



# THE SECRET OF THE WELL SCREEN

the PART THREE





IT WAS MANY, MANY YEARS AGO DURING THE AGE OF WARS THAT PRIEST HASANO WAS KNOWN BY ANOTHER NAME--GENERAL HASANO.



HE LED HIS LORD'S FORCES TO VICTORY AFTER VICTORY. EVERYONE KNEW AND FEARED HIS NAME. ONLY THE DEAD HAD NO FEAR OF HIM. HIS WEAPON OF CHOICE WAS NOT THE KATANA, THE SWORD THAT IS THE SOUL OF THE SAMURAI, BUT A TEKOKAGI MODIFIED TO SAVAGELY RIP FLESH.



HE HAD WON A HUGE VICTORY AND WAS RETURNING TO HIS LANDS WHEN HE STOPPED AT THE TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN BUDDHA TO REST FOR THE NIGHT.

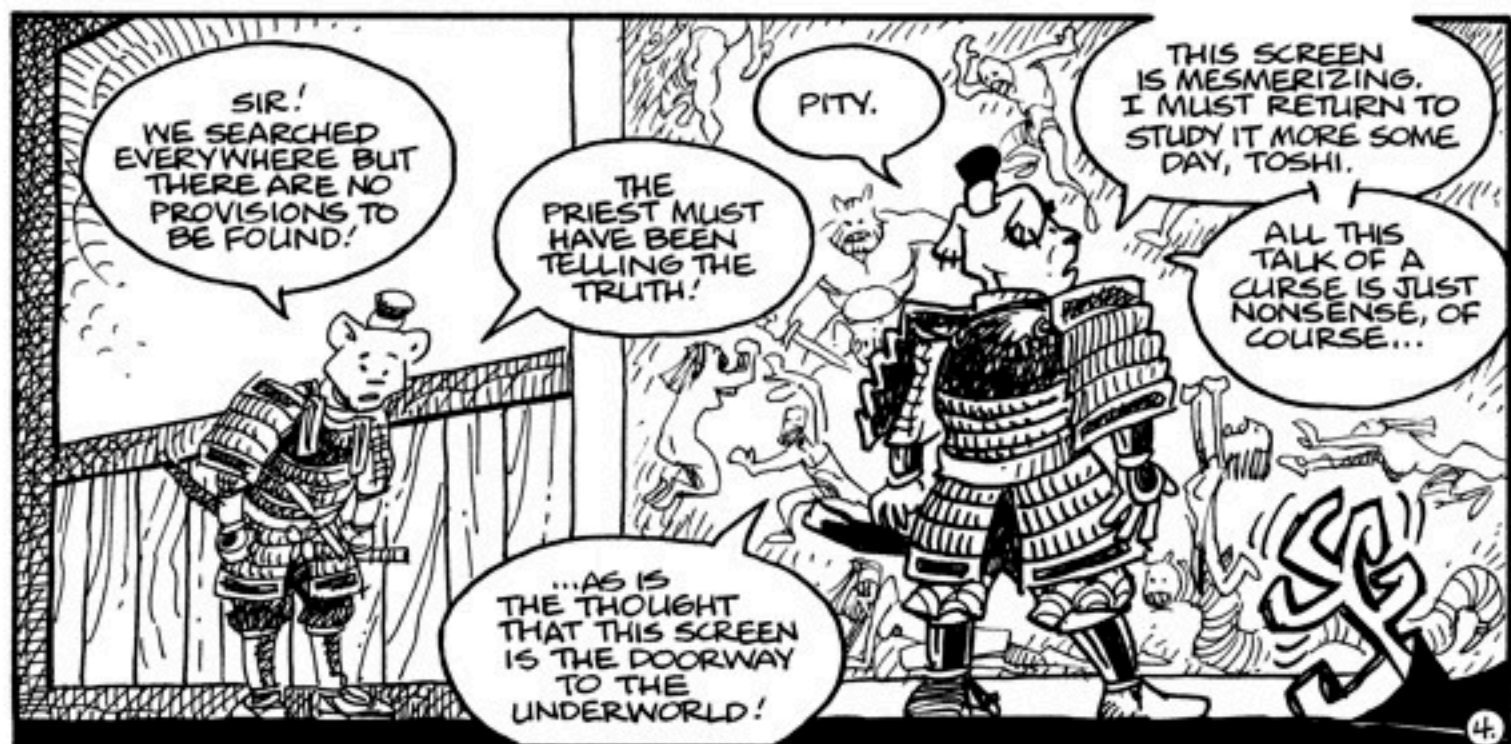


WHAT IS THIS?!

IT IS A HELL SCREEN, MY LORD! IT PROTECTS OUR TEMPLE AGAINST THOSE WHO WOULD OFFEND IT.

IT IS THE DOORWAY TO THE UNDERWORLD.

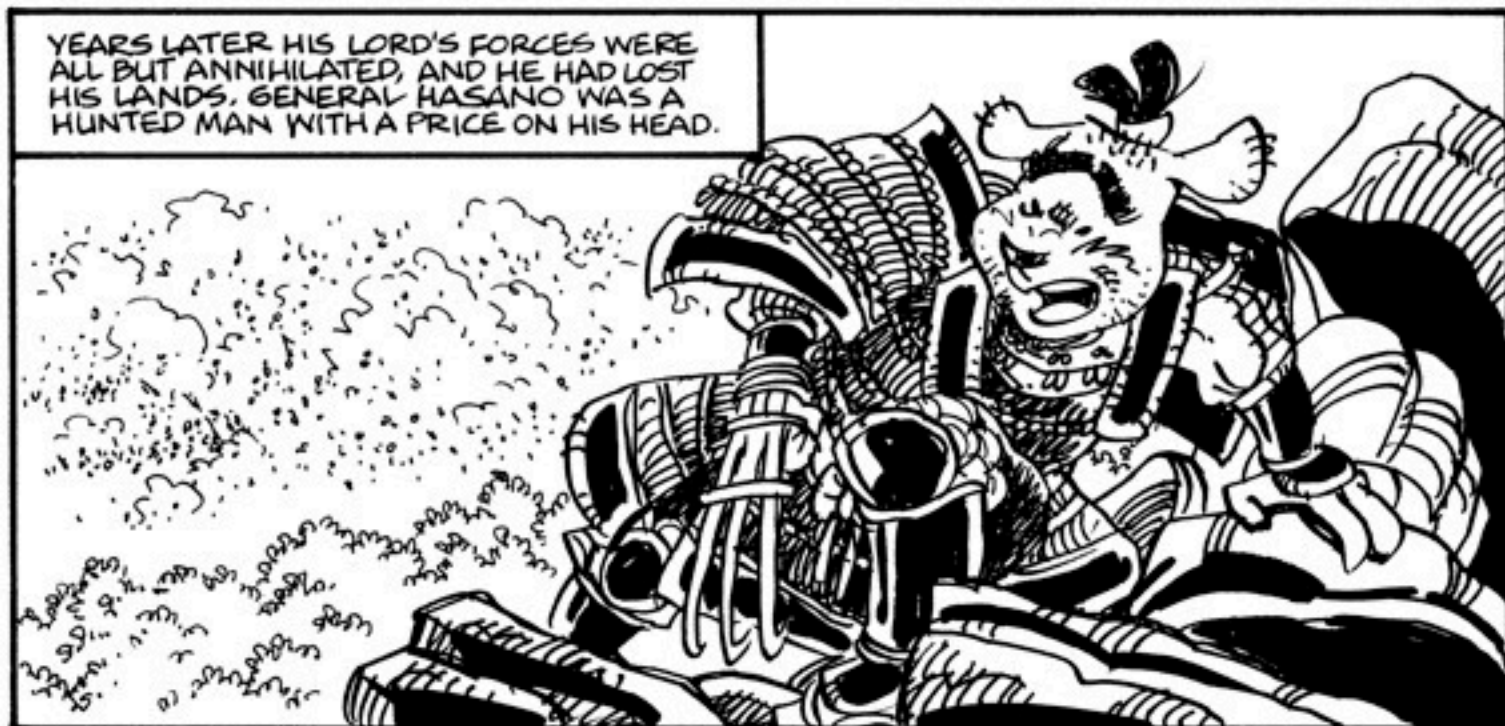
BAH! I DON'T BELIEVE IN SUCH RUBBISH!



GENERAL HASANO'S FORTUNES TURNED DRAMATICALLY AFTER THAT NIGHT. HE HAD NO MORE VICTORIES, NO MORE HONORS.




YEARS LATER HIS LORD'S FORCES WERE ALL BUT ANNIHILATED, AND HE HAD LOST HIS LANDS. GENERAL HASANO WAS A HUNTED MAN WITH A PRICE ON HIS HEAD.



ONE STORMY NIGHT HE FOUND HIMSELF BACK AT THE TEMPLE OF THE GOLDEN BUDDHA.





HE STOOD BEFORE  
THE HELL SCREEN AND  
SAW IT IN A WAY HE  
HAD NOT SEEN IT BEFORE.

HE REALIZED  
THAT THE MURDER  
OF THE PRIESTS  
WAS THE REASON  
FOR HIS DOWNFALL...

... AND HE SAW  
THE FATE THAT WOULD  
EVENTUALLY BEFALL  
HIM.

HE REPENTED  
THERE AND THEN. HE  
TURNED HIS LIFE  
AROUND AND BECAME  
A PRIEST, THEN THE  
HEAD PRIEST OF  
THE GOLDEN  
BUDDHA  
TEMPLE.

BUT NOW, THERE  
WERE THOSE WHO  
WOULD TAKE HIS  
TEMPLE-- HIS  
SALVATION-- AWAY  
FROM HIM!

GRG!

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