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STEPHEN STRANGE was a preeminent surgeon until a car accident damaged the nerves in his hands. His ego drove him to scour the globe for a miracle cure, but instead he found a mysterious wizard called the ANCIENT ONE who taught him magic and that there are things in this world bigger than himself. These lessons led Stephen to become the Sorcerer Supreme, Earth's first defense against all manner of magical threats. His patients call him...

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The state of magic is slowly recovering (after its near extinction at the hands of the EMPIRIKUL), but Stephen Strange and his companions are still reeling from their latest encounter with Mr. Misery, a creature created from Strange's own pain and suffering. Strange was able to defeat Misery by taking responsibility for, and ultimately re-absorbing, his own suffering.

Zelma Stanton, a librarian from the Bronx, is stepping up to assist Strange as he attempts to discover the new rules and create balance in the fledgling magical network. With Doctor Strange it's always...

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SOLD! TO THE GOAT IN THE BACK FOR THREE PHOENIX FEATHERS!



...I GIVE YOU THE FABLED **WAND OF XYGGONDO**. ONCE WIELDED BY RASPUTIN HIMSELF.



IN THE WAKE OF THE VICIOUS PURGE BY THE SCIENCE CULTISTS OF THE **EMPIRIKUL**, THIS IS ONE OF THE FEW MAGICAL ITEMS STILL LEFT ACTIVE AND EMPOWERED ON THIS PLANE OF EXISTENCE.

LET THE BIDDING COMMENCE.



CONGRATULATIONS, SIR GOAT. YOU AND YOUR MASTER ARE NOW THE PROUD OWNERS OF A GENUINE HIMALAYAN YETI. YOU MAY COLLECT HIM AT THE DOOR AS YOU LEAVE.

AND AS ALWAYS, WE THANK YOU FAMILIARS AND ACOLYTES, AS WELL AS YOUR VARIOUS MAGISTERS AND MISTRESSES, FOR YOUR PATRONAGE HERE AT THE HOUSE OF THE INFERNAL GLORIES.

NEXT UP... OH, *THIS* IS THE ITEM YOU'VE ALL BEEN WAITING FOR...

RECENTLY RECOVERED FROM THE WELL OF THE RISING PESTILENCE IN ESTONIA, AND VERIFIED BY OUR MYSTICAL APPRAISERS...



I BID NINE BARRELS OF RAT BLOOD!

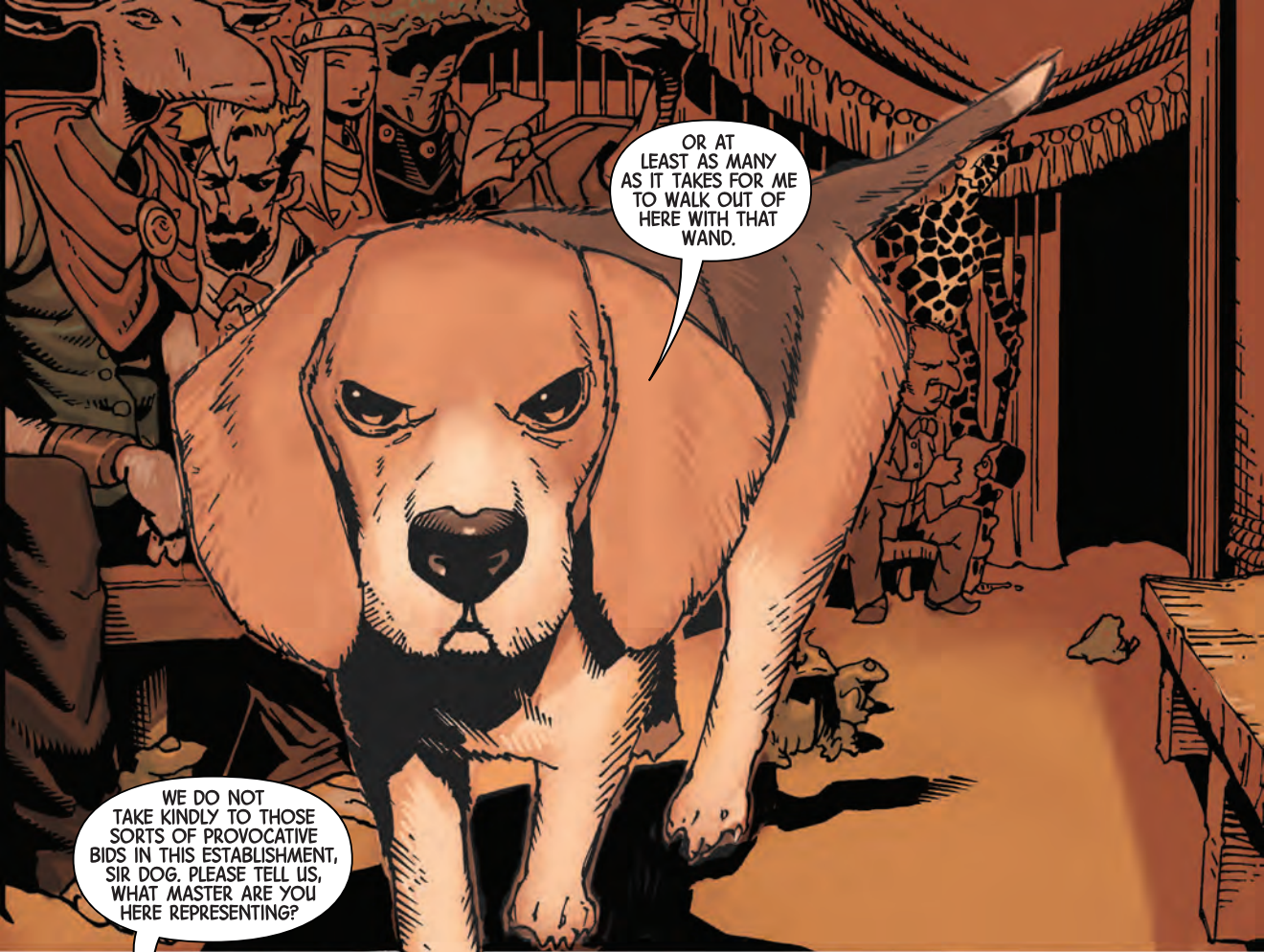
THREE HUNDRED FROG HEARTS!

A DOZEN CANDLES OF HUMAN TALLOW AND THE TEARS OF THE WORLD'S OLDEST VIRGIN!

I BID THE SOUL OF MY MOTHER!



I BID ALL OF YOUR TEETH!



OR AT LEAST AS MANY AS IT TAKES FOR ME TO WALK OUT OF HERE WITH THAT WAND.

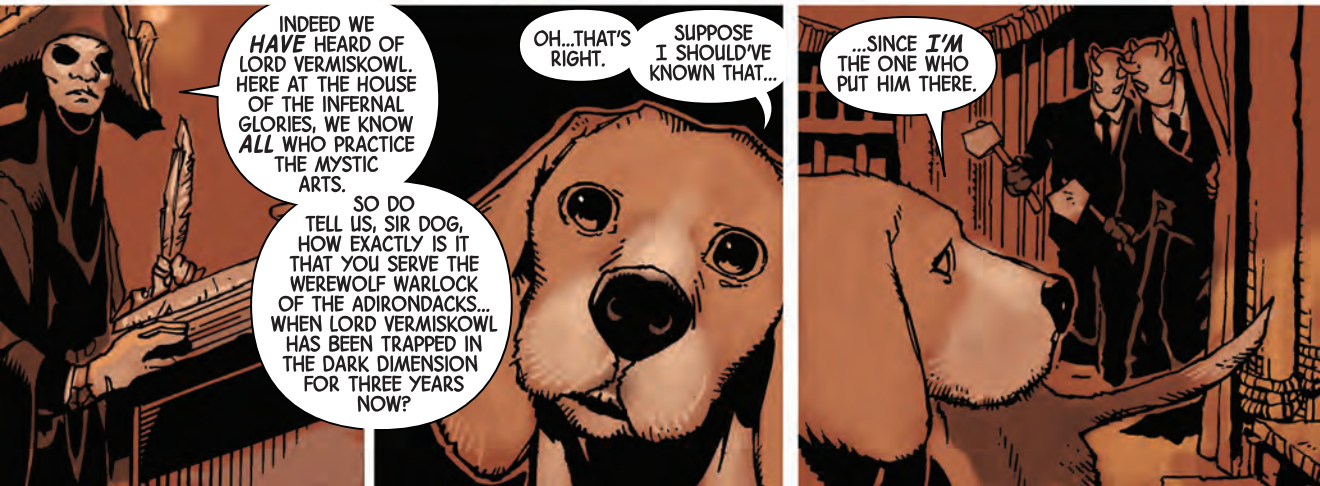
WE DO NOT TAKE KINDLY TO THOSE SORTS OF PROVOCATIVE BIDS IN THIS ESTABLISHMENT, SIR DOG. PLEASE TELL US, WHAT MASTER ARE YOU HERE REPRESENTING?



YOU'LL BE SORRY YOU ASKED THAT. I REPRESENT THE NOTORIOUS LORD VERMISKOWL, THE WEREWOLF WARLOCK OF THE ADIRONDACKS...

...AND HE WANTS THAT WAND.

SO I SUGGEST YOU GIVE IT TO ME AND LET ME GO ON MY WAY. I MEAN, YOU HEARD THE PART ABOUT HIM BEING A WEREWOLF WARLOCK, RIGHT?



INDEED WE HAVE HEARD OF LORD VERMISKOWL. HERE AT THE HOUSE OF THE INFERNAL GLORIES, WE KNOW ALL WHO PRACTICE THE MYSTIC ARTS.

SO DO TELL US, SIR DOG, HOW EXACTLY IS IT THAT YOU SERVE THE WEREWOLF WARLOCK OF THE ADIRONDACKS... WHEN LORD VERMISKOWL HAS BEEN TRAPPED IN THE DARK DIMENSION FOR THREE YEARS NOW?

OH...THAT'S RIGHT.

SUPPOSE I SHOULD'VE KNOWN THAT...

...SINCE I'M THE ONE WHO PUT HIM THERE.