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DOCTOR BRODY IS OFF DUTY RIGHT NOW.

I'M SUPPOSED TO BE OFF DUTY RIGHT NOW. CALL HIS ASS UP AND TELL HIM I NEED HIM HERE!

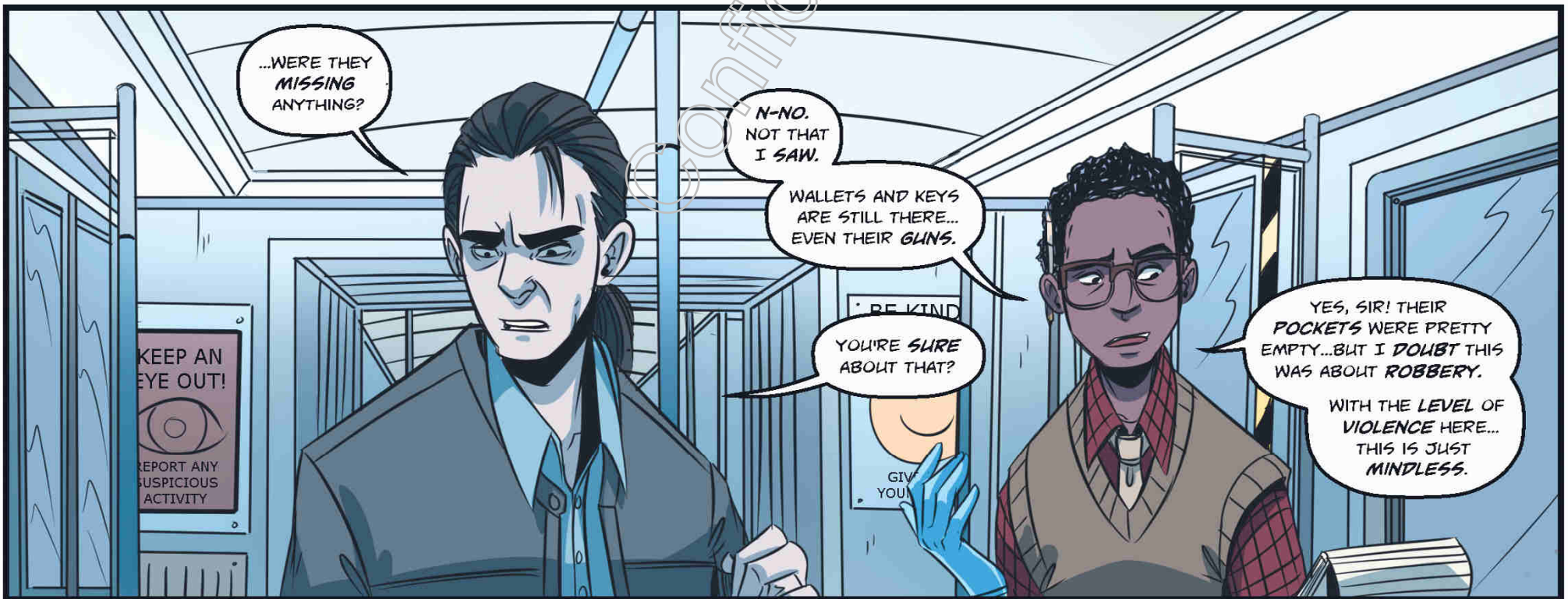
HE'S...UH...AT THE MORGUE, S-SIR.

OF COURSE HE IS.

AND I'M STUCK HERE WITH YOU AND TWO DEAD COPS WITHOUT FACES.



I CAN HELP YOU THERE. THEIR IDENTIFICATION IS INTACT.



...WERE THEY MISSING ANYTHING?

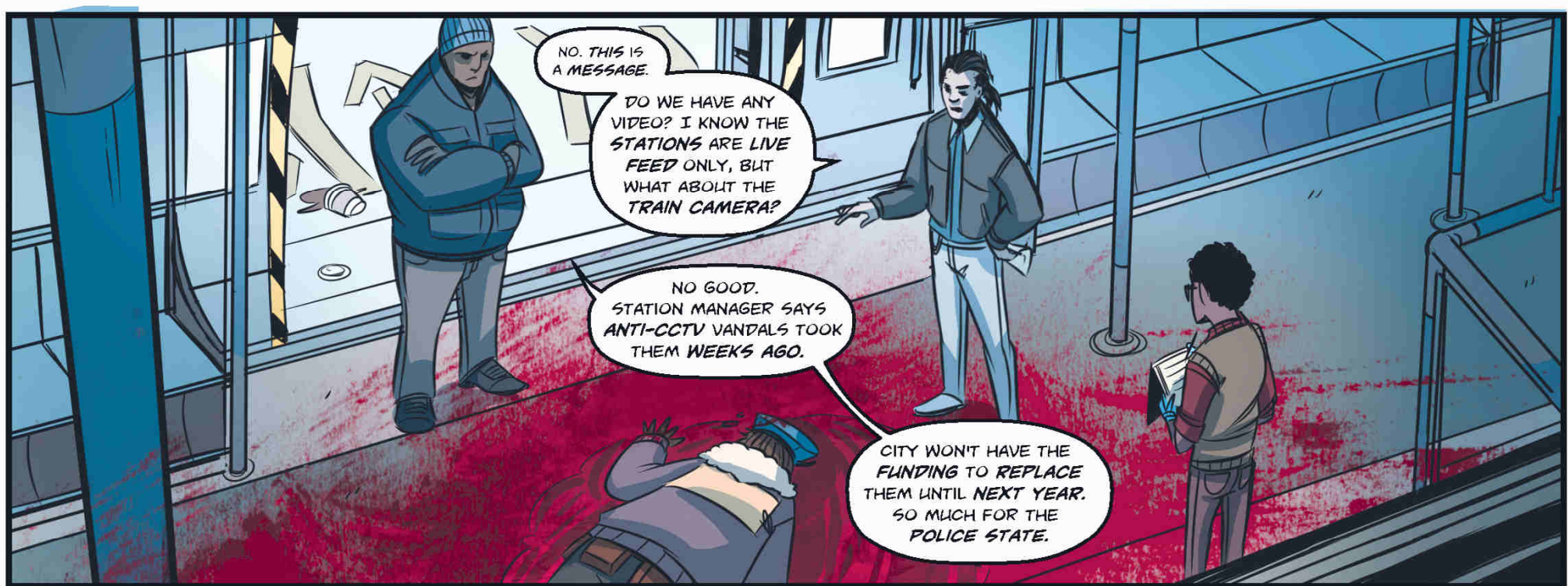
N-NO. NOT THAT I SAW.

WALLETS AND KEYS ARE STILL THERE... EVEN THEIR GUNS.

YOU'RE SURE ABOUT THAT?

YES, SIR! THEIR POCKETS WERE PRETTY EMPTY... BUT I DOUBT THIS WAS ABOUT ROBBERY.

WITH THE LEVEL OF VIOLENCE HERE... THIS IS JUST MINDLESS.

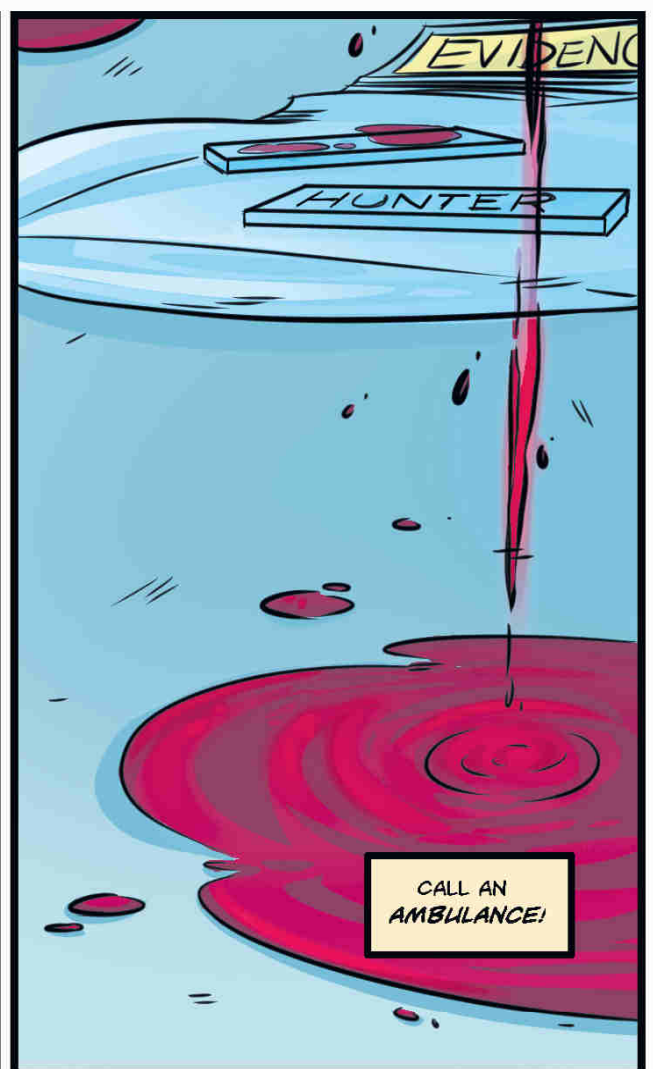
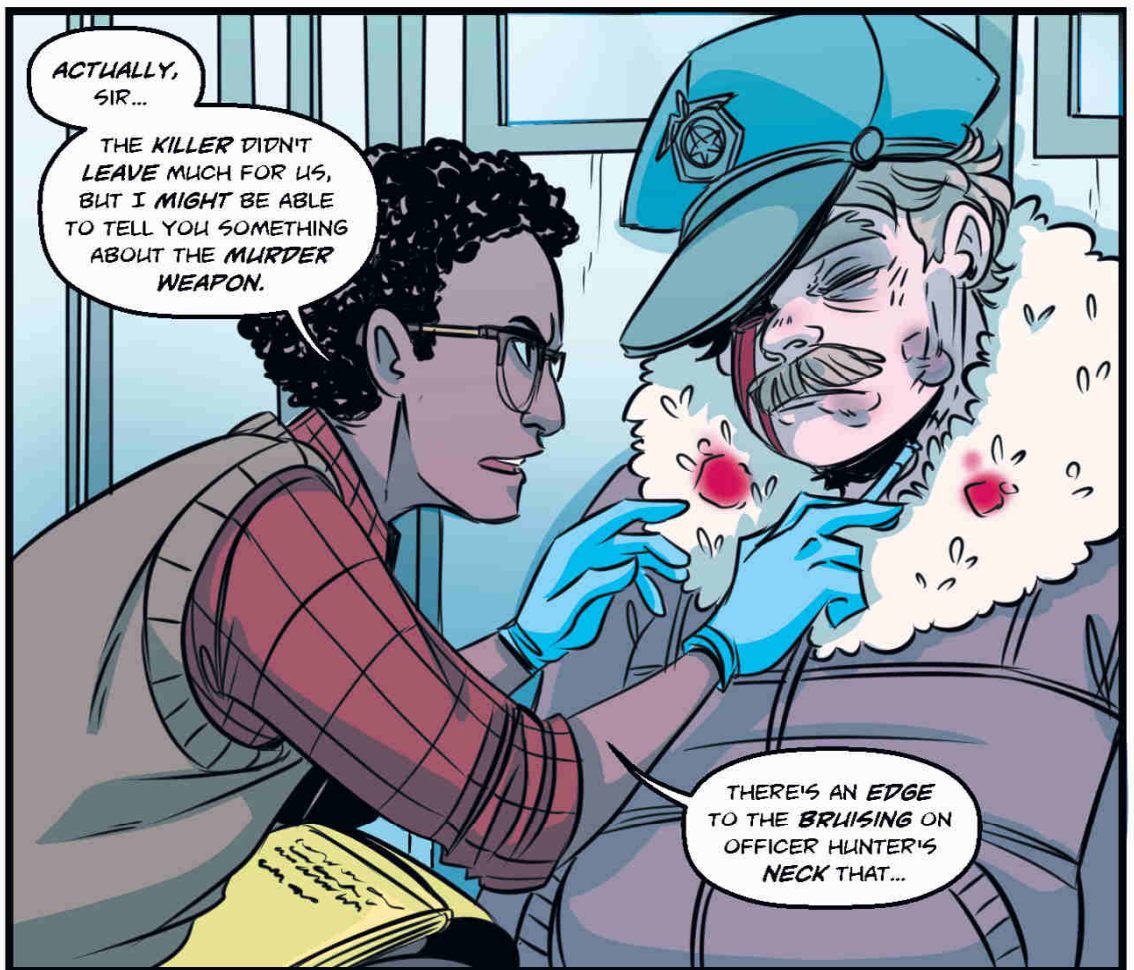


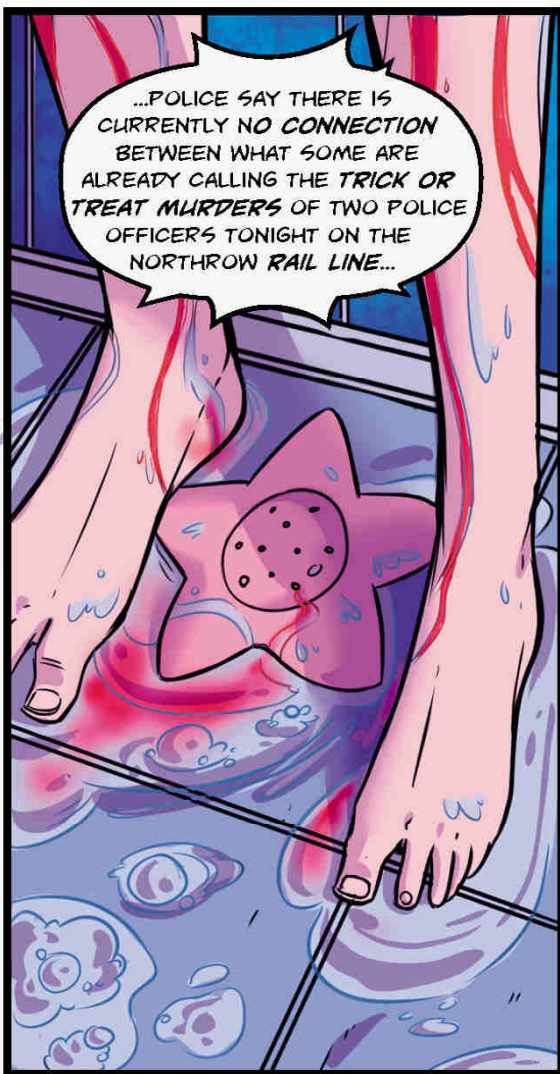
NO. THIS IS A MESSAGE.

DO WE HAVE ANY VIDEO? I KNOW THE STATIONS ARE LIVE FEED ONLY, BUT WHAT ABOUT THE TRAIN CAMERA?

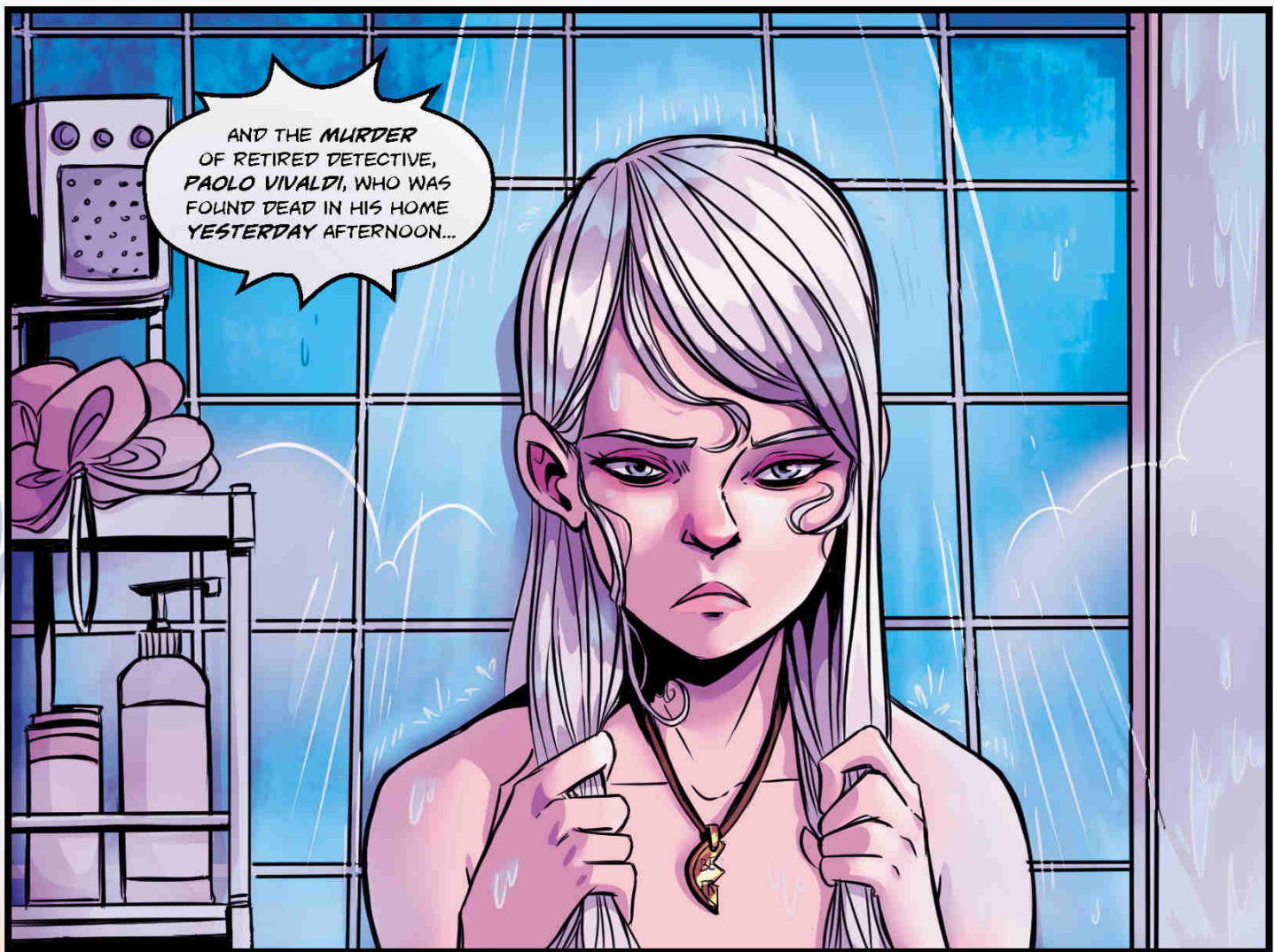
NO GOOD. STATION MANAGER SAYS ANTI-CCTV VANDALS TOOK THEM WEEKS AGO.

CITY WON'T HAVE THE FUNDING TO REPLACE THEM UNTIL NEXT YEAR. SO MUCH FOR THE POLICE STATE.

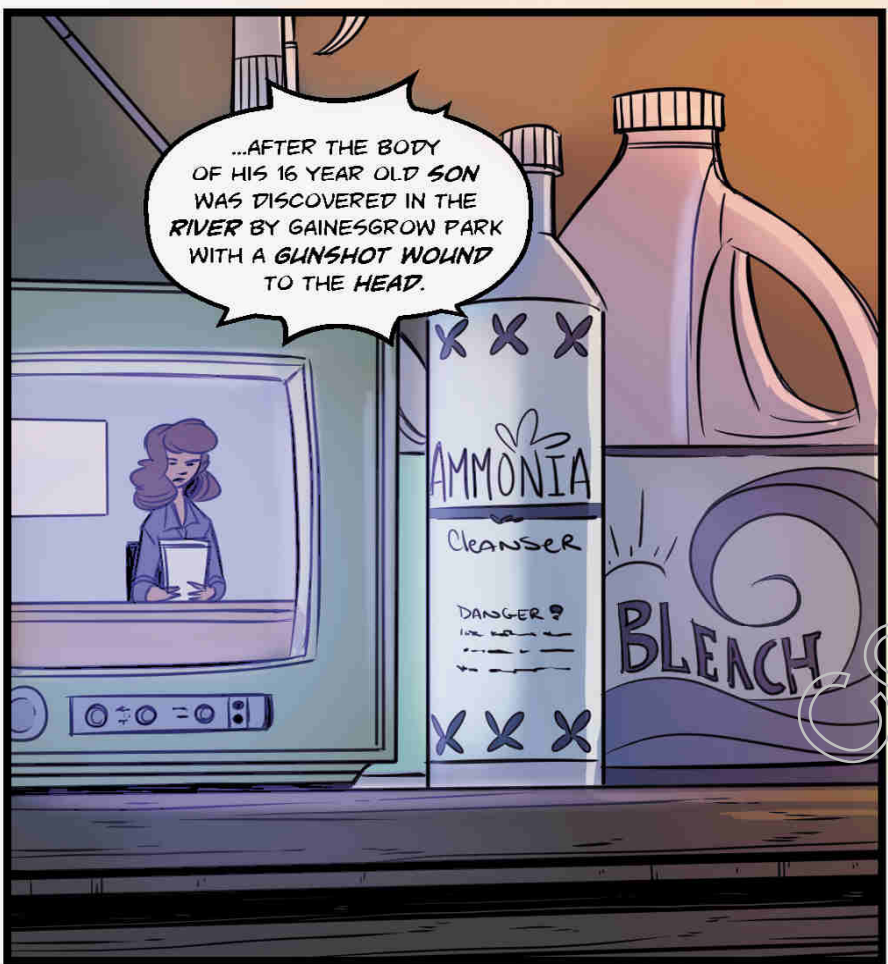




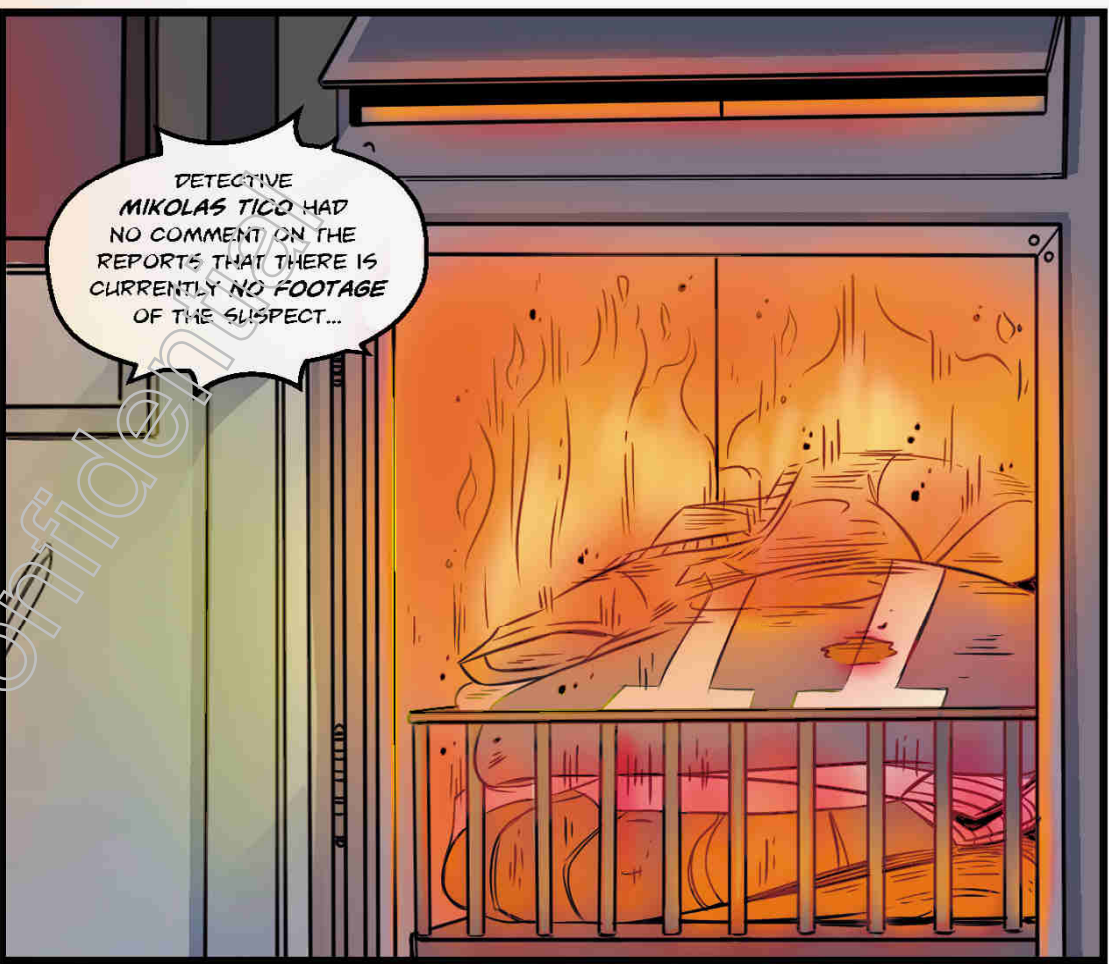
...POLICE SAY THERE IS CURRENTLY NO CONNECTION BETWEEN WHAT SOME ARE ALREADY CALLING THE TRICK OR TREAT MURDERS OF TWO POLICE OFFICERS TONIGHT ON THE NORTHRROW RAIL LINE...



AND THE MURDER OF RETIRED DETECTIVE, PAOLO VIVALDI, WHO WAS FOUND DEAD IN HIS HOME YESTERDAY AFTERNOON...



...AFTER THE BODY OF HIS 16 YEAR OLD SON WAS DISCOVERED IN THE RIVER BY GAINESGROW PARK WITH A GUNSHOT WOUND TO THE HEAD.



DETECTIVE MIKOLAS TICO HAD NO COMMENT ON THE REPORTS THAT THERE IS CURRENTLY NO FOOTAGE OF THE SUSPECT...



BUT MAINTENANCE RECORDS FROM THE STATION MANAGER CONFIRM THAT THE TRAIN CAMERAS WERE NON-OPERATIONAL AT THE TIME OF THE MURDERS.

THANK THE LORD FOR SMALL MIRACLES.



SORRY, WHAT?

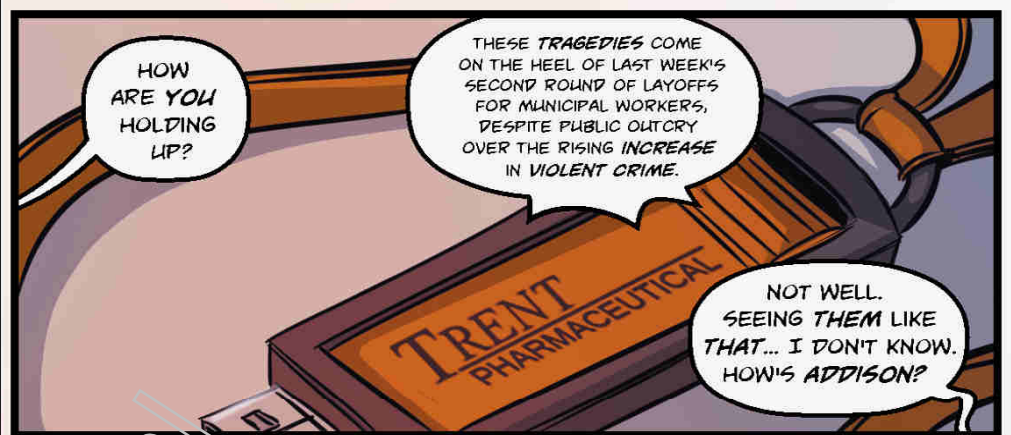
NOTHING... I'VE GOT THE NEWS ON, HERE.

DESPITE PLEAS EARLIER THIS MONTH FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, CITY OFFICIALS VOTED NOT TO REPLACE THE VANDALIZED CAMERAS UNTIL THE NEW YEAR, AS BUDGETARY CUTS HAVE ALREADY SPREAD FUNDS THIN.



HENRI JUST CALLED ME FROM THE TRAIN SCENE. SOUNDS LIKE IT WAS A MESS DOWN THERE.

I DON'T DOUBT IT.



HOW ARE YOU HOLDING UP?

THESE TRAGEDIES COME ON THE HEEL OF LAST WEEK'S SECOND ROUND OF LAYOFFS FOR MUNICIPAL WORKERS, DESPITE PUBLIC OUTCRY OVER THE RISING INCREASE IN VIOLENT CRIME.

NOT WELL. SEEING THEM LIKE THAT... I DON'T KNOW. HOW'S ADDISON?



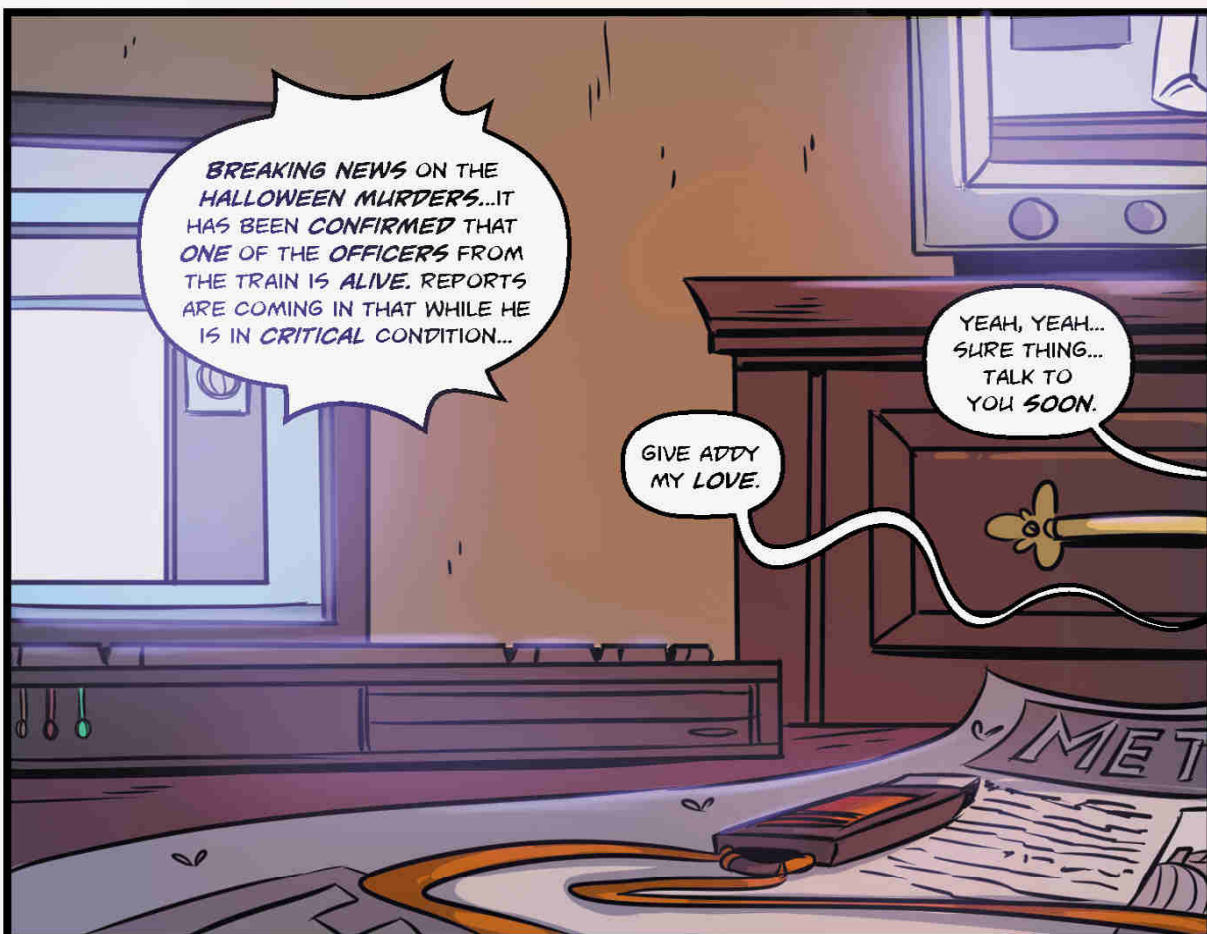
SHE...TOOK IT HARD.

NOTHING REALLY PREPARES YOU FOR THIS STUFF, BUT YOUR OLD DAD MIGHT KNOW A THING OR TWO ABOUT WHAT SHE'S GOING THROUGH RIGHT NOW.

YOU DON'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT HER.

I APPRECIATE IT, POP.

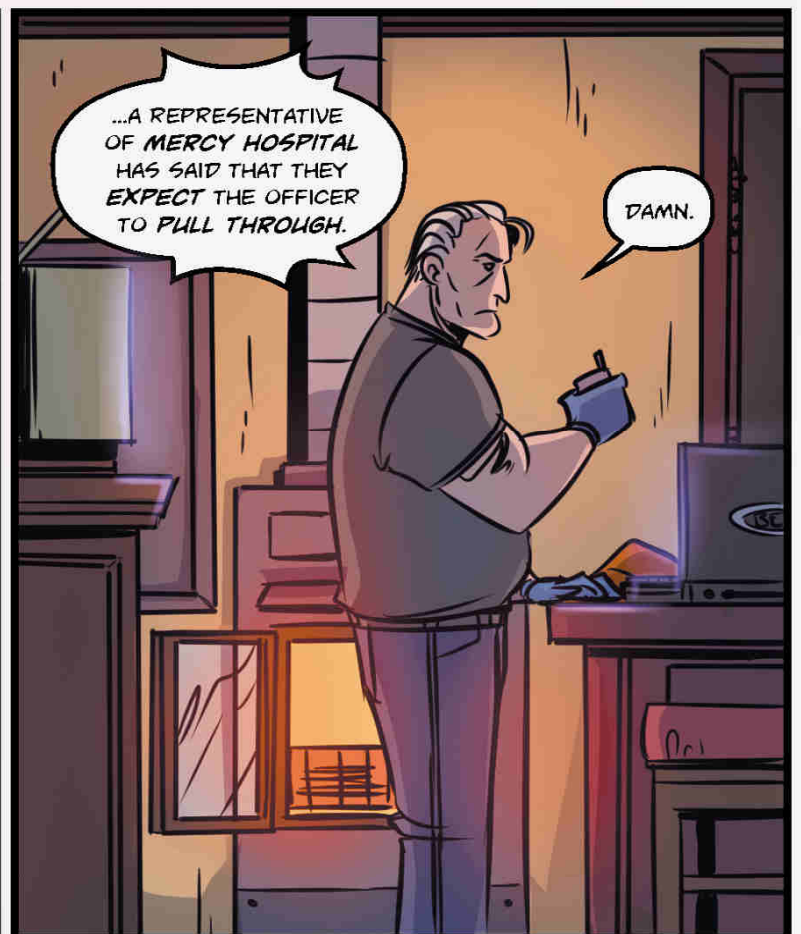
I'VE GOT THINGS HERE. YOU JUST DO WHAT YOU NEED TO DO AND GIVE US A CALL BEFORE YOU HEAD HOME.



BREAKING NEWS ON THE HALLOWEEN MURDERS...IT HAS BEEN CONFIRMED THAT ONE OF THE OFFICERS FROM THE TRAIN IS ALIVE. REPORTS ARE COMING IN THAT WHILE HE IS IN CRITICAL CONDITION...

YEAH, YEAH... SURE THING... TALK TO YOU SOON.

GIVE ADDY MY LOVE.



...A REPRESENTATIVE OF MERCY HOSPITAL HAS SAID THAT THEY EXPECT THE OFFICER TO PULL THROUGH.

DAMN.