



Chapter 595: "VOWS"

卷六十一 "ROMANCE DAWN JUMP COMICS for the new world."



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尾田栄一郎

EIICHIRO ODA

WHAT?!
WE'RE STILL
NOT HEADING
FOR THE NEW
WORLD?!!

GRAND LINE:
NEAR THE
SHABONDY
ARCHIPELAGO

ZZZ...

...IS GOING
ANYWHERE.

NO NEED TO
GET HASTY. IT'S
NOT AS THOUGH
ONE PIECE...

WE WAIT
FOR THE RIGHT
MOMENT...
THAT'S ALL I'M
SAYING.

EVEN SO, WITH
BLACKBEARD AND HIS
CREW STIRRING
THINGS UP.....

IF PIRATES ARE TAKING EACH
OTHER OUT, THEN SO MUCH THE
BETTER FOR US. NO NEED TO
GET INVOLVED IN THE SMALL
STUFF.

TRAFALGAR LAW

CAPTAIN!!!



WHERE THERE'S
A POSITION I
NEED...
I'LL TAKE IT!!!

NOW STOP
BLATHERING...

...AND JUST
DO AS I SAY.



...OF THE
YONKOU
KAIDOU-SAMA...

...AND I HAVE
BEEN GIVEN THE
TASK OF
GUARDING IT.

THIS ISLAND IS A
PARTICULAR
FAVOURITE...

NEW WORLD:
A CERTAIN
WINTER
ISLAND



THIS IS JUST A
WARNING. YOU
DON'T WANT TO
GET ON THE
WRONG SIDE OF
KAIDOU-SAMA,
ROOKIE.

OH, I'M NOT
TELLING YOU TO
DO ANYTHING IN
PARTICULAR.

WHAT ARE
YOU ASKING
ME TO DO...?

THAT'S THE
DEAL... IF YOU
UNDERSTAND,
THEN I
SUGGEST...

...IN OTHER
WORDS, IF I WERE
TO, SAY, TAKE YOU
OUT, THEN KAIDOU
WOULD NOT LET ME
GET AWAY WITH IT.



...AND?

X-DRAKE



!!!?

THAT MAKES
THINGS NICE
AND SIMPLE.

RUN!! WE DON'T
STAND A CHANCE
AGAINST SUCH A
HUGE, FIERCE HERD
OF WILD BOAR!!!

NEW WORLD:
A SPRING
ISLAND

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FINE, THEN!
JUST
JUMP!!!

WE'RE
COMING
UP TO A
CLIFF!!

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SCRATCHMEN APOO

HUH?!!

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WHAT THE
HECK IS UP
WITH THIS
ISLAND?!!!

I CAN SEE
THAT!!!

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...SEEM TO
BE RUNNING
ON THIN
AIR!!!

CAPTAIN
APOO...
BOTH US
AND THE
BOARS...



I'M JUST SAYING IT'S CARELESS. LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE YOU PEOPLE DO.

SHILIEW



YOU GET ATTACHED TO THESE THINGS, Y'KNOW?!

JESUS-BURGESS



NEW WORLD:
A CERTAIN
BURNING
ISLAND

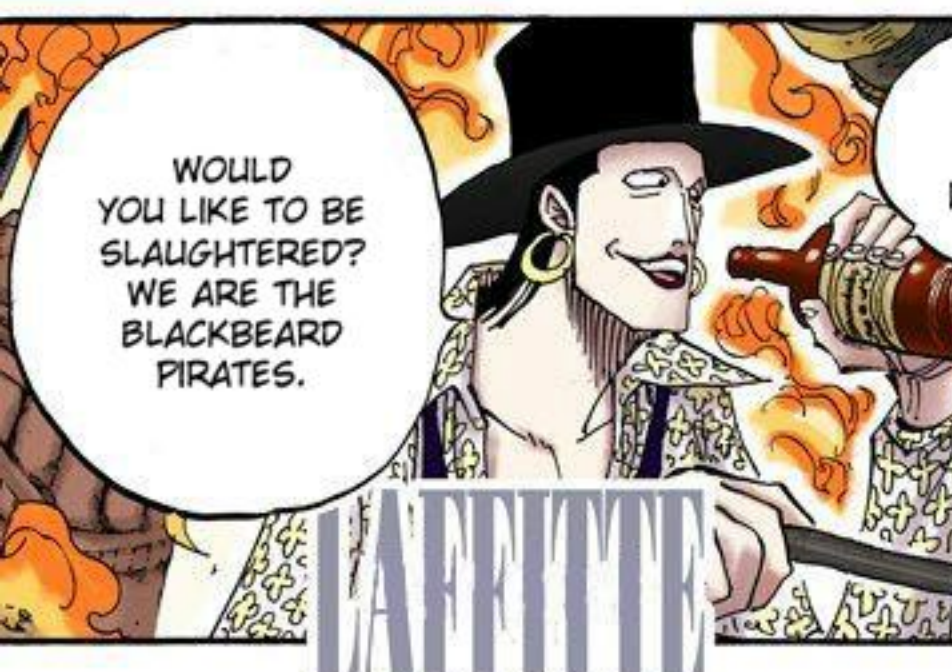
OW...
A FISH JUST
BIT ME...

MY WHOLE
BODY'S
WORN
OUT...

MY
LEGS'RE
AT DERE
LIMIT...

SO
HOT...

SANJUAN WOLF



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE SLAUGHTERED? WE ARE THE BLACKBEARD PIRATES.

LAFFITTE



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HO...

LET ME TAKE CHARGE OF THIS OUTFIT!! WHAT SAY YOU LET ME BE CAPTAIN, EH, TEACH?!!

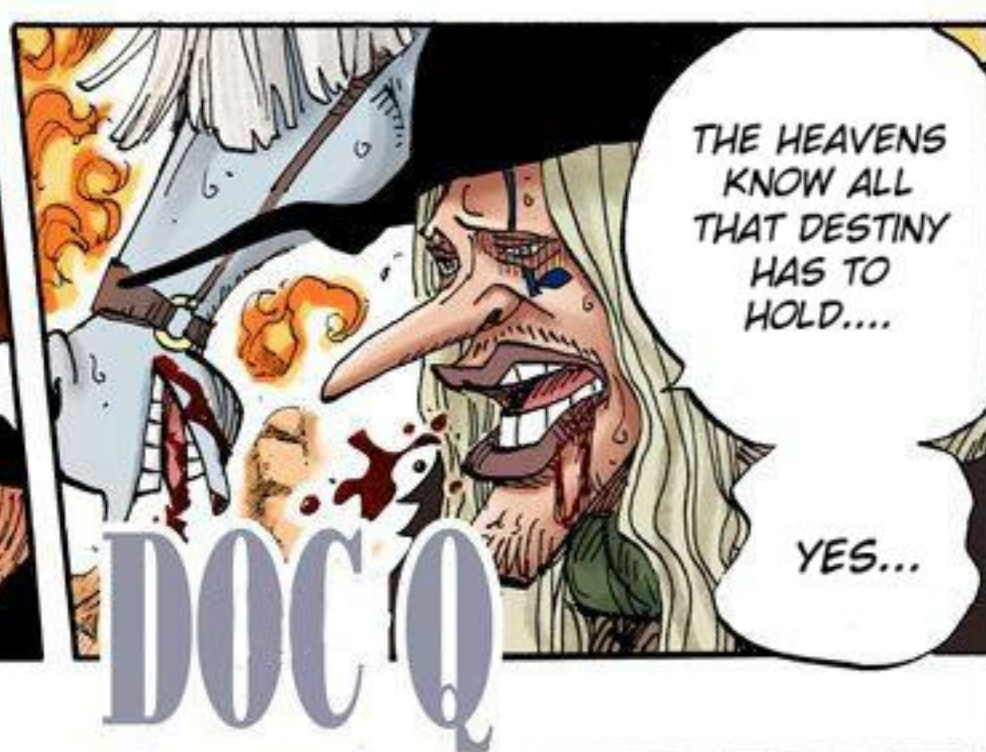
AVALO PIZARRO



WE'RE GONNA RUN OUT OF BOOZE! AREN'T WE GONNA HEAD FOR AN ISLAND...

...WITH A TOWN ANYTIME SOON?!

JASCO SHIT



THE HEAVENS KNOW ALL THAT DESTINY HAS TO HOLD....

YES...

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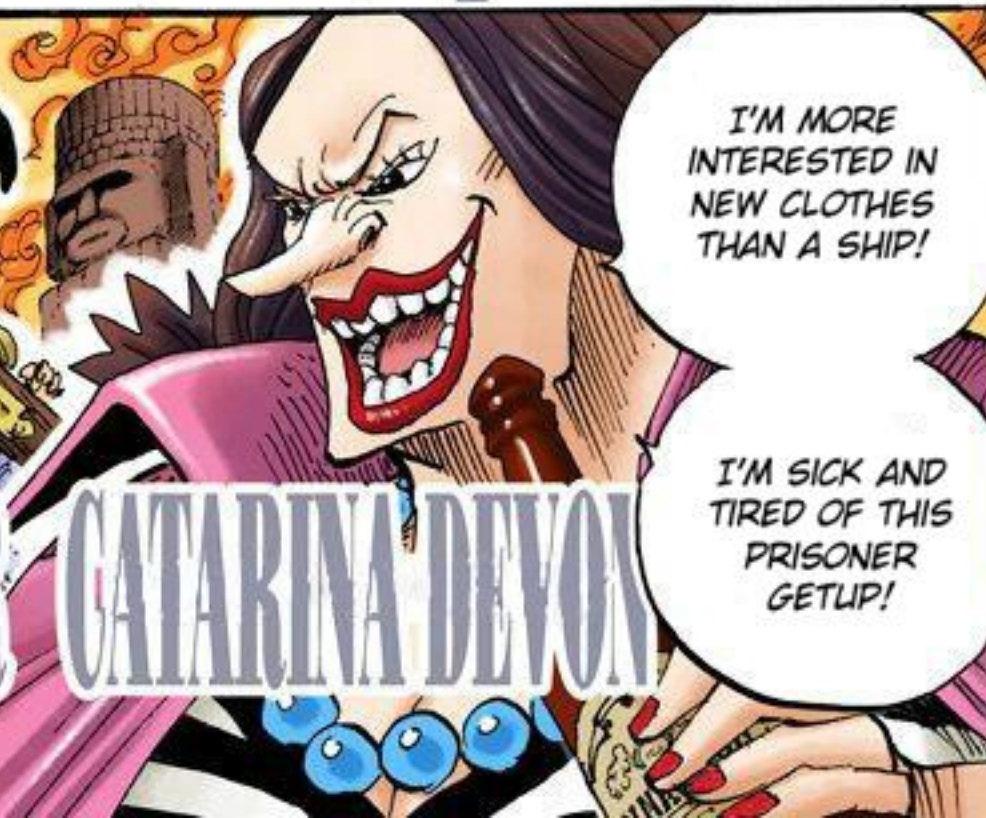


DAMN RIGHT THEY ARE!! I'M SURE OUR PALS HERE ARE GETTING SICK AND TIRED OF WAITING, EH?!!



I'LL GO AND TAKE A LOOK. THEY ARE AWFULLY LATE.

VAN-AUGUR CATARINA DEVON



I'M MORE INTERESTED IN NEW CLOTHES THAN A SHIP!

I'M SICK AND TIRED OF THIS PRISONER GETUP!

MARSHALL D. TEACH

IF I'D KNOWN THIS WAS GONNA HAPPEN, I OUGHT TO HAVE STOLEN US A BATTLESHIP BACK AT MARINEFORD!!

FRANKLY, IT IS OUTRAGEOUS THAT YOU SET SAIL INTO THE NEW WORLD ON A LOG RAFT IN THE FIRST PLACE.



OUR LOG RAFT IS ON THE VERGE OF BREAKING BECAUSE OF YOU!!! IT'S YOUR FAULT WE'RE DOING THIS DEAL!!!

AHH, QUIT YOUR COMPLAINING, WOLF!!!



...!!!
HAA...HAA...

AREN'T YA,
JEWELRY
BONNEY...?!!!

CAPTAIN
BONNEY...

I'M AMAZED A
LITTLE GIRLIE
LIKE YOU EVER
MANAGED TO
EARN HERSELF A
BOUNTY OVER A
HUNDRED
MILLION!

THE NEW WORLD
IS A PLACE FOR
ONLY THE
STRONGEST!!!

JEWELRY BONNEY



BUT HOW ABOUT
BECOMING MY
WOMAN? IF YOU DID
THAT, I WOULDN'T
MIND TAKING YOU
ALONG!

YOU'RE TOO
WEAK FOR ME
TO BOTHER
TAKING ON AS A
CREWMATE...

DON'T YOU
FEEL LIKE
SEEING WHAT
LIES UP
AHEAD...?!!
HMM??



BUT THIS IS
WHERE YOUR
JOURNEY
ENDS...
ZEHAHAHAH!!

IT MUST'VE BEEN A
LONG JOURNEY, ALL
THE WAY FROM
SOUTH BLUE...



**YOU
BEARDED
PIG!!!**

**...DON'T
SCREW
WITH ME!!!**

**GUA-
HHH!!!**



**AHAHAH
AHAH!!!**

**WHEW...
YEAH, YOU'RE
NO GOOD.
TOO VULGAR.**

**A GIRL'S GOTTA
HAVE CLASS, DON'T
YOU KNOW THAT?!
I'VE GOT ENOUGH
VULGAR LOUTS IN
MY CREW
ALREADY!!!**

**I'LL JUST
HAND YOU OVER
AS PLANNED IN
EXCHANGE FOR
A BATTLESHIP!!**



**GYAHAHAH
AHAHAH!!!**



**AKAINU
IS ON
BOARD!!!**

!!?

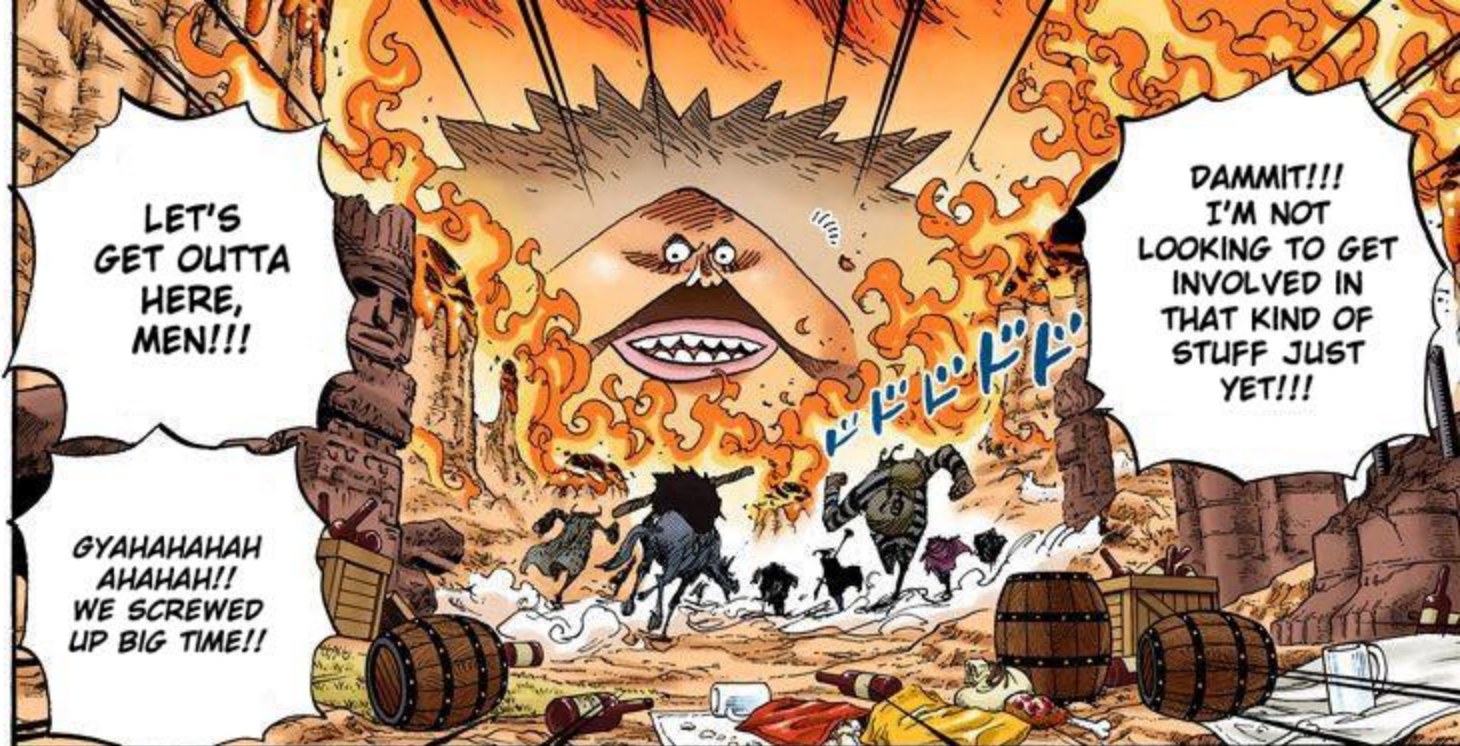


**THEY DO HAVE
A BATTLESHIP,
BUT I DOUBT
THEY INTEND
TO HAND IT
OVER!!!**

**HUH?!
HOW CAN
YOU TELL?!**

**CAPTAIN!!
THE MARINES
HAVE COME
INTO VIEW!!!**

**THEY'D BETTER
HAVE BROUGHT
THE BATTLESHIP
WE ASKED FOR!!**



LET'S
GET OUTTA
HERE,
MEN!!!

DAMMIT!!!
I'M NOT
LOOKING TO GET
INVOLVED IN
THAT KIND OF
STUFF JUST
YET!!!

GYAHAAAAH
AAAAH!!
WE SCREWED
UP BIG TIME!!

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NO SIGN
OF HIM
.....!!

AND
BLACKBEARD
...?

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...!! YOU
PEOPLE....!!

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I'LL NEVER
FORGIVE
YOU!!
NEVER!!!



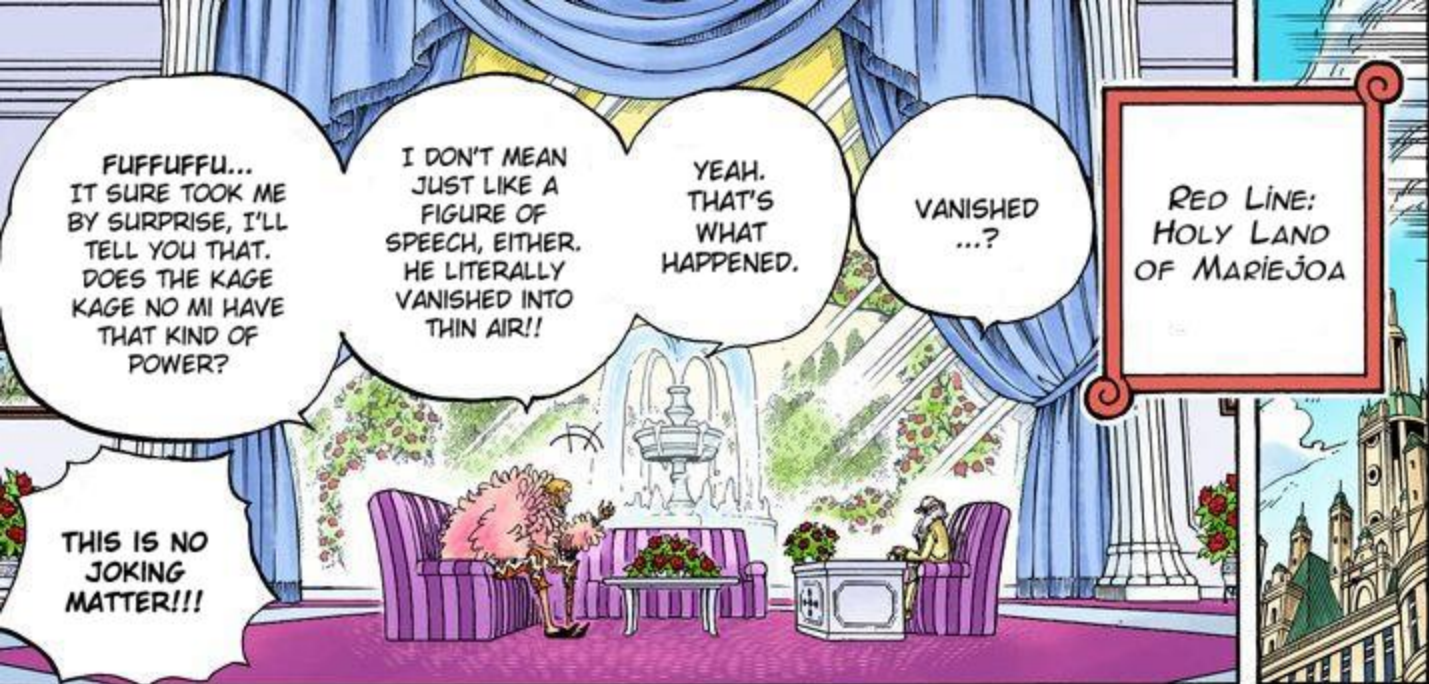
...BUT THAT IS
ALL OVER
NOW...

WHEN I HEARD THAT
YOU HAD FLED THE
GOVERNMENT, A
CHILL WENT DOWN
MY SPINE.

.....

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FUFFUFFU...
IT SURE TOOK ME
BY SURPRISE, I'LL
TELL YOU THAT.
DOES THE KAGE
KAGE NO MI HAVE
THAT KIND OF
POWER?

I DON'T MEAN
JUST LIKE A
FIGURE OF
SPEECH, EITHER.
HE LITERALLY
VANISHED INTO
THIN AIR!!

YEAH.
THAT'S
WHAT
HAPPENED.

VANISHED
...?

RED LINE:
HOLY LAND
OF MARIEJOA

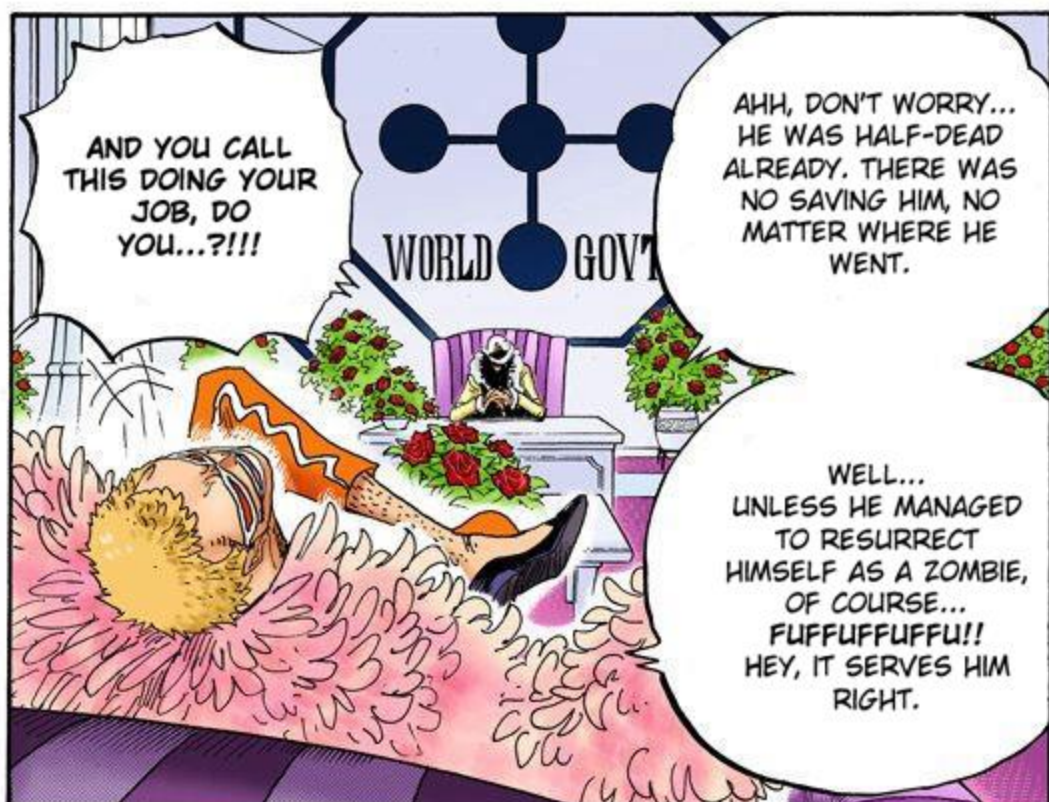
THIS IS NO
JOKING
MATTER!!!



HMMM?!

!!?

DON'T YOU
START GETTING
ALL COCKY,
NOW...



AND YOU CALL
THIS DOING YOUR
JOB, DO
YOU...?!!!

AHH, DON'T WORRY...
HE WAS HALF-DEAD
ALREADY. THERE WAS
NO SAVING HIM, NO
MATTER WHERE HE
WENT.

WELL...
UNLESS HE MANAGED
TO RESURRECT
HIMSELF AS A ZOMBIE,
OF COURSE...
FUFFUFFUFFU!!
HEY, IT SERVES HIM
RIGHT.

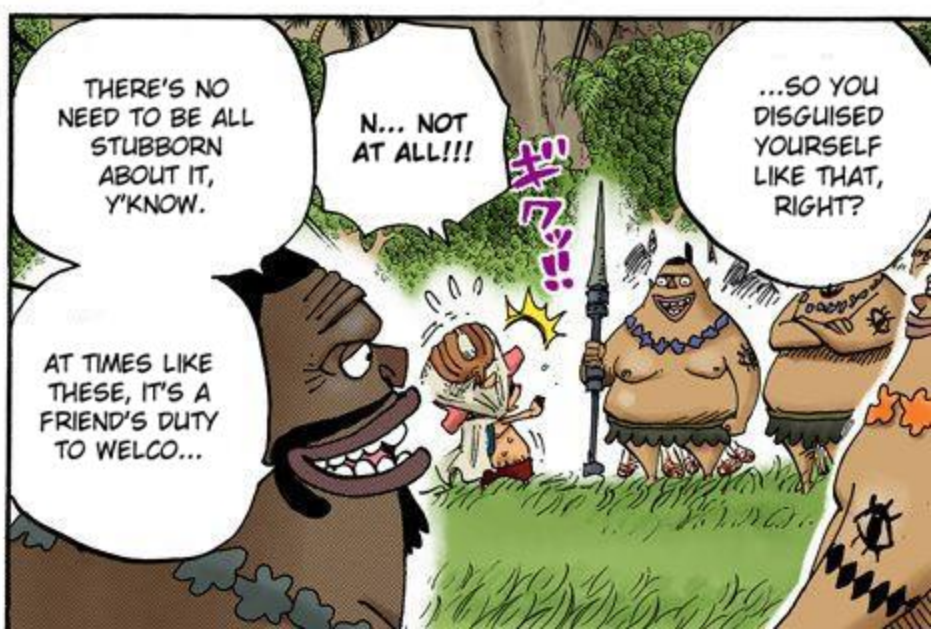
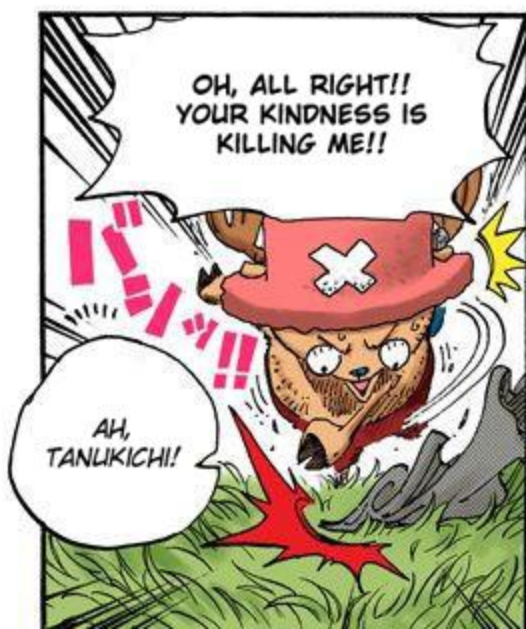


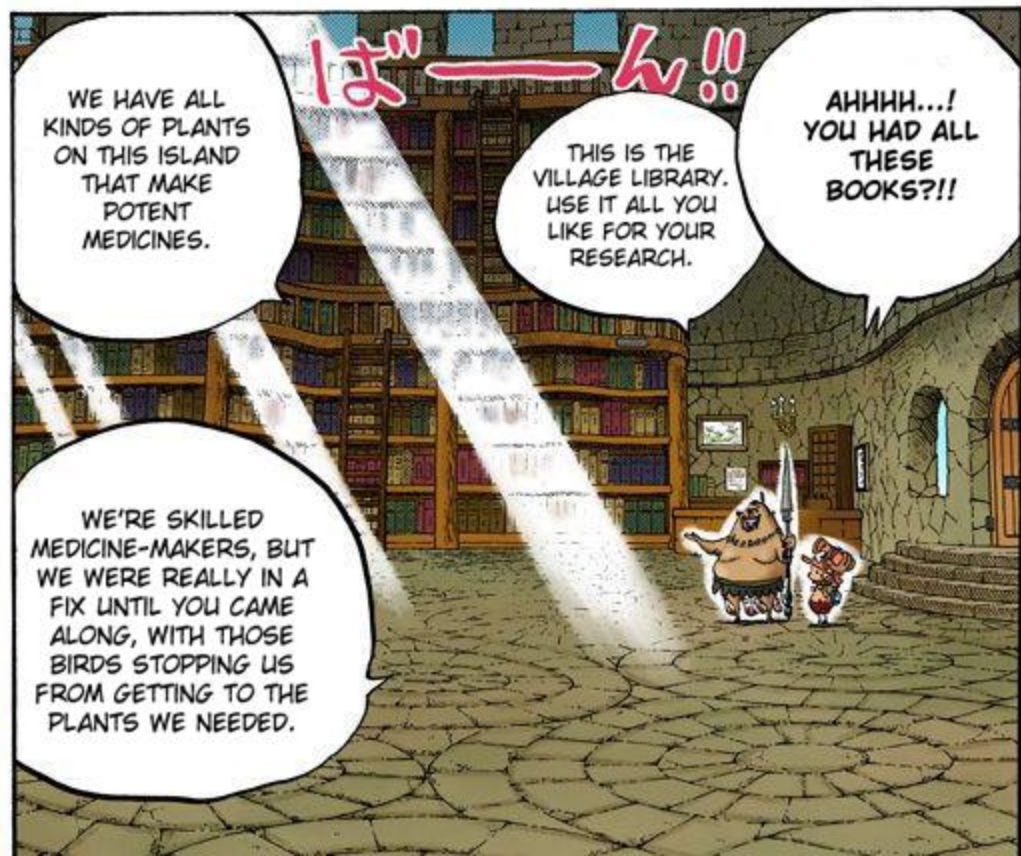
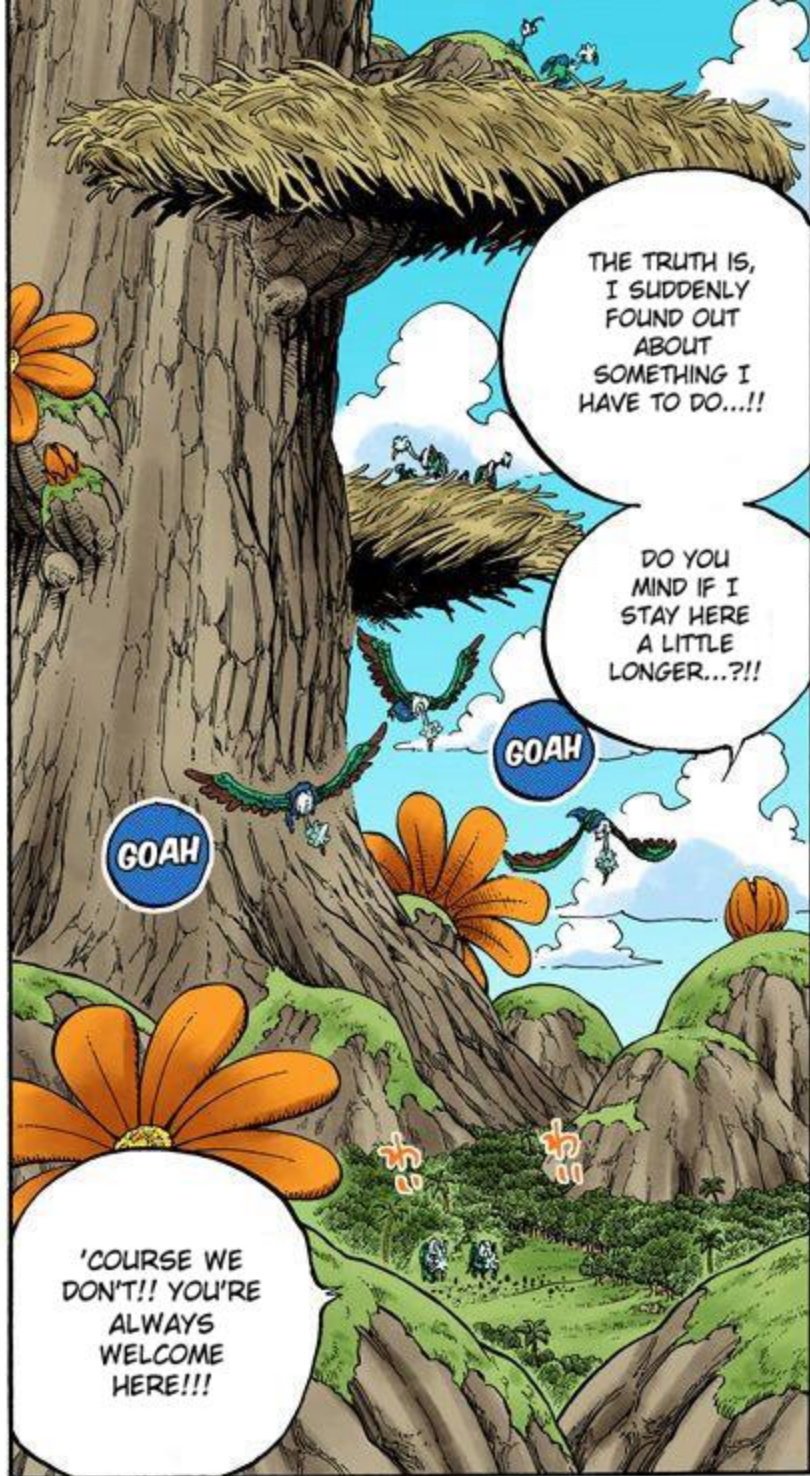
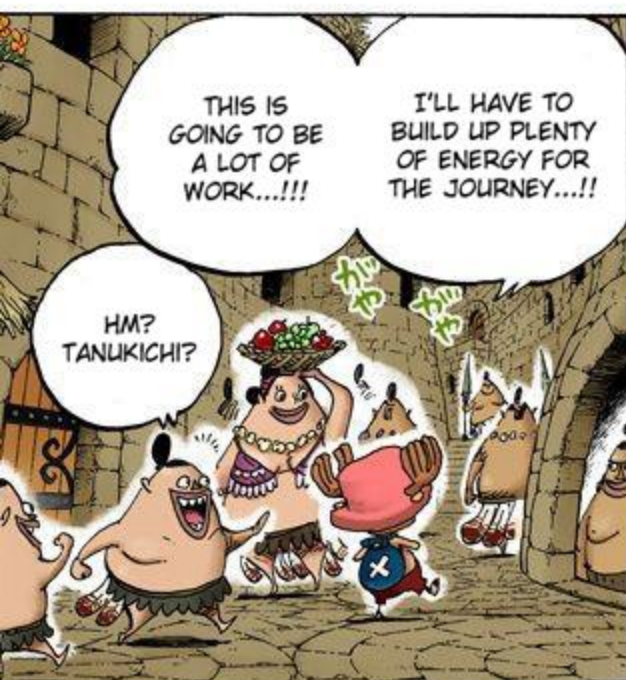
IF I GET BORED
WITH OUR LITTLE
ARRANGEMENT WITH
YOU GUYS, I'M
ALWAYS READY...

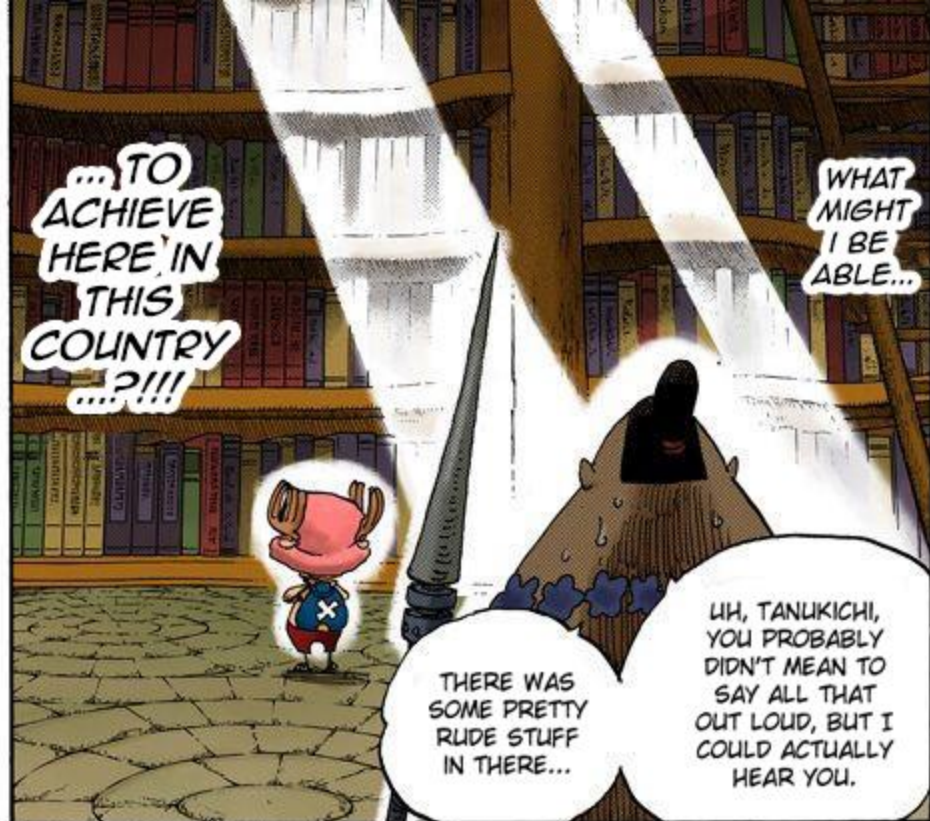
...TO QUIT THE
SHICHIBUKAI FOR
GOOD. AND DON'T
YOU FORGET IT!!

SINCE WHEN
ARE YOU MY
SUPERIOR, EH?

I DON'T CARE HOW MUCH
OF A BIG SHOT YOU ARE
IN THE GOVERNMENT -
I'M A PIRATE, AND WE
DON'T GIVE A CRAP
ABOUT THAT SHIT...!!







...TO
ACHIEVE
HERE IN
THIS
COUNTRY
...?!!!

WHAT
MIGHT
I BE
ABLE...

THERE WAS
SOME PRETTY
RUDE STUFF
IN THERE...

UH, TANUKICHI,
YOU PROBABLY
DIDN'T MEAN TO
SAY ALL THAT
OUT LOUD, BUT I
COULD ACTUALLY
HEAR YOU.



THEY MAY LOOK LIKE
A TRIBE OF IGNORANT
BARBARIANS, BUT IT LOOKS
LIKE THEY ACTUALLY HAVE A
SERIOUSLY ADVANCED
CULTURE! I COULD BE ABLE TO
LEARN A LOT HERE....!!!



AAAGHHH!!!
HELP
MEEEEE!!!

STOP,
MEAT!!!



PIRATES...?!

OH, THERE ARE
HUNDREDS OF
THEM OUT AT
SEA!



A
MONSTER
!!

IT'S A
YETI!!



LET'S GO!!!

SHUT UP!!!





I DON'T EVER WANT...

...TO GO THROUGH THAT AGAIN...!!



EVERYONE!!!
GETTING OUT OF
HERE IS ALL THAT
MATTERS RIGHT
NOW!!!



ALL I COULD
THINK ABOUT,
WAS KEEPING
UP... DID I
EVER REALLY
MANAGE TO
DO ANYTHING
FOR HIM...?

GOAH

HEY, COULD
YOU GET SOME
PLANTS FOR
ME?!!

IT WAS
LUFFY
WHO
FINALLY
TOOK ME
OUT TO
SEA...



...EVEN IF IT
MEANT BECOMING
A REAL
MONSTER...!!!

I'D DO
ANYTHING
TO HELP
YOU...



THANKS TO YOU
TAKING ME ON AS
A CREWMATE, I
DON'T CARE WHAT
ANYBODY ELSE
THINKS OF ME ANY
MORE...

IT MUST
HAVE
BEEN
EVEN
HARDER
FOR
YOU,
LUFFY...



I'M GOING
TO GET
STRONGER!!!

...LUFFY
YYYY!!!

I
PROMISE
YOU!!!

IF YOU DON'T BELIEVE I'M ONE OF HIS CREW, THEN I'M NOT TELLING YOU!

THERE WAS A MESSAGE FOR ME IN THAT ARTICLE.

YOU SUDDENLY SAID "I SEE", AND VENT ALL CALM...

SO WHAT WAS THAT NEWSPAPER ARTICLE, IN THE END?

GRAND LINE:
KAMABAKKA KINGDOM

ONE THAT I COULD UNDERSTAND BECAUSE I'M A MEMBER OF LUFFY'S CREW!

SUCH AN IRRITATING LITTLE MAN.

...THE TASTE IS GOOD, YEAH, BUT THERE'S MORE... IT'S LIKE I'M BEING FILLED WITH ENERGY...!!!

...MY, MY... YOU CERTAINLY DO HAVE A GOOD TONGUE.

...HM? HEY... COULD YOU TELL ME WHO MADE THIS MEAL?

OBSERVE THE BLESSINGS IN WHICH ALL THE CANDIES OF THIS ISLAND SHARE! GLORIOUS PHYSICAL BEAUTY!!! TENDER, LOVING HEARTS!!!

ONE'S DIET IS ONE'S PERSONAL "ENVIRONMENT"!! IT BUILDS BOTH BODY AND CHARACTER - EVERYTHING THAT MAKES UP A HUMAN BEING!! DOMINANCE IS KEY!!!

THIS IS THE "CUISINE OF DOMINANCE", AND THERE ARE MANY CHEFS ON HIS ISLAND CAPABLE OF PREPARING IT!!

THEY SAY THAT IF EVERY PERSON ON THE PLANET DRANK A GLASS OF MILK EVERY DAY, ALL CRIME WOULD VANISH FROM THE WORLD! CAN YOU BELIEVE IT?!

I - IF I COULD
MAKE NAMI-SAN AND
ROBIN-CHAN'S BODIES
EVEN MORE SEXUAL
THAN THEY ALREADY
ARE...!

AND
...

SO I COULD
ACTUALLY HELP TO
IMPROVE THEIR
BODIES THROUGH
THE FOOD THAT I
MAKE FOR THEM
EVERY DAY...?

I'D NEVER
THOUGHT OF IT
IN THAT WAY...

...THE
FOOD YOU
EAT DEFINES
WHO YOU
BECOME...?!

I - I DON'T
KNOW WHAT
I'D DO...!!!

I... I... I
JUST...!!!

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WHAT AM
I GOING TO DO
WITH THIS BOY...?



MY ANSWER IS
"NO"!!!

GUEH
HHHH!!!

I HAVE DECIDED!!
YOU MUST TEACH ME THE
WAYS OF THIS "CUISINE OF
DOMINANCE"!!!

HOW COULD I
POSSIBLY TEACH IT
TO A MAN SUCH AS
YOURSELF, OF WHOM I
KNOW NOTHING?!

IT IS IMPOSSIBLE!!!
IF YOU WISH TO LEARN,
YOU MUST BECOME A
MAIDEN!! YOU MUST
STUDY THE VAYS OF
NEWKAMA KENPO!!!

THE
NINETY-NINE
VITAL RECIPES
ARE A
FUNDAMENTAL
PART OF THE
SECRET...

...NEWKAMA
KENPO ART
OF BRIDAL
DISCIPLINE HANDED
DOWN IN
KAMABAKKA
KINGDOM!!



YOU STAND FIRM TO
YOUR PRINCIPLES... I
LIKE THAT!! VERY
VELL... I VILL GRANT
YOU A CHANCE!!!

HEE-
HAH
!!!!

MMM
MMM
FUFU
FUFU
FU!!!



I WAS NOT BORN
INTO THIS WORLD TO
BECOME FRIENDS WITH
THE LADIES!!! I WAS
BORN INTO THIS WORLD
TO LOVE THEM!!!

NEVER
!!!

I AM A
MAN!!!

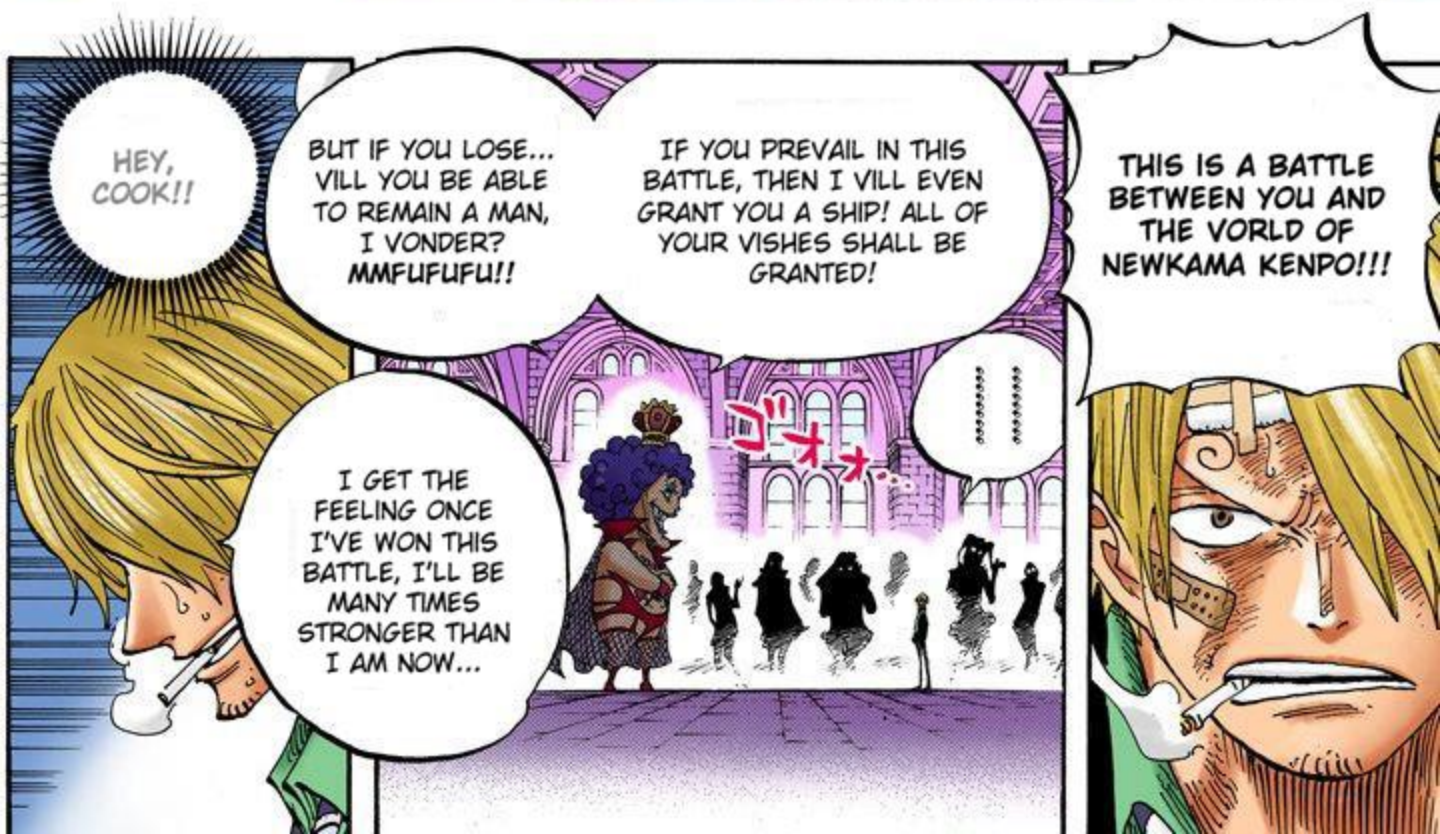


HOWEVER!
THE ENTIRE NEWKAMA
POPULATION OF THIS
COUNTRY VILL SPEND
DAY AND NIGHT...

I VILL LEAVE ONE OF THE
RECIPES IN THE HANDS OF
EACH OF THE NINETY-NINE
INSTRUCTORS OF NEWKAMA
KENPO WHO LIVE AROUND
THIS ISLAND.

...ATTEMPTING TO
DRESS YOU IN A SWEET
DRESS!! VILL YOU STILL
BE ABLE TO CALL
YOURSELF A MAN IF
THEY SUCCEED?!

IF YOU CALL
YOURSELF A PIRATE,
THEN PROVE IT BY
STEALING ALL
NINETY-NINE OF
THOSE RECIPES
...!!!



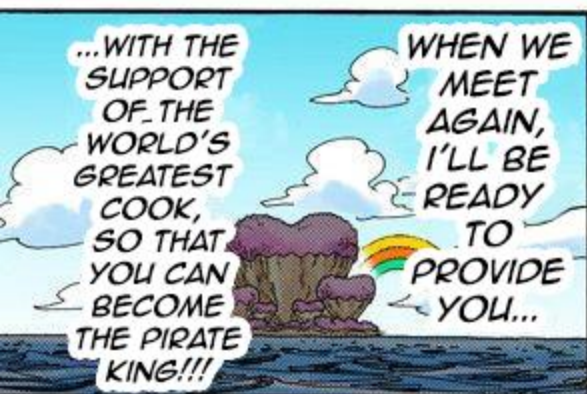
HEY,
COOK!!

BUT IF YOU LOSE...
VILL YOU BE ABLE
TO REMAIN A MAN,
I VONDER?
MMFUFUFU!!

IF YOU PREVAIL IN THIS
BATTLE, THEN I VILL EVEN
GRANT YOU A SHIP! ALL OF
YOUR VISHES SHALL BE
GRANTED!

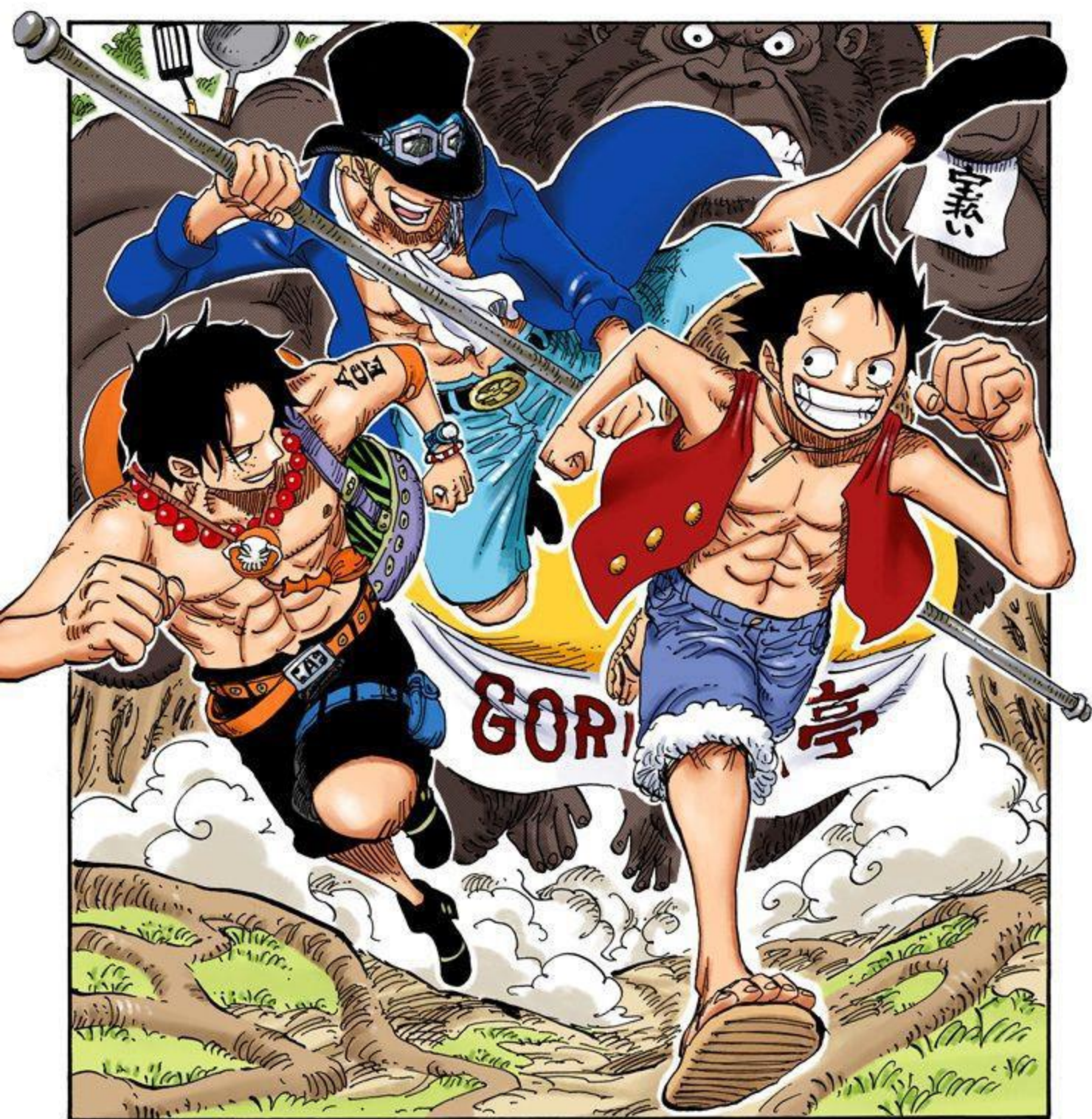
THIS IS A BATTLE
BETWEEN YOU AND
THE WORLD OF
NEWKAMA KENPO!!!

I GET THE
FEELING ONCE
I'VE WON THIS
BATTLE, I'LL BE
MANY TIMES
STRONGER THAN
I AM NOW...



Chapter 596:

"SPECTRUM"



WE SHOULD TAKE EVERYTHING SHE HAS AND EVICT HER FROM THE ISLAND AT ONCE!!

THIS SNEAKY LITTLE CAT-BURGLAR... WE CANNOT FORGIVE HER!!

THE SMALL SKY ISLAND OF WEATHERIA

I'M VERY SORRY FOR WHAT I DID...

AS THOUGH WE CAN TRUST THAT!!

AAHHHHHH!! WE MADE HER CRY!!! WE SHOULDN'T BE SO HASTY... NOW, NOW, GIRLIE, WE DON'T MEAN TO BE THAT HARD ON YOU!!

YOU MUST NOT THROW YOUR LIFE AWAY AT SUCH A YOUNG AGE!! WE WENT TOO FAR!! WE'RE SORRY!!

!?

AS A SIGN OF MY REPENTANCE, I WILL THROW MYSELF FROM THIS ISLAND INTO THE SEA BELOW...!!

I HOPE THAT YOU CAN FIND IT IN YOUR HEARTS TO FORGIVE ME IN MY NEXT LIFE... FAREWELL...

EHHHH?! HOW WERE WE THE ONES WHO ENDED UP BEING FORGIVEN?! THIS DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE!!!

NOW, OFF TO WORK!!

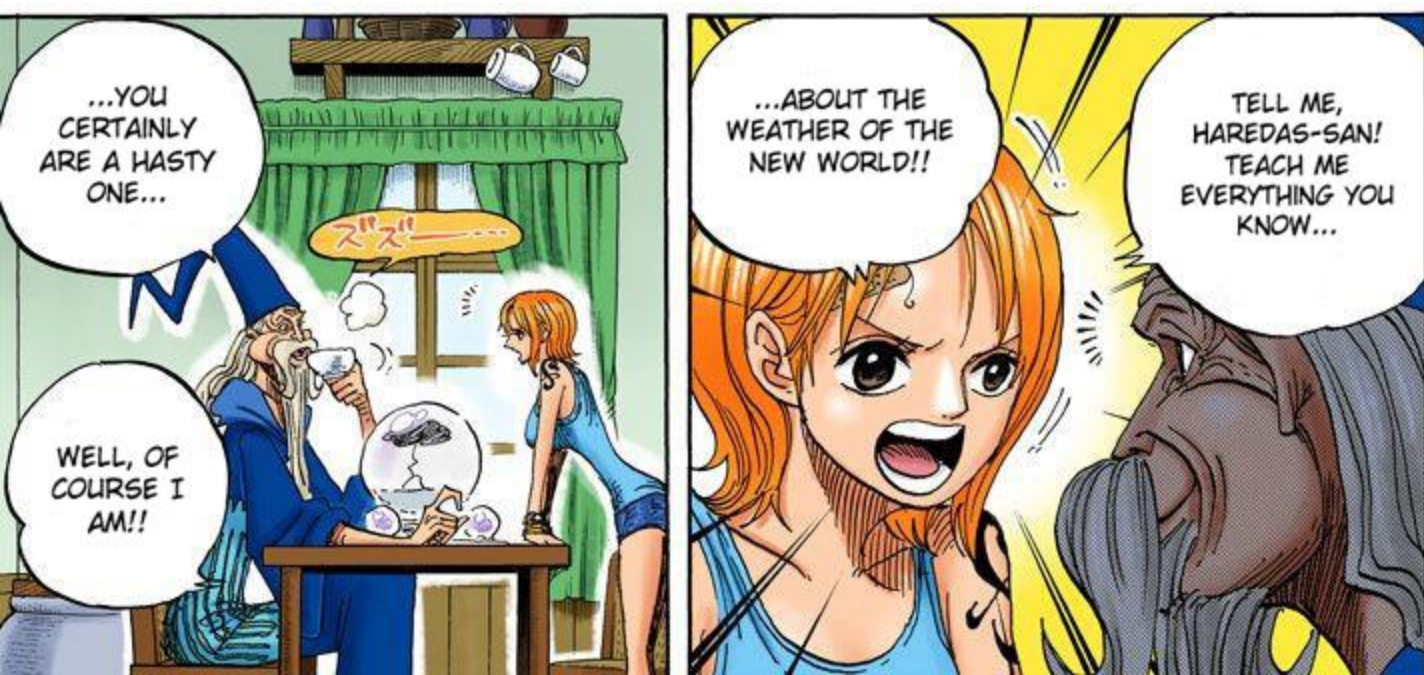
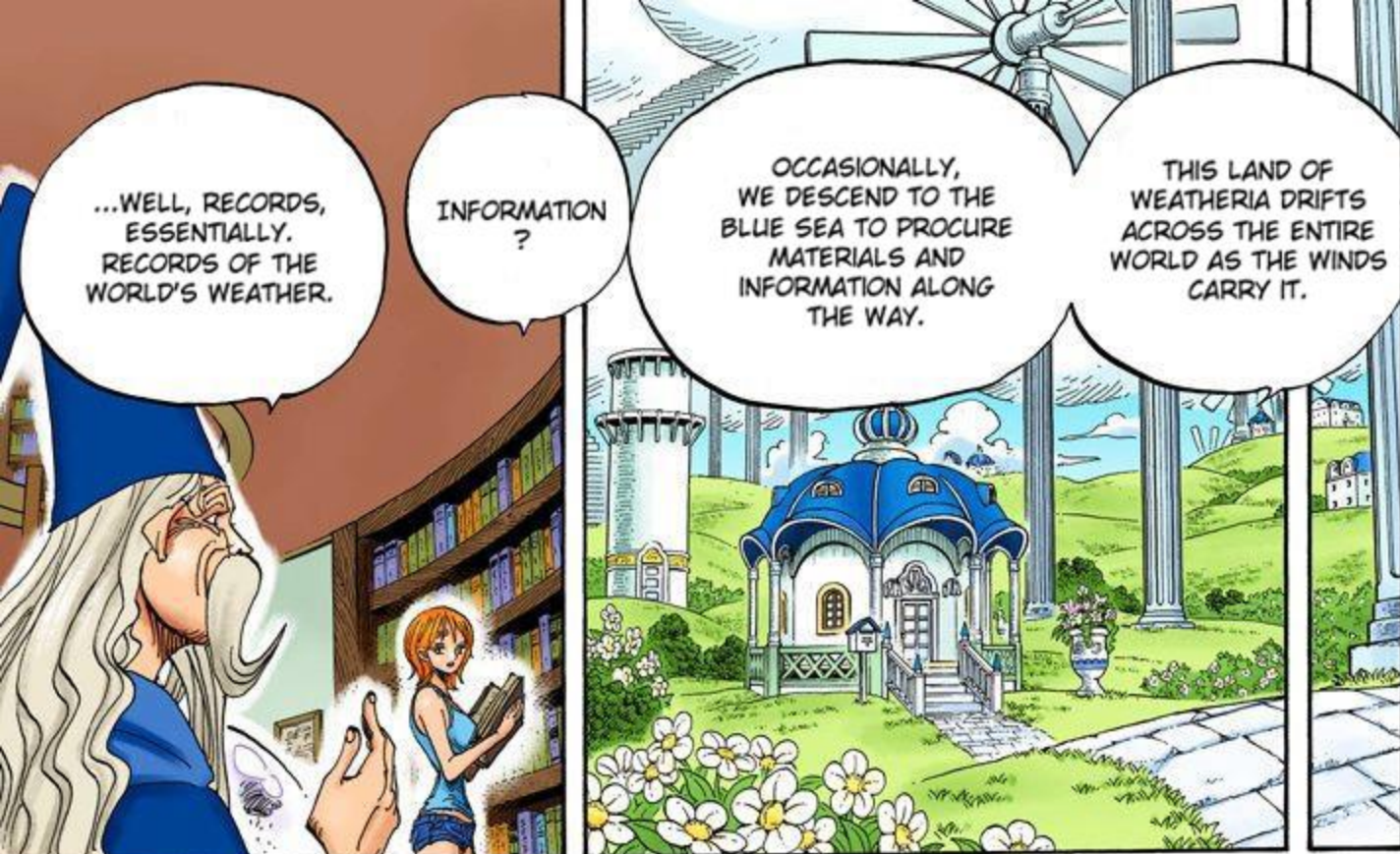
I DON'T BELIEVE IT...!! WHAT ON EARTH JUST HAPPENED?!!

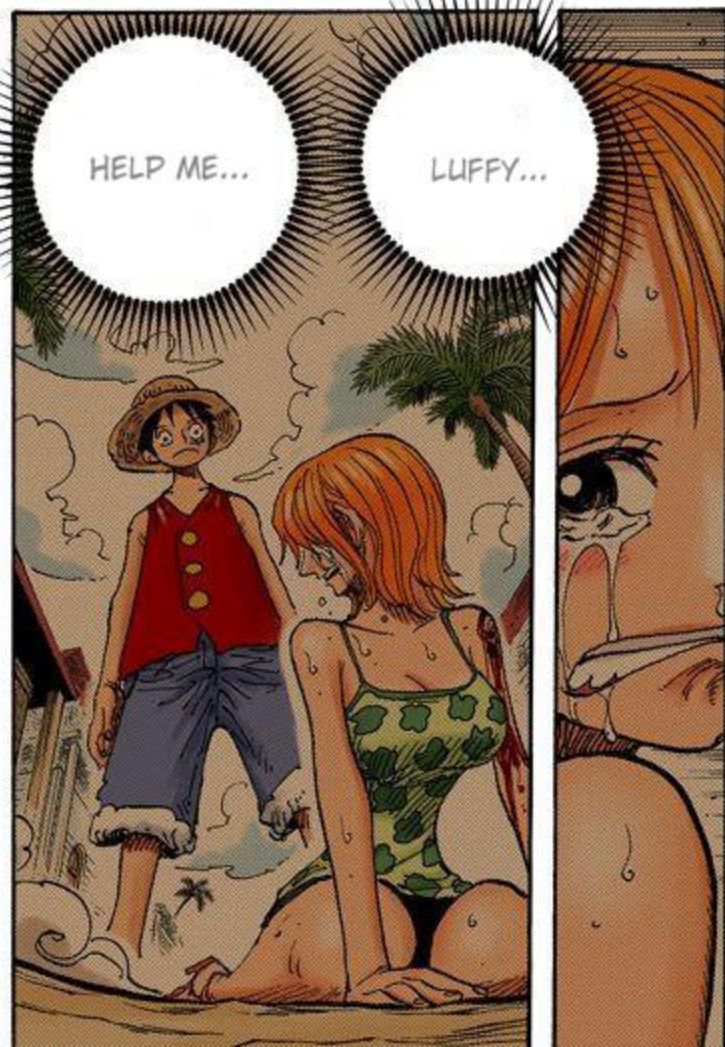
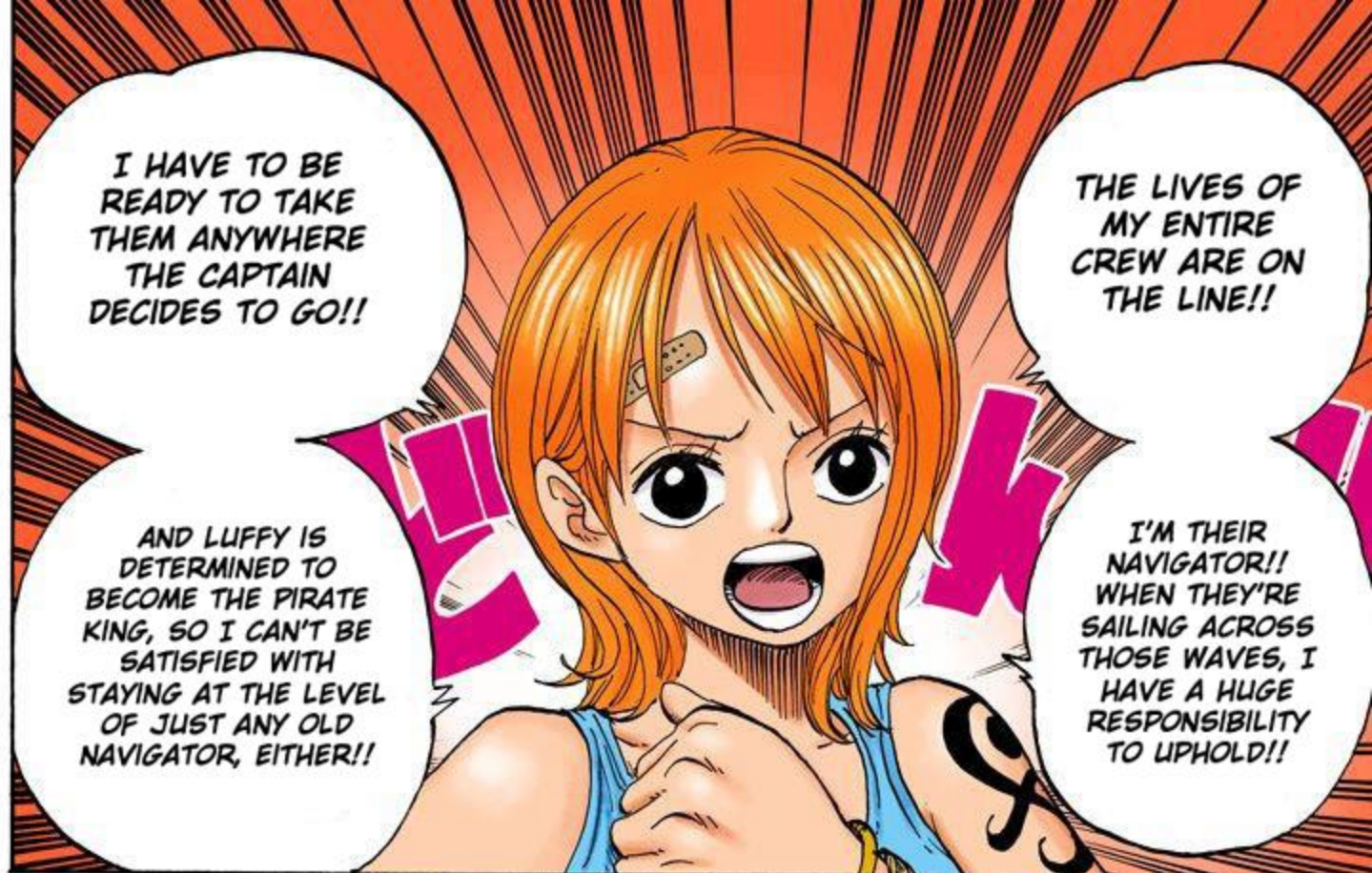
OH! MY NAME'S NAMI! FEEL FREE TO JUST CALL ME NAMI-SAN! OH, AND I'D LIKE A PLACE TO STAY, IF YOU DON'T MIND!

EH?!

OH, ALL RIGHT!! I FORGIVE YOU!! WELL, THEN, I'D LIKE TO STAY HERE FOR A BIT AND LEARN MORE ABOUT THE WEATHER!!

IT'LL BE A PLEASURE WORKING WITH YOU ALL!!







OF
COURSE
I WILL
!!!

HE ALWAYS
DOES THE
CRAZIEST
THINGS...



THAT'S WHY I
HAVE TO BE
ABLE TO HELP
HIM!

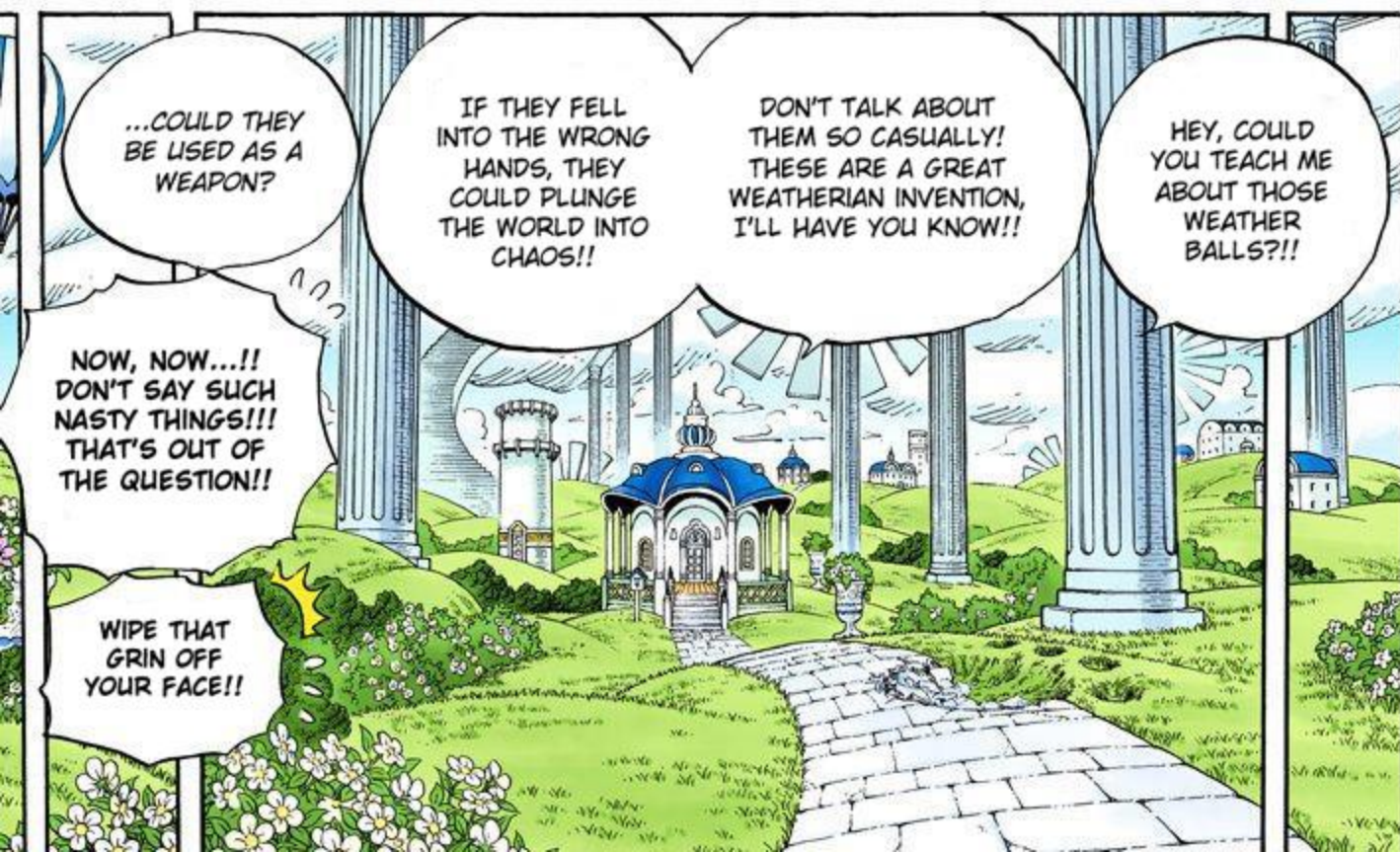
THIS
TIME, I
WILL!!



HOHOHO...
WELL, THAT
MUST BE QUITE
THE ORDEAL!

HE'D DIE
IF I WASN'T
THERE TO KEEP
AN EYE ON
HIM...

HE'S NOT
EXACTLY
BRIGHT... HE
CAN BE SUCH A
HANDFUL...



...COULD THEY
BE USED AS A
WEAPON?

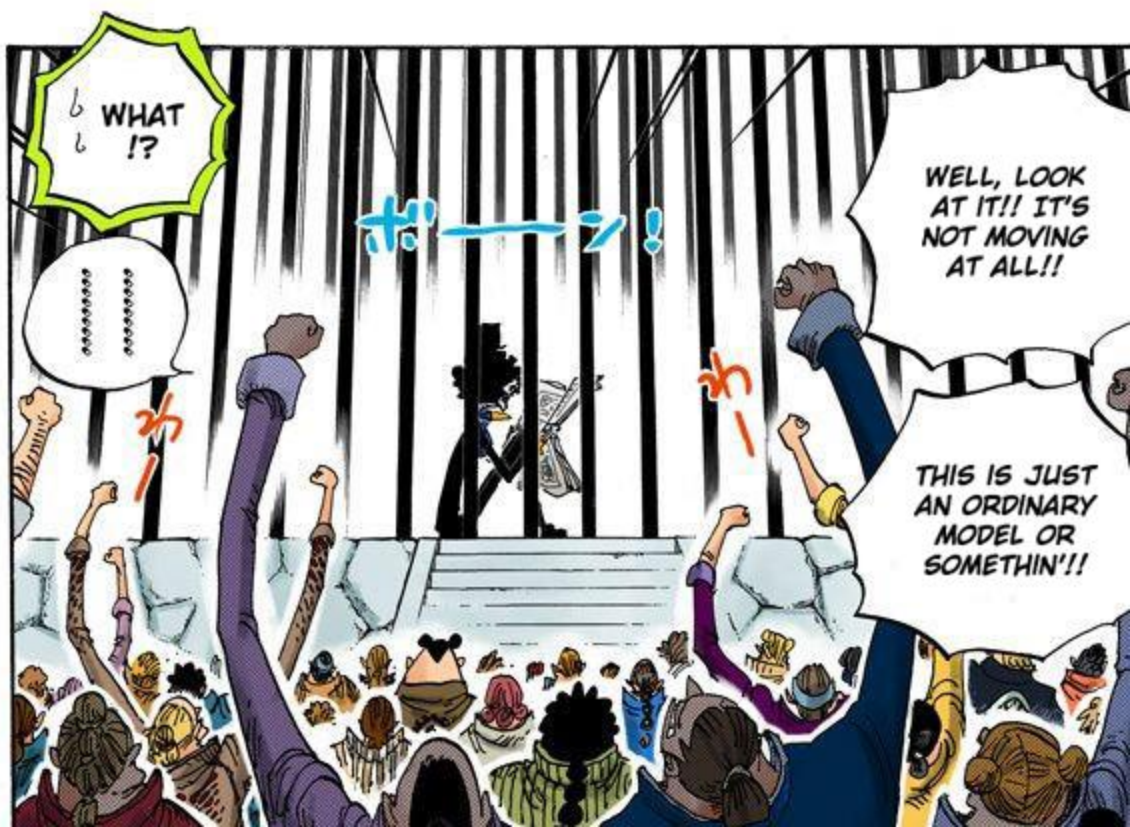
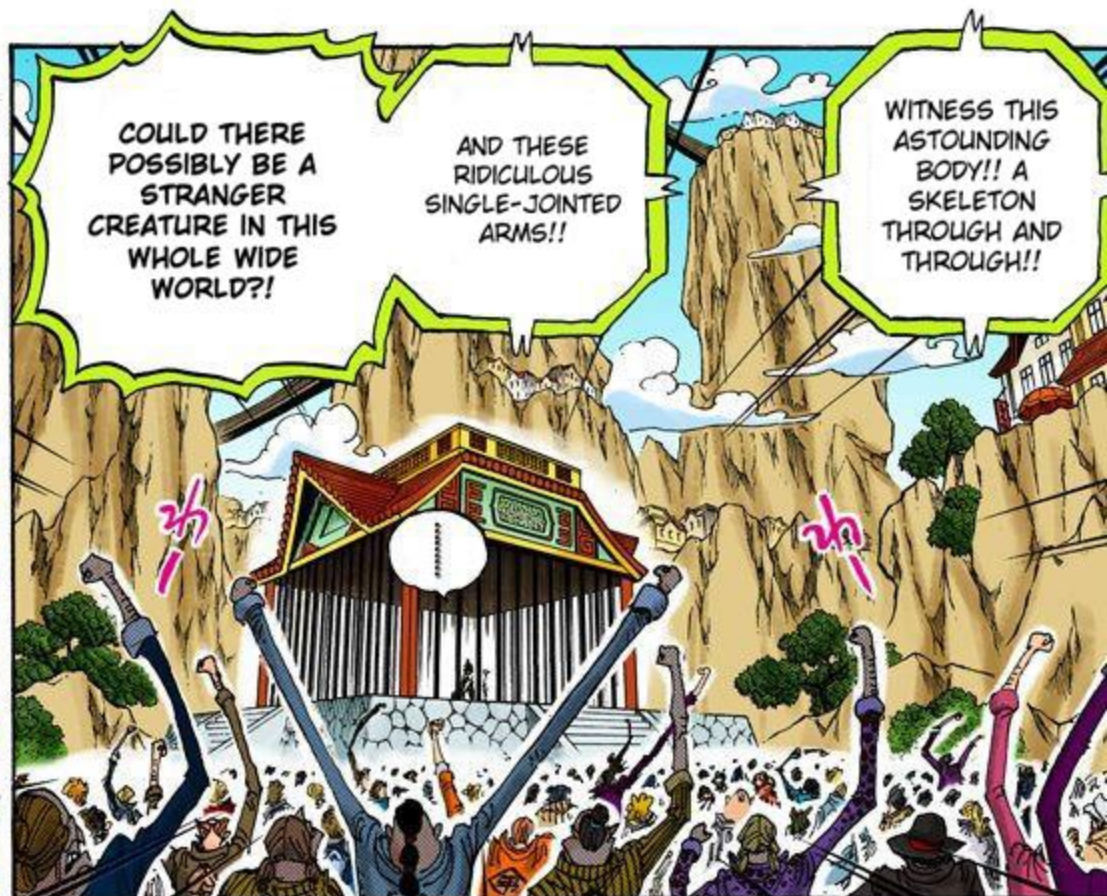
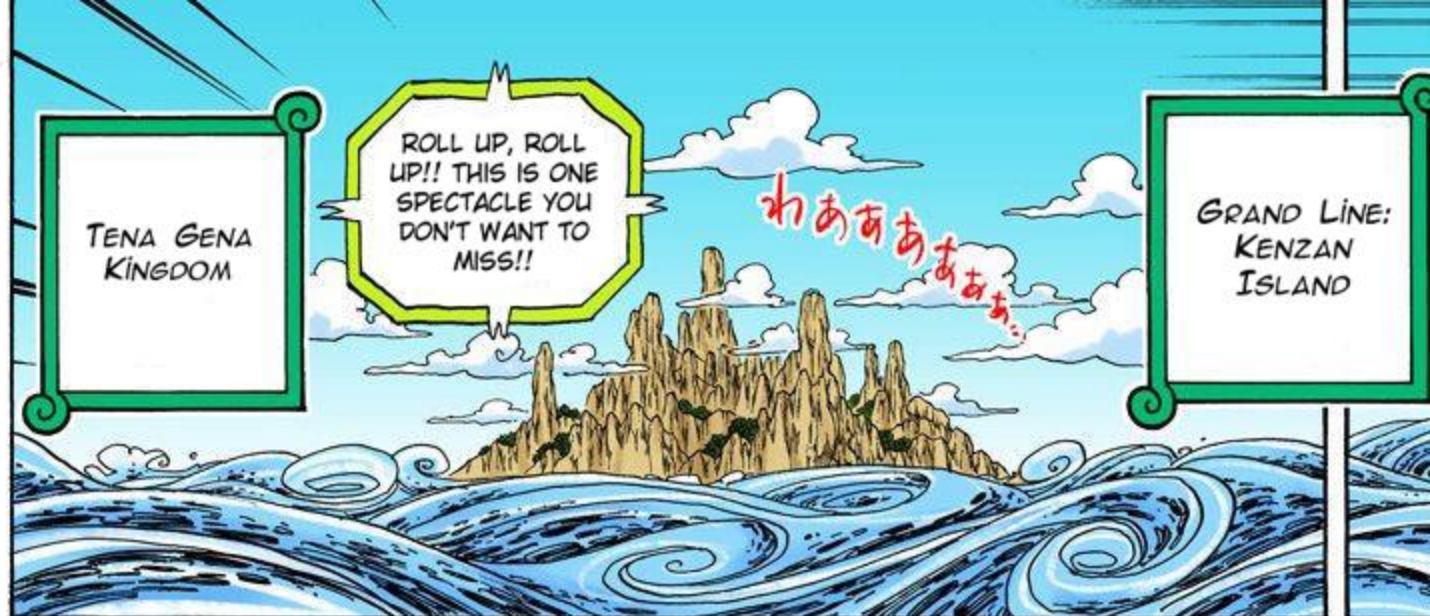
IF THEY FELL
INTO THE WRONG
HANDS, THEY
COULD PLUNGE
THE WORLD INTO
CHAOS!!

DON'T TALK ABOUT
THEM SO CASUALLY!
THESE ARE A GREAT
WEATHERIAN INVENTION,
I'LL HAVE YOU KNOW!!

HEY, COULD
YOU TEACH ME
ABOUT THOSE
WEATHER
BALLS?!!

NOW, NOW....!!
DON'T SAY SUCH
NASTY THINGS!!!
THAT'S OUT OF
THE QUESTION!!

WIPE THAT
GRIN OFF
YOUR FACE!!





THERE HAS TO BE SOMETHING I CAN DO TO HELP...

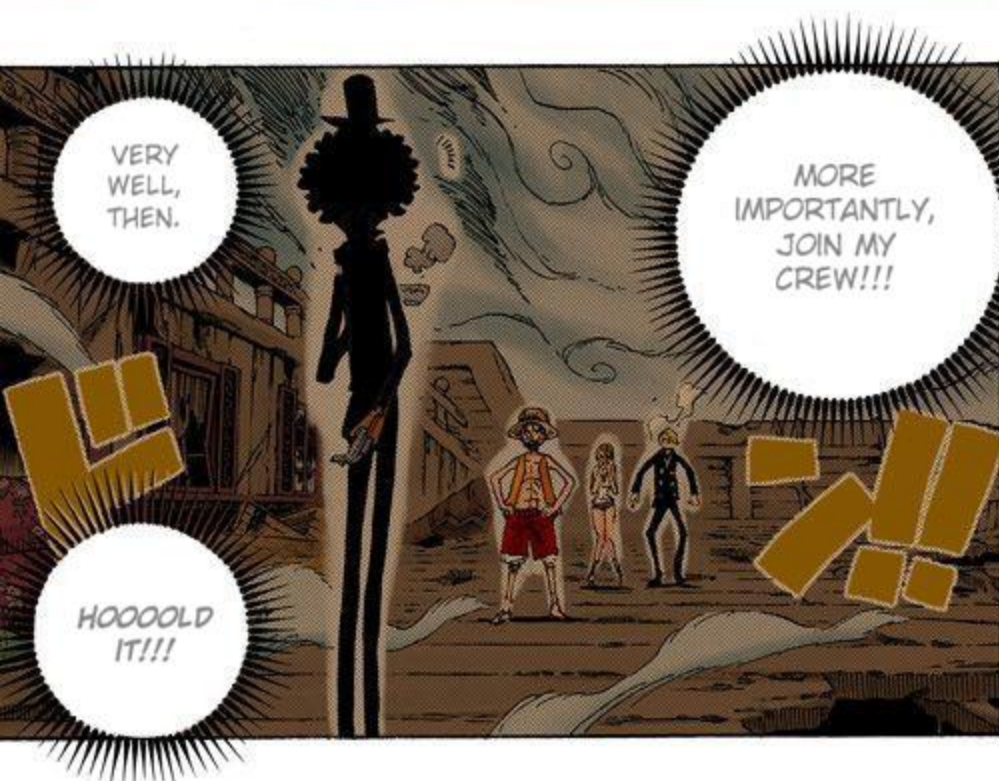
!! ...O... OH, YOU GET IT, DO YA?! THAT'S RIGHT, YOU CAN'T DO NOTHING!! THERE'S NO SPECTACLE UNLESS YA START MOVIN'!!

I CANNOT AFFORD TO STAY HERE DOING NOTHING...

HEY!! YA DAMN SKELETON!! STOP SCREWING US AROUND!!

IN WHICH CASE, I TOO, MUST DO SOMETHING...

LIKE WE SAID, JUST MOVE AROUND A BIT, THAT'S ALL WE NEED!! JUST START MOVING!!



VERY WELL, THEN.

MORE IMPORTANTLY, JOIN MY CREW!!!

HOOOOLD IT!!!



YOU LOOKED UPON ME WITHOUT THE SLIGHTEST TRACE OF FEAR, AND INVITED ME TO JOIN YOUR CREW...



YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW GLORIOUS THE SIGHT WAS TO MY EYES... THE FIFTY YEARS I HAD SPENT PRAYING FOR A MIRACLE HAD TRULY BEEN ANSWERED...!!!

HA HA...



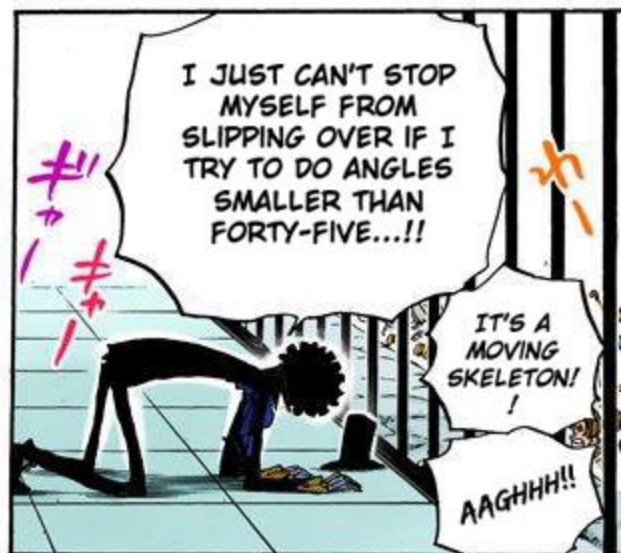
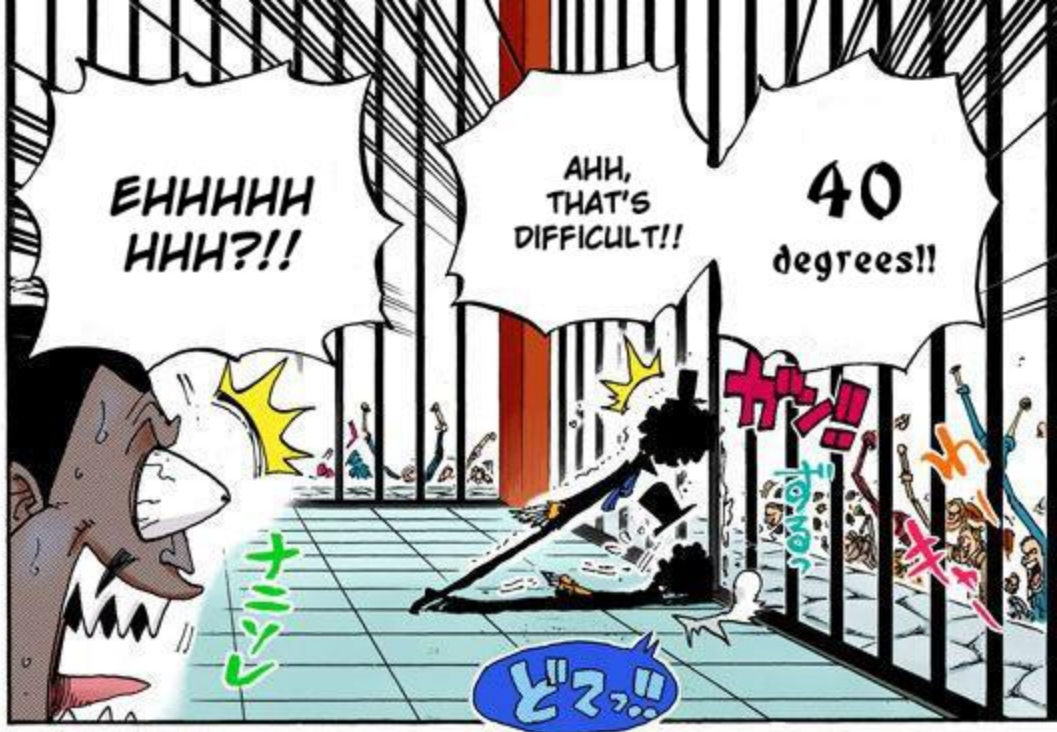
I'LL JUST GO AND GET IT BACK FOR YOU!!!

AND WHAT'S THE PROBLEM WITH THAT, THEN?!!!



YOU CANNOT IMAGINE... HOW HAPPY THAT MADE ME AFTER FIFTY LONG YEARS OF FLOATING AIMLESSLY UPON THOSE SEAS....

MY SHADOW WAS STOLEN FROM ME BY A CERTAIN MAN.





...WHAT
BROUGHT
ABOUT THIS
SUDDEN
CHANGE OF
HEART...?

EAST BLUE:
A MIGHTY
BRIDGE



...IF THERE WERE SUCH
ADMIRABLE PEOPLE AS
YOURSELVES OUT THERE, I
WOULD HAVE LIKED YOU TO
COME FOR ME EARLIER...

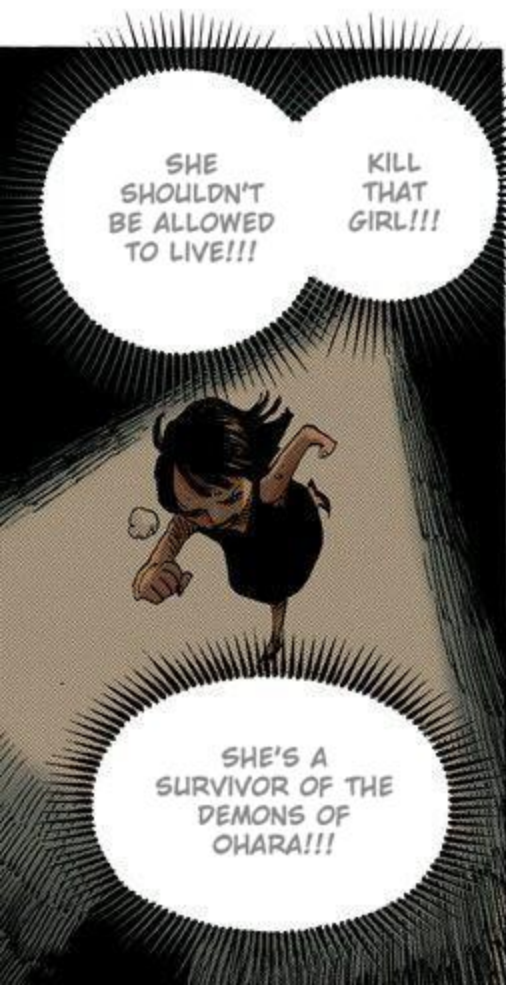


DRAGON-SAN
HAS BEEN
WANTING TO
MEET YOU FOR
A LONG TIME,
AFTER ALL!

OUR
DESTINATION,
BALIGO!

I MEAN, THIS IS
CERTAINLY GOOD
NEWS AS FAR
AS WE ARE
CONCERNED...

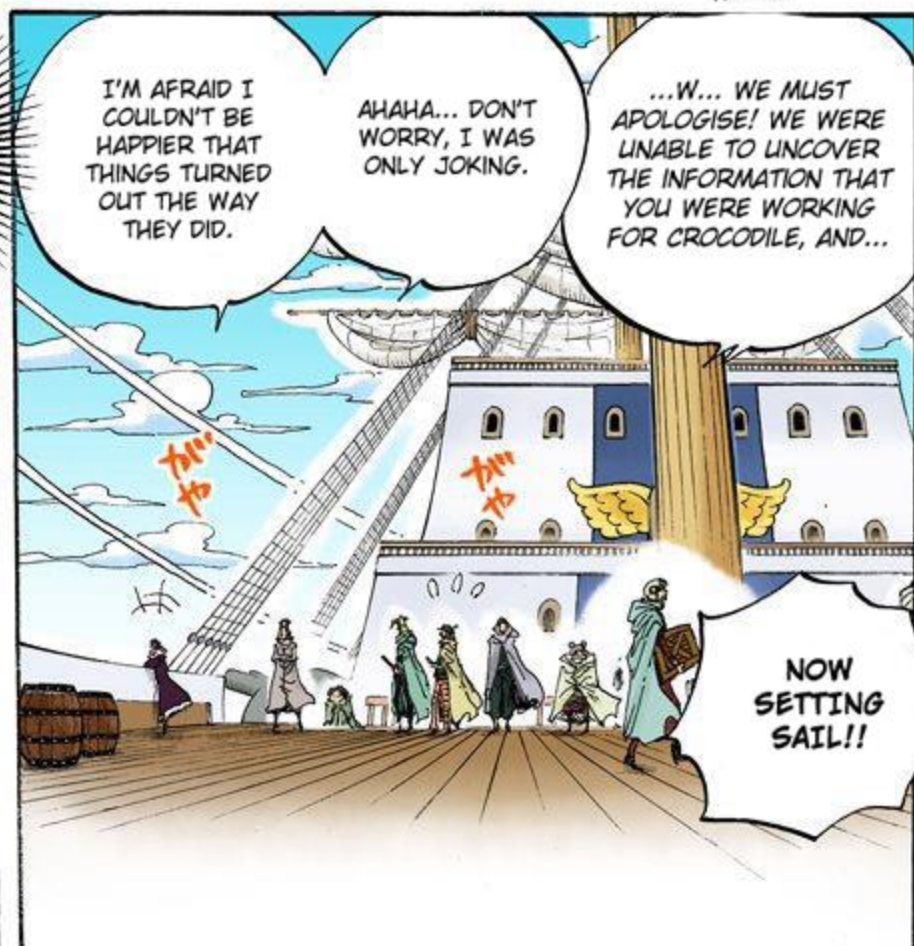
WE ARE NOW
SETTING SAIL
WITH NICO
ROBIN ON
BOARD...



SHE
SHOULDN'T
BE ALLOWED
TO LIVE!!!

KILL
THAT
GIRL!!!

SHE'S A
SURVIVOR OF THE
DEMONS OF
OHARA!!!



I'M AFRAID I
COULDN'T BE
HAPPIER THAT
THINGS TURNED
OUT THE WAY
THEY DID.

HAHA... DON'T
WORRY, I WAS
ONLY JOKING.

...W... WE MUST
APOLOGISE! WE WERE
UNABLE TO UNCOVER
THE INFORMATION THAT
YOU WERE WORKING
FOR CROCODILE, AND...

NOW
SETTING
SAIL!!



ALL I
WANT NOW
IS TO
DIE!!!!

WHY DO YOU
INSIST ON
COMING TO
SAVE ME?!



.....
.....

オオオ



HOW MUCH
CASH DO
YOU THINK
THAT KID IS
WORTH?



DIE,
DEMON!!



YOU CAN'T
POSSIBLY THINK
YOU CAN MAKE AN
ENEMY OF THE
WHOLE WORLD
AND LIVE!!!



ARE YOU
ALL
INSANE?!!!



.....
.....



BRING IT
OOOON!!!



IT IS NOT MY PLACE
TO TRUST YOU
COMPLETELY...
I CANNOT GO BELOW
DECKS, AND PUT MYSELF
UTTERLY AT YOUR
MERCY...

...NO, I'LL STAY
WHERE I AM.
I AM A PIRATE,
AND YOU ARE
REVOLUTIONARIES...

PLEASE COME
INSIDE, ROBIN-SAN!
YOU'LL CATCH A
COLD OUT HERE...

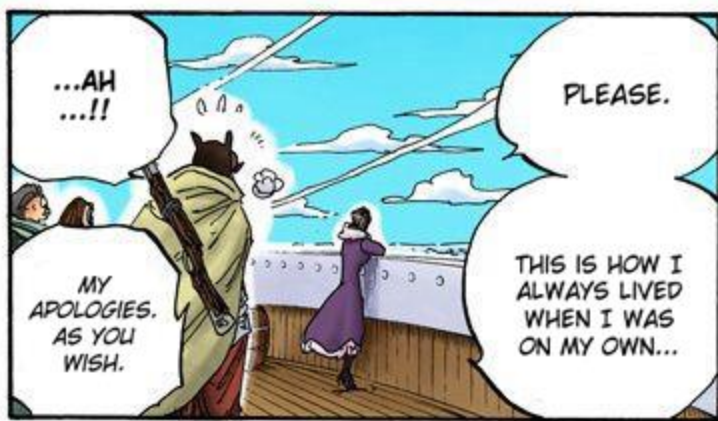
OH, WE WOULD
NEVER...!! WE
DON'T HARBOUR
ANY BAD FEELING
TOWARDS YOU
WHATSOEVER...!!



WHAT...?
BUT
EVERYTHING'S
ALREADY
INSIDE...

JUST
DO IT!!

HEY!!
BRING AS MANY
BLANKETS AS
YOU CAN FIND!!
GET SOME HOT
DRINKS AND
FOOD UP HERE!!

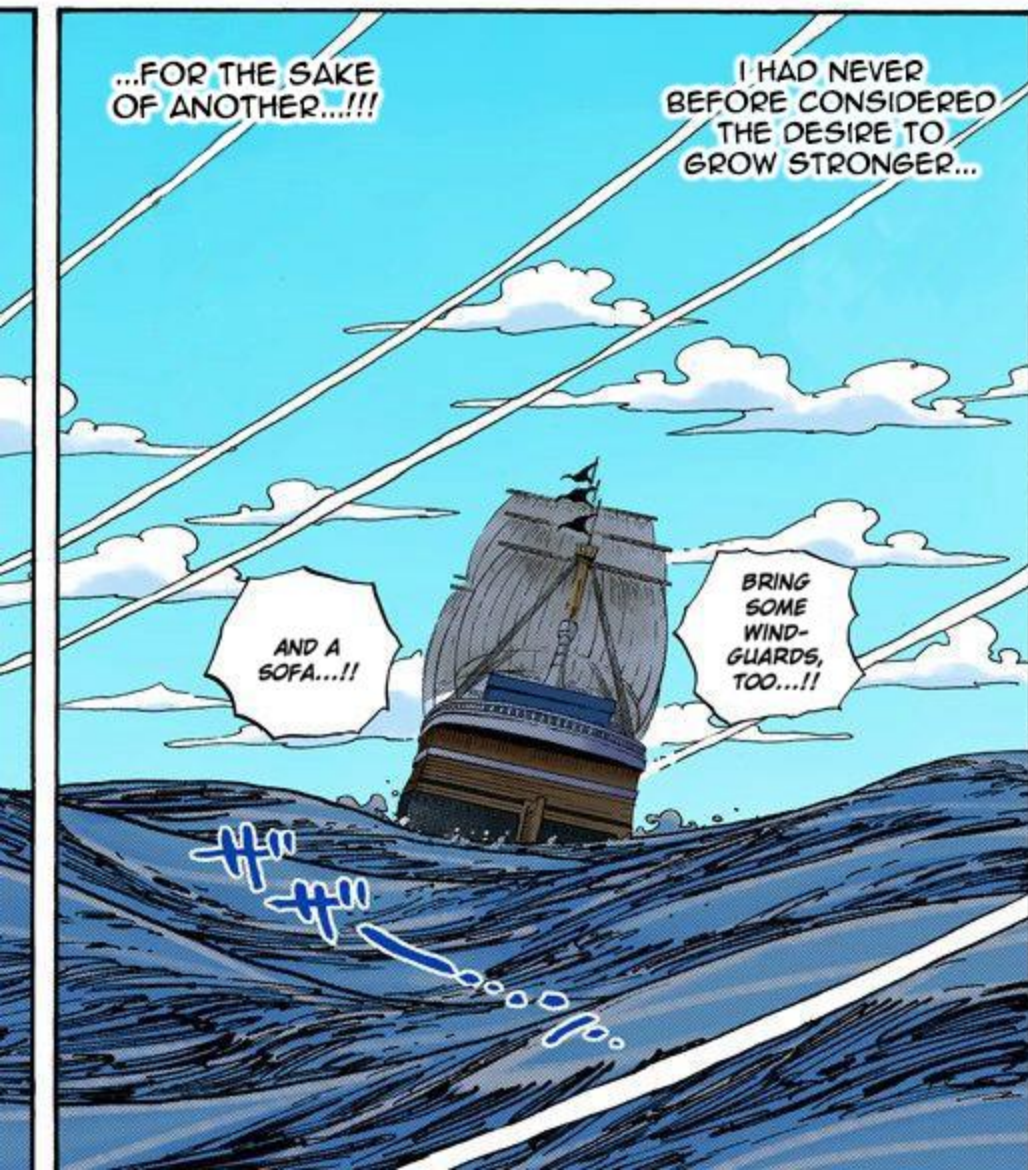


...AH
...!!

MY
APOLOGIES.
AS YOU
WISH.

PLEASE.

THIS IS HOW I
ALWAYS LIVED
WHEN I WAS
ON MY OWN...

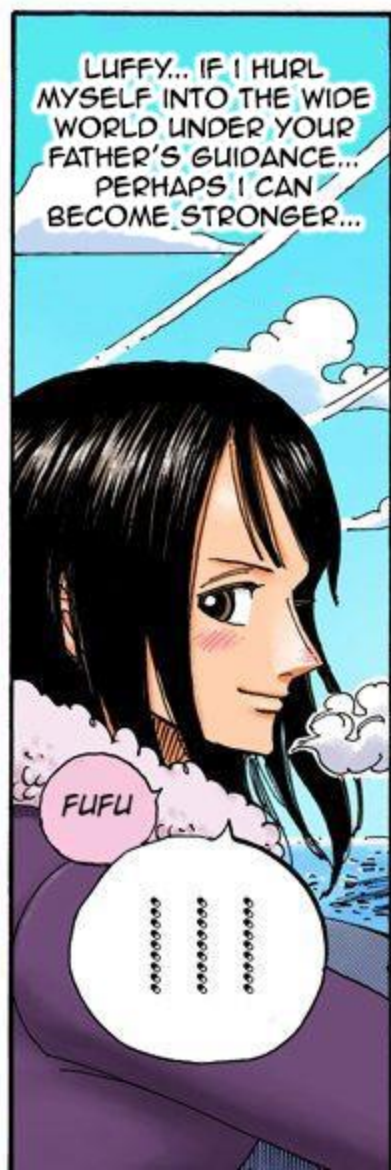


...FOR THE SAKE
OF ANOTHER...!!!

I HAD NEVER
BEFORE CONSIDERED
THE DESIRE TO
GROW STRONGER...

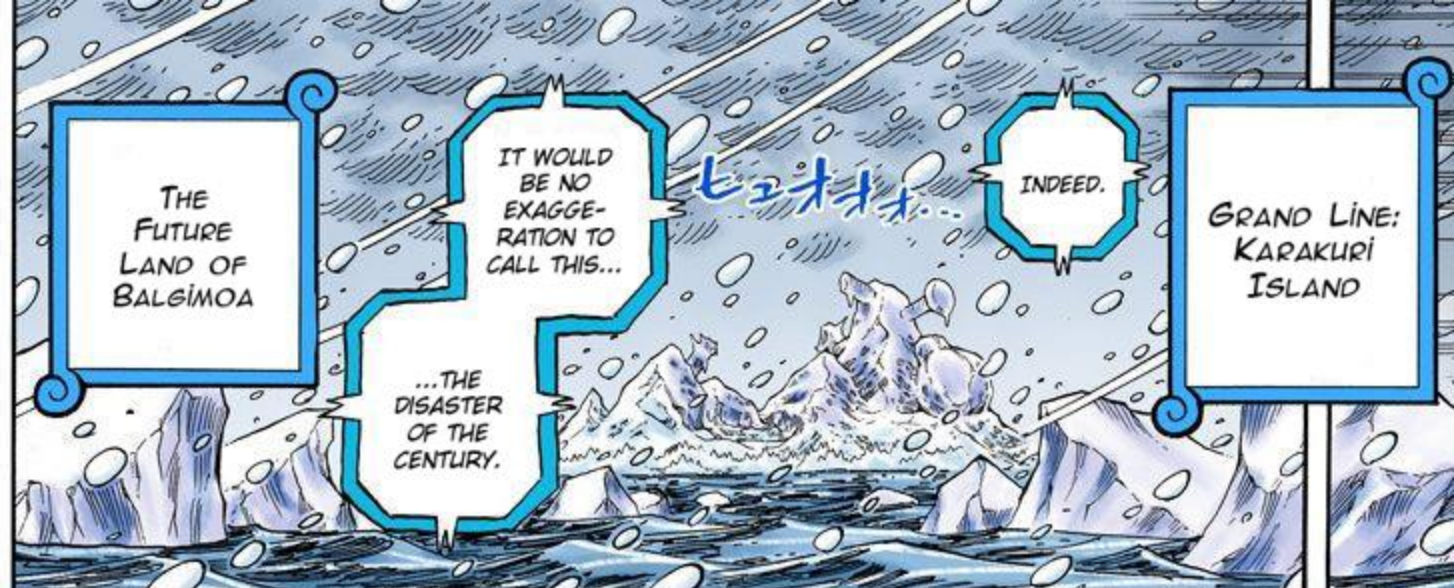
AND A
SOFA...!!

BRING
SOME
WIND-
GUARDS,
TOO...!!



LUFFY... IF I HURL
MYSELF INTO THE WIDE
WORLD UNDER YOUR
FATHER'S GUIDANCE...
PERHAPS I CAN
BECOME STRONGER...

FUFU



THE
FUTURE
LAND OF
BALGIMOA

IT WOULD
BE NO
EXAGGE-
RATION TO
CALL THIS...

...THE
DISASTER
OF THE
CENTURY.

INDEED.

GRAND LINE:
KARAKURI
ISLAND



...ANY INTRUDER WOULD
HAVE TO BE IN POSSESSION
OF A LARGE ICEBREAKER
VESSEL, OR HE WOULD BE
UNABLE TO LAND...

IN ORDER TO
REACH THIS
ISLAND...

WELL, I HEARD THAT A
MAN BUILT LIKE A GORILLA
HAD INFILTRATED THE
LABORATORY, AND THE
NEXT THING I KNEW, IT
HAD GONE UP IN FLAMES...

TELL ME
ANYTHING
YOU KNOW.

NOBODY
APPEARS TO
HAVE SEEN
SUCH A
VESSEL...



CAPTAIN
GORILLA!! WE'RE
DISPATCHING A
SEARCH PARTY
TO INVESTIGATE
THE MOUNTAIN
REGIONS!!

...AND HIS
MEANS AND
ROUTE FROM
THERE TO
BALGIMOA ARE
A MYSTERY.

UNDERSTOOD.
I WILL
ACCOMPANY
THEM.



...THE INTRUDER SEEMS TO
BE A MEMBER OF THE
INFAMOUS STRAW HAT CREW,
NAMESLY CYBORG FRANKY...

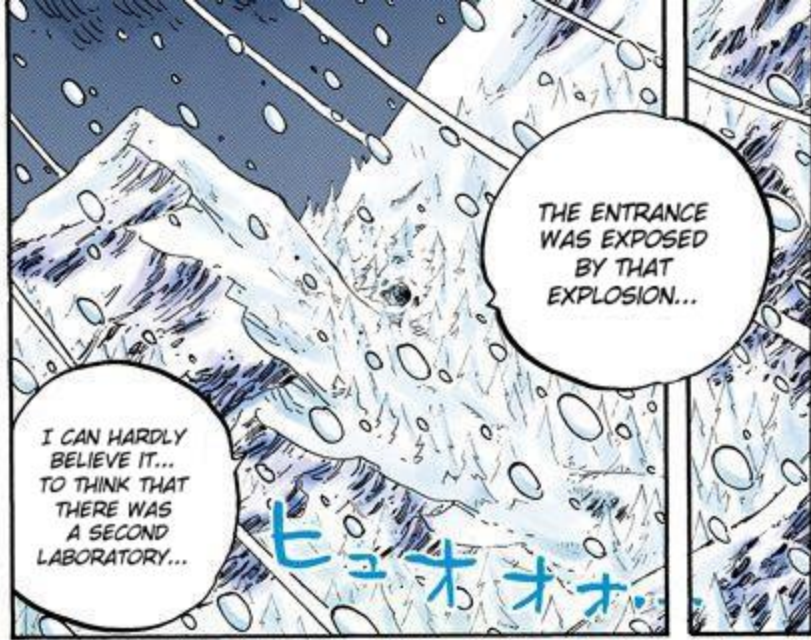
ACCORDING TO
THE MARINES
STATIONED
HERE...

THE MAN IN QUESTION
WAS SIGHTED UNDER A
MONTH PREVIOUSLY IN
THE SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO...

...BUT THERE ARE
A NUMBER OF CYBORG
GORILLAS ON THIS
ISLAND, SO THEY COULD
EASILY BE MISTAKEN...



...RIGHT HERE
UNDER OUR NOSES,
AND WE NEVER HAD
THE SLIGHTEST
IDEA...



THE ENTRANCE
WAS EXPOSED
BY THAT
EXPLOSION...

I CAN HARDLY
BELIEVE IT...
TO THINK THAT
THERE WAS
A SECOND
LABORATORY...



...BUT TO BE
HONEST, I'M MORE
INTERESTED IN THE
MILITARY-TYPE
INVENTIONS HIDDEN
AWAY IN THIS ONE.

THIS SEEMS TO BE...
THE PLACE WHERE HE
MANUFACTURED THE
CYBORG ANIMALS HE
USED TO CARRY OUT
THE MANUAL LABOUR.

THIS IS INCREDIBLE...
THERE'S RESEARCH
ON EVERYTHING FROM
BATTLESHIPS TO
HUMAN CELLS... JUST
WHAT IS THIS GUY'S
BRAIN MADE OF?

THE STUFF OVER
IN THE LAB THAT
EXPLODED WAS ALL
RELATED TO HIS MORE
"CULTURALLY"
INCREDIBLE
INVENTIONS...



TOO
SCARY!!
THAT FACE
IS TOO
SCARY!!!

AAAARGH
HHHHH!!
DON'T LOOK
THIS WAY!!!

AS LONG AS YOU
TWO KEEP QUIET,
NOBODY'LL EVEN
KNOW THAT I'M
HERE, SO THERE
WON'T BE ANY...

DON'T GET SO
WORKED UP JUST
BY LOOKING AT
MY FACE!!



WHAT?!!
LIVE
HERE?!

I'VE DECIDED...
I'M GONNA LIVE
HERE!!

RIGHT!

I'LL COME DOWN THE
MOUNTAIN FROM TIME
TO TIME TO STOCK UP
ON COLA, BUT YOU CAN
HANDLE THAT FOR ME,
RIGHT?!!



YOU GUYS...
WOULD YOU
LIKE...

...TO
SAIL THE
WORLD...



YOU
COULD
TRY PUTTING
ON SOME
TROUSERS
...

IT'S PRETTY
COLD IN HERE...
I'D BETTER
LIGHT THIS
FIREPLACE
OVER HERE.

おは!!



YES,
THAT'S
MUCH
BETTER...

IT'S A
TIGER
MAT.

HOW'S
THAT?



...IS IT NOT TIME
YOU LIVED...
FOR YOUR OWN
DREAM...?



...THEN
YOU'LL HAVE
TO JOIN OUR
CREW!!!

IF YOU WANT
YOUR TRUNKS
BACK...



...IN THE SHIP
THAT I'VE
MADE?!!!

HUH?



I'LL HONE MY SKILLS...
TO MAKE SURE THAT THE
SHIP CAN SURVIVE EVEN
THE ROUGHEST OF
ADVENTURES!!! SO,
LUFFY...

HEY!!
THE TIGER
IS ON FIRE!!!

HUH?



LUFFY...!! YOU HAVEN'T EVEN
SEEN HALF OF WHAT THE SUNNY
CAN DO YET! YOU'RE THE ONLY
CAPTAIN WHO CAN MAKE THE
SUNNY INTO A DREAM SHIP...!!



WHEN IT
ARRIVES AT
THE VERY END
OF THE
OCEAN...!!

ONLY THEN
WILL IT TRULY
BE MY DREAM
SHIP!!



WHAT'S
THIS?! SOME
KIND OF FOUL
BEAST?!!

!!?



AAAAAR
GHHHH!!!
HOT HOT
HOT HOT
HOT HOT
HOT HOT
!!!!!!

ボオオオ!!!



AAAAAG
HHHHH
HHHHH!!!
!!!!

GRRROO
OOOOOH
HHHHH!!!!



AAAARRR
RGHHHHHH
HHHHHH!!!

THERE
IT IS!!!

GRUAAA
AAAGHH
HHHHH!!!

!!?



LET'S
SURPASS THEM
TOGETHER!!!
EVEN THE
HARSH WAVES
OF THE NEW
WORLD!!!

SO,
LUFFY...

...AS THE
"LEGEND OF
THE BLAZING
PHANTOM
BEAST OF
BALGIMOA"...

THIS IS THE
INCIDENT THAT
WOULD GO
DOWN IN THE
GRAND LINE'S
HISTORY...



WHAT IS IT
NOWUN,
USOPPUN?!!

GRAND LINE:
BOIN
ARCHIPELAGO



YES...!! THAT
WOULD INDEED
BE A GOOD
IDEA...!!

I'VE
GOTTA LOSE
WEIGHT!!

GOTTA
BUILD
MUSCLES!!

AND I'VE
GOTTA GET
STRONG!!



PANT

PANT



WHAT ON EARTH
DID YOU READ
IN THAT
NEWSPAPER...

...TO INSPIRE THIS
SUDDEN BURST OF
PASSIONUN?!!!



A GOOD IDEA
ALSOUN!!

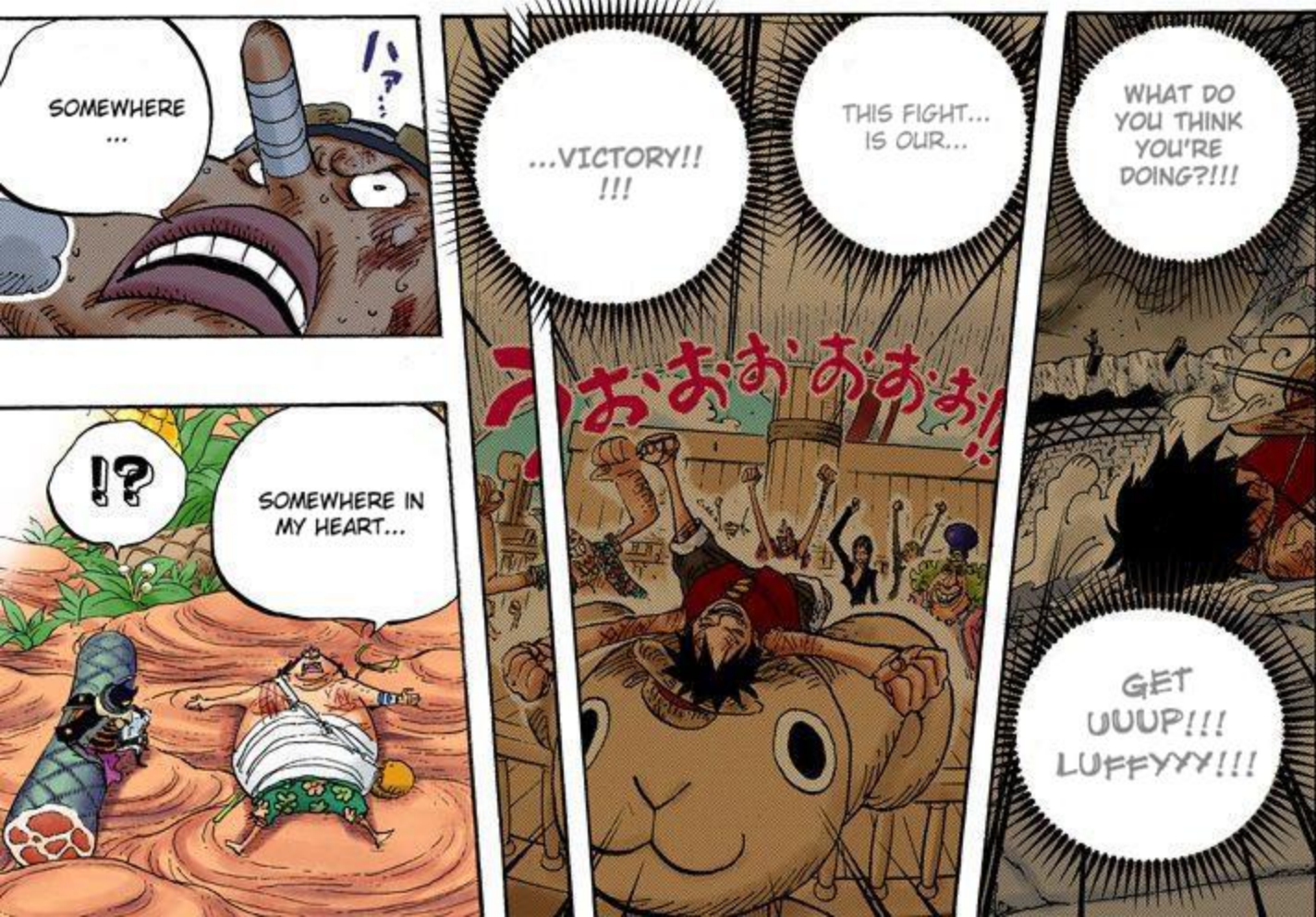
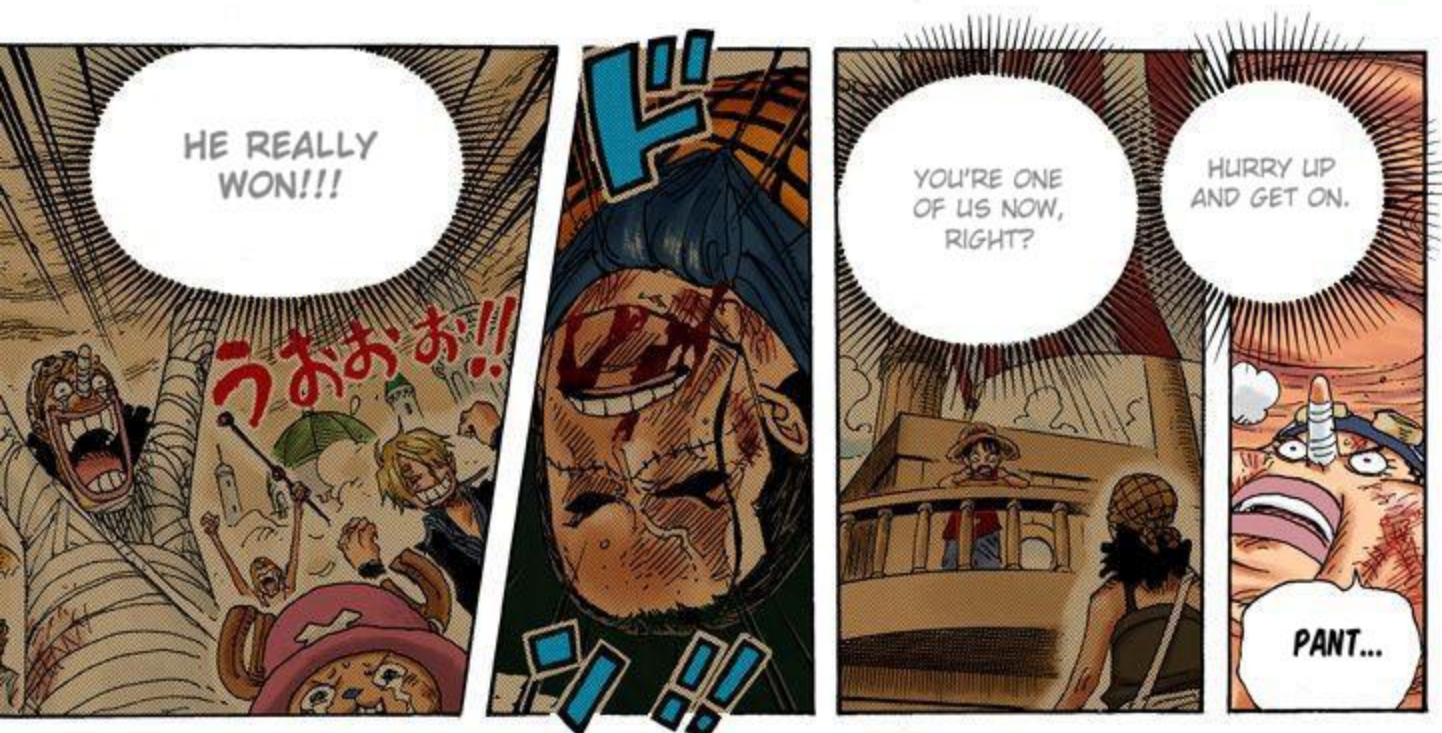
AND THEN
I'LL GET EVEN
STRONGER!!

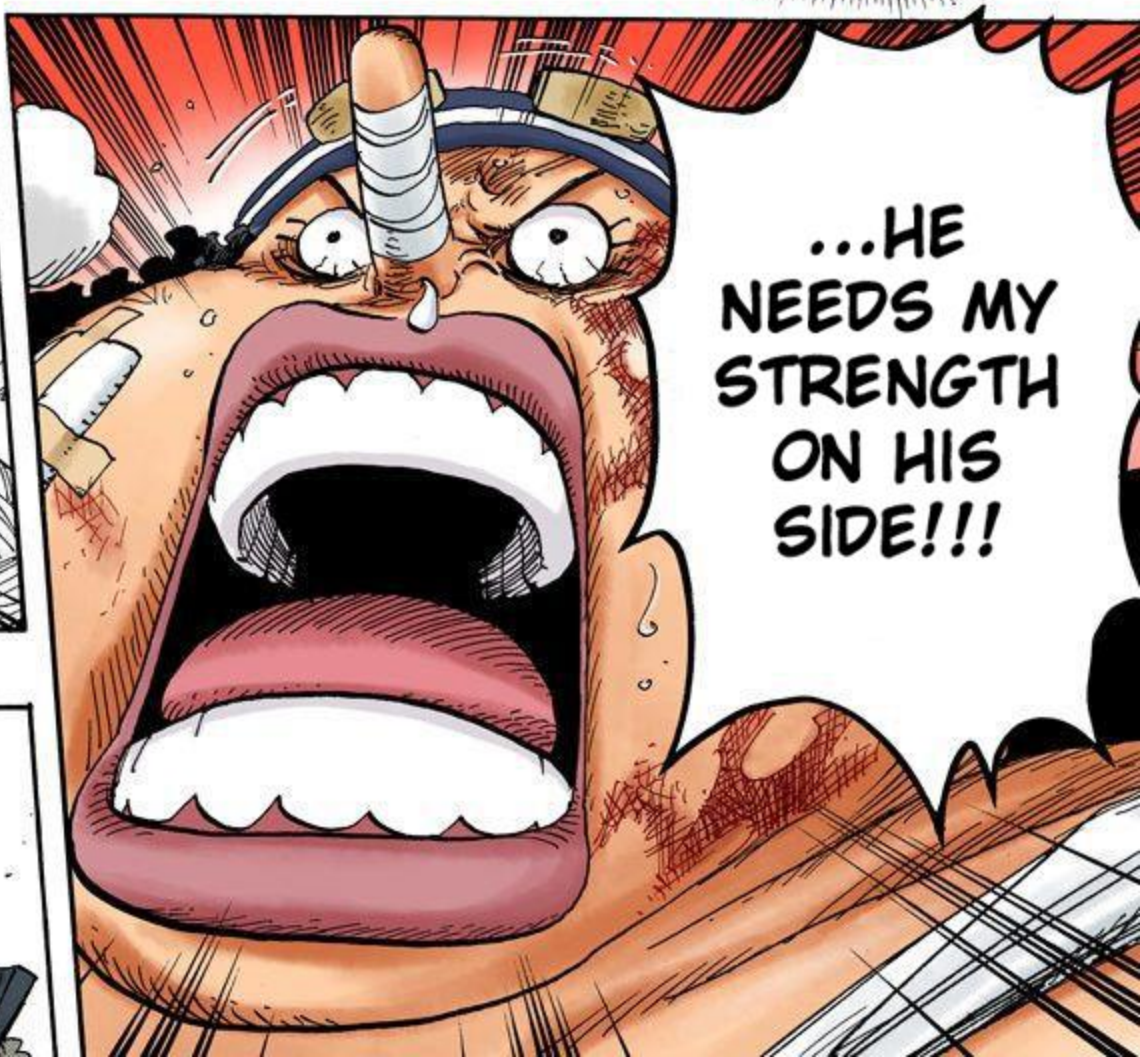
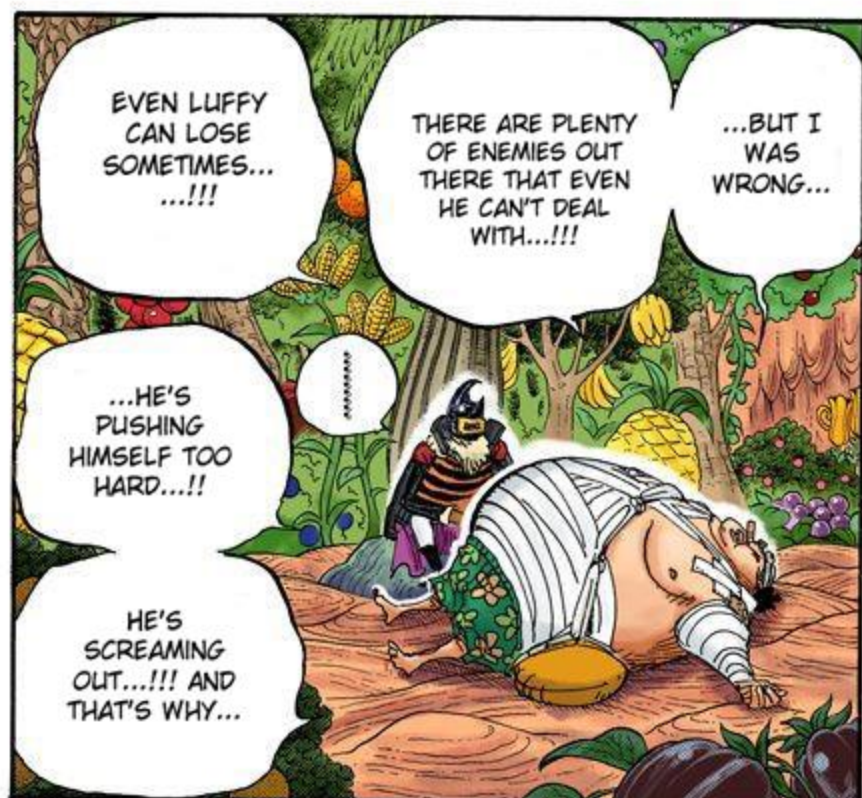
...THEN YOU
WILL NEVER
ESCAPE THIS
ISLANDUN!!!

INDEED...!!
IF YOU DO
NOT...

AND THEN
I'LL GET EVEN
STRONGER
THAN THAT!!!

OH... OH MY...
AS STRONG
AS ALL
THATUN...?!!!







YEAH. YOU'VE LIVED FOR SO LONG ON THIS DANGEROUS ISLAND, AND YOU'VE GOT AMAZING SKILLS...

EH?!
.....S...
SENSEIUN?!

I'VE BEEN WONDERING ABOUT THAT WEAPON OF YOURS FOR AGES NOW...

HEY, HERACLESUN-SENSEI!!!

THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS THAT I CAN LEARN FROM YOU!!



...POP GREEN...?!



THIS FEARSOME PLANT GROWS IN GREAT NUMBERS HERE, AND REGULARLY UNDERGOES SUDDEN AND HIGHLY AGGRESSIVE GROWTH SPURTS.

IN THIS FOREST GROWS A PLANT KNOWN AS POP GREEN.

LISTEN WELL, MY STUDENT USOPPUN!

THESE ARE THE SEEDS OF THAT PLANT.

POP GREEN

TAPI!

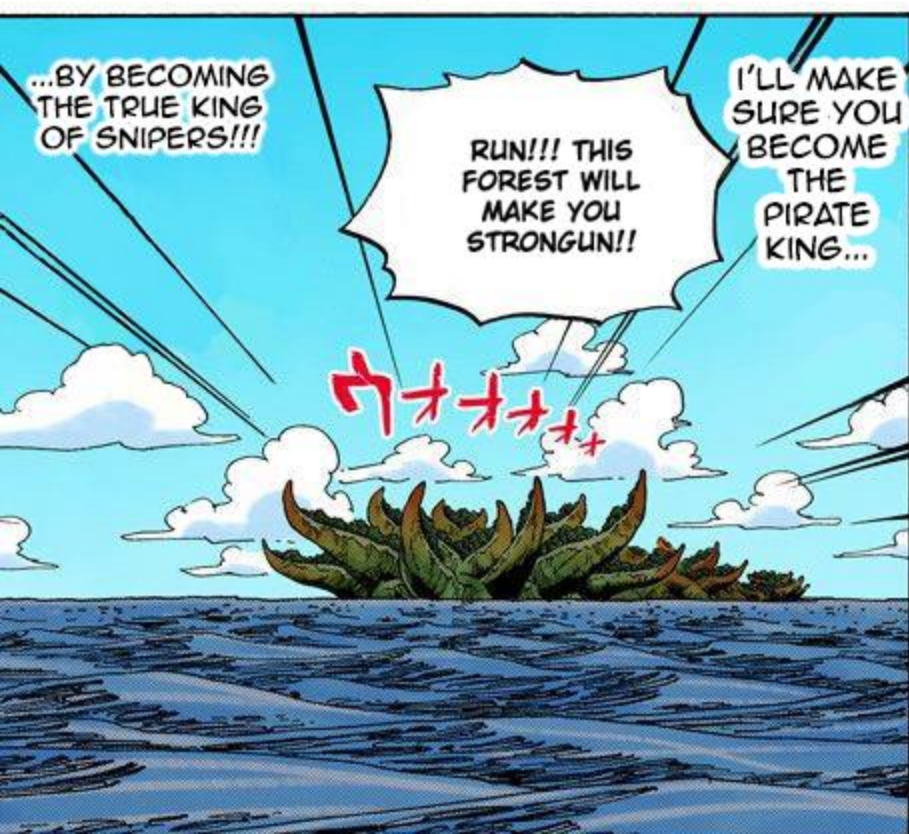


YEAH, THAT'S WHO YOU ARE!!

AMAZING SKILLS?! I... I AM YOUR SENSEI OF AMAZING SKILLSUN?!

IT SURE IS AN AWESOME NAME!!

AND MY NAME IS HERACLESUN !!!



...BY BECOMING THE TRUE KING OF SNIPERS!!!

RUN!!! THIS FOREST WILL MAKE YOU STRONGUN!!

I'LL MAKE SURE YOU BECOME THE PIRATE KING...



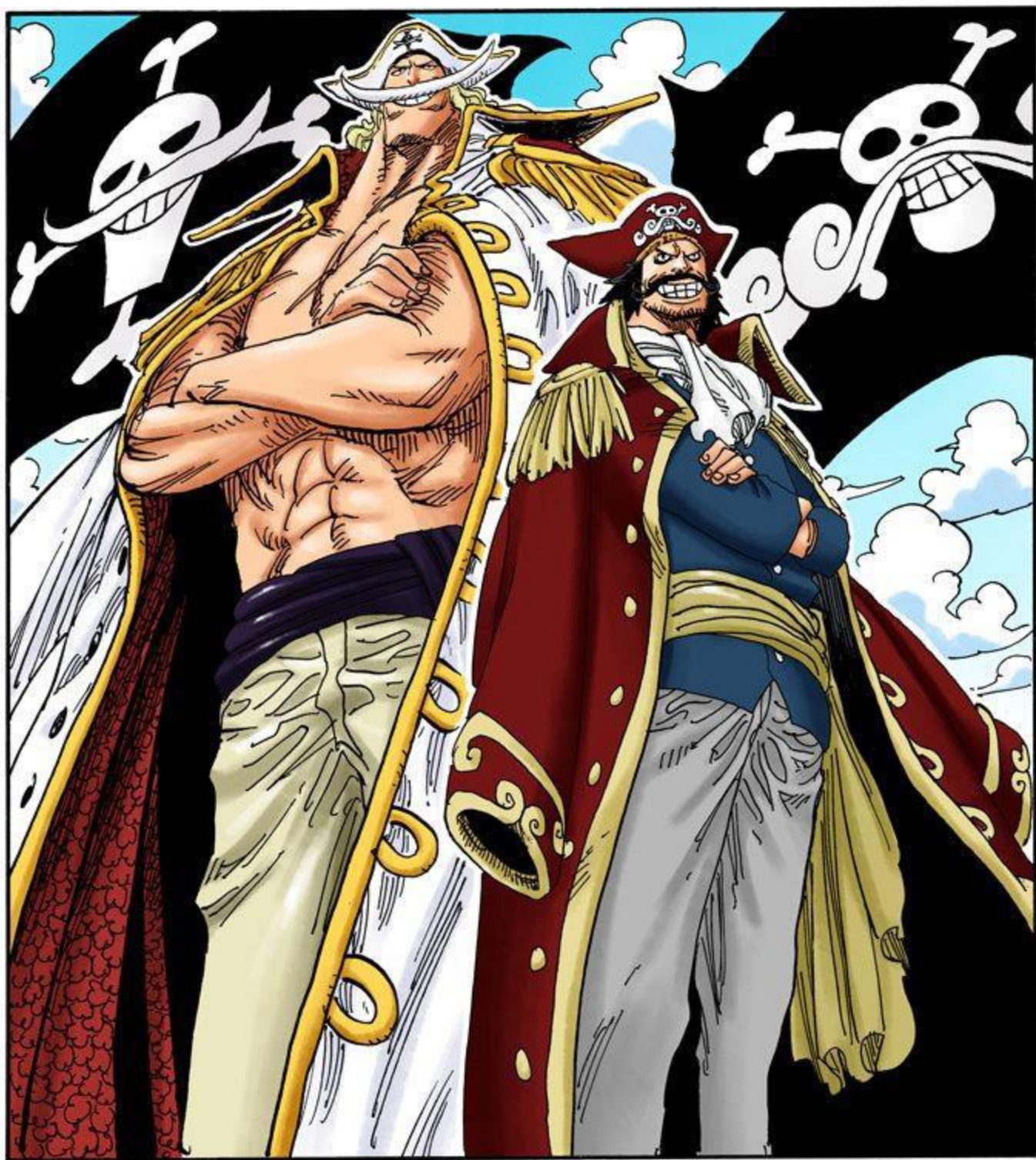
EACH TYPE HAS ITS OWN EFFECTIVE USESUN...

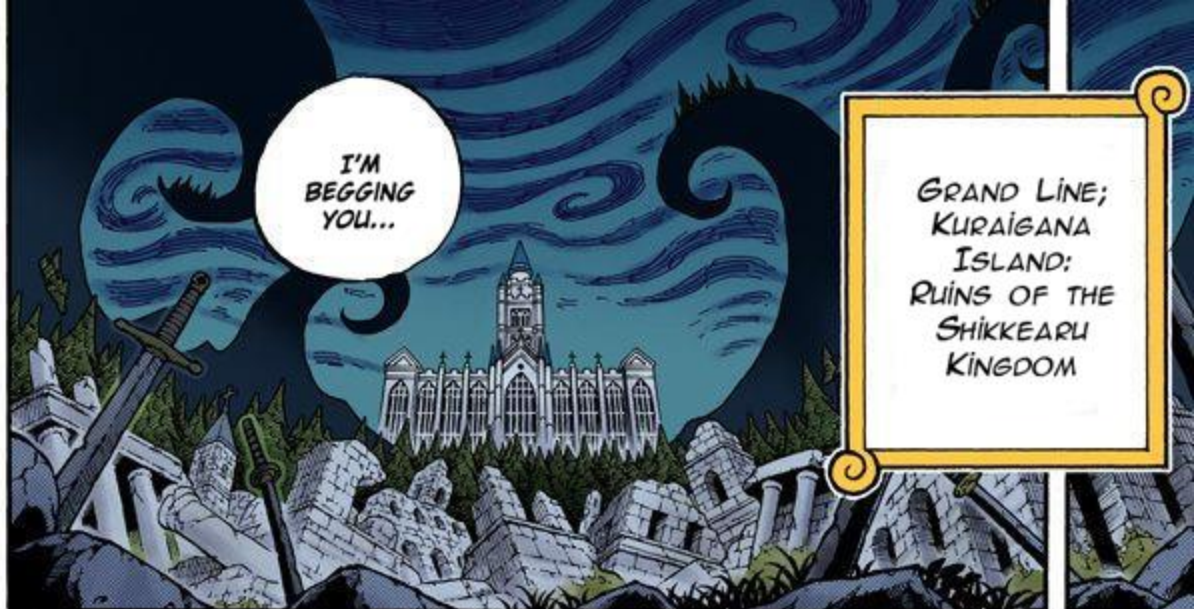
I SEE...

YOU JUST WAIT, LUFFY!!!!

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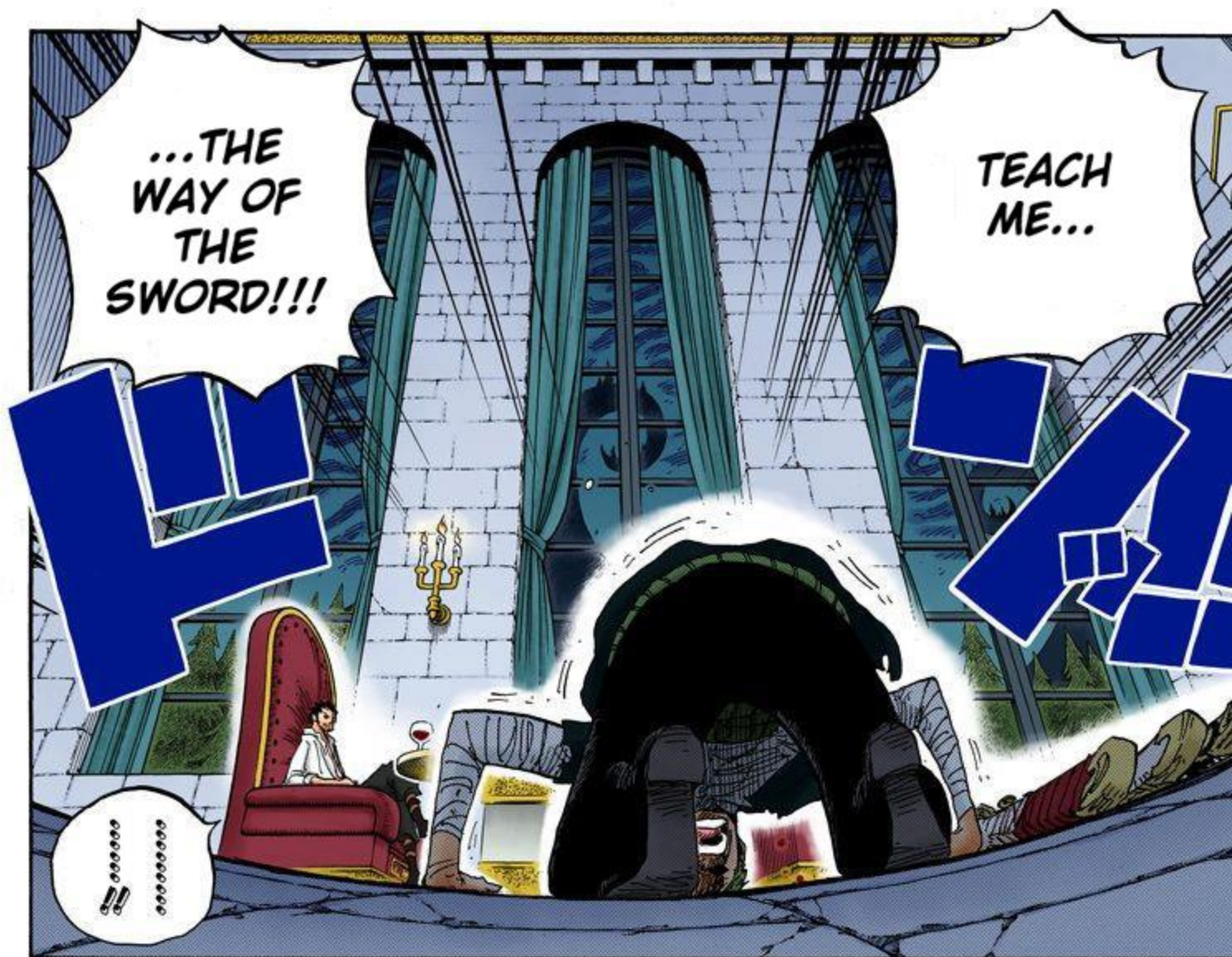
"3Q2Y"





I'M
BEGGING
YOU...

GRAND LINE;
KURAIGANA
ISLAND:
RUINS OF THE
SHIKKEARU
KINGDOM



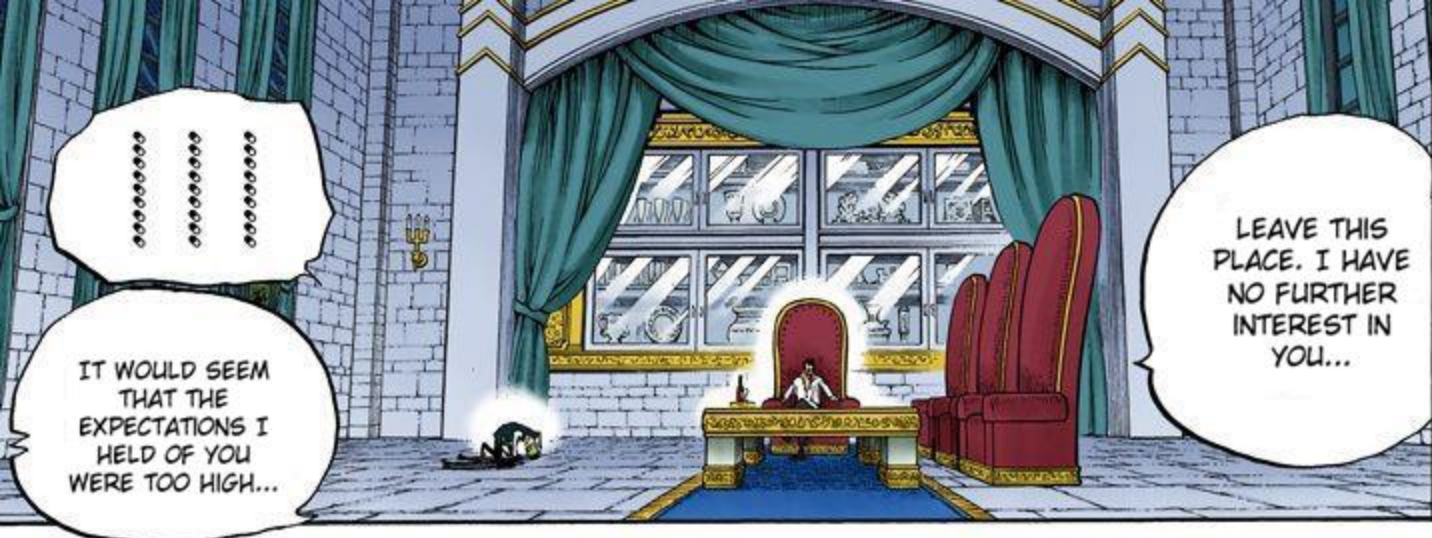
...THE
WAY OF
THE
SWORD!!!

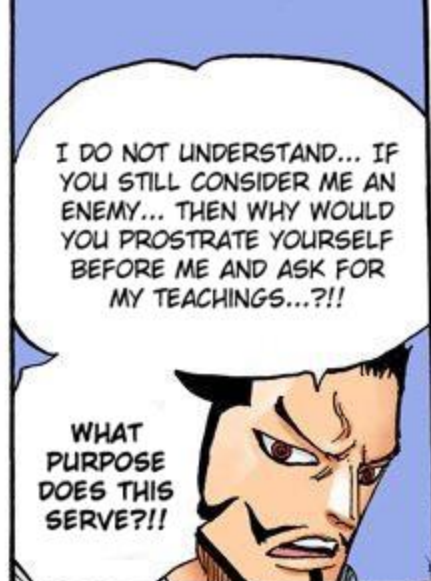
TEACH
ME...

KNOW YOUR
SHAME.

YOU MEAN TO
ASK FOR
TEACHINGS
FROM YOUR
ENEMY...?

...I AM
DISAPPOINTED
IN YOU,
RORONOA...





I DO NOT UNDERSTAND... IF YOU STILL CONSIDER ME AN ENEMY... THEN WHY WOULD YOU PROSTRATE YOURSELF BEFORE ME AND ASK FOR MY TEACHINGS...?!!

WHAT PURPOSE DOES THIS SERVE?!!



...THAT I HAVE ANY HOPE OF DEFEATING YOU HERE AND NOW...!!

!!



...BUT I AM NOT FOOL ENOUGH TO BELIEVE...



SO THAT I MAY SURPASS YOU...!!!



...HMPH... A RIDICULOUS NOTION. YOUR ACTIONS ARE NONETHELESS QUITE UNSIGHTLY...

...IT WOULD SEEM THAT YOU HAVE FOUND A GREATER CAUSE THAN YOUR OWN AMBITION.

!!



YOU ASK ME TO RAISE THE SWORDSMAN WHO WILL TAKE MY LIFE BY MY OWN HANDS?!

...WAHAH AHAHAHA HAHAH...!

YOU ARE A STRANGE ONE FOR SURE...!!!
...HAHAHAH!!



HAHA...

SUCH A CLUMSY MAN...
MEN LIKE YOU WILL ONLY
EVER CHOOSE WHEN IT IS FOR
THE SAKE OF ANOTHER.

WE CAN BEGIN
TRAINING ONLY ONCE
YOUR WOUNDS ARE
HEALED.

TEND TO HIS
WOUNDS!

GHOST-GIRL!

AHH!!
DON'T YOU
DARE
ORDER ME
AROUND!!

OF COURSE,
YOU KNOW HOW
THAT TURNED
OUT...

MY CREW AND I HAD
AGREED TO MEET UP IN A
CERTAIN LOCATION AFTER
THREE DAYS...

YOU'RE RIGHT...
THERE IS A
TATTOO LIKE
THAT ON HIS
SHOULDER...

"302Y"?

SO THE "3D"
REPRESENTS
THOSE "THREE
DAYS"?

THERE'S NO POINT
RUSHING THINGS.
WE'RE NOT READY
TO TAKE ON THE
NEW WORLD RIGHT
NOW.....!!!

ALL THE REST
WAS JUST A
BLUFF TO
DISTRACT THE
WORLD FROM THE
REAL MESSAGE...

WE'RE TO MEET
UP NOT AFTER
THREE DAYS,
BUT IN TWO
YEARS' TIME....!!

IN OTHER
WORDS...

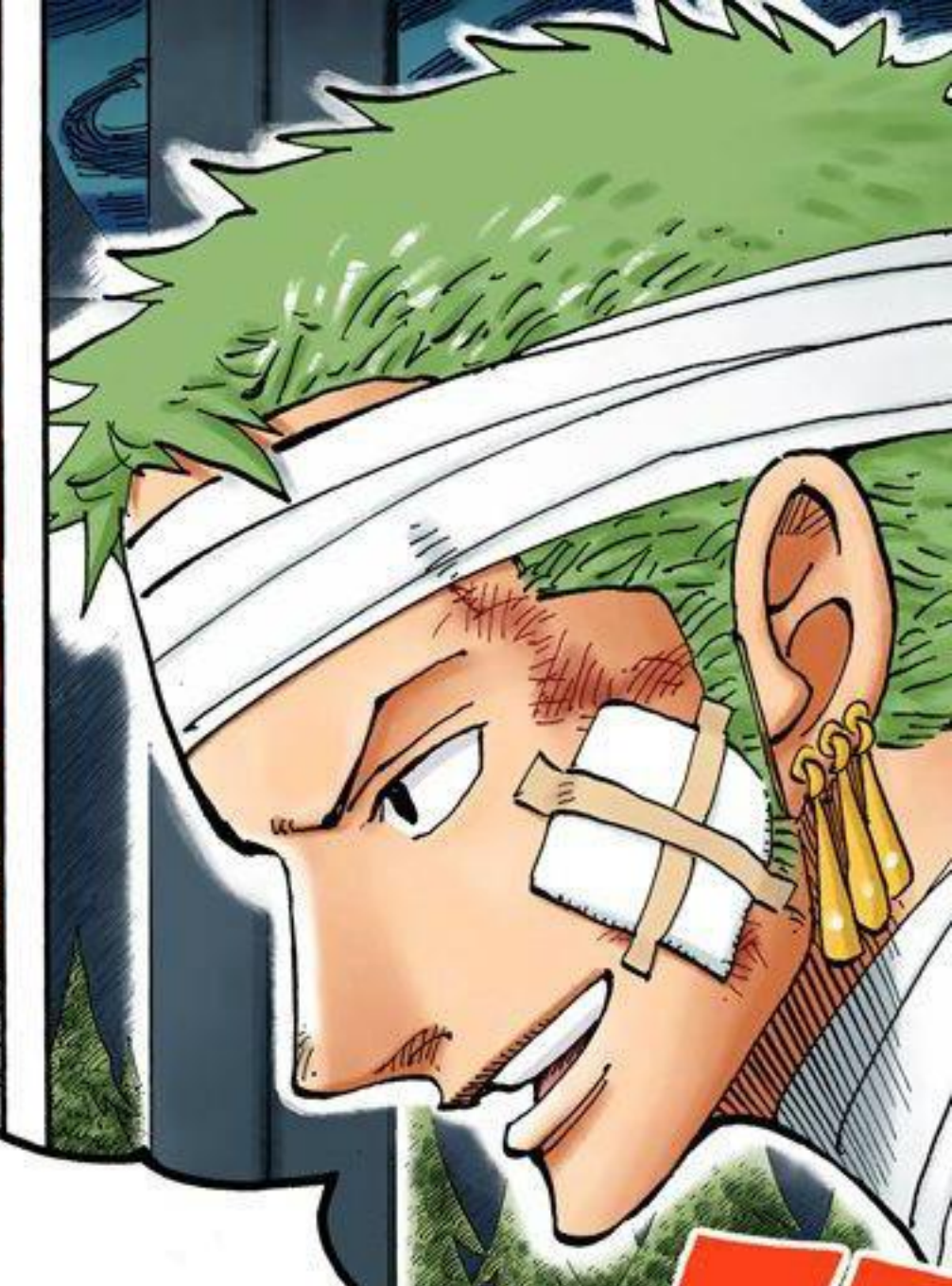
BUT IT'S BEEN
CROSSED OUT,
AND THEN IT
SAYS "2Y"...

...A MESSAGE
MEANT FOR
US ALONE.

SO WE STAND
FIRM AND BUILD
OUR STRENGTH.
AND ONCE WE'RE
DONE, THAT'S
WHEN WE
MEET UP AGAIN!!!

...AND THIS
IS LUFFY'S
DECISION.

"TWO YEARS"....!



!!

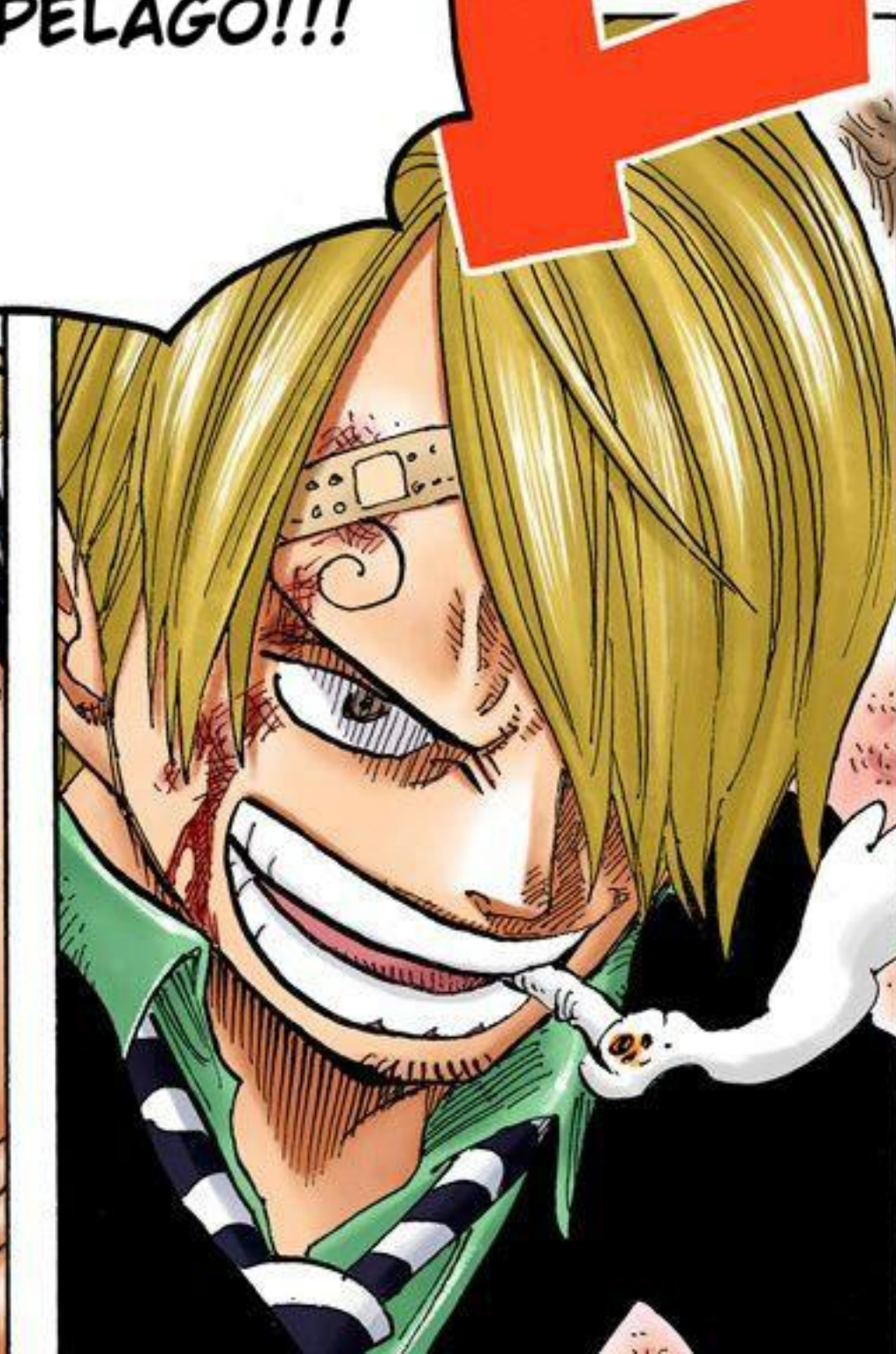
AT THE
SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO!!!

!!

!!

IN TWO
YEARS' TIME!!!

!!

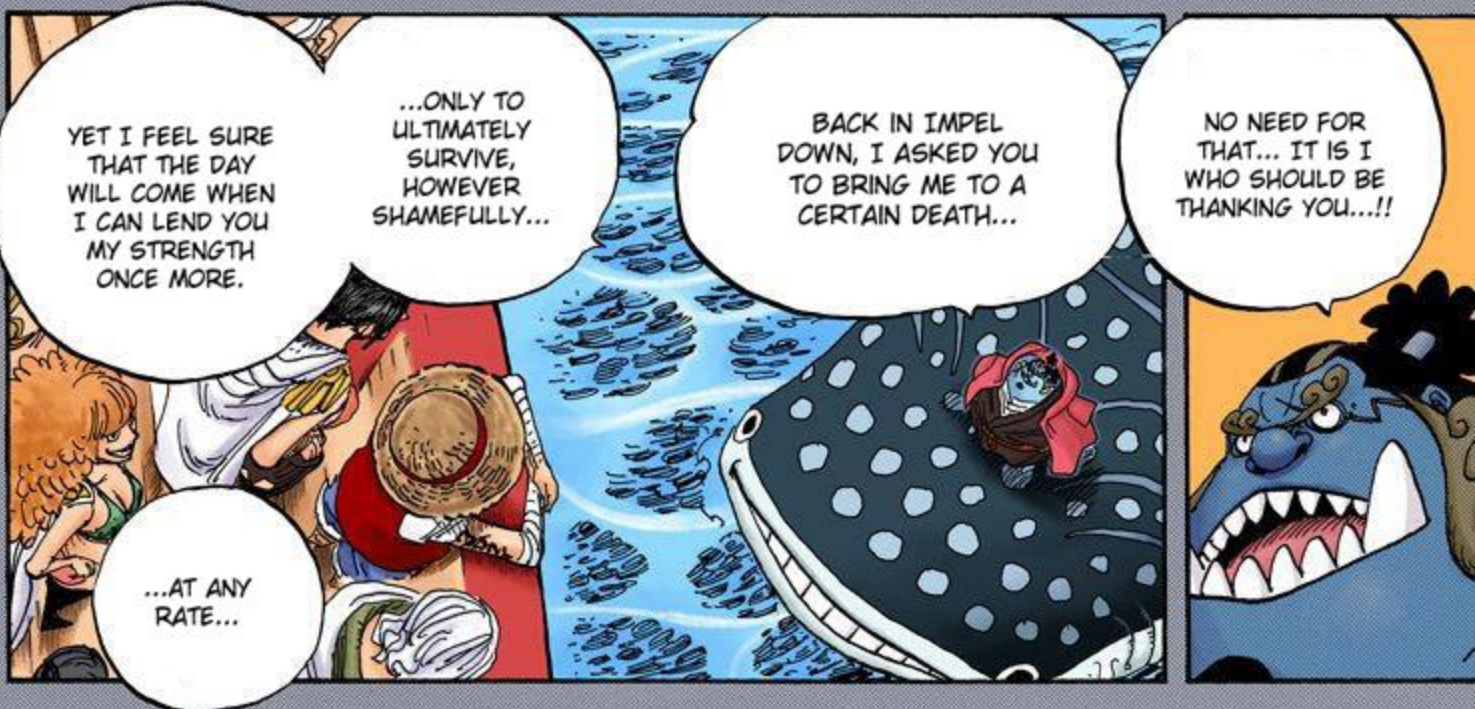




...FOR
EVERYTHING!!

JINBE...
THANKS SO
MUCH...

A FEW
DAYS AGO,
UPON THE
CALM BELT



YET I FEEL SURE
THAT THE DAY
WILL COME WHEN
I CAN LEND YOU
MY STRENGTH
ONCE MORE.

...ONLY TO
ULTIMATELY
SURVIVE,
HOWEVER
SHAMEFULLY...

BACK IN IMPEL
DOWN, I ASKED YOU
TO BRING ME TO A
CERTAIN DEATH...

NO NEED FOR
THAT... IT IS I
WHO SHOULD BE
THANKING YOU...!!

...AT ANY
RATE...



TWO YEARS FROM
NOW... LET US
MEET AGAIN, ON
FISHMAN ISLAND!!

I WILL BE LOOKING
FORWARD TO THE
DAY WHEN YOU
AND YOUR CREW
COME TO CALL!!

YEAH!!!

LUFFY!!
I SWEAR...
EACH AND EVERY
DAY, I WILL VISIT
THIS ISLAND...

...TO BRING YOU
NEW PROVISIONS
FROM THE ISLE
OF WOMEN!!

KNOWN AS THE
"FORTY-EIGHT SEASONS"...
IT IS A HARSH LAND WHERE
THE SEASON CHANGES
WITH EACH WEEK THAT
GOES BY.

...THIS ISLAND
IS EXACTLY
WHAT WE
NEED.....!!

THE CALM
BELT: AN
ISLAND
NORTHWEST OF
THE ISLE OF
WOMEN,
"LUSCAINA"

AND THAT WAS THE
TENTH TIME YOU
HAVE CALLED ME BY
NAME...!♡I... IS
THIS WHAT THEY CALL
"ENGAGEMENT"...?!

B... BUT OF
COURSE!! I WILL
BRING ANYTHING
AND EVERYTHING
THAT YOU DESIRE!!

WHOOAAA...!!
YOU MEAN
THAT,
HANCOCK?!!

AND WHY ARE
YOU MOVING
FURTHER AND
FURTHER AWAY?

IT IS
NYOT!!

CAN YOU BRING
ME SOME OF
THAT FAMOUS
GORGON-WHAT'S-
IT-CALLED STUFF,
THEN?!! IT WAS
REALLY TASTY...!

BUT RAYLEIGH,
DO YOU TRULY
APPRECIATE HOW
DANGEROUS THIS
ISLAND IS?!!

FOR LUFFY
...?! ♡
THEN I WILL
BE STRONG!
♡

IF ANYTHING
WERE TO
HAPPEN...!!

IF YOU ARE
WORRIED,
THEN PRAY
FOR HIM.

IF NOTHING
WERE TO
HAPPEN, THIS
TRAINING
WOULD BE
MEANINGLESS...

FOR
PROVISIONS,
WE HAVE THE
MOUNTAINS,
THE FORESTS,
THE RIVERS
AND OCEAN!!

AND WHAT RIGHT
HAVE YOU TO
DECIDE SUCH
THINGS,
RAYLEIGH?!!!

WE WILL NOT GO HUNGRY!! HOW
CAN YOU EXPECT ANY PIRATE TO BE
SUCCESSFUL WITHOUT SUCH BASIC
SURVIVAL SKILLS?! THIS IS FOR
LUFFY-KUN'S OWN SAKE!!!

HANCOCK, WE
CANNOT HAVE
YOU SPOILING
THE BOY...!!

WHILST LUFFY-KUN'S
TRAINING IS
UNDERWAY, NONE OF
THE WOMEN ARE TO
ENTER THIS PLACE.



I SMELL
ADVENTURE
...!!!

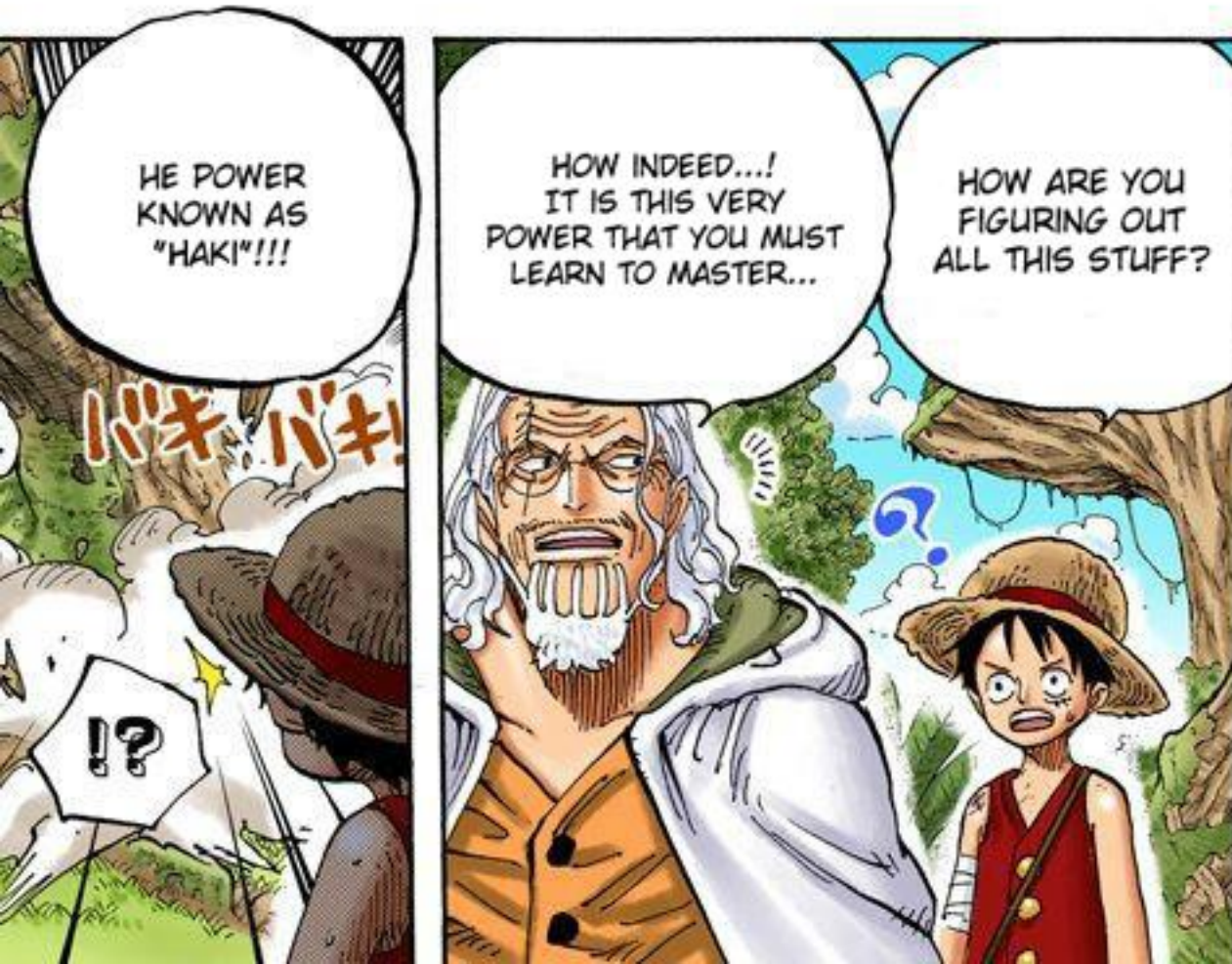


MANY OF THEM
ARE TOO POWERFUL
FOR YOU
TO DEFEAT IN YOUR
CURRENT STATE...
I WOULD SAY...

WHY, THIS
ISLAND IS HOME
TO A VERITABLE
MULTITUDE OF
TERRIBLE
BEASTS...!!

YES, FIVE HUNDRED
OR MORE. IF YOU DO
NOT TRAIN HARD, YOU
WILL BE UNABLE TO
SLEEP SAFELY AT
NIGHT...!

MORE THAN
YOU COULD
HOPE TO
COUNT.



HE POWER
KNOWN AS
"HAKI"!!!

HOW INDEED...!
IT IS THIS VERY
POWER THAT YOU MUST
LEARN TO MASTER...

HOW ARE YOU
FIGURING OUT
ALL THIS STUFF?

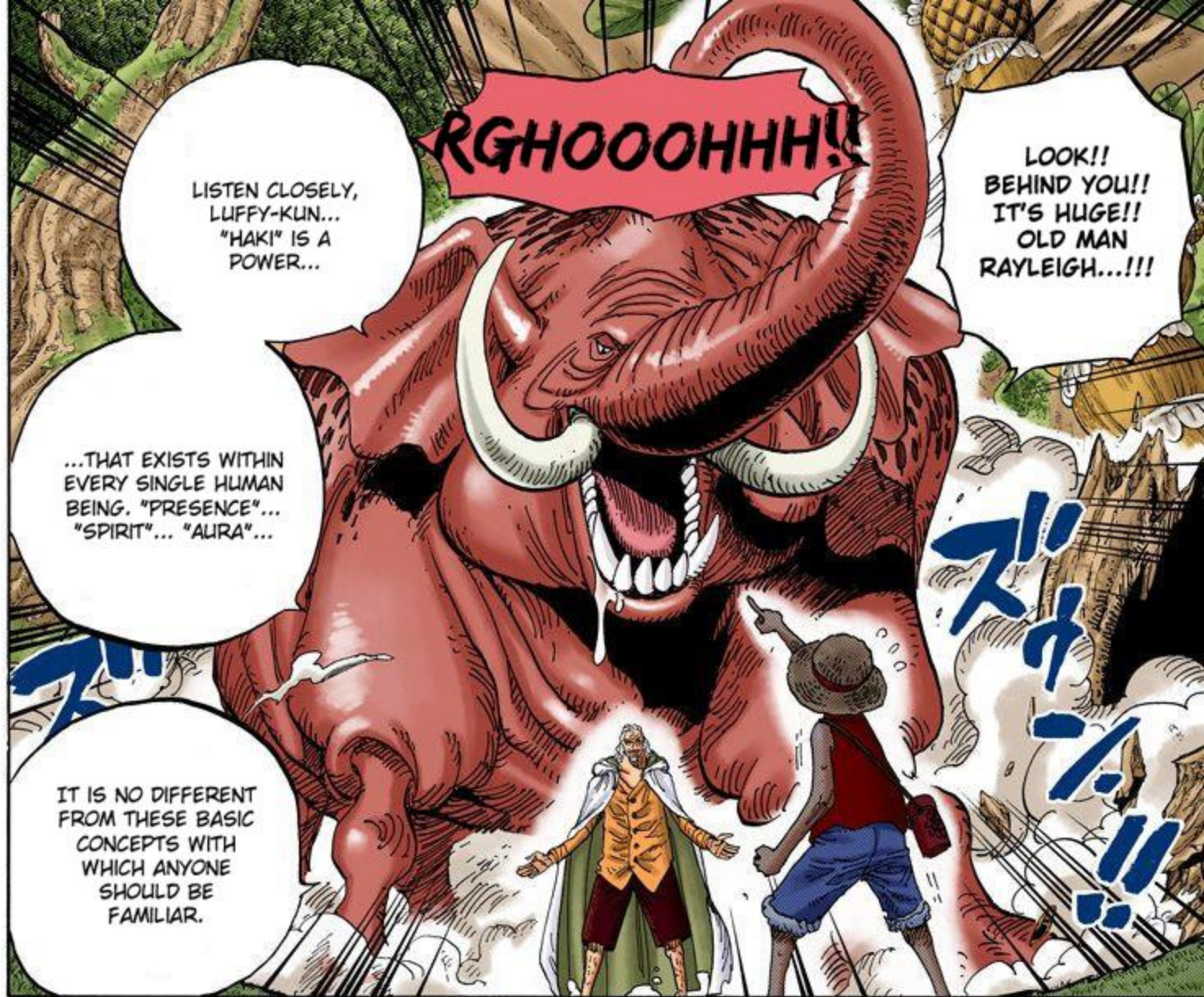


NOW, THEN.....
WE ARE THE ONLY TWO
HUMAN BEINGS LEFT ON
THIS ENTIRE ISLAND. FEAST
YOUR EYES UPON THE
GLORIES OF NATURE!!

THEY SAY THAT
LONG AGO, A NATION
STOOD HERE...

THIS IS A PERILOUS
LAND, FRAUGHT WITH
NATURAL DANGERS.....!!!

BUT ALL OF ITS
PEOPLE PERISHED
IN THE STRUGGLE
FOR SURVIVAL...



LISTEN CLOSELY,
LUFFY-KUN...
"HAKI" IS A
POWER...

LOOK!!
BEHIND YOU!!
IT'S HUGE!!
OLD MAN
RAYLEIGH...!!!

...THAT EXISTS WITHIN
EVERY SINGLE HUMAN
BEING. "PRESENCE"...
"SPIRIT"... "AURA"...

IT IS NO DIFFERENT
FROM THESE BASIC
CONCEPTS WITH
WHICH ANYONE
SHOULD BE
FAMILIAR.



...OR ELSE TRY AS
THEY MIGHT, NEVER
SUCCEED IN MAKING
USE OF IT.

AN ELEPHANT?!
IT'S GIGANTIC!!

HOWEVER, THE VAST
MAJORITY OF PEOPLE
GO THEIR WHOLE LIVES
WITHOUT EVER NOTICING
THEY POSSESS IT...



WORRY NOT...
THE ELEPHANT IS
SWINGING ITS
TRUNK AT MY HEAD
FROM THE RIGHT...

WATCH
OUT!!!

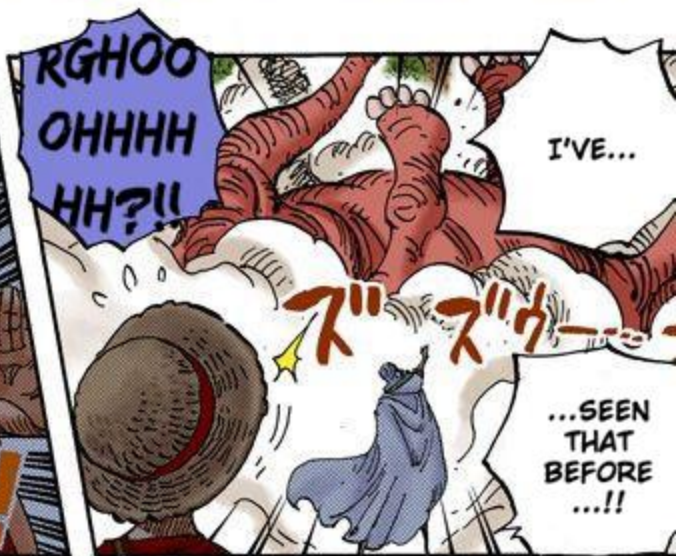
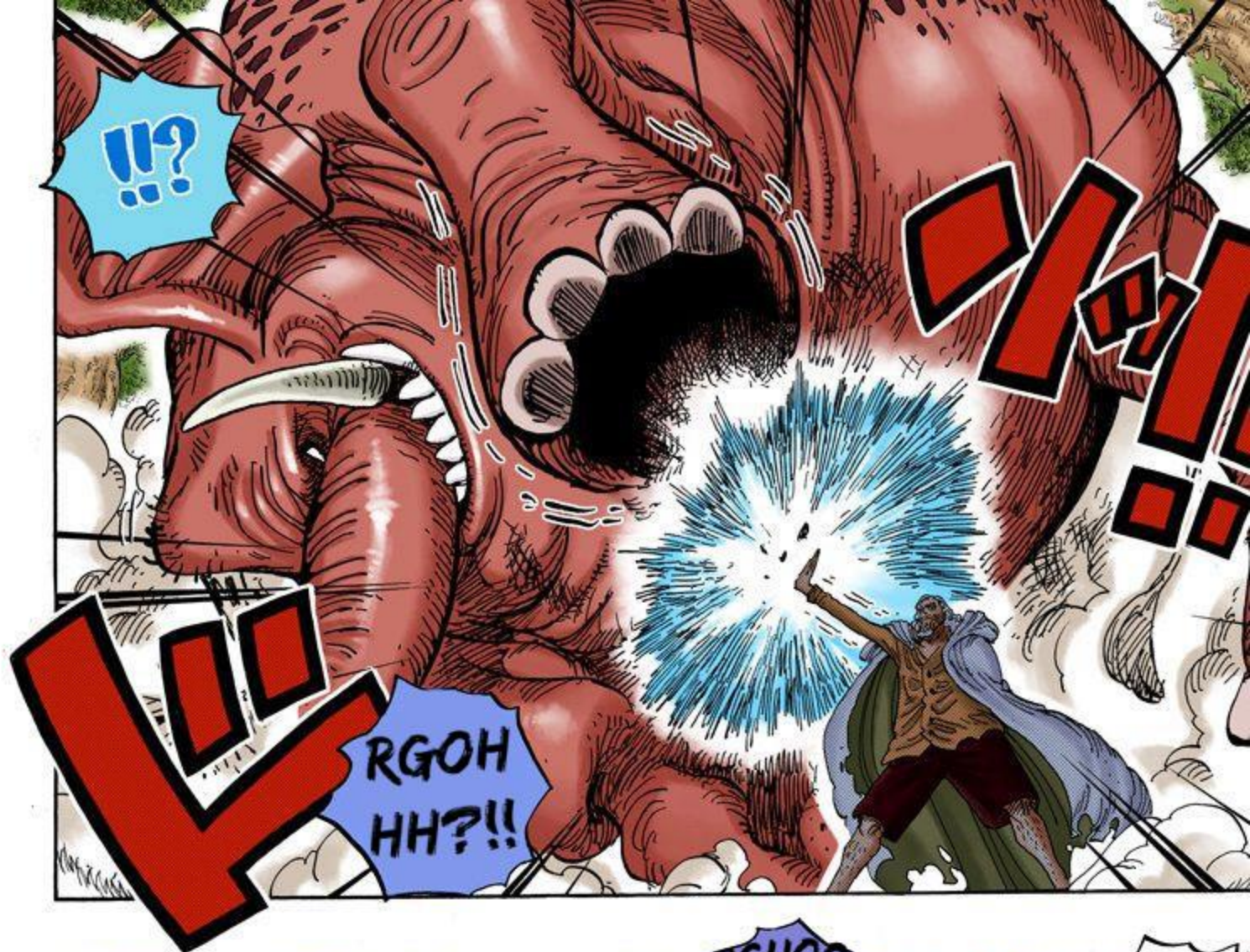
OBSERVE
CAREFULLY...

TO FEEL NO
DOUBTS... THAT IS
TRUE STRENGTH!!!

HAKI CAN
GENERALLY BE
DIVIDED INTO
TWO MAIN
SHADES.

HUH...?





IT HURTS...!!
EVEN THOUGH
I'M MADE OF
RUBBER!! IT
ACTUALLY
HURTS!!



NATURALLY, STRONGER
ARMOUR ALSO RESULTS
IN MORE POWERFUL
ATTACKS.



...CAN BE
FORCED INTO
SOLIDITY...!!!

WITH IT, EVEN
THE FLUID
BODIES OF THE
NEAR-INVINCIBLE
LOGIA FRUIT
USERS...

...THIS "ARMAMENT
HAKI" IS THE SOLE
METHOD OF
EFFECTIVELY
COMBATING THEIR
ABILITIES...!!

WHEN FACING A
DEVIL FRUIT USER,
OTHER THAN TAKING
ADVANTAGE OF
THEIR INDIVIDUAL
WEAKNESSES...



...OR EVEN ON
AOKIJI, RIGHT?

THEN I'D BE
ABLE TO ATTACK
OLD SMOKEY
FROM THE
MARINES...

SO THIS IS WHY
YOU COULD TOUCH
KIZARU...!



"OBSERVATION" AND
"ARMAMENT". THESE ARE
THE TWO SHADES OF HAKI.



...HOWEVER, THERE ARE A
FEW SCANT PEOPLE IN THE
WORLD WHO ARE ABLE TO
USE ONE MORE SHADE OF
HAKI...



...YEAH. I
THOUGHT
THOSE
ARROWS
WERE MADE
OF STEEL!

THIS POWER CAN
EVEN BE EXTENDED
TO THE WEAPONS
ONE WIELDS.

HAVE YOU EVER
WITNESSED THE
BOWMANSHIP OF
THE KUJA
TRIBE?



IT CAN OFTEN BE FOUND IN THE TYPE OF PEOPLE WHO MAKE A NAME FOR THEMSELVES ON A GLOBAL SCALE.

THIS IS THE ABILITY TO OVERPOWER THE OPPONENT'S WILL... IT IS CALLED "SOVEREIGN HAKI"....!!

HOWEVER, WHILST IT CAN BE BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL, THE SOVEREIGN HAKI IS UNIQUE IN THAT IT CANNOT BE TRAINED.



IT IS THE USER'S VERY SPIRIT MANIFEST....!! IT CAN ONLY BE STRENGTHENED BY THE INDIVIDUAL'S PERSONAL GROWTH.

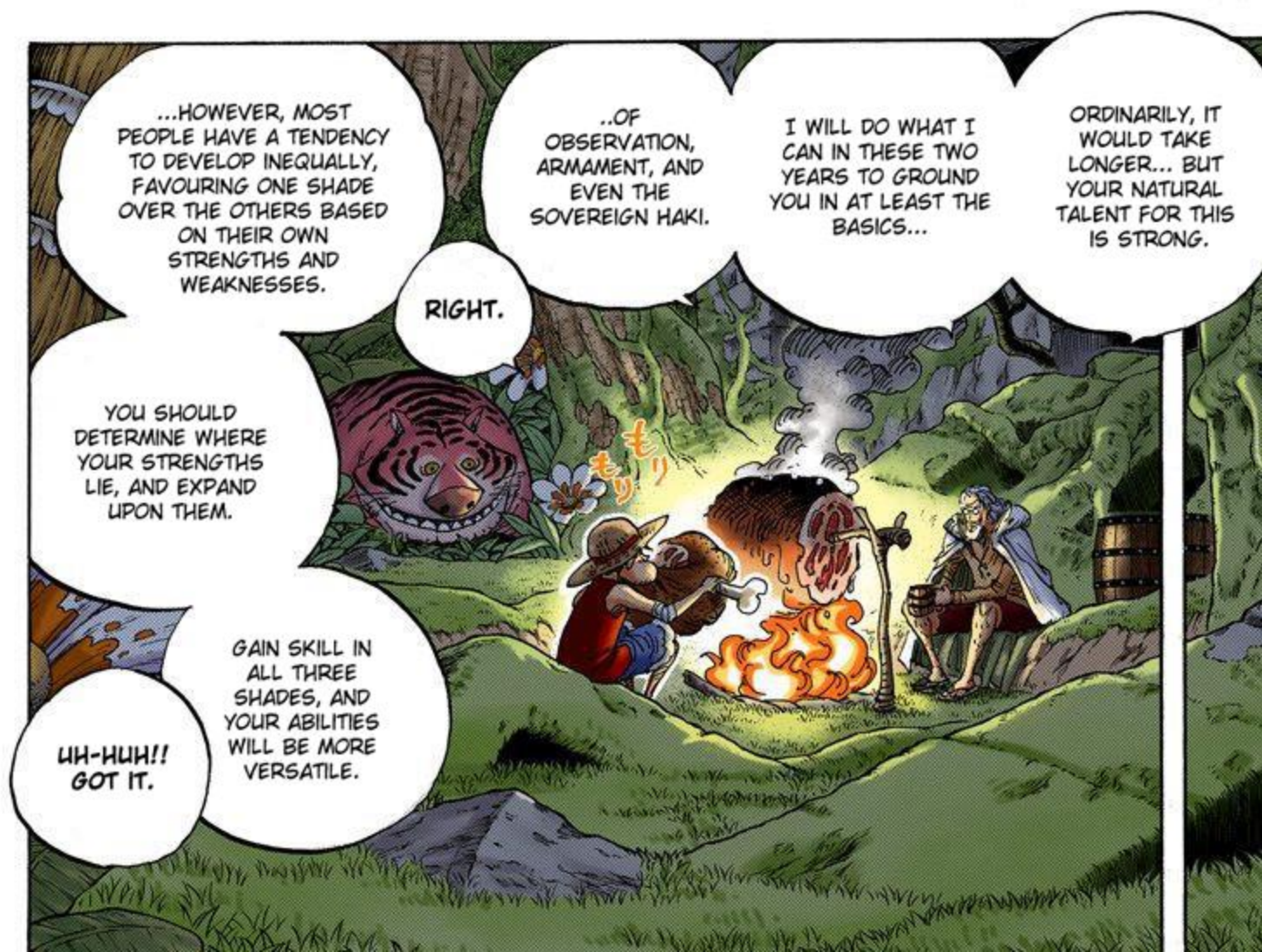
THAT'S WHAT YOU USED BACK IN THE AUCTION HOUSE....!!

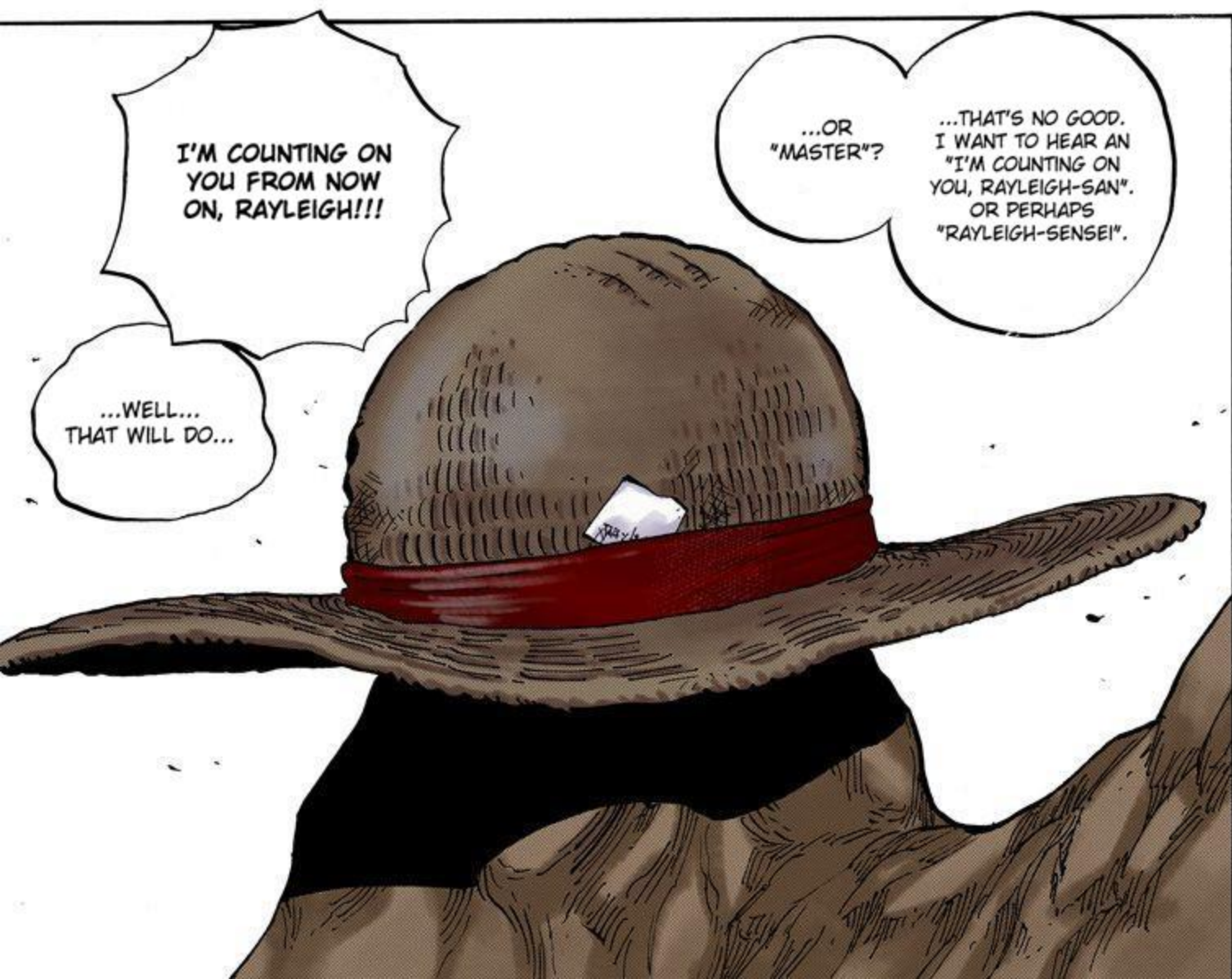
UNTIL YOU HAVE BROUGHT IT UNDER CONTROL, YOU MUST AVOID OVERUSING IT AT ALL COSTS.

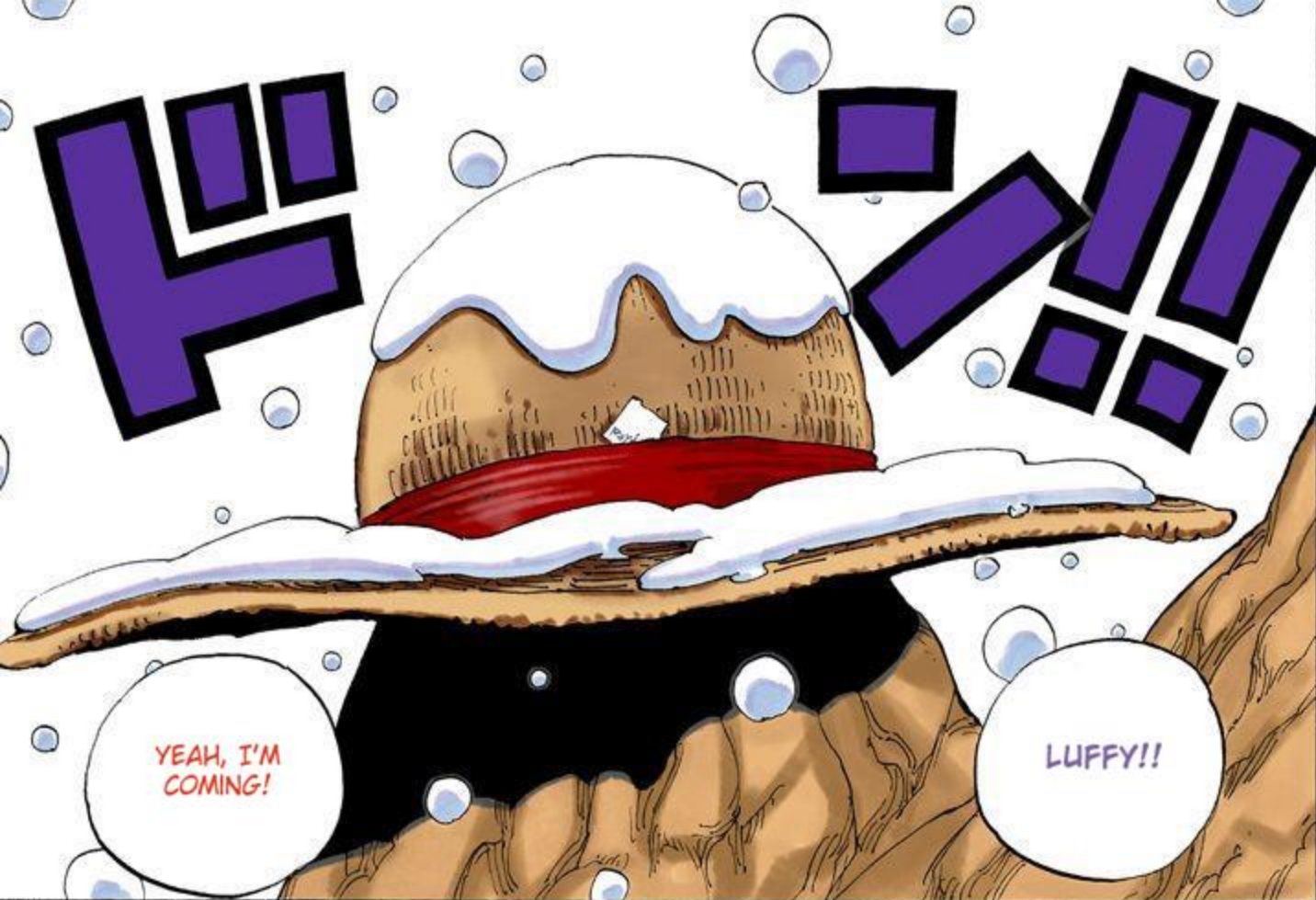
YOU HAVE EXPERIENCED IT FOR YOURSELF. I KNOW THAT YOUR POTENTIAL FOR THE SOVEREIGN HAKI HAS ALREADY BEEN AWAKENED.

OTHERWISE, YOU WILL FIND YOURSELF OVERPOWERING EVEN THOSE INNOCENT BYSTANDERS AROUND YOU....!!













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『2年後』

...GATHERING
ON THIS
ISLAND ONCE
AGAIN.

...WHO
HAVE MADE IT
THROUGH THE
HARDSHIPS OF
THE FIRST HALF
OF THE GRAND
LINE...

WELL, IT LOOKS
LIKE THERE ARE
PLENTY OF
PIRATES...

GRAND LINE:
THE SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO

THESE DAYS, THE
PIRATES OF THAT
GENERATION ARE
ROAMING THE SEAS OF
THE NEW WORLD.

AND THOUGH I
WOULDN'T SAY THEY'RE
NECESSARILY OF THE SAME
CALIBRE, THERE ARE A FAIR FEW
OVER-A-HUNDRED-MILLION
BOUNTIES HANGING AROUND
HERE RIGHT NOW, TOO.

I REMEMBER TWO YEARS
AGO, WHEN THE LIKES OF
KIDD AND DRAKE ARRIVED
HERE... THAT SURE WAS
A THRILL.

AND WHAT'S MORE, IT
LOOKS LIKE THEY'RE
RECRUITING....!! PLANNING
TO EXPAND THEIR CREW
AND HEAD OUT TO TAKE
THE NEW WORLD BY
STORM....!!

...THE STRAW HAT CREW,
WHO EVERYBODY HAD
THOUGHT WAS DEAD,
SUDDENLY SHOWING UP
RIGHT HERE ON THIS
ISLAND!!

STILL, IT SURE
WAS A SURPRISE!
AFTER VANISHING
COMPLETELY FOR
TWO WHOLE
YEARS...

NOW, DOESN'T
THAT JUST GIVE
YOU CHILLS!!
D'YOU THINK I
SHOULD GIVE IT A
SHOT?

仲間急募
D LUFFY

AND THIS ISLAND IS
WHERE HE'S DOING
HIS FINAL CONCERT!!

WE'RE TALKING THE
WORLD TOUR OF
MEGASTAR "SOUL
KING" BROOK!

THE TICKETS ARE
ALL SOLD OUT!
DID YOU REALLY
EXPECT ANYTHING
ELSE?!

ISN'T THERE
ANYTHING YOU
CAN DO?!

THE WHOLE
PLACE IS
PACKED TO
BURSTING!!

OH, I DO HOPE IT IS! OUR
TD SALES HAVE REACHED
A MILLION! THEY'RE
SELLING LIKE CRAZY!!

YOU REALLY ARE THE
KING OF THE SOUL
MUSIC WORLD!! JUST
LISTEN TO THE CROWD
OUT THERE!!

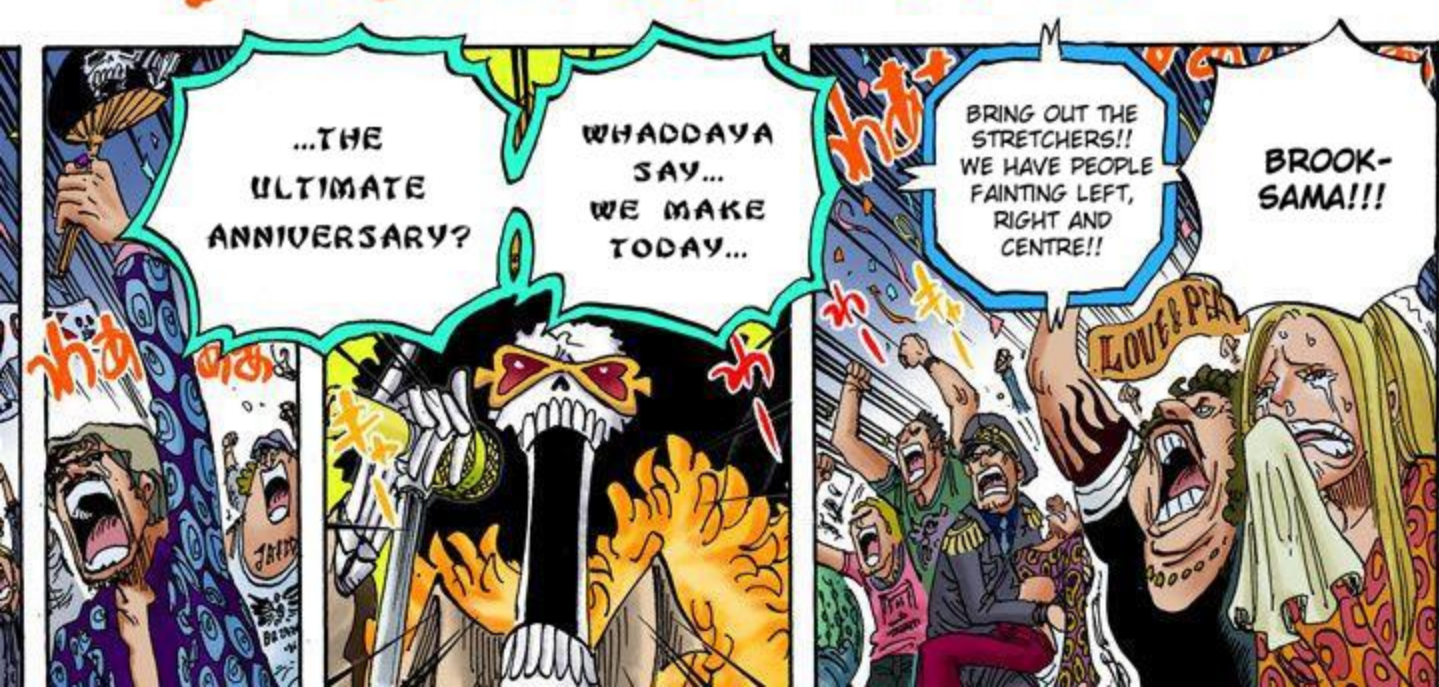
MANAGER!!
LET'S MAKE
THIS...

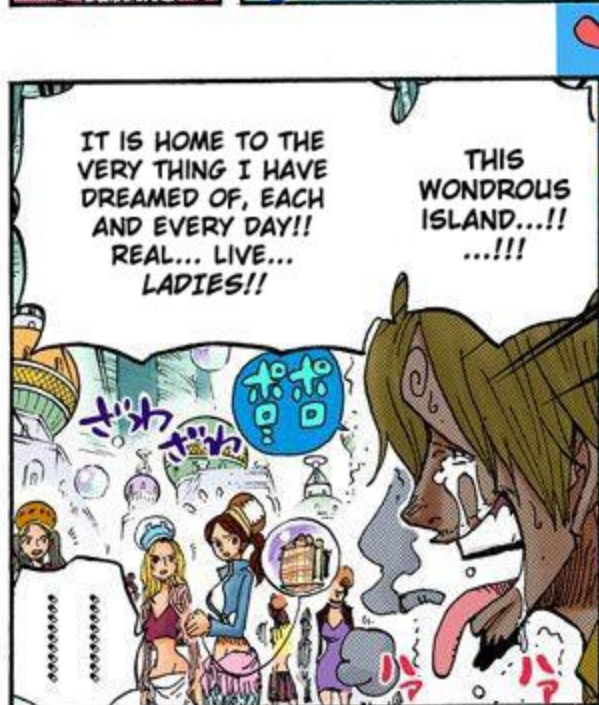
...THE MOST
AWESOME
SHOW EVER!!!

AND WHAT
MIGHT THAT
BE?

TRUTH IS... I'VE GOT
SOMETHING BIG TO
TELL YOU BEFORE THE
CONCERT STARTS!!

THE
SK★BROOK
FINALLIVE







WAIT FOR ME, NAMI-SWAAAAAN!♡
ROBIN-CHWAAAAAN!♡ FOR YOUR
BELOVED SANJI HAS RETURNED
FROM HIS EXILE IN HELL!!

OH, I WILL
NEVER BE ABLE
TO FORGET HIM!!

WELL, HE'S
CERTAINLY
AS WILD AS
EVER...
SAY, DID YOU
KNOW?

I HEAR BOYS
ARE ALWAYS
THE MOST
FOUL-MOUTHED
TOWARDS THE
GIRLS THEY
LIKE!



ISN'T MARINE
HEADQUAR-
TERS IN
MARINEFORD,
RIGHT NEAR
THE SHABONDY
ARCHIPELAGO?

THEY'VE
SET UP
A NEW
HEADQUAR-
TERS!

SAY, HAVE YOU
HEARD THE
NEWS ABOUT
THE MARINES?

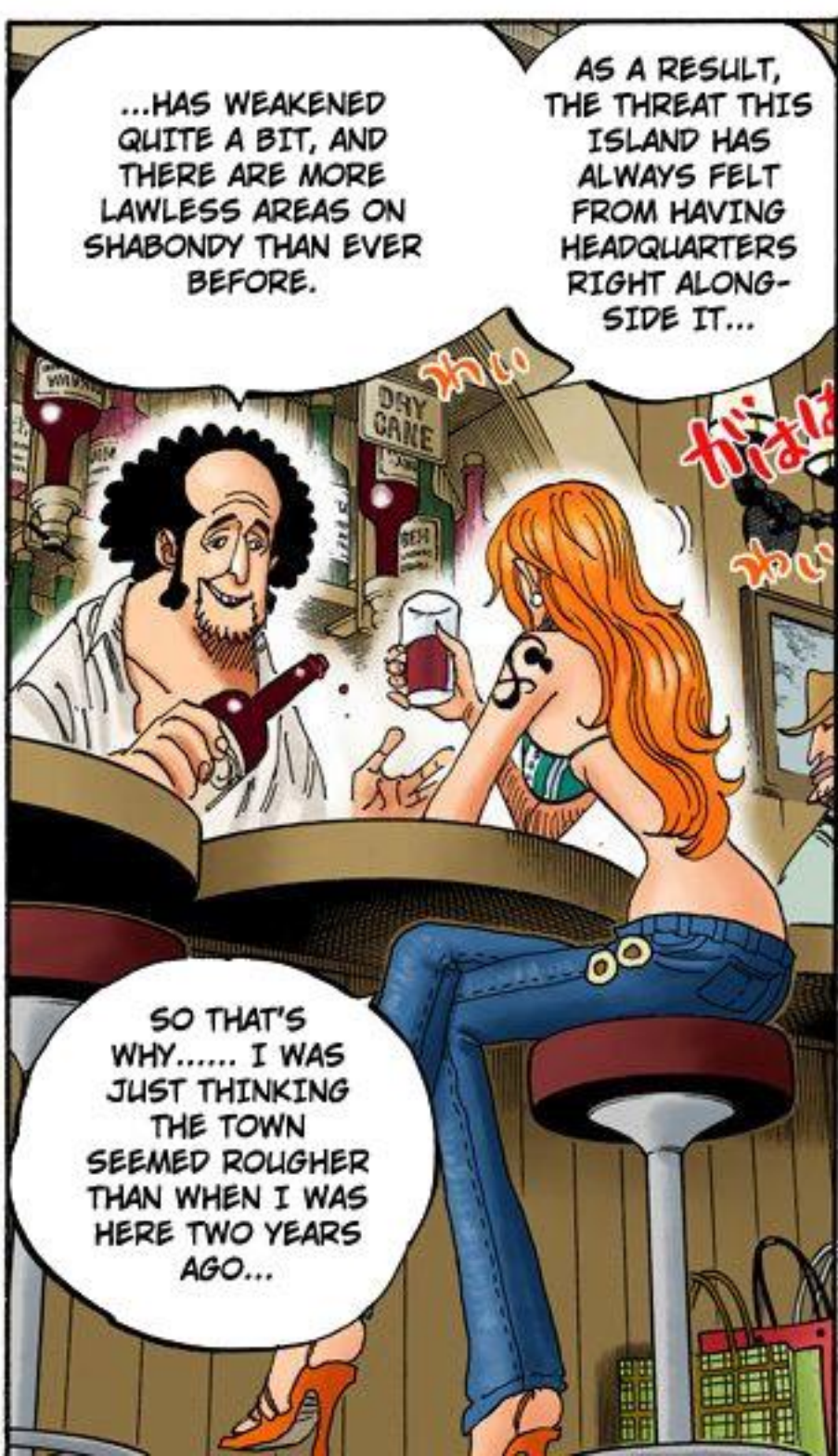


A CERTAIN
BAR



HMMM!? DID I
JUST HEAR
YOU RIGHT!?!?

YOUR BOUNTY'S
55 MILLION
BELI.....!?



...HAS WEAKENED
QUITE A BIT, AND
THERE ARE MORE
LAWLESS AREAS ON
SHABONDY THAN EVER
BEFORE.

AS A RESULT,
THE THREAT THIS
ISLAND HAS
ALWAYS FELT
FROM HAVING
HEADQUARTERS
RIGHT ALONG-
SIDE IT...

SO THAT'S
WHY..... I WAS
JUST THINKING
THE TOWN
SEEMED ROUGHER
THAN WHEN I WAS
HERE TWO YEARS
AGO...



NO, IT'S SWITCHED
PLACES WITH A PLACE
CALLED "G1", THEIR
FORMER BRANCH STATION
RIGHT ON THE OPPOSITE
SIDE OF THE RED LINE.

SENGOKU'S REPLACEMENT,
THE NEW MARINE FLEET
ADMIRAL, IS SHOWING THE
WORLD HE MEANS BUSI-
NESS!! WE'RE TALKING
ABOUT PLACING MARINE
HEADQUARTERS RIGHT
INSIDE THE TERRITORY OF
THE YONKOU, AFTER ALL!

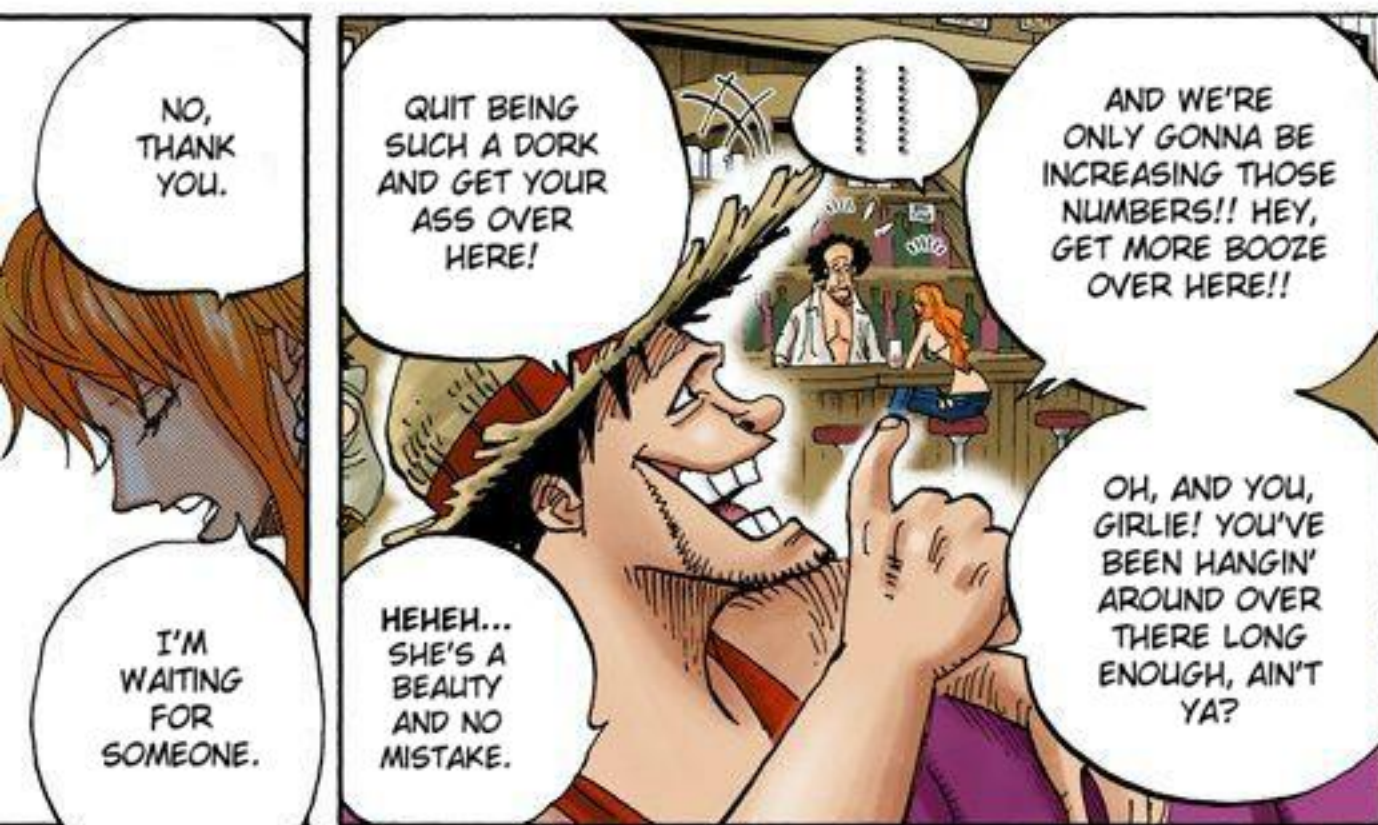


THE BROTHER CAPTAINS WITH BOUNTIES OF 210 AND 190 MILLION...!

AND TWO OF THOSE ARE THE ROOKIES EVERYONE'S TALKIN' ABOUT!

THE FAMOUS MARINE-KILLERS... WET-HAIR CARIBOU AND BLOOD-SPATTERER D CORIBOW!

DOHAHAH! NOW THAT'S THE KIND OF GUYS WE CAN USE!!



NO, THANK YOU.

I'M WAITING FOR SOMEONE.

QUIT BEING SUCH A DORK AND GET YOUR ASS OVER HERE!

AND WE'RE ONLY GONNA BE INCREASING THOSE NUMBERS!! HEY, GET MORE BOOZE OVER HERE!!

OH, AND YOU, GIRLIE! YOU'VE BEEN HANGIN' AROUND OVER THERE LONG ENOUGH, AIN'T YA?

HEHEH... SHE'S A BEAUTY AND NO MISTAKE.



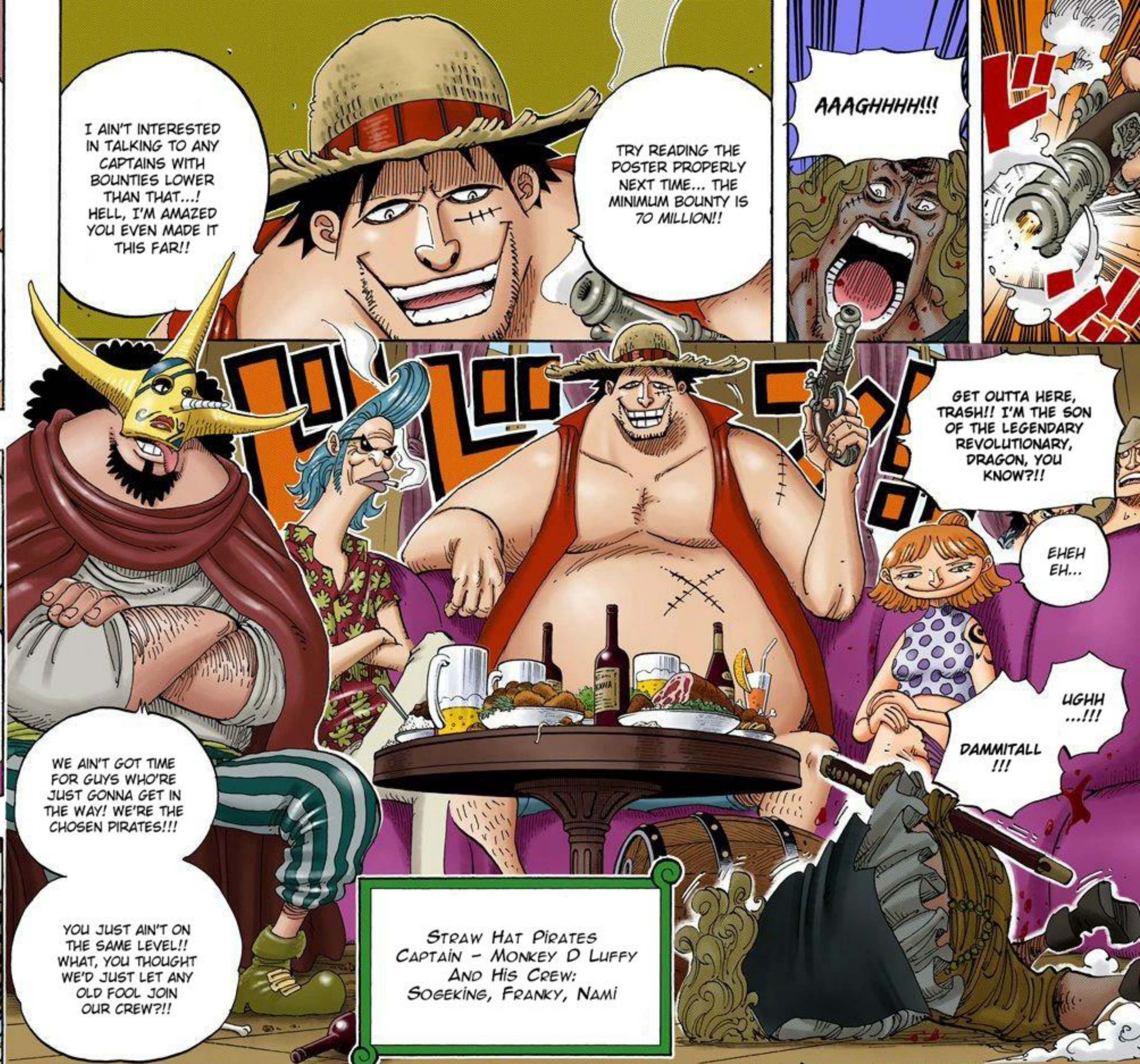
HAHAHAH! WAITING FOR A FELLA, ARE YOU?!

I'M SURE HE'S JUST A PUNY WEAKLING WHO'LL BE CRYING ON HIS KNEES THE SECOND HE HEARS CAPTAIN LUFFY'S NAME! NOW GET OVER HERE!

WHOA, WHOA! YOU OUGHTTA DO AS THAT GUY SAYS! HE'S STRAW HAT LUFFY, YOU KNOW!

THE MAD PIRATE WHO WENT CHARGING RIGHT THROUGH THE MIDDLE OF THE ULTIMATE WAR TWO YEARS AGO! YOU MUST'VE HEARD OF HIM, RIGHT?!

SHE REFUSED...!!!



I AIN'T INTERESTED IN TALKING TO ANY CAPTAINS WITH BOUNTIES LOWER THAN THAT...! HELL, I'M AMAZED YOU EVEN MADE IT THIS FAR!!

TRY READING THE POSTER PROPERLY NEXT TIME... THE MINIMUM BOUNTY IS 70 MILLION!!

AAAGHHHH!!!

GET OUTTA HERE, TRASH!! I'M THE SON OF THE LEGENDARY REVOLUTIONARY, DRAGON, YOU KNOW?!!

EHEH EH...

UGHH...!!!

DAMMITALL!!!

WE AIN'T GOT TIME FOR GUYS WHO'RE JUST GONNA GET IN THE WAY! WE'RE THE CHOSEN PIRATES!!!

YOU JUST AIN'T ON THE SAME LEVEL!! WHAT, YOU THOUGHT WE'D JUST LET ANY OLD FOOL JOIN OUR CREW?!!

STRAW HAT PIRATES
CAPTAIN - MONKEY D LUFFY
AND HIS CREW:
SOKEKING, FRANKY, NAMI



THE GRAND TOTAL IS ABOUT A HUNDRED... THREE FULL PIRATE CREWS HAVE JOINED US WHOLESAL, AND TEN OF 'EM HAVE BOUNTIES.

OI, FRANKY!! HOW MANY HAVE WE GOT SO FAR?

AAARGH HHH!!

GET OUTTA HERE!!

WELL, WHAT CAN YOU DO? THE GUY'S A LEGEND...

MAN, HE'S HARSH... THAT STRAW HAT LUFFY...

YOU'RE REALLY NOT
MY TYPE, SO I'M NOT
INTERESTED!

I'LL TELL
YOU ONE
MORE TIME.

!!!
SHE'S A
GONER...!

STOP!
WHAT ARE
YOU...?!

DO YOU
UNDERSTAND NOW?
MR. "STRAW HAT..."
...WHAT WAS IT
AGAIN?

!!
CRAP...!!
THIS IS NOT
GOOD!!!

!!
THE NAME'S
STRAW HAT
LUFFY, GOT
THAT?!!!

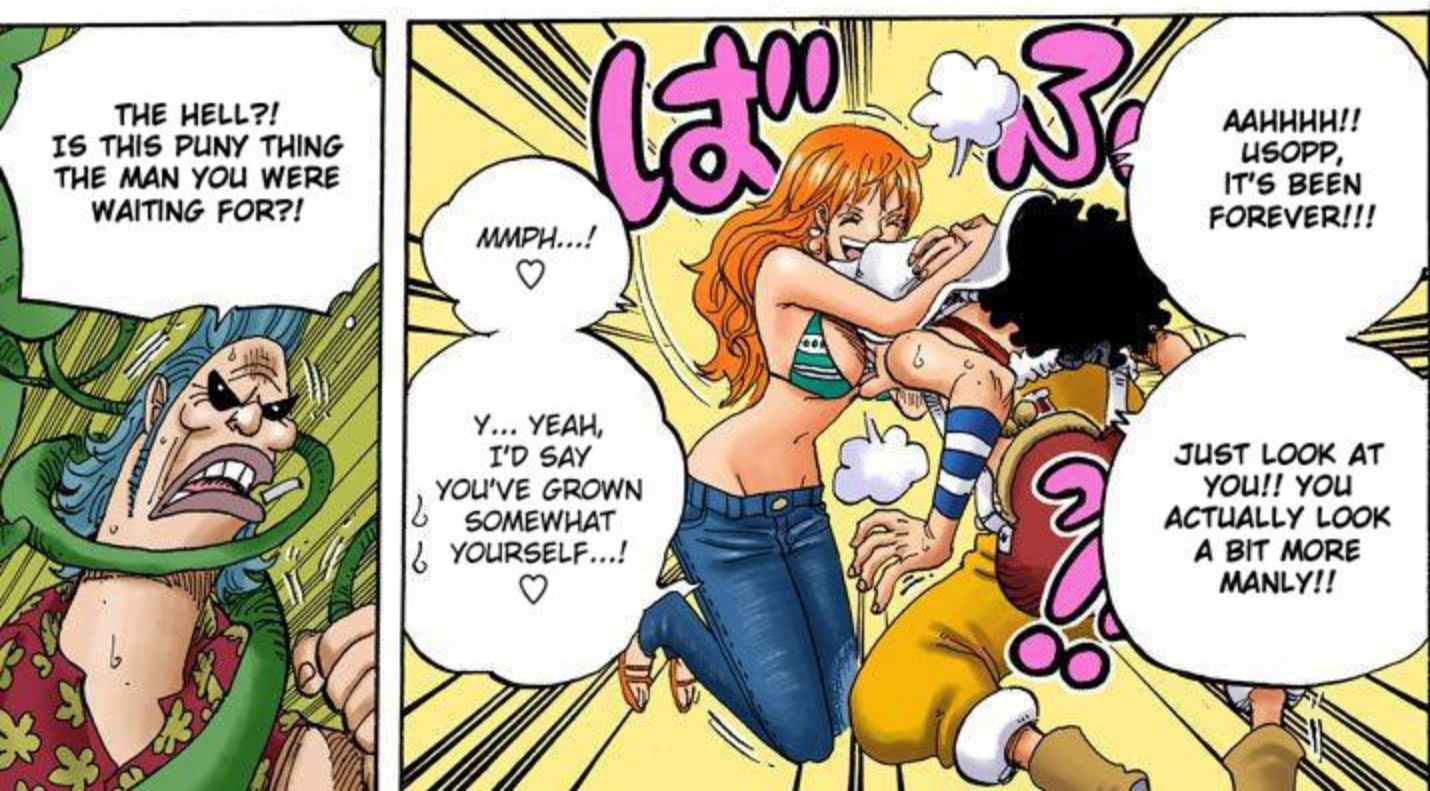
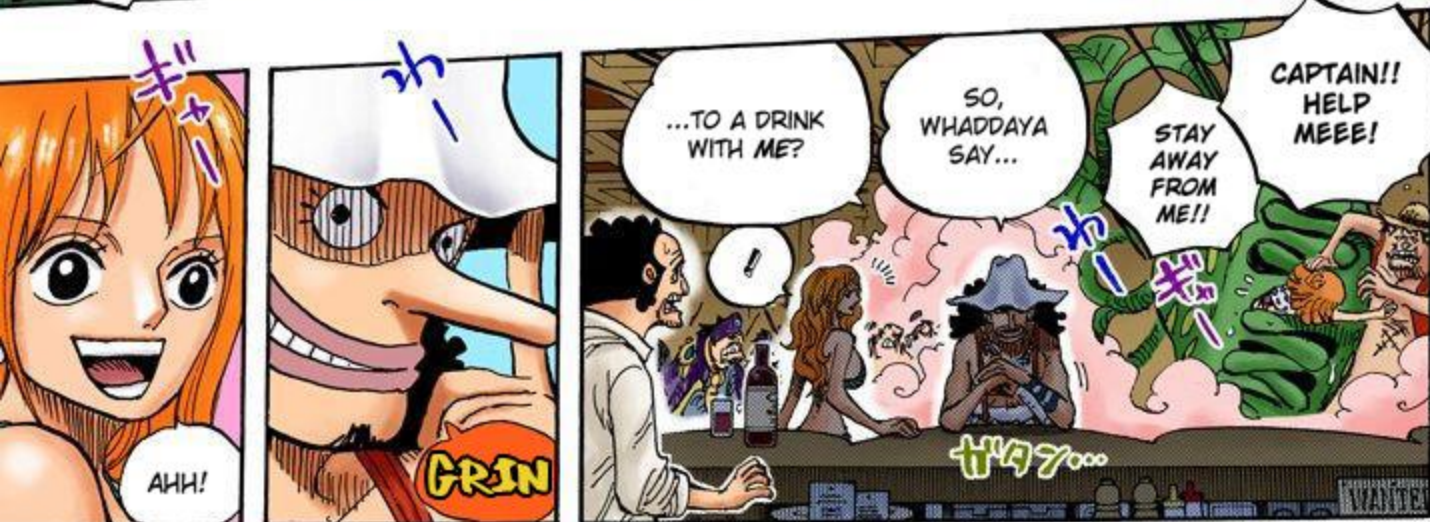
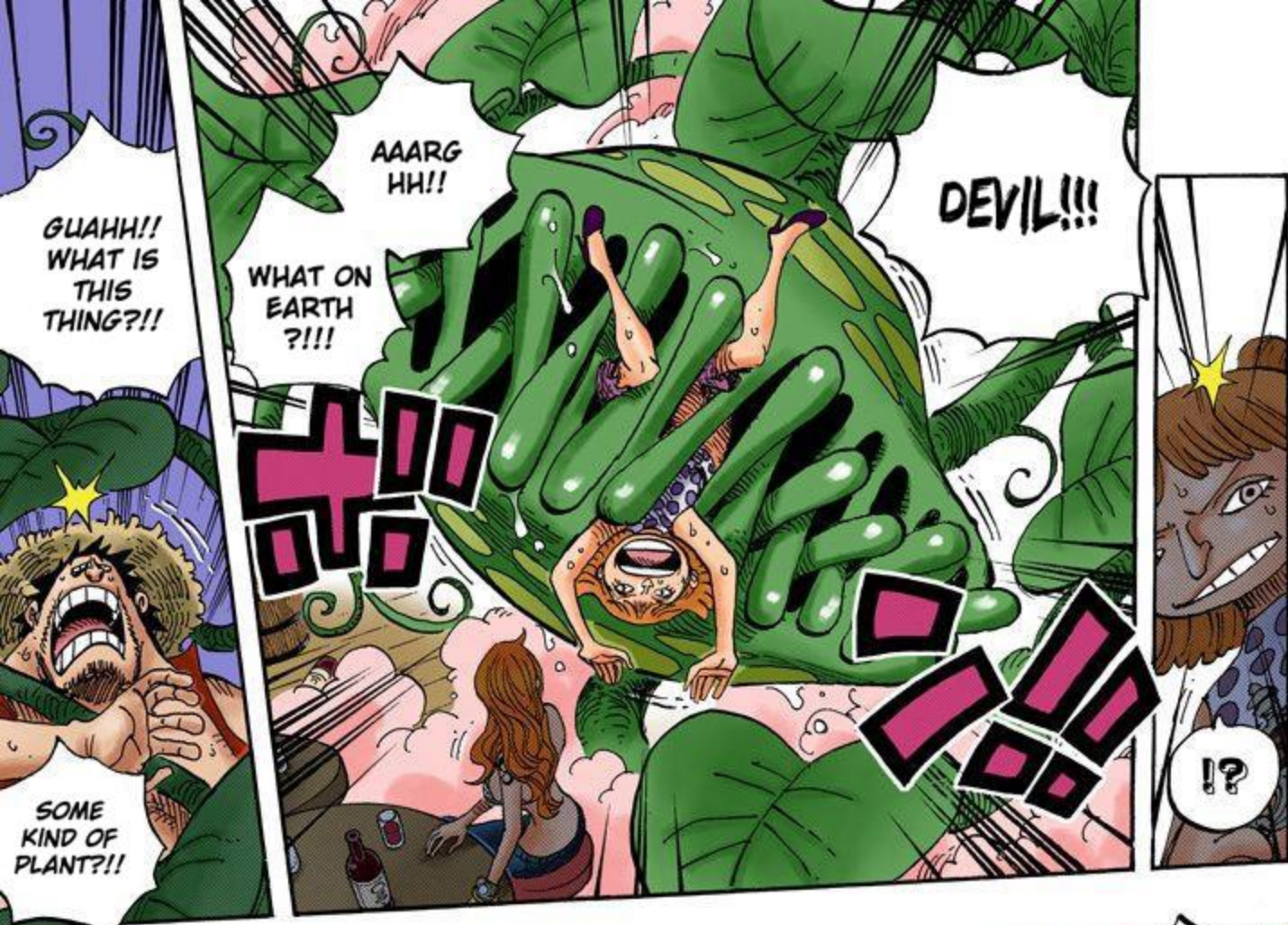
CLICK!

HISSATSU:
MIDORIBOSHI!!
("GREEN STAR")

AND JUST SO
YOU KNOW, I'M
A BOUNTY HEAD
MYSELF.

THE NAME'S
"CAT BURGLAR
NAMI". SO SHOW
SOME RESPECT!!

HOW ABOUT WE
GIVE YOU TWO
CHOICES, THEN,
HM?!! EITHER YOU
ACCEPT CAPTAIN
LUFFY'S
INVITATION...
OR YOU DIE!





I HAVEN'T BEEN JUST SITTING AROUND STARING OUT TO SEA THESE PAST TWO YEARS, YOU KNOW!

SURE DID!! IT'S MY NEW WEAPON... "POP GREEN"!!



DID YOU DO THAT?!



JUST IGNORE THEM, USOPP.

WHAT THE...?! SOGEKING?! BUT WHY...?!

YOU LITTLE BRAT!! YOU BETTER NOT BE TELLING ME THIS IS YOUR DOING...!!



SORRY, BUT...



HOLD IT, YOU BASTARDS...!! WHO THE HELL DO YOU THINK WE ARE?!!!

LET'S GO SOMEWHERE ELSE! I HAVE SOMETHING I NEED TO ASK YOU!



...I'M NOT GONNA BE A PART OF THE WEAKLING TRIO WITH YOU AND CHOPPER ANY MORE!!

THERE'S NOT A THING THAT CAN FAZE ME NOW!! I'VE BECOME A TRUE WARRIOR!!!

AH! MISS! YOU HAVEN'T PAID!!

EHH?!! LUFFY??!



WHAT THE HECK...? ...CLOUDS?

MISS, YOU HAVEN'T ...!!

HM? WHAT ARE THESE BLACK BUBBLE THINGS...?

THEY'RE MAKING FOOLS OF US!! GET 'EM!!



GRUAAAAAAH
HHHHHHHH!!!

YOU'VE BEEN ON A SKY ISLAND THIS WHOLE TIME?!!

SERIOUSLY?!!

...AND YOU SEE, I'VE MANAGED TO GET MY HANDS ON A FEW NEW SKILLS...



...!!! FIND THOSE TWO BASTARDS AND SHOOT 'EM DOWN!!!



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PANT... PANT...



バキィッ!!



BUT OF COURSE.
THERE'S NOT A
SCRATCH ON IT,
AND I'VE GOT THE
COATING ALL
FINISHED UP.

SO THE SUNNY'S
ALL RIGHT...
WELL, THAT'S
GOOD TO HEAR.

AND THE SECOND
TO ARRIVE WAS
FRANKY-CHAN. HE
SHOWED UP TEN
DAYS AGO AND
HEADED STRAIGHT
TO THE SHIP.

WELL, DAMN...
THERE REALLY
MUST BE SOME
STORMY SEAS
AHEAD...

THAT IDIOT
SWORDSMAN
WAS THE
FIRST ONE
HERE?!!

IT LOOKS LIKE
HE DID AN
EXCELLENT JOB
OF LOOKING
AFTER IT.

GROVE #13:
SHAKKIE'S
RIP-OFF
BAR



WE'RE IN
YOUR DEBT,
DUVAL.

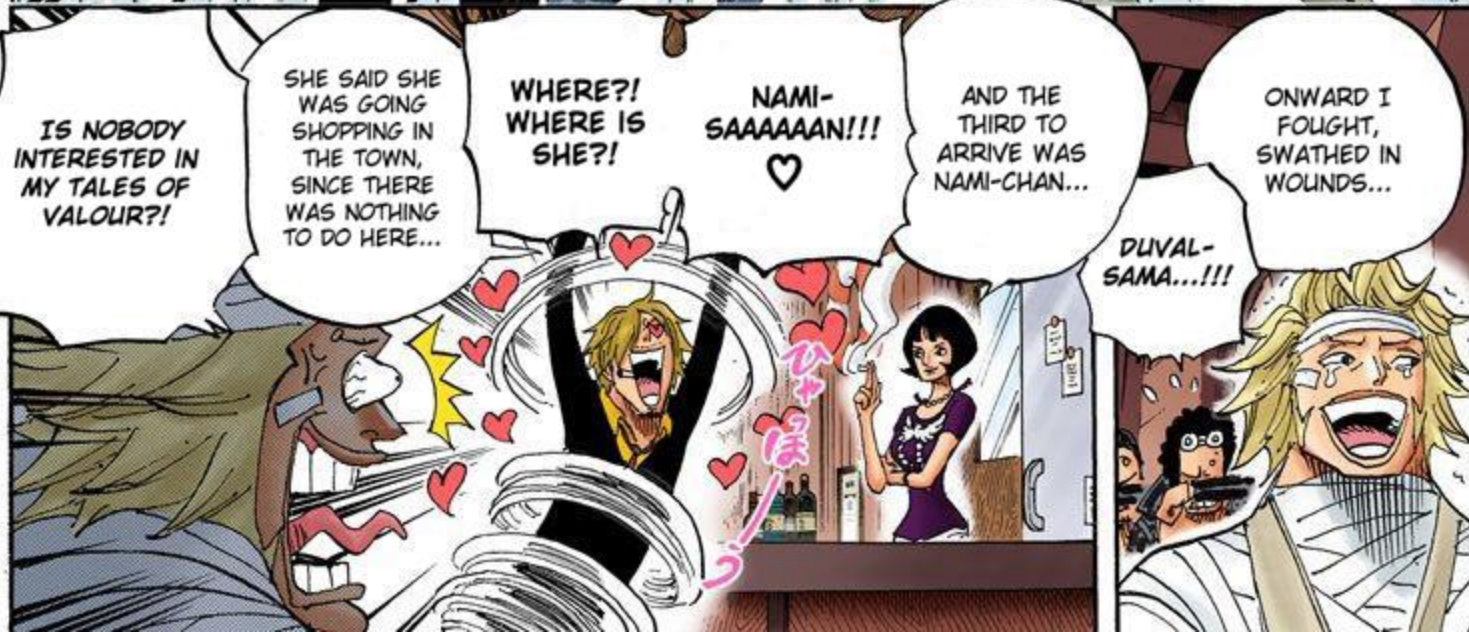
YOU HAVE A
STRONGER
SENSE OF
LOYALTY THAN
I THOUGHT...

YES!! ONE
YEAR TO
RECOVERY!!

I MAY HAVE
SUFFERED
BATTLE
WOUNDS, BUT I
HAVE NO
REGRETS!!

HM?!
HANDSOME, YOU SAY?!
AHAHAHAHA!!
I WAS MERELY
RETURNING THE
FAVOUR, YOUNG
MASTEEER!!

OH YES, I STRUGGLED
THROUGH STORMS AND
GALES, AND BATTLED THE
MANY DASTARDLY PIRATES
WHO WANTED THE SHIP
FOR THEMSELVES... DAY
AFTER TERRIBLE DAY...



IS NOBODY
INTERESTED IN
MY TALES OF
VALOUR?!

SHE SAID SHE
WAS GOING
SHOPPING IN
THE TOWN,
SINCE THERE
WAS NOTHING
TO DO HERE...

WHERE?!
WHERE IS
SHE?!

NAMI-
SAAAAAAN!!!
♡

AND THE
THIRD TO
ARRIVE WAS
NAMI-CHAN...

ONWARD I
FOUGHT,
SWATHED IN
WOUNDS...

DUVAL-
SAMA...!!!

SO ALL IN ALL,
THERE ARE SEVEN
OF YOU HERE IN THE
ARCHIPELAGO.

BROOKE-CHAN IS
ON THE ISLAND
TODAY AS WELL,
FOR HIS FINAL
CONCERT.

AND THAT
MAKES YOU
THE SIXTH.

CHOPPER-CHAN
SHOWED UP
FIFTH - THAT
WAS ONLY
YESTERDAY.

USOPP WAS THE
FOURTH, AND
HE'S IN TOWN
AS WELL...

CON-
CERT?

NAMI-SAN IS
SHOPPING...
NAMI-SAN IS
SHOPPING...

YEAH. STILL, I'M
SURPRISED TO HEAR YOU
WERE TRAINING LUFFY.

HE MUST BE
OUTRAGEOUSLY
STRONG BY
NOW.

EVEN THOUGH
JUST MAKING IT
BACK TO THIS ISLAND
SHOULD, OF COURSE,
BE NONE TOO SIMPLE
A TASK...

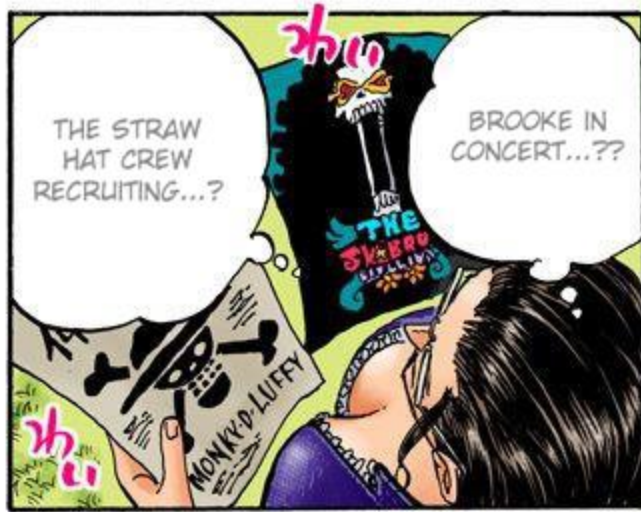
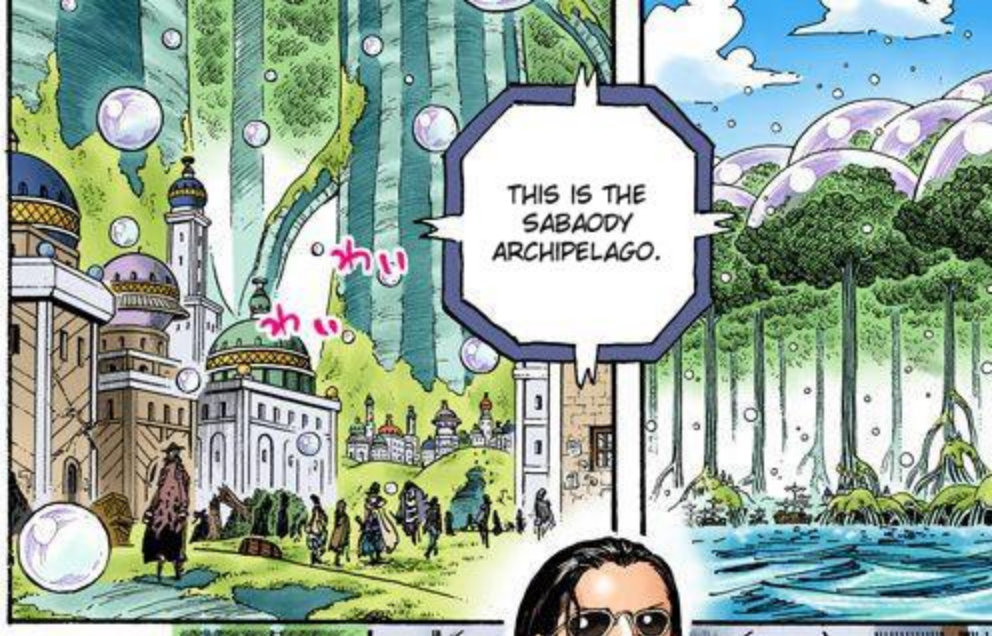
ONLY NICO
ROBIN AND
LUFFY HAVE
YET TO
APPEAR.

I HAVEN'T SEEN
HIM MYSELF FOR
HALF A YEAR! I'M
LOOKING FORWARD
TO SEEING HOW
HE'S GROWN!

AND HOW MUST
NAMI-SAN HAVE
GROWN OVER
THE PAST TWO
YEARS...?!

...ARE YOU
ALL RIGHT?

YOU REALLY ARE QUITE
SOME CREW. IT'S GOOD
TO SEE YOU ALL MAKING
IT BACK.





WHAT, SO IT'S
MISTAKEN US FOR ITS
REAL MASTERS COME
BACK FROM THE DEAD
AND STARTED
FOLLOWING US
AROUND?!

THEN WE
OUGHTTA GET
RID OF THE FOX
AND KEEP THE
REAL THING
INSTEAD!!

IT'LL HELP BACK
UP OUR STORY IF
WE HAVE THE
PET FROM THE
BOUNTY
POSTER!!

STRAW HAT PIRATES:
ZORO, SANJÍ, ROBIN,
CHOPPER

THE CREW MUST
HAVE ABANDONED IT
HERE ON THE
ARCHIPELAGO BACK
WHEN THEY WERE
STILL ALIVE, AND IT'S
BEEN LIVING HERE
AS A STRAY EVER
SINCE...!

THIS THING IS
THE REAL
"CANDY-FLOSS
LOVER CHOPPER,
SO BELI, PET"!!

NOT THAT
I MIND OR
ANYTHING!

YOU ALL
SEEM KIND OF
DIFFERENT NOW,
HUH?!

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COME
HERE,
LITTLE
CHOPPER!
♡

HERE,
HAVE A
CUCUMBER!

UWAHH!!
ROBIN'S
SCARY!!

GET
OUTTA
HERE!

SHOO!
SHOO,
SHOO!!

WOUGH

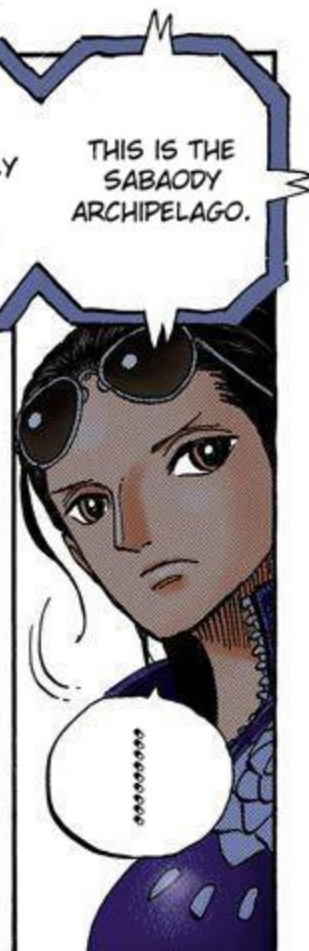
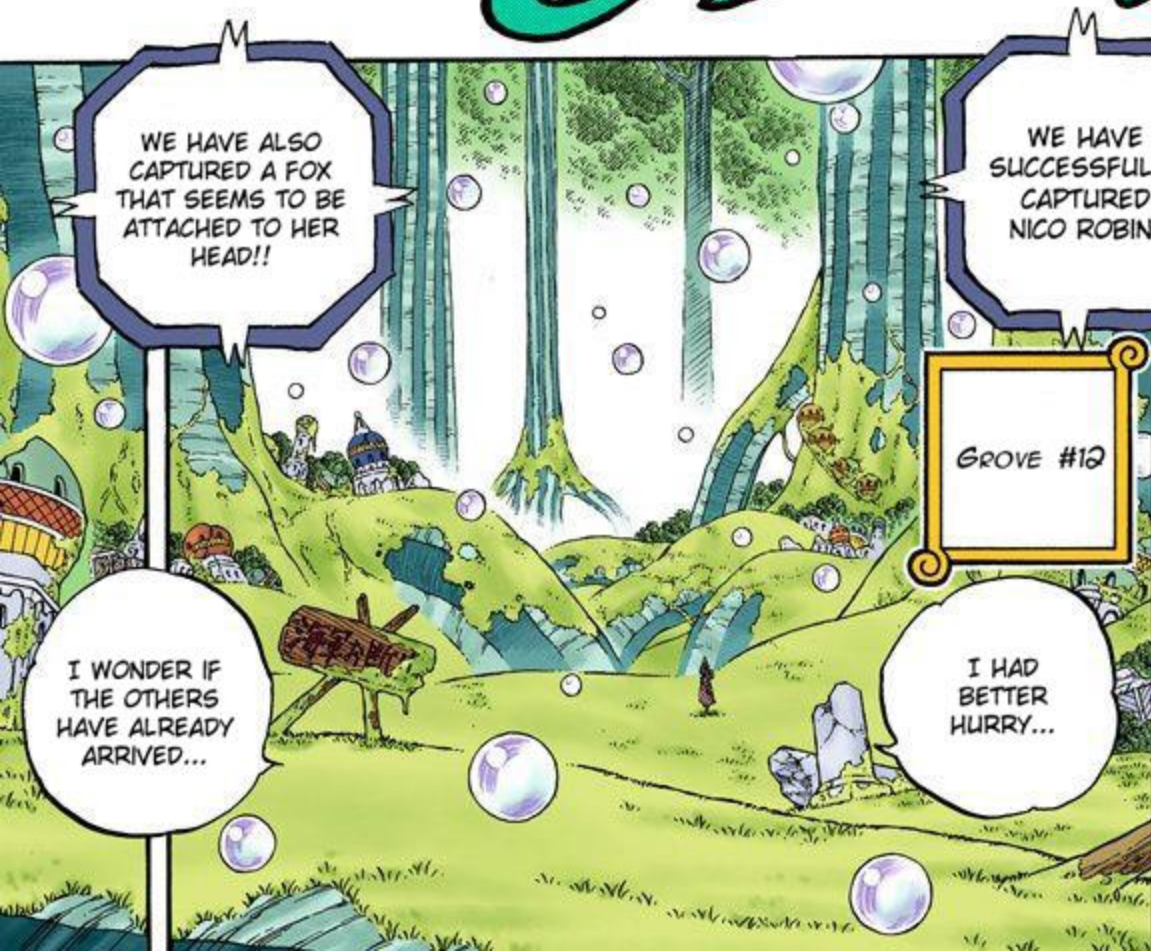
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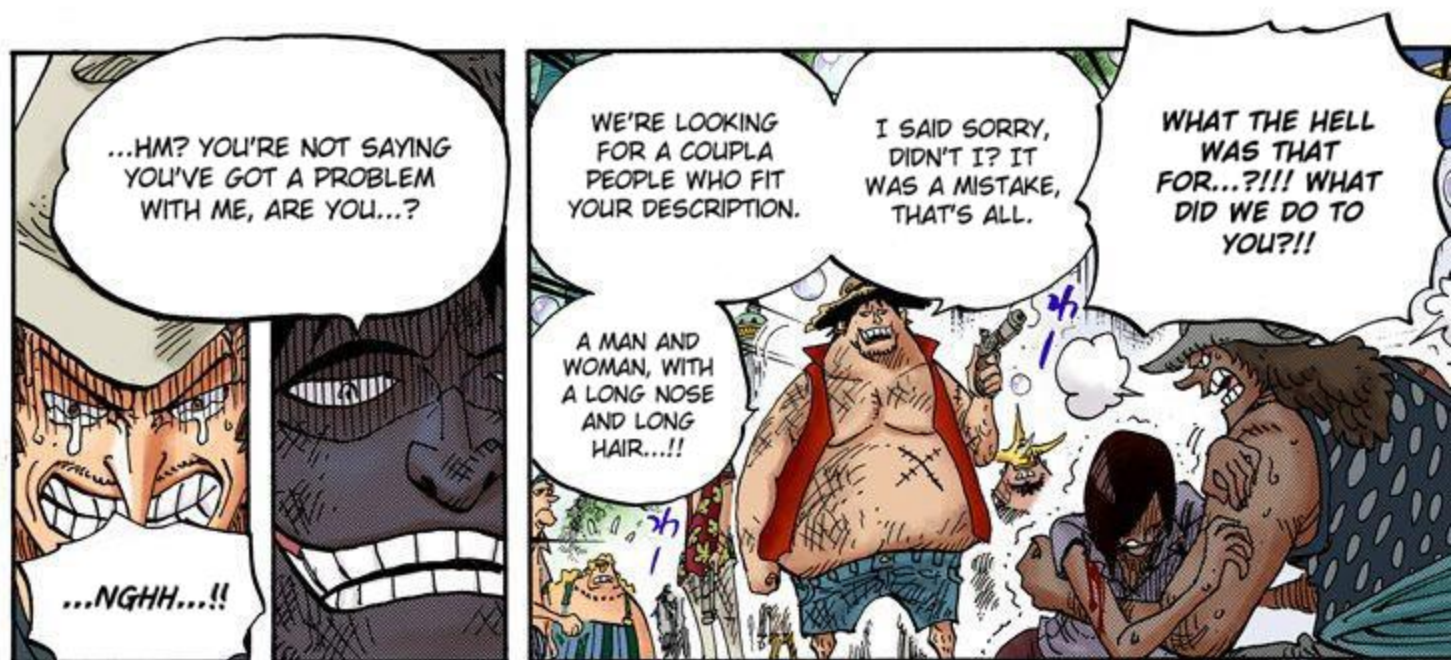
SHOO!

KEEP ITT?
WHAT WOULD WE
FEED IT?

YEAH,
RIGHT...!

WELL,
CANDY
FLOSS, OF
COURSE!

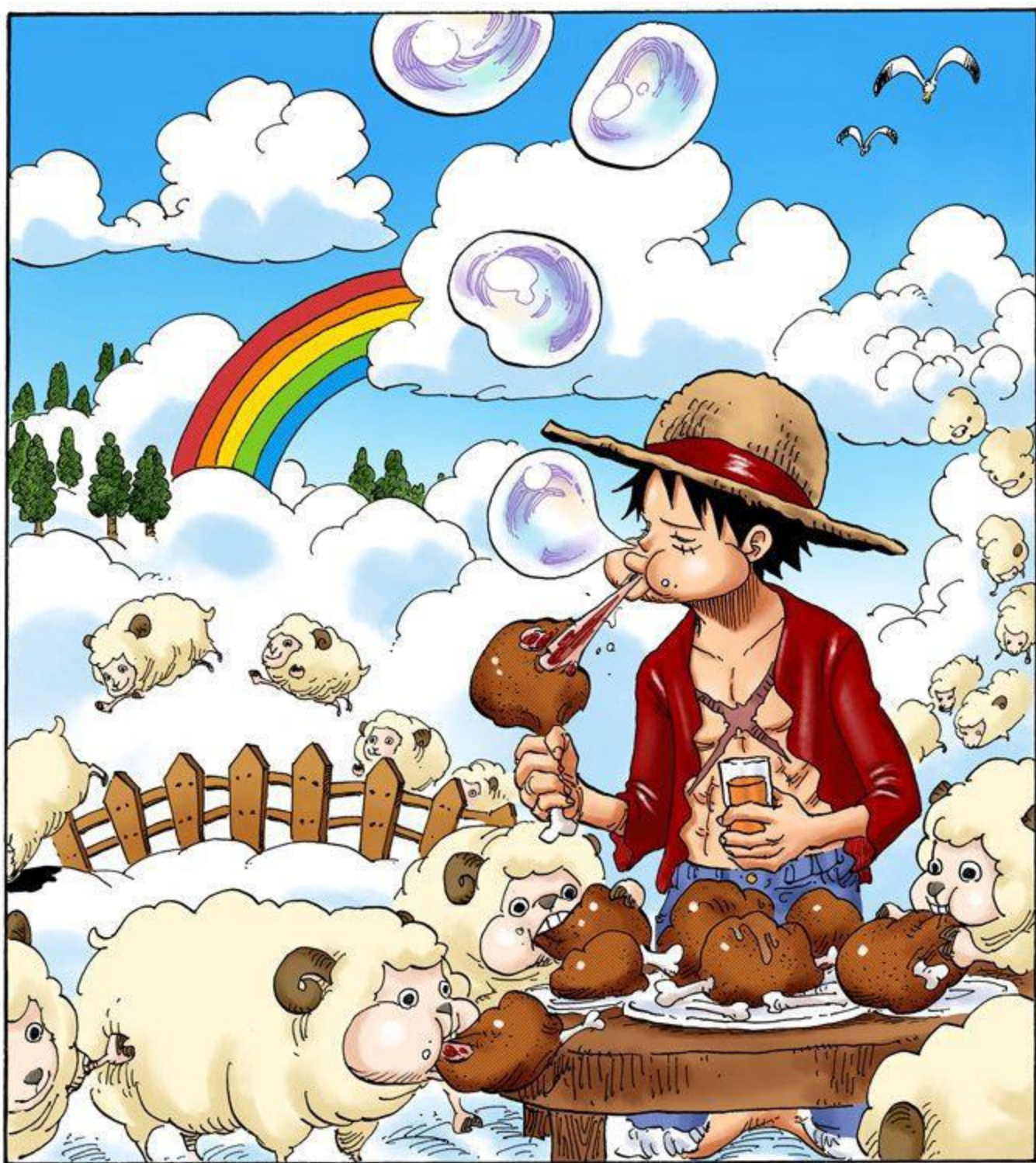






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"THE NINE PIRATES"

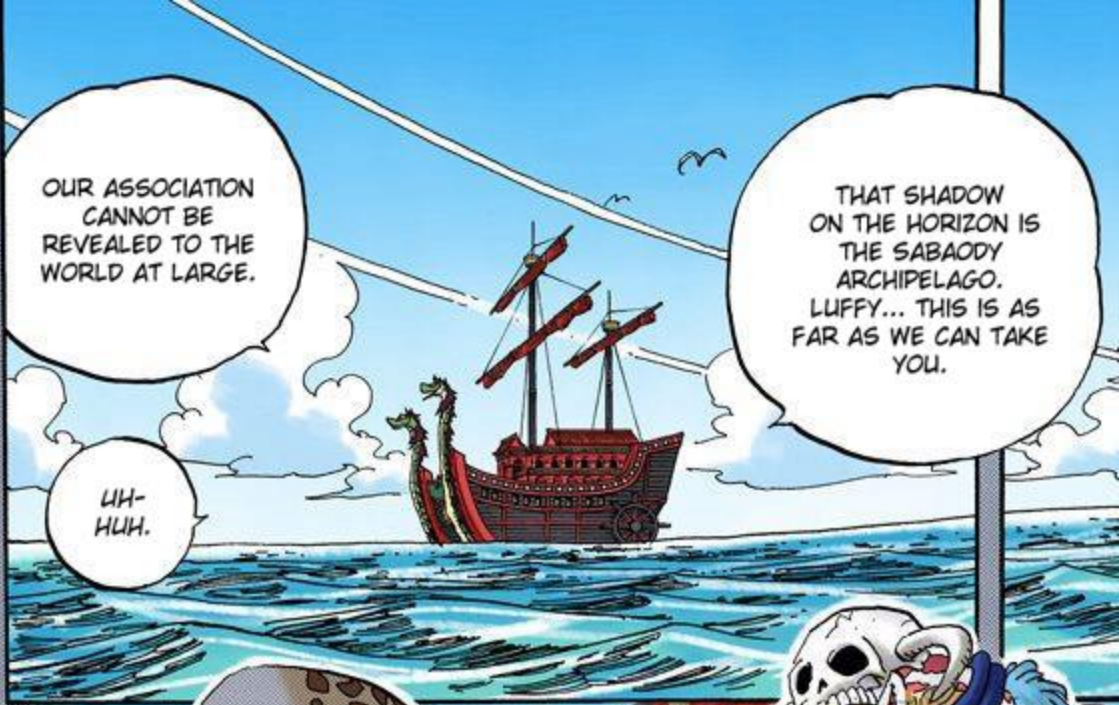


"LUFFY GETS PUT TO SLEEP BY SHEEP AND THEY STEAL HIS FOOD".
FROM PEN-NAME "MOTHER OF TWINS" IN HYOGO PREFECTURE



YOU SHOULD WEAR THIS... LIKE SO.

AAAAHAH!
I DON'T NEED THAT! DON'T WORRY, NO-ONE'LL FIND OUT!



OUR ASSOCIATION CANNOT BE REVEALED TO THE WORLD AT LARGE.

UH-HUH.

THAT SHADOW ON THE HORIZON IS THE SABAODY ARCHIPELAGO. LUFFY... THIS IS AS FAR AS WE CAN TAKE YOU.



...OH, AND I HAVE PREPARED A RUCKSACK FOR YOU WITH 500 CHANGES OF CLOTHES, ENOUGH PACKED LUNCHES FOR A THOUSAND MEN..... HANDKERCHIEFS, TISSUES, AND FIVE YEARS' WORTH OF TOWELS... THREE YEARS' WORTH OF DRINKING WATER AND SNACKS, SILVER CUTLERY...

MAKE THAT THING LIGHTER.

OH, AND TOILETRIES, TOOTHBRUSHES, SOAP, HAND CREAM, SUNTAN, INSECT REPELLENT, OR INSECT BITES-THAT SHOULD LAST YOU EIGHT



YOU DO NOT WANT IT? STILL, YOU SHOULD AT LEAST HIDE YOUR FACE...

THE WORLD MAY CURRENTLY THINK YOU TO BE DEAD...

...BUT THEY KNOW YOUR FACE WELL FROM THE INCIDENT TWO YEARS AGO.

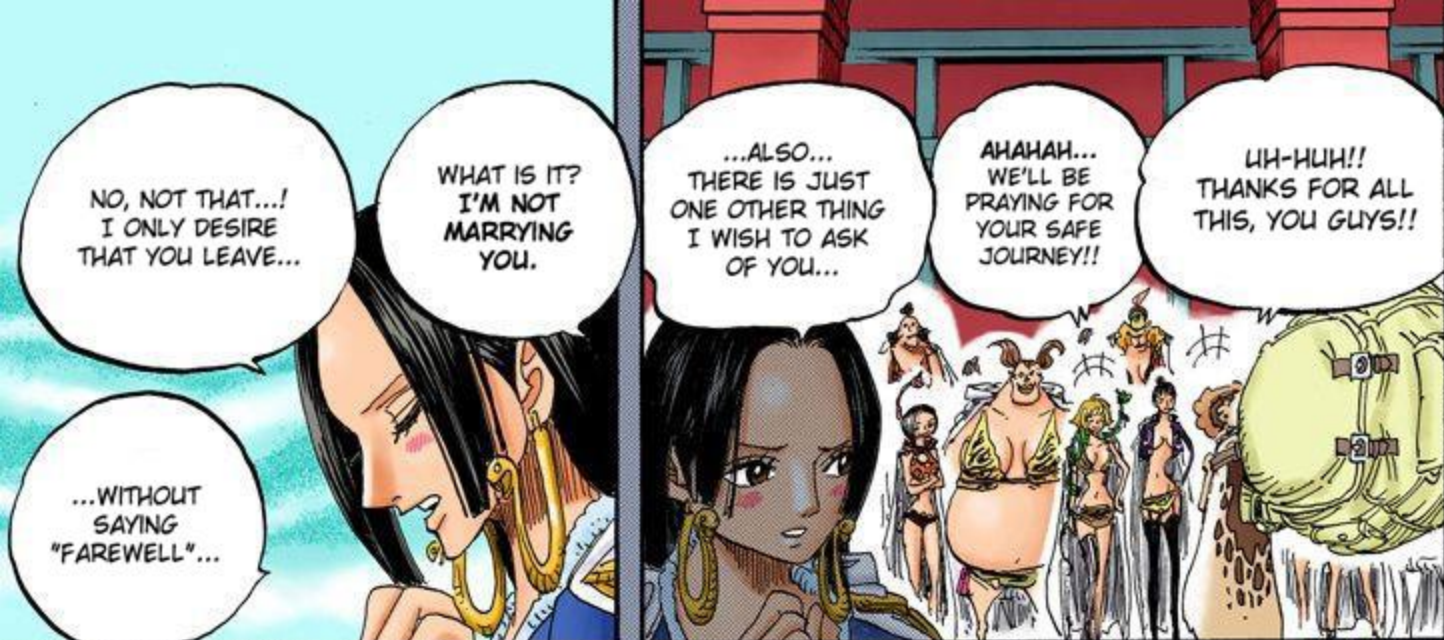
IF YOU CAUSE A DISTURBANCE, IT MAY DELAY YOUR JOURNEY.

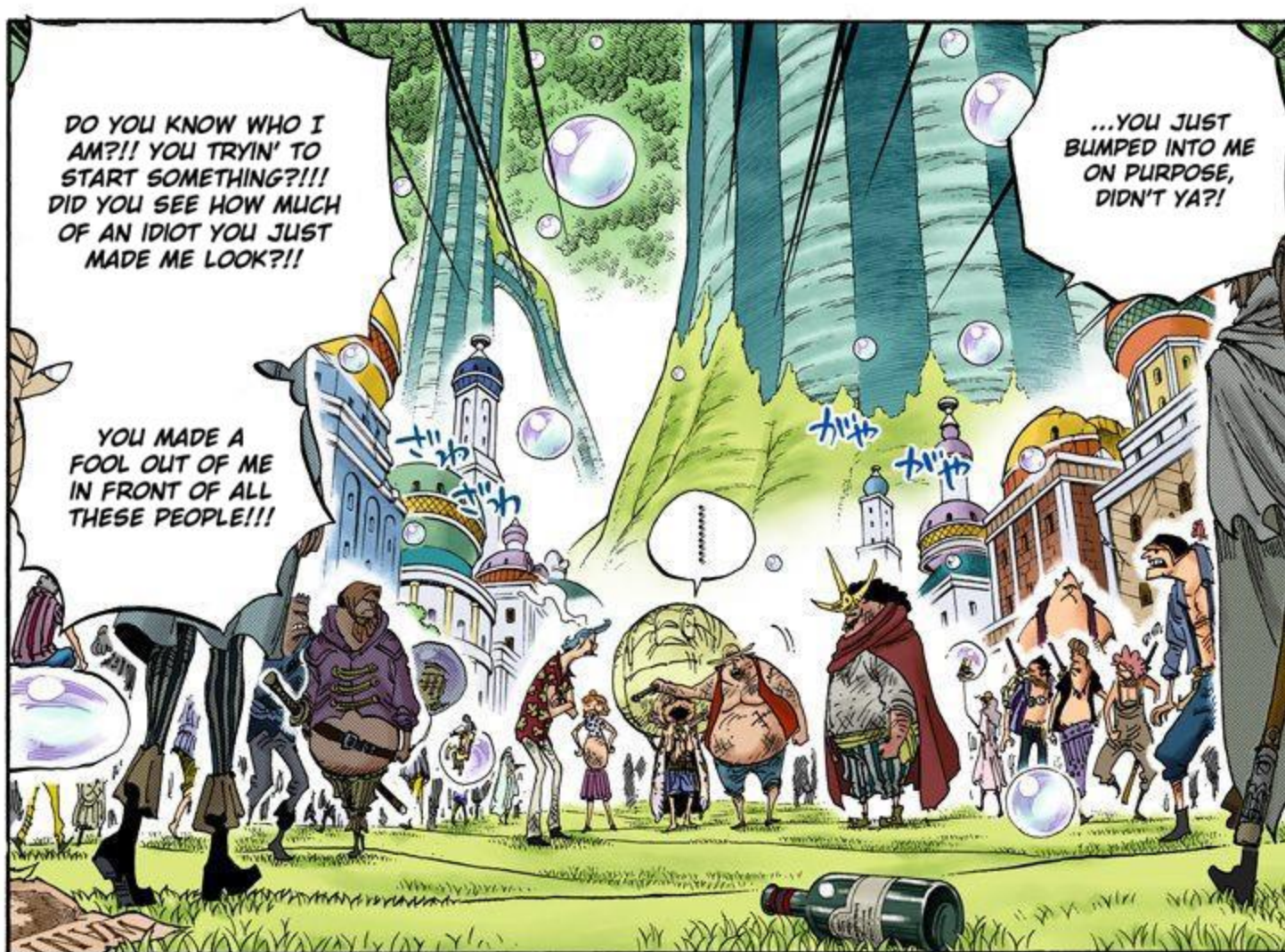
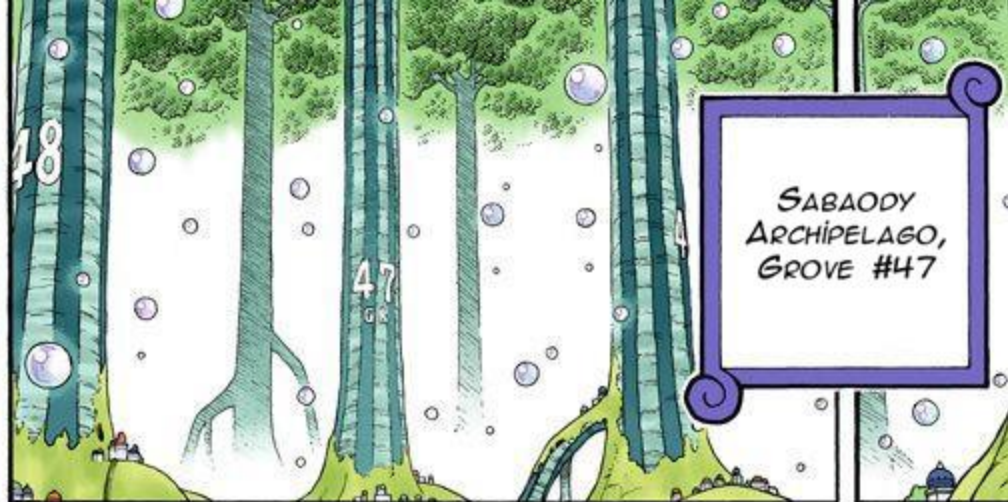
YEAH, I KNOW!



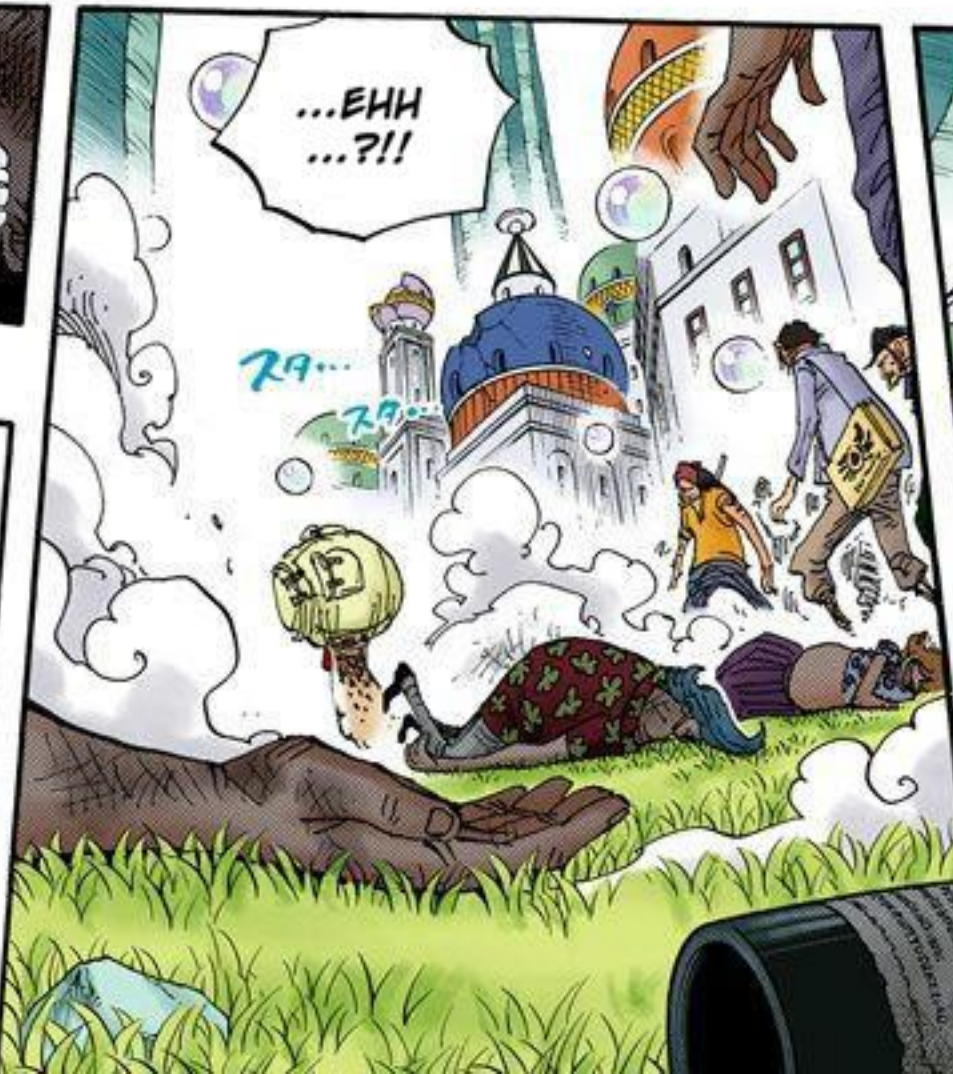
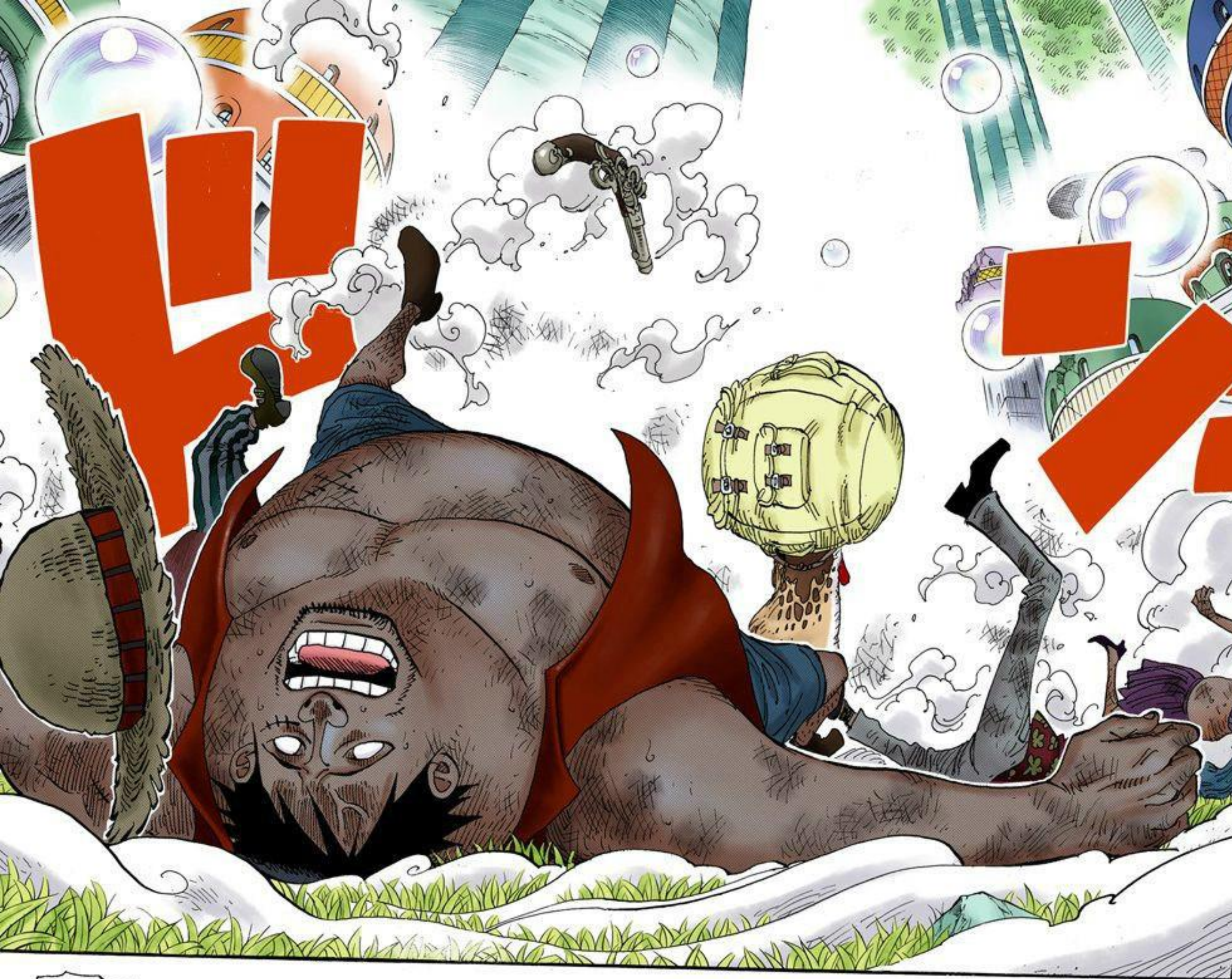
PLEASE DO NOT FORGET THIS.

WE OF THE KUJA PIRATES WILL ALWAYS BE READY TO COME TO YOUR AID SHOULD YOU EVER NEED US!!

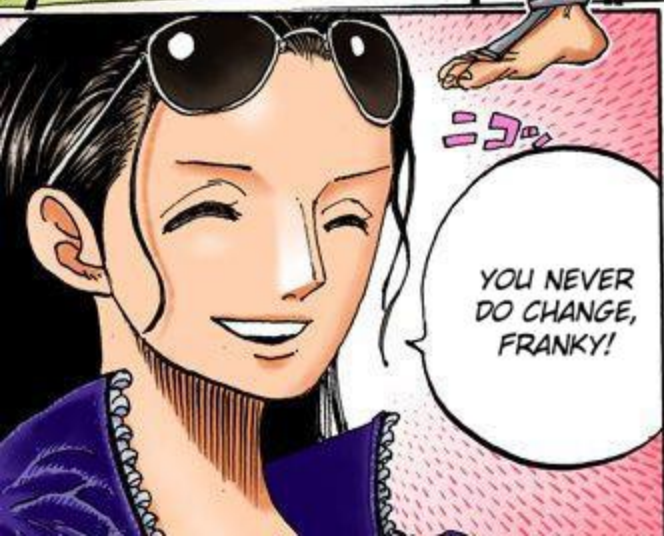
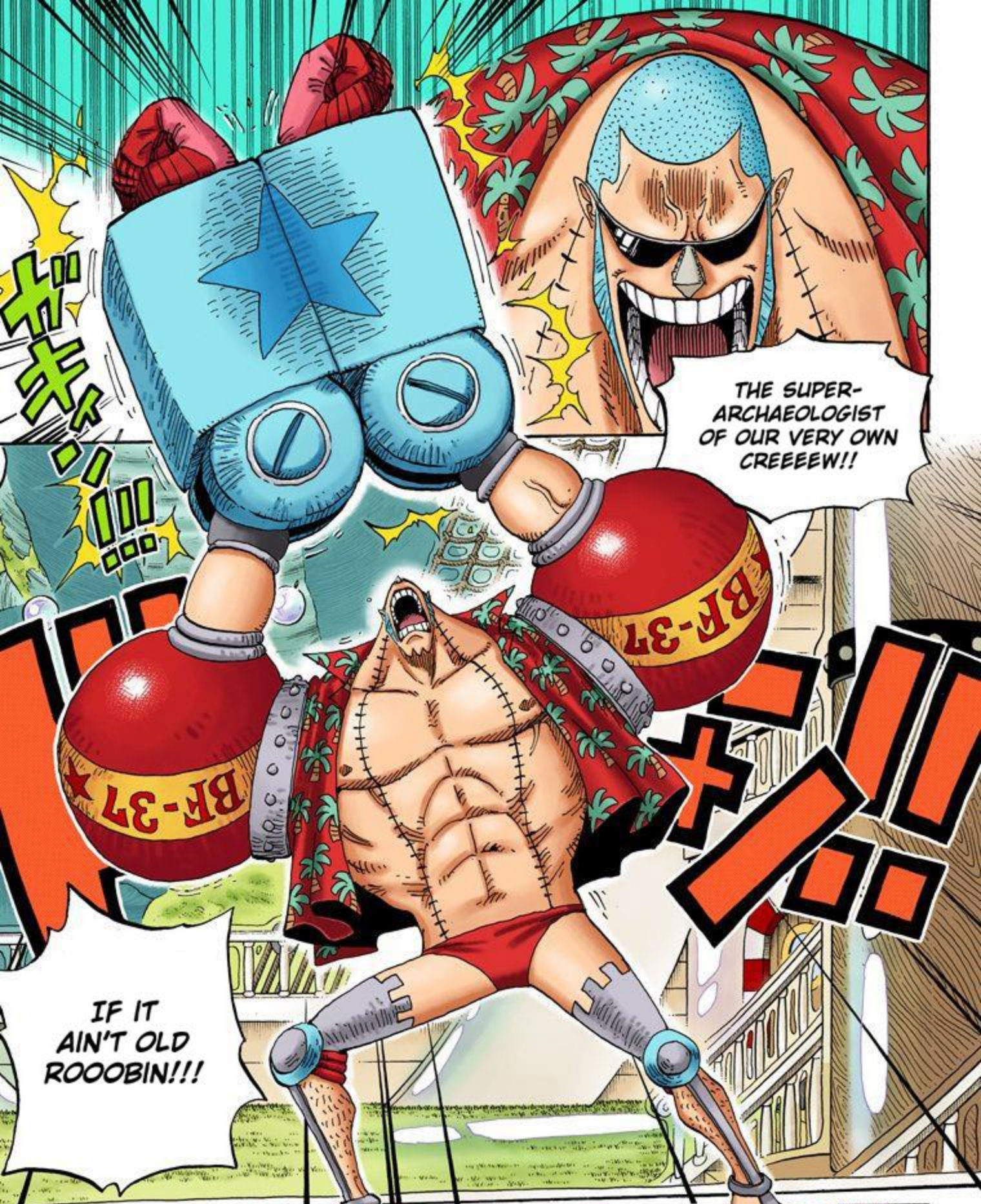


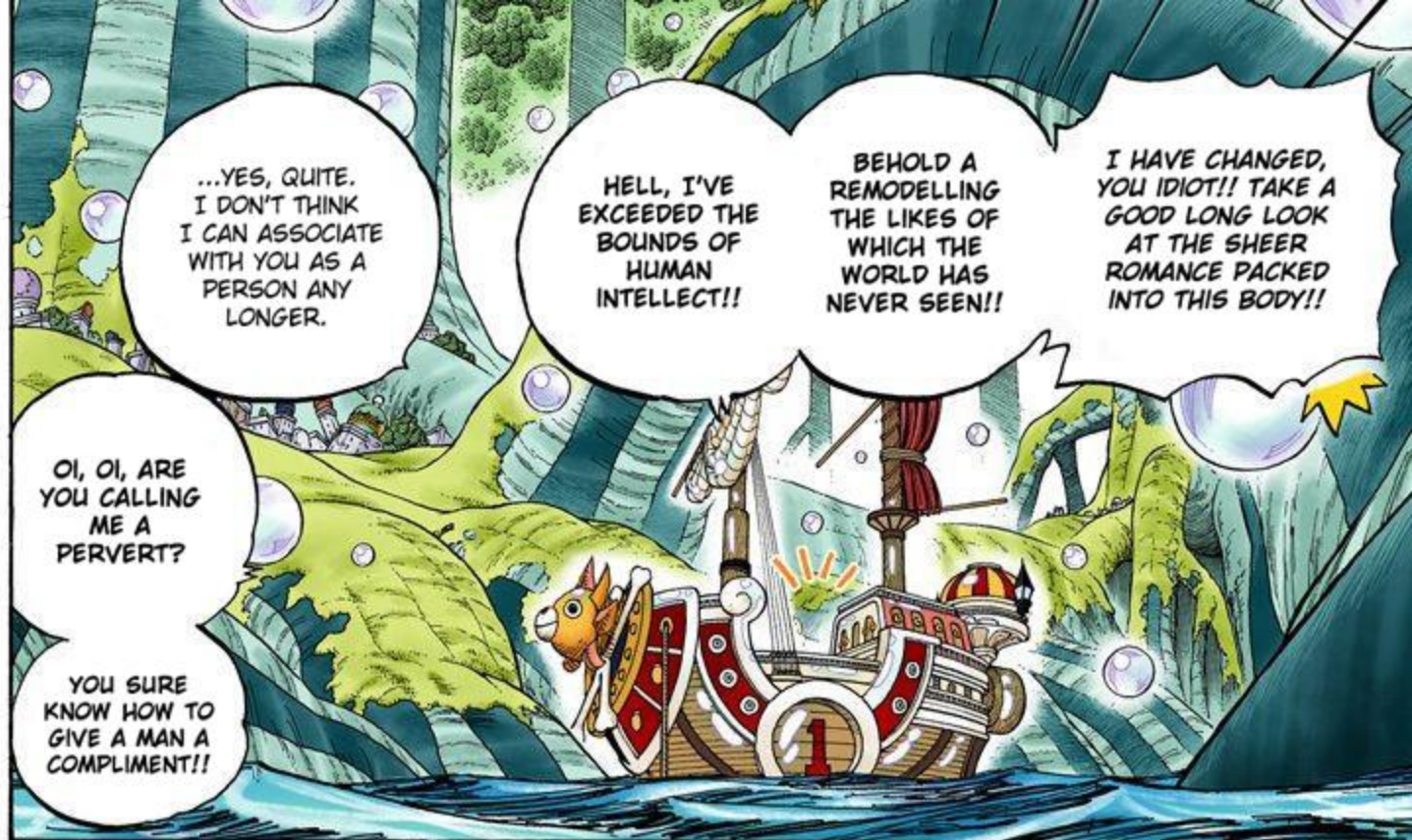












...YES, QUITE.
I DON'T THINK
I CAN ASSOCIATE
WITH YOU AS A
PERSON ANY
LONGER.

HELL, I'VE
EXCEEDED THE
BOUNDS OF
HUMAN
INTELLECT!!

BEHOLD A
REMODELLING
THE LIKES OF
WHICH THE
WORLD HAS
NEVER SEEN!!

I HAVE CHANGED,
YOU IDIOT!! TAKE A
GOOD LONG LOOK
AT THE SHEER
ROMANCE PACKED
INTO THIS BODY!!

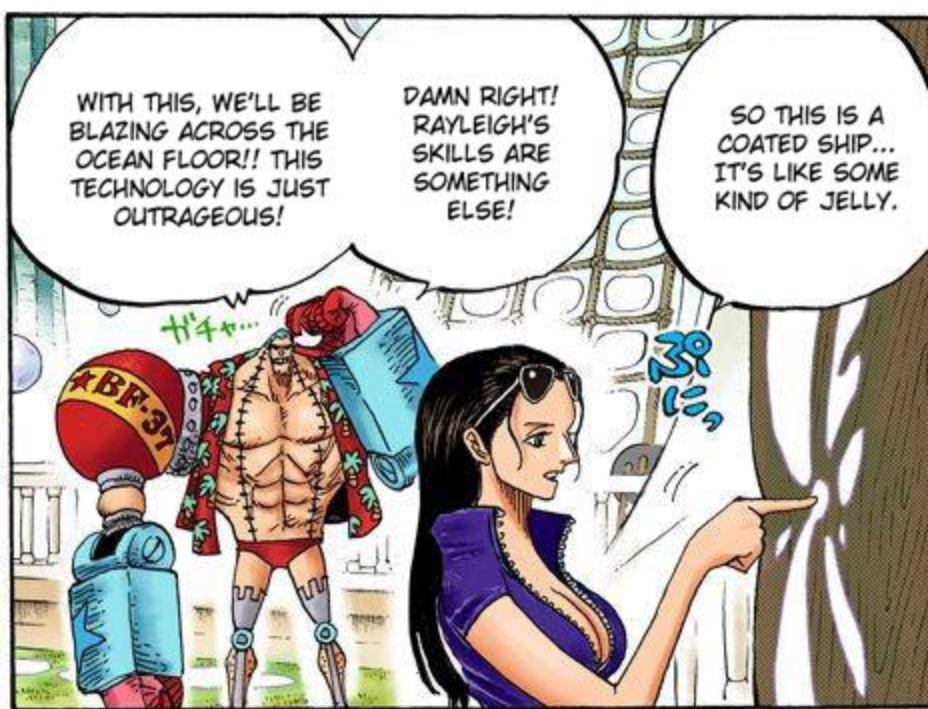
OI, OI, ARE
YOU CALLING
ME A
PERVERT?

YOU SURE
KNOW HOW TO
GIVE A MAN A
COMPLIMENT!!



YOU WENT TO
THE BAR, THEN.
WHAT NUMBER
ARE YOU, THEN?

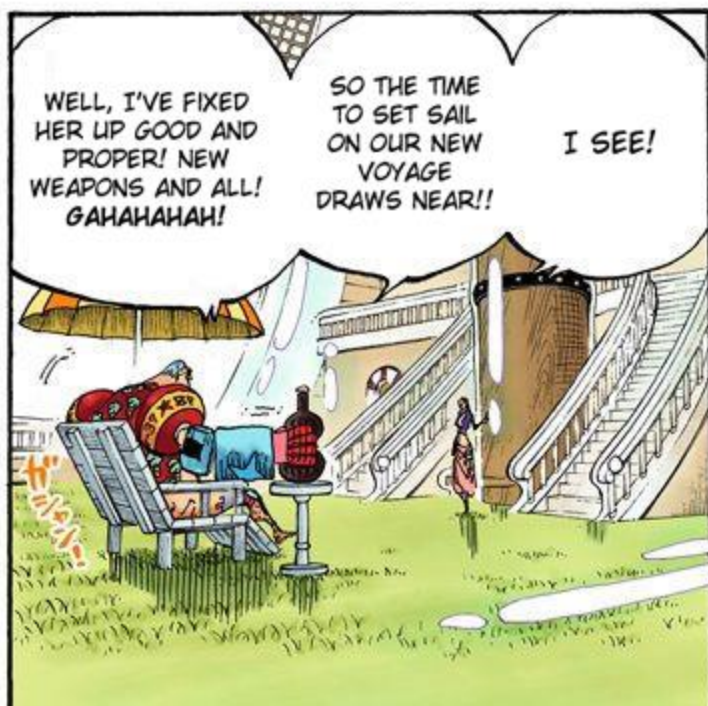
I'VE JUST
BEEN TO
VISIT
RAYLEIGH.



WITH THIS, WE'LL BE
BLAZING ACROSS THE
OCEAN FLOOR!! THIS
TECHNOLOGY IS JUST
OUTRAGEOUS!

DAMN RIGHT!
RAYLEIGH'S
SKILLS ARE
SOMETHING
ELSE!

SO THIS IS A
COATED SHIP...
IT'S LIKE SOME
KIND OF JELLY.



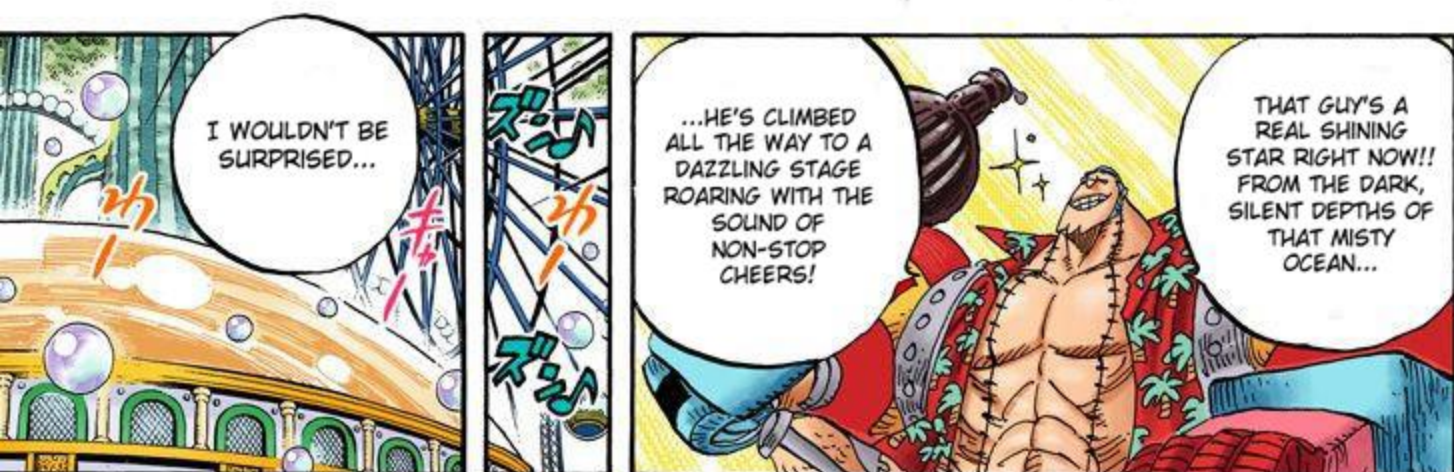
WELL, I'VE FIXED
HER UP GOOD AND
PROPER! NEW
WEAPONS AND ALL!
GAHAHAHAH!

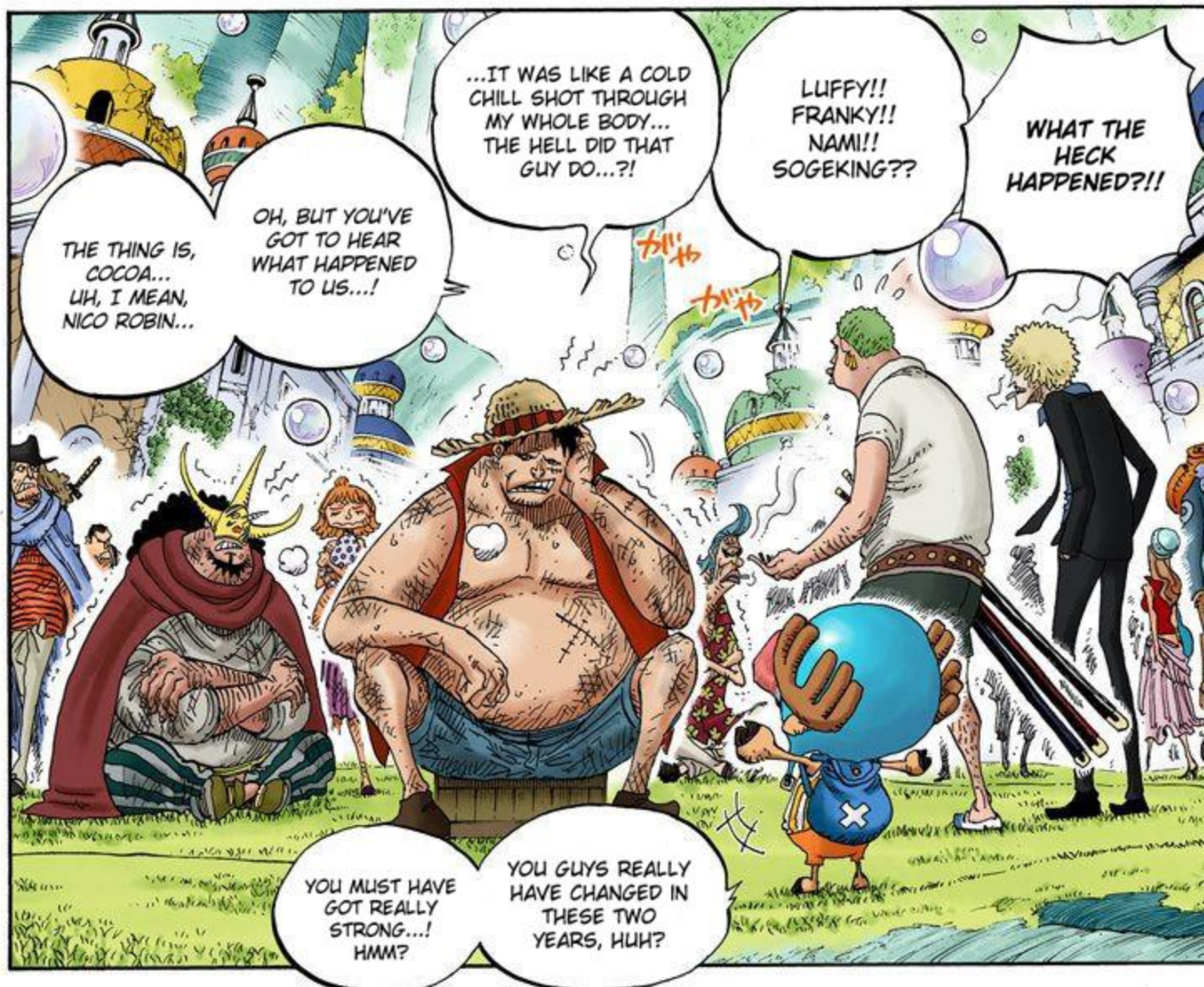
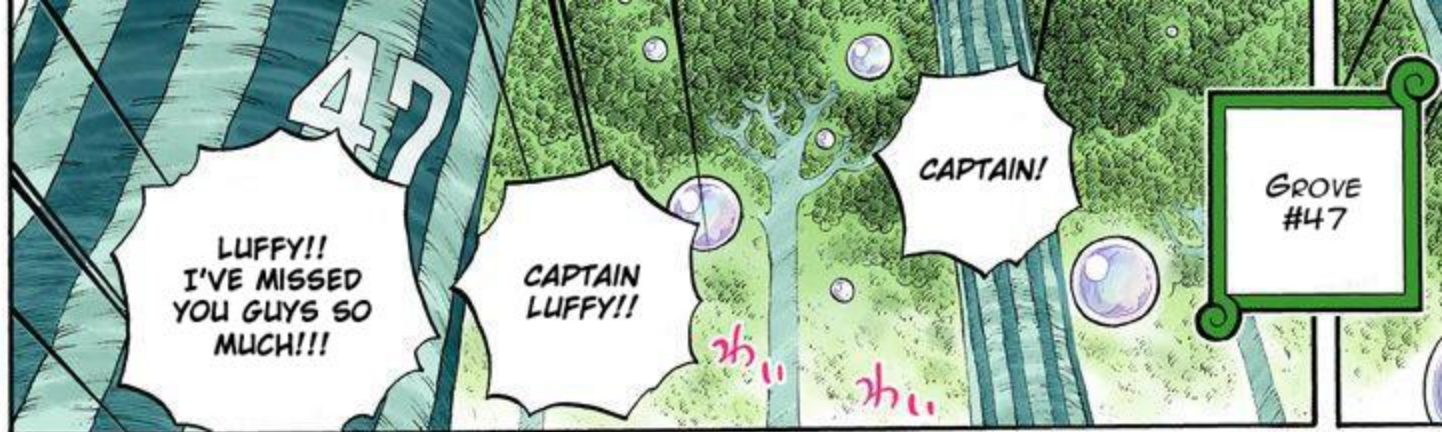
SO THE TIME
TO SET SAIL
ON OUR NEW
VOYAGE
DRAWS NEAR!!

I SEE!



I'M THE
EIGHTH. WE'RE
JUST WAITING
FOR LUFFY.





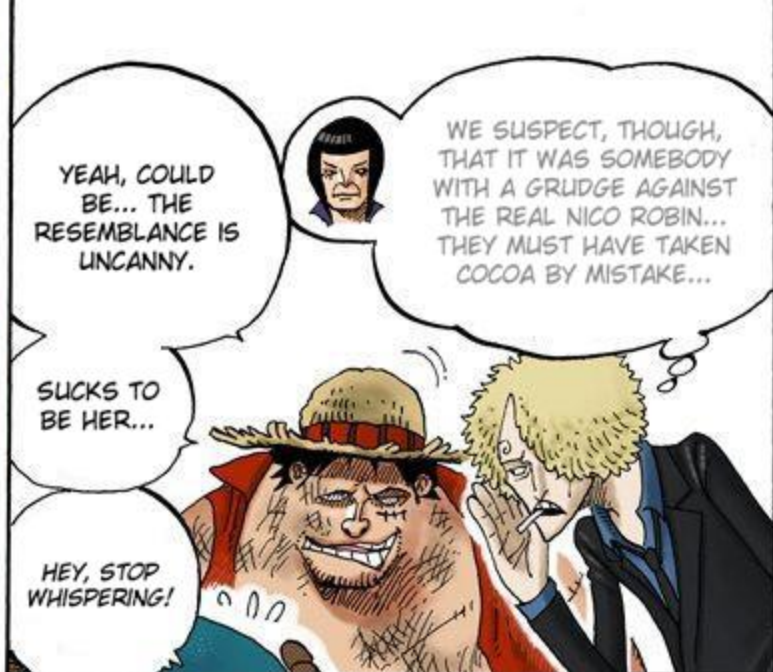


HUH?!!!
VERY WELL,
CAPTAIN!

WELL,
WHATEVER.
LEAVE HER.
THIS IS HER
FATE.

OI, LUFFY!!!
DON'T YOU
GET IT?!
ROBIN'S
BEEN
KIDNAPPED!!

SO...
WHAT'S THIS
THING?

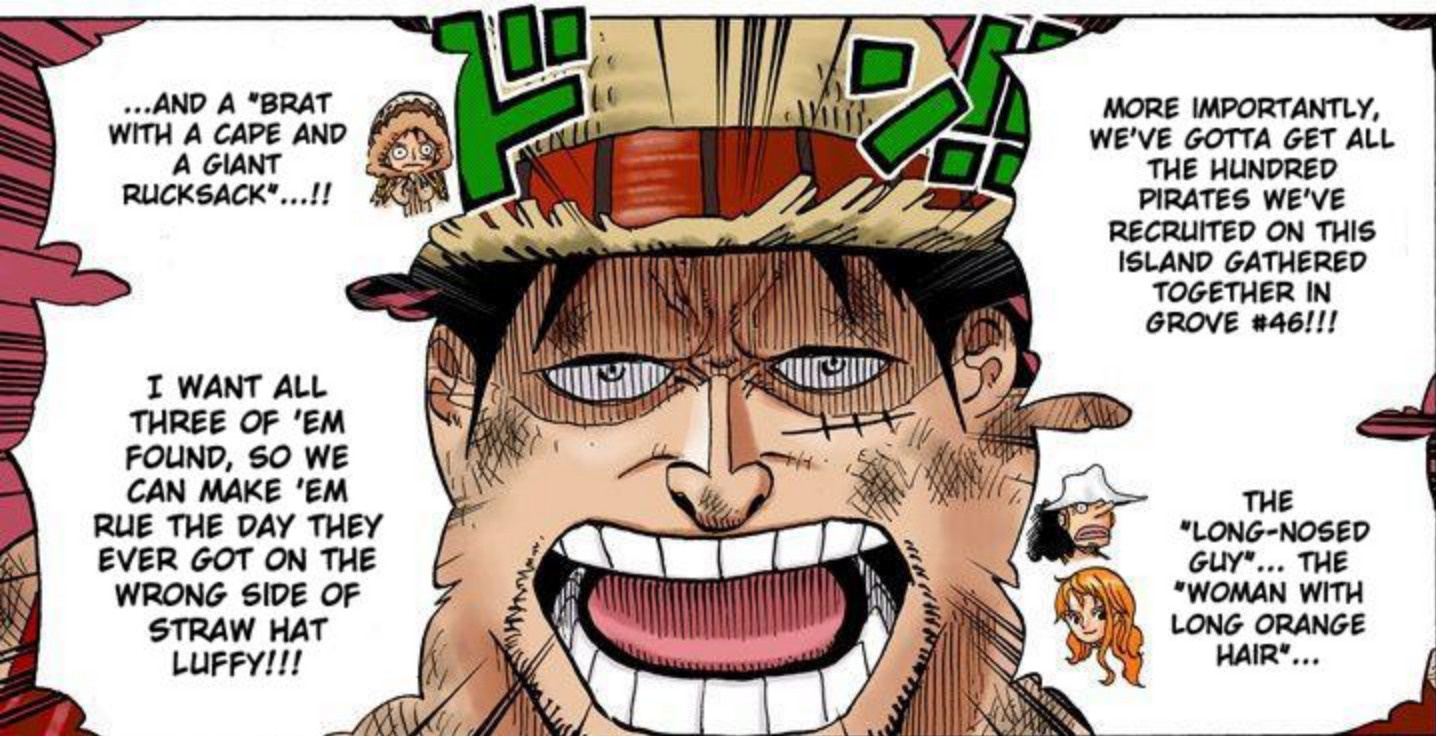


YEAH, COULD
BE... THE
RESEMBLANCE IS
UNCANNY.

WE SUSPECT, THOUGH,
THAT IT WAS SOMEBODY
WITH A GRUDGE AGAINST
THE REAL NICO ROBIN...
THEY MUST HAVE TAKEN
COCOA BY MISTAKE...

SUCKS TO
BE HER...

HEY, STOP
WHISPERING!



...AND A "BRAT
WITH A CAPE AND
A GIANT
RUCKSACK"....!!

I WANT ALL
THREE OF 'EM
FOUND, SO WE
CAN MAKE 'EM
RUE THE DAY THEY
EVER GOT ON THE
WRONG SIDE OF
STRAW HAT
LUFFY!!!

MORE IMPORTANTLY,
WE'VE GOTTA GET ALL
THE HUNDRED
PIRATES WE'VE
RECRUITED ON THIS
ISLAND GATHERED
TOGETHER IN
GROVE #46!!!

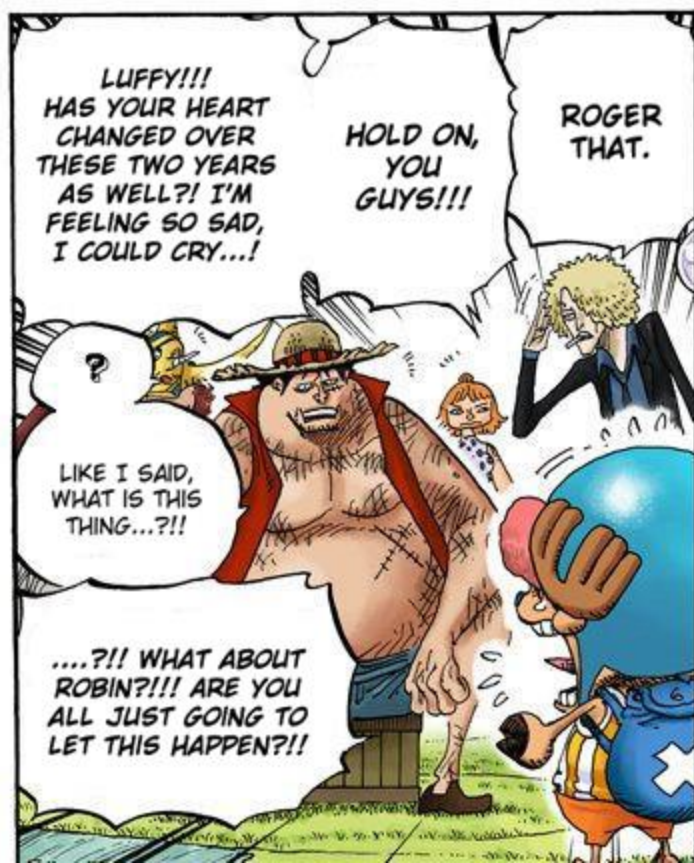
THE
"LONG-NOSED
GUY"... THE
"WOMAN WITH
LONG ORANGE
HAIR"...



I'M GONNA
SAVE HER EVEN
IF I HAVE TO
DO IT ALONE!!!
HANG IN THERE,
ROBIN!!!

DAMMITALL!!!
I'M
DISAPPOINTED
IN YOU GUYS!!!

...FALLING
OUT
AMONG
THEMSEL-
VES...?!



LUFFY!!!
HAS YOUR HEART
CHANGED OVER
THESE TWO YEARS
AS WELL?! I'M
FEELING SO SAD,
I COULD CRY...!

HOLD ON,
YOU
GUYS!!!

ROGER
THAT.

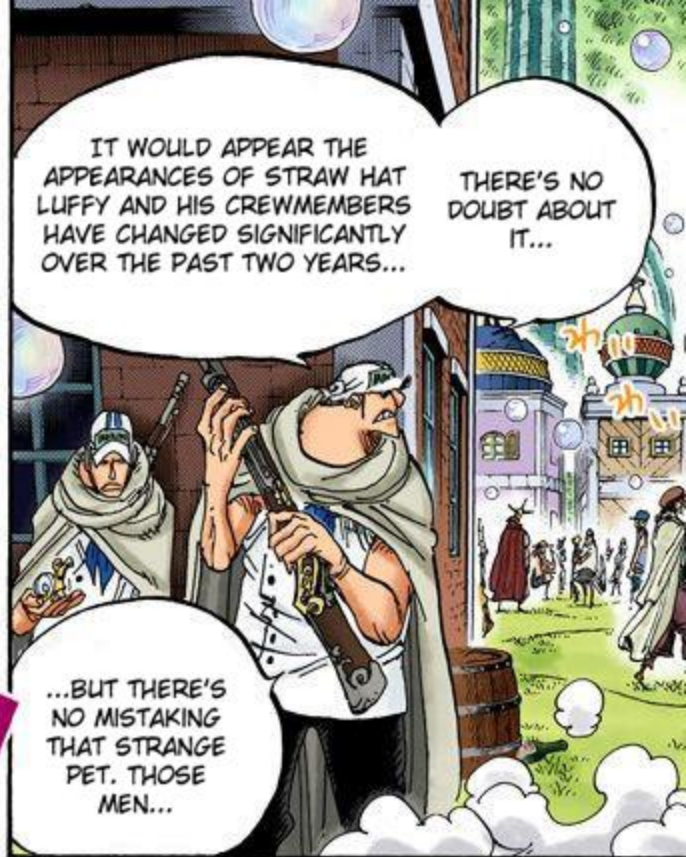
LIKE I SAID,
WHAT IS THIS
THING...?!!

....?!! WHAT ABOUT
ROBIN?!!! ARE YOU
ALL JUST GOING TO
LET THIS HAPPEN?!!



THEY'RE
STILL
ALIVE...!!!

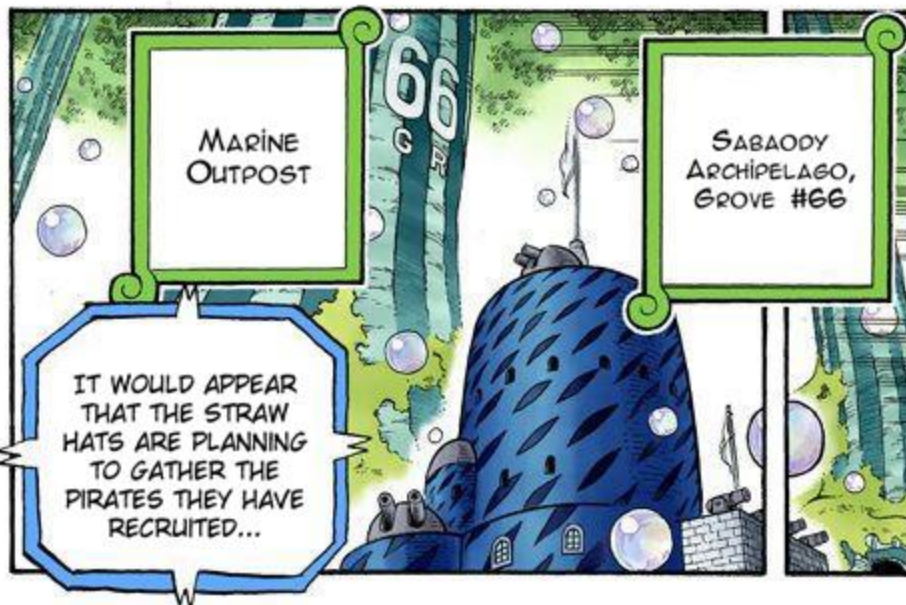
...ARE THE
STRAW HAT
PIRATES!!



IT WOULD APPEAR THE
APPEARANCES OF STRAW HAT
LUFFY AND HIS CREWMEMBERS
HAVE CHANGED SIGNIFICANTLY
OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS...

THERE'S NO
DOUBT ABOUT
IT...

...BUT THERE'S
NO MISTAKING
THAT STRANGE
PET. THOSE
MEN...



MARINE
OUTPOST

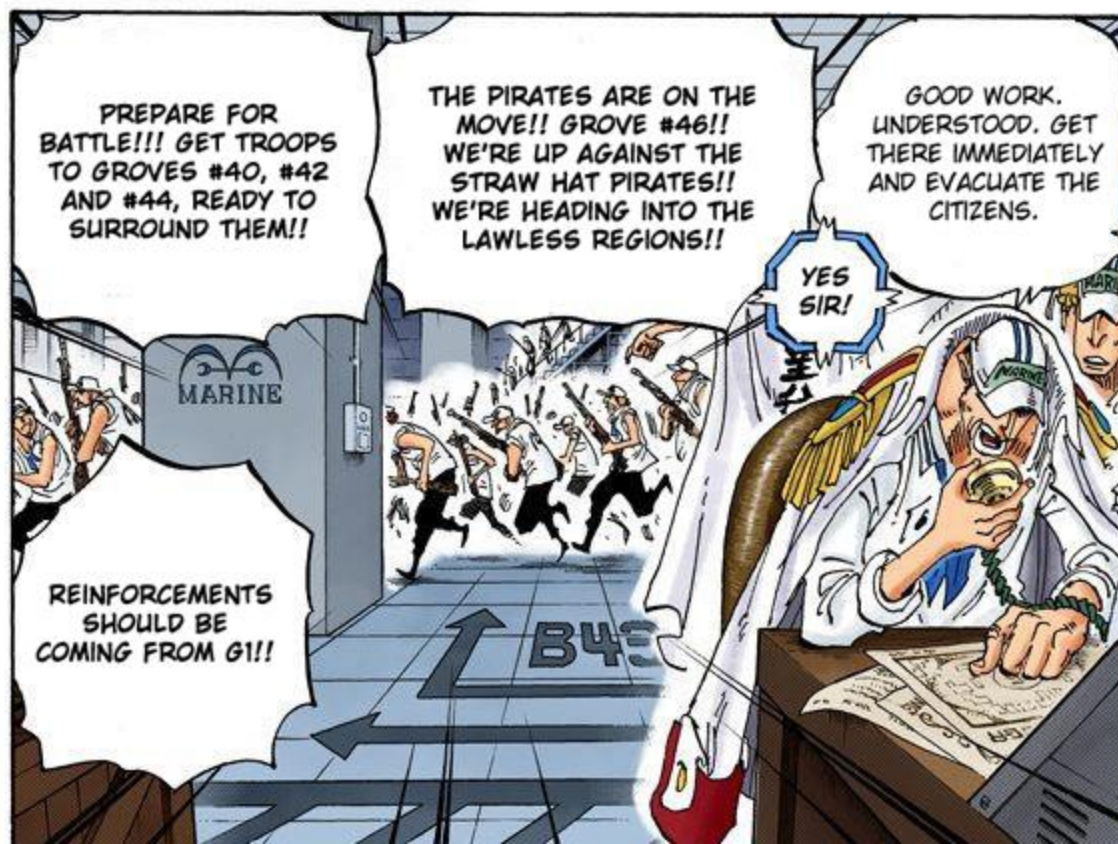
SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO,
GROVE #66

IT WOULD APPEAR
THAT THE STRAW
HATS ARE PLANNING
TO GATHER THE
PIRATES THEY HAVE
RECRUITED...



WE HAVE
VISUAL
CONFIRMATION
ON THE
STRAW HAT
PIRATES!

THIS IS
GROVE #43!!



PREPARE FOR
BATTLE!!! GET TROOPS
TO GROVES #40, #42
AND #44, READY TO
SURROUND THEM!!

THE PIRATES ARE ON THE
MOVE!! GROVE #46!!
WE'RE UP AGAINST THE
STRAW HAT PIRATES!!
WE'RE HEADING INTO THE
LAWLESS REGIONS!!

GOOD WORK.
UNDERSTOOD. GET
THERE IMMEDIATELY
AND EVACUATE THE
CITIZENS.

YES
SIR!

REINFORCEMENTS
SHOULD BE
COMING FROM G1!!

...FOR A
MEETING IN
GROVE #46...!!

仲間急募
MONKEY-D-LUFFY

IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS. THEY'LL BE EVEN STRONGER THAN BEFORE.

OF COURSE. ARE YOU UNDERESTIMATING THE STRAW HATS?

I'M TAKING THE PX-5 AND PX-7 WITH ME.

AH... SENTOUMARU-SAN...!!

I'LL GO ON AHEAD.

THEY'RE NOT ON THE SAME LEVEL AS THE ROOKIES YOU'RE USED TO!!

HUH...?! YOU'RE MOBILISING THE PACIFISTA?!

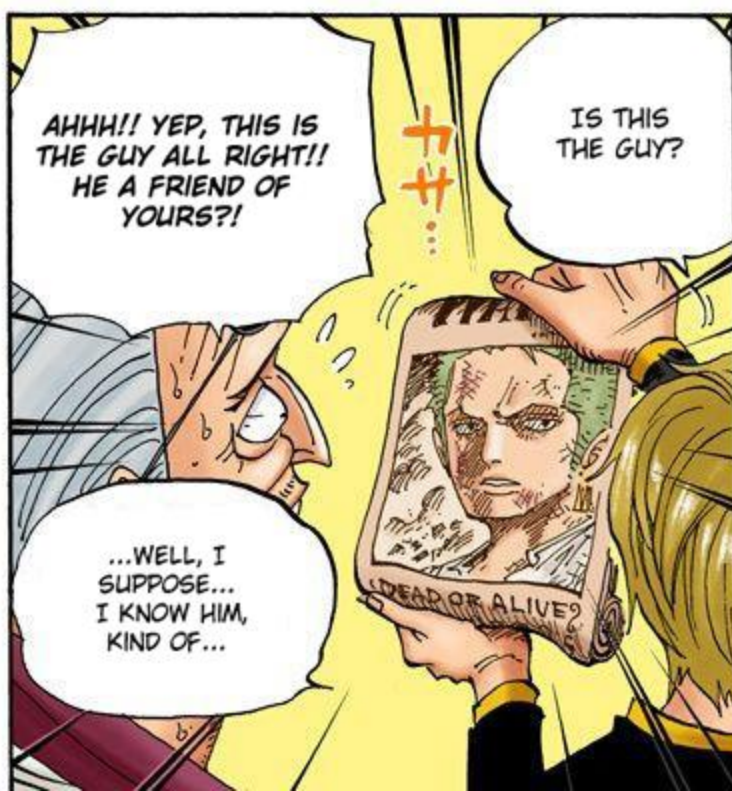
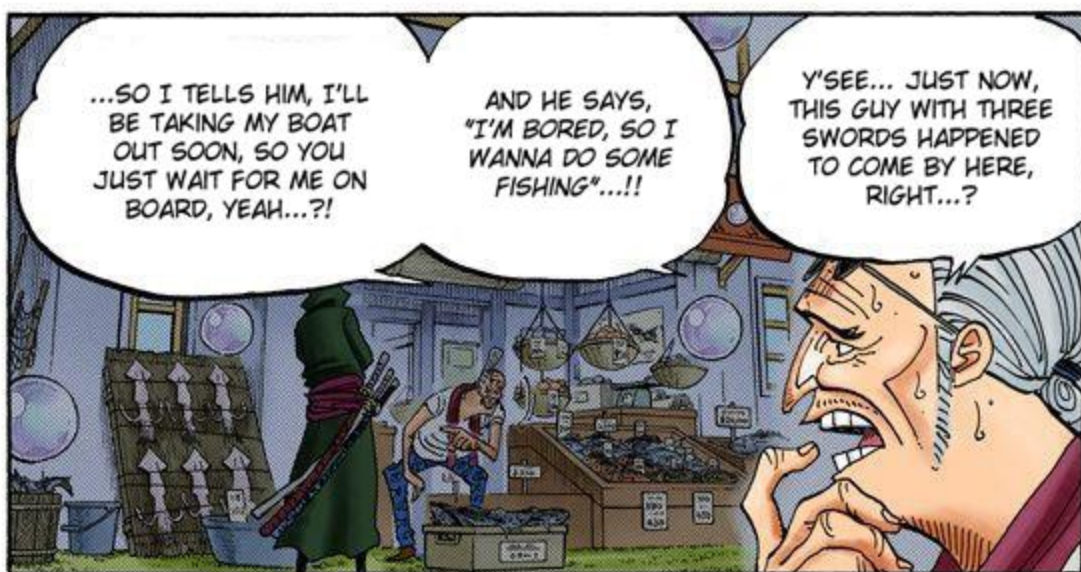
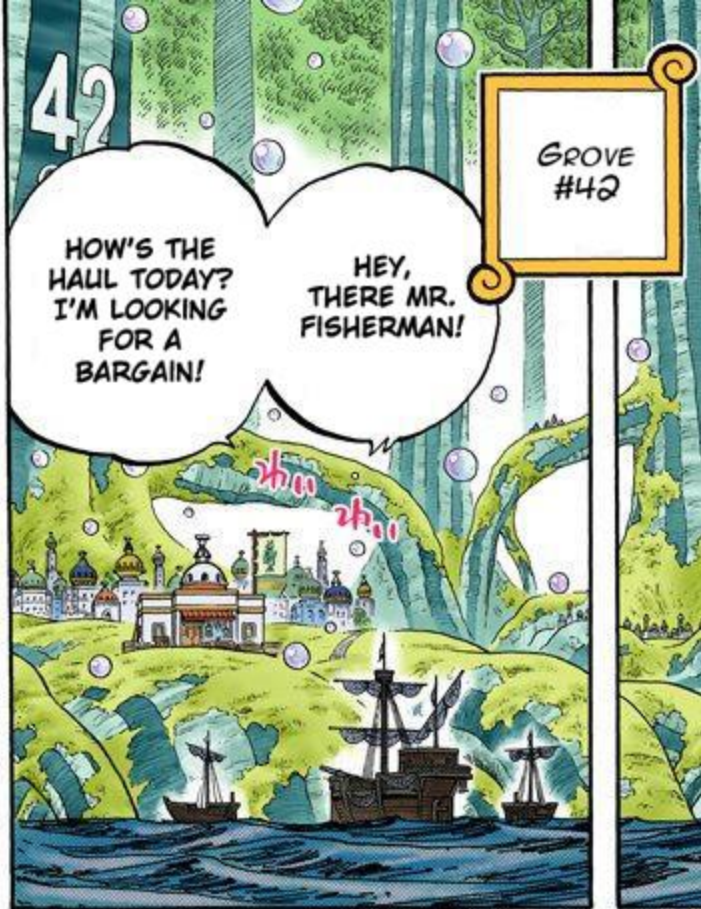
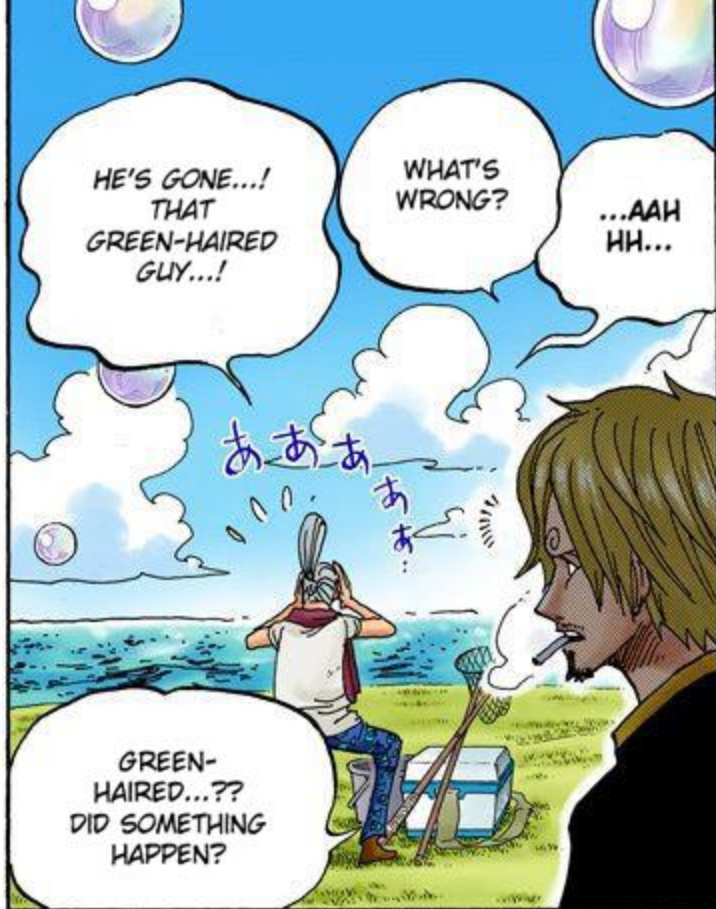


TWO YEARS AGO...

...BUT JUDGING FROM HIS STRANGE BEHAVIOUR EVEN AFTER HE LOST HIS PERSONALITY...

...KUMA'S ACTIONS BACK THEN NEVER WERE FULLY EXPLAINED.

I KNEW FOR SURE THAT THE STRAW HAT PIRATES WOULD SHOW UP ON THIS ISLAND AGAIN SOMEDAY...!! LET'S GO!!!



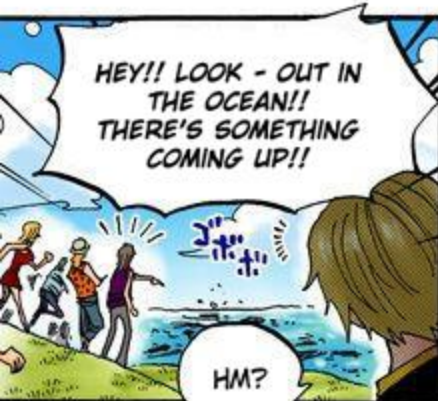
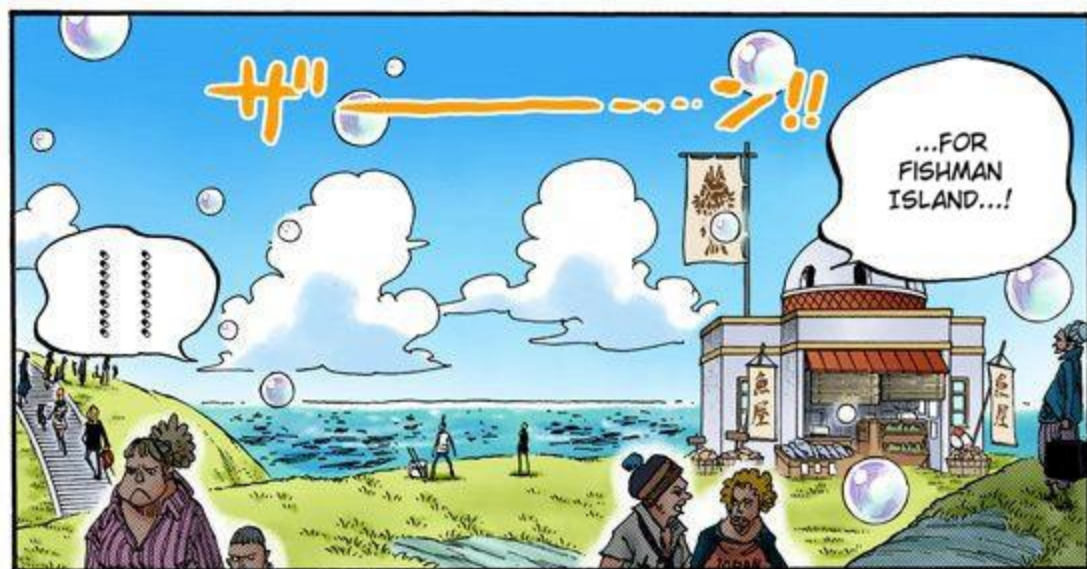
I WAS PANICKED, I TELL YOU, BUT I YELLED AT HIM, "NOT THAT BOAT!", I DID, BUT HE JUST KEEPS ON SNORING!! AND BY THEN IT WAS TOO LATE!

HE WAS ONLY FAST ASLEEP ON THE GIGANTIC PIRATE SHIP RIGHT NEXT TO IT!!

BUT YOU KNOW WHAT I FOUND WHEN I CAME OVER HERE?!

...BUT LISTEN! I SWEAR, I TOLD HIM TO WAIT ON MY FISHING BOAT! I TOLD HIM, I DID!!

THE PIRATE SHIP WAS ALL COATED UP, AND IT SANK RIGHT DOWN INTO THE OCEAN...!! IT MUST'VE HEADED OFF...



NO, NO, THAT'S FINE. DON'T WORRY YOURSELF, THIS ISN'T YOUR FAULT AT ALL!! THAT BRUTE WON'T GET HIMSELF KILLED, SO YOU CAN REST EASY

IT WAS A PIRATE SHIP, YOU HEAR?! HE COULD'VE BEEN KILLED BY NOW...!!

I THOUGHT IT WAS A BAD SIGN THAT HE'D ACTUALLY MADE IT TO THE MEETING POINT BEFORE ANYONE ELSE, AND NOW LOOK WHAT HAPPENS!!

HELL, AT LEAST NOW WE KNOW WHERE TO FIND HIM.

SO... HAVE YOU GOT ANY FISH?





...WHAT, YOU'RE BACK ALREADY?

NOT THAT I CARE EITHER WAY...

THERE'S SOMEONE ON BOARD!!

WHAT NONSENSE IS THIS...?!!

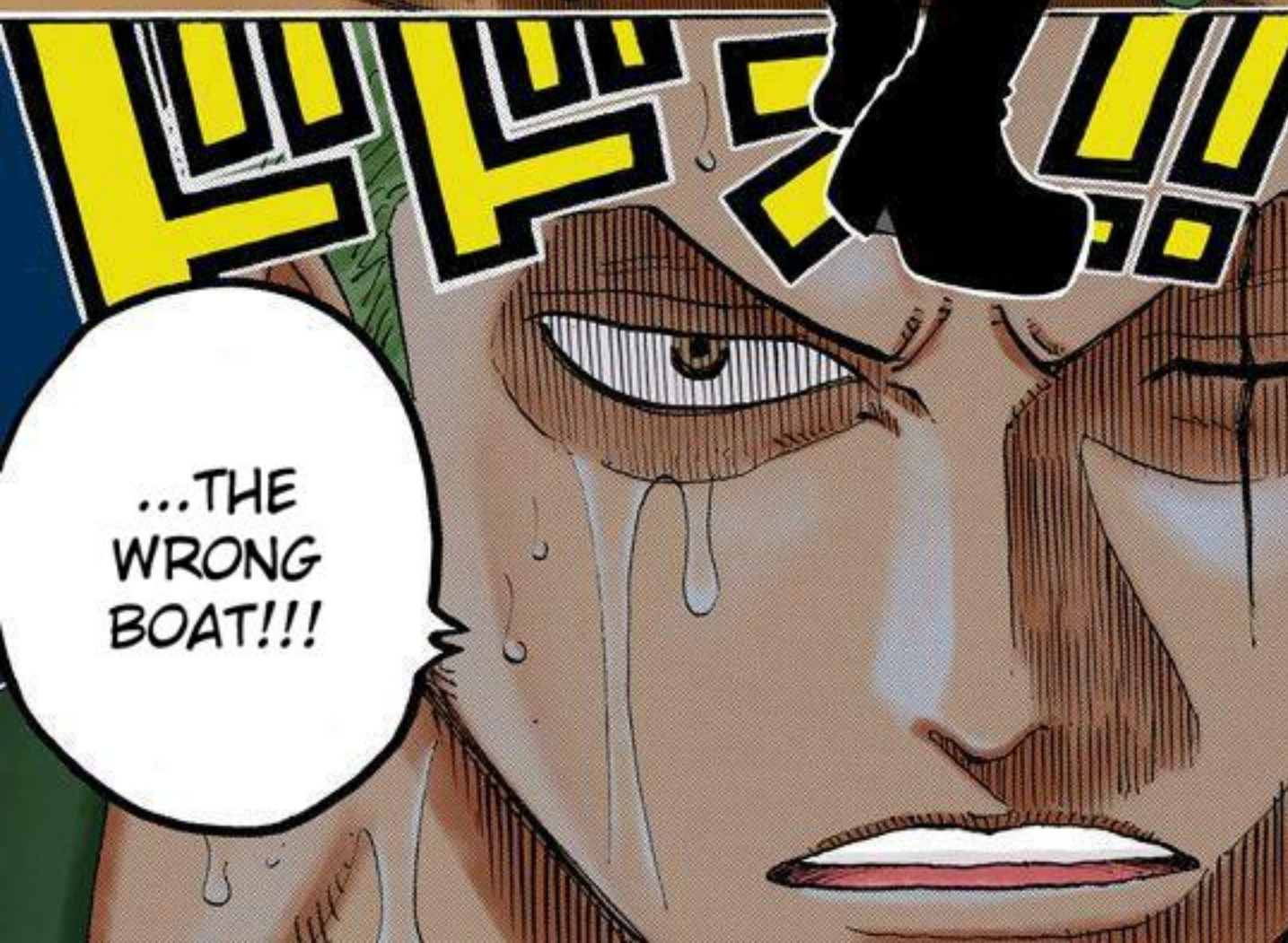
LOOK!



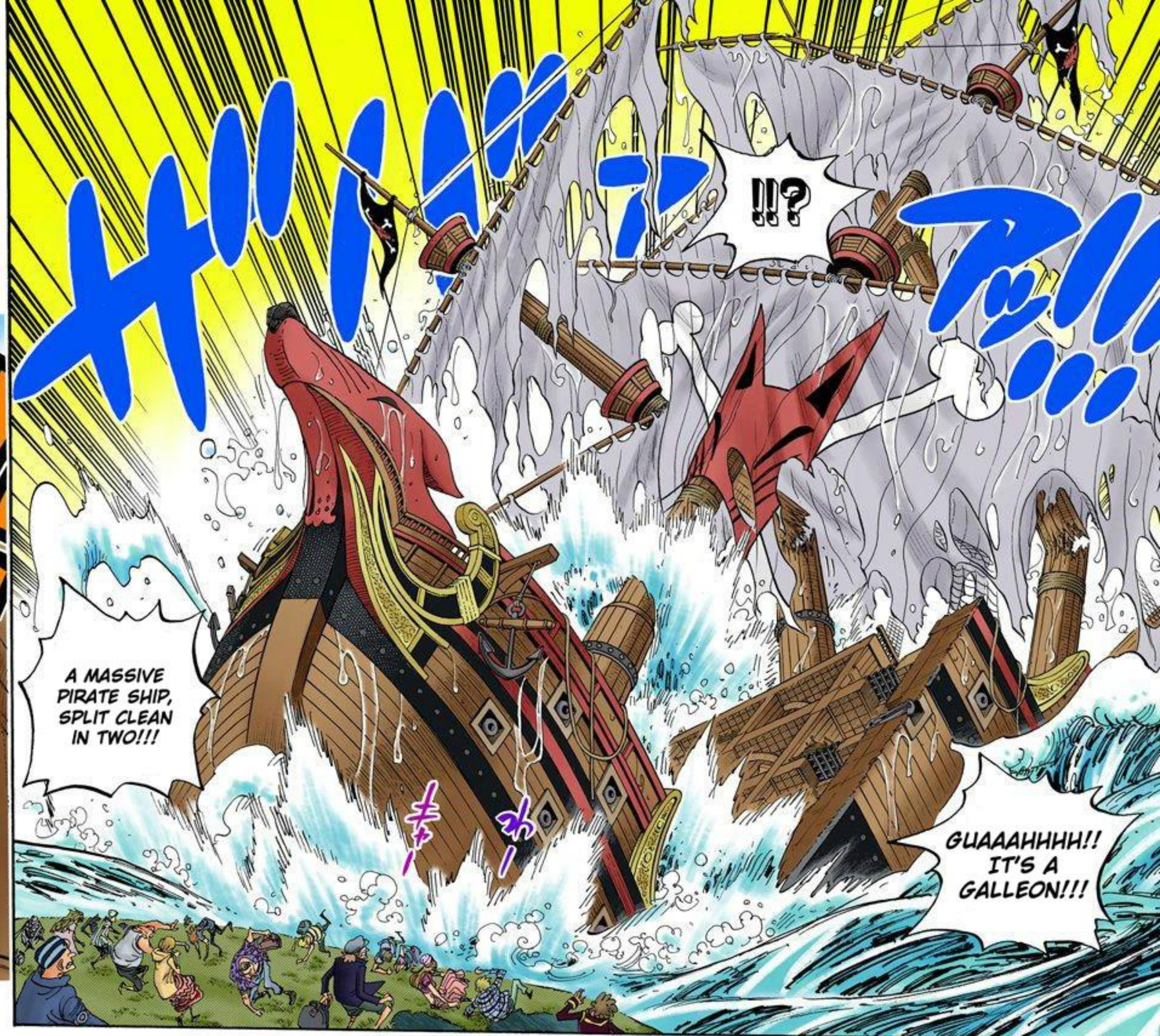
BUEGHH...!

I GOT...

キンッ!!



...THE WRONG BOAT!!!



A MASSIVE PIRATE SHIP, SPLIT CLEAN IN TWO!!!

GUAAHHHH!! IT'S A GALLEON!!!



THAT'S JUST HOW THE DICE ROLL... BLAME FATE FOR ABANDONING YOUR SHIP TO THE GODS OF MISFORTUNE.



...YOU'VE RUINED EVERYTHING... OUR DREAMS OF THE NEW WORLD...!!

WHY, YOU... HOW DARE YOU...



THAT CRACK LOOKS ALMOST AS THOUGH IT WAS SLICED THROUGH BY A BLADE!!

DID IT HAVE A COATING FAILURE AND GET CRUSHED BY THE WATER PRESSURE...?!

DON'T BE STUPID... WHO THE HELL COULD SLICE THROUGH A MASSIVE SHIP LIKE THAT?!!

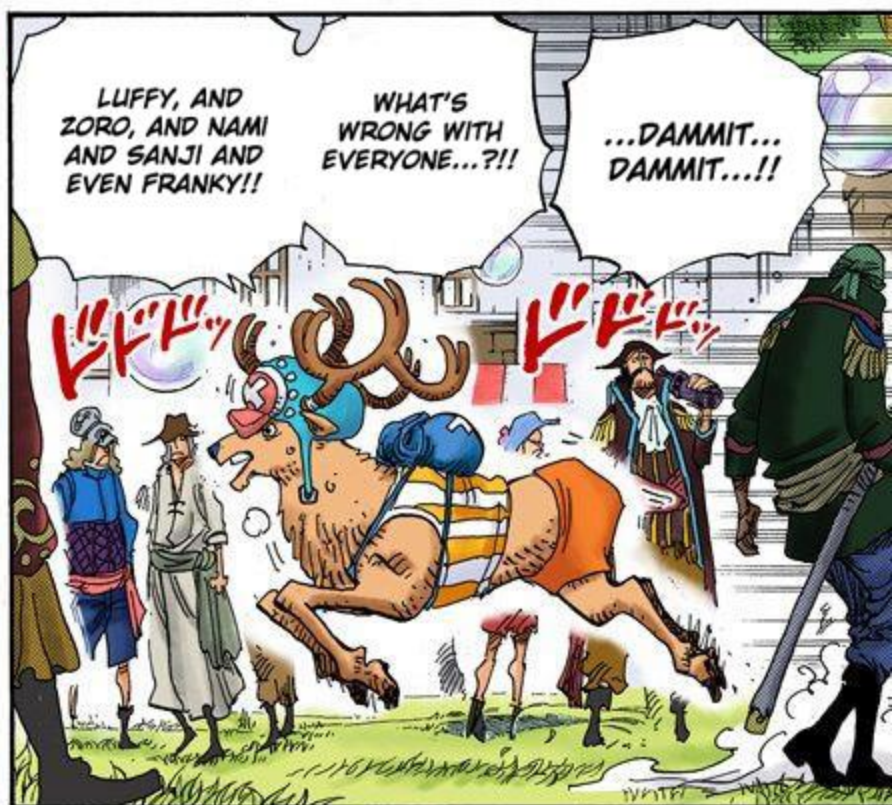
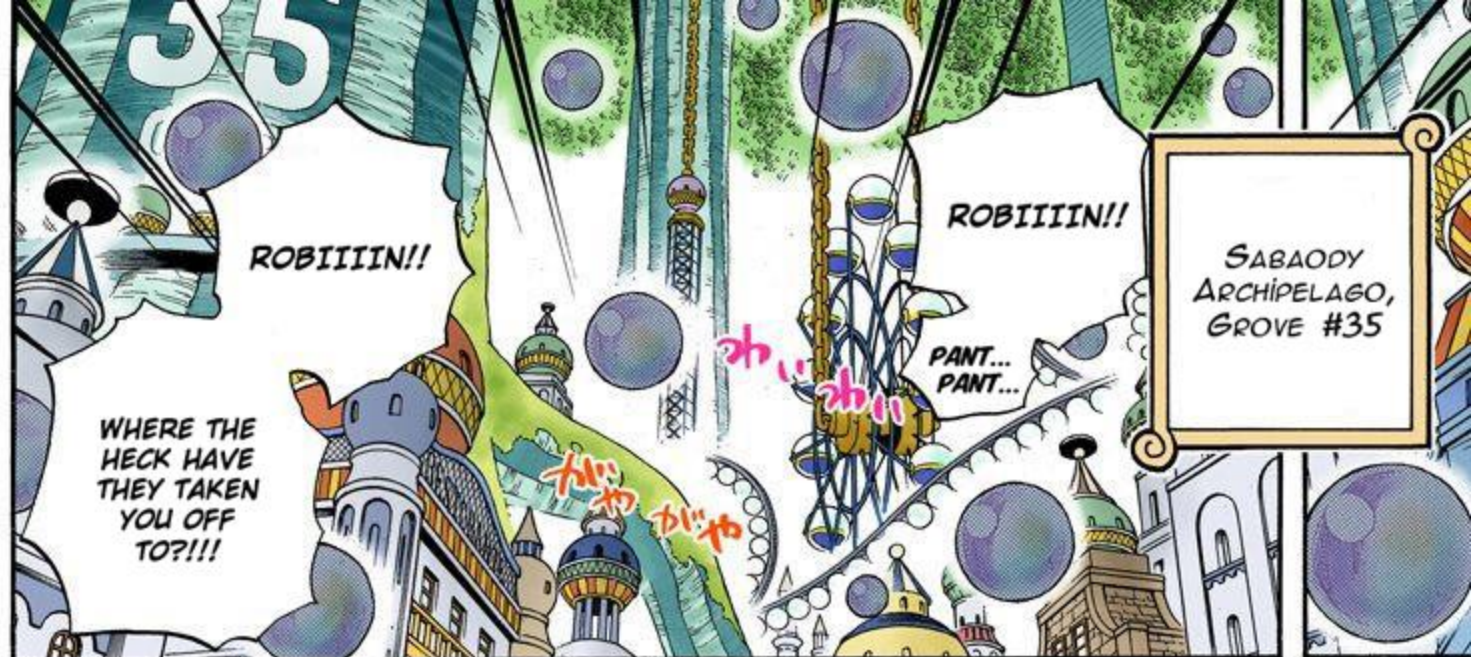
WAS IT ATTACKED BY A SEA KING...?!

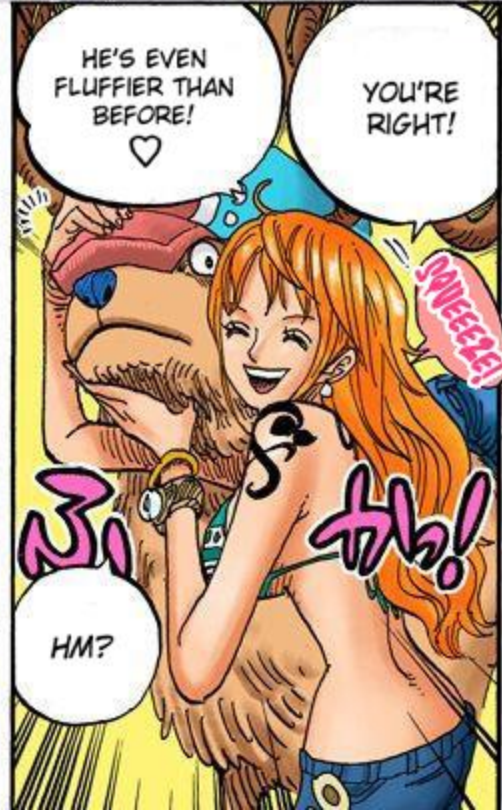
Chapter 600:

"ISLE OF NEW BEGINNINGS"



"WHILE TRAINING, ZORO ACCIDENTALLY PICKS UP A CROCODILE INSTEAD OF ONE OF HIS WEIGHTS". FROM PEN-NAME "CORORU" IN KANAGAWA PREFECTURE







DAMMITALL!!!
I'M DISAPPOINTED
IN YOU GUYS!!



MY
SIDES ARE
ACHING...

UGH
HH...

THIS IS
RIDICULOUS!!

GROVE
#40

WE'D ACTUALLY
MANAGED TO
CAPTURE THE
ORIGINAL PET OF
THE REAL STRAW
HATS, AND WE
LET IT GET
AWAY....!!



WE'VE COMPLETELY
LOST SIGHT OF HIM!
THE SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO'S A BIG
PLACE, Y'KNOW?!

EASY FOR HIM TO
SAY!! WHERE ARE
WE MEANT TO
LOOK?!

PANT...
PANT...

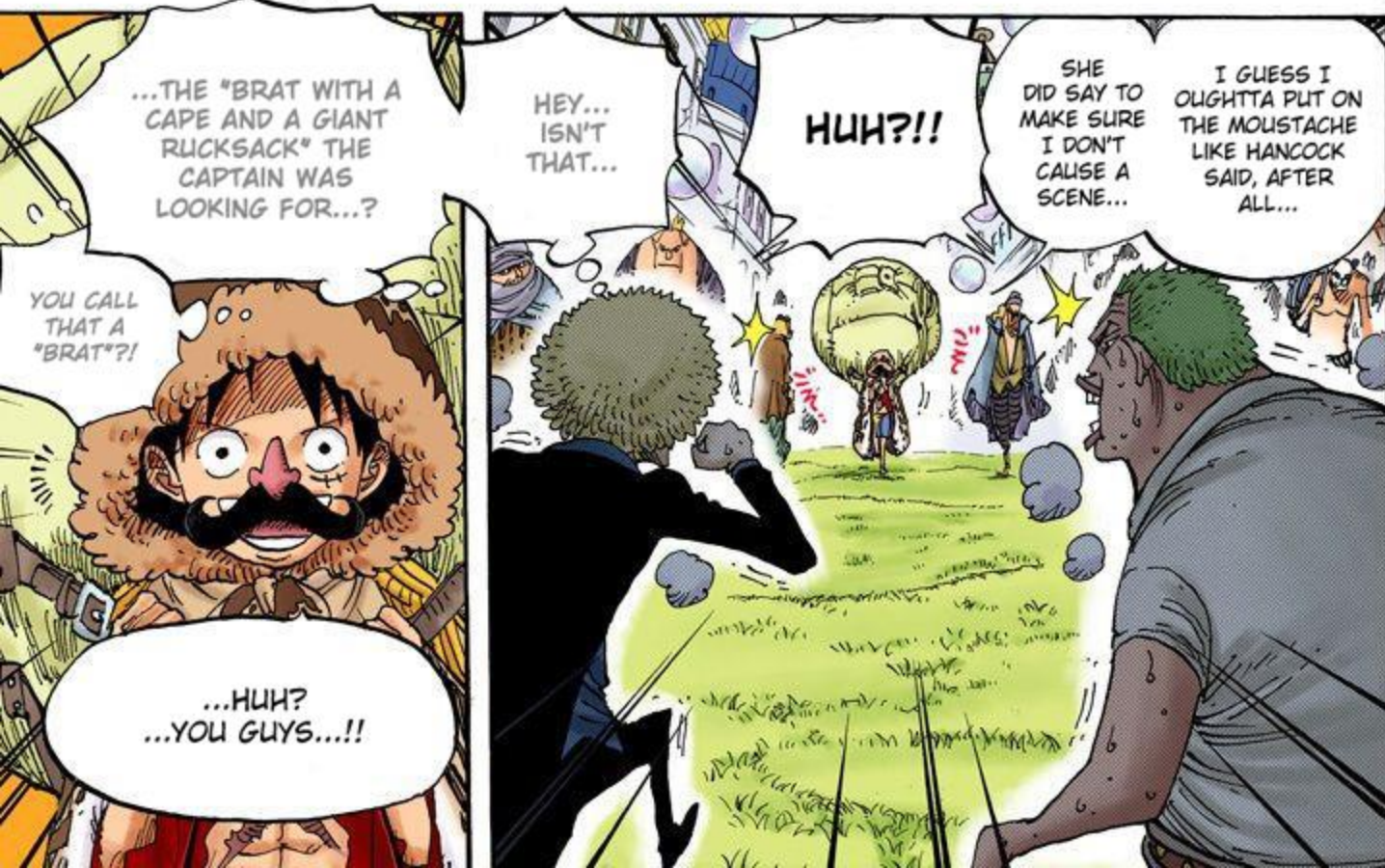
...CAN
WE STOP
RUNNING?



WHY DIDN'T
YOU SAY
SO?!!! GET
HIM BACK
HERE, RIGHT
NOW!!

WHAT?! THAT
WAS A SURVIVING
MEMBER OF THE
REAL STRAW HAT
PIRATES?!

WHAA
AA?!



...THE "BRAT WITH A
CAPE AND A GIANT
RUCKSACK" THE
CAPTAIN WAS
LOOKING FOR...?

YOU CALL
THAT A
"BRAT"?!

HEY...
ISN'T THAT...

HUH?!!

SHE
DID SAY TO
MAKE SURE
I DON'T
CAUSE A
SCENE...

I GUESS I
OUGHTTA PUT
ON THE
MOUSTACHE
LIKE HANCOCK
SAID, AFTER
ALL...

...HUH?
...YOU GUYS....!!



...TO GO TO
THE COAST.

I WANT...

I WANT TO
DO SOME
FISHING...



GROVE
#41



WHAT, YOU THINK I'M HANGING
AROUND WITH YOU 'CAUSE I
WANT TO?! HAH! I JUST DON'T
TRUST YOU ENOUGH TO LEAVE
YOU WANDERING AROUND THIS
DAMN ISLAND AGAIN, YOU
BRAINLESS MARIMO!!

...TCH...

WE'RE ALL
MEETING UP
PRETTY SOON, SO
JUST SHUT UP
AND FOLLOW ME,
GOT THAT?!!!



WHY?! WHY DO I
HAVE TO LISTEN TO
THE LIKES OF YOU,
ANYWAY?!!!

FORGET IT,
YOU BIG
DUMB
BRUTE!!



BRING IT
ON!! I'LL
SLICE YOU
IN TWO!!!

OH, THAT DOES IT!!
YOU'RE GOING DOWN!!
IT'S TIME YOU FELT THE
FORCE OF THIS LEG
I'VE BEEN TRAINING
TO PERFECTION IN HELL
FOR TWO YEARS!!!



WHAT, ARE YOU TURNING
THE ORDER WE ARRIVED
INTO SOME KIND OF
RANKING?!! DON'T GET ALL
HIGH-AND-MIGHTY JUST
BECAUSE BY SOME MIRACLE
YOU ACTUALLY MANAGED TO
GET HERE FIRST!!!

I'M NUMBER 1. I
DON'T NEED THIS
KIND OF CRAP
FROM YOU,
NUMBER 7.

SURE,
WHATEVER.

NUMBER
7.

...BELIEVED TO HAVE
JOINED THE STRAW HAT
PIRATES ON THIS ISLAND,
HAVE MADE THEIR
APPEARANCE.

A LARGE
NUMBER OF
ROOKIES...

THIS IS
GROVE #46.

GROVE #46:
THE STRAW
HATS' MEETING
POINT

WE'VE
IDENTIFIED
FOUR
CAPTAINS.

...BOUNTY
92,000,000
BELI.

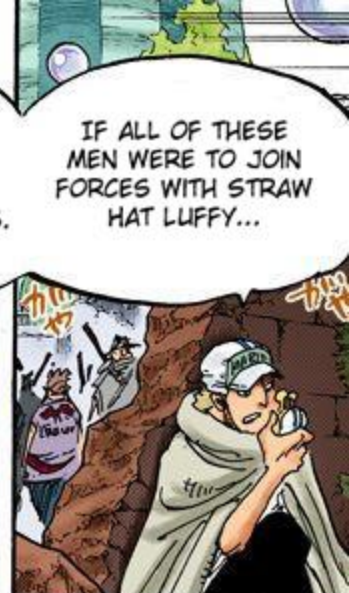
"HEAVY
WOUNDS"
ALBION...

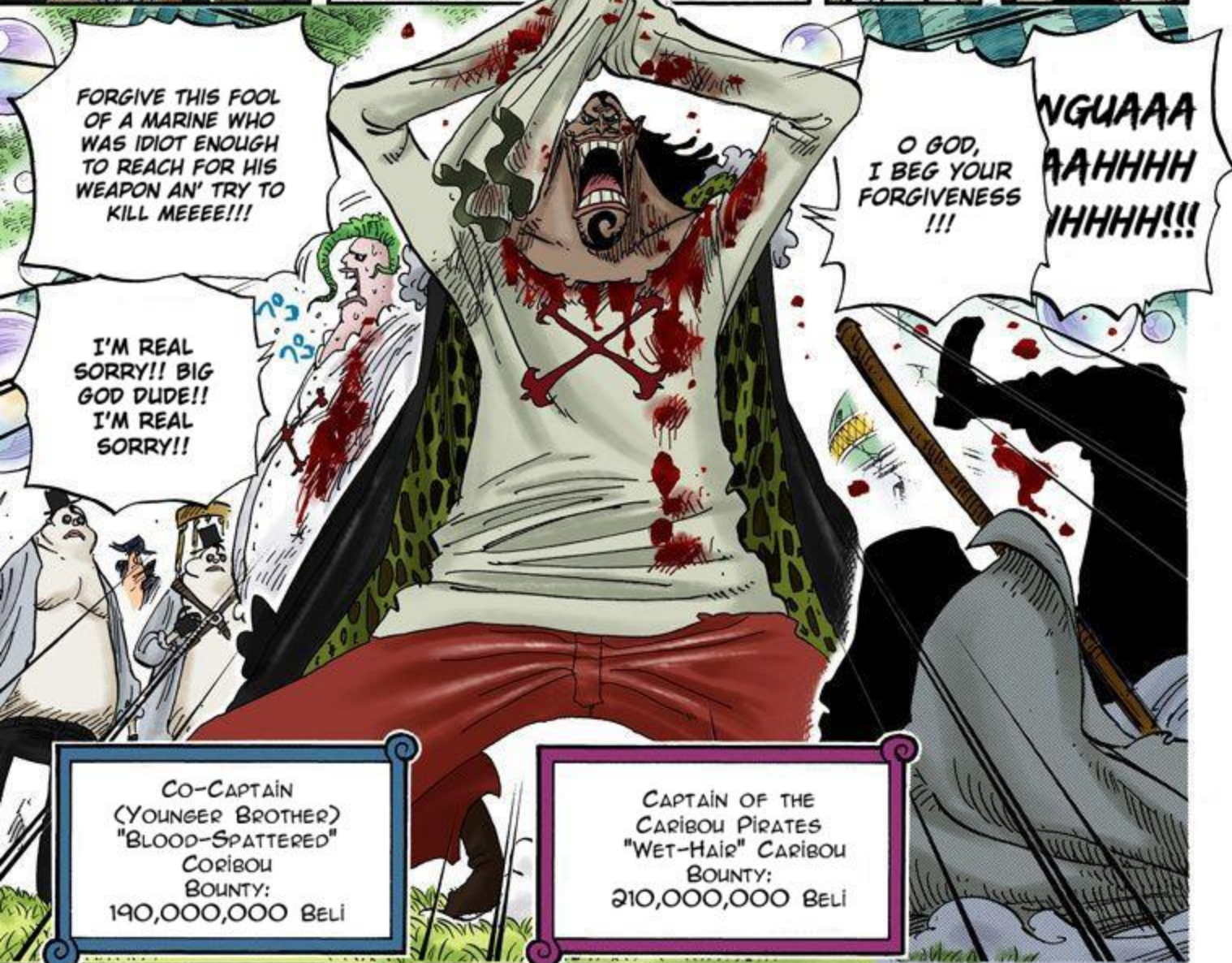
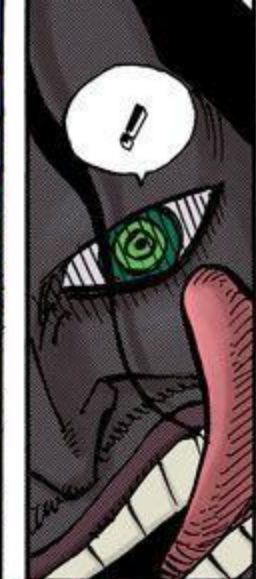
...
88,000,000
BELI.

LIP
"SERVICE"
DHOTI...

...AND
"BLOOD-SPATTERED"
CORIBOU...!!!

AND THE SUPER
ROOKIE BROTHERS,
"WET-HAIR"
CARIBOU...





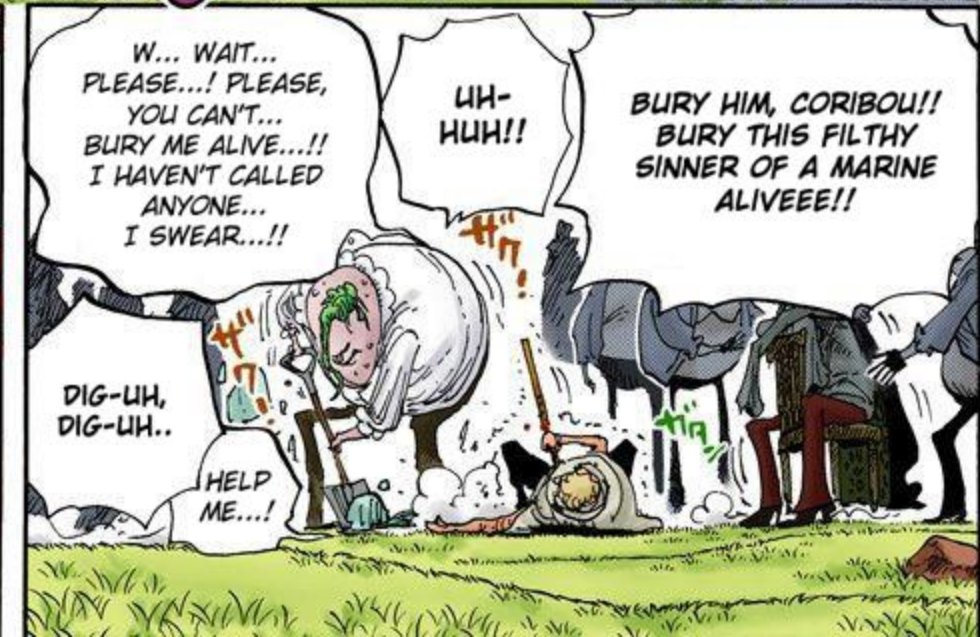
CO-CAPTAIN
(YOUNGER BROTHER)
"BLOOD-SPATTERED"
CORIBOU
BOUNTY:
190,000,000 BELI

CAPTAIN OF THE
CARIBOU PIRATES
"WET-HAIR" CARIBOU
BOUNTY:
210,000,000 BELI



THAT'S
ENOUGH OF THAT,
CARIBOU!!!

HMM
M??



W... WAIT...
PLEASE...! PLEASE,
YOU CAN'T...
BURY ME ALIVE...!!
I HAVEN'T CALLED
ANYONE...
I SWEAR...!!

DIG-UH,
DIG-UH..

HELP
ME...!

UH-
HUH!!

BURY HIM, CORIBOU!!
BURY THIS FILTHY
SINNER OF A MARINE
ALIVEEE!!



I'M LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE!!

WHAT, OVER THERE?

WE'VE GOT QUITE A LOT OF 'EM TOGETHER NOW, HUH...?

WE'LL NEVER FORGIVE THOSE FOOLS!!

LEAVE IT TO US, BOSS!!



IT LOOKS LIKE THIS MUSTACHIED FREAK HAS SOME KIND OF CONNECTION TO THE REAL STRAW HATS... WHO THE HELL IS HE?

STILL, YOU GUYS SURE HAVE CHANGED THESE PAST TWO YEARS!! DO YOU NOT TALK ANY MORE?

I DUNNO, BUT OUR BEST CHANCE OF NOT GIVING ANYTHING AWAY IS TO KEEP OUR MOUTHS SHUT...!!

WE'RE ALMOST THERE. ONCE WE GIVE HIM TO THE CAPTAIN, THAT'LL BE THAT.

ARE YOU GUYS IN DISGUISE, TOO?

BUT IT'S BEEN TWO YEARS, I GUESS! YOUR FACES HAVE CHANGED, TOO!

I DON'T REMEMBER YOU TWO GETTING ON SO WELL, EITHER...



...BUT IS THIS THE GUY YOU WERE LOOKING FOR?!

WE DIDN'T MANAGE TO FIND THE ORIGINAL PET...

CALL ME BIG BOSS, YA NUMBSKULLS !!

CAPTAIN!!



...BUT FROM HERE ON OUT, EVERY ONE OF YOU IS A MEMBER OF MY CREW!! OF THE STRAW HAT PIRATES!!!

AN' TAKE A GOOD LOOK AROUND YOU, MEN!!

YOU MAY NOT KNOW THESE FACES NOW...



...TO BE MY ARMS AND LEGS IN THE ADVENTURES AHEAD!! TO PUT YOUR LIVES ON THE LINE AND FIGHT TO THE END!!!

AND IT'S FOR THAT PURPOSE... THAT I NEED YOU ALL...

YEAAA AHHH HH!!!

YOU GUYS ARE GONNA BE THE CREW OF THE PIRATE KING!!!

IN OTHER WORDS...!! WHEN I BECOME THE PIRATE KING...

YEAAAAA HHHHHH HHH!!!

YEEEA AHHH HHH!!!



AND THEY'RE STILL SOMEWHERE HERE IN THE ARCHIPELAGO!!!

I WANT YOU TO HUNT THEM DOWN, AND DRAG THEM KICKING AND SCREAMING TO ME!!!

NOW, THERE'S ONLY ONE REASON I'VE GATHERED YOU ALL HERE TODAY!!

SOME LOWLIFE NO-NAME SCUMBAGS HAVE HAD THE GALL TO DISRESPECT ME, YOUR BELOVED BOSS!!!



FORGET THAT WORTHLESS LITTLE MARINE BUG!! TOSS HIM OUT AN' LEAVE HIM!!

AHHHH HHHH!!! CAPTAIN STRAW HAT LUFFY HAS ARRIVED!!!

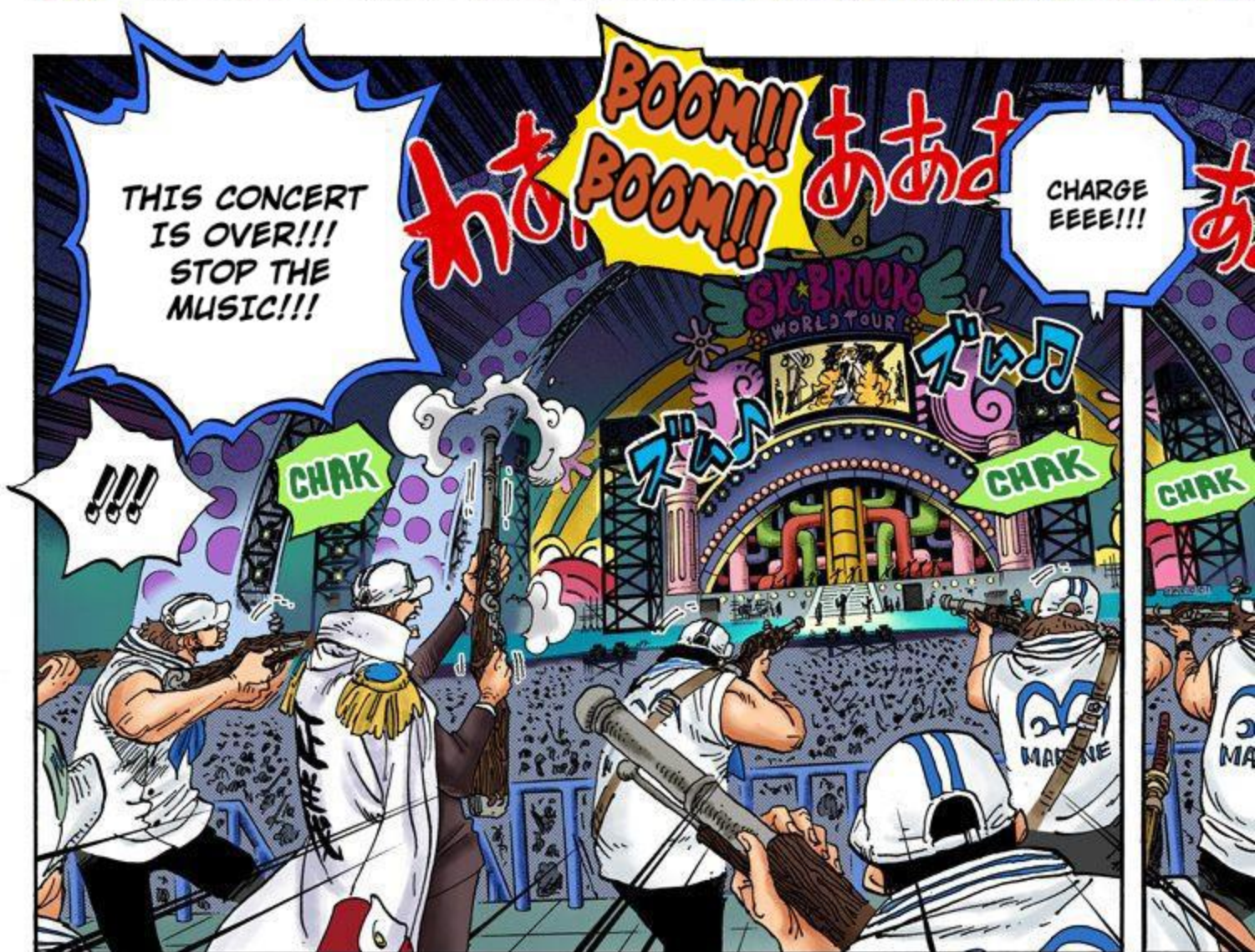


THAT LEGENDARY PIRATE IS ACTUALLY GONNA BE OUR CAPTAIN!!

HE'LL BE ONE OF THE BIG CANDIDATES TO BECOME PIRATE KING, NO DOUBT ABOUT IT. TALK ABOUT BACKING A WINNER!

IT'S LIKE A DREAM!! I CAN'T BELIEVE WE GET TO JOIN THE CREW...

...OF THE MAN WHO'S CAUSED CHAOS AT ENIES LOBBY, IMPEL DOWN AND MARINE HQ... ALL THREE OF THE WORLD GOVERNMENT'S BIG STATIONS!!



FURTHERMORE,
WE HAVE INFORMATION
TO SUGGEST THAT YOU
ARE CURRENTLY AN
ASSOCIATE OF THE
PIRATE "STRAW HAT"
LUFFY!!!

BOUNTY 33,000,000 BELI!!
WE HAVE REASON TO BELIEVE
THAT YOU AND THIS PIRATE
ARE ONE AND THE SAME!!!

ACTING CAPTAIN
OF THE RUMBAR
PIRATES, KNOWN
AS "HUMMING"
BROOK!!!



NO WAY...
BROOK-
SAMA, A
PIRATE?!



NO...
PIRATE BROOK!!
WE ARE PLACING
YOU UNDER
ARREST!!!



"SOUL KING"
BROOK!!!

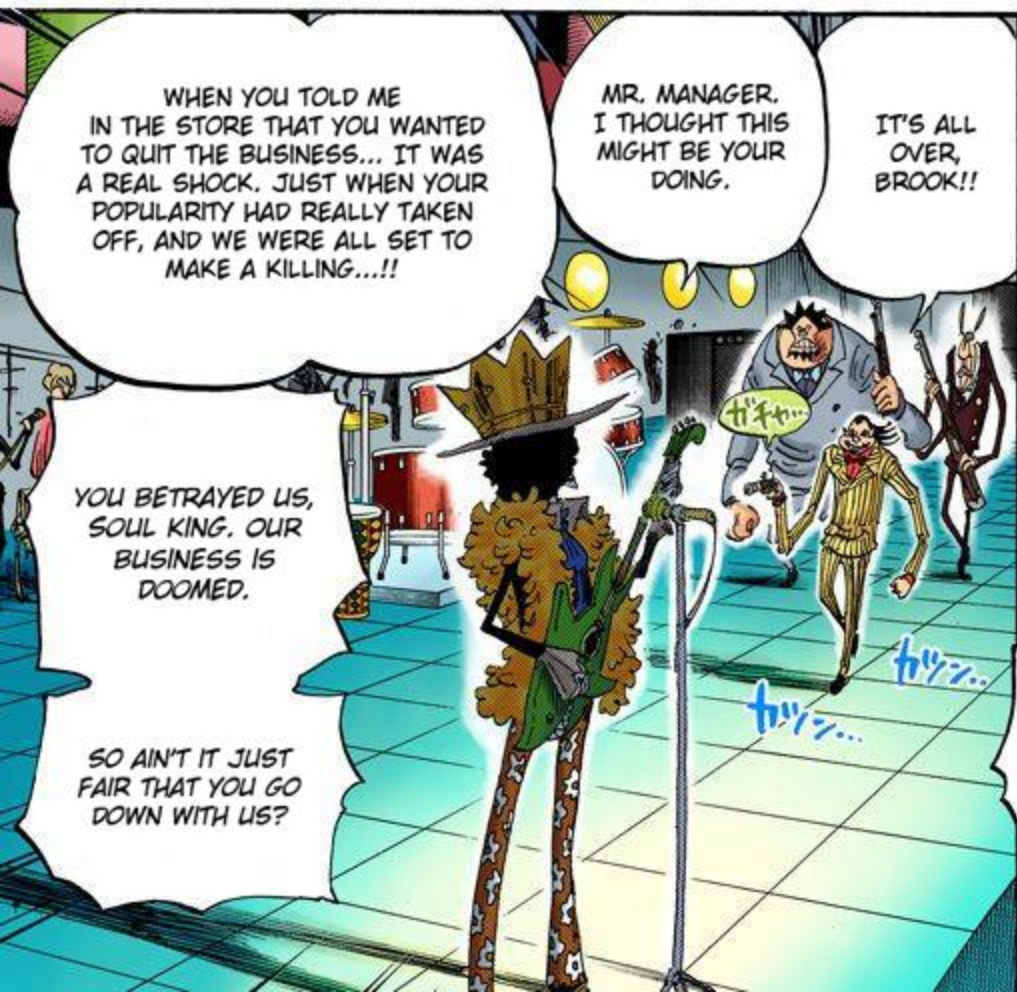
WHEN YOU TOLD ME
IN THE STORE THAT YOU WANTED
TO QUIT THE BUSINESS... IT WAS
A REAL SHOCK. JUST WHEN YOUR
POPULARITY HAD REALLY TAKEN
OFF, AND WE WERE ALL SET TO
MAKE A KILLING...!!

MR. MANAGER.
I THOUGHT THIS
MIGHT BE YOUR
DOING.

IT'S ALL
OVER,
BROOK!!

YOU BETRAYED US,
SOUL KING. OUR
BUSINESS IS
DOOMED.

SO AIN'T IT JUST
FAIR THAT YOU GO
DOWN WITH US?



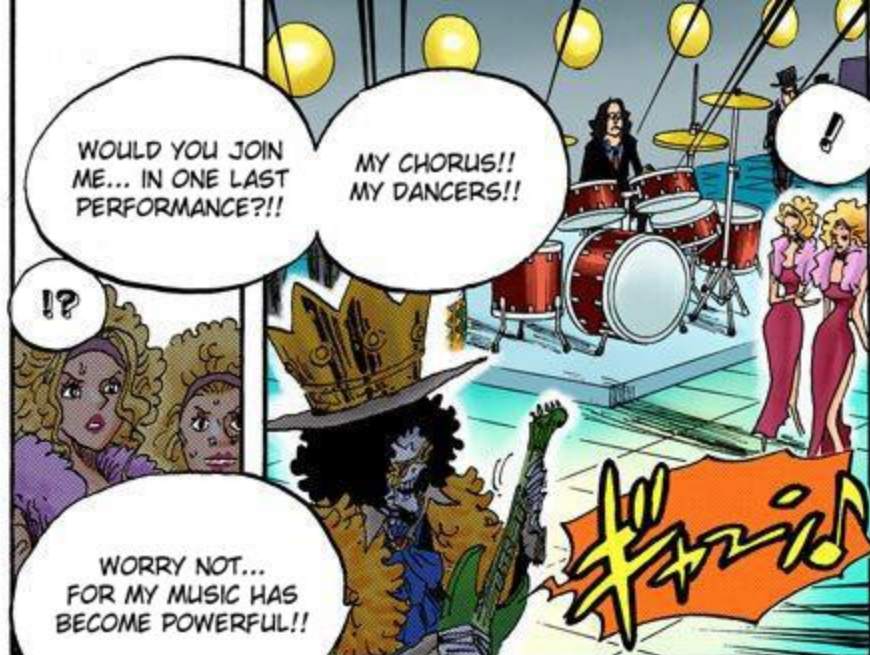
THE SOUL
KING, A
CRIMINAL?

どよ どよ...

BUT COME ON...
ISN'T STRAW
HAT LUFFY
SUPPOSED TO
BE DEAD...?!

HE'S A
PIRATE...?!





WOULD YOU JOIN ME... IN ONE LAST PERFORMANCE?!!

MY CHORUS!!
MY DANCERS!!

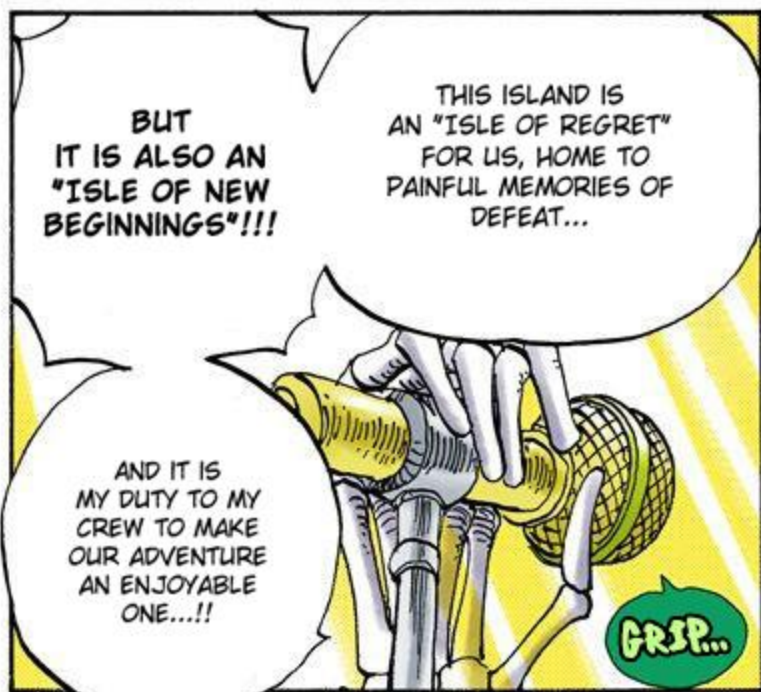
MY BACKING BAND...

DROP THE GUITAR
AND PUT YOUR
HANDS ABOVE
YOUR HEAD!!

!?

WORRY NOT...
FOR MY MUSIC HAS
BECOME POWERFUL!!

!!!



BUT
IT IS ALSO AN
"ISLE OF NEW
BEGINNINGS"!!!

THIS ISLAND IS
AN "ISLE OF REGRET"
FOR US, HOME TO
PAINFUL MEMORIES OF
DEFEAT...

AND IT IS
MY DUTY TO MY
CREW TO MAKE
OUR ADVENTURE
AN ENJOYABLE
ONE...!!

GRIP...

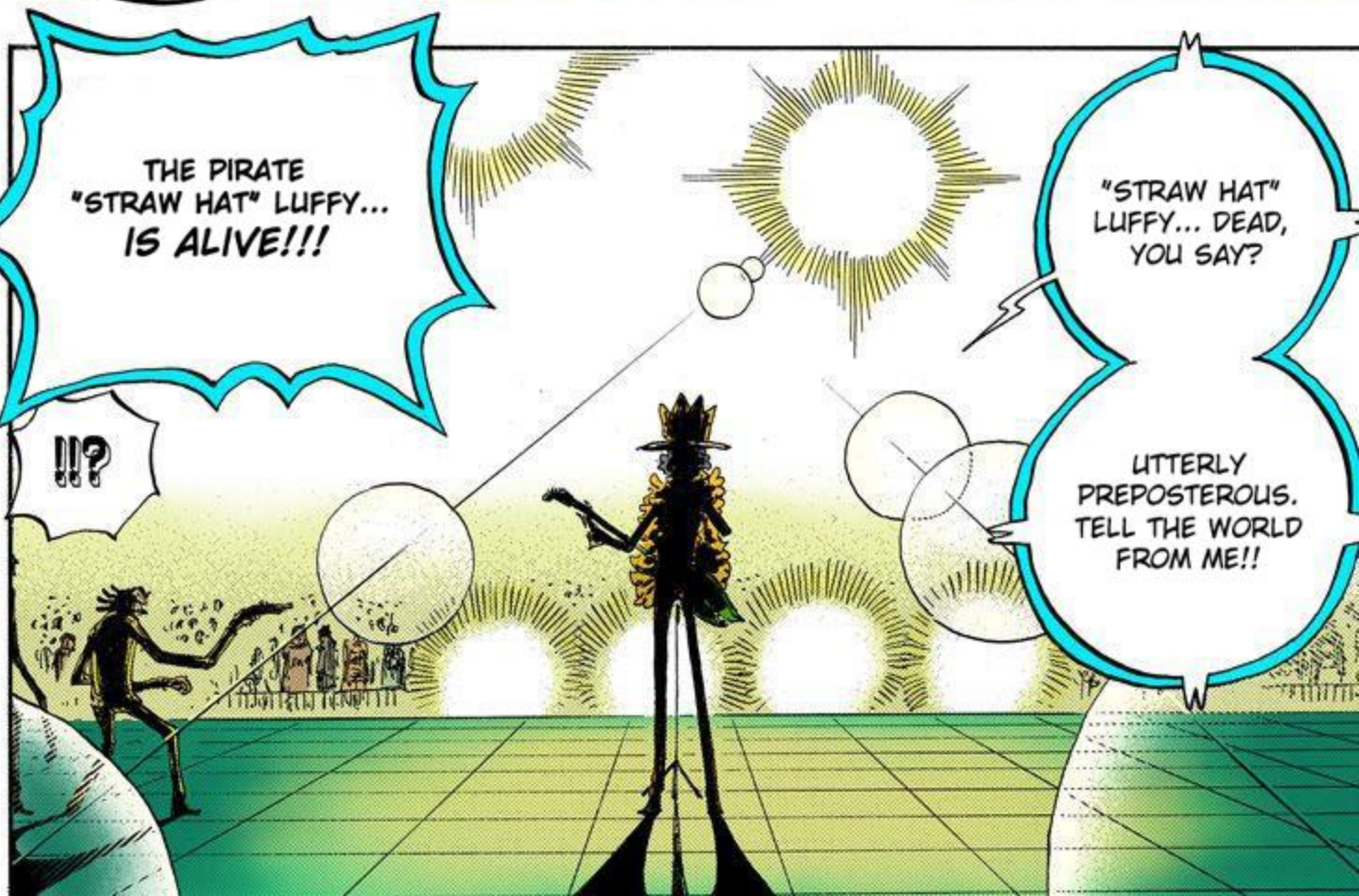


I THANK YOU
FOR ALL YOU
HAVE DONE FOR
ME OVER THESE
TWO YEARS!!

AND I THANK YOU
FOR BRINGING ME
HERE, TO THIS
ISLAND!



ARE YOU CRAZY?!
IT'S ALL OVER FOR
YOU, BROOK!!



THE PIRATE
"STRAW HAT" LUFFY...
IS ALIVE!!!

"STRAW HAT"
LUFFY... DEAD,
YOU SAY?

UTTERLY
PREPOSTEROUS.
TELL THE WORLD
FROM ME!!

!!?

A MESSAGE
TO MY
BELOVED
COMPANIONS
...

How could his
embarkment on this
new journey possibly
be a quiet affair?!!
Oh, babyyy!!

That man will
one day be King
of the Seas...!!

HQ!!

THIS
IS
HUGE!!

BREA-
KING
NEWS!!

HQ,
COME
IN!!

LET US HEAR JUST
ONE MORE SONG!!
JUST LET HIM SING
THIS ONCE!!!

DON'T BE
RIDICULOUS!!
THIS CONCERT
IS...

LUFFY-SAN...
LET US SAIL
ONWARD, TO THE
NEW WORLD!!!

YEAH!!!

Listen,
my friends!!!
To this final
soul melody!!!

!!?
SHUT UP,
MARINES!!

"NEW WORLD"♪

THAT'S RIGHT!!!
DOES IT MATTER
WHO THE SOUL
KING REALLY
IS?!!!

YOU SEE?
THE MUSIC IS
MY ALLY!!

One,
two,
three,
four!!

I KNOW,
RIIIII
IGHT?!!

CHECK
OUT THIS
INCREDIBLE
BODYYY!!

ギアアアアア

AWESOME
EEEEEEEE
EEEEEEE!!!

GROVE #17:
ANCHORAGE
OF THE
THOUSAND
SUNNY

OH, YEAH!!
BEARING THE DREAMS
AND WONDER OF ALL
MEN!! THE MACHINE, IT
COMES ALIVE!! AND ITS
NAME...
"ARMORED ME"!!!

CALM DOWN,
CHOPPER!! YOU'LL
DIE OF SHEER
EXCITEMENT!!

**YOU'RE LIKE,
A MECH!!!
DO YOU SHOOT
BEAMS?!!
DO YOU HAVE
MISSILES?!!
WHAT DO YOU
"CONNECT"
WITH?!!!**

PANT

ガッキーン!!

NAMI! YOU
LOOK WELL!

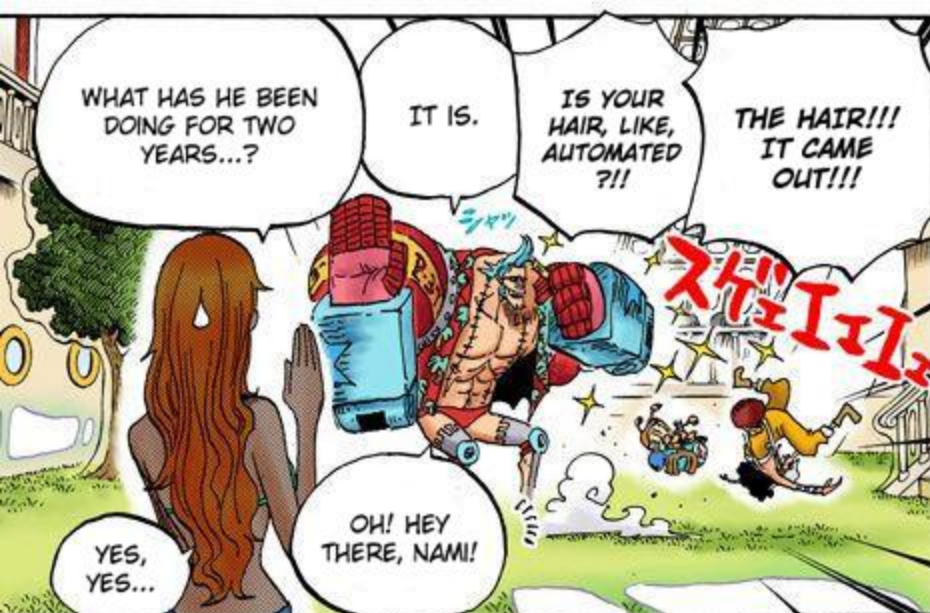
ROBIN!!

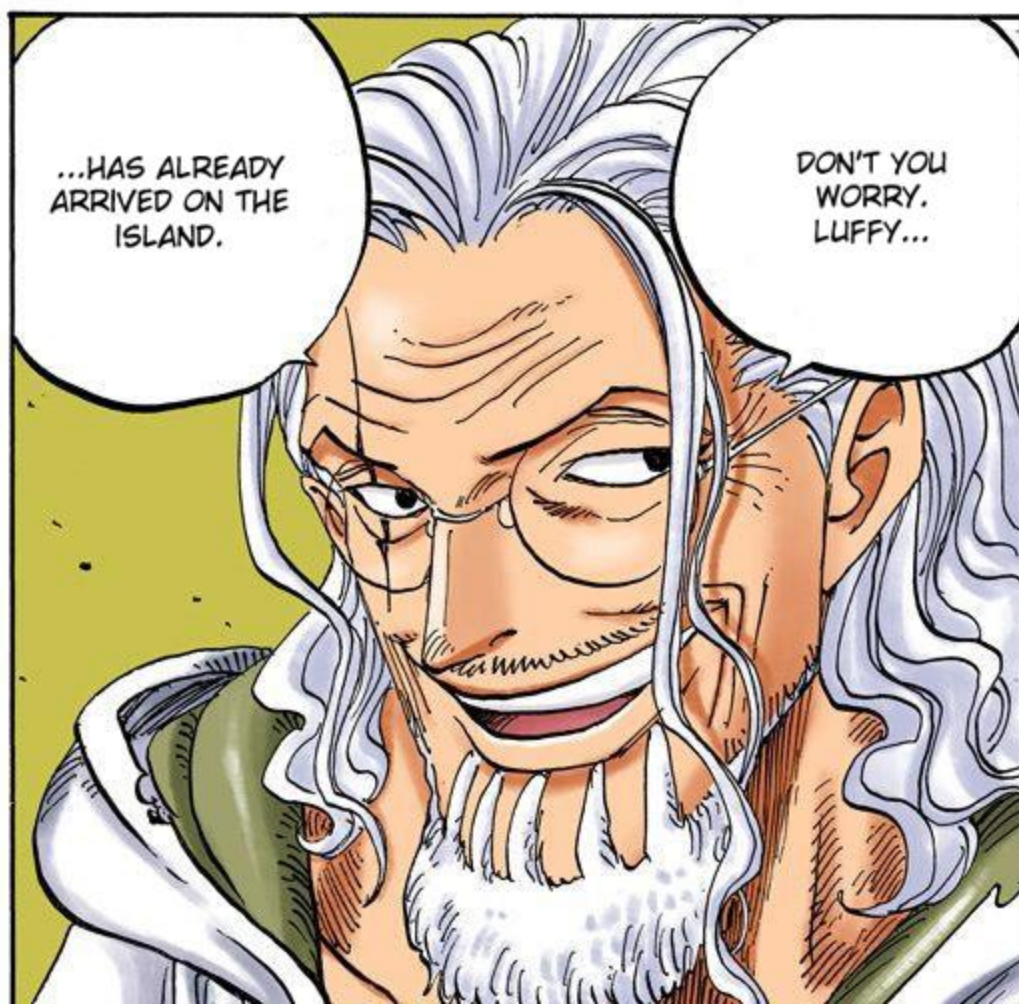
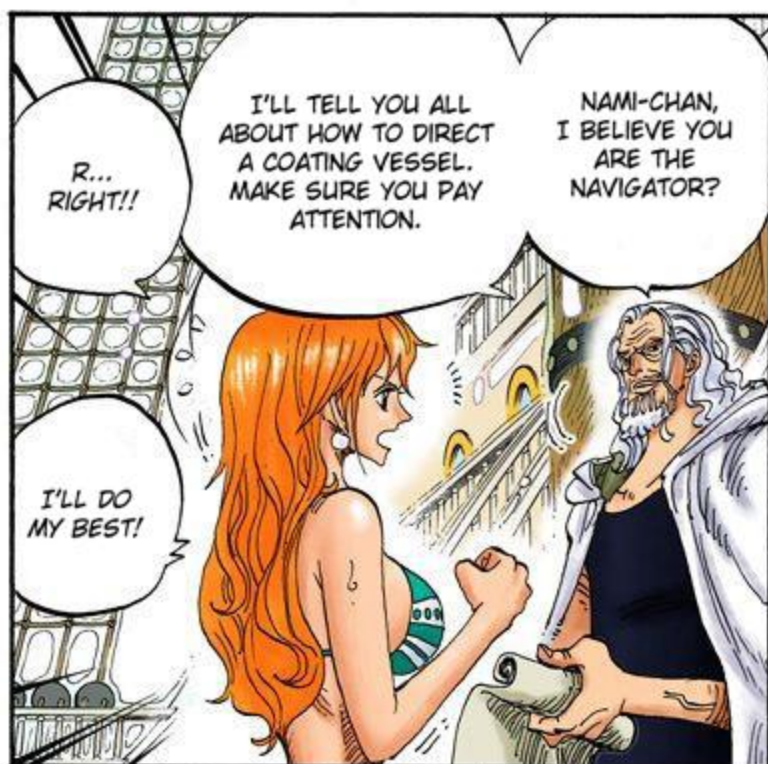
THE HAND!!
IT CAME
OUT!!!

WHATEVER
COULD YOU
MEAN?

BUT, FRANKY...
HOW ARE YOU GONNA
DO ALL YOUR DELICATE
SHIP-MAINTENANCE STUFF
WITH THOSE GIGANTIC
HANDS?

ニギキ!







THAT'S NICE
TO HEAR....!

LOOKS LIKE
MONKEY-CHAN IS THE
ONLY ONE WE HAVEN'T
MADE CONTACT WITH...

WELL, WE HAD
BETTER HURRY. IT
WON'T BE LONG
NOW BEFORE THE
MARINES ARRIVE.

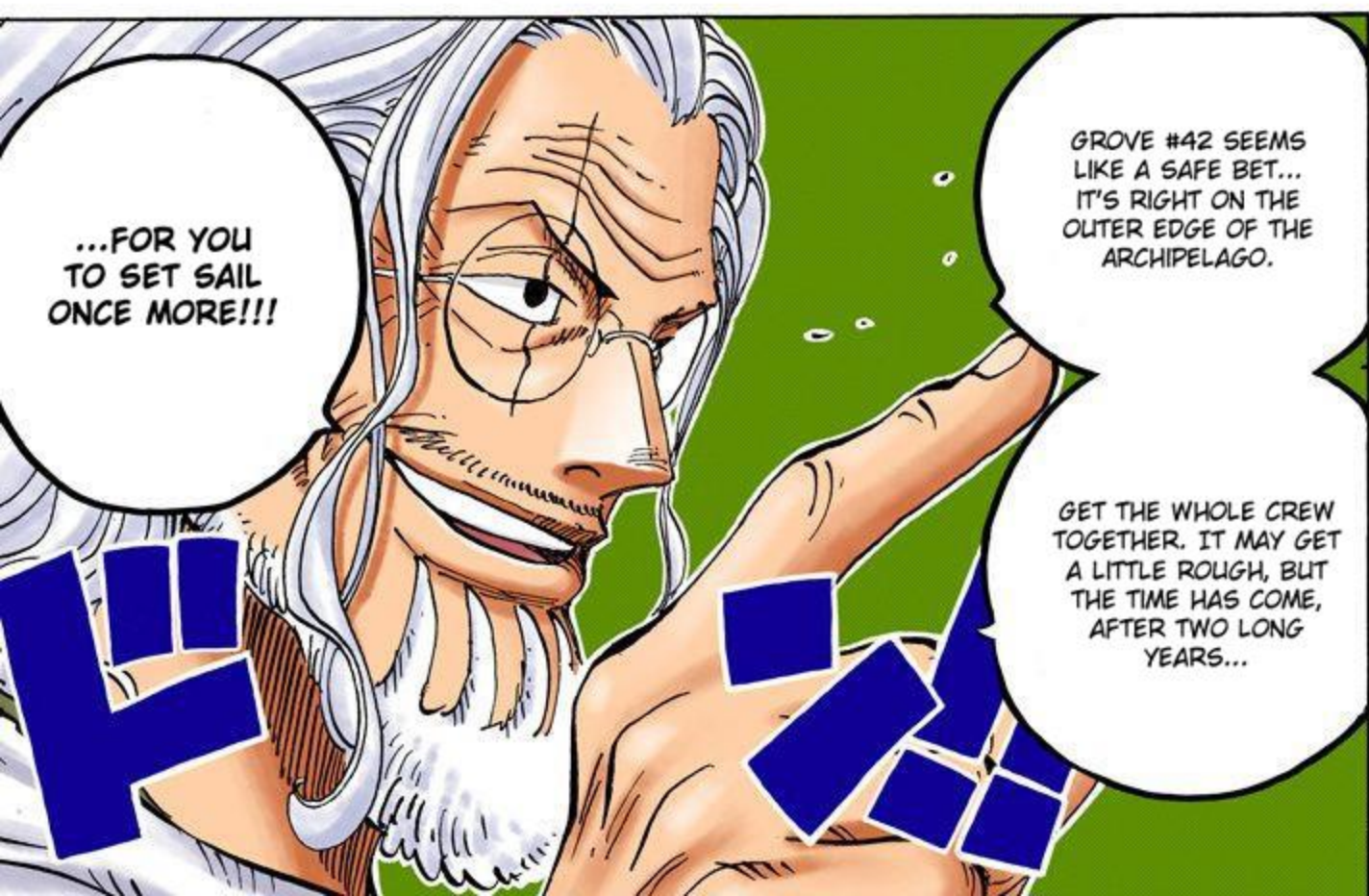
I SEE...
PERFECT.

...I GAVE SANJI A BABY
DEN-DEN MUSHI WHEN HE
STOPPED BY HERE AT THE
SHIP. HE'S WITH ZORO
RIGHT NOW.

...BUT I'LL JUST
LEAVE THIS VIVRE
CARD WITH YOU.
THAT'S WHAT HE'LL
BE FOLLOWING, YES?

FLAP...

HURRY
IT UP!!



...FOR YOU
TO SET SAIL
ONCE MORE!!!

GROVE #42 SEEMS
LIKE A SAFE BET...
IT'S RIGHT ON THE
OUTER EDGE OF THE
ARCHIPELAGO.

GET THE WHOLE CREW
TOGETHER. IT MAY GET
A LITTLE ROUGH, BUT
THE TIME HAS COME,
AFTER TWO LONG
YEARS...

Chapter 601:

"ROMANCE DAWN FOR THE NEW WORLD"



"NAMI TAKES ON SWINDLER HERONS IN A CASINO"
FROM PEN-NAME "ANONYMOUS" IN ? PREFECTURE

...HAVE BEEN
SET UPON BY THE
FANS. IT'S AN
ALL-OUT RIOT!!

INDEED - THE
MARINES WHO
BURST INTO THE
STADIUM TO
ARREST THE
SOUL KING...

THE WHOLE
PLACE IS IN
A PANIC!!

THE SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO,
GROVE #33:
THE SABAODOME

THE SOUL
KING HIMSELF
APPEARS TO
HAVE FLED
THE SCENE!!

YOHOOHOOHOO!!
THANK YOU KINDLY
FOR THIS...
YOUR TIMING WAS
EXQUISITE!!

YOUR CREW
ARE WAITING
FOR YOU IN
GROVE #42!

WE'RE HERE ON
SHAKKIE-NEESAN'S
ORDERS!!

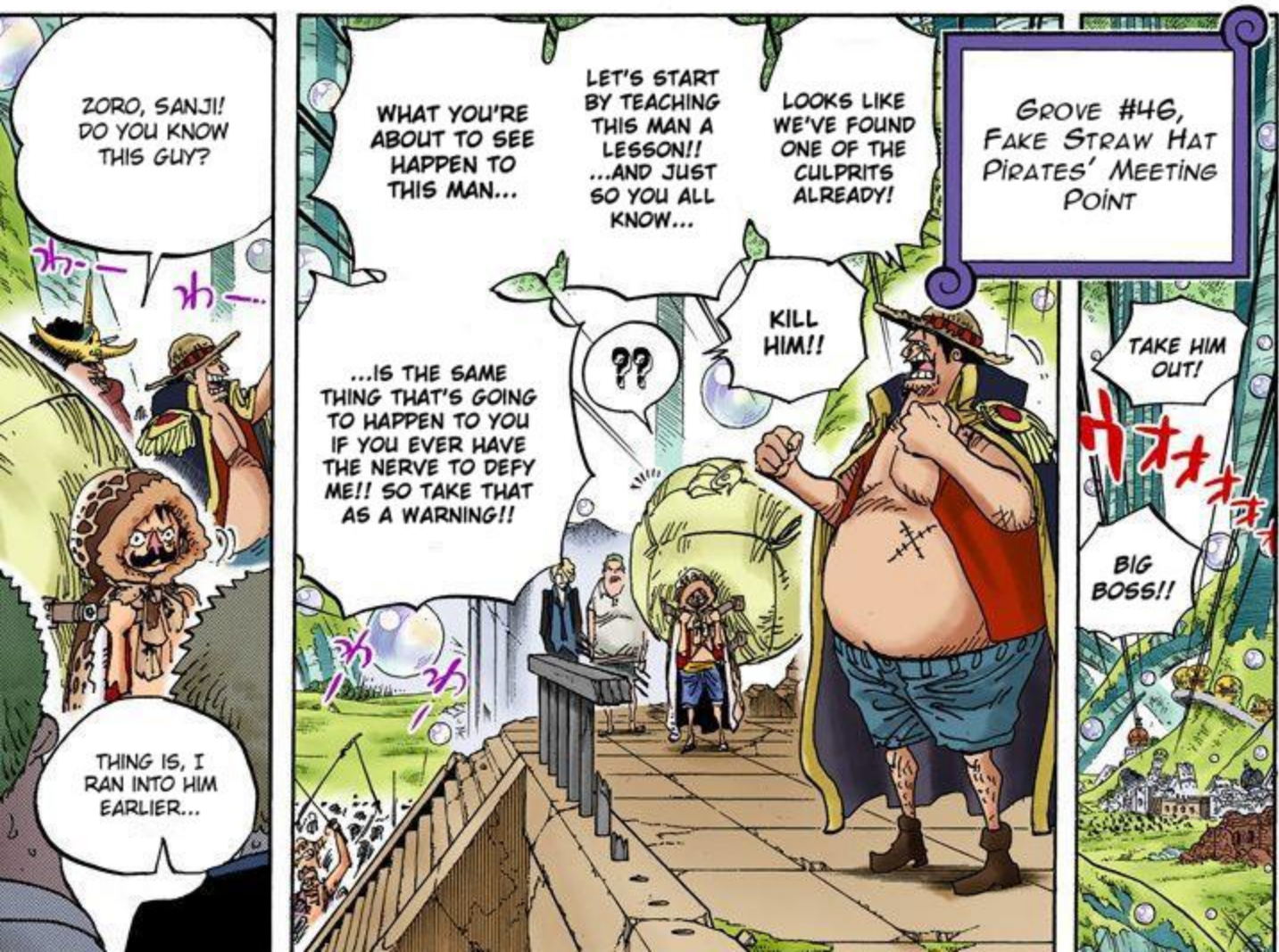
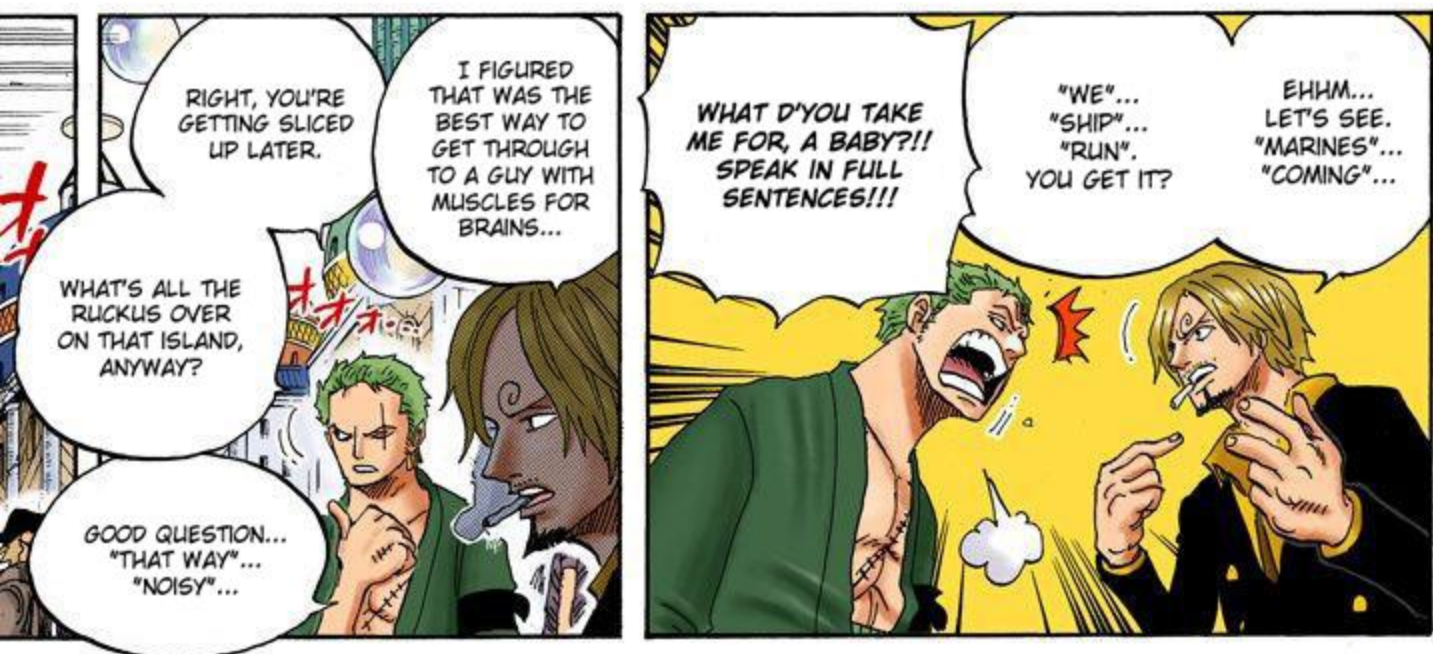
...NOT THAT I
HAVE A CHEST
TO BURST IN THE
FIRST PLACE!!!
YOHOOHOOHOO!!!

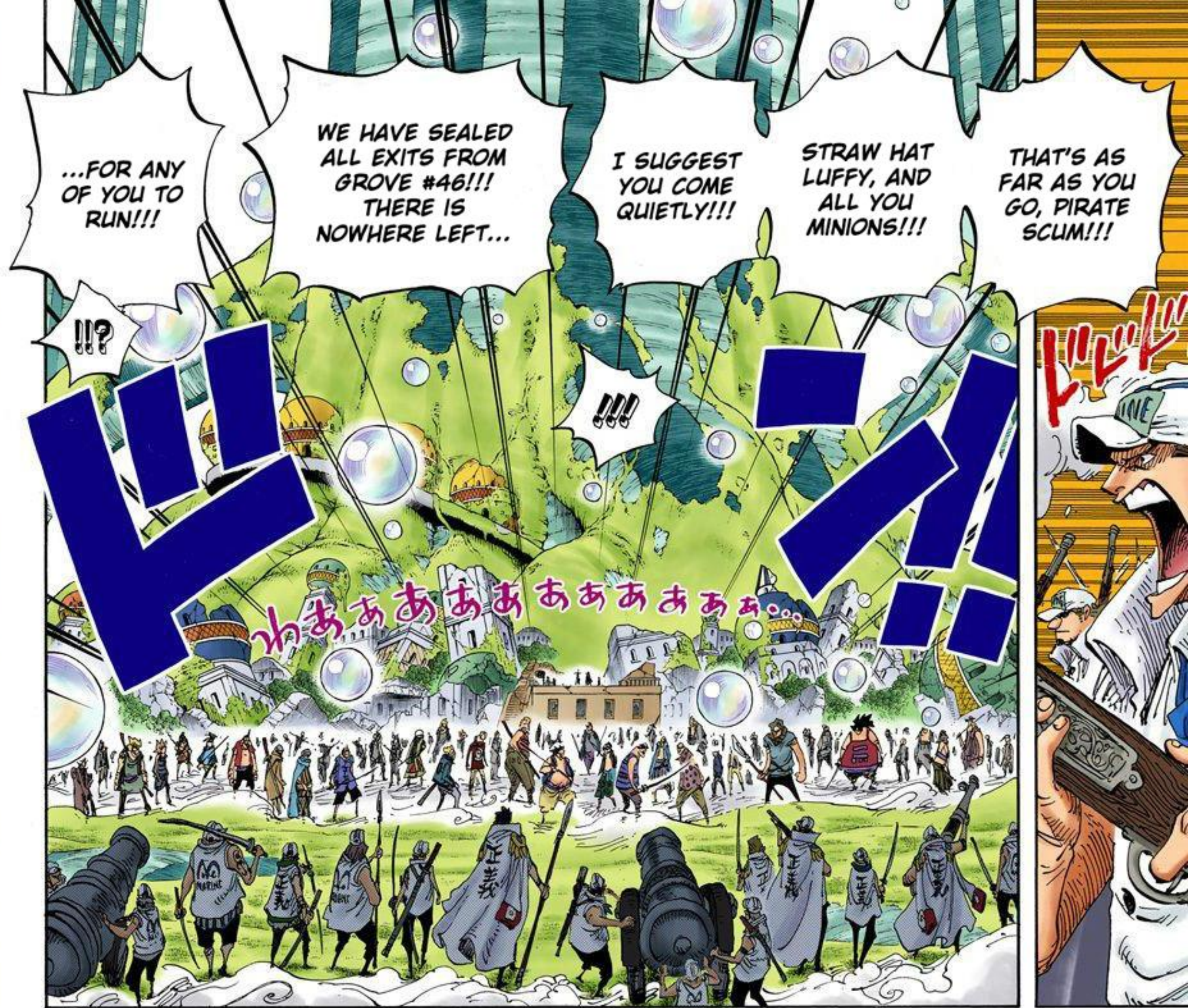
MY CHEST IS
ABOUT TO
BURST FROM
NOSTALGIA AND
ANTICIPATION!

THAT'S RIGHT - THE
FAMOUS MUSICIAN
BROOK WAS ACTUALLY
A PIRATE!!!

DAMMIT!!!
FILTHY
TRAITOR!!!









YOU JUST
IGNORED A
DIRECT ORDER
FROM YOUR
CAPTAIN...!!!

CARIBOU,
YOU CRAZY
BASTARD!!



WELL,
DAMN...



IS IT ONE OF YOUR
UNWRITTEN RULES...
THAT IT'S FINE TO LIE
TO THE BAD GUYS,
EH?! KEHEHEHEH!!!

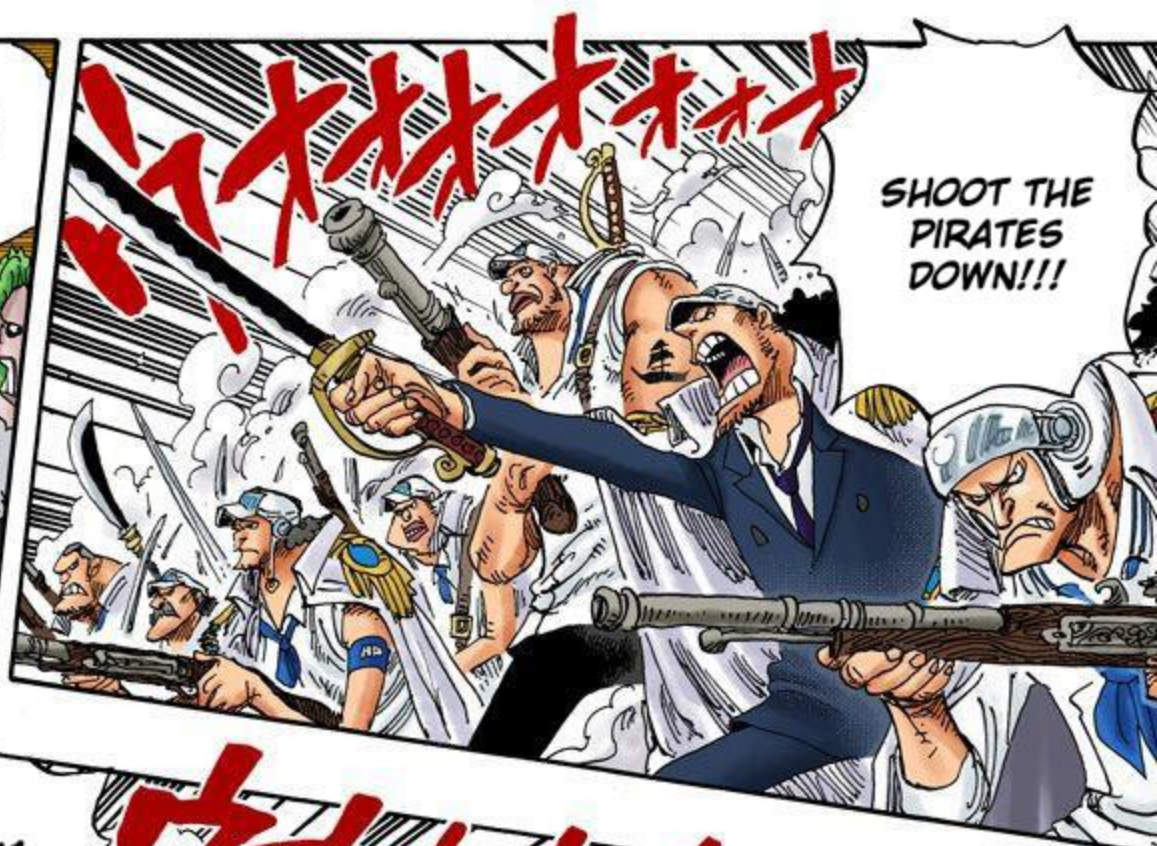


IT DOESN'T
LOOK LIKE
THEY PLAN ON
COMING
QUIETLY...



KEHIHI!! I SMELL
BLOOD FOR THE
SPILLIN'!!

THE FILTHY
BLOOD OF A
BUNCH
HYPOCRITES!!

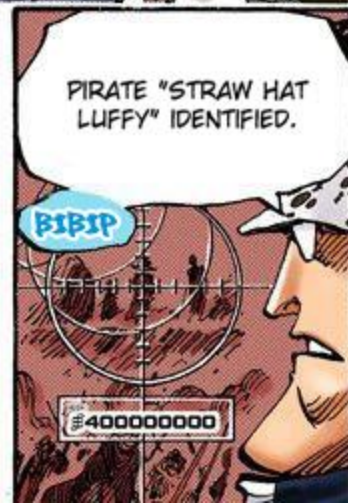


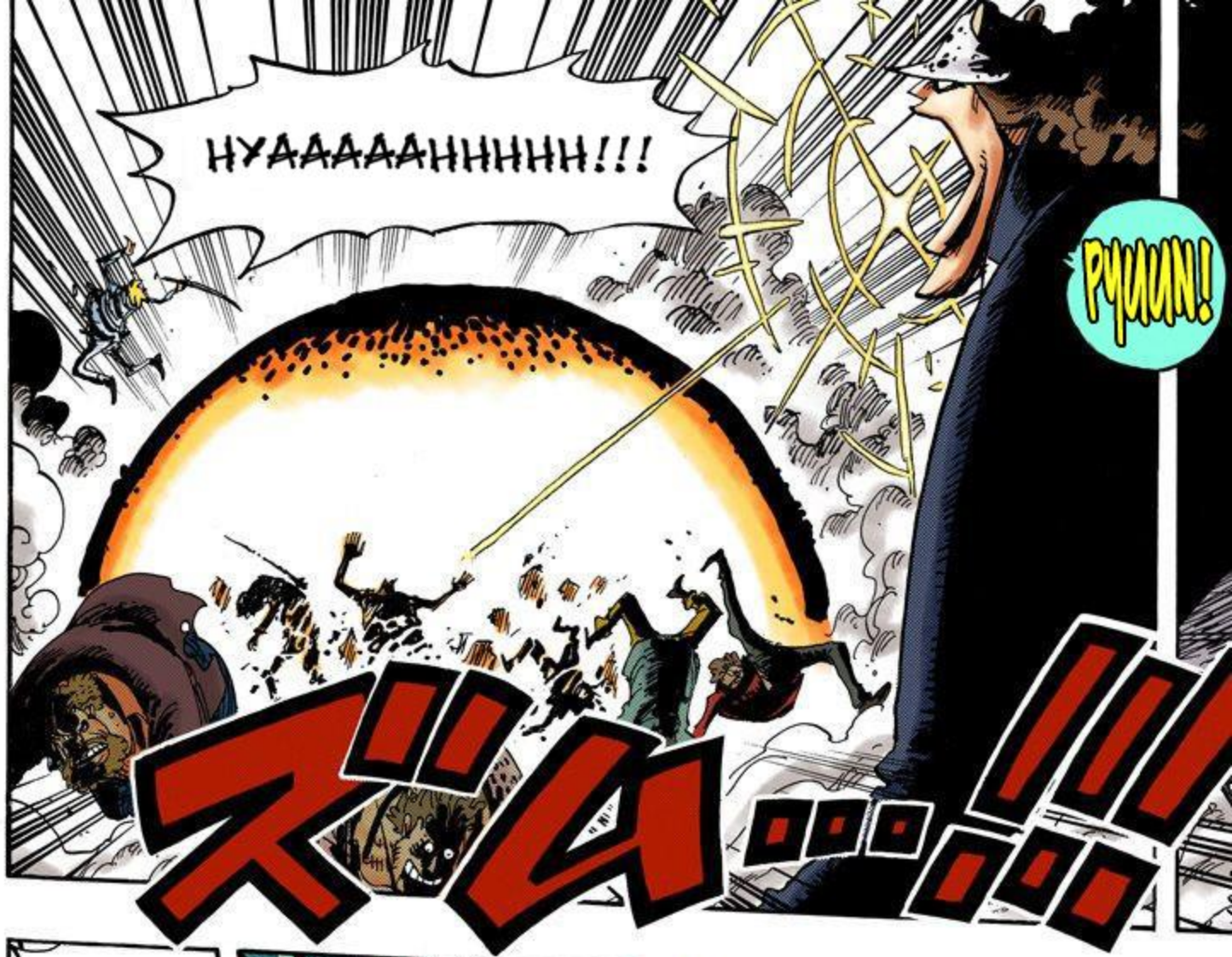
SHOOT THE
PIRATES
DOWN!!!



TAKE 'EM
DOWN!!!

IDIOT MARINES!!
OUR CAPTAIN'S GOT A BOUNTY
OF FOUR HUNDRED MILLION!!!
HE'S STRAW HAT LUFFY!!!







WE CAN'T FIGHT
THE KIND OF
MONSTERS WHO
CAN TAKE OUT
DHOTI!!

HURRY IT UP!!
WE'RE GETTIN'
OUTTA HERE!!



HUH?!
WHERE'S
BIG BOSS
LUFFY?!

THESE HUMAN
WEAPONS ARE
GONNA KILL US
ALL!!!

IT'S NO GOOD,
BIG BOSS!!
YOU'VE GOTTA DO
SOMETHING!!!



AHH!!!



HEY, BIG GUY!!
DON'T YOU KNOW WHO YOU'RE
TALKING TO?! IF YOU DON'T
WANT TO HAVE YOUR CHEST
TORN OPEN AND YOUR INSIDES
RIPPED OUT...

...THEN GET OUTTA MY WAY!!
I'M THE SON OF DRAGON!!
THE GRANDSON OF GARP!! I'M
THE FOUR-HUNDRED-MILLION
MAN...



...? WHY ARE THESE
PEOPLE CALLING YOU
"STRAW HAT"...



TAKE 'EM OUT!!
SHOW THEM THE
POWER OF A
FOUR-HUNDRED-
MILLION MAN!!!

AHHHH!!
BIG BOSS
STRAW HAT IS
GONNA FIGHT
FOR US!!!





A FAKE?!!



!!?



PIRATE
"TRIPLE TONGUE"
DEMALLO BLACK.

BOUNTY
26,000,000
BELI...

BIBIPI!



UGH!!!
THAT
WORTHLESS
LITTLE
26-MILLION
SCUMBAG...

TO THINK HE
ALMOST HAD
ME WORKING
FOR HIM!!

THE HELL?!! THOSE
DIRTY CROOKS!!!
THEY USED THE
NAME OF STRAW
HAT LUFFY...

...TO PLAY US ALL
FOR FOOLS?!!
TAKING ADVANTAGE
OF THE REAL
STRAW HAT'S
DEATH?!!



THEY'RE ONTO
US!! RUN FOR IT!!
WE'LL BE KILLED!!



WHA...
?!!

TAKE HIM
OUT!!!
PX-5!!



!!?

EVERY ONE OF
YOU IS UNDER
ARREST!!

THE DECEIVERS MAY
BE FOOLS, BUT IT'S
OVER FOR YOU LOT
WHO WERE DECEIVED
AS WELL!

THE PX-5
DETECTED HIM AS
SOON AS HE
ENTERED THE
ARCHIPELAGO!!

...AND WHAT'S MORE, BY
SOME CRAZY COINCIDENCE,
IT LOOKS LIKE THE REAL
STRAW HAT IS ON THIS
ISLAND AS WELL!!



HUH??
HE WAS
PRETENDING
TO BE ME??

THAT ZORO AND
SANJI, TOO? WOW...
I THOUGHT THEY
SEEMED DIFFERENT,
BUT THEY SURE DO
LOOK SIMILAR!





IT'S THE
FACE FROM
THE WANTED
POSTER!!!



I'M NOT THE SAME MAN
I WAS TWO YEARS
AGO... I'VE BECOME A
FULL-FLEDGED MARINE
SOLDIER!! I'M GOING
TO CAPTURE YOU HERE
AND NOW!!

DEPARTURE?!
OH, YOU'RE
NOT GOING
ANYWHERE!

GET HIM,
PX-5!!



I'M NOT MEANT
TO CAUSE ANY
TROUBLE, IT
MIGHT GET IN
THE WAY OF OUR
DEPARTURE...!

DON'T TELL
ME YOU'RE
GONNA GET
IN MY WAY
AGAIN!



...STRAW
HAT LUFFY
!!!

AAAAG
HHH!!
THAT GUY
WAS THE
REAL...



THIS IS THE
MAN WE
CAME FOR!!

BRACE
YOURSELVES,
MEN!!

YES
SIR!!



GOMU
GOMU
NO...

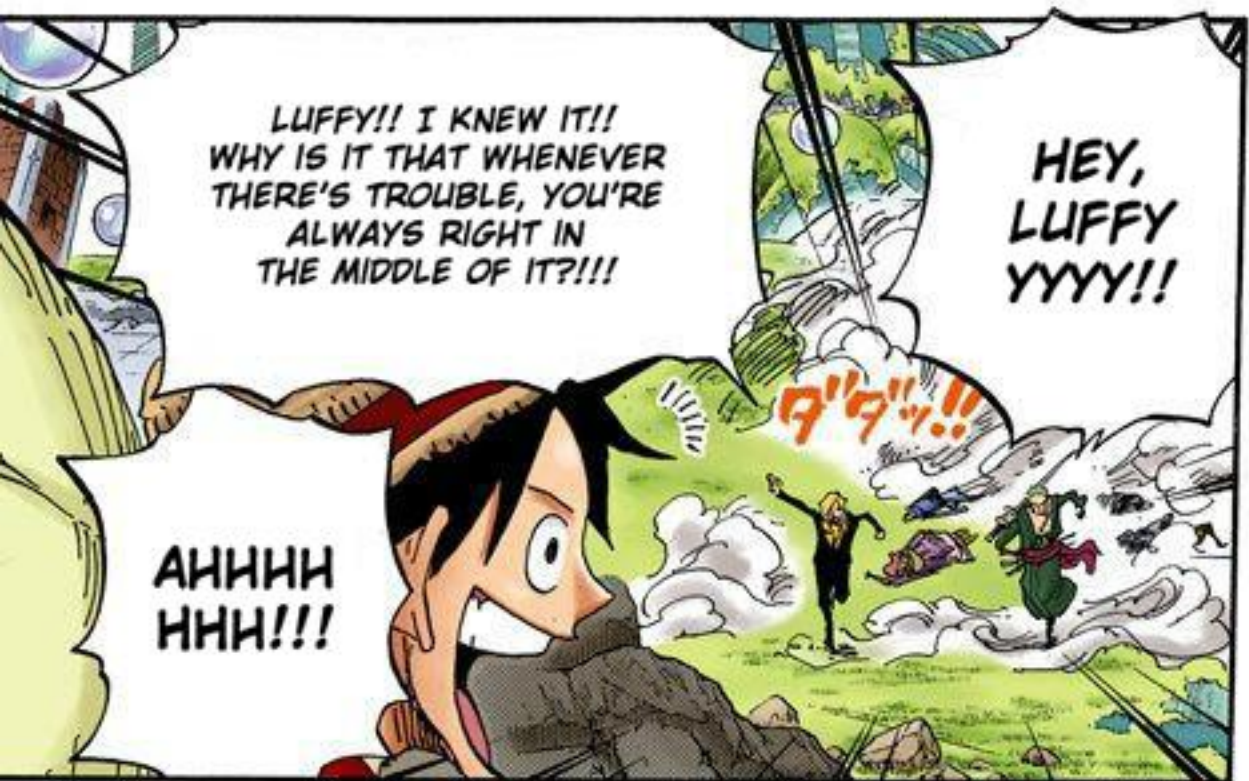


GEAR
SECOND.

フィニッシュ!!



TOO SLOW...







I'M
GONNA
BECOME...

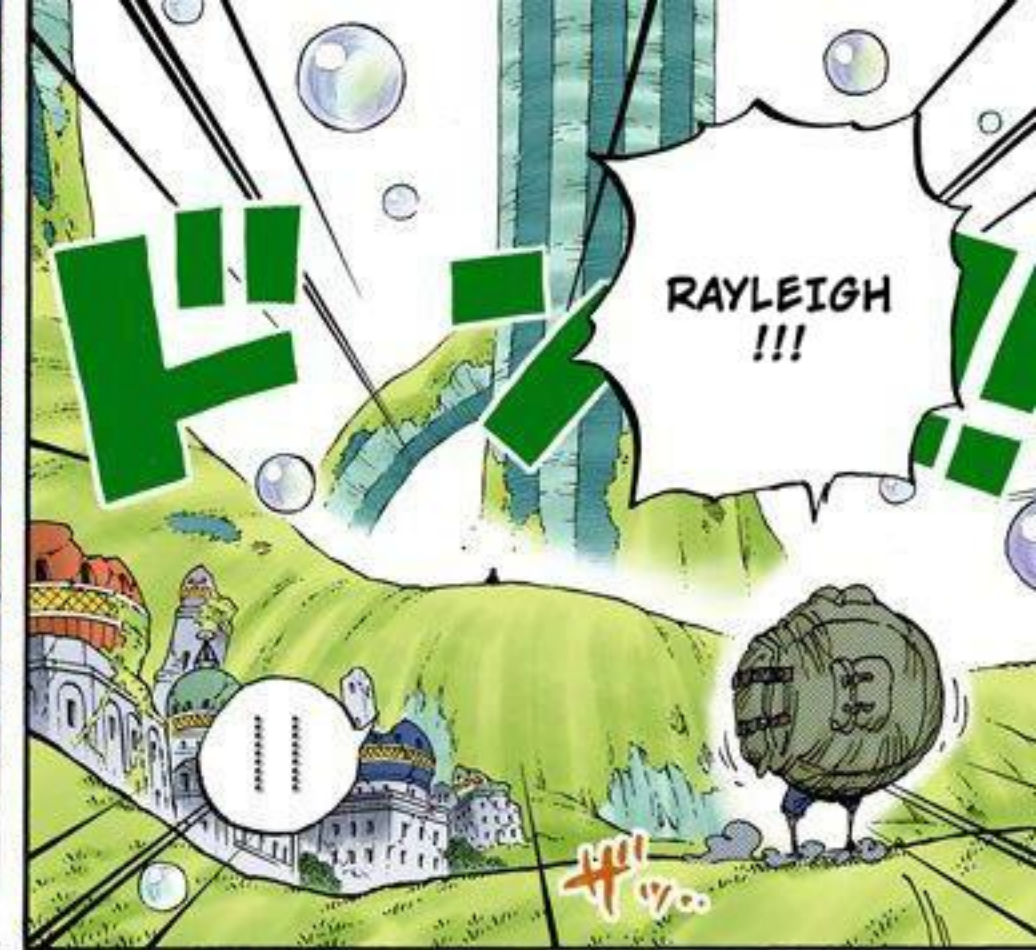
...THE
PIRATE
KING!!!!

!!!



...?!! TH...

TH - TH - TH...!!
THE "DARK KING"
?!!



RAYLEIGH
!!!



UH-HUH!!

WELL, THEN...
YOU HAD BETTER BE
OFF. YOUR CREW
AWAITS...!



YOU HAVE
HONED YOUR
STRENGTH STILL
FURTHER...!!

...BUT IT
DOESN'T LOOK
LIKE YOU NEED
ANY HELP...



AHAHAH...
I THOUGHT I'D
DROP BY AND
TAKE A LOOK...

...

..... !!!



....RAYLEIGH,
I'M...

?

...GONNA
DO IT!!



...JUST
GO...

...HAHAH...
NO NEED
FOR SUCH
FORMALITIES...

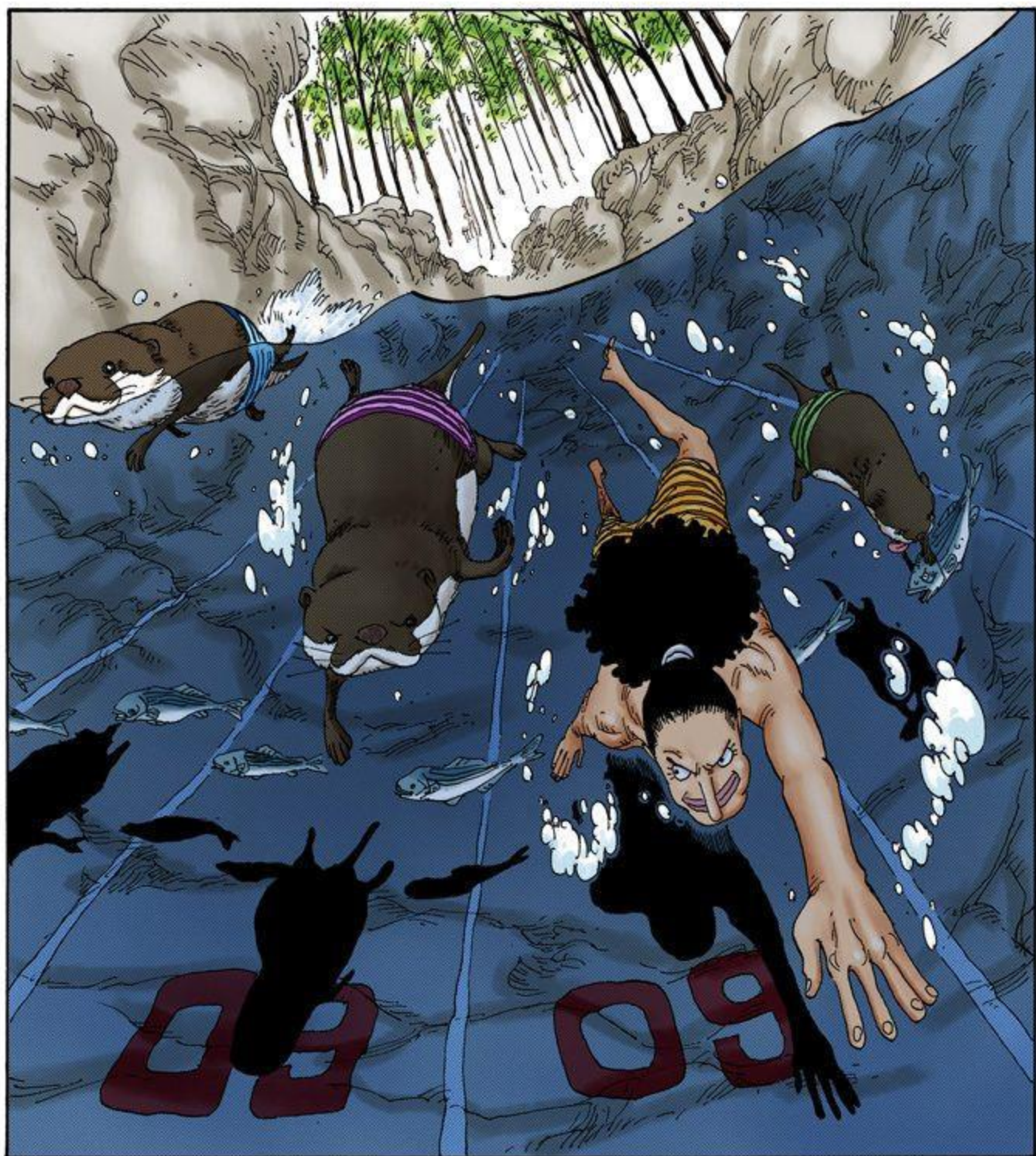


YEAH!!
THANKS SO
MUCH,
RAYLEIGH!

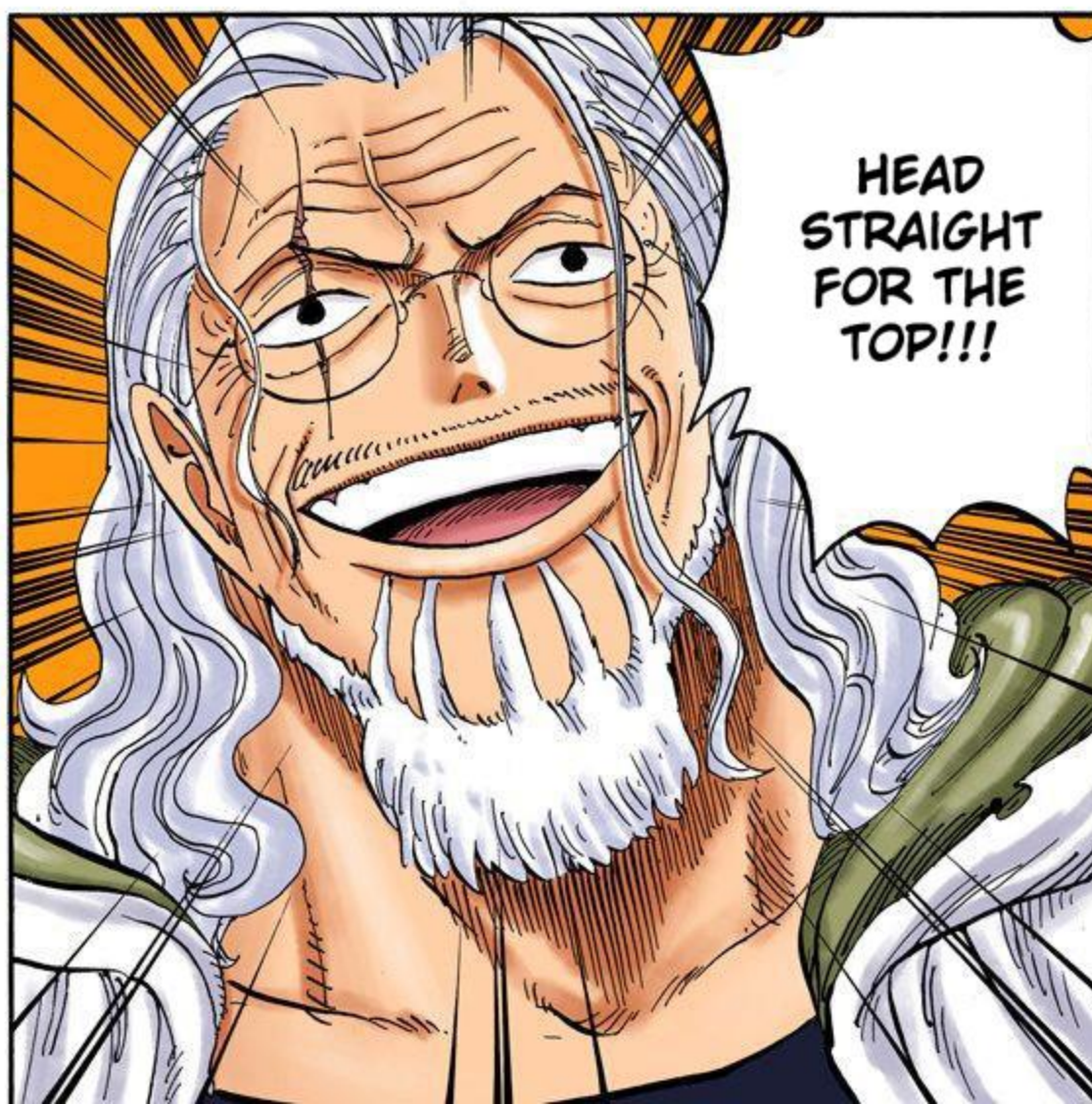
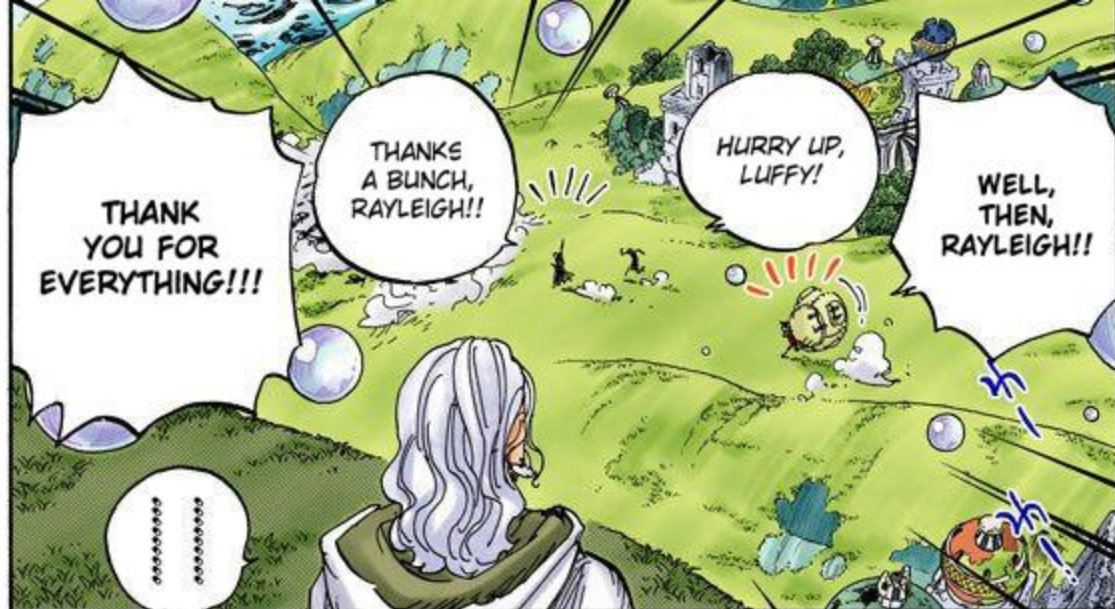
FOR
EVERYTHING
YOU'VE DONE
THESE PAST
TWO YEARS!

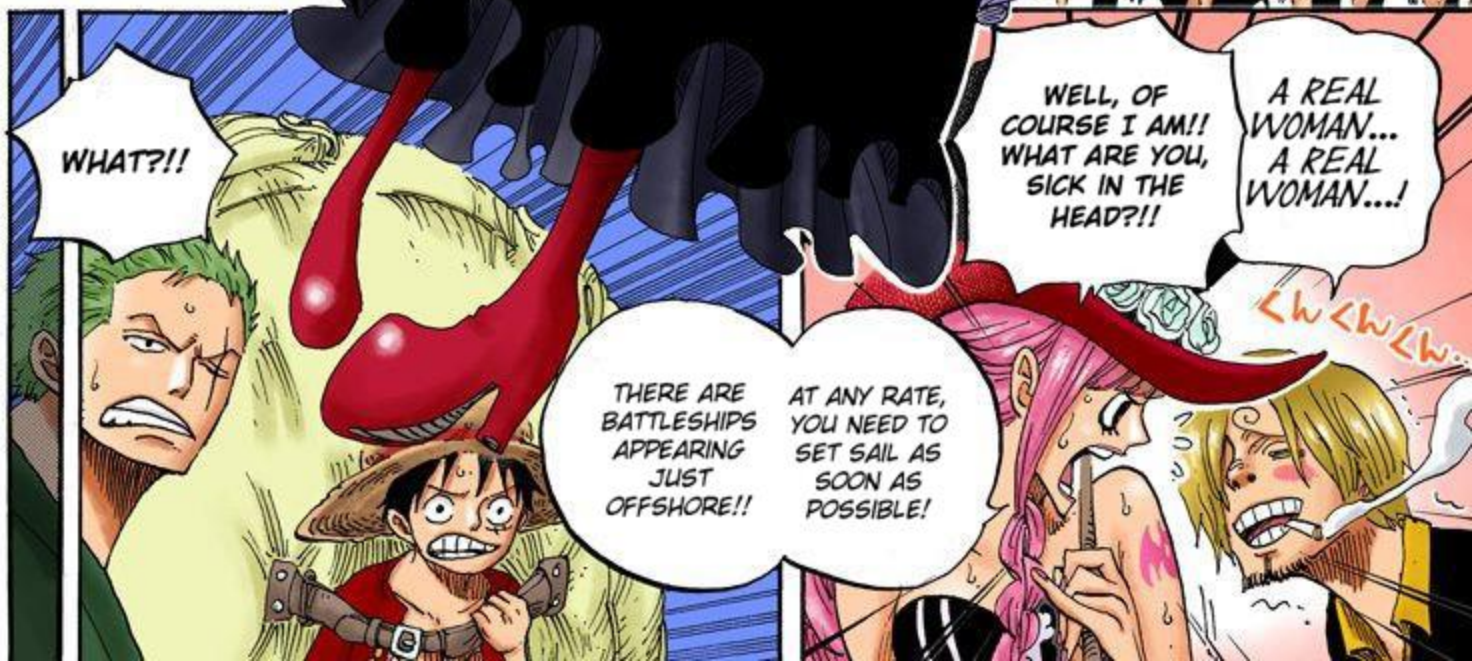
Chapter 602:

"TO THE DEPTHS!"



"USOPP HAS A SWIMMING RACE WITH OTTERS"
FROM PEN-NAME "TEA-CEREMONY CLUB CHIEF"





FRRANKYYY-
SAAAAAAN!!

NAMI-SAN,
ROBIN-SAN!

USOPP-SAN!

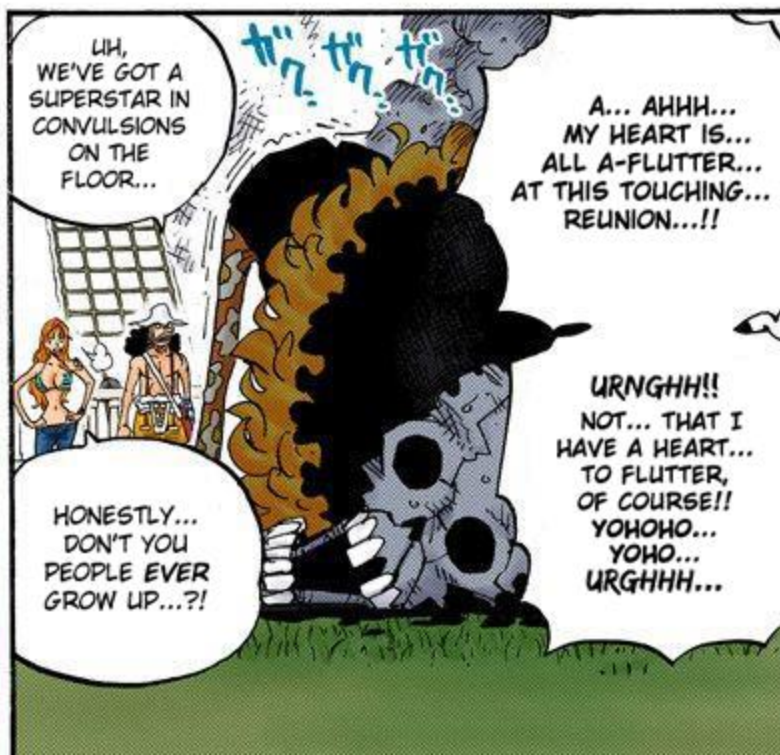
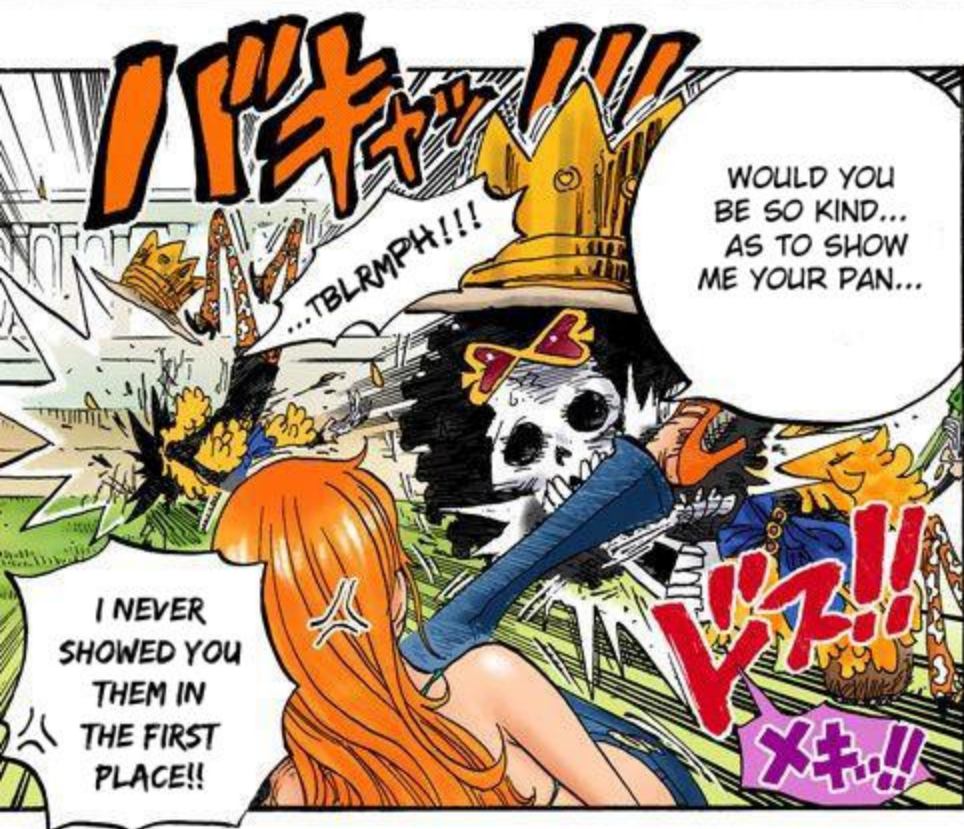
YOHOO
HOHOHO
!!!

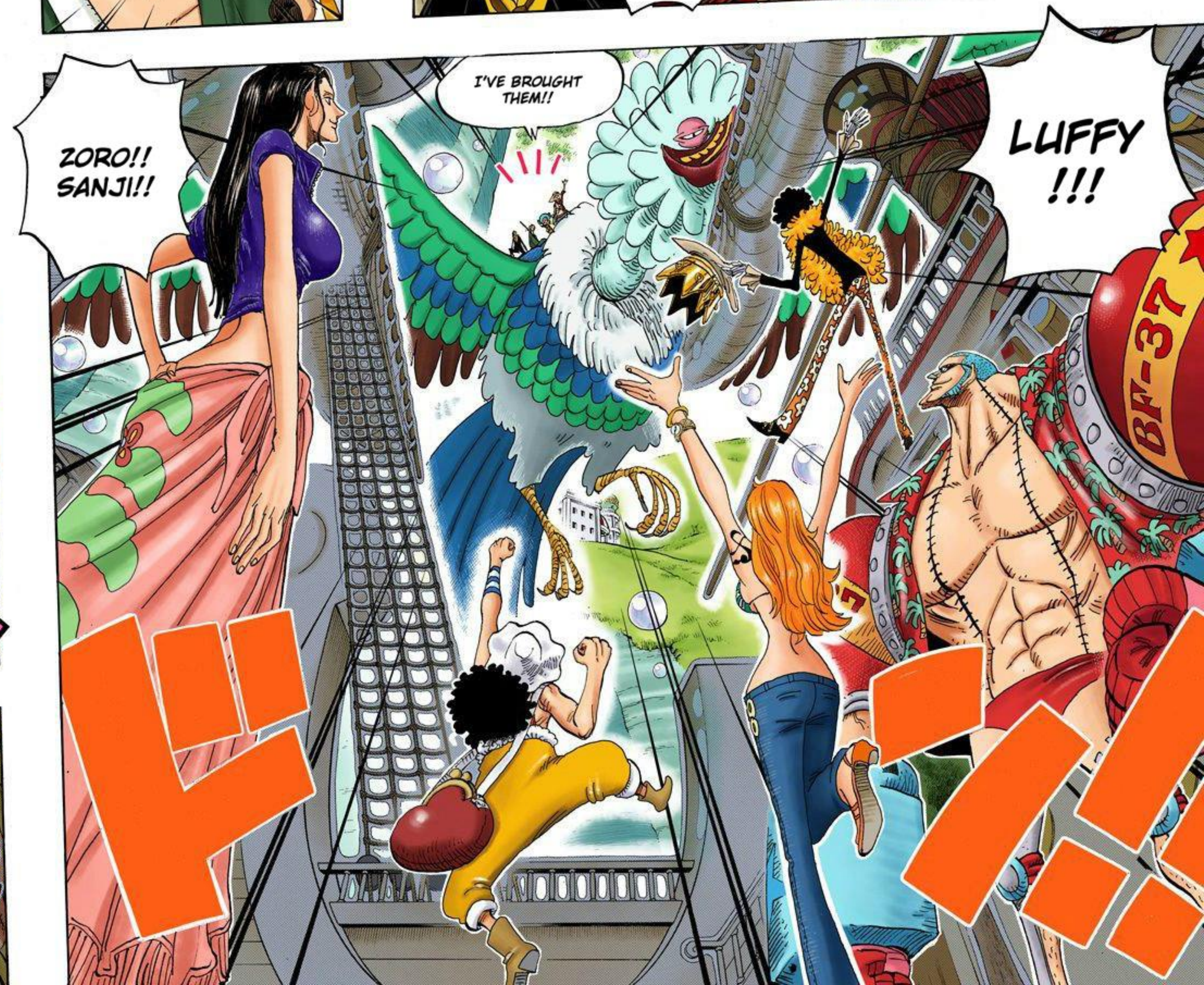
COAST OF
GROVE #42:
THE STRAW
HATS'
MEETING
POINT

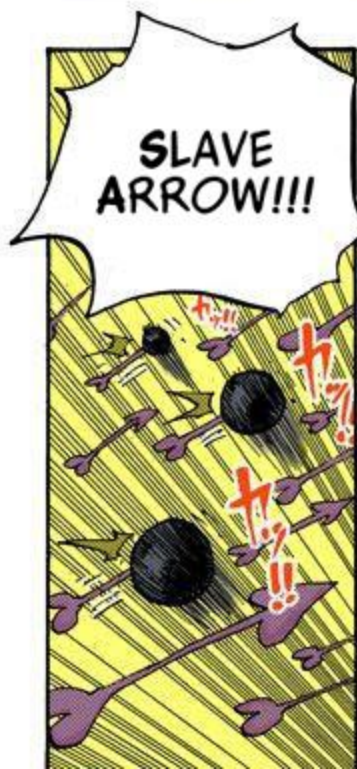
AH,
SUCH MEMORIES
THESE FACES
BRING BACK! ♪
YEAH!!

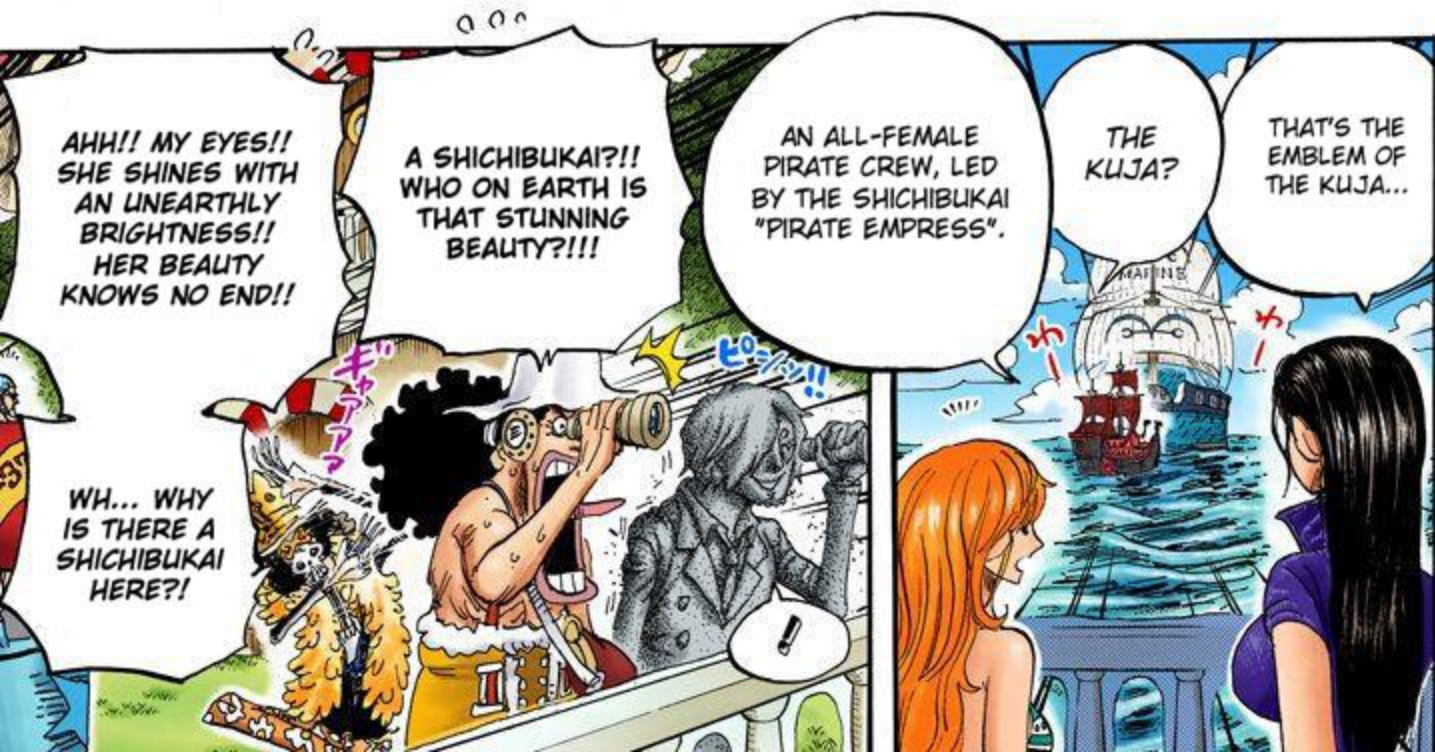
GOTTA SAY,
I'M IMPRESSED
YOU GAVE UP
YOUR LIFE OF
STARDOM.
GOOD ON YOU!

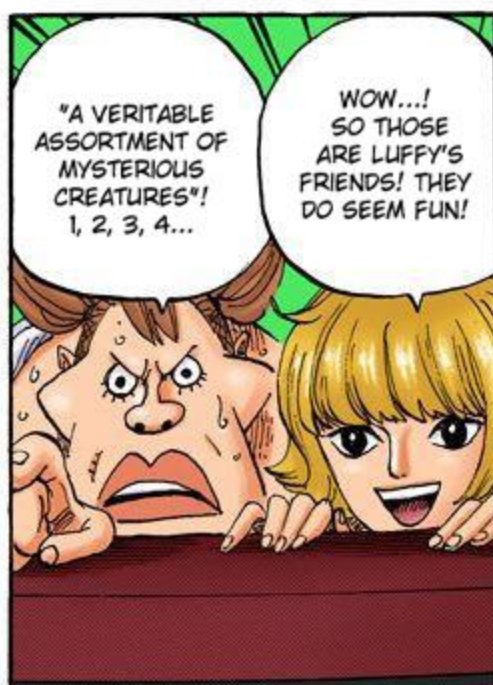
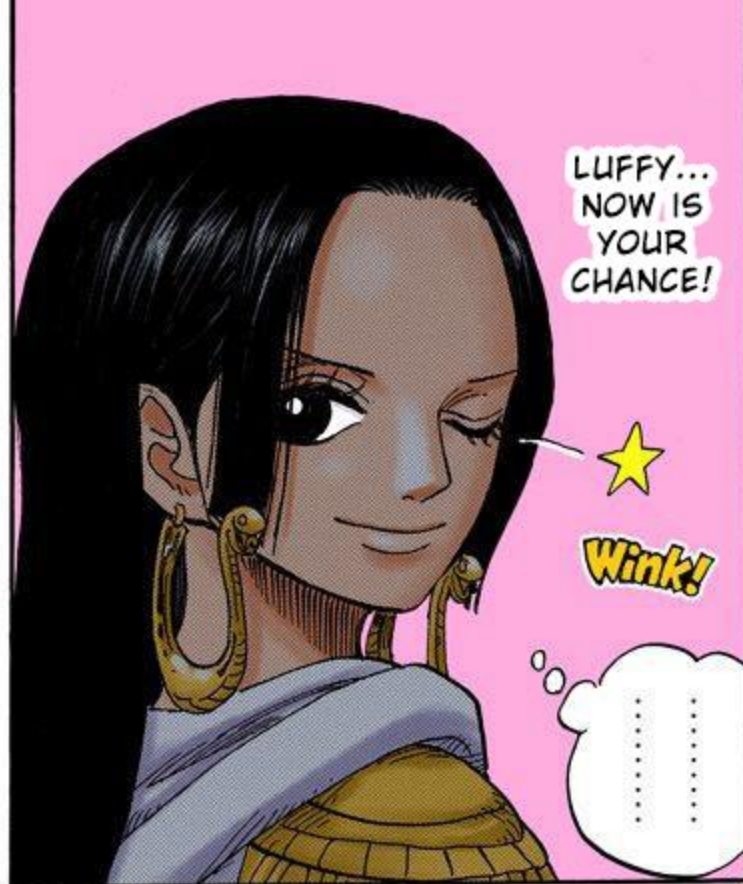
BROOK
!!!













WHAT THE...?!
THIS JELLY-STUFF
IS EXPANDING!!

AHH!!



I'M OPENING THE VALVE!!
IT'S GONNA PUMP IN AIR FROM
OUR UNDERSEA AIRBAG!!



WHOOAAA!!
WE'VE GOT A
GIANT BUBBLE
ROOF!!!



IF THEY'RE NOT
COMING, THEN ALL
THE BETTER! WE'LL
JUST LEAVE BEFORE
THEY GET HERE!!

THEN WHY DON'T I
SEE THEM HEADING
THIS WAY FROM
THE ISLAND?

LUCKY FOR US IF
THEY GOT CAUGHT UP
IN SOMETHING,
RIGHT?

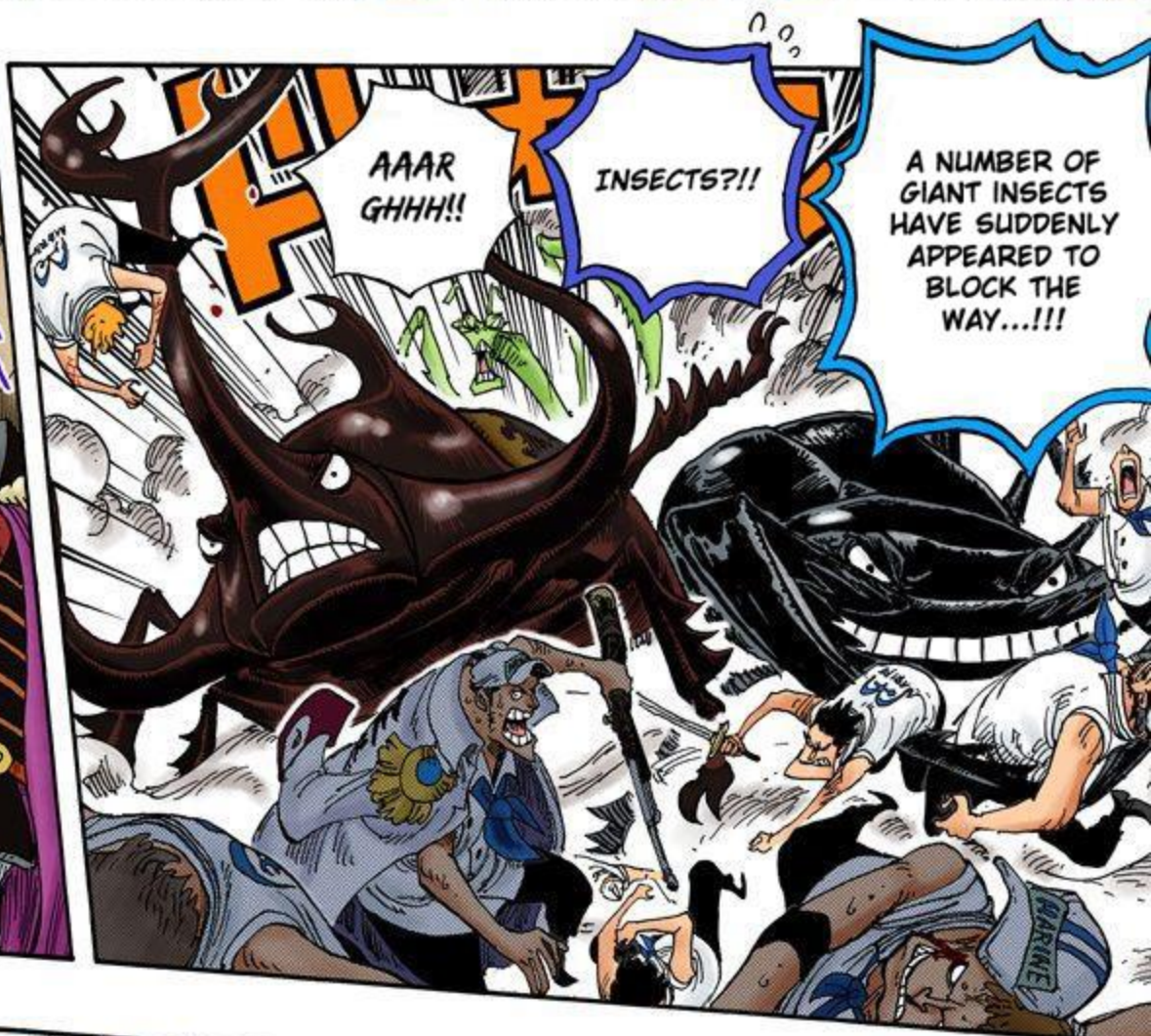


DID YOU GUYS TAKE
OUT ALL THE
MARINES ON YOUR
WAY HERE?

NO... I COULD HEAR
PLENTY OF THEM
STILL SHOUTING!!



IS SOMETHING
WRONG,
USOPP?

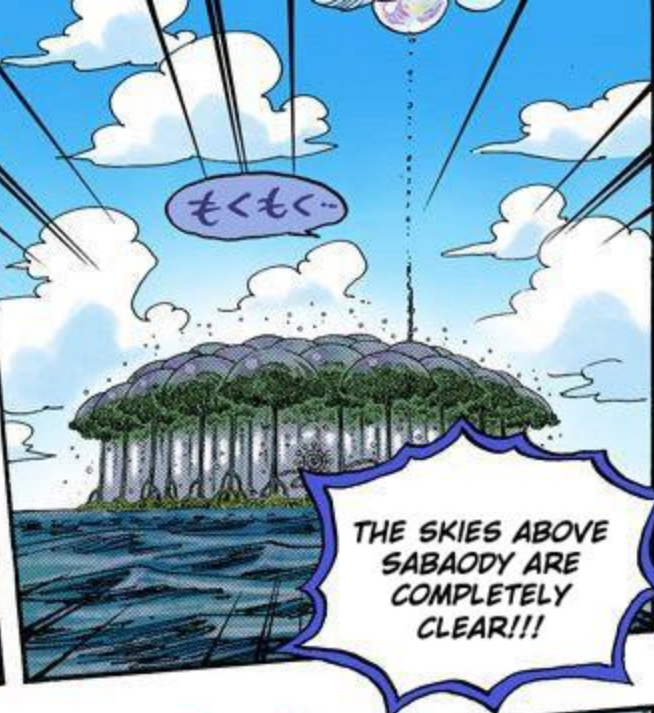




WE DON'T WANT TO HIT ANY INNOCENT CITIZENS!!

DON'T BOTHER WITH THE LIGHTNING!!

ポンポン...



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THE SKIES ABOVE SABAODY ARE COMPLETELY CLEAR!!!



NAMI-CHAN, YOU'RE A GOOD GIRL... GOOD LUCK ON YOUR JOURNEY!

THEY'VE LANDED US RIGHT ABOVE THE SABAODY ARCHIPELAGO!

STILL, WHAT LUCK WE'VE HAD WITH THE WINDS!

ALL THESE SOAP BUBBLES CERTAINLY ARE A BOTHER!

WE'LL MISS YOU HERE ON WEATHERIA...



ACCORDING TO THEIR REPORTS, STRAW HAT LUFFY...

DEPRESSION?! WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!!

UNIT 2, WHO WERE SENT TO THIS AREA IN ADVANCE, ALL SEEM TO HAVE SUCCEEDED TO HEAVY DEPRESSION...!!

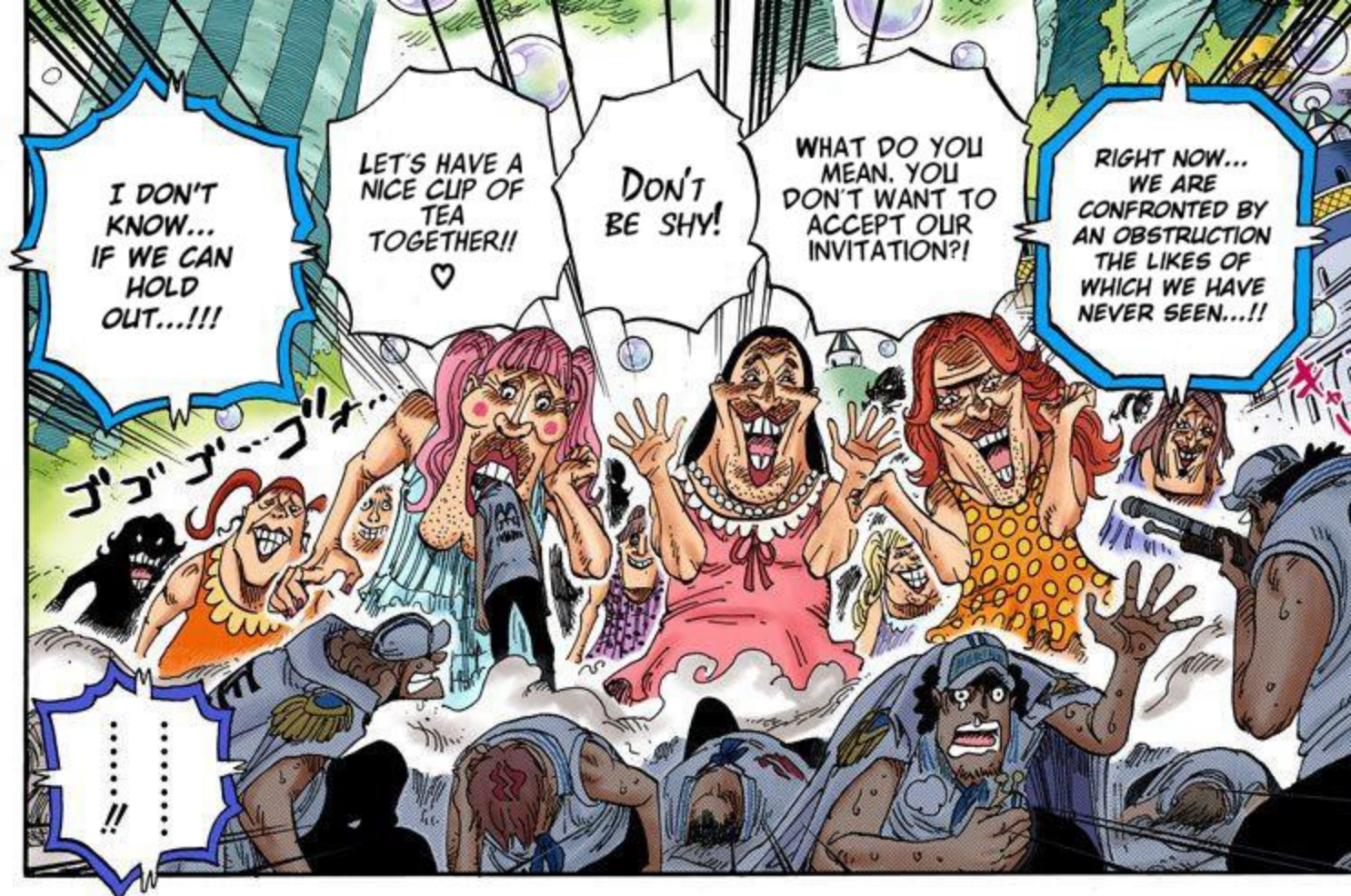
THIS IS UNIT 5, REPORTING FROM GROVE #42!

...APPEARS TO HAVE FLED THE SCENE ATOP A GIGANTIC BIRD!!

IT'S NO USE. I WANNA TURN TO MOSS.

I WANNA BE A FLEA.

A BIRD?! WHAT ARE YOU PEOPLE PLAYING AT?!!



I DON'T KNOW...
IF WE CAN HOLD OUT...!!!

LET'S HAVE A NICE CUP OF TEA TOGETHER!!
♡

DON'T BE SHY!

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, YOU DON'T WANT TO ACCEPT OUR INVITATION?!

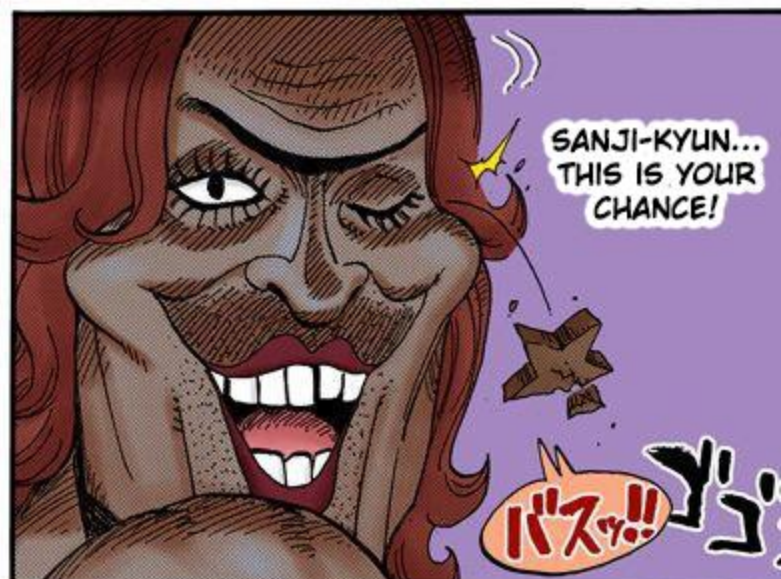
RIGHT NOW... WE ARE CONFRONTED BY AN OBSTRUCTION THE LIKES OF WHICH WE HAVE NEVER SEEN...!!



HEY!! WHAT'S WRONG, SANJI?!!

ARGH H...!!

I... I DUNNO... FOR A MOMENT, IT JUST FELT AS THOUGH SOMEONE WAS CRUSHING MY HEART...



SANJI-KYUN... THIS IS YOUR CHANCE!

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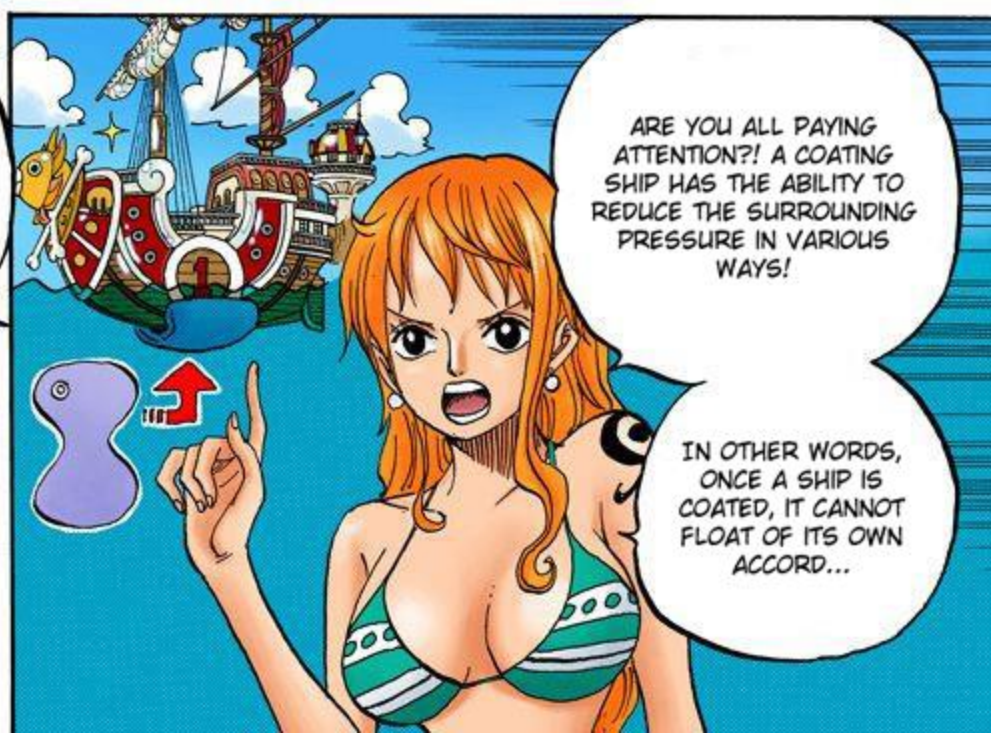


...SO IF WE REMOVE THE "BUOYANCY BAG" UNDERNEATH THE SHIP THAT'S CURRENTLY SUPPORTING IT, THE SHIP WILL NATURALLY SINK BENEATH THE SURFACE.

I CAN SEE YOU DON'T UNDERSTAND.

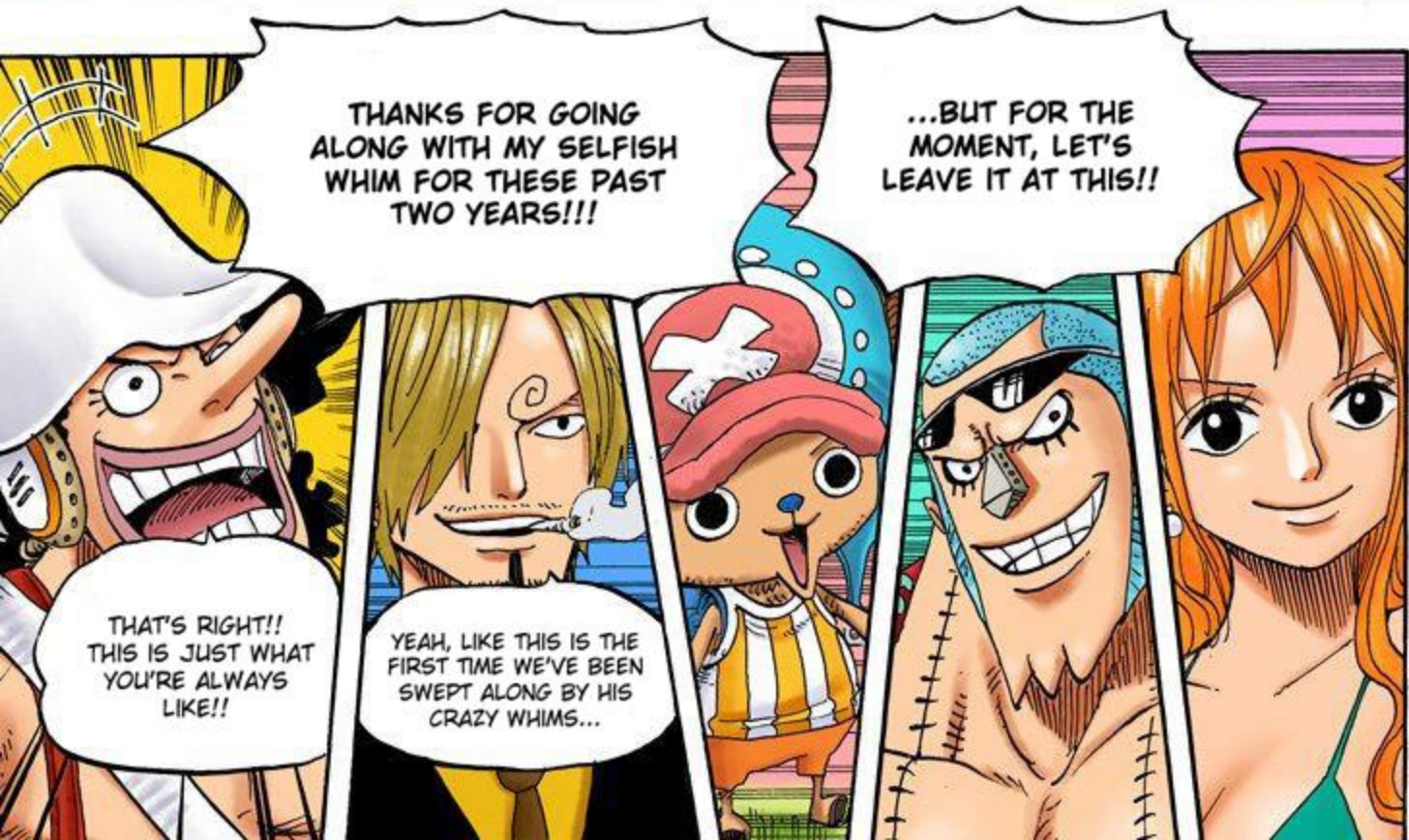
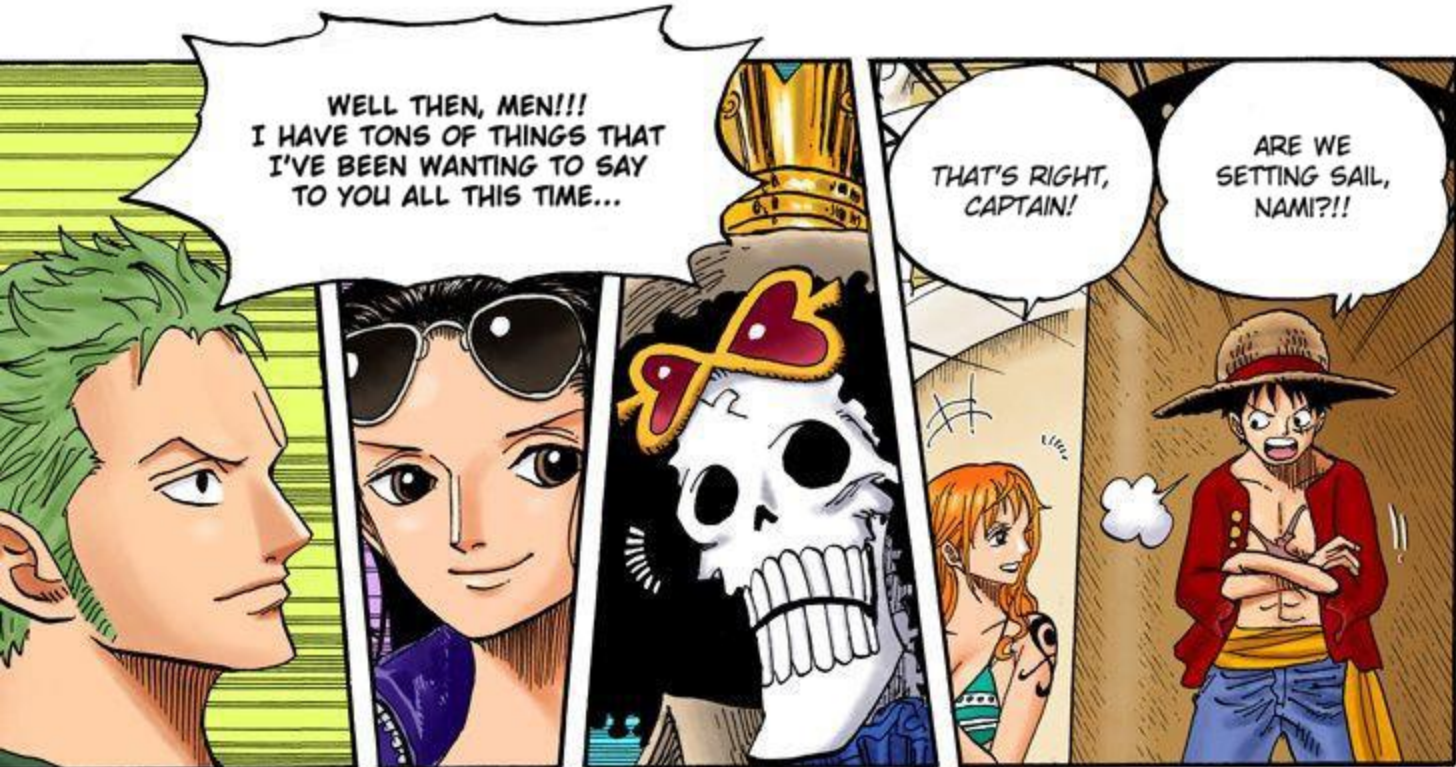
I SEE...

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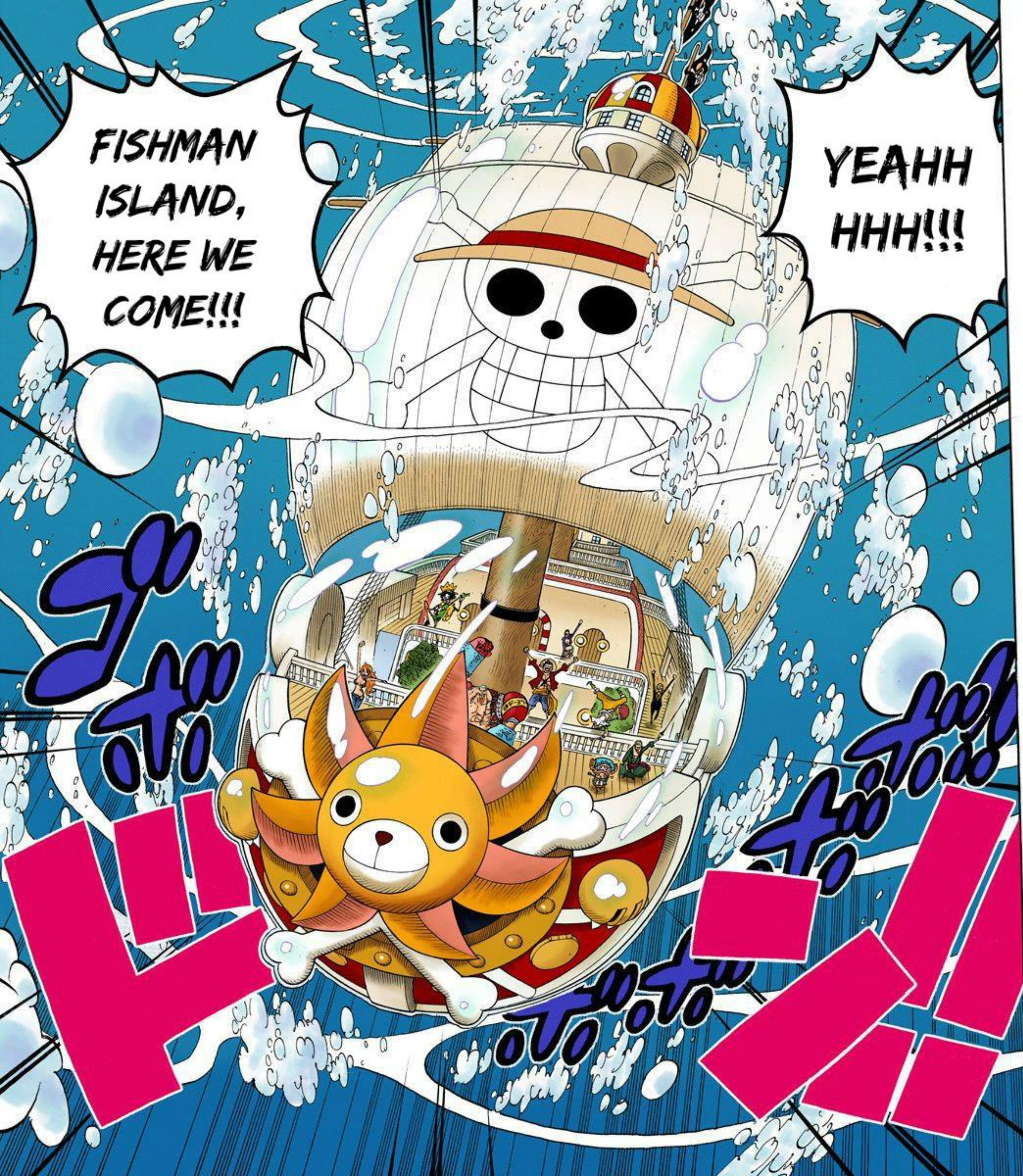
ARE YOU ALL PAYING ATTENTION?! A COATING SHIP HAS THE ABILITY TO REDUCE THE SURROUNDING PRESSURE IN VARIOUS WAYS!

IN OTHER WORDS, ONCE A SHIP IS COATED, IT CANNOT FLOAT OF ITS OWN ACCORD...



FISHMAN
ISLAND,
HERE WE
COME!!!

YEAHH
HHH!!!



DAMN
IT!!

REAR
ADMIRAL!! THE
PIRATE SHIP IS
SUBMERGING!!

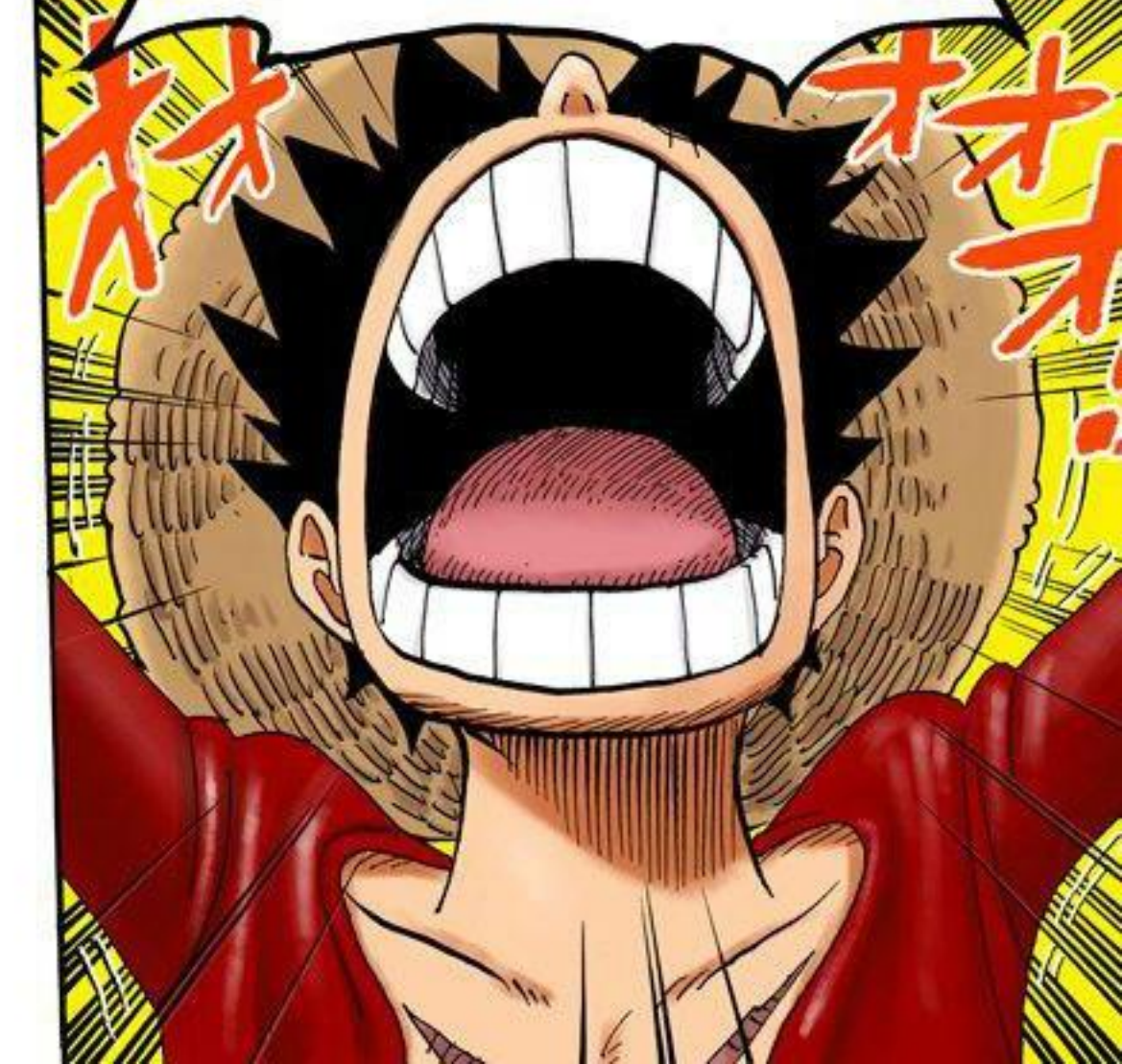


REAR
ADMIRAL!!

YOU FIENDS!
DO YOU HAVE
ANY IDEA HOW
DANGEROUS
THOSE
CRIMINALS
ARE?!
♡



SET SAIL!!!!

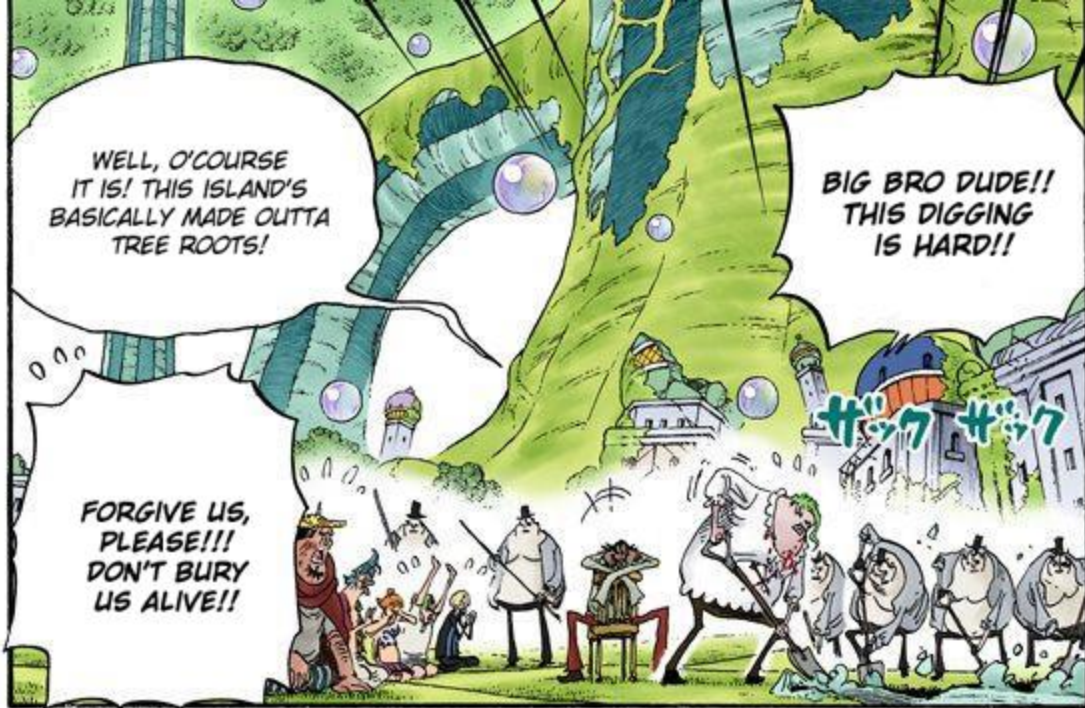


Chapter 603:

"HOLD IT IN YOUR HEARTS"



"SANJI AND SOME CUTE SQUIRRELS MAKE A PIE" FROM PEN-NAME NSC HAYAO



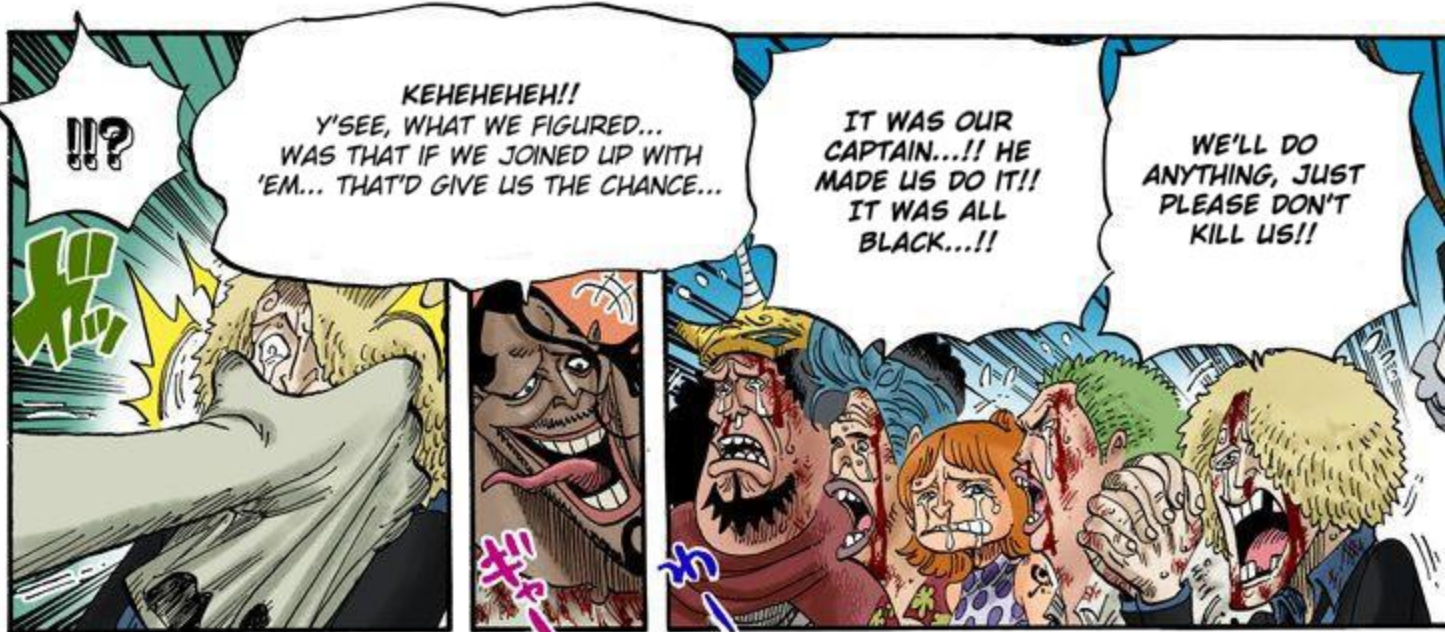
WELL, O'COURSE
IT IS! THIS ISLAND'S
BASICALLY MADE OUTTA
TREE ROOTS!

BIG BRO DUDE!!
THIS DIGGING
IS HARD!!

FORGIVE US,
PLEASE!!!
DON'T BURY
US ALIVE!!



SABAODY
AFTER THE
STRAW HATS'
DEPARTURE...



!!!?

KEHEHEHEH!!
Y'SEE, WHAT WE FIGURED...
WAS THAT IF WE JOINED UP WITH
'EM... THAT'D GIVE US THE CHANCE...

IT WAS OUR
CAPTAIN...!! HE
MADE US DO IT!!
IT WAS ALL
BLACK...!!

WE'LL DO
ANYTHING, JUST
PLEASE DON'T
KILL US!!



STOP THIS,
PLEASE!!
YOU'LL KILL
HIM!!!

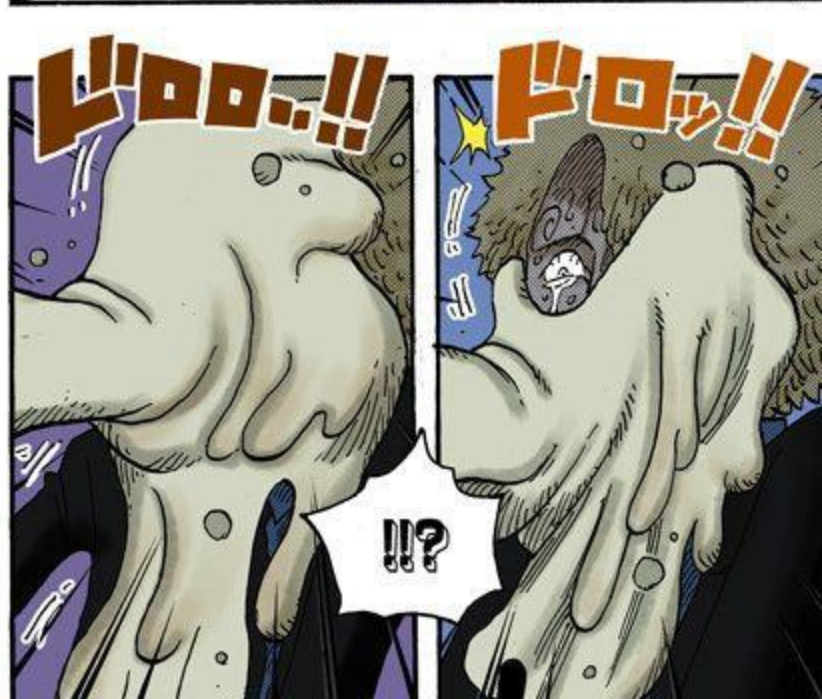
AAAAAH
HHHH!!
DRIPPI!!

ARE YOU... A
FRUIT-USER
?!!



...OF THAT
VALUABLE STRAW
HAT CREW FROM
WITHIN!!

...TO
SLAUGHTER
EVERY LAST
ONE...



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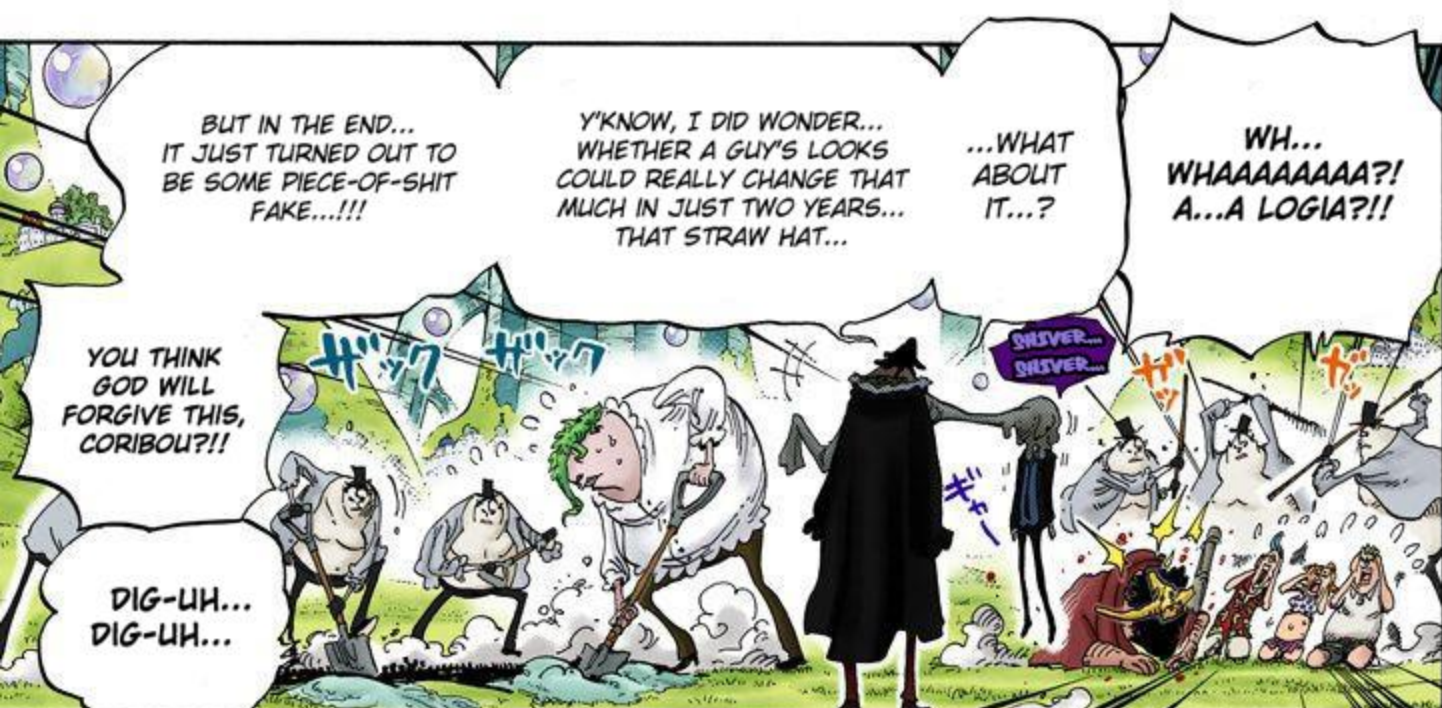


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I SAID
QUIT IT
ALREADY!!!



BUT IN THE END...
IT JUST TURNED OUT TO
BE SOME PIECE-OF-SHIT
FAKE...!!!

Y'KNOW, I DID WONDER...
WHETHER A GUY'S LOOKS
COULD REALLY CHANGE THAT
MUCH IN JUST TWO YEARS...
THAT STRAW HAT...

...WHAT
ABOUT
IT...?

WH...
WHAAAAA...?!
A...A LOGIA?!!

YOU THINK
GOD WILL
FORGIVE THIS,
CORIBOU?!!

DIG-UH...
DIG-UH...

SHIVER...
SHIVER...



...BUT NOW I'VE
SEEN THE REAL
STRAW HAT
LUFFY...

...WITH MY OWN
TWO EYES...!!
KEHIIHII!!!

N000
00!!!!

THAT'S RIGHT...
WE'RE GONNA
BURY THESE
FOOLS...

HEAR THAT, OH
MIGHTY LORD?!!
I'M GONNA BURY
THESE FOOLS
FOR YA!!!



THE MAN WHO STOPPED US WAS THE DARK KING - THE SAME MAN WHO ONCE STOPPED UNCLE KIZARU IN HIS TRACKS. WHAT WAS I SUPPOSED TO DO AGAINST THAT?

...THE SITUATION WAS INSURMOUNTABLE.

...AS I'VE TOLD YOU ALREADY...

GROVE #46,
MEETING POINT
OF THE FAKE
STRAW HATS



ALL THE REST OF THE OFFENDERS HAVE BEEN APPREHENDED, BUT THE REAL STRAW HATS HAVE DEALT SEVERE DAMAGE TO TWO OF THE PACIFISTAS.

THE ONLY ONES TO ESCAPE FROM THE PLAZA... WERE THE CARIBOU BROTHERS AND THEIR CREW... ALONG WITH A NUMBER OF THE FAKE STRAW HATS.

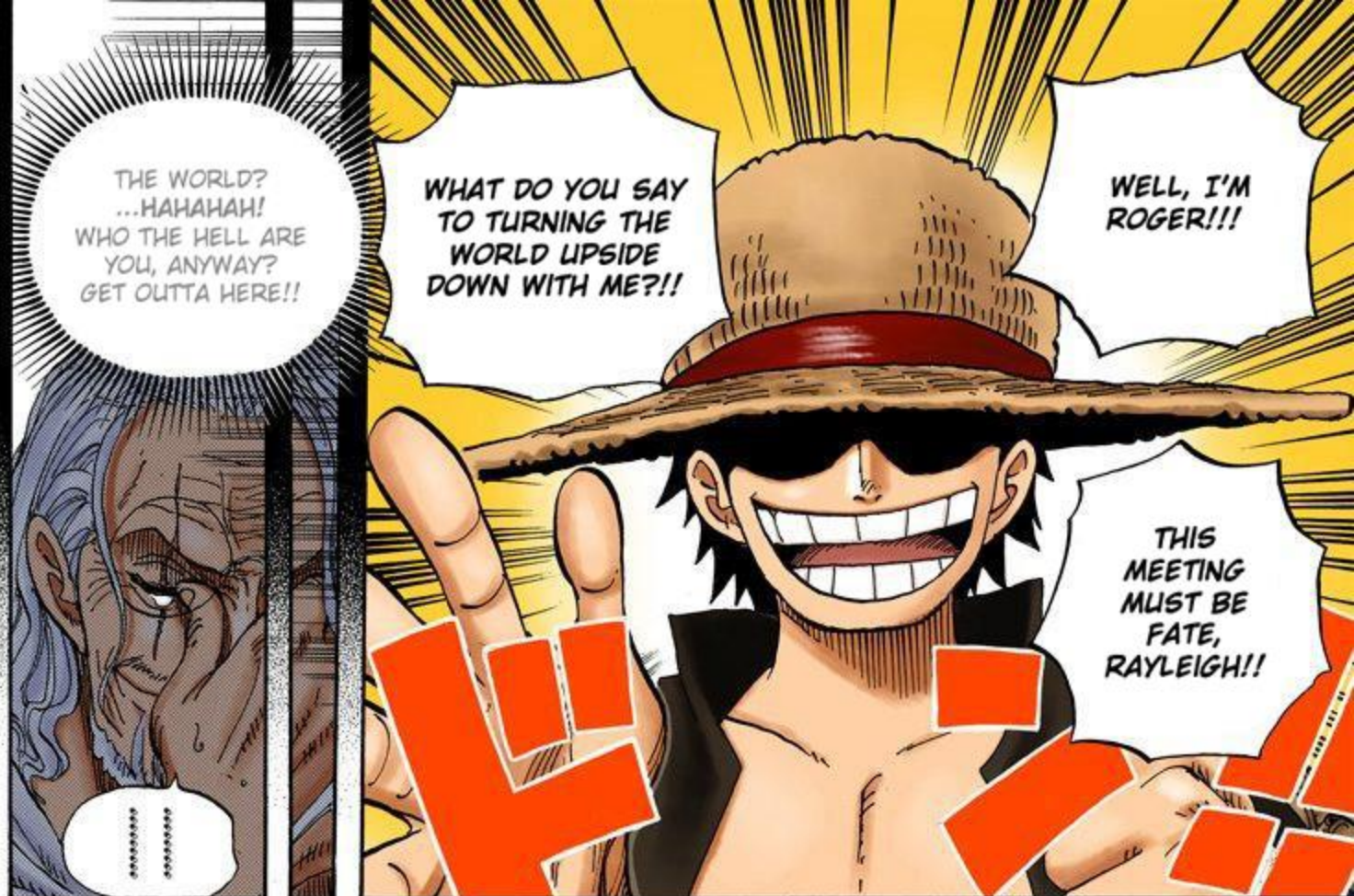
THE UNITS WERE PROTOTYPES... THE SAME ONES THAT CORNERED THE STRAW HATS TWO YEARS AGO. THEIR STRENGTH, OF COURSE, WAS THE SAME AS BACK THEN.



YOU'D BETTER MAKE THIS NICE AND CLEAR TO MARINE HQ!!!

IT'S THE STRAW HATS THEMSELVES THAT HAVE CHANGED!! THE LEVEL OF GROWTH THEY DISPLAYED AFTER THESE TWO YEARS IN HIDING IS NOTHING SHORT OF INCREDIBLE!!!

THE STRAW HAT PIRATES ARE AT LARGE ONCE MORE...!!!

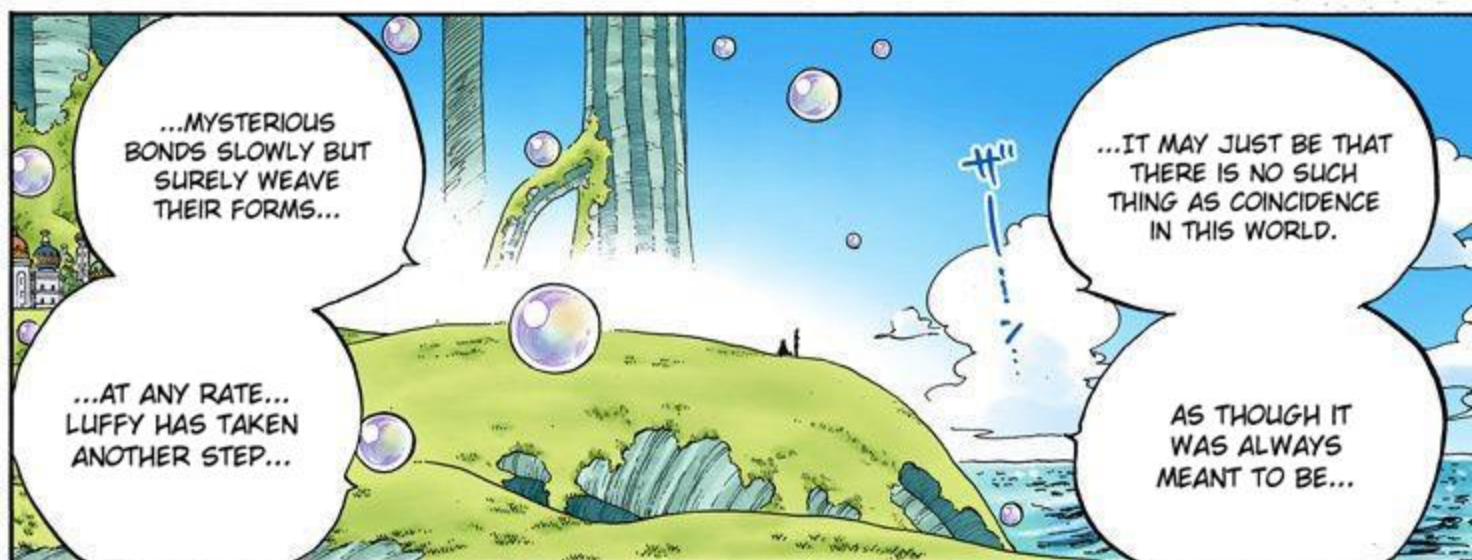


THE WORLD?
...HAHAHAH!
WHO THE HELL ARE
YOU, ANYWAY?
GET OUTTA HERE!!

WHAT DO YOU SAY
TO TURNING THE
WORLD UPSIDE
DOWN WITH ME?!!

WELL, I'M
ROGER!!!

THIS
MEETING
MUST BE
FATE,
RAYLEIGH!!

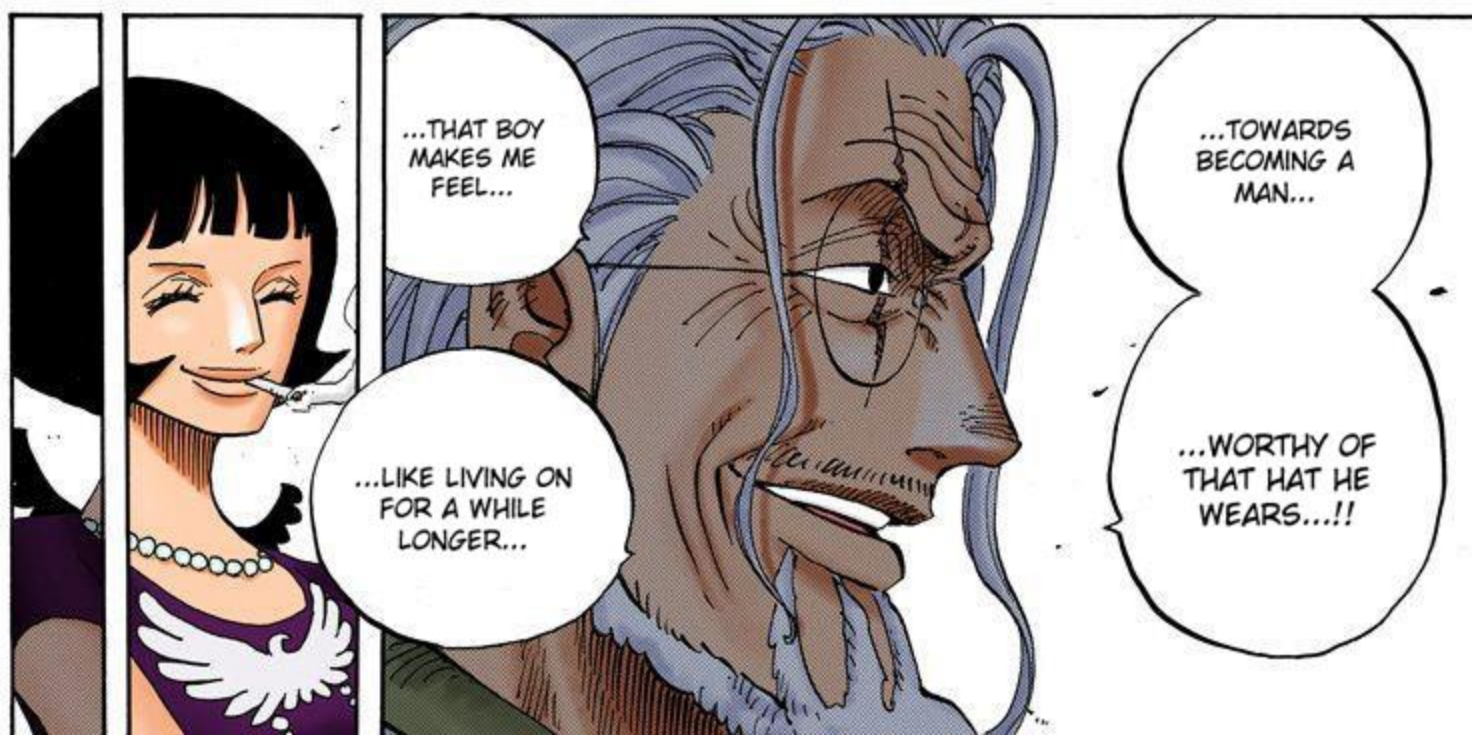


...MYSTERIOUS
BONDS SLOWLY BUT
SURELY WEAVE
THEIR FORMS...

...AT ANY RATE...
LUFFY HAS TAKEN
ANOTHER STEP...

...IT MAY JUST BE THAT
THERE IS NO SUCH
THING AS COINCIDENCE
IN THIS WORLD.

AS THOUGH IT
WAS ALWAYS
MEANT TO BE...



...THAT BOY
MAKES ME
FEEL...

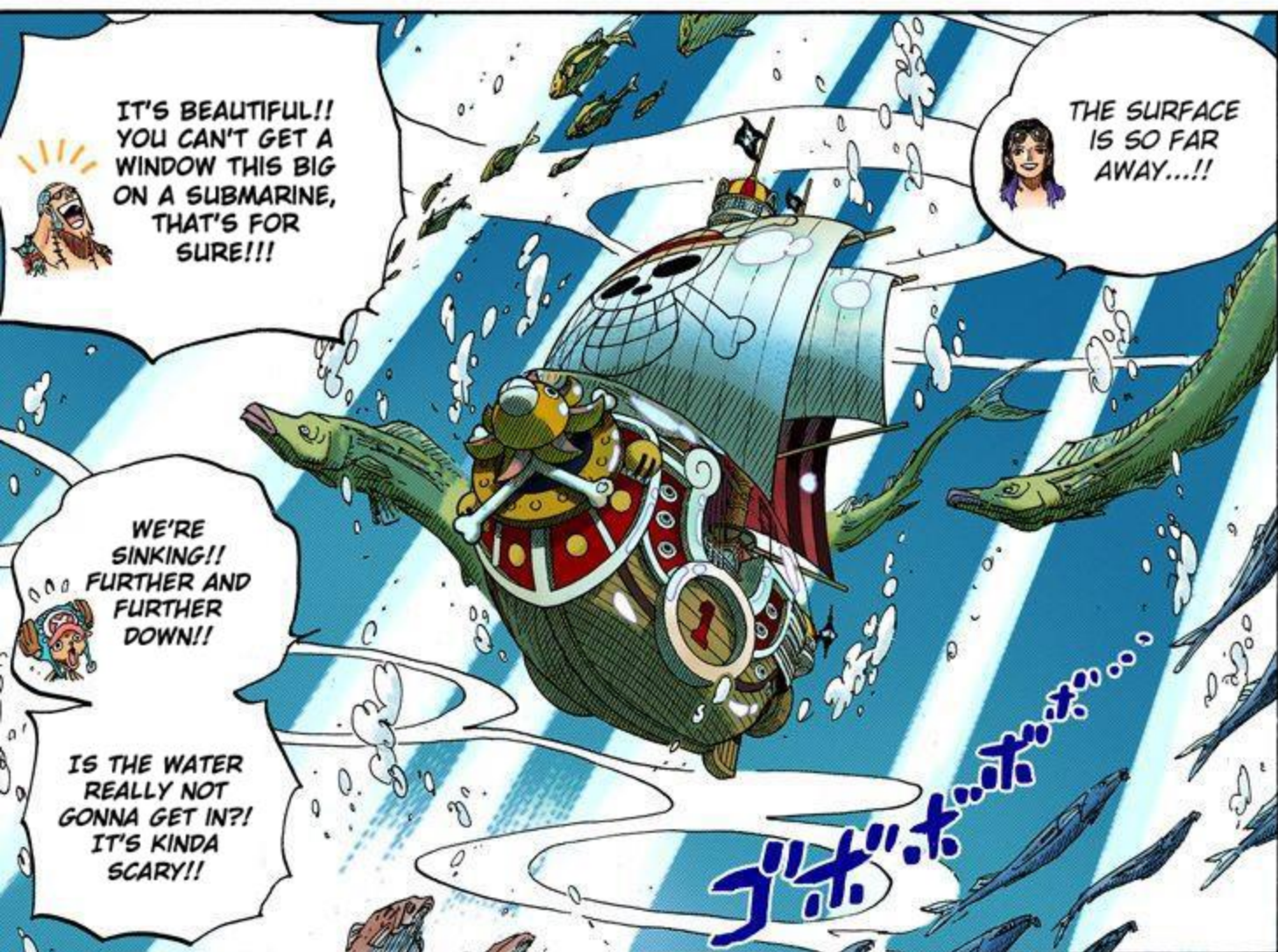
...LIKE LIVING ON
FOR A WHILE
LONGER...

...TOWARDS
BECOMING A
MAN...

...WORTHY OF
THAT HAT HE
WEARS...!!



SEA DEPTHS
NEAR THE
SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO



IT'S BEAUTIFUL!!
YOU CAN'T GET A
WINDOW THIS BIG
ON A SUBMARINE,
THAT'S FOR
SURE!!!

THE SURFACE
IS SO FAR
AWAY...!!

WE'RE
SINKING!!
FURTHER AND
FURTHER
DOWN!!

IS THE WATER
REALLY NOT
GONNA GET IN?!
IT'S KINDA
SCARY!!



YOHOO!
TAKE A LOOK
OVER TO
THAT SIDE!!



THE SEA
SURE IS
PRETTY!!



W...W...WE WILL BE
ABLE TO GET BACK TO
THE SURFACE, RIGHT?!
I MEAN...!! I...IT'S NOT
AS THOUGH I'M SCARED
OR ANYTHING, BUT...



IT FEELS AS THOUGH
WE'RE LEAVING THE
HUMAN WORLD BEHIND...
THIS IS SO EXCITING...!!



A GRAND
ADVENTURE IN
THE OCEAN
DEPTHS!!

MAN,
THIS IS
EXCITING!!

IT'S LIKE A
DREAM!!



OOH!!
FISH!!

I CAN
ALMOST
REACH THEM!
GET HERE,
YOU!!



THERE
ARE SOME
TASTY-LOOKING
FISH OVER HERE,
TOO...



NO...
IT'S A
ROOT!!

A
TREE!!!

THAT'S RIGHT.
THE SABAODY
ARCHIPELAGO IS
ACTUALLY A FOREST
OF GIANT
MANGROVES,
AFTER ALL...

THE
WONDER
OF NATURE
IN ALL ITS
GLORY!!!

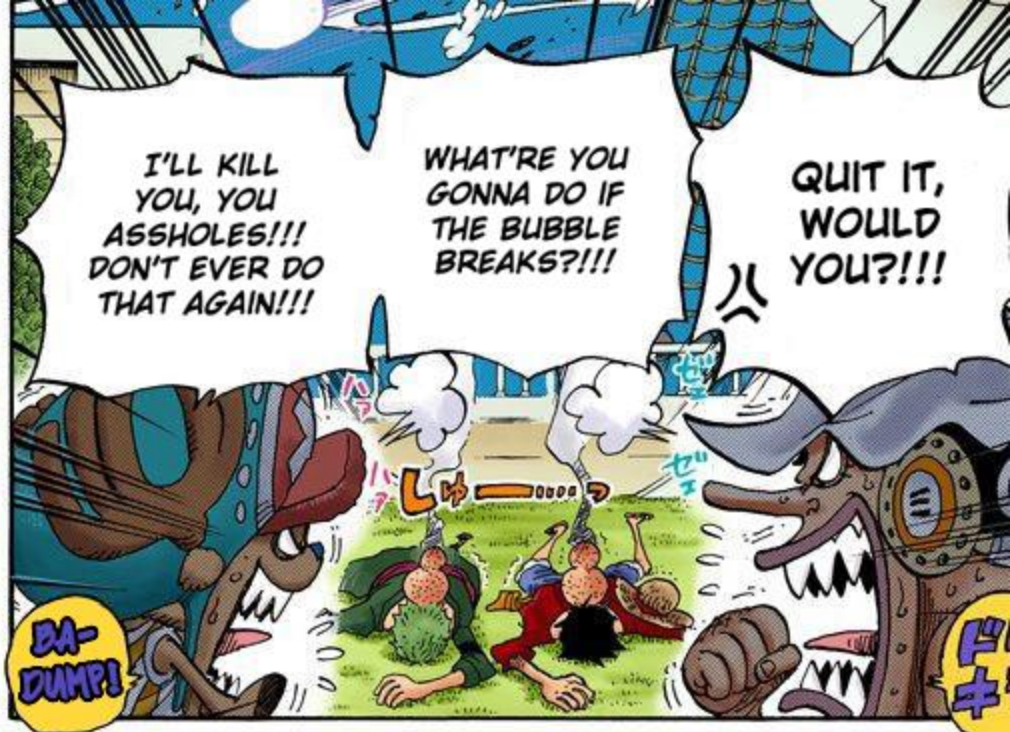
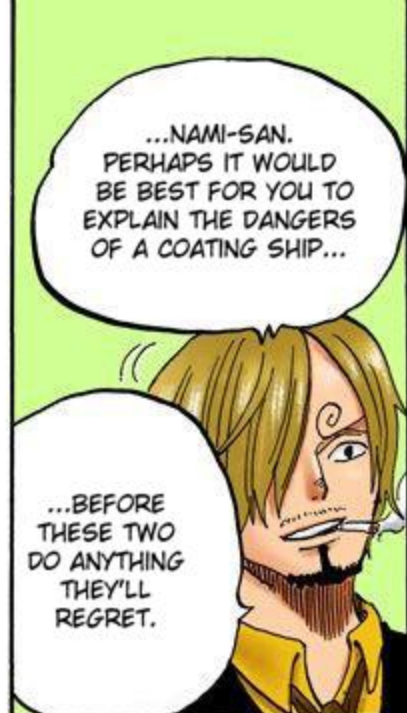
I'VE
SEEN IT
ALREADY.

YEAH, WHEN
YOU GOT ON
THE WRONG
SHIP!!
SHUT UP!!
WE'RE TRYING
TO BE AWED
HERE!!

FORGET
THAT - THERE'S
SOMETHING
BEHIND
US!!!

THERE'S
SOMETHING HUGE
BEHIND
THAT
TREE!!

THESE ROOTS
MUST REACH ALL
THE WAY TO THE SEABED...
THE SHEER MAGNITUDE
OF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE
TO PUT INTO
WORDS...





SINCE WHEN ARE YOU SO... SENSITIVE TO WOMEN?!!

JEEZ...!! WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOU, SANJI?!!

THIS ISN'T LIKE YOU!!



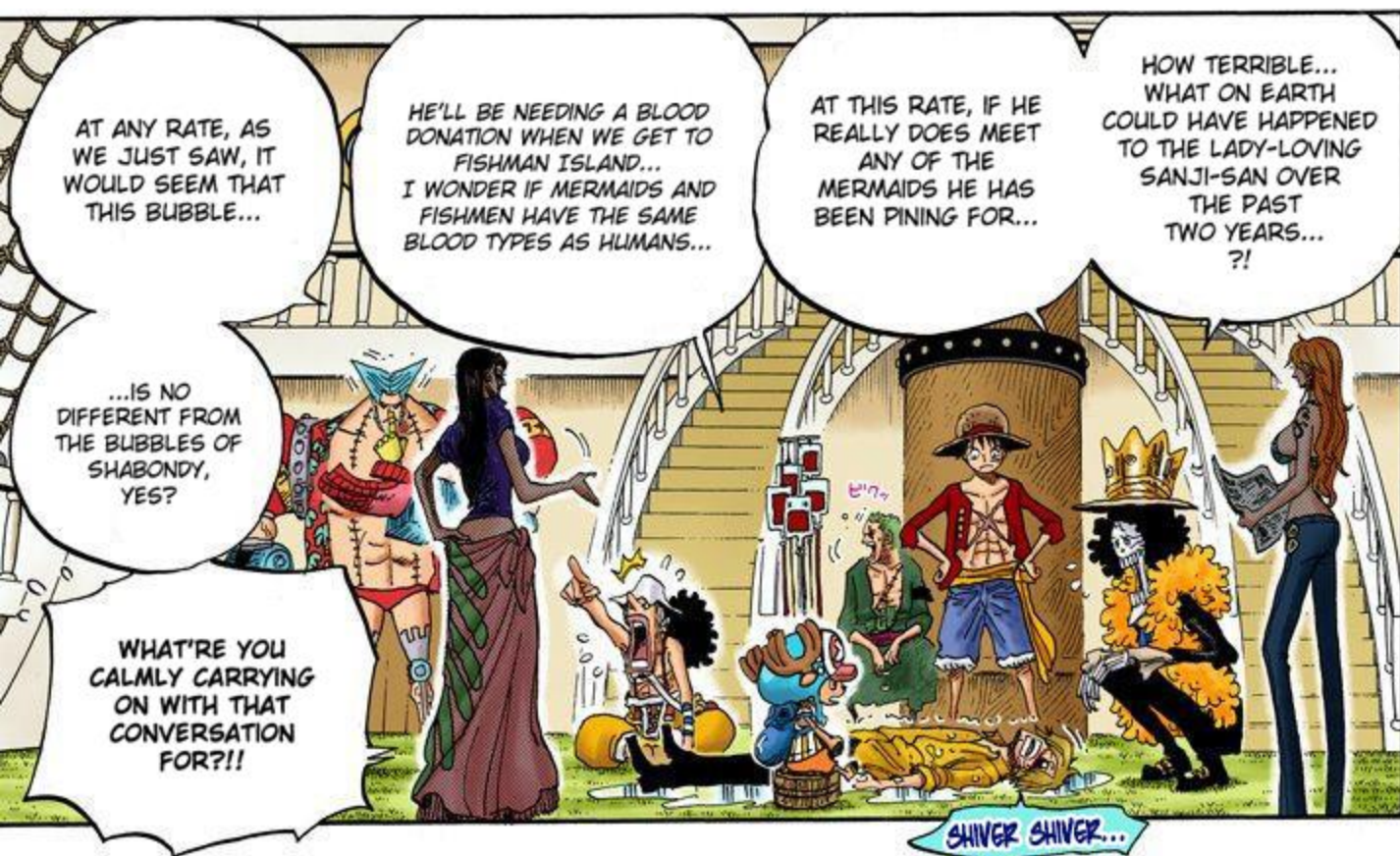
NGHH...!! IT'S TOUGH REACHING INTO THE SEA...!!

KEEP IT UP!



GET BACK HEREEE!!!

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AT ANY RATE, AS WE JUST SAW, IT WOULD SEEM THAT THIS BUBBLE...

HE'LL BE NEEDING A BLOOD DONATION WHEN WE GET TO FISHMAN ISLAND... I WONDER IF MERMAIDS AND FISHMEN HAVE THE SAME BLOOD TYPES AS HUMANS...

AT THIS RATE, IF HE REALLY DOES MEET ANY OF THE MERMAIDS HE HAS BEEN PINING FOR...

HOW TERRIBLE... WHAT ON EARTH COULD HAVE HAPPENED TO THE LADY-LOVING SANJI-SAN OVER THE PAST TWO YEARS... ?!

...IS NO DIFFERENT FROM THE BUBBLES OF SHABONDY, YES?

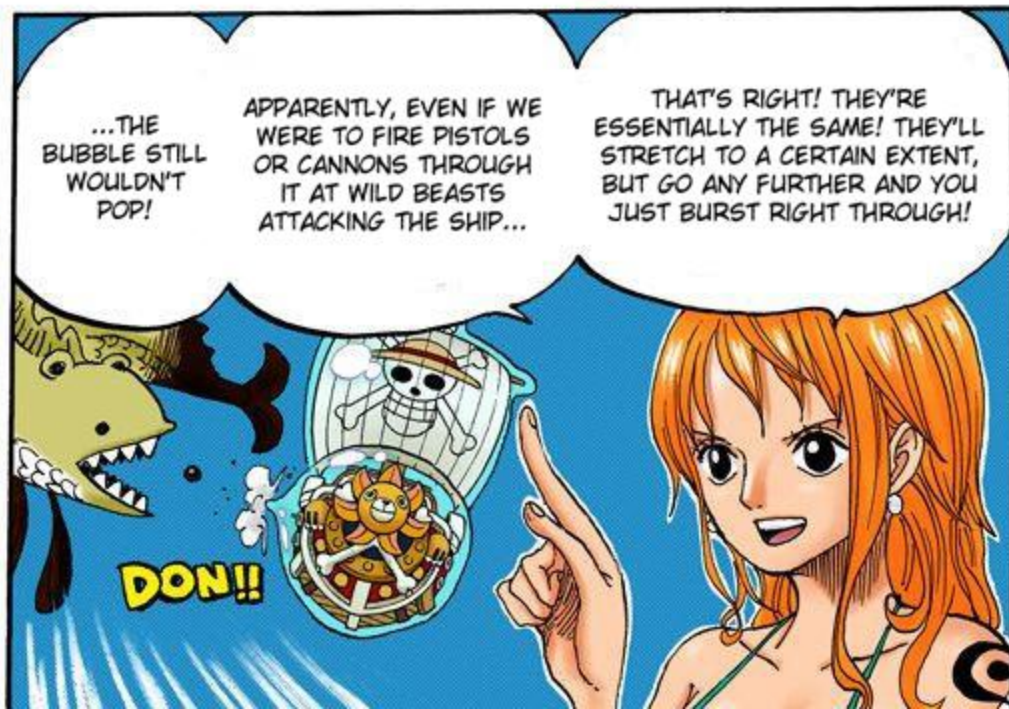
WHAT'RE YOU CALMLY CARRYING ON WITH THAT CONVERSATION FOR?!!

SHIVER SHIVER...



...WELL, WHAT WOULD POP IT, THEN?

AAH! LOOK OUT! BEHIND US!



...THE BUBBLE STILL WOULDN'T POP!

APPARENTLY, EVEN IF WE WERE TO FIRE PISTOLS OR CANNONS THROUGH IT AT WILD BEASTS ATTACKING THE SHIP...

THAT'S RIGHT! THEY'RE ESSENTIALLY THE SAME! THEY'LL STRETCH TO A CERTAIN EXTENT, BUT GO ANY FURTHER AND YOU JUST BURST RIGHT THROUGH!

DON!!



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APPARENTLY IT
WOULDN'T BE ABLE
TO WITHSTAND
HAVING LOTS OF
HOLES OPENED
IN IT AT ONCE.

FOR INSTANCE, WE
DON'T WANT TO GET
BITTEN BY A SEA
KING'S FANGS.

AND IF THE SHIP
ITSELF WERE TO
CRASH INTO A ROCK
OR A CLIFF AND GET
BADLY DAMAGED...

AAAAG
HHH!!!!

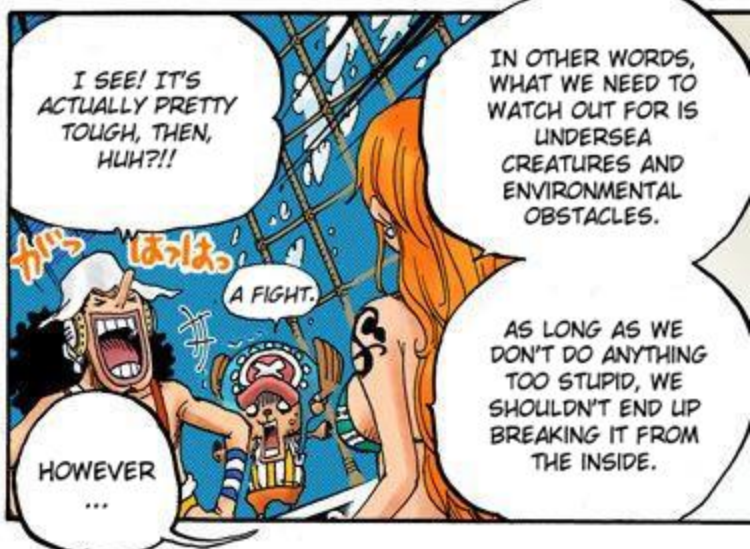
...THE CRACKS IN
THE MAST OR IN THE
SHIP'S BODY WOULD
CAUSE THE BUBBLE
TO BREAK AS WELL.

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WHAT
THE HECK
HAPPENS
TO THEM?!!

"BE CAREFUL, BECAUSE
70% OF SHIPS SAILING
FOR FISHMAN ISLAND
ARE SUNK BEFORE THEY
EVER GET THERE."



I SEE! IT'S
ACTUALLY PRETTY
TOUGH, THEN,
HUH?!!

IN OTHER WORDS,
WHAT WE NEED TO
WATCH OUT FOR IS
UNDERSEA
CREATURES AND
ENVIRONMENTAL
OBSTACLES.

AS LONG AS WE
DON'T DO ANYTHING
TOO STUPID, WE
SHOULDN'T END UP
BREAKING IT FROM
THE INSIDE.

HOWEVER
...



I'LL SERIOUSLY
KILL YOU
BOTH!!! DON'T
EVER DO THAT
AGAIN!!!

WHAT DID
NAMI JUST
SAY ABOUT
NOT MAKING
LOTS OF
HOLES?!!!



LET'S HAVE A
CONTEST, THEN -
SEE WHO CAN GET
THE MOST!

HEY, I BET I COULD
GRAB ALL THOSE
FISH IF I USED
MY GATLING!!



AAAHHH!!
I'M STARVING!!

OH, YEAH! I BROUGHT
TONS OF FOOD! SINCE
SANJI'S LIKE THAT AT THE
MOMENT, WHY DON'T WE
ALL TUCK IN?!

...SO I
THOUGHT IT
WOULD BE
SAFER THAN
THIS...!

JEEZ...!!
I THOUGHT THAT
HACHI GUY WAS
GOING TO GUIDE US
TO FISHMAN
ISLAND...

YOHOO!
MY BONES
ARE STARVING,
TOO!



NO... I'M
AFRAID...
BZZT
I AM AFRAID
THAT IS
INCORRECT.

ALL YOUR
ROBOTIC
SECRETS?!!!

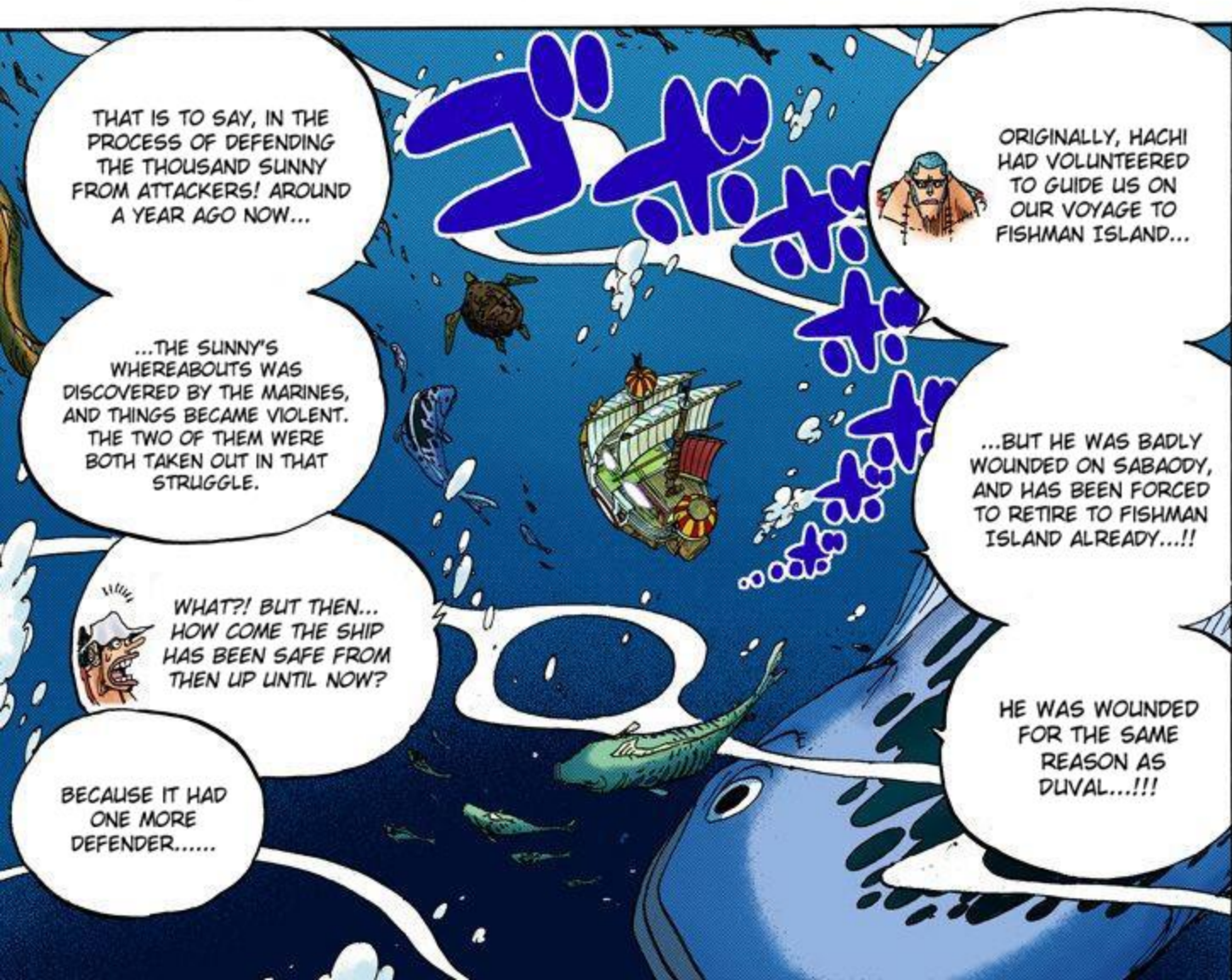
THING IS, THERE'S
SOMETHING I HAVE TO
TELL EVERYONE.

WHOOAA!!
AWESOME!!
HE'S TALKING
ROBOTSPEAK
!!!



UH-HUH. WE'RE
JUST CRUISING
ALONG A LARGE
CURRENT AT THE
MOMENT.

NAMI...
IS THE SHIP
SETTLED DOWN
AT THIS POINT?



THAT IS TO SAY, IN THE
PROCESS OF DEFENDING
THE THOUSAND SUNNY
FROM ATTACKERS! AROUND
A YEAR AGO NOW...

...THE SUNNY'S
WHEREABOUTS WAS
DISCOVERED BY THE MARINES,
AND THINGS BECAME VIOLENT.
THE TWO OF THEM WERE
BOTH TAKEN OUT IN THAT
STRUGGLE.

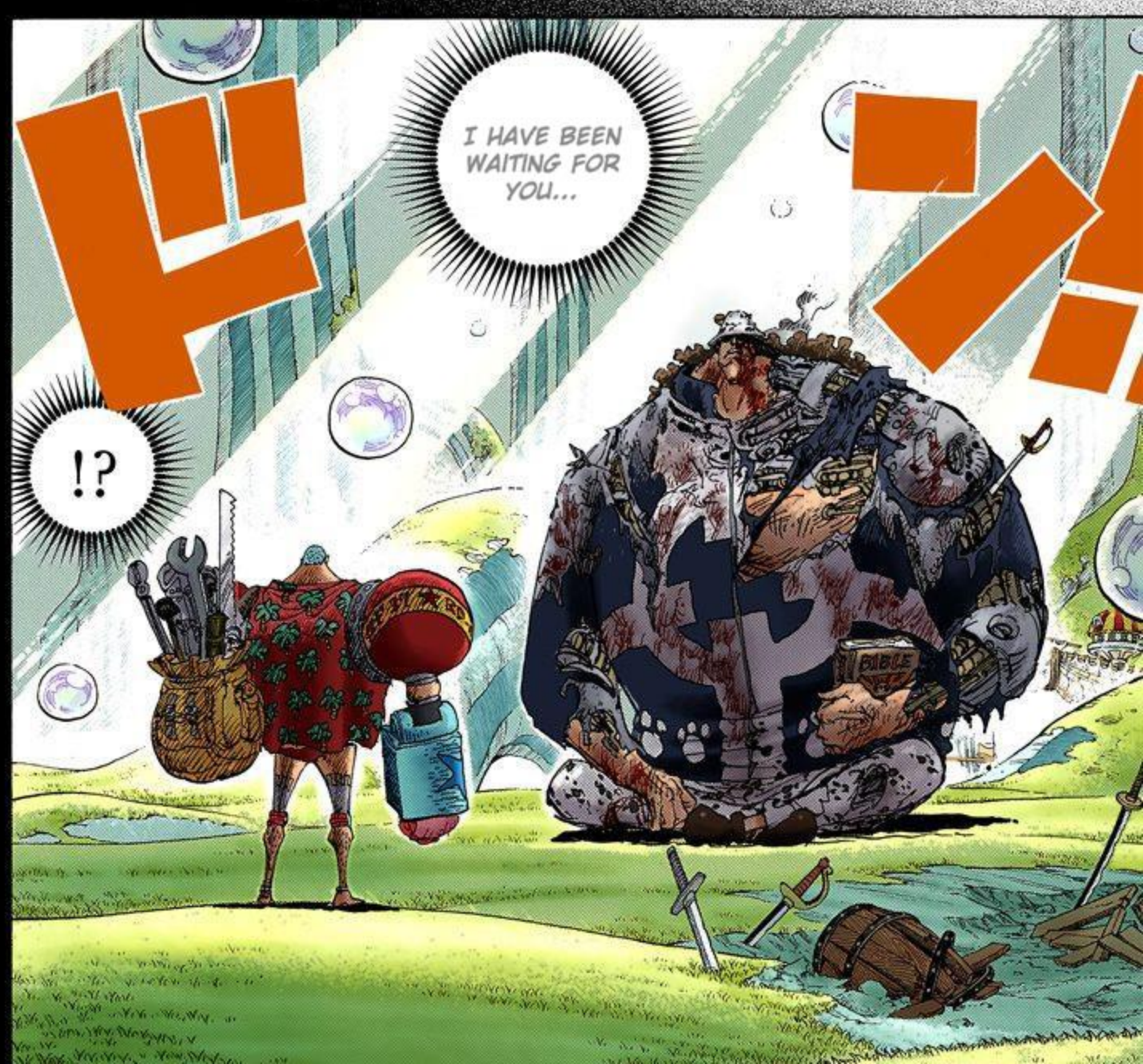
WHAT?! BUT THEN...
HOW COME THE SHIP
HAS BEEN SAFE FROM
THEN UP UNTIL NOW?

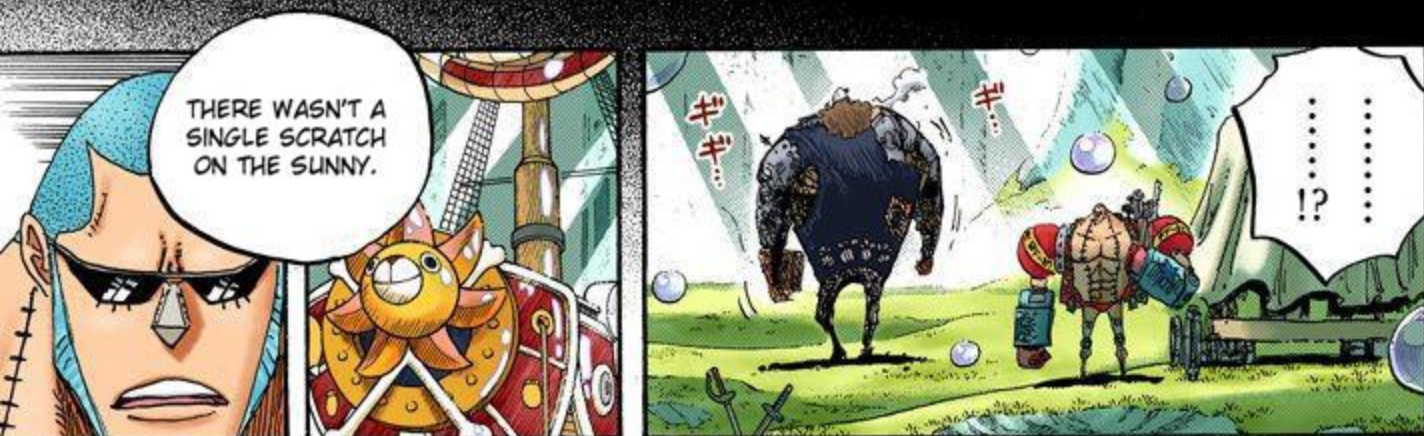
BECAUSE IT HAD
ONE MORE
DEFENDER.....

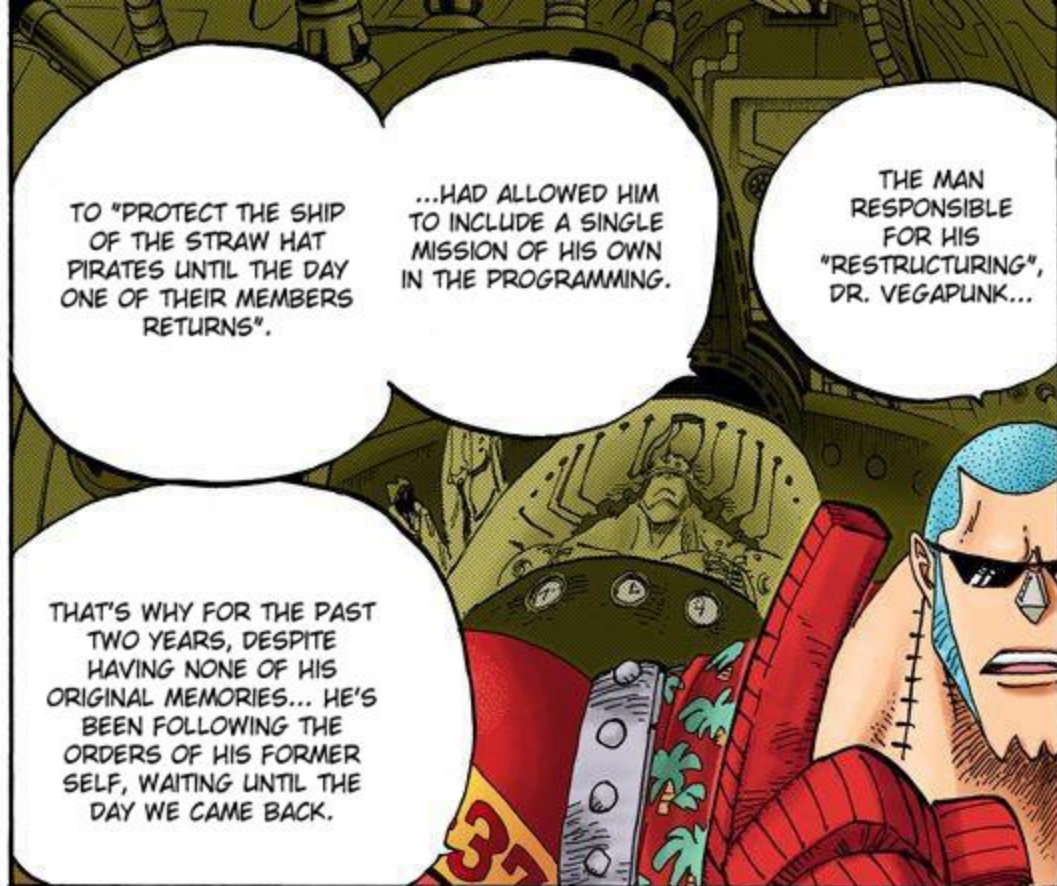
ORIGINALLY, HACHI
HAD VOLUNTEERED
TO GUIDE US ON
OUR VOYAGE TO
FISHMAN ISLAND...

...BUT HE WAS BADLY
WOUNDED ON SABAODY,
AND HAS BEEN FORCED
TO RETIRE TO FISHMAN
ISLAND ALREADY...!!

HE WAS WOUNDED
FOR THE SAME
REASON AS
DUVAL...!!!







TO "PROTECT THE SHIP OF THE STRAW HAT PIRATES UNTIL THE DAY ONE OF THEIR MEMBERS RETURNS".

...HAD ALLOWED HIM TO INCLUDE A SINGLE MISSION OF HIS OWN IN THE PROGRAMMING.

THE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS "RESTRUCTURING", DR. VEGAPUNK...

...BUT THEN...!! HE COULDN'T POSSIBLY HAVE KNOWN WHAT WE WOULD DO AFTER HE'D SENT US OFF TO ALL THOSE DIFFERENT PLACES!!

THAT'S WHY FOR THE PAST TWO YEARS, DESPITE HAVING NONE OF HIS ORIGINAL MEMORIES... HE'S BEEN FOLLOWING THE ORDERS OF HIS FORMER SELF, WAITING UNTIL THE DAY WE CAME BACK.

DID HE WAIT WITH THE SHIP DESPITE THAT?! EVEN THOUGH HIS PERSONALITY WAS GONE?!



... KUMA ...

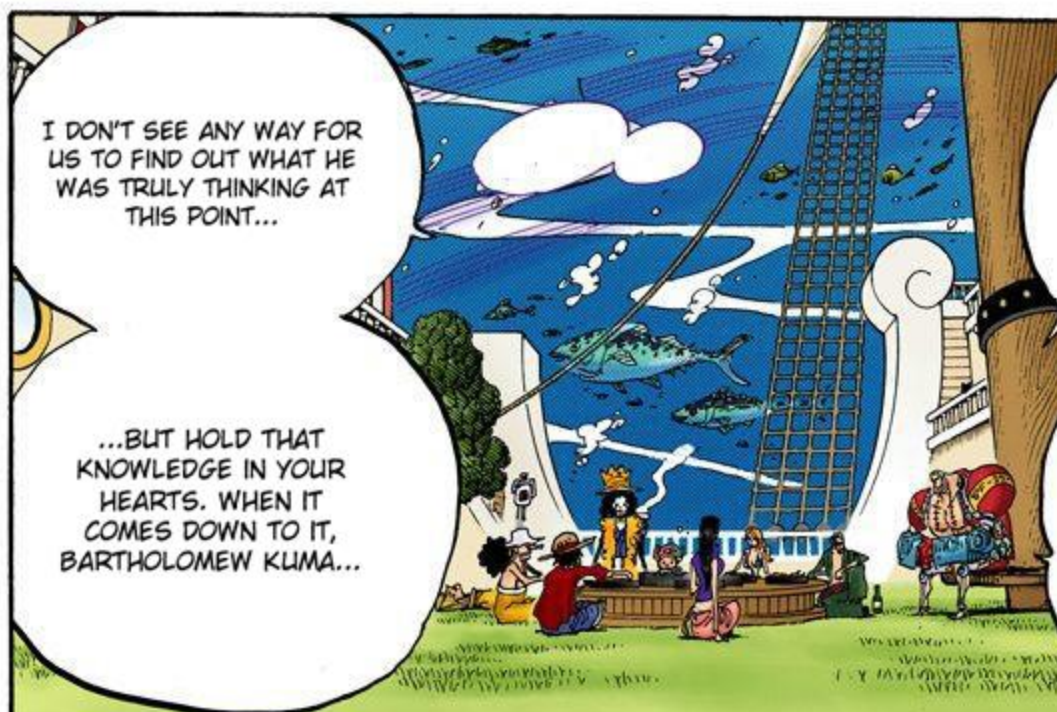
I DON'T REALLY KNOW MUCH ABOUT MY DAD.

...THE ONLY THING I CAN THINK OF IS LUFFY'S DAD, SINCE HE'S THE LEADER OF THE REVOLUTIONARY ARMY.

IF WE THINK ABOUT HIS CONNECTION TO THE REVOLUTIONARIES ...

THAT'S JUST COMPLETELY SCREWED UP... WHY WOULD HE GO SO FAR FOR US...?

BUT THAT BEAR-GUY WAS A GOOD GUY AFTER ALL, HUH...?



I DON'T SEE ANY WAY FOR US TO FIND OUT WHAT HE WAS TRULY THINKING AT THIS POINT...

...BUT HOLD THAT KNOWLEDGE IN YOUR HEARTS. WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO IT, BARTHOLOMEW KUMA...

IT LOOKS LIKE IN THE END, WE'VE ONLY BEEN ABLE TO SPEND THESE TWO VALUABLE YEARS APART...

...BECAUSE THAT MAN CHOSE TO FIGHT IN OUR STEAD...!!!

AND IF WE
EVER DO
RUN INTO HIM
AGAIN...

..IT'LL BE
AS A
HEARTLESS
HUMAN
WEAPON...!!!

...IS THE
SAVIOR OF
OUR CREW...

THE ISLE OF
WOMEN...?! ARE YOU
SURE THIS KUMA GUY
IS SOME KIND OF
SAVIOR.....?! DO YOU
HAVE ANY IDEA WHERE
I'VE BEEN FOR THE
PAST TWO YEARS?!!

HERE, HAVE
SOME FOOD!
STRAIGHT
FROM THE ISLE
OF WOMEN!

...AH! SANJI,
YOU'RE
AWAKE...!

THAT'S
ALL I
WANTED
TO SAY...

I'M GRATEFUL,
BUT I CAN'T
SAY I
UNDERSTAND...
I HOPE WE FIND
OUT THE TRUTH
OF THIS SOME
DAY...

WHAT THE
HELL KIND OF
TRAINING HAVE
YOU BEEN
DOING,
LUFFFFY?!!!

NOW, NOW,
SANJI-SAN...
WOULD YOU
CARE FOR A
SONG?

DON'T TRY TO
COMFORT ME!!
THAT'LL GET ME
REALLY
DEPRESSED!!!

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I CAN SEE THAT
FOR MYSELF,
IDIOT!! HONESTLY,
HOW STUPID CAN
YOU BEEEEEE?!!

KEHEHEHEH...
THIS TIME, YOUR
SHIP REALLY WILL
BE MINEEEE!!!

BIG BRO DUDE!!
THERE THEY ARE!!
UP AHEAD!! THE
STRAW HATS!!