



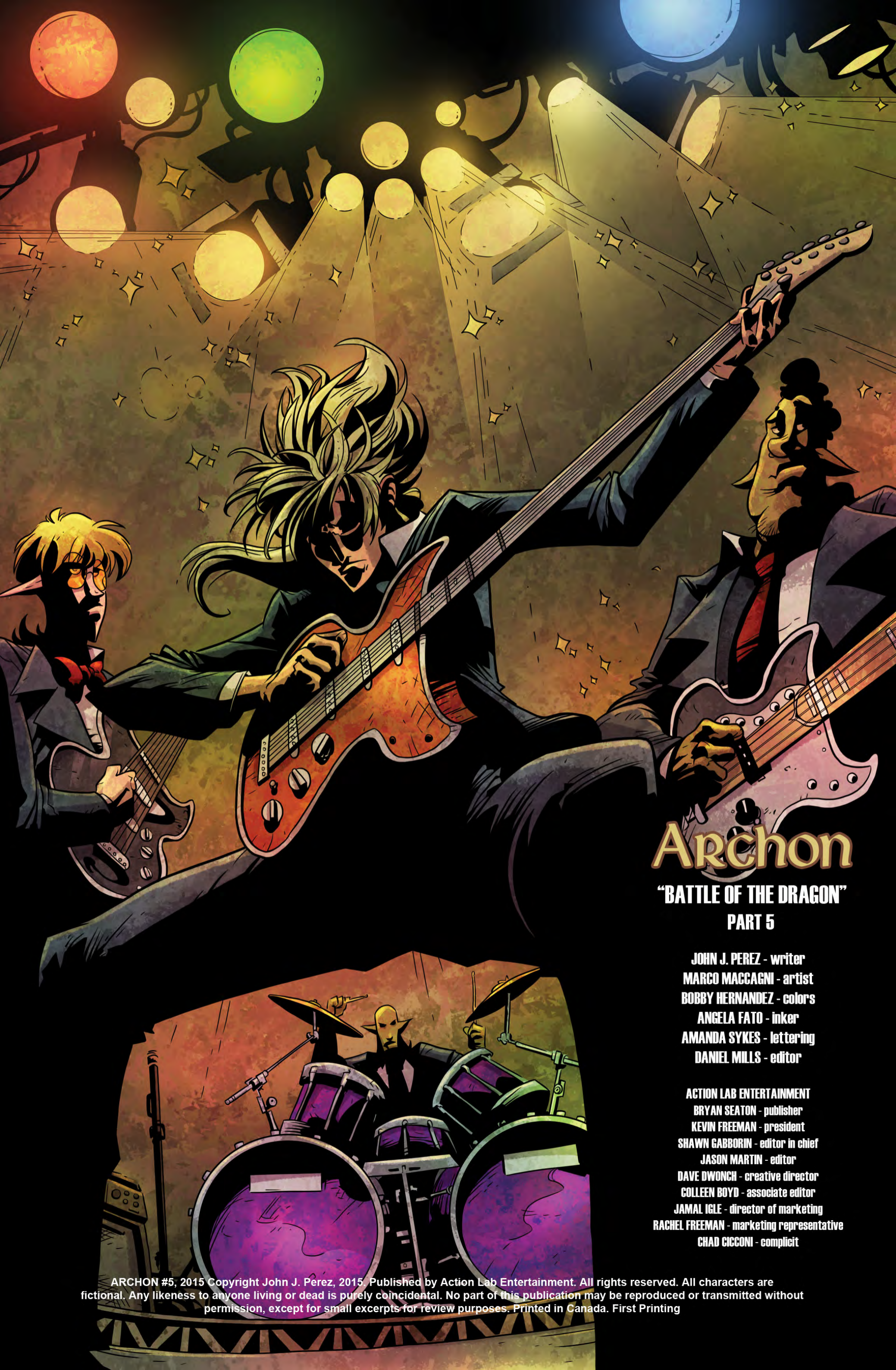
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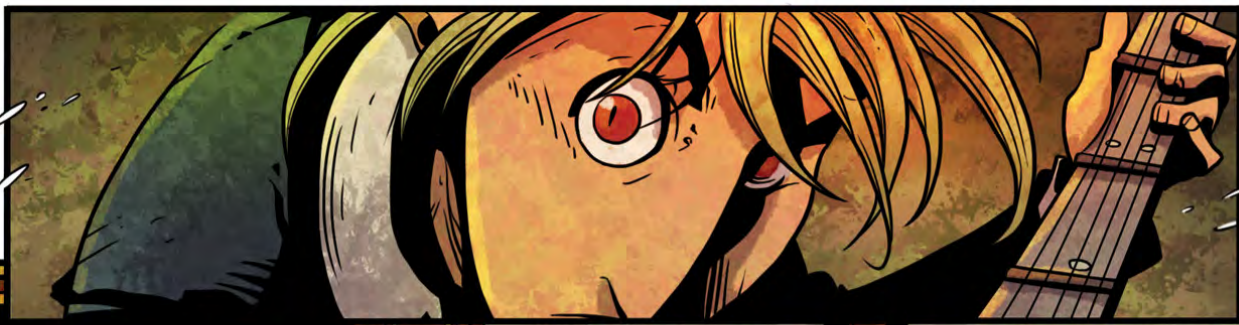
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TO THE LEFT.

AM I GETTING CLOSE, MON?



YOU ARE ALMOST THERE.



GOT IT... UH.

CRACK



I THINK THAT'S EVERYTHING, MON. ARE YOU GOING TO BE ALRIGHT?



THE DERMIS TISSUE TAKES LONGER TO REGENERATE, BUT ALL THE NECESSARY LIGAMENTS AND MUSCLES HEAL UP INSTANTLY.



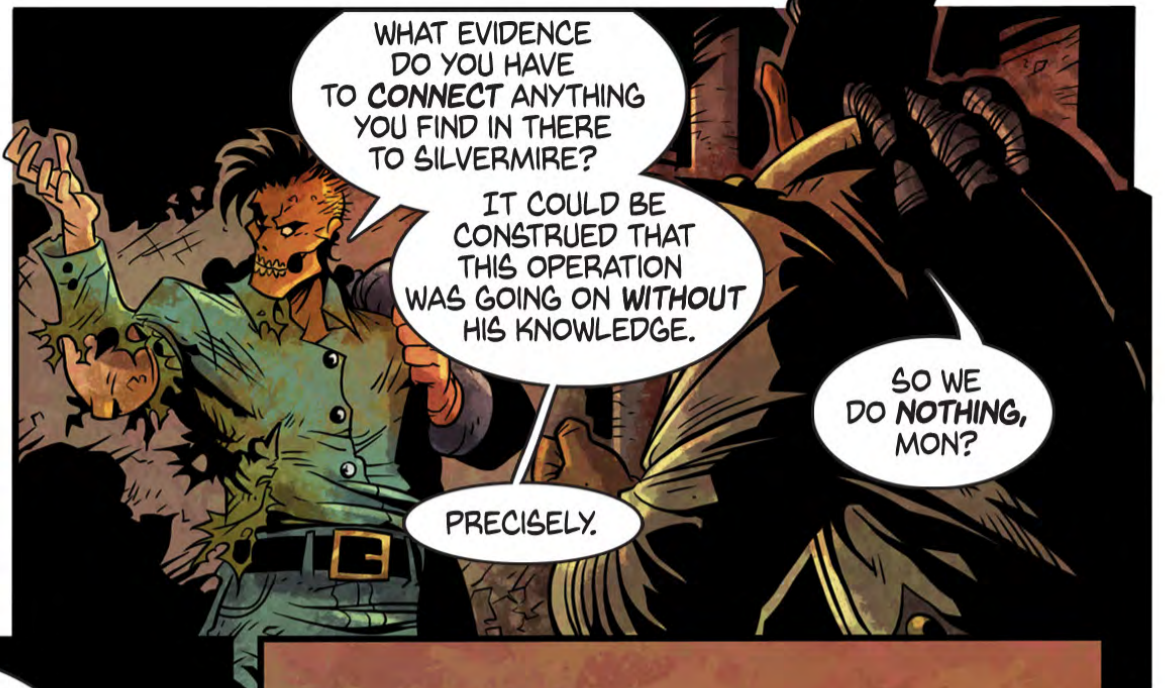
SO YOU'RE AN UNDYING ONE? I'VE ONLY READ ABOUT THEM. DESCENDANTS OF THE WARRIOR KING. CURSED BY THE SHADOW LORD TO LIVE TILL THE END OF DAYS. NOT ZOMBIES, BUT NOT ALIVE EITHER.



THIS IS DISTRACTING US FROM THE MATTER AT HAND.

NO.

YOU'RE RIGHT. WE GOTTA STORM IN THERE AND-







W-WHO ARE YOU?

FRANK ROSENTHAL. I'M SORT OF A BIG DEAL IN THIS TOWN.

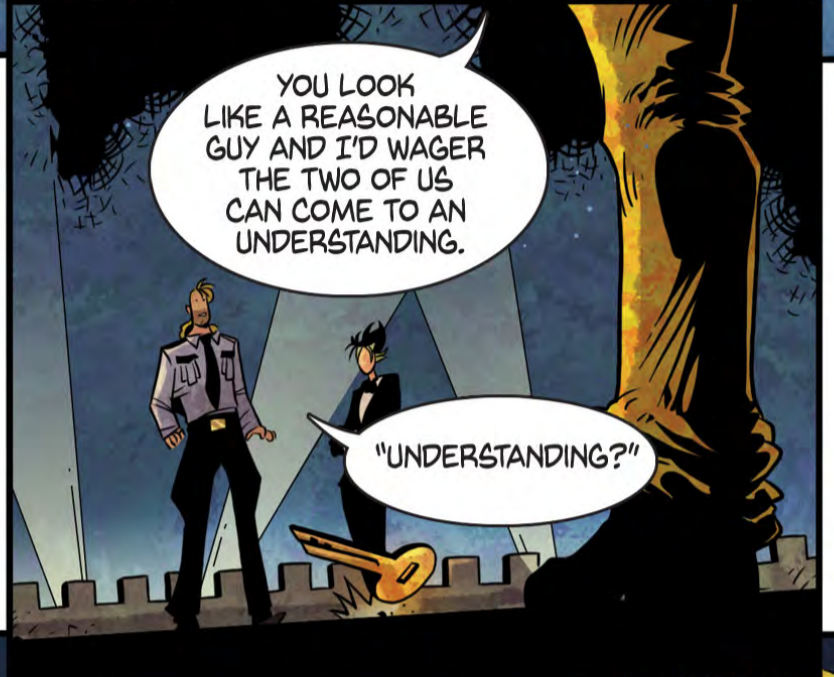
YOU'RE THE NEW CHIEF OF SECURITY. JUST THE PERSON I'VE BEEN MEANING TO TALK TO.



THE LAST FEW CHIEFS HAD A HABIT OF SKIPPING TOWN BEFORE WE COULD MEET.



TINK



YOU LOOK LIKE A REASONABLE GUY AND I'D WAGER THE TWO OF US CAN COME TO AN UNDERSTANDING.

"UNDERSTANDING?"



SOMEONE WITH YOUR LEVEL OF ACCESS TO THE ARCHON STAFF, COUNT ROOM AND VAULTS COULD GO FAR IN THIS TOWN WITH THE RIGHT FRIEND.



I'M NOT LOOKING FOR TROUBLE, SIR.



WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT TROUBLE? I'M A BUSINESSMAN NOT A GANGSTER.

I'M SORRY, BUT I THINK I'M GOING TO HAVE TO ASK YOU TO LEAVE.



LISTEN BUD! I'VE BEEN IN THIS TOWN A LONG TIME, AND I ALWAYS PUT MY MONEY ON A SURE THING.



ALISTAIR AND HIS WALL STREET CRONIES THINK THEY CAN JUST PUSH US OUT. MANY HAVE TRIED, BUT IN THE END THEY ALL FALL IN LINE.

HE JUST NEEDS A LITTLE ENCOURAGEMENT, AND YOU'RE GOING TO HELP ME PERSUADE HIM.