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BOBBY DRAKE, ALSO KNOWN AS ICEMAN, HAS A LOT GOING ON. FROM TEACHING YOUNG MUTANTS AT THE XAVIER INSTITUTE TO GETTING INTO THE WORLD OF DATING AFTER YEARS IN THE CLOSET, BOBBY IS DOING HIS BEST TO HAVE IT ALL...

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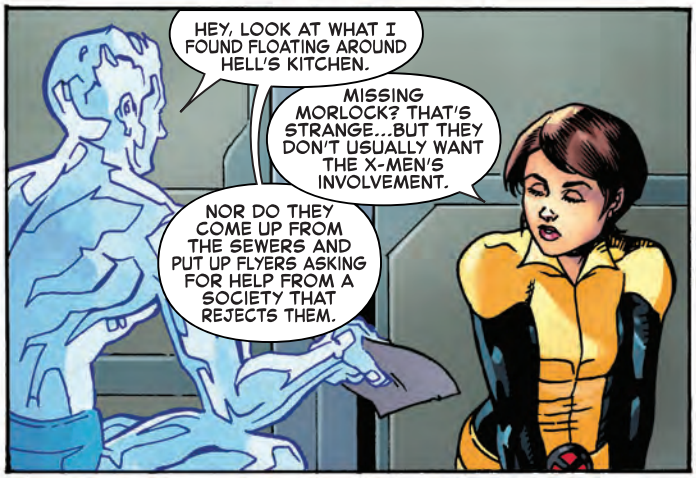
HELL'S KITCHEN. NEW YORK.
THERE WAS A TIME WHEN DARKNESS DEVOURED THESE SIDEWALKS. WHEN THE AIR RANG WITH GUNSHOTS AND THE VIOLENT CRIES OF HAPLESS VICTIMS--WHATEVER "HAPLESS" MEANS.
A MAN IN RED DEVOTED HIS LIFE TO PROTECTING THE STREETS...
...NOW, IT'S WHERE LONELY GAY GUYS GO TO STRIKE OUT TO FUEL SAD-BOY VIBES.
OR THEY STILL FIGHT CRIME, JUST IN FLASHIER CLOTHES...
SOMEBODY CALL THE COPS!
FROOOOOM
THIS IS NOT THE KIND OF DEATH DROP I SIGNED UP FOR!
WHA--?
HEY...
KRRRRIIISHHHH
...LEMME ASK YOU A QUESTION...

SO, I'M OUT HERE TRYING TO MEET GUYS--
EAT ****, FAIRIES!
BE WITH YOU IN A SECOND!
FSHHHHHT
AND I'M A CATCH!
I HATE WHEN PEOPLE SAY THAT, BUT, LIKE, I'M CUTE--
--AND I'M SMART ENOUGH TO KNOW THAT GUY HAS ABOUT FOUR MINUTES BEFORE HYPOTHERMIA SETS IN.
WHEN I WAS DATING GIRLS, IT WASN'T SO HARD. NOW? I'M NOT REALLY TRANSLATING.
EARLIER...
I SAID, I BELIEVE YOU DROPPED THIS ON THE DANCE FLOOR!
WHAT???
ANYWAY, I JUST KEEP WONDERING...
...WHAT'S WRONG WITH ME?
FLIP
HONEY, IF YOU SAVE MEN FROM BURNING BUILDINGS, YOU SHOULD BE UP TO YOUR KNEES IN--
MORLOCKS?

XAVIER INSTITUTE'S DANGER ROOM. CENTRAL PARK, NEW YORK. THE NEXT DAY.
UHH, BOBBY? SHOULDN'T YOU BE PAYING ATTENTION TO YOUR STUDENTS' TRAINING SESSION?
GOOD POINT, HEADMISTRESS KITTY...BUT NAH. MOST OF THEM ARE STILL IN THE BUTTON-MASH PHASE OF USING THEIR POWERS.
NO COORDINATION, NO PLAN. I CAN LITERALLY MANAGE MY GOLEM *AND* MEDITATE ON MY POWERS.
THEY WANTED DANGER ROOM TIME, I WANTED THEM TO LEARN TEAMWORK. WIN-WIN.
MICHAELA, IF YOU'RE SUCH A BEYONCÉ FAN, LEARN TO STAY IN FORMATION!
XAVIERS
I'M *TRYING*, IDIE!
QUEEN BEY DIDN'T HAVE TO FIGHT MONSTERS DURING HER SUPER BOWL PERFORMANCE!


HEY, LOOK AT WHAT I FOUND FLOATING AROUND HELL'S KITCHEN.
MISSING MORLOCK? THAT'S STRANGE...BUT THEY DON'T USUALLY WANT THE X-MEN'S INVOLVEMENT.
NOR DO THEY COME UP FROM THE SEWERS AND PUT UP FLYERS ASKING FOR HELP FROM A SOCIETY THAT REJECTS THEM.

MAYBE IT'S A NEW GROUP DOWN THERE? I DUNNO...
GOOD, DO IT. YOU'RE GONNA NEED BACKUP IN CASE IT'S EXTRA HOSTILE.
I WANNA GO DOWN INTO THE CATACOMBS TOMORROW AND INVESTIGATE. COPS CERTAINLY AREN'T GOING TO HELP.
ONE OF US IS DYING NONE OF US ARE TRYING
MISSING

I'LL COORDINATE WITH STORM, NIGHTCRAWLER, BISHOP, PSYLOCKE... THAT GOOD ENOUGH OF A TEAM? I THINK PRESTIGE IS AVAILABLE TOO.
UHH... YEAH!

SMACK
PTOOEY
FZZZASH
ARGH!!!
KROOOM
NOT TODAY, ICE MONST--
THAT'S WHAT YOU GET FOR TELLING ME JUDAH HAS A NEW BOYFRIEND!
AND FOR FOLLOWING HIM ON SOCIAL MEDIA!
OOF!
BUT HIS STORIES HAVE SO MANY PICS OF HIS AB GAME!

THE NEXT DAY.
YOU READY?
ONE SEC.
SOMETHING WRONG?
KITTY PAINTED A DIFFERENT PICTURE. JUST CHECKING ON SOMETHING.
Bobby Drake
My backup team is JUST Bishop???
He's my fave mutant from the future for sure, but u sed a team?!
Kitty
Jean & Co. needed help-- Searebro under attack!
I mean fine but srsly, tho. U could have told me.
Sry! U know u can handle on ur own anyway.
OKAY, COOL, I'M BACK.
YAY, ICEMAN AND BISHOP TEAM-UP!
WHEN THE LAW ISN'T ENOUGH, ICE IS BACK WITH A BRAND-NEW ADDITION!
NO.