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CASEY!

LET'S GO!

I'VE GOT TO HELP YOUR NANA BEFORE...

HONEY...

SHE LEFT--

--FIFTEEN MINUTES AGO.



WAIT...

I PACKED UP SOME OF THE COFF WE HAD LAST NIGHT FOR DINNER.

DO YOU THINK SHE'S OKAY?

WHO?

C'MON...



WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME?

BECAUSE I WANTED YOU TO SEE HOW IT FEELS--

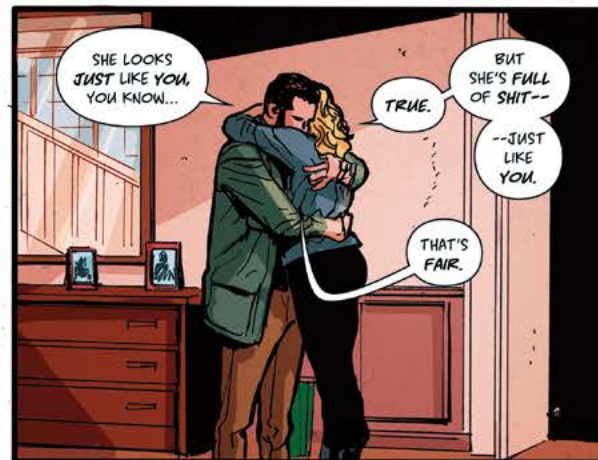


--TO HAVE SOMEONE PLOD AROUND WITHOUT A SINGULAR CONCERN FOR ANYONE ELSE.

SOUNDS LIKE SOMEONE I KNOW...



YOU!



SHE LOOKS JUST LIKE YOU, YOU KNOW...

TRUE.

BUT SHE'S FULL OF SHIT--

--JUST LIKE YOU.

THAT'S FAIR.



SHE'S FIFTEEN.

SHE'S NOT ON THE SPECTRUM AND SHE'S NOT DOING DRUGS.

CHOCK IT UP TO HORMONES AND, HOPEFULLY, SHE'LL GROW OUT OF IT.



I KNOW--

--I JUST MISS HER.

SHE'S NOT LITTLE ANYMORE.

SHE'LL BE BACK BEFORE YOU KNOW IT.



SURE, BUT I'LL BE ALL OLD AND DECREPIT.

YOU'LL STILL HAVE THOSE DIMPLES I LIKE THOUGH--

--AND THAT CUTE BUTT.

I DO LOVE IT WHEN YOU OBJECTIFY ME LIKE THAT.



EVEN THE KIDS AROUND HERE ARE HARDENED ASSHOLES.

I SAID I WAS SORRY...

SHEESH.



HOW FAR ARE WE FROM THE RENTAL?

I NEED TO TAKE A LEAK.

MAYBE FIVE OR SIX MINUTES, TOPS.



IS IT WEIRD COMING BACK HERE--

--FOR THE FIRST TIME?

YES AND NO. IT'S KIND OF HARD TO EXPLAIN, TO BE HONEST.



MY PARENTS MET HERE, IN ANTONIO BAY, ROUGHLY FORTY TWO YEARS AGO TO THE DAY--

--UNDER SOME PRETTY TERRIFYING CIRCUMSTANCES.



SORRY!

WATCH WHERE YOU'RE GOING!

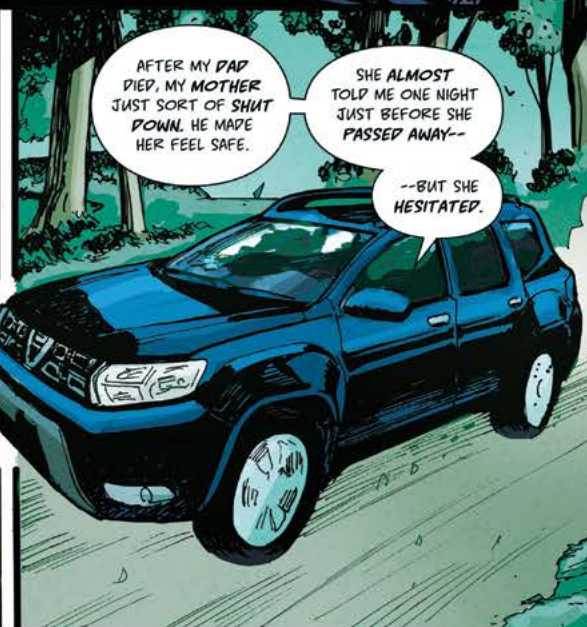
...AND THAT WAS A PERSONAL FAVORITE THAT REMINDS ME OF A WEATHERMAN I ONCE KNEW...



WE'VE TALKED ABOUT WHY YOU STARTED THE SUPERNATURAL NATION PODCAST MANY TIMES--

BUT WE'VE NEVER REALLY TALKED ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED HERE IN ANTONIO BAY...

MY PARENTS WOULD NEVER TALK TO ME ABOUT IT EITHER.



AFTER MY DAD DIED, MY MOTHER JUST SORT OF SHUT DOWN. HE MADE HER FEEL SAFE.

SHE ALMOST TOLD ME ONE NIGHT JUST BEFORE SHE PASSED AWAY--

--BUT SHE HESITATED.



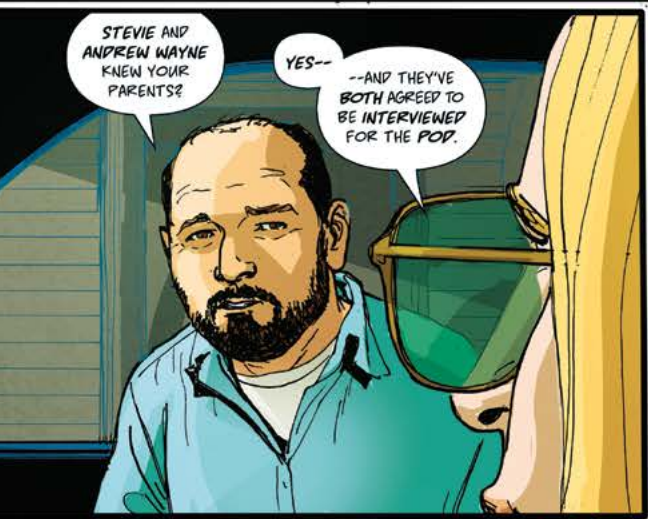
I'M GONNA RUN INSIDE BEFORE I PISS MY PANTS.

JUST PUT THE SEAT DOWN WHEN YOU'RE DONE THIS TIME.

TRAVIS AND I CAN START BRINGING IN THE GEAR.

I SWEAR, ANNIE--

--KIRK ALWAYS FINDS A WAY OUT OF UNLOADING THE CAR ON THESE REMOTES.



STEVIE AND ANDREW WAYNE KNEW YOUR PARENTS?

YES--

--AND THEY'VE BOTH AGREED TO BE INTERVIEWED FOR THE POD.



URBAN LEGENDS AND EARLY TUBE VIDEOS BROUGHT THIS TOWN BACK TO LIFE AS A TOURIST ATTRACTION TWENTY YEARS AGO.



BUT THE WAYNES... THEY NEVER LEFT.

DON'T YOU THINK THAT'S A BIT STRANGE?

ABSOLUTELY!

BUT A DIFFERENT FAMILY LINE WITH OVER ONE HUNDRED YEARS OF HISTORY IN THE BAY AREA ACTUALLY INTERESTS ME MORE...

THE MACHEN FAMILY.



THEY CAME BACK TO THE BAY--

--TWENTY YEARS AFTER THE DEATH OF THEIR ONE HUNDRED YEAR-OLD PATRIARCH, JOHN MACHEN--

--WHOSE BODY WAS DISCOVERED THE MORNING AFTER THE NIGHT CAPTAIN BLAKE AND THE FOG ROLLED INTO TOWN.

RIGHT, BUT... WHO THE HELL IS JOHN MACHEN?

NOBODY KNOWS.

GOOD QUESTION.

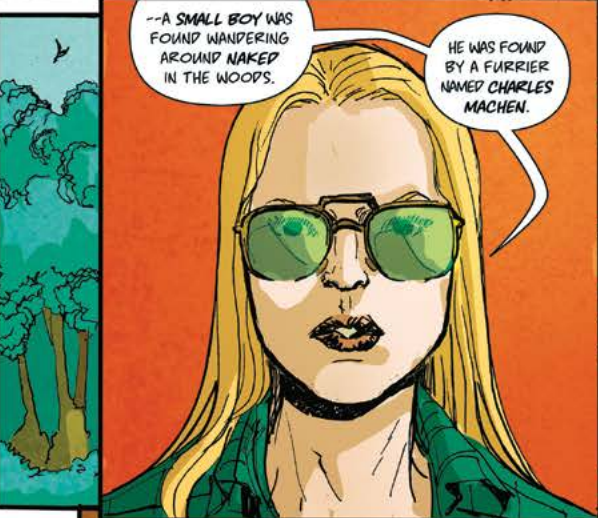


BUT THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE.

WHAT DOESN'T?

I FOUND SCANS OF AN OLD PERSONAL JOURNAL ON AN ONLINE ARCHIVE BELONGING TO A WOMAN BY THE NAME OF JOSEPHINE LOOMIS.

IN 1880, SHORTLY BEFORE THE LEPERS ABOARD THE ELIZABETH DANE WERE MURDERED BY SIX MEN FROM THE PORT OUTPOST THAT BECAME ANTONIO BAY--



--A SMALL BOY WAS FOUND WANDERING AROUND NAKED IN THE WOODS.

HE WAS FOUND BY A FURRIER NAMED CHARLES MACHEN.



MACHEN WAS A WIDOWER--

--AND HE FIANCIED LOOMIS BECAUSE SHE HELPED HIM CARE FOR THE STRANGE BOY. THEY EVENTUALLY MARRIED.

THEY NAMED THE BOY 'JOHN'.



HOW DOES THIS CONNECT WITH CAPTAIN BLAKE AND THE ELIZABETH DANE?

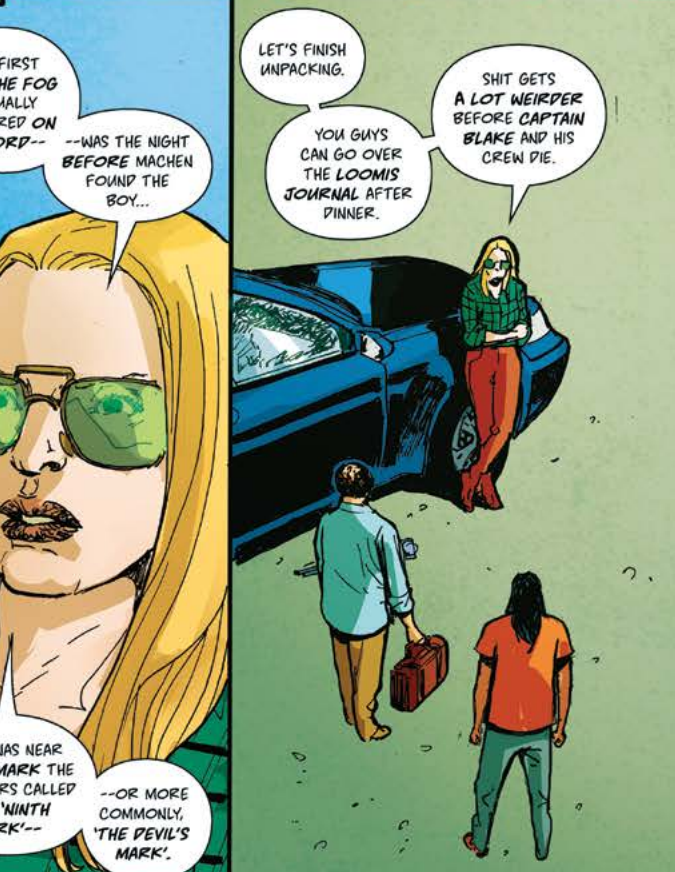
AND THE SUPERNATURAL FOG?

THE FIRST TIME THE FOG ACTUALLY APPEARED ON RECORD--

--WAS THE NIGHT BEFORE MACHEN FOUND THE BOY...

WHO WAS NEAR A LANDMARK THE TRAPPERS CALLED THE 'NINTH MARK'--

--OR MORE COMMONLY, 'THE DEVIL'S MARK'.



LET'S FINISH UNPACKING.

YOU GUYS CAN GO OVER THE LOOMIS JOURNAL AFTER DINNER.

SHIT GETS A LOT WEIRDER BEFORE CAPTAIN BLAKE AND HIS CREW DIE.