



AW, HARLEY, YA NUTBUCKET. I THOUGHT YOU FIXED 'EM GOOD.

I DID, TONY.



WELL, MOST OF 'EM, ANYWAYS.

WELL, THE ONES YOU MISSED PROVED TO BE QUITE PROLIFERANT.



I JUST WANTED SOME LITTLE ONES. I DIDN'T THINK THERE WOULD BE SO MANY.

KIDDO, WE'RE AT CAPACITY AS IT IS.

LEMME THINK HERE.

BAD TOY

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SO, WE'RE ALL DRESSED UP AN' WE COLLECTED ALL THE BABIES. OH NO, I AM SO NOT READY FOR THIS...

YEAH, WELL, I WASN'T READY FOR THE DRESSING UP IDEA, BUT HERE WE ARE.



AW, JUST LOOK AT 'EM, TONY. THEY'RE ALL SO CUTE I COULD JUST EXPLODE.

~Sigh~ LET'S START GETTIN' 'EM INTO THE SACKS.



I WISH WE COULD KEEP 'EM.

THIS IS THE RIGHT THING TA DO, KIDDO.

SEE ALL THESE PEOPLE? THEY ALL LOOK VERY NICE.



YEAH, WELL, HOW DO WE KNOW FER SUREP?

Y'GOTTA USE YER INSTINCTS AN' STREET SMARTS, KID. WE HELP 'EM CARRY THEIR BAGS, TALK TO 'EM, AN' IF THEY'RE GOOD, TRUSTWORTHY PEOPLE, WE GIVE 'EM ONE OF OUR LITTLE PRESENTS TA TAKE HOME.

WHAT IF THEY DON'T WANT A PET?

WHO'S GONNA ASK 'EM? WE SNEAK 'EM INTO THEIR PACKAGES AND BY THE TIME THEY DRIVE HOME, IT'LL BE TOO LATE. THEY'LL FALL MADLY IN LOVE.



OF COURSE THEY WILL! HOW COULD THEY NOT?

PRETTY GOOD PLAN, RIGHT? GOTTA BE BETTER THAN DROPPING THEM BY A SHELTER.

NOW, YA CALLED THE VET, RIGHT?

YEAH.

LET SANTA'S HELPERS CARRY YOUR PACKAGES!



AN' MAKE SURE YOU TAKE 'EM ALL THIS TIME, SO WE DON'T HAVE TA GO THROUGH THIS TORTURE AGAIN.

Aww, LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH BEFORE MY HEART BREAKS INTO A MILLION PIECES.

LET SANTA'S HELPERS CARRY YOUR PACKAGES!



NEED A HELPING HAND?

YEAH! WE'LL HELP YOU CARRY YOUR BAGS TO YOUR CAR!

LET SANTA'S HELPERS CARRY YOUR PACKAGES!

FREE HELPING HAND TO YOUR VEHICLE



SO, Y'HAVE KIDS? A JOB MAYBE? SOMEONE HOME TO LOOK AFTER THINGS?

I'M A STAY-AT-HOME MOM IF THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE ASKING. WHY?

JUST CURIOUS. YOU LOOK, Y'KNOW, REALLY PUT TOGETHER.



ARE YOU HITTING ON ME?

NO. IT'S JUST NICE TO SEE ANOTHER WOMAN LIKE ME FOLLOWIN' HER DREAMS.

WELL, I GAVE UP MY JOB AT ONE OF THE BIGGEST LAW FIRMS IN THE COUNTRY TO LOOK AFTER MY KIDS, SO I GUESS...



GREAT STORY. HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY.



SO YOU LOVE ANIMALS.

OH, YES. I HAVE A NICE PIECE OF LAND ON LONG ISLAND AND MY LITTLE FRIENDS HAVE PLENTY OF SPACE TO ROAM.

THAT'S AWESOME.

ARE YOU REALLY ONE OF SANTA'S HELPERS?



...SO I GOT **HANNIBAL SMITH** FROM THE SHELTER THE DAY BEFORE THEY WERE GOING TO PUT HIM TO SLEEP AND BECAUSE HE WAS LONELY, I ALSO GOT **HOWLING MAD MURDOCK** AND MY **TABBY BARACUS**.

BARACUS CHOKED TO DEATH ON HIS OWN HAIRBALL LAST MONTH SO I GOT **LITTLE MISTER FACEMAN** FROM A NEIGHBOR WHO ABANDONED HIM WHEN SHE MOVED. **FACEMAN** HAD A BAD CASE OF **RINGWORM**, BUT I HAVE BEEN MEDICATING HIM **EACH DAY**.

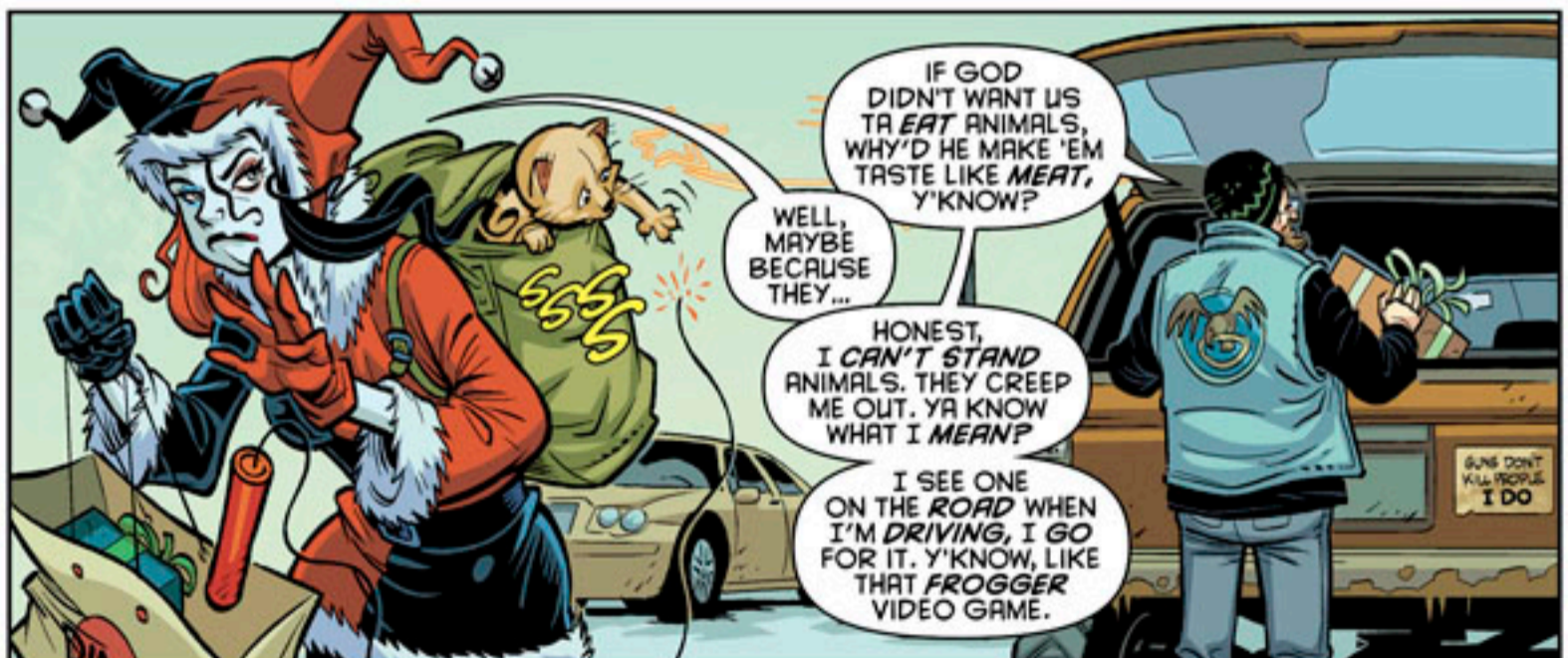
THAT'S THE **SADDEST STORY** I EVER HEARD...
->sob-<

DID I TELL YOU ABOUT MY **THREE-LEGGED BLIND CAT** NAMED **LUCKY**? SHE WAS...



COME ON, KIDS. TIME TO GET HOME AND GET READY FOR DINNER!

SAY A WORD AND I'LL CREEP INTO YOUR ROOM AT NIGHT AND BURN YER TOYS.



IF GOD DIDN'T WANT US TO EAT ANIMALS, WHY'D HE MAKE 'EM TASTE LIKE MEAT, Y'KNOW?

WELL, MAYBE BECAUSE THEY...

HONEST, I CAN'T STAND ANIMALS. THEY CREEP ME OUT. YA KNOW WHAT I MEAN?

I SEE ONE ON THE ROAD WHEN I'M DRIVING, I GO FOR IT. Y'KNOW, LIKE THAT **FROGGER** VIDEO GAME.



THANKS SO MUCH FOR HELPING ME WITH THOSE BAGS. HAVE A GREAT HOLIDAY!

YEAH...
->SNIFF-<...
YOU TOO!

->SOB!-<