



YAFF!

TO START WITH, I WANT TO BE REALLY CLEAR:

I DIDN'T STEAL HANK. NOT REALLY.



DON'T DO THIS, ANDY.

THAT'S -- THAT'S A \$300 DOG, MAN.

YEAH? YOU PAID \$300 FOR THIS DOG, MANNIE? IS THAT WHAT YOU'RE TELLING ME?



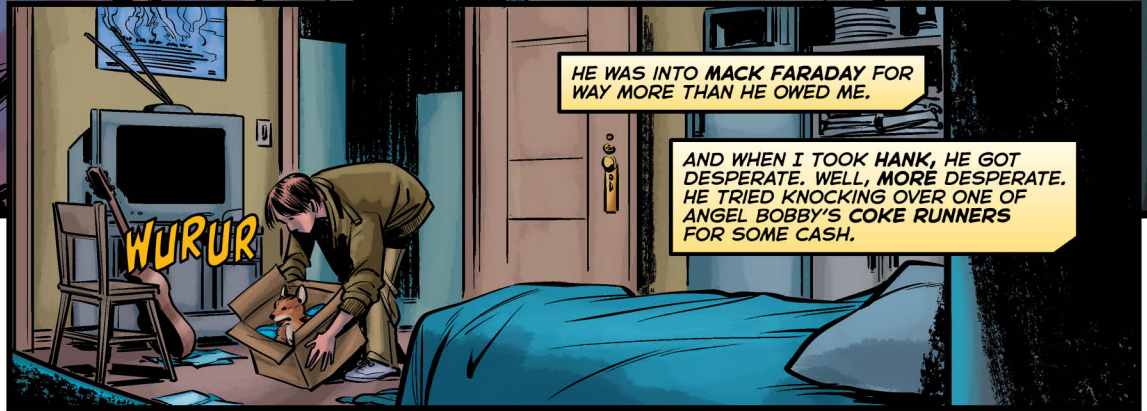
NO, IT'S --

LOOK, I KNOW I OWE YOU. AND I'M GETTIN' YOUR MONEY. I AM. JUST DON'T -- I NEED THE DOG, MAN!

AND YOU CAN HAVE THE DOG. WHEN YOU PAY ME \$500. AND THAT'S NOT EVEN ALL YOU OWE.

IT WAS MY MISTAKE. I THOUGHT HANK WAS MANNIE'S PET. OR A PRESENT FOR HIS KID OR SOMETHING, AND HE'D PAY UP TO GET HIM BACK.

TURNS OUT MANNIE STOLE HANK, FROM SOME BREEDER. HE WAS TRYING TO SELL HIM TO MAKE A LITTLE MONEY. BUT NOT TO PAY ME.



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HE WAS INTO MACK FARADAY FOR WAY MORE THAN HE OWED ME.

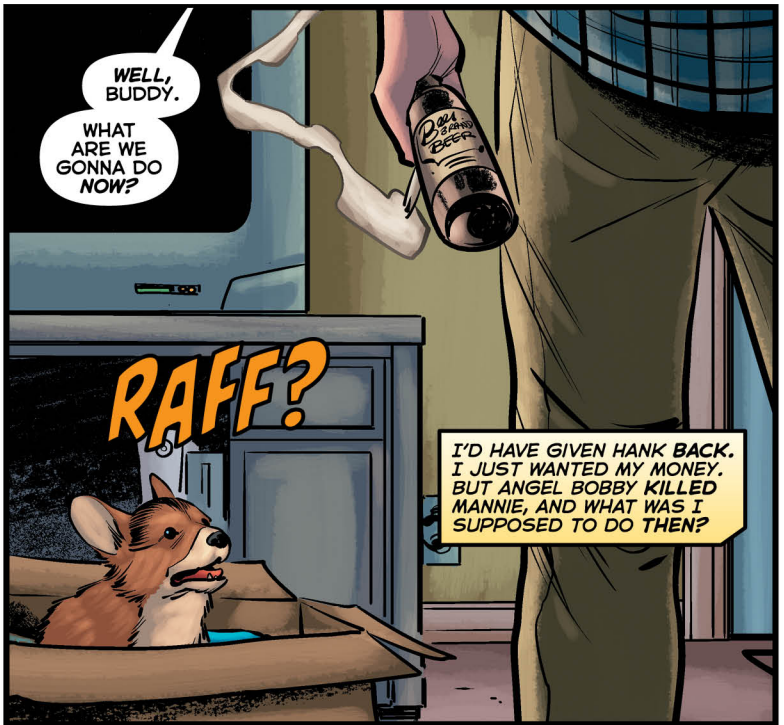
AND WHEN I TOOK HANK, HE GOT DESPERATE. WELL, MORE DESPERATE. HE TRIED KNOCKING OVER ONE OF ANGEL BOBBY'S COKE RUNNERS FOR SOME CASH.



YEAH?

GEEZ. THAT'S NOT GOOD.

THANKS FOR TELLIN' ME.



WELL, BUDDY.

WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO NOW?

RAFF?

I'D HAVE GIVEN HANK BACK. I JUST WANTED MY MONEY. BUT ANGEL BOBBY KILLED MANNIE, AND WHAT WAS I SUPPOSED TO DO THEN?



I DID STEAL THE AMULET,
THOUGH. STRAIGHT UP.

BECAUSE THE REASON I WAS
PUSHING MANNIE WAS, I OWED
MACK, TOO, AND HE WAS
TALKING ABOUT ME LOSING
FINGERS IF I DIDN'T PAY UP.

SO WHEN MANNIE GOT IT IN
THE NECK, I NEEDED MONEY
AND I NEEDED IT FAST.

THERE WAS THIS HOUSE, OVER IN
EASTBANK. FANCY HOUSE, NICE VIEW OF
THE CITY. LADY ARCHITECT LIVED THERE,
BUT SHE WAS GONE A LOT, WORKING.

I'D HEARD A COUPLE OF ANGEL
BOBBY'S GUYS TALKING ABOUT
DOING IT, CASING THE PLACE
OUT. THEY DIDN'T SEE ME.

SO I FIGURED IF I
GOT THERE BEFORE
THEM, I WAS GOOD.

WHO'S a
GOOD dog?

IT WAS A NICE HOUSE. I'D NEVER ROBBED ANY PLACE FANCIER THAN A MID-PRICE HOTEL ROOM, AND I WAS PRETTY NERVOUS.

I DIDN'T NEED TO BE. NO ONE WAS HOME, AND I DISCONNECTED THE ALARM OKAY.

BUT IT WASN'T NORMAL.

THERE WAS THIS STUFF -- LIKE A SHRINE TO THIS DEAD HERO, STORMHAWK.

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HE WAS IN HONOR GUARD, BUT IF YOU ASKED ME THAT THEN, I COULDN'T HAVE TOLD YOU.

BUT THERE WASN'T ANY GUY STUFF IN THE HOUSE, ASIDE FROM THAT.

I GOT SOME CASH, JEWELRY, NICE WATCHES AND STUFF...

...AND AT THE LAST MINUTE, I GOT THE AMULET, TOO. I DIDN'T THINK I COULD SELL IT, BUT I DIDN'T THINK I WANTED TO, EITHER.

THAT WAS DUMB, I KNOW. YOU DON'T GO AROUND WEARING THE EVIDENCE OF A BURGLARY. AND I KNEW THAT.

BUT I DID IT ANYWAY.

I JUST WANTED IT.

