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THE ISLAND **MOVED** FROM THE MEDITERRANEAN SEA TO THE SOUTH ATLANTIC OCEAN?



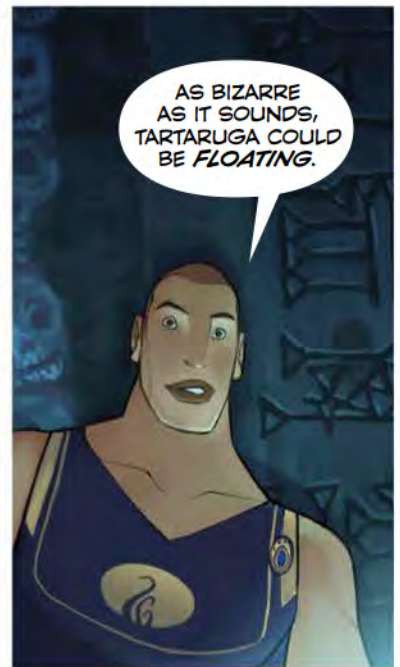
IT'S AT LEAST A MILE AWAY FROM WHERE IT **SHOULD** BE.

IT **HAS** MOVED.



IF THESE CAVES KEEP GOING THEN THE **ENTIRE ISLAND** COULD BE HOLLOW.

IT WAS FIXED TO THE SEA FLOOR AND THE TSUNAMI DISLODGED IT?



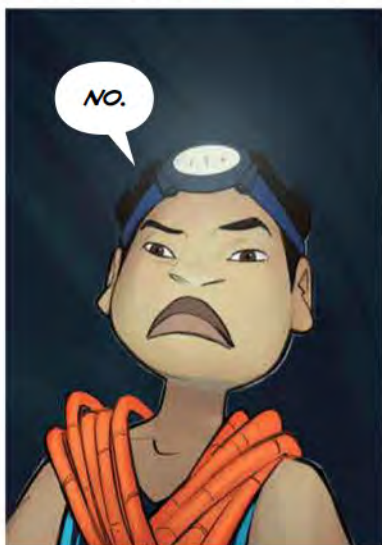
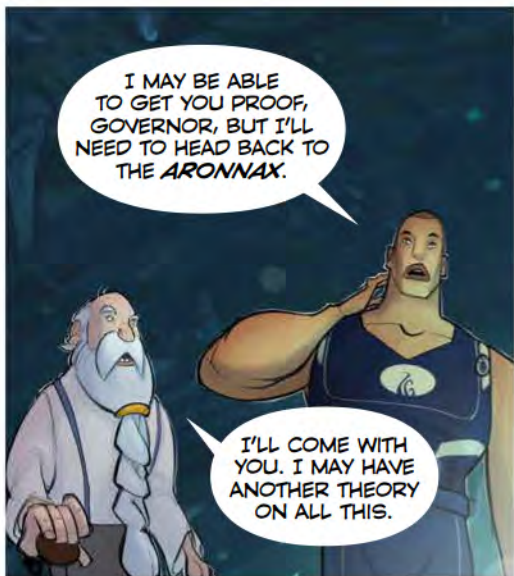
AS BIZARRE AS IT SOUNDS, TARTARUGA COULD BE **FLOATING**.



GOVERNOR, I THINK WE'D BETTER GET BACK UP THERE AND LET YOUR PEOPLE KNOW THE ISLAND MAY BE **UNSTABLE**.

TARTARUGA **DOESN'T** EXIST WITHOUT TOURISM.

I'M **NOT** CAUSING A PANIC AMONGST OUR PATRONS WITHOUT **PROOF!**





OH, FONTAINE.
YOU DON'T HAVE
TO MAKE EXCUSES
FOR WANTING TO
STAY HERE AND
SPELUNK.



ANT, IF YOU SAY
'SPELUNK' ONE
MORE TIME...



ALL RIGHT.
BUT KEEP YOUR
COMMUNICATORS
AND YOUR HOMING
BEACONS ON AT
ALL TIMES--



"-- WE'LL SEE YOU SOON."



ON BOARD *THE ARONNAX* --
WILLIAM NEKTON'S PRIVATE STUDY.

WE'LL START AT
THE BEGINNING.

WHAT ARE
YOU--?

CLICK



IMPRESSIVE.

WAIT...
IS THAT THE
ACTUAL *IMAGO
MUNDI*?

YES,
IT IS.

I SAID WE
WERE GOING TO
START AT THE
BEGINNING.

AND *THIS* IS THE
VERY BEGINNING, THE
IMAGO MUNDI.

OFFICIALLY THE
OLDEST KNOWN MAP
OF THE AREA WE NEED,
DATED AT AROUND
2,900 B.C.

*THE
BABYLONIAN
MAP OF THE
WORLD.*

