT  
DURING HIS LIFE.

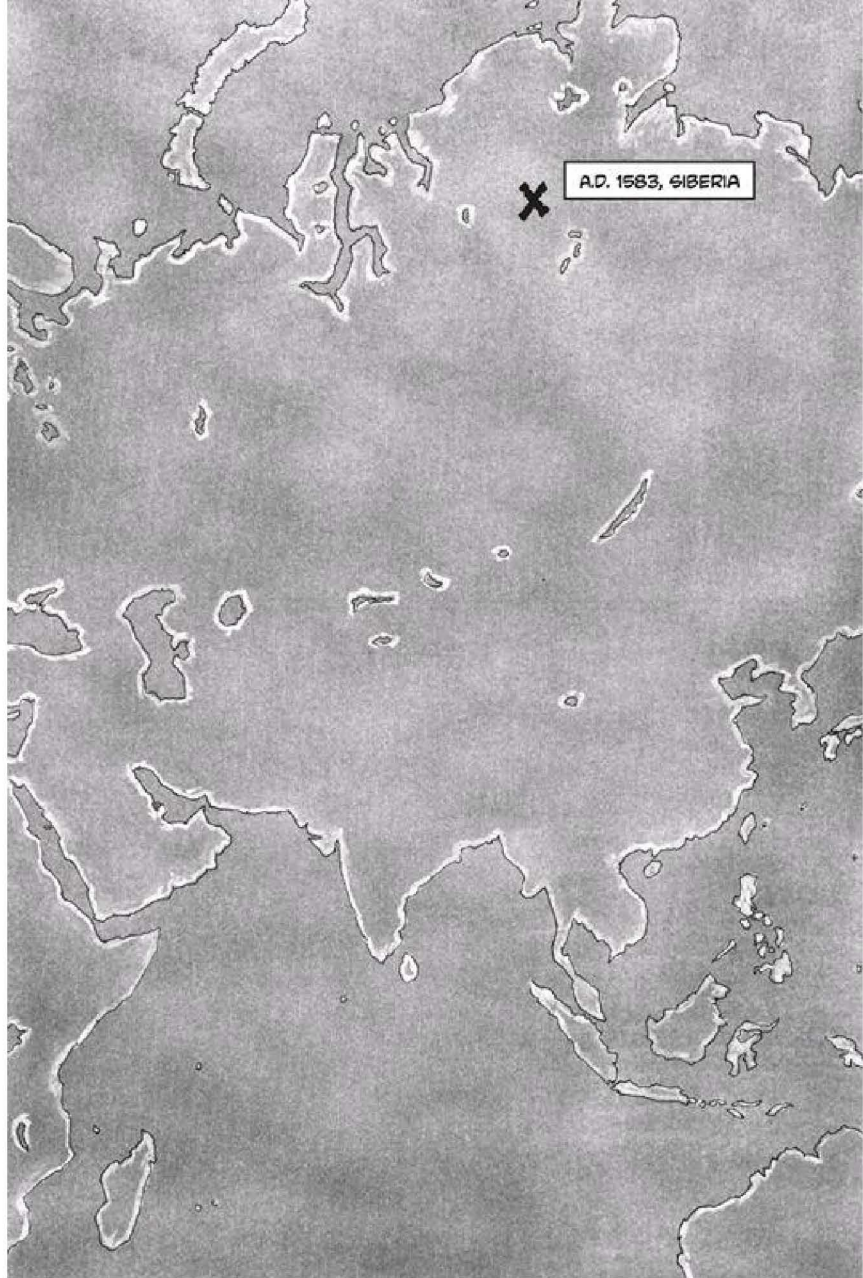


THE FACTS WERE  
DISCLOSED IN A SECRET  
JOURNAL HE KEPT HIDDEN  
UNTIL HIS DEATH.



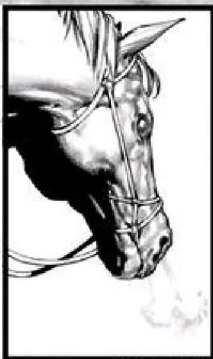
ALONG WITH EXACT  
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"ISLE OF THE DAMNED."



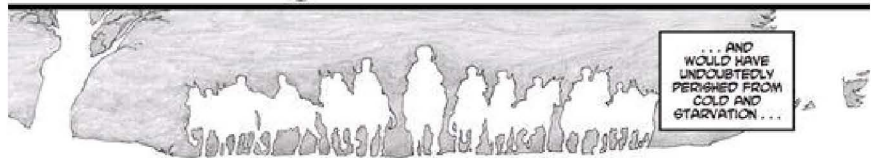


AD. 1583, SIBERIA





DURING THE RUSSIAN EXPANSION FROM EUROPE INTO ASIA, A SCOUTING PARTY FOR THE INFAMOUS COSSACK YERMAK, BECAME SEPARATED FROM THE MAIN FORCE ...



... AND WOULD HAVE UNDOUBTEDLY PERISHED FROM COLD AND STARVATION ...

... HAD THEY NOT  
BEEN RESCUED BY  
A VILLAGE OF  
NATIVE SIBERIANS.





AFTER DEVOURING THE VILLAGE'S ENTIRE FOOD SUPPLY, THE COSSACKS QUICKLY TURNED TO THE VILLAGERS THEMSELVES.

THE COSSACKS EXHAUSTED THIS NEW SOURCE OF FOOD WITHIN DAYS, AND SUBSEQUENTLY TURNED TO THE VILLAGE'S BURIAL GROUND, ...



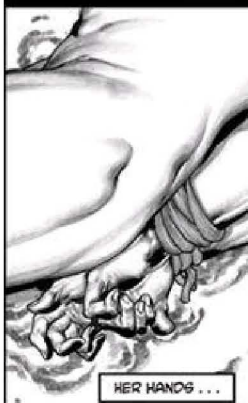
... WHERE THEY HOPED THAT THE FREEZING TEMPERATURES ...



... HAD PRESERVED SOME OF THE BODIES.



THE ONLY "FRESH" CORPSE THEY FOUND WAS A WOMAN IN HER MID-TWENTIES.



HER HANDS ...



... AND FEET WERE BOUND, ...



... AND HER MOUTH WAS SECURELY GAGGED.





THE COSSACKS, NOT UNDERSTANDING THE NATURE OF WHAT THEY HAD JUST THAWED, ...



... DECIDED TO REMOVE HER GAG AND "INTERROGATE" HER.



THEY RESPONDED IN TYPICAL  
COSSACK FASHION ...



... BY CHOPPING  
UP THE UNDEAD  
WOMAN'S BODY, ...



... ROASTING IT, ...



... AND EATING  
IT ANYWAY.



ONLY TWO  
COSSACKS  
ABSTAINED  
FROM THE  
FEAST:



THE WOUNDED MAN,  
WHO BECAME FAR  
TOO ILL TO EAT, ...



... AND ANOTHER, WHO  
BELIEVED THE MEAT  
OF THE UNDEAD  
WOMAN WAS CURSED.





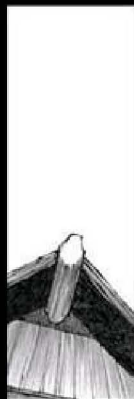
IN A MANNER  
OF SPEAKING,  
HE WAS RIGHT.



THE TOXIC ZOMBIE  
FLESH KILLED ITS  
CONSUMERS WITHIN  
HOURS, ...



... WHILE THE WOUNDED  
COSSACK EXPIRED EARLY  
THE NEXT MORNING.





THIS LONE SURVIVOR REPORTED THAT ONLY ONE OF HIS COMRADES, THE ONE BITTEN BY THE UNDEAD WOMAN, REANIMATED NOT LONG AFTER HIS DEATH ...



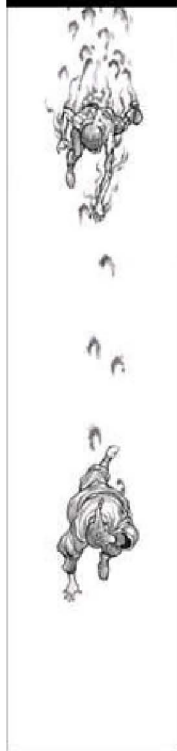
... AND ATTEMPTED TO PURSUE HIM ...



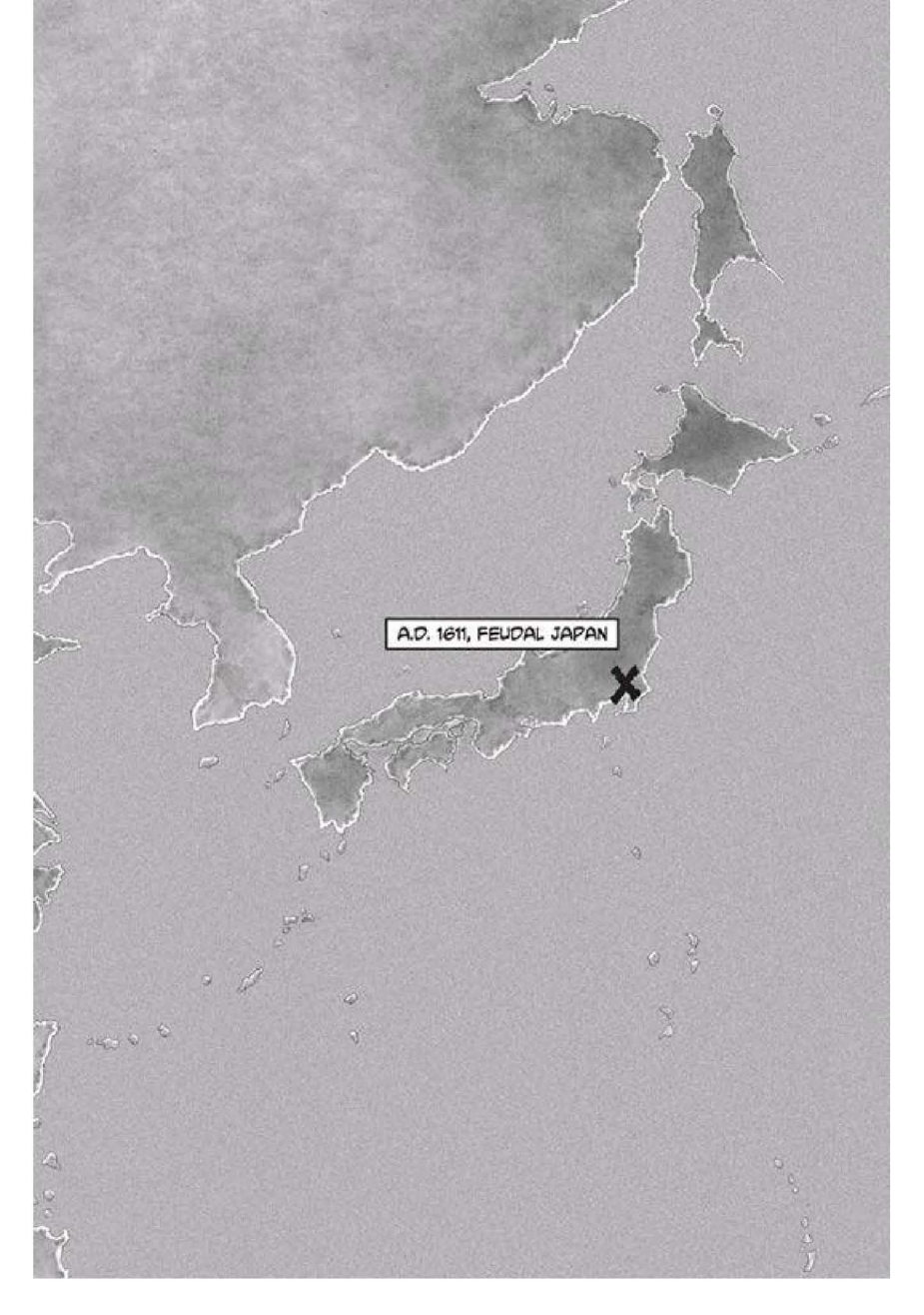
... BEFORE SUCCUMBING TO THE ELEMENTS ...




... AND FREEZING SOLID.



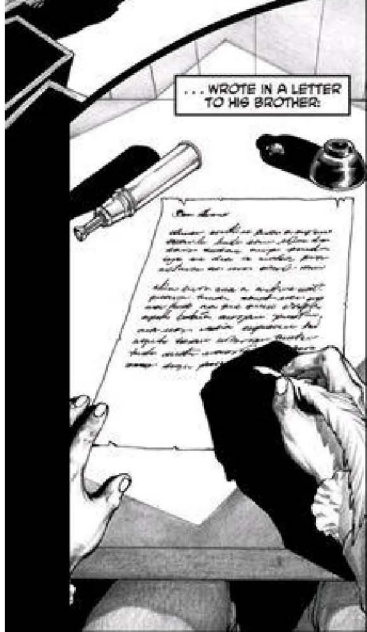


A grayscale map of Japan and its surrounding islands. The main island of Honshu is the largest and most prominent. A black 'X' is marked on the eastern coast of Honshu, near the Kanto region. A white rectangular box with a black border is positioned above the 'X', containing the text 'A.D. 1611, FEUDAL JAPAN'. The map shows the outlines of the islands and the surrounding sea.

A.D. 1611, FEUDAL JAPAN




ENRIQUE DESILVA, A  
PORTUGUESE MERCHANT  
ON A TRADE MISSION TO  
THE ISLANDS, ...



... WROTE IN A LETTER  
TO HIS BROTHER:



"FATHER MENDOZA, ...



"... HAVING REACQUAINTED  
HIMSELF WITH CASTILIAN WINE, ..."



"... SPOKE OF A RECENT CONVERT TO OUR FAITH..."



"... WHO WAS ONCE PART OF A SECRET SOCIETY..."



"... CALLING THEMSELVES THE 'BROTHERHOOD OF LIFE.'"

"SUBSEQUENT RESEARCH HAS UNCOVERED THAT THE ORGANIZATION'S TRUE NAME WAS THE TATEMOKU, OR 'SHIELD SOCIETY.'"



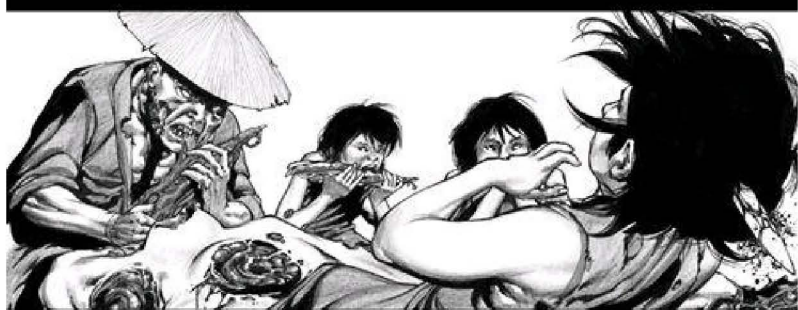
"HE CLAIMS THIS SECRET SOCIETY EXISTS FOR THE SOLE PURPOSE OF EXTERMINATING CURSED SOULS..."



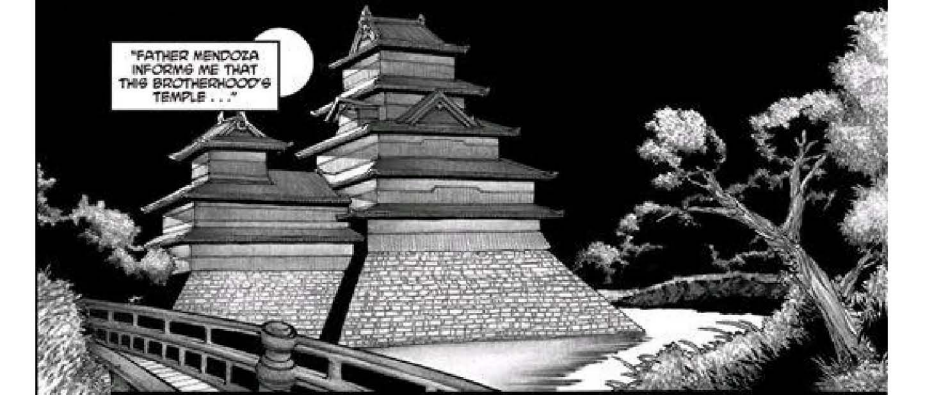
"... THAT HAVE RISEN FROM THEIR GRAVES..."




"... TO PREY UPON THE FLESH OF THE LIVING."











"FATHER MENDOZA  
INFORMS ME THAT  
THIS BROTHERHOOD'S  
TEMPLE ..."




"... CONTAINS A  
CHAMBER OF SEVERED  
DEMON HEADS, ..."



"... STILL ALIVE, ..."



"... AND STILL WAILING."

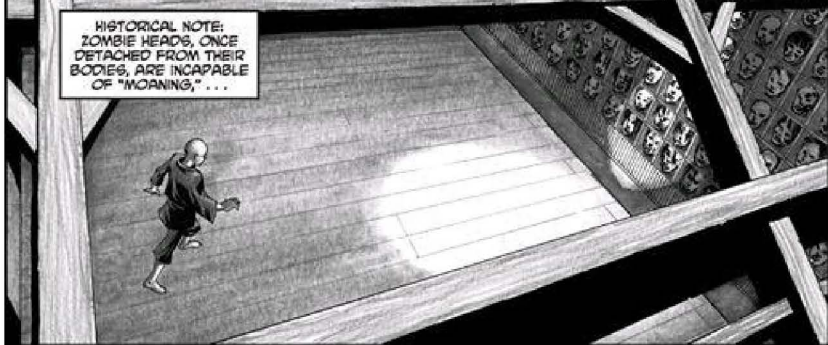


"SENIOR RECRUITS,  
PRIMED FOR THEIR  
ASCENSION INTO THE  
BROTHERHOOD, ..."



"... ARE  
FORCED TO  
SPEND AN  
ENTIRE NIGHT  
IN THIS  
CHAMBER."

HISTORICAL NOTE:  
ZOMBIE HEADS, ONCE  
DETACHED FROM THEIR  
BODIES, ARE INCAPABLE  
OF "MOANING," ...



... WHICH EITHER EXPOSES  
THE HYPERBOLE OF  
FATHER MENDOZA ...



... OR EXPLAINS A  
DEEP, PSYCHOLOGICAL  
TORTURE, ...



... IN WHICH THE MOANS  
OF HEADS WERE  
SIMPLY IMAGINED ...



... THROUGH  
SHEER TERROR.



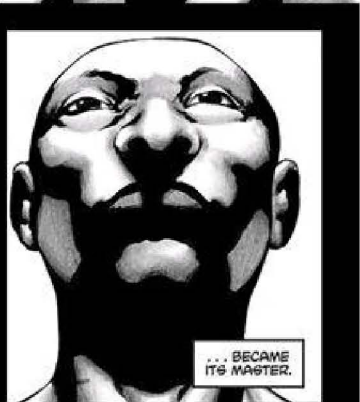
THIS MIGHT HAVE BEEN  
THE SHIELD SOCIETY'S  
WAY OF TESTING THEIR  
RECRUITS' METTLE  
WHEN CONFRONTING  
THE LIVING DEAD.



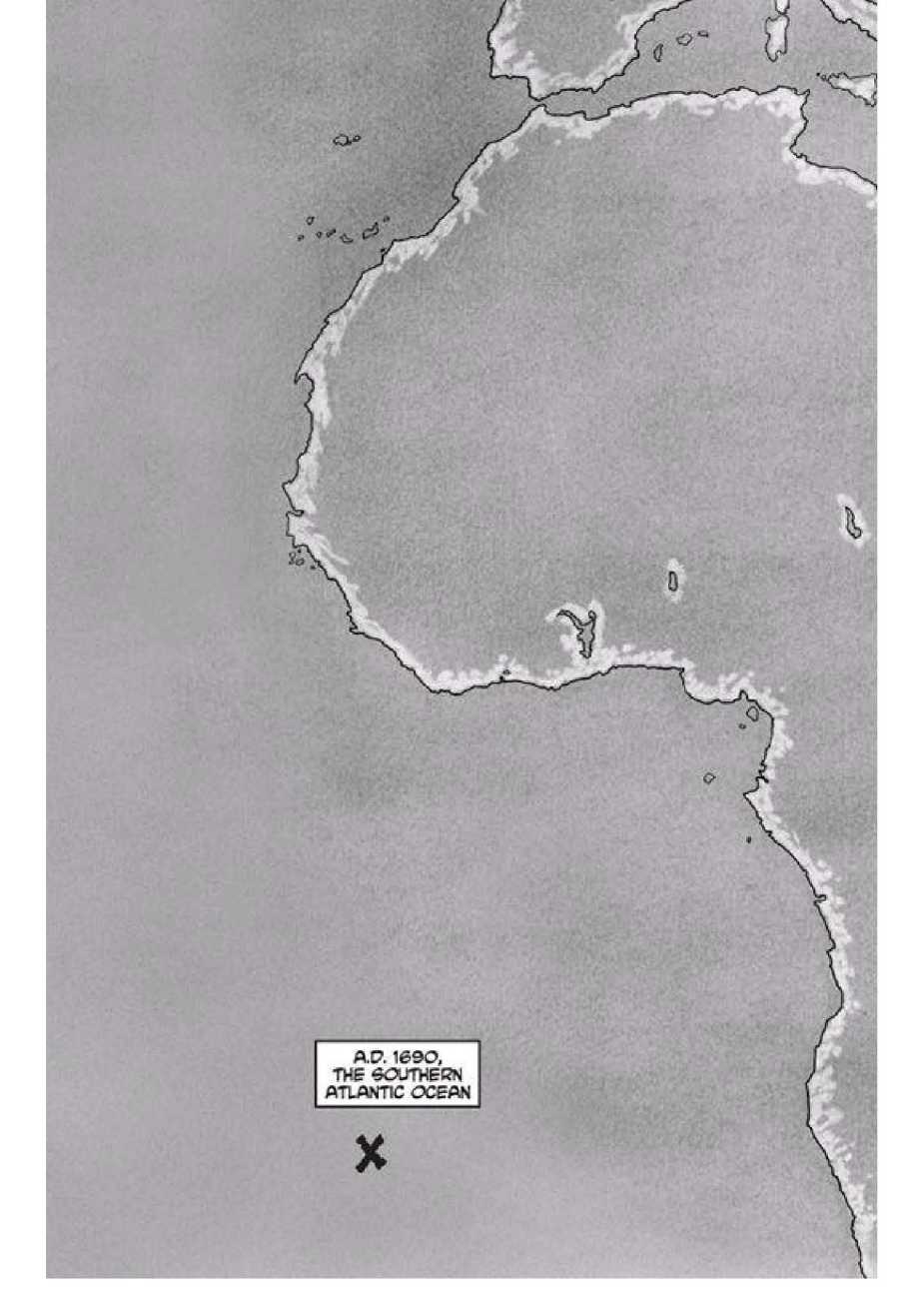
EITHER THE YOUNG  
WARRIORS SURRENDERED  
TO THEIR FEAR, ...



... OR ...



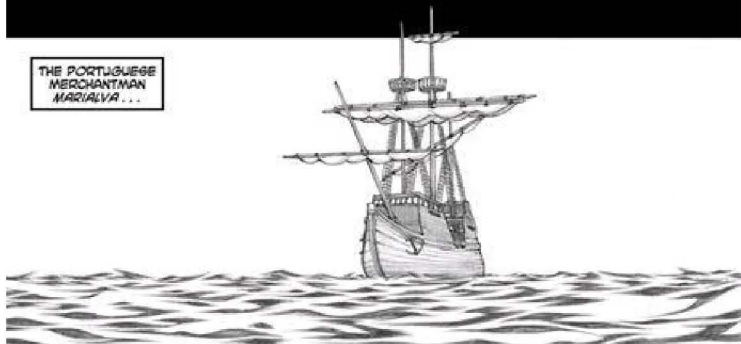
... BECAME  
IT'S MASTER.



A.D. 1690,  
THE SOUTHERN  
ATLANTIC OCEAN

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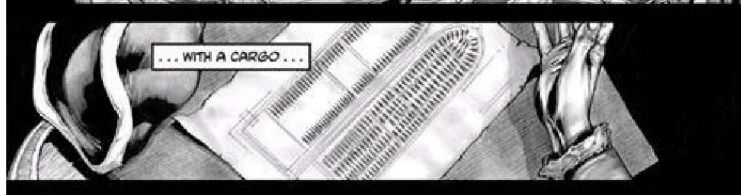
THE PORTUGUESE  
MERCHANTMAN  
MARIALVA ...



... DEPARTED BIGGAU,  
WEST AFRICA, FOR  
RECIFE, ON THE COAST  
OF BRAZIL, ...



... WITH A CARGO ...



... OF AFRICAN  
SLAVES.



SHE NEVER  
REACHED HER  
DESTINATION.



THREE YEARS LATER, ...



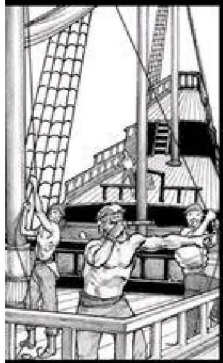
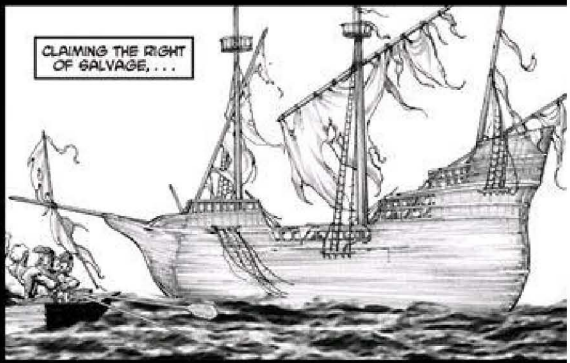
... SHE WAS SPOTTED ...



... BY THE DANISH EAST INDIAN ZEBRUG.



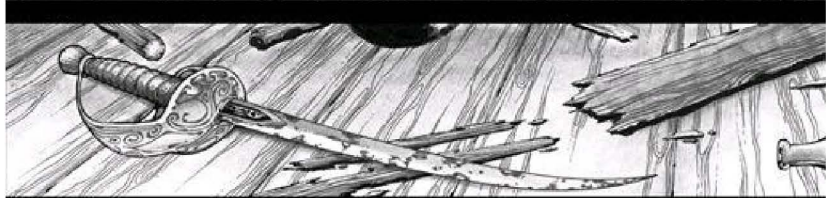
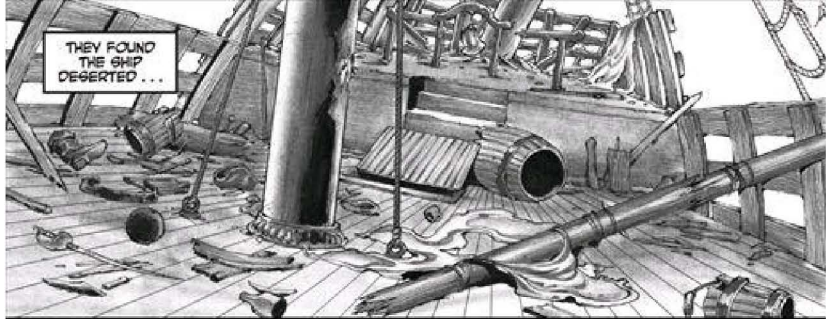
CLAIMING THE RIGHT OF SALVAGE, ...



... THE DANES DISPATCHED A BOARDING PARTY.

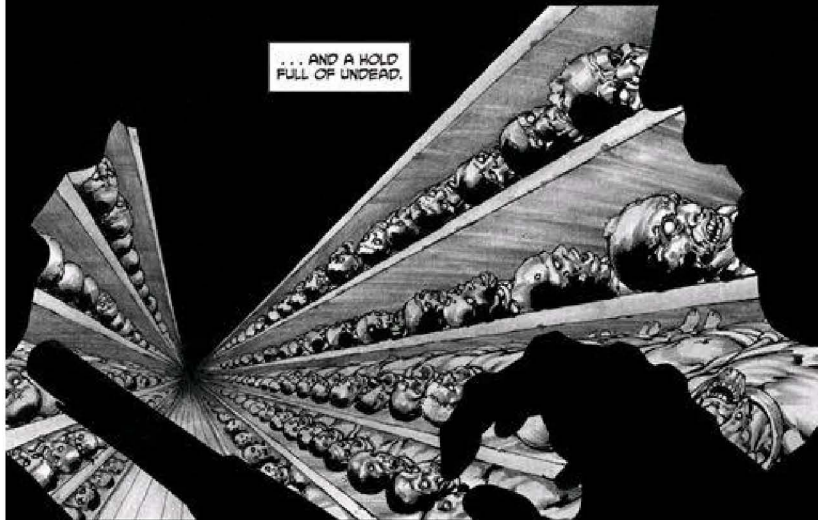


THEY FOUND  
THE SHIP  
DEREGATED ...





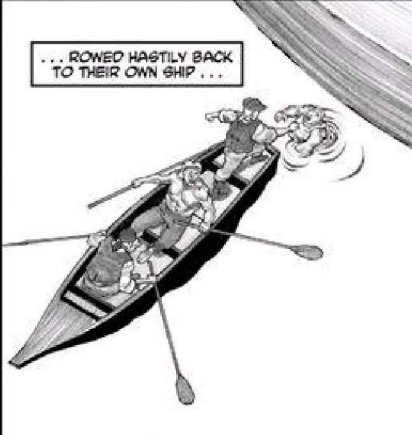
... AND A HOLD  
FULL OF UNDEAD.



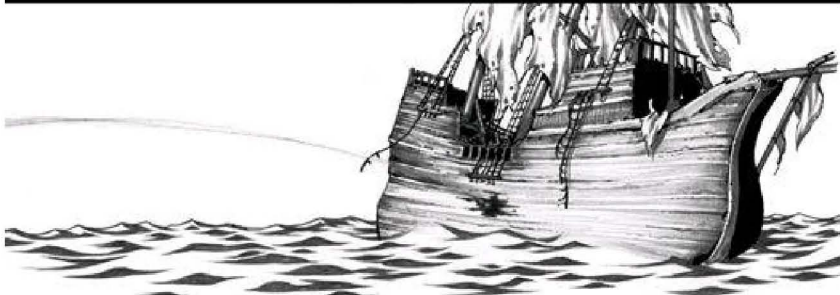
THE DANES, BELIEVING  
THE *MARIALVA* TO BE  
CURSED ...



... ROWED HASTILY BACK  
TO THEIR OWN SHIP ...



... AND SANK THE INFESTED  
VESSEL WITH CANNON FIRE.





BECAUSE THE DANES RETRIEVED NO WRITTEN RECORDS FROM THE *MARIALVA*, WE CAN ONLY SPECULATE ON THE EXACT CAUSE AND SPREAD OF THE INFECTION.



THE INITIAL VECTOR MUST HAVE BEEN ONE OF THE CAPTURED AFRICANS.





PERHAPS THE ORIGINAL SLAVE TRADERS DID NOT KNOW OF THE UNDEAD PLAGUE THEY WERE UNLEASHING UPON THEIR EUROPEAN PARTNERS, ...

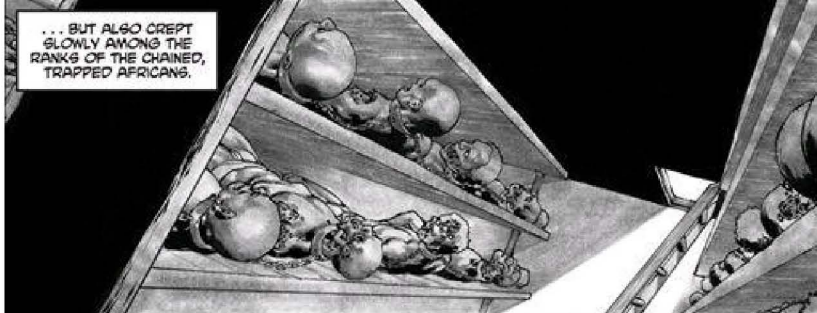


... OR PERHAPS THEY DID.



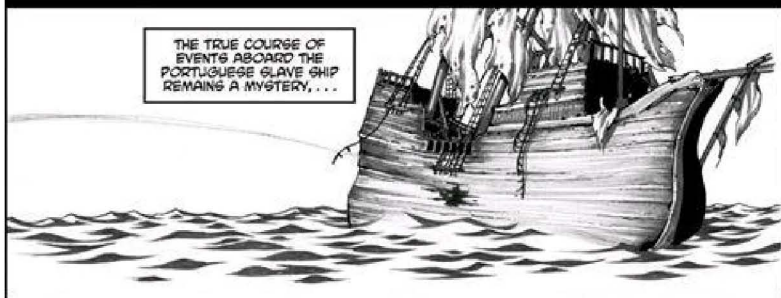
MANY HAVE SPECULATED THAT THE INFECTION NOT ONLY RIPPED THROUGH THE PORTUGUESE CREW, ...

... BUT ALSO CREEPT  
SLOWLY AMONG THE  
RANKS OF THE CHAINED,  
TRAPPED AFRICANS.





THE TRUE COURSE OF  
EVENTS ABOARD THE  
PORTUGUESE GALLEY SHIP  
REMAINS A MYSTERY, ...



... AS DOES THE  
ULTIMATE FATE  
OF HER CARGO.




A.D. 1862, ST. LUCIA,  
EASTERN CARIBBEAN



THE STORY OF HIS OUTBREAK IS STILL TOLD TODAY, BOTH BY CARIBBEAN ISLANDERS ...



... AND CARIBBEAN IMMIGRANTS IN THE UNITED KINGDOM.



AN OUTBREAK OF INDETERMINATE ORIGIN WAS FIRST REPORTED IN THE POOR WHITE SECTION OF ST. LUCIA'S LARGEST TOWN, CASTRIES.



THE TRUE NATURE OF THE "SICKNESS" WAS UNDERSTOOD ...



SOME OF THEM TRIED TO WARN THE WHITE RESIDENTS.

... BY THE ISLAND'S FREE BLACK AND MULATTO RESIDENTS.



THEY WERE IGNORED.

THE MALADY WAS DIAGNOSED  
AS A SEVERE FORM OF  
TROPICAL RABIES.



THE FIRST REANIMATED  
INDIVIDUALS WERE  
RESTRAINED ...



... AND INCARCERATED, ...



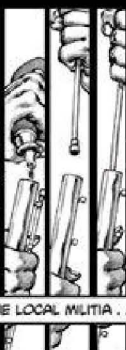
... WHILE THE BITTEN  
WHITES WERE SENT  
HOME, WITHOUT  
TREATMENT ...



... OR WARNING OF  
WHAT LAY AHEAD.



WITHIN FORTY-EIGHT HOURS, ALL  
OF CASTRIEG WAS IN CHAOS.




THE LOCAL MILITIA ...

... WERE QUICKLY  
ELIMINATED.




THE REMAINING WHITES  
FLED TO THE OUTLYING  
SUGAR PLANTATIONS, ...

... CARRYING THE  
INFECTION TO EVERY  
CORNER OF THE ISLAND.



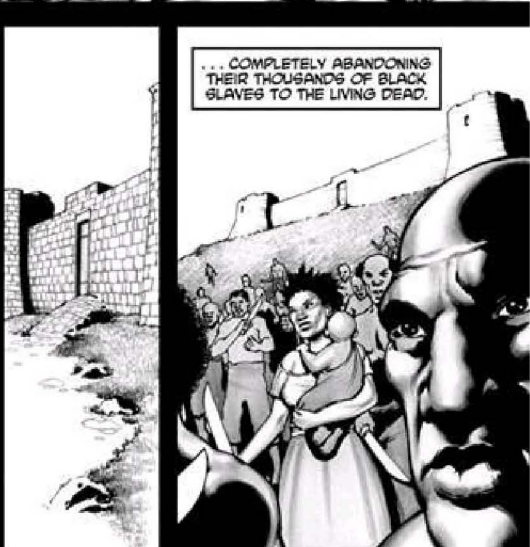
WITHIN TEN DAYS,  
ALMOST THE ENTIRE  
WHITE POPULATION OF  
ST. LUCIA WAS EITHER  
DEAD OR REANIMATED.



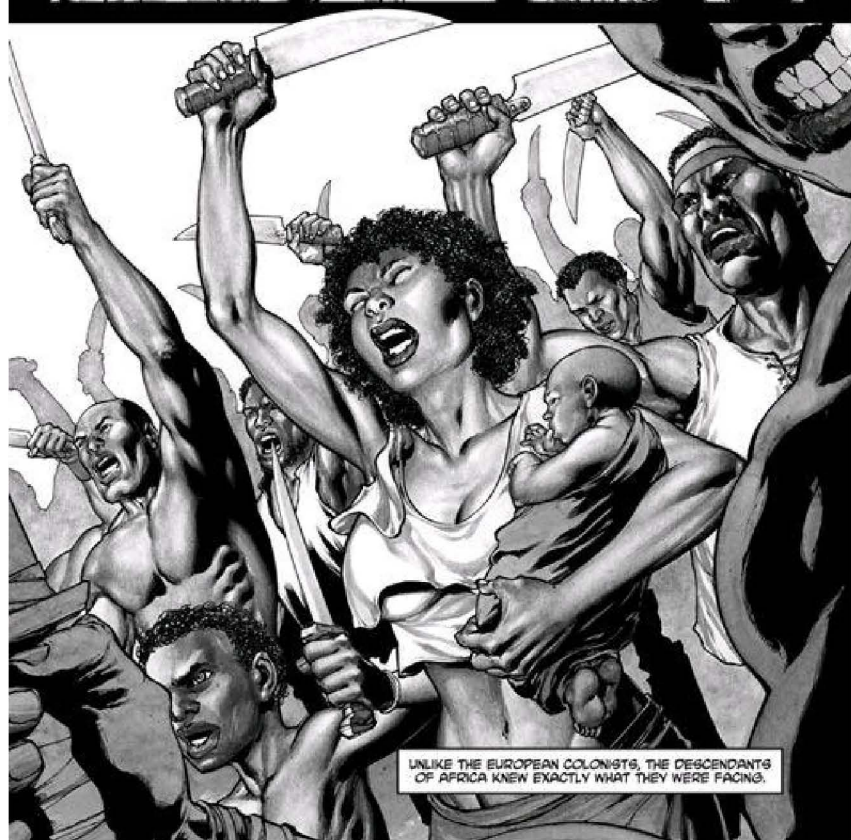
THE REMAINING SURVIVORS  
EITHER FLED BY SEA ...



... OR SOUGHT REFUGE IN  
THE ISLAND'S TWO  
FORTRESSES OF VIEUX  
FORT AND RODNEY BAY, ...



... COMPLETELY ABANDONING  
THEIR THOUSANDS OF BLACK  
SLAVES TO THE LIVING DEAD.



UNLIKE THE EUROPEAN COLONISTS, THE DESCENDANTS OF AFRICA KNEW EXACTLY WHAT THEY WERE FACING.



SLAVES ON EVERY  
PLANTATION ORGANIZED ...



... INTO TIGHTLY  
DISCIPLINED HUNTING UNITS.



ALLIED WITH THE  
ISLAND'S FREE BLACKS  
AND MULATTOS, ...

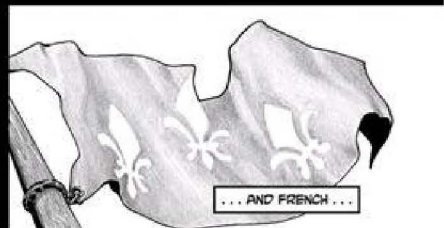
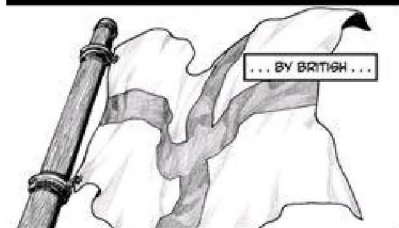


... AND COMMUNICATING  
BY DRUMS, ...

... THEY COORDINATED AN ISLAND-WIDE SWEEP ...



... THAT CLEARED ST. LUCIA IN SEVEN DAYS.

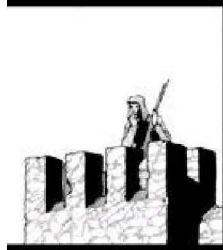






A.D. 1893, FRENCH  
NORTH AFRICA

The image is a grayscale map of North Africa and the surrounding Mediterranean region. A large 'X' is drawn on the map, indicating a specific location in the interior of North Africa. A rectangular box is placed above the 'X', containing the text 'A.D. 1893, FRENCH NORTH AFRICA'. The map shows the coastlines of North Africa, the Mediterranean Sea to the north, and the Red Sea to the east. The interior of the continent is mostly blank, with some small islands and coastal features visible.



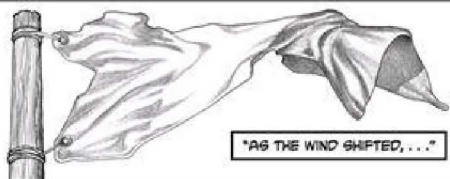
"LOOKOUTS ON THE SOUTH WALL SPOTTED WHAT APPEARED TO BE A HERD OF ANIMALS ON THE HORIZON."



"THROUGH MY GLASSES, I COULD SEE THEY WERE NOT BEASTS, ..."



"... BUT MEN!"



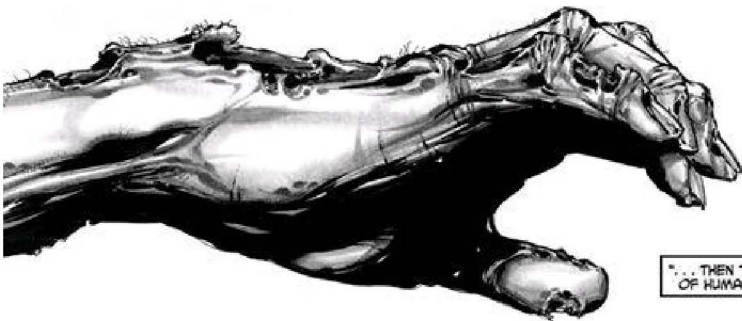
"AS THE WIND SHIFTED, ..."



"... IT BROUGHT TO US ..."

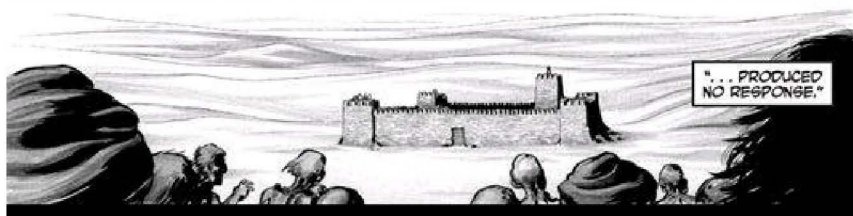


"... FIRST A WITHERING GROAN, ..."

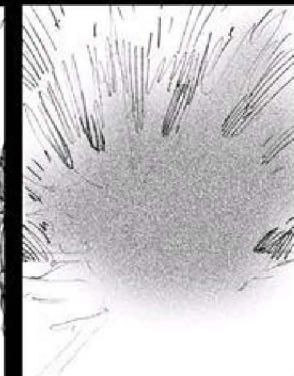


"... THEN THE STENCH  
OF HUMAN DECAY."

"CALLS AND WARNINGS..."



"... PRODUCED  
NO RESPONSE."

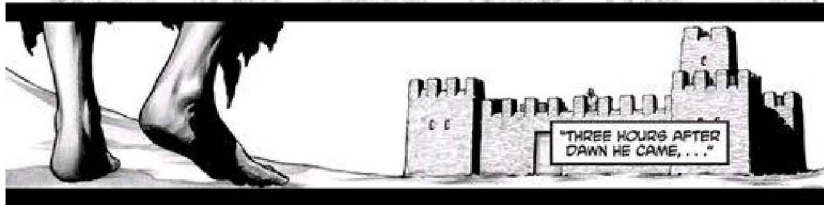


"BURSTS FROM OUR  
CANNON DID NOTHING  
TO SCATTER THEM."

THE DIARY OF A JUNIOR  
OFFICER IN THE FRENCH  
FOREIGN LEGION . . .



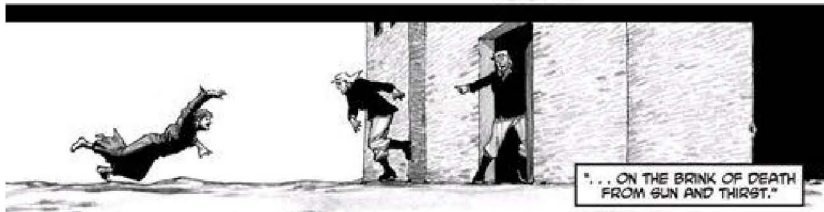
. . . RECOUNTS ONE OF  
THE MOST SERIOUS  
ATTACKS IN HISTORY.



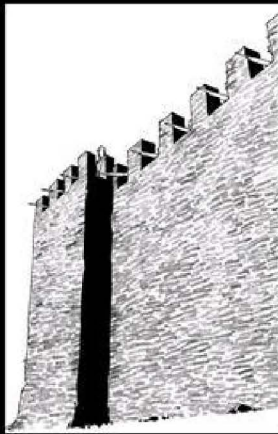
"THREE HOURS AFTER  
DAWN HE CAME, . . ."



"... A LONE ARAB ON FOOT, ..."



"... ON THE BRINK OF DEATH  
FROM GUN AND THIRST."



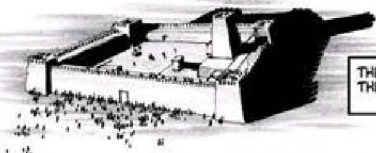
"LONG-RANGE  
RIFLE SHOTS  
SEEMED TO HAVE  
NO EFFECT!"



"CORPORAL  
STROM WAS  
DISPATCHED TO  
BIR-EL-KGAB..."



"... WHILE WE SHUT THE GATES AND PREPARED FOR AN ATTACK."



THE ATTACK TURNED INTO THE LONGEST RECORDED SIEGE IN HISTORY.



THE LEGIONNAIRES WERE UNABLE TO GRASP THE FACT THAT THEIR ATTACKERS WERE DEAD,...



... WASTING THEIR AMMUNITION ON SHOTS TO THE TORSO.



ACCIDENTAL, BUT SUCCESSFUL, HEAD SHOTS ...



... WERE NOT ADOPTED BY THE LEGIONNAIRES, ...



... EITHER BECAUSE OF STRICT ADHERENCE TO BATTLE DOCTRINE, OR SIMPLE BLIND PANIC.

CORPORAL STROM, THE MAN  
SENT FOR HELP, WAS NEVER  
HEARD FROM AGAIN.



WHILE HIS  
COMRADES ...

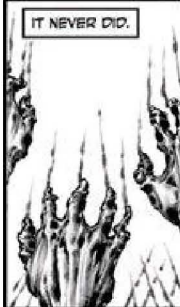
... REMAINED  
TRAPPED ...

... FOR  
THREE YEARS.



WITH THEIR AMMUNITION WASTED  
WITHIN THE FIRST FEW DAYS, THE  
LEGIONNAIRES COULD DO NOTHING  
BUT TRY TO SURVIVE UNTIL HELP CAME.

IT NEVER DID.



THE UNDEAD HORDE  
CONTINUED TO  
SURROUND THE  
FORT,...



... WHICH DROVE SOME  
MEN TO SUICIDE ...



... AND  
OTHERS ...

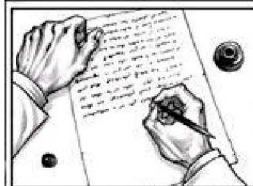


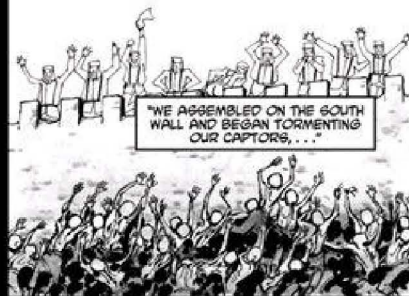
... TO ATTEMPT  
LEAPING OVER THE  
UNDEAD AND RUNNING  
FOR SAFETY.



THEY DIDN'T MAKE  
IT VERY FAR.

FINALLY, WITH THE  
MEN ON THE VERGE  
OF MUTINY, ...



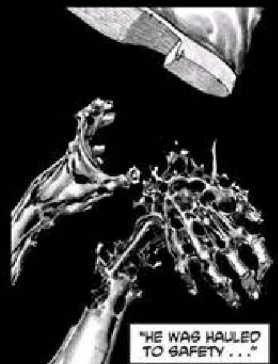


"... WHILE COLONEL DRAX, WITH THE COURAGE OF A MAN POSSESSED, HAD US LOWER HIM ONTO THE PARADE GROUND, WHERE HE, AND HE ALONE, OPENED THE GATE."



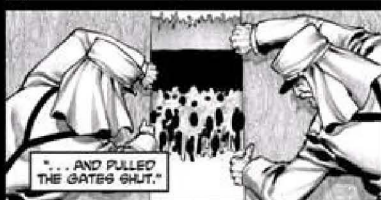
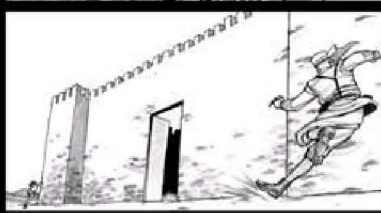


"THE COLONEL LED  
THE ENTIRE MOB  
WITHIN OUR WALLS."



"HE WAS HAILED  
TO SAFETY..."

... AS DORSET AND OTOOLE SCALED THE NORTH WALL, RACED AROUND THE SIDE OF THE FORT, ...



... AND PULLED THE GATES SHUT.

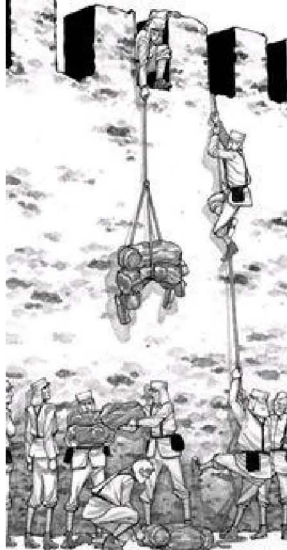


"THE CREATURES WERE TRAPPED ..."



... AND IN THEIR MINDLESS RAGE, DID NOT THINK TO SIMPLY PULL THEM OPEN."

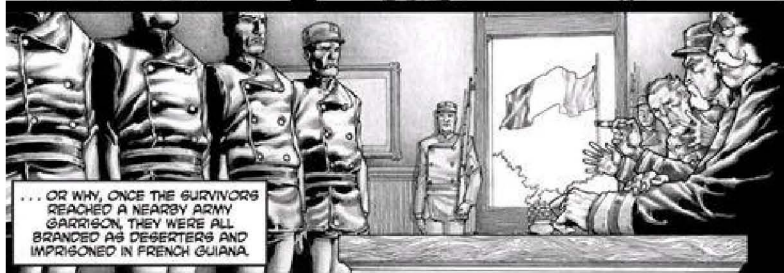




OFFICIAL FRENCH  
FOREIGN LEGION  
RECORDS CONTAIN  
NO ACCOUNT OF  
THE SIEGE ...



... NOR DO THEY  
EXPLAIN WHY A RESCUE  
PARTY WAS NEVER  
DISPATCHED TO FORT  
LOUIS PHILIPPE ...

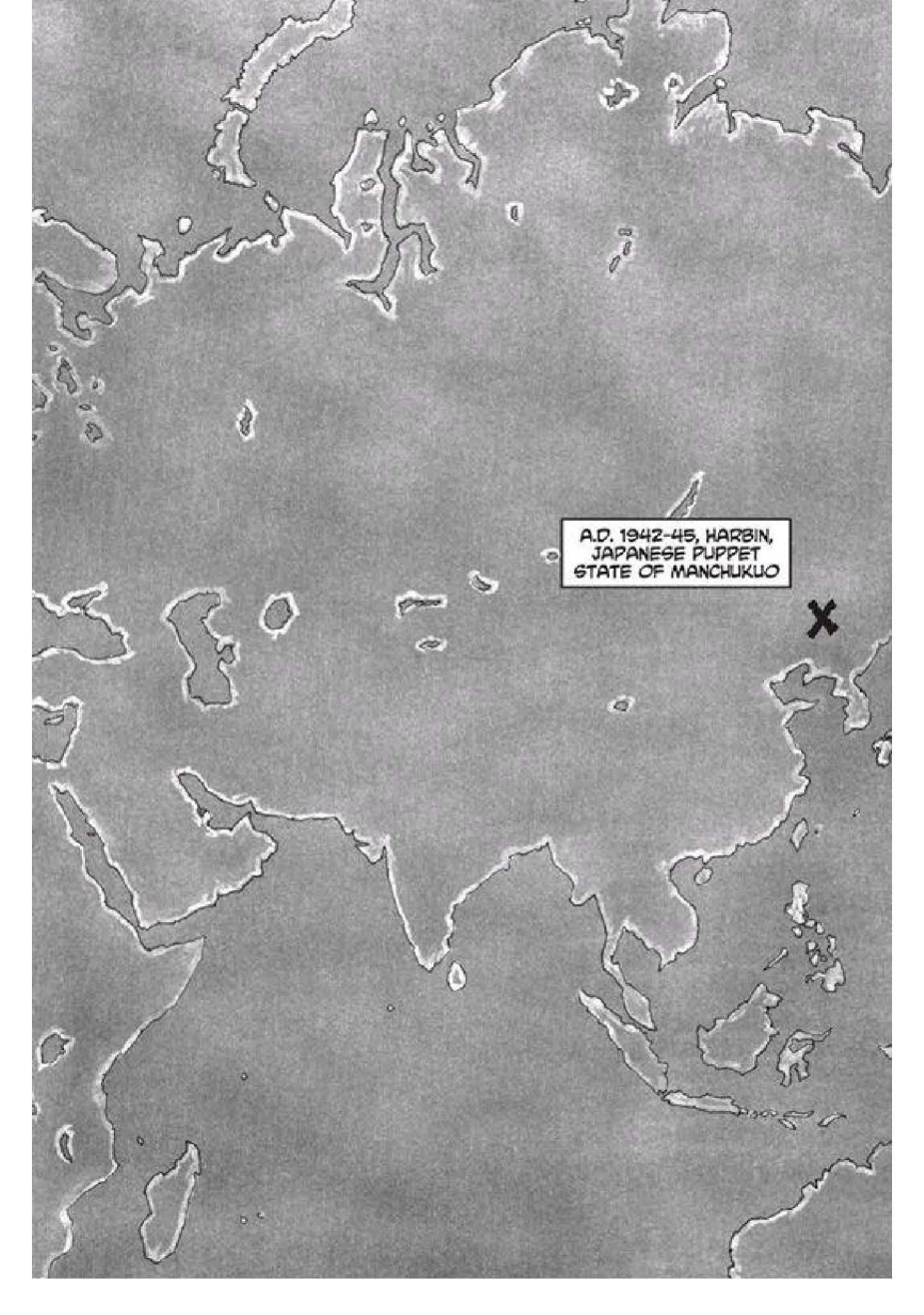


... OR WHY, ONCE THE SURVIVORS  
REACHED A NEARBY ARMY  
GARRISON, THEY WERE ALL  
BRANDED AS DESERTERS AND  
IMPRISONED IN FRENCH GUIANA.



NEITHER THE FRENCH NOR THE SUBSEQUENT  
INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT OF ALGERIA HAVE EVER  
SENT AN EXPEDITION TO THE DESERT FORTRESS.


END.



A.D. 1942-45, HARBIN,  
JAPANESE PUPPET  
STATE OF MANCHUKUO



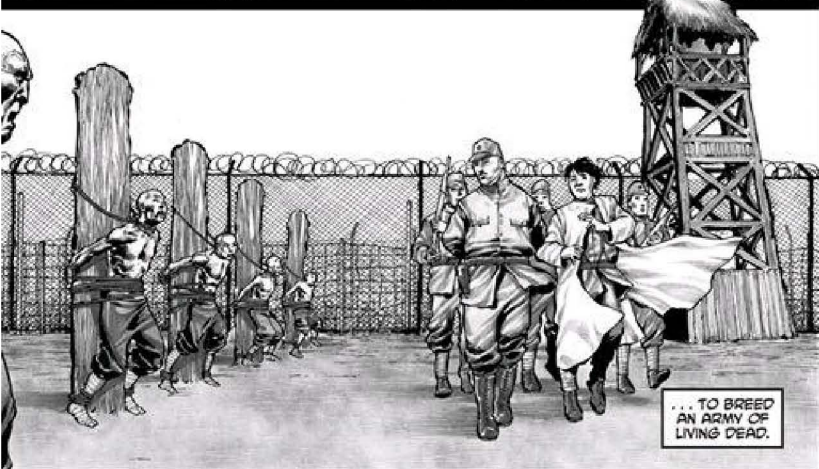
"OPERATION CHERRY BLOSSOM..."



... CONDUCTED BY  
IMPERIAL JAPAN'S  
SPECIAL WARFARE  
UNIT, ...

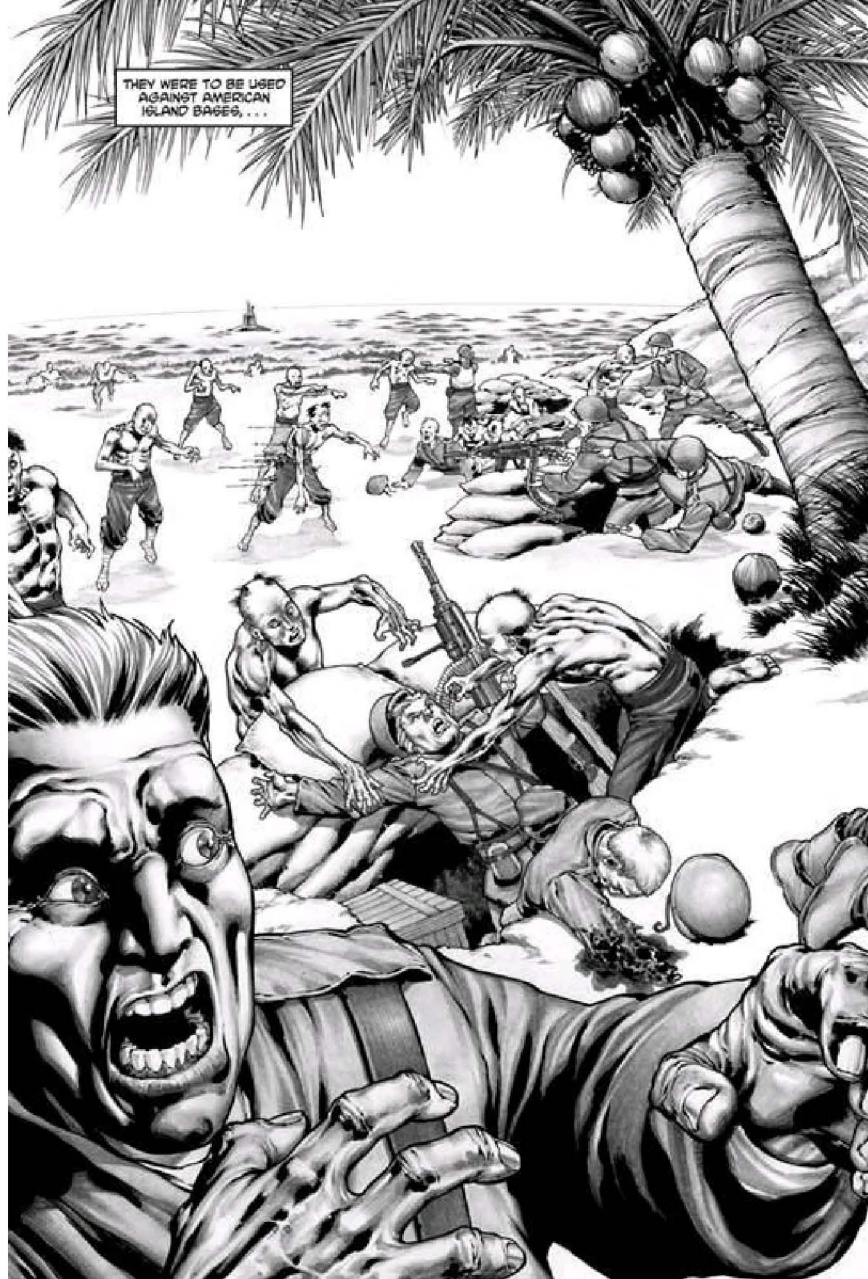


... INVOLVED EXPERIMENTING ON  
LIVE HUMAN BEINGS DURING THE  
SECOND WORLD WAR ...



... TO BREED  
AN ARMY OF  
LIVING DEAD.

THEY WERE TO BE USED  
AGAINST AMERICAN  
ISLAND BASES, ...

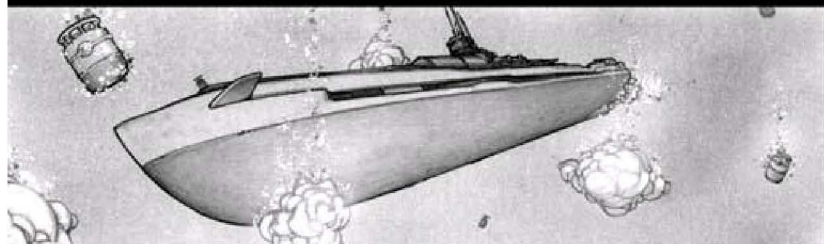
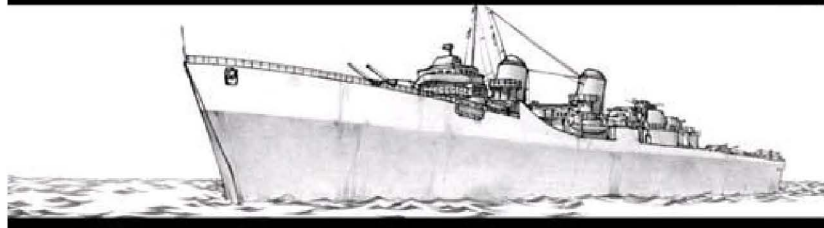


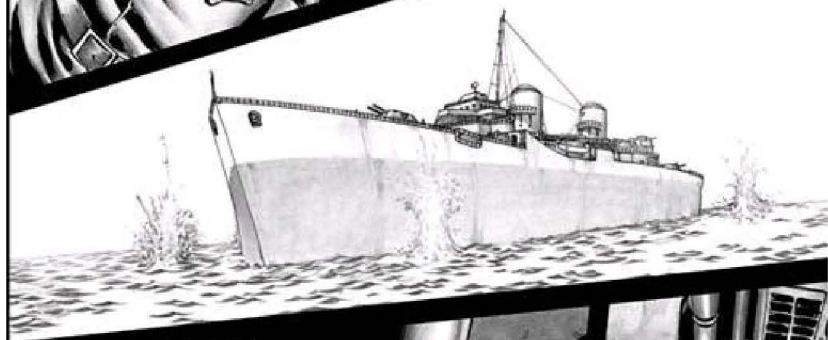


... AGAINST CHINESE  
REGULAR ARMY  
UNITS ON THE ASIAN  
MAINLAND, ...




... AND EVEN AIR-  
DROPPED INTO  
CHINESE POPULATION  
CENTERS AS THE  
"ULTIMATE WEAPON  
OF TERROR."











... WITH CHINESE  
COMMUNIST GUERRILLAS.



THE HUMAN DEFENDERS  
WERE PROBABLY  
UNWARE OF THE TRUE  
NATURE OF THEIR  
UNDEAD FOE, ...



... AS THE PEOPLE'S  
LIBERATION ARMY WAS  
ALWAYS TRAINED ...



... FOR HEAD SHOTS.



A.D. 1960, BYELGORANGK,  
SOVIET UNION

X



FIFTEEN YEARS EARLIER, ...



... IT HAD BEEN SUSPECTED ...



... THAT WHEN THE SOVIET UNION INVADIED MANCHUKUO ...



... AT THE END OF THE SECOND WORLD WAR, ...



... CERTAIN DOCUMENTS ...



... REGARDING OPERATION BLOSSOM ...



... WERE RECOVERED IN GEGET ...

... AND FORMED THE  
NUCLEUS OF SOVIET  
EXPERIMENTS ...

USA U-2 RECONPHOTO # 429347-A  
BYELGORNSK CLASSIFIED

... TO CREATE THEIR  
OWN UNDEAD ARMY ...

... FOR THE EVENTUAL  
THIRD WORLD WAR.

ALTHOUGH DETAILS  
ARE STILL  
UNCERTAIN, ...



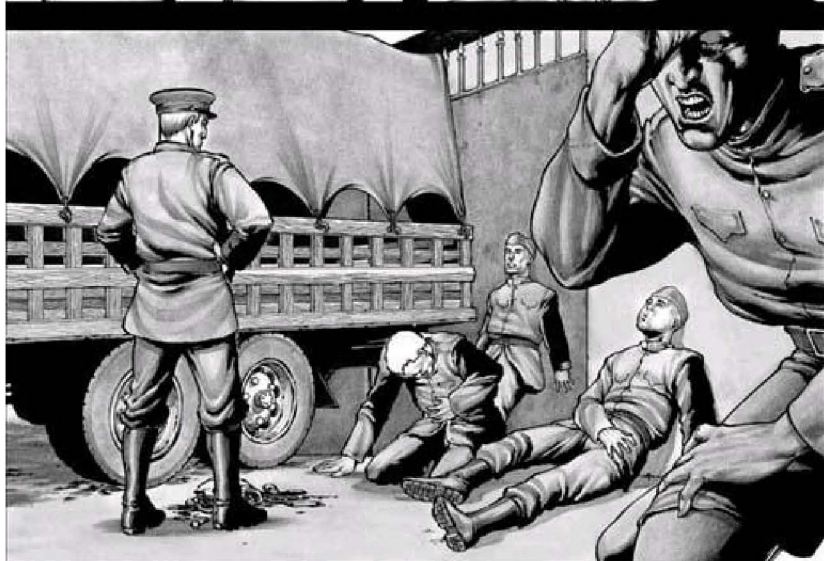
... WE KNOW THAT  
NOT ONLY DID THE  
EXPERIMENT FAIL, ...



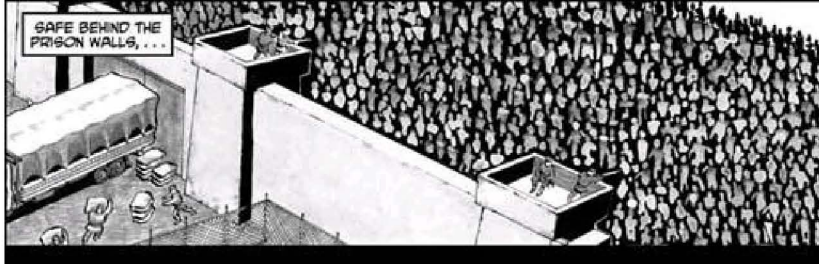
... BUT THE SURVIVORS WERE  
FORCED TO FLEE TO THE PRISON  
THAT HOUSED POLITICAL DISSENTS.







SAFE BEHIND THE  
PRISON WALLS, ...



... THE TRAPPED COLLECTION  
OF SOLDIERS AND PRISONERS  
SETTLED DOWN TO WAIT UNTIL  
RESCUED.



WELLS WERE DUG, ...



... GREENHOUSES  
CONSTRUCTED, ...



... AND CONSTANT  
REPORTS ON THE  
"SITUATION" ...

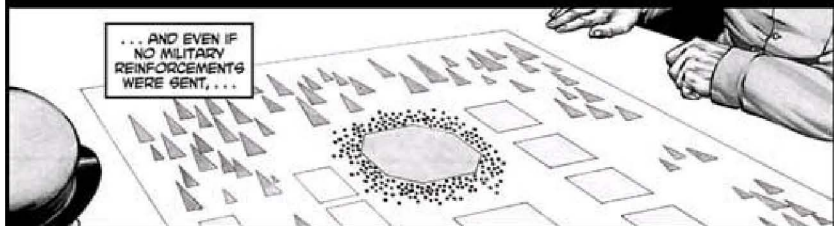




... WERE RELAYED  
TO MOSCOW.



THE SURVIVORS REPORTED THAT THEY  
WERE IN NO IMMEDIATE DANGER, ...



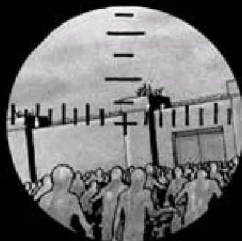
... AND EVEN IF  
NO MILITARY  
REINFORCEMENTS  
WERE SENT, ...

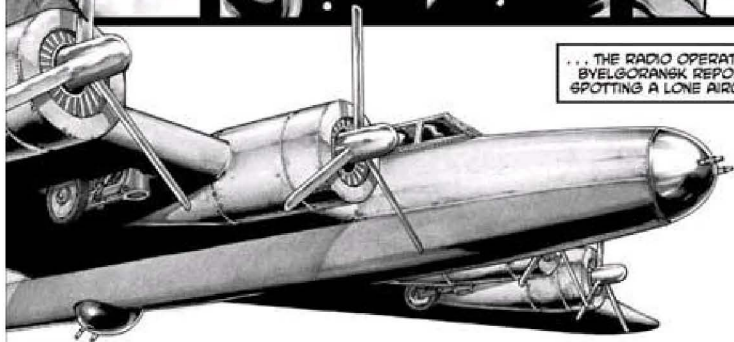


... THEY COULD EASILY  
SURVIVE UNTIL WINTER, ...



... WHEN THE LIVING DEAD  
WOULD FREEZE.





... THE RADIO OPERATOR AT  
BYELGORANSK REPORTED  
SPOTTING A LONE AIRCRAFT.



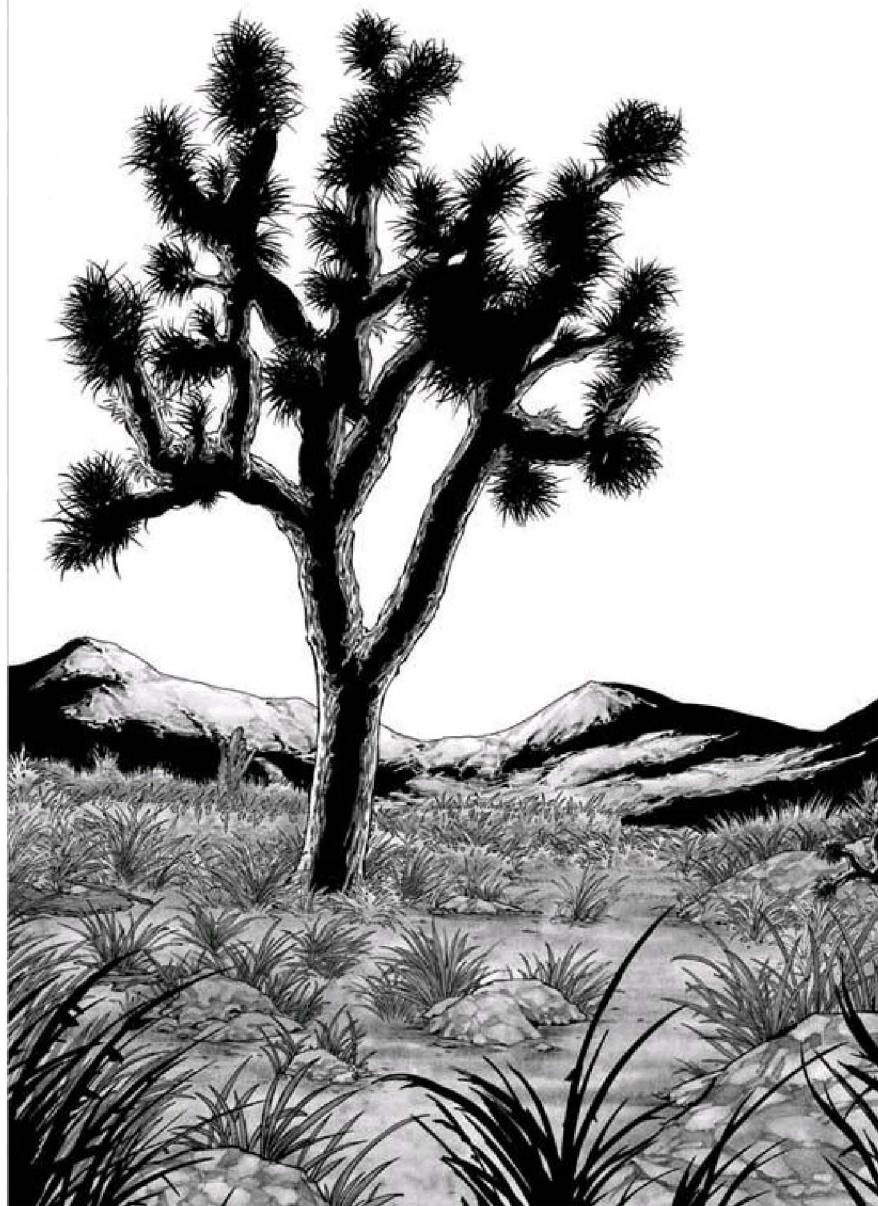


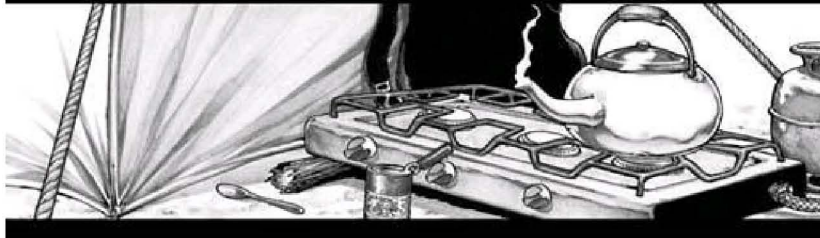
NO FURTHER REPORTS WERE SENT.

A grayscale map of the Hawaiian Islands. The islands are outlined in white against a gray background. A rectangular box with a black border is positioned in the lower-left quadrant of the map. Inside the box, the text "A.D. 1992, JOSHUA TREE NATIONAL PARK" is written in black, uppercase letters. Below the box, a large black 'X' is placed on the island of Oahu.

A.D. 1992, JOSHUA TREE  
NATIONAL PARK



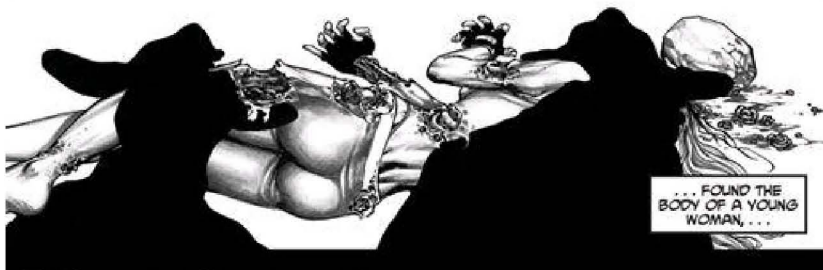




PARK RANGERS ...



... INVESTIGATING  
THE REPORTS ...



... FOUND THE  
BODY OF A YOUNG  
WOMAN, ...



... HER HEAD  
CAVED IN BY A  
LARGE ROCK ...



... AND HER BODY  
COVERED WITH  
HUMAN BITE MARKS.

A FURTHER INVESTIGATION REVEALED HER TO BE SHARON PARSONS OF OXNARD, CALIFORNIA.



SHE AND HER BOYFRIEND, PATRICK MACDONALD, HAD BEEN CAMPING AT JOSHUA TREE FOR SEVERAL DAYS.



ALTHOUGH MACDONALD'S BODY WAS NEVER FOUND, ...



... A LUMP OF CHEWED FLESH MATCHING HIS BLOOD TYPE ...



... WAS FOUND LODGED IN SHARON'S ESOPHAGUS.



HOWEVER, TRACES OF SKIN AND FLESH FROM UNDER HER FINGERNAILS MATCH A THIRD PARTY, ...



DEVIN MARTIN...



... A LONER AND WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHER...



... WHOSE DISAPPEARANCE IN THE PARK WENT UNREPORTED FOR SEVERAL WEEKS.



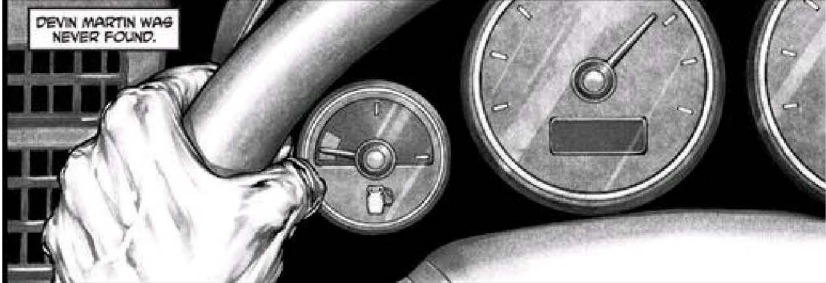
ONE CAN ONLY SPECULATE...



... AS TO THEIR MEETING...



DEVIN MARTIN WAS NEVER FOUND.



NEITHER WAS PATRICK MACDONALD.

HOWEVER, A VIDEO SECURITY CAMERA CAPTURED WHAT LOOKED LIKE MACDONALD AT A GAS STATION IN DIAMOND BAR.



MACDONALD'S CAR WAS LAST SEEN HEADING WEST, ...



... TOWARD LOS ANGELES.

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