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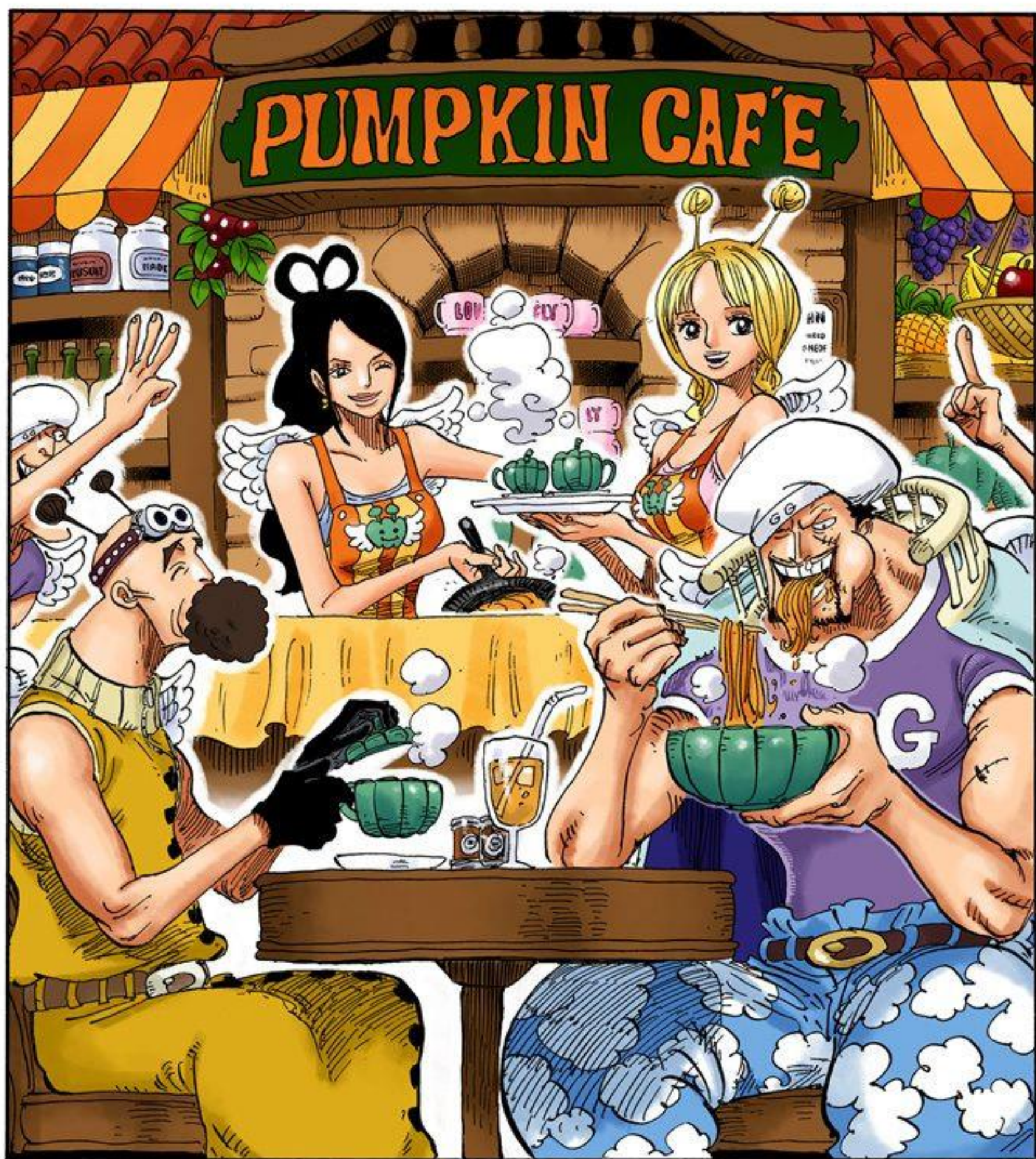


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CHAPTER 647

"STOP, NOAH!"



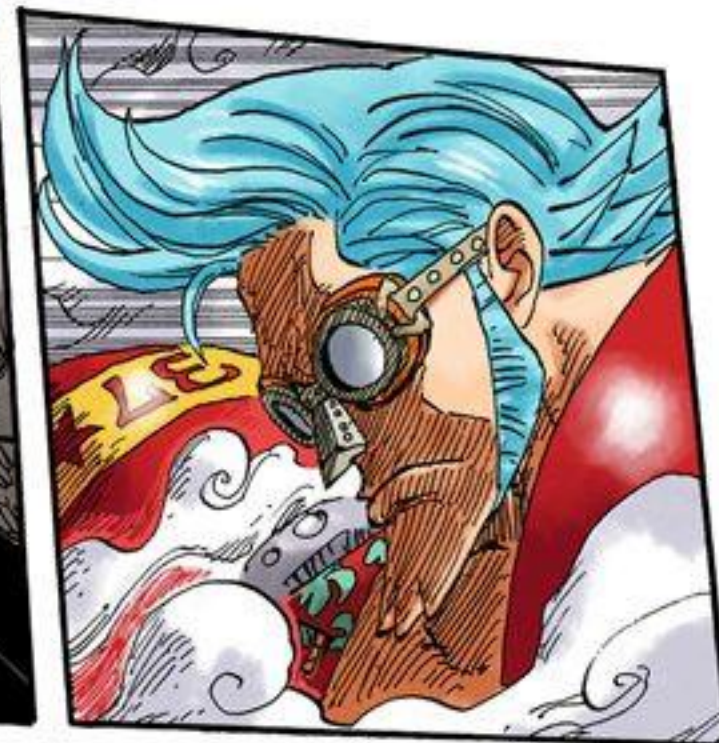
FROM SHIPDECKS AROUND THE WORLD
VOL 30: SKYPIEA - LAKI AND CONIS' PUMPKIN CAFE SPECIALITY:
PUMPKIN RAMEN



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LOOK
OUT ABOVE!!
EVERYBODY
RUN FOR IT!!!



AAAAA
AGHHHH
HHH!!!



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...!!
THEY BARELY
EVEN STOOD
A CHANCE...

SUCH
STRENGTH
!!!



ALL OUR
INCREDIBLE
LEADERS...!!





AAAA
AAGHH
HH!!

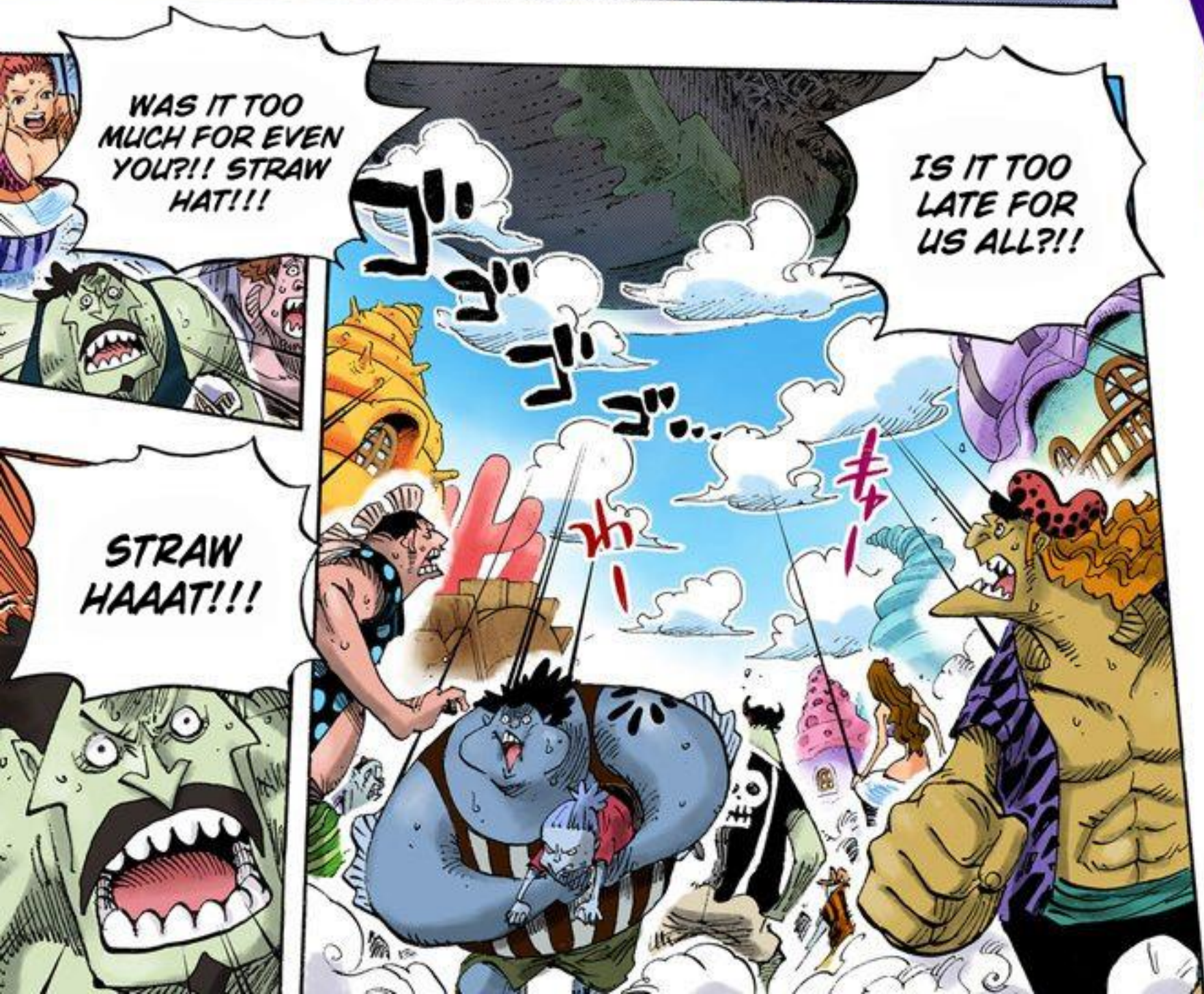
AAAA
AAGHH
HH!!



THE WHOLE
ISLAND'S
GONNA BE
CRUSHED!!!

THOSE
CRAZY LEADERS
ARE ALL OUT FOR
THE COUNT!! LET'S
GET OUTTA HERE!!

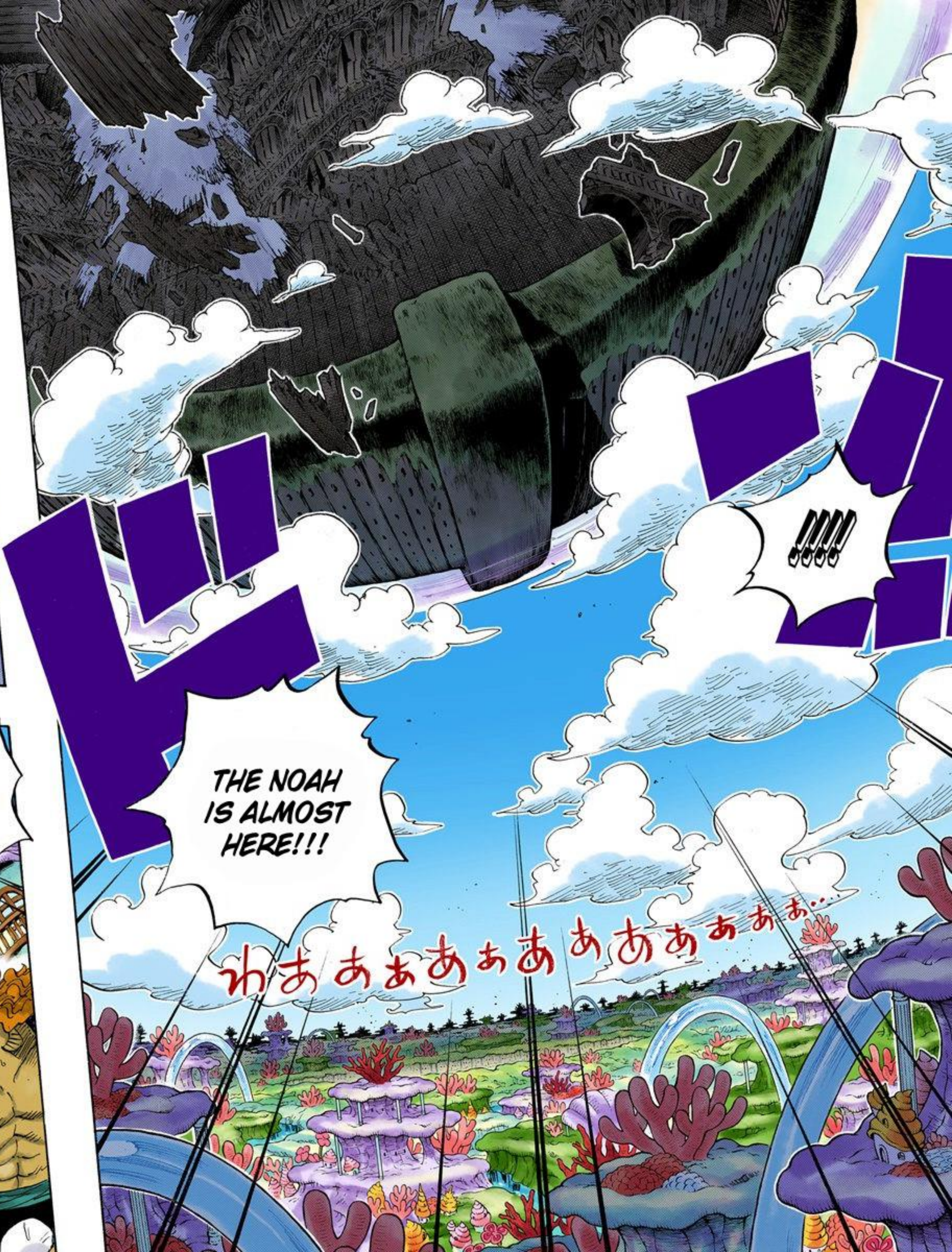
RUN FOR IT!!
WE CAN'T GET
TRAPPED IN
THIS PLAZA!!



WAS IT TOO
MUCH FOR EVEN
YOU?! STRAW
HAT!!!

IS IT TOO
LATE FOR
US ALL?!!

STRAW
HAAAT!!!



THE NOAH
IS ALMOST
HERE!!!

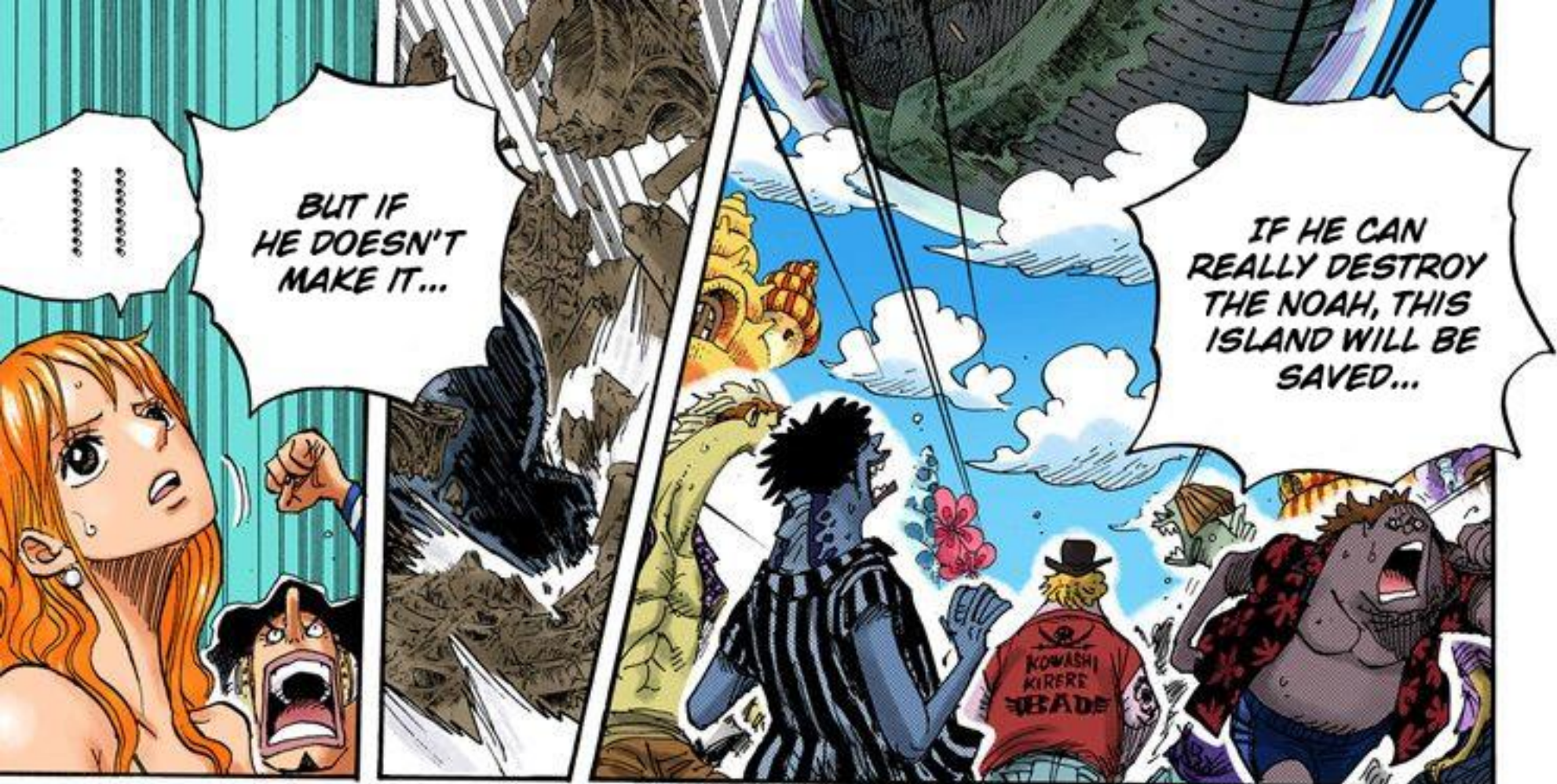
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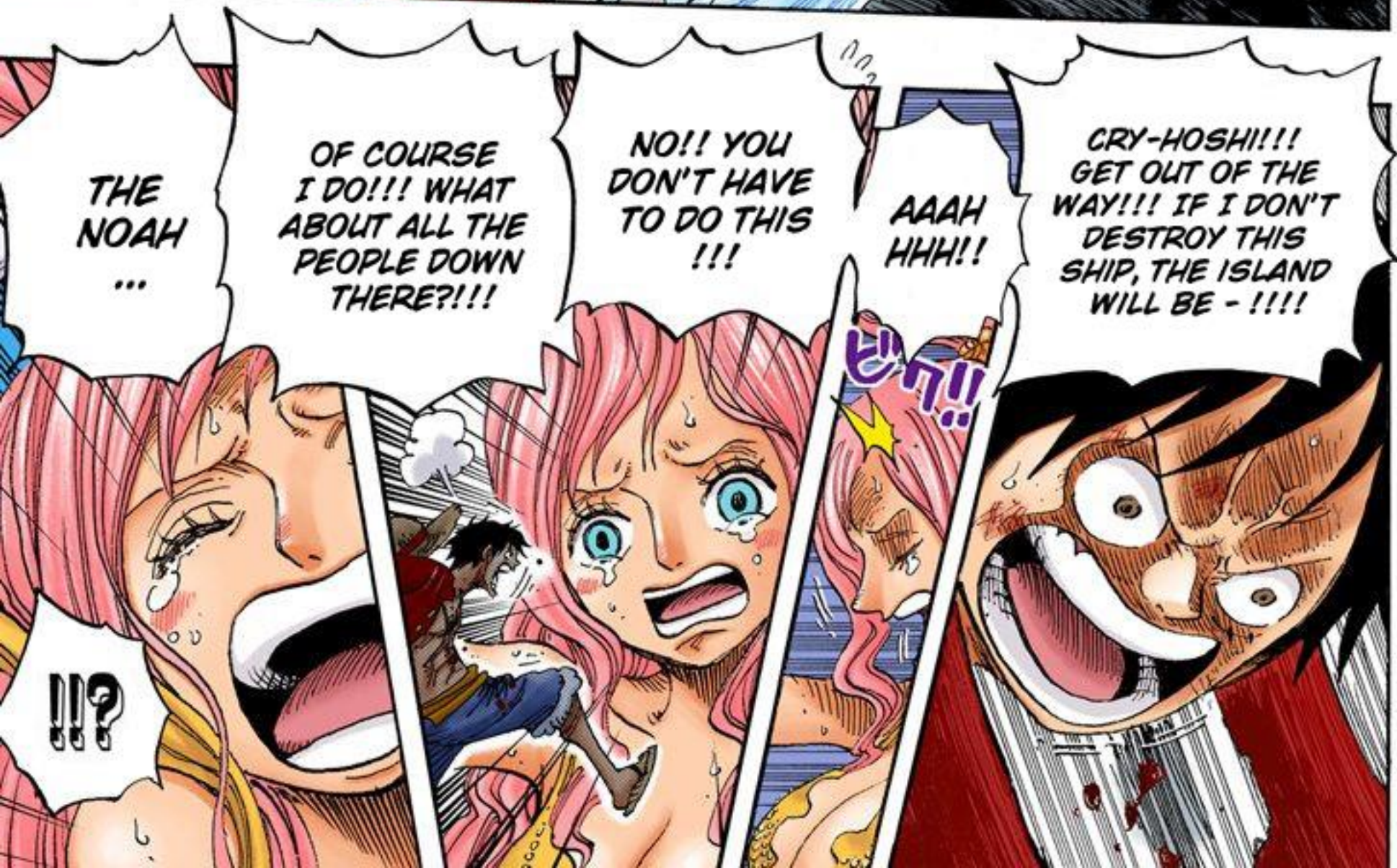
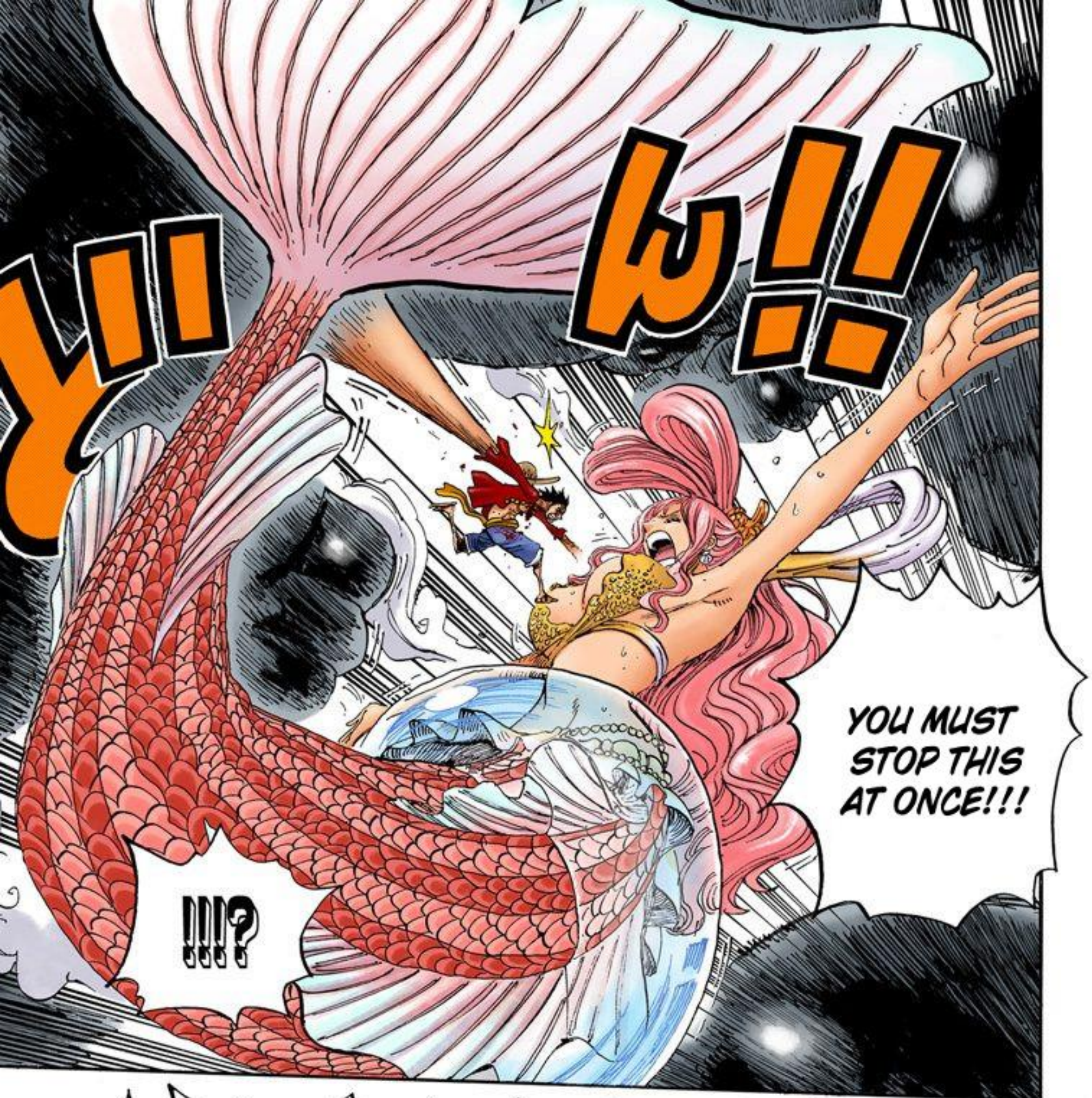
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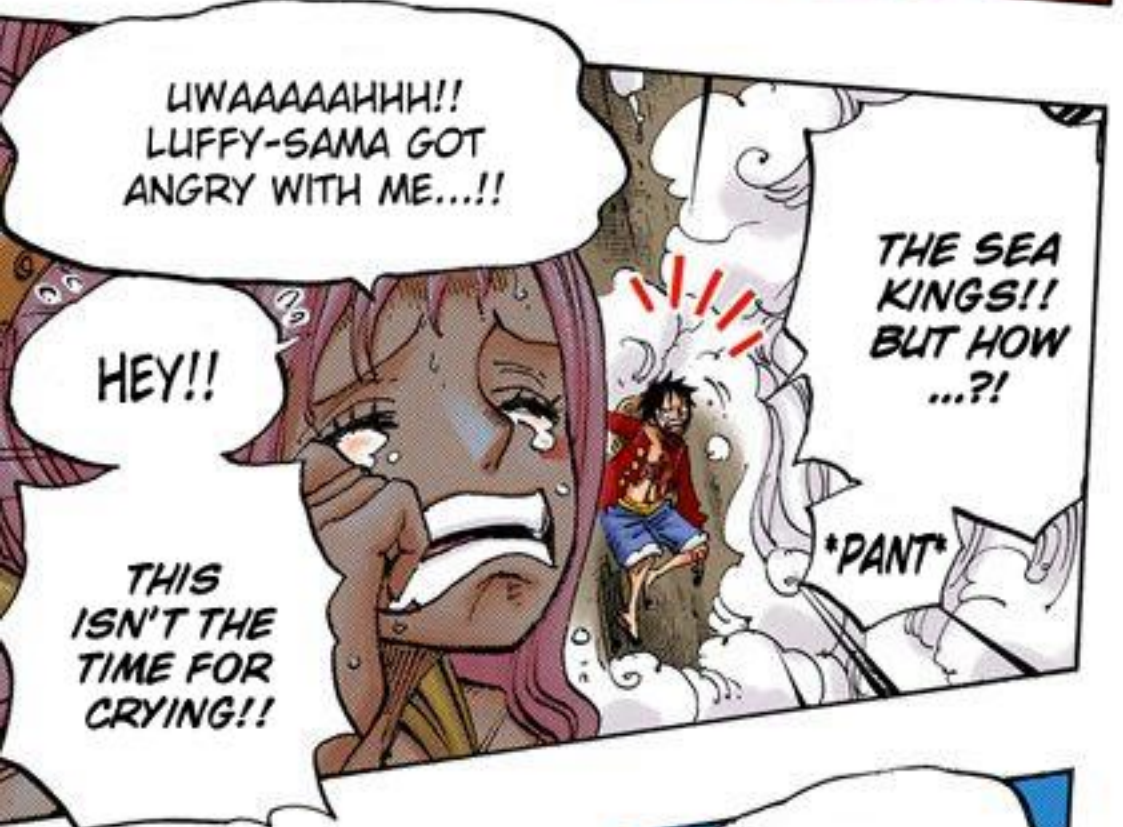
LUFFY-SAN!!

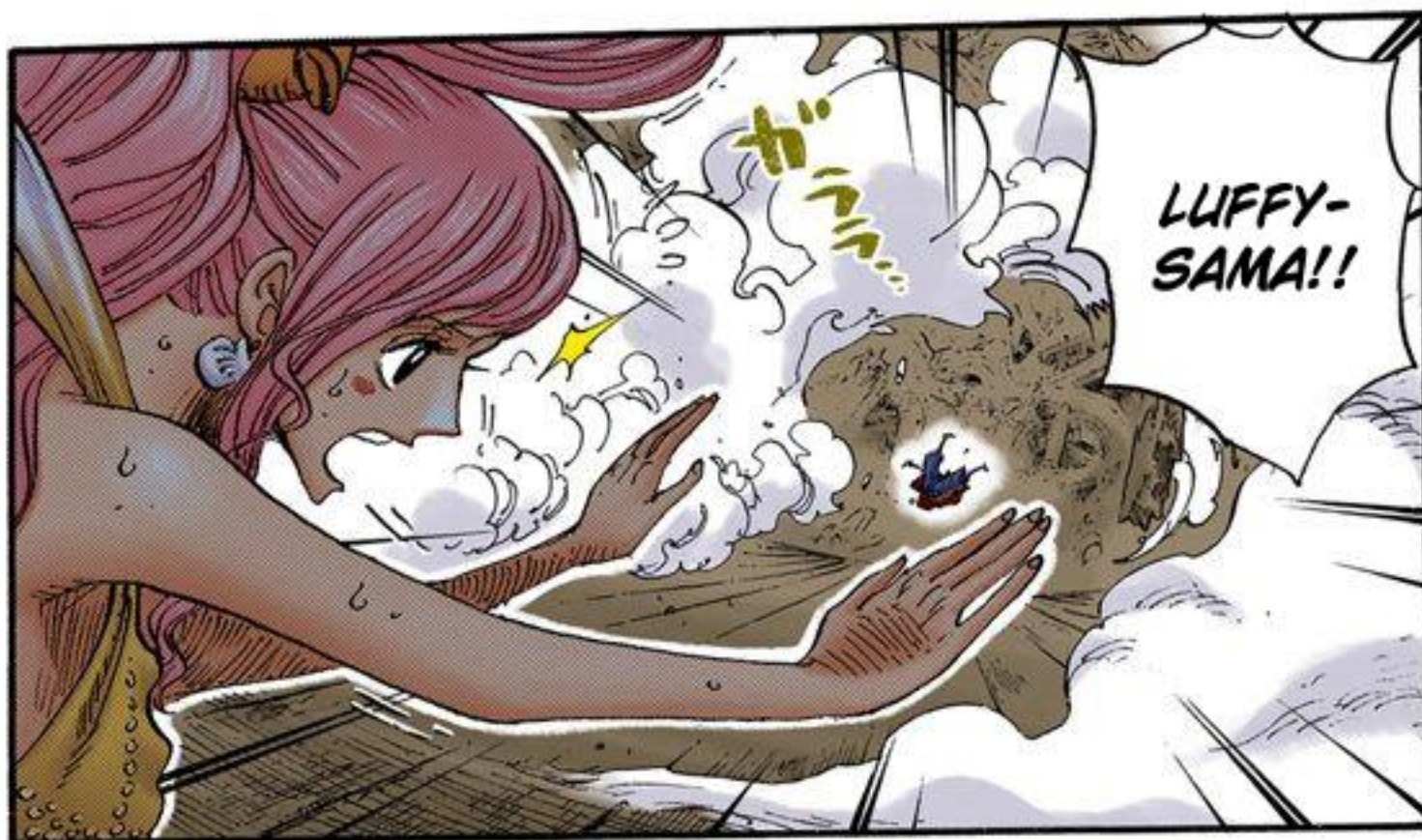














BUT YOU
DID. YOU GOT
CAUGHT UP IN THE
STRAW HAT BOY'S
POWERFUL EMOTIONS
... AND YOU MADE
A WISH.



...?! WHAT
...?! I
DIDN'T DO
ANYTHING
...!

I WAS
JUST SO
SAD...!!



...CALLED
US ALL HERE
IN TIME...

THANK
GOODNESS
PRINCESS
SHIRAHOSHI
...

THANK
GOODNESS
WE MADE IT.



THE SEA
KINGS HAVE
STOPPED
THE SHIP!!

WHAT'S
GOING
ON...?!!



WHAT IN THE
WORLD...?!



WE
ANSWERED
YOUR CALL...
AND LENT
HIM OUR
STRENGTH.

OUR
POWER
IS YOUR
POWER.



...YOU
COULD HAVE THE
STRENGTH TO
COME TO HIS
AID.

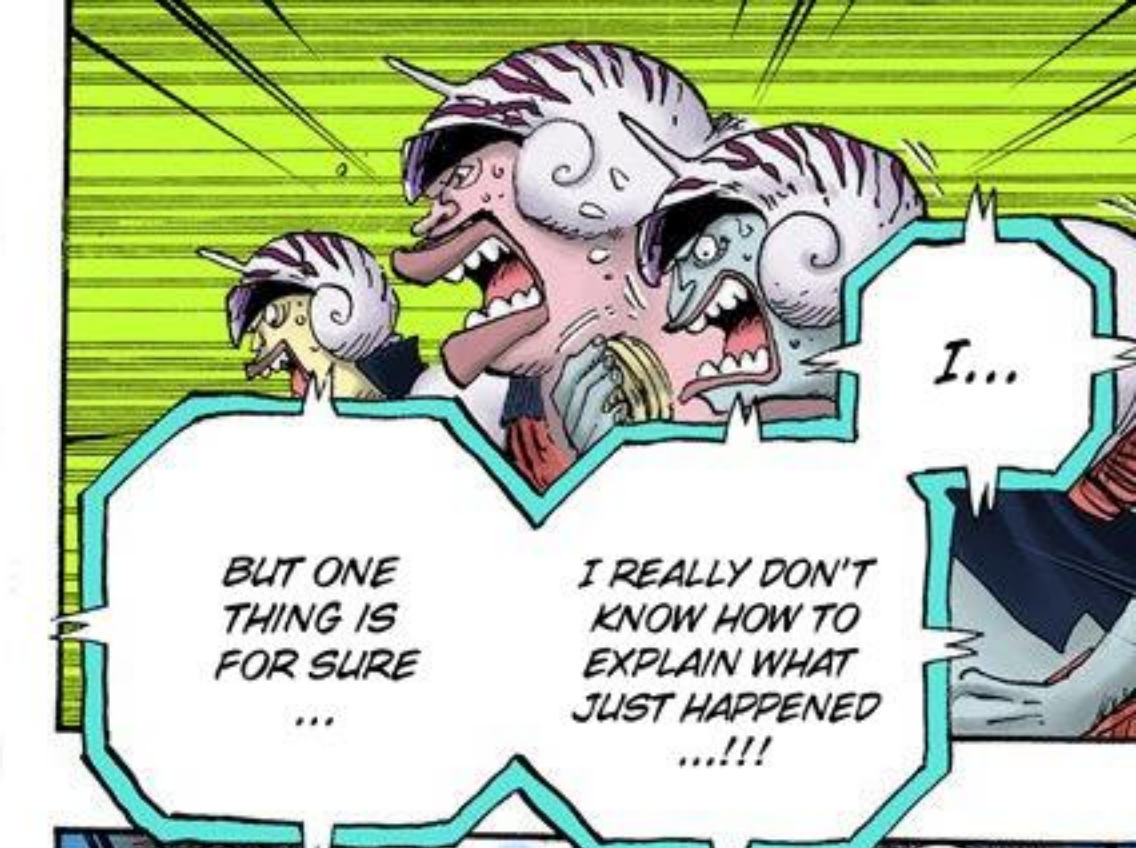
YOU WISHED
THAT, JUST AS
HE PROTECTS
THE ISLAND...



BUT FISHMAN ISLAND IS SAFE!!!!



THE NOAH HAS NOT BEEN DESTROYED!!!



BUT ONE THING IS FOR SURE ...

I REALLY DON'T KNOW HOW TO EXPLAIN WHAT JUST HAPPENED ...!!!

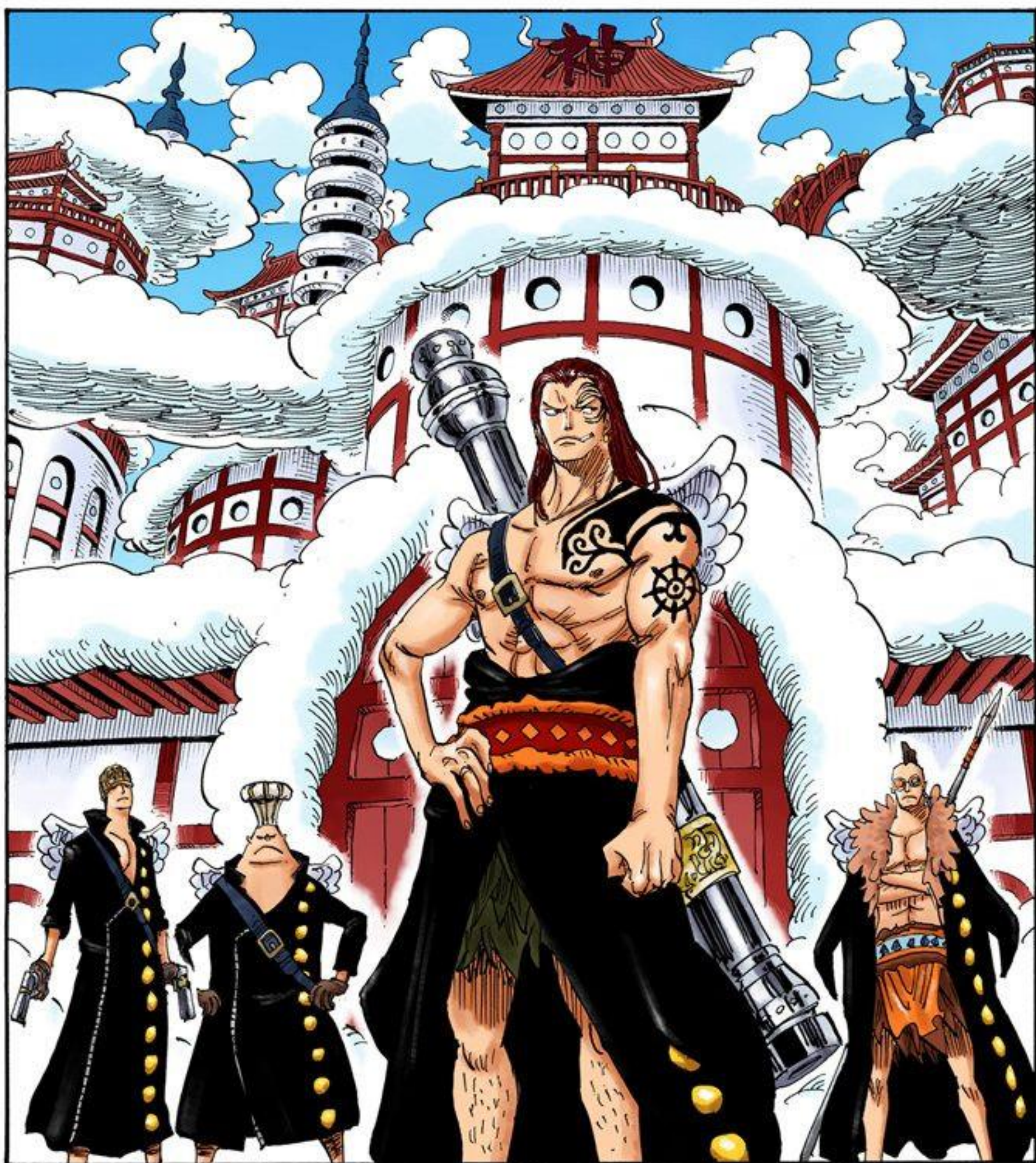


THE NOAH IS STOPPED!!!



CHAPTER 648

"THE PATH TOWARDS THE SUN"



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THIS
SHIP WAS
CREATED TO
BE PULLED
BY US.

FOR
ME...?

...FOR
THE DAY
YOU WOULD
BE BORN.

WE HAVE
WAITED SO
LONG...

PRINCESS
SHIRAHOSHI
...



...OUR
KING IS BORN
IN THE FORM
OF ONE OF THE
MERFOLK.

THOUGH WE
KNOW NOT WHY,
ONCE EVERY
HUNDRED
YEARS...

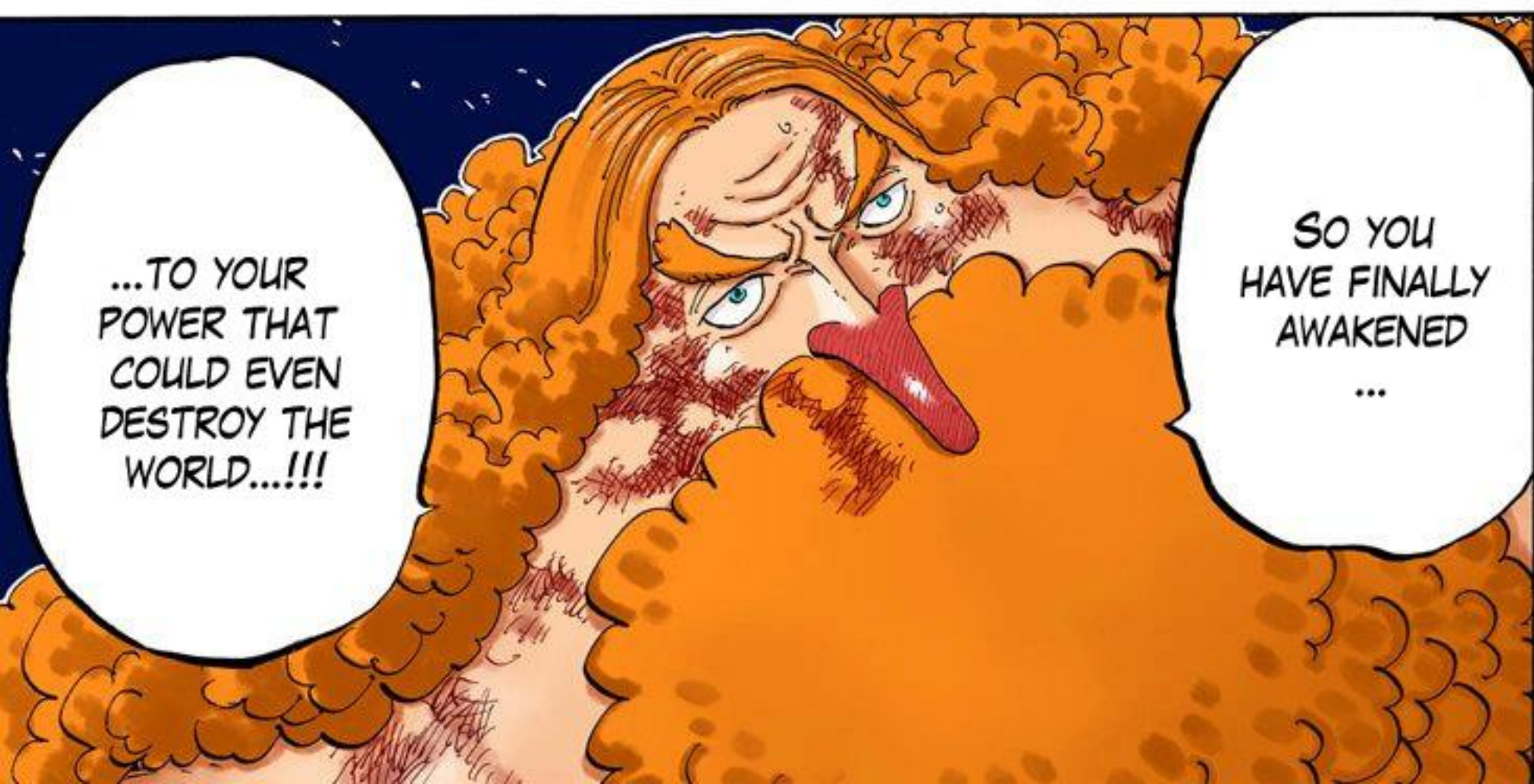
IS THAT WHY
THE NOAH IS
SO BIG?

THIS IS A
DUTY THAT WE
HAVE KNOWN OF
SINCE TIME LONG
PAST.

THE
REASON IS
A MYSTERY.

...HAVE BEEN OUR
TRUE KING FROM
THE MOMENT OF
YOUR BIRTH.

BUT
YOU...



YOU
SHOULD GO
TO HIM.

LOOK DOWN -
THE BUBBLE IS
BEING ABSORBED
INTO THE ISLAND.

A HUMAN
CANNOT SURVIVE
IN THE OCEAN
DEPTHS...

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LUFFY-
SAMA!!!

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OH,
NO!

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WAS I
IMAGINING
THINGS...?

HMM?



IT
CAN'T
BE...

HE
SEEMED TO
NOTICE OUR
VOICES.

THAT
HUMAN
WITH THE
HAT...



WHO'S THAT
MUTTERING OUT
THERE IN THESE
DEEP WATERS?!!



RAYLEIGH!!
DID YOU HEAR
THOSE VOICES
JUST NOW?!

WHAT ARE
YOU TALKING
ABOUT? WE'RE
IN THE DEPTHS
OF THE OCEAN...
IT'S DEATHLY
QUIET!



SO IT
DID, SO
IT DID...

I RECALL
SOMETHING
SIMILAR
HAPPENED
NOT SO LONG
AGO...



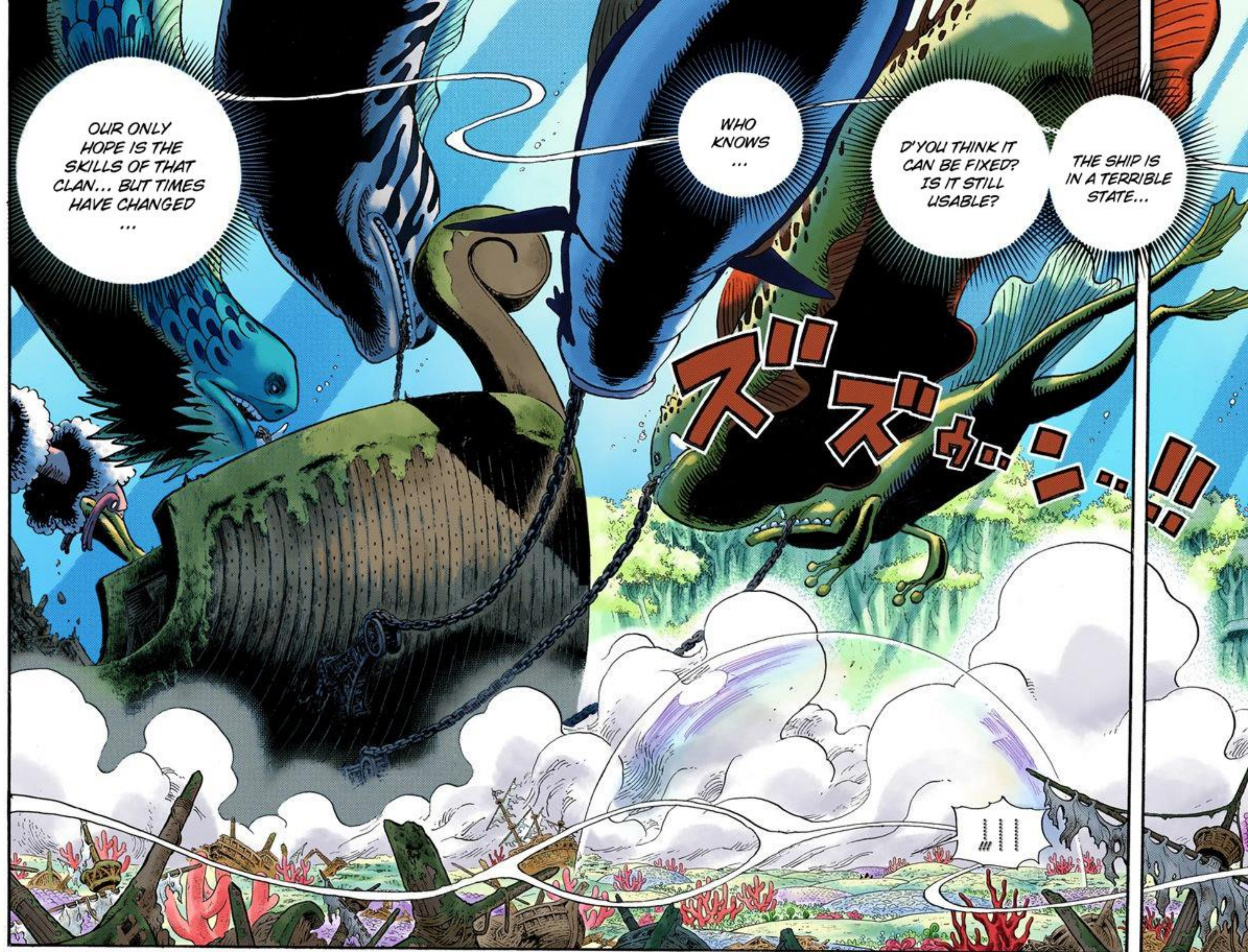
CAN IT
REALLY BE
FIXED?

I SURE
HOPE IT
CAN...



BEFORE
THE PROMISED
TIME COMES
...

.....



OUR ONLY
HOPE IS THE
SKILLS OF THAT
CLAN... BUT TIMES
HAVE CHANGED
...

WHO
KNOWS
...

D'YOU THINK IT
CAN BE FIXED?
IS IT STILL
USABLE?

THE SHIP IS
IN A TERRIBLE
STATE...

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THEY'RE
GONNA EAT
US ALL UP
!!!

AAAAA
AAGHHH
HHH!!!

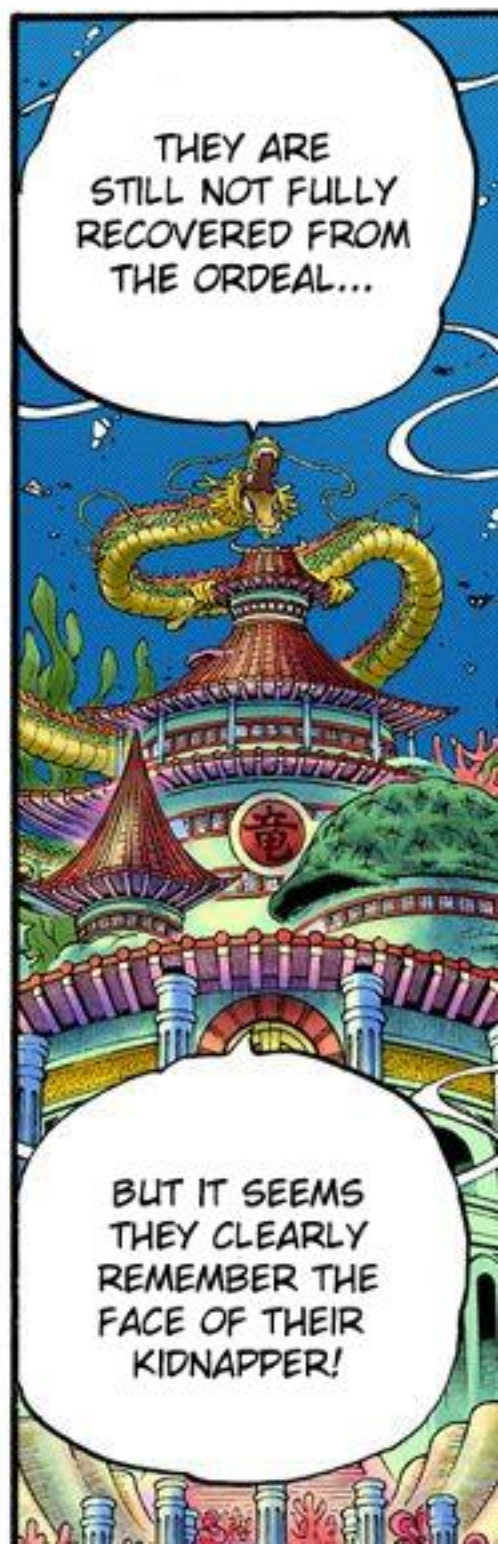
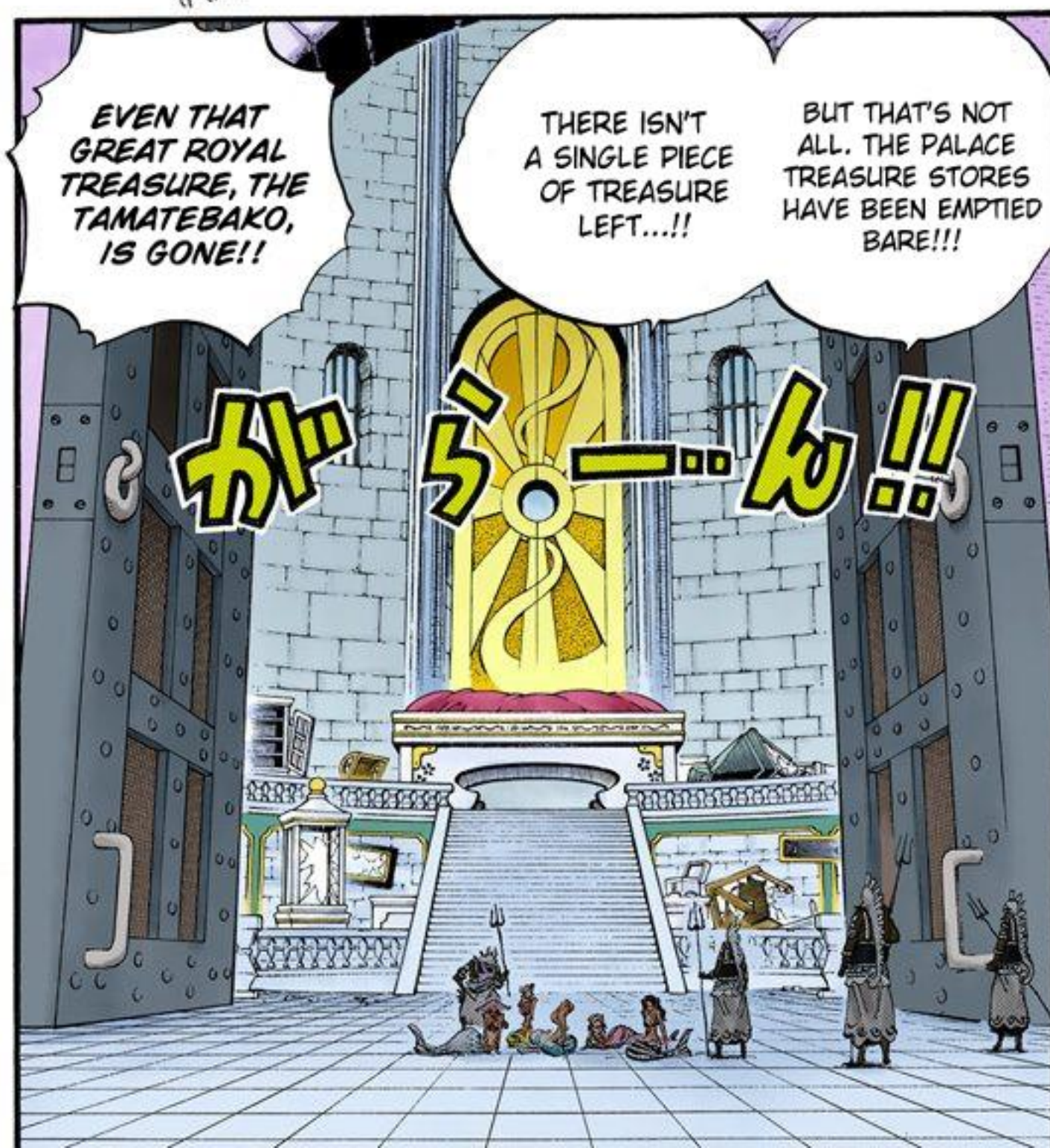
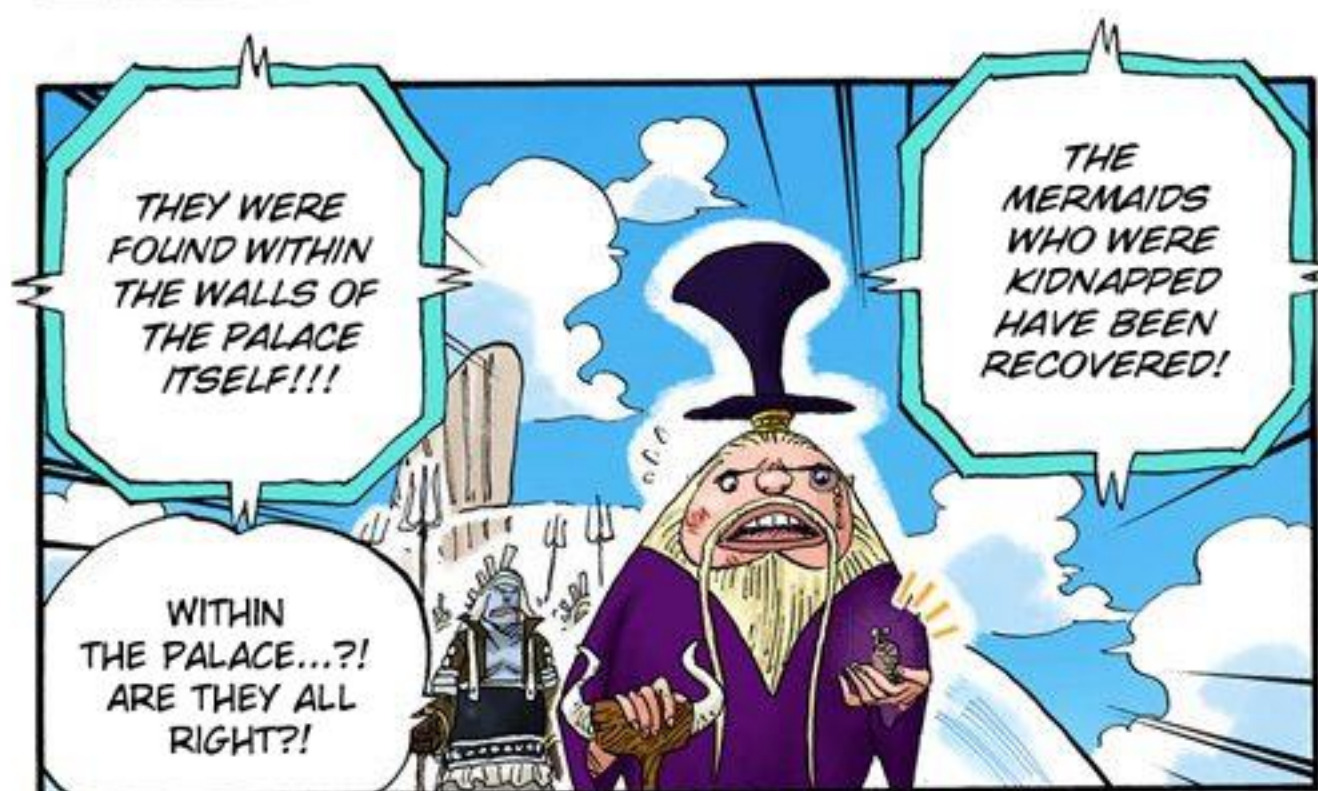


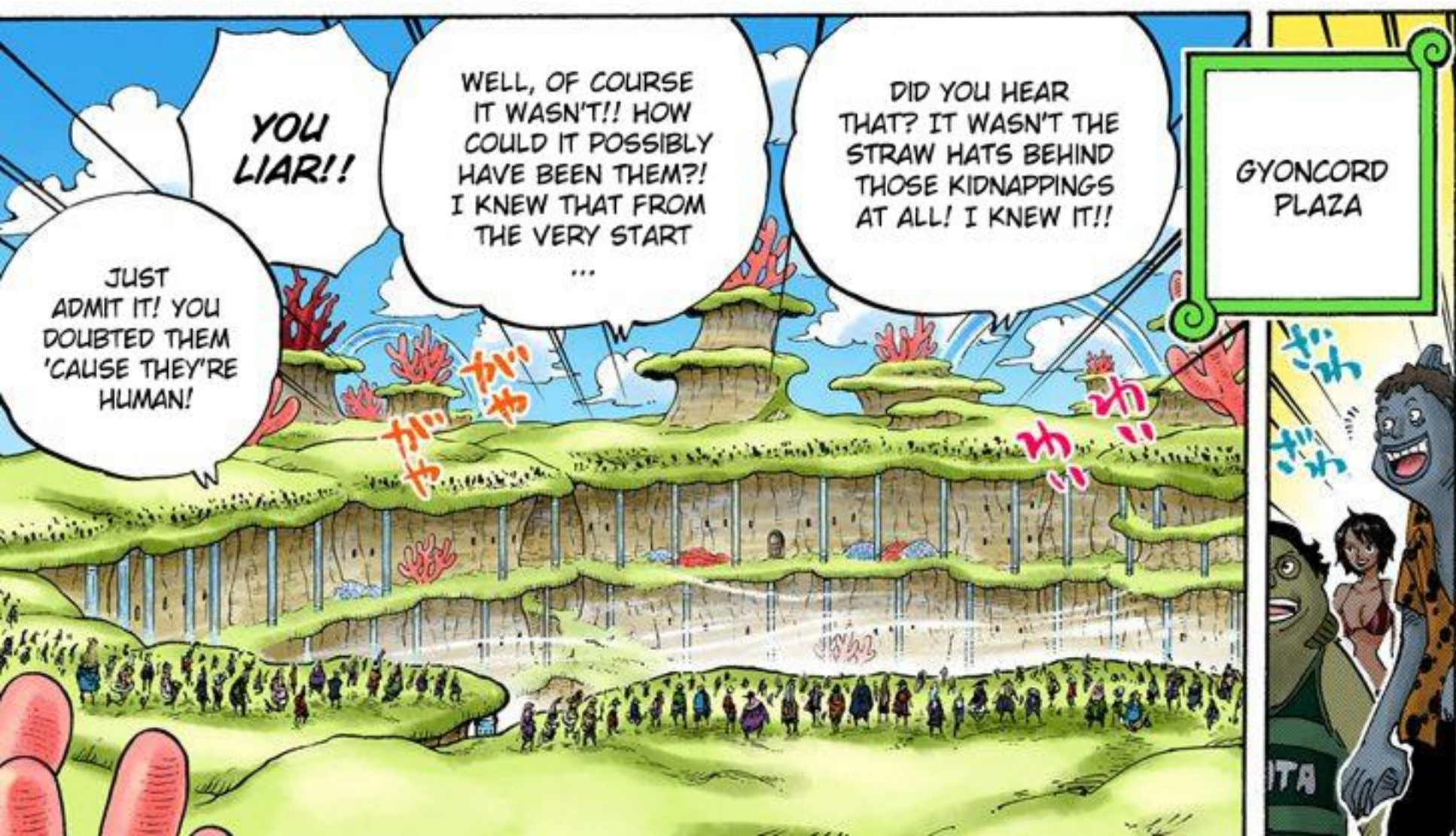
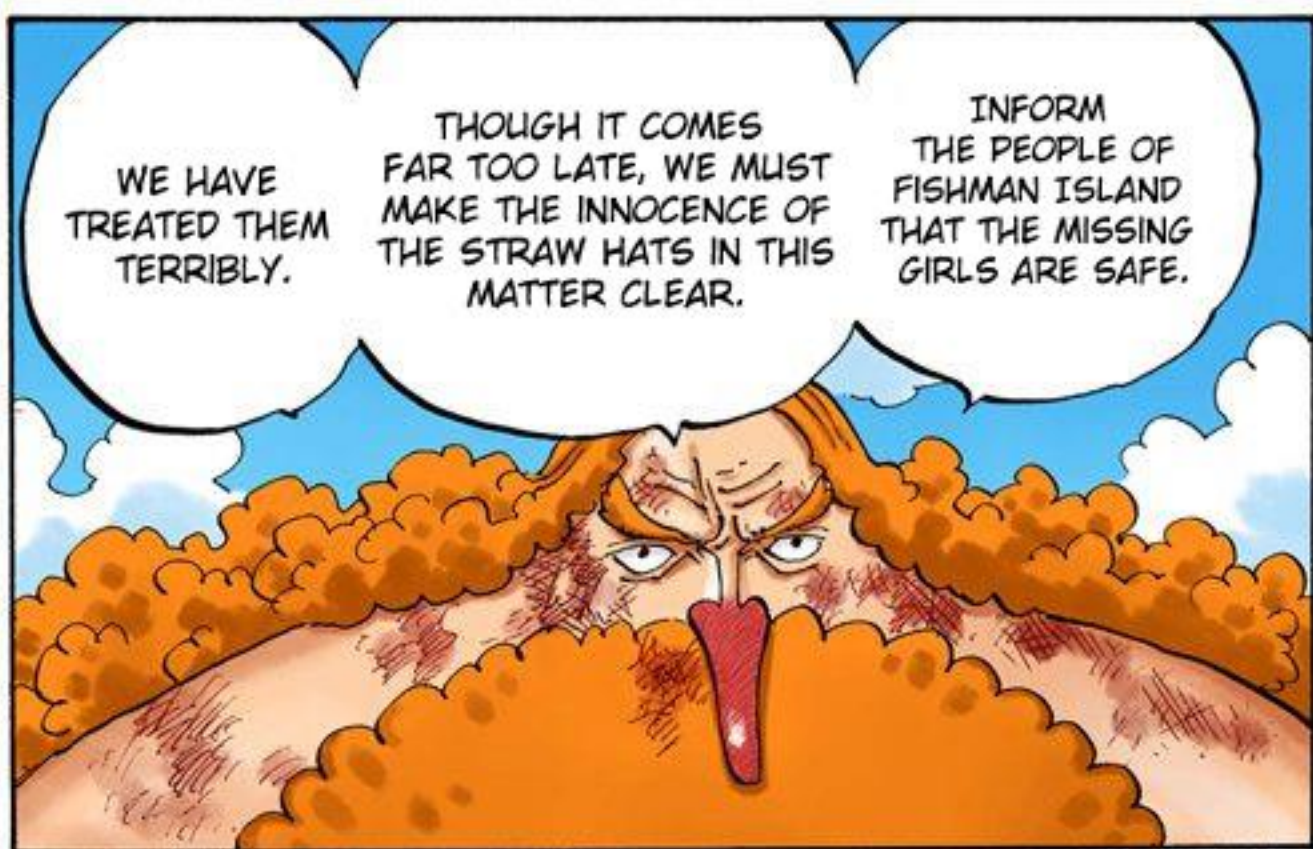
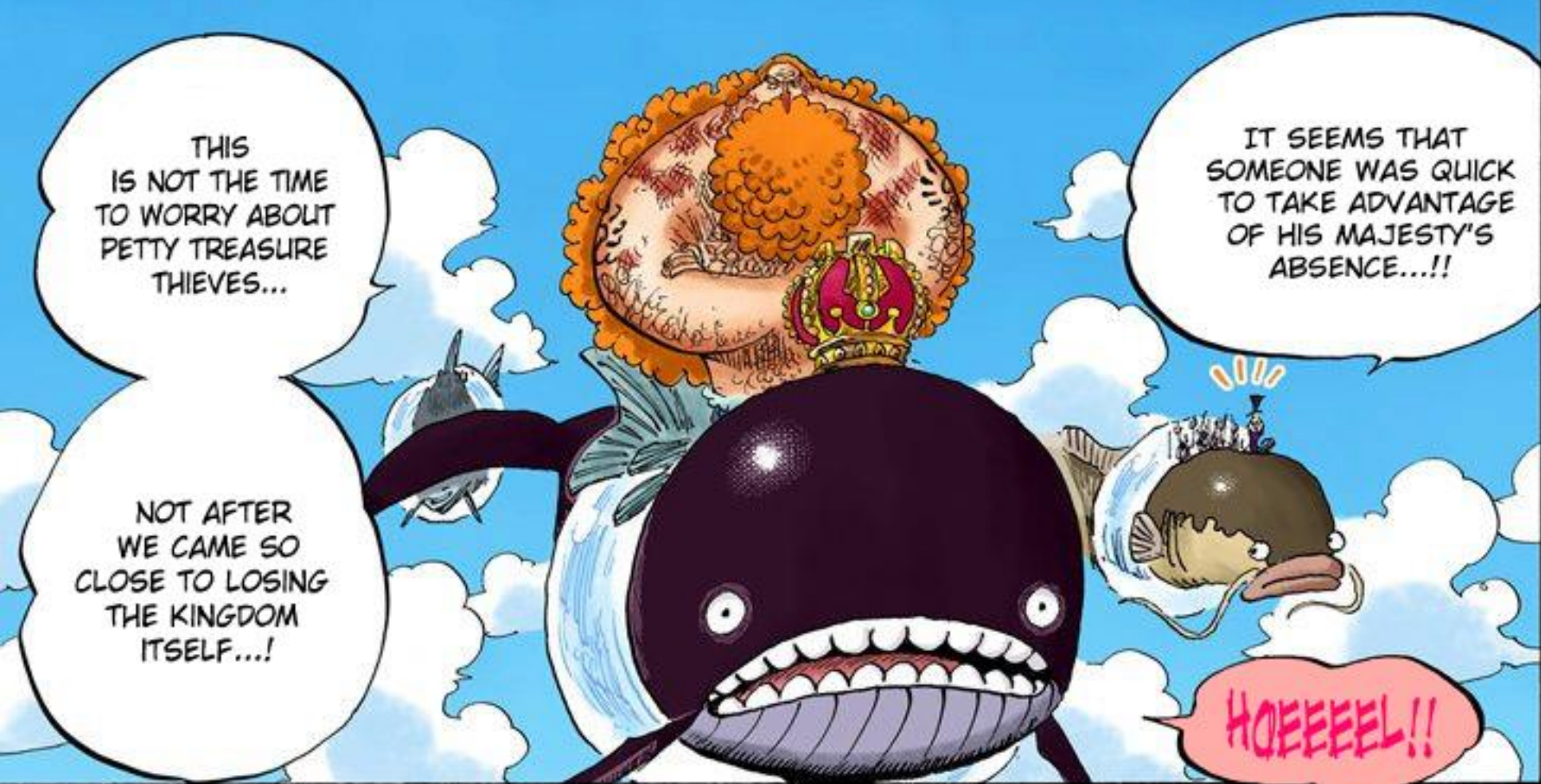
THEY'RE
CARRYING
THE NOAH
!!!

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SEA
KINGS
?!!!





HECK, THIS ISLAND
IS A TOURIST REGION,
RIGHT?! IT'S HUMAN
PIRATES LIKE US THAT
FUEL YOUR ECONOMY,
AIN'T IT?!!

THERE'S NO
POINT US STICKING
AROUND NOW, IS
THERE?! WE'RE
HUMANS, WE AIN'T
GOT NOTHIN' TO DO
WITH THIS ISLAND'S
AFFAIRS!!!

WE DIDN'T
WANT ANY OF
THIS!! IT WAS
ALL HODY AND
HIS CRONIES
!!!

WE'RE
BEGGIN' YOU
HERE, BOSS-
MAN!! YOU
GOTTA LET
US GO!!!

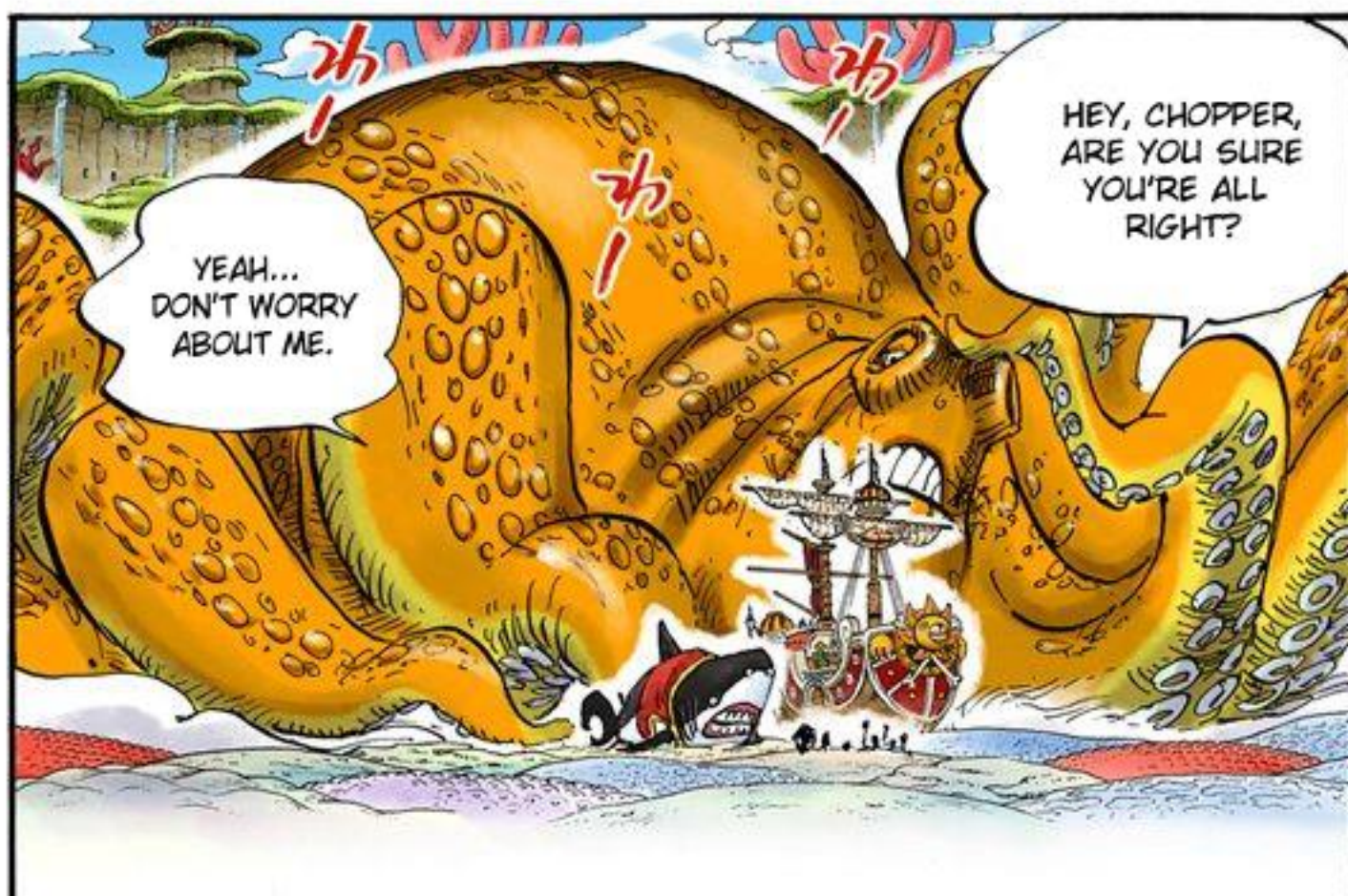
PLEASE,
JUST LET
US OUT THE
EXIT!!



BUT ANY ONE
OF YOU WHO TRIES
TO ESCAPE WITH A
FLOATING BUBBLE...
I WILL SHOOT
DOWN WITHOUT
HESITATION.

I HAVE NOT
SAID THAT YOU
MUST ALL BE
BEHEADED.

I SAY ONLY
THAT YOU MUST
AWAIT JUDGEMENT
AT THE HANDS OF
THE HOUSE OF
NEPTUNE.

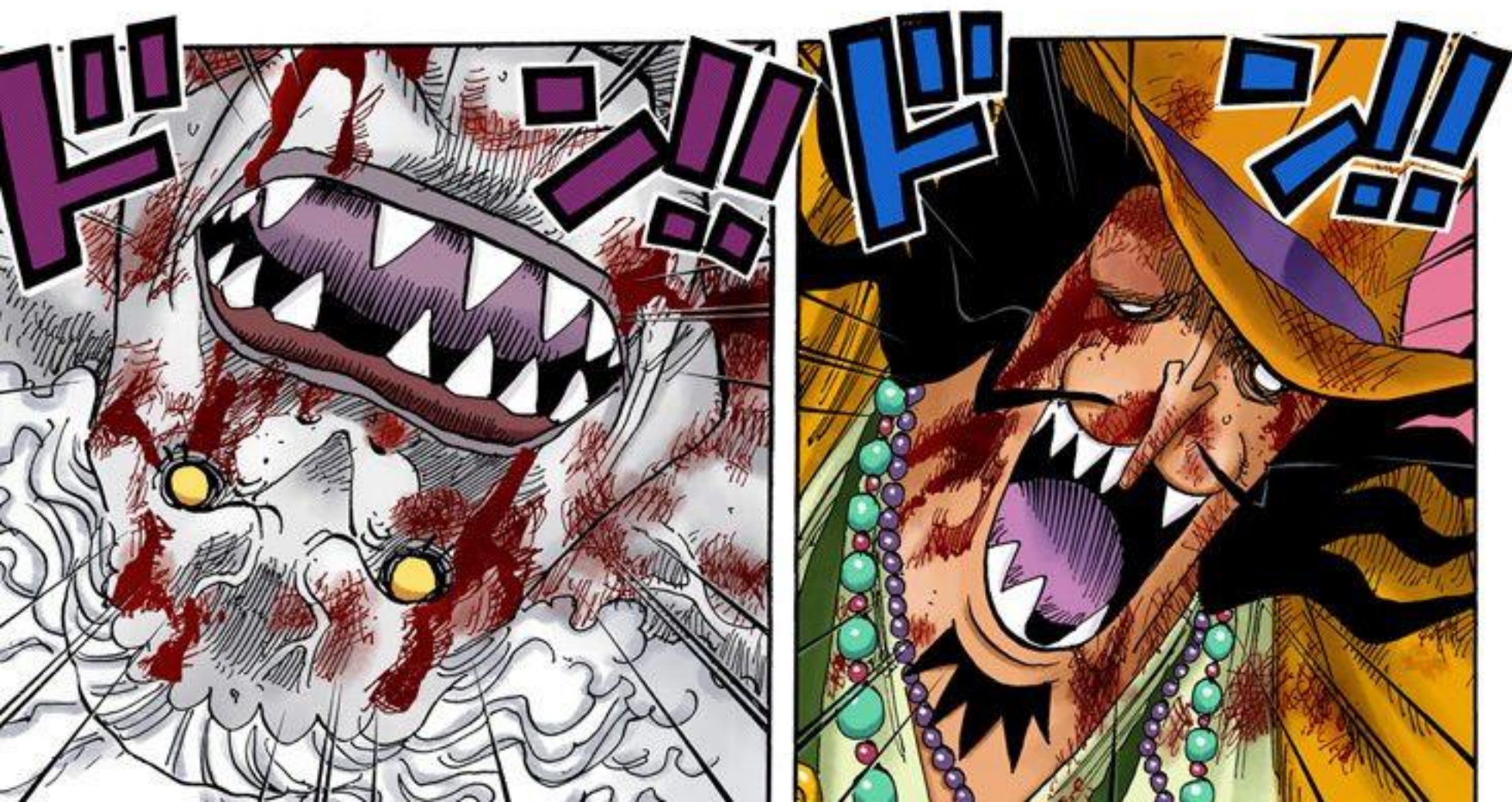
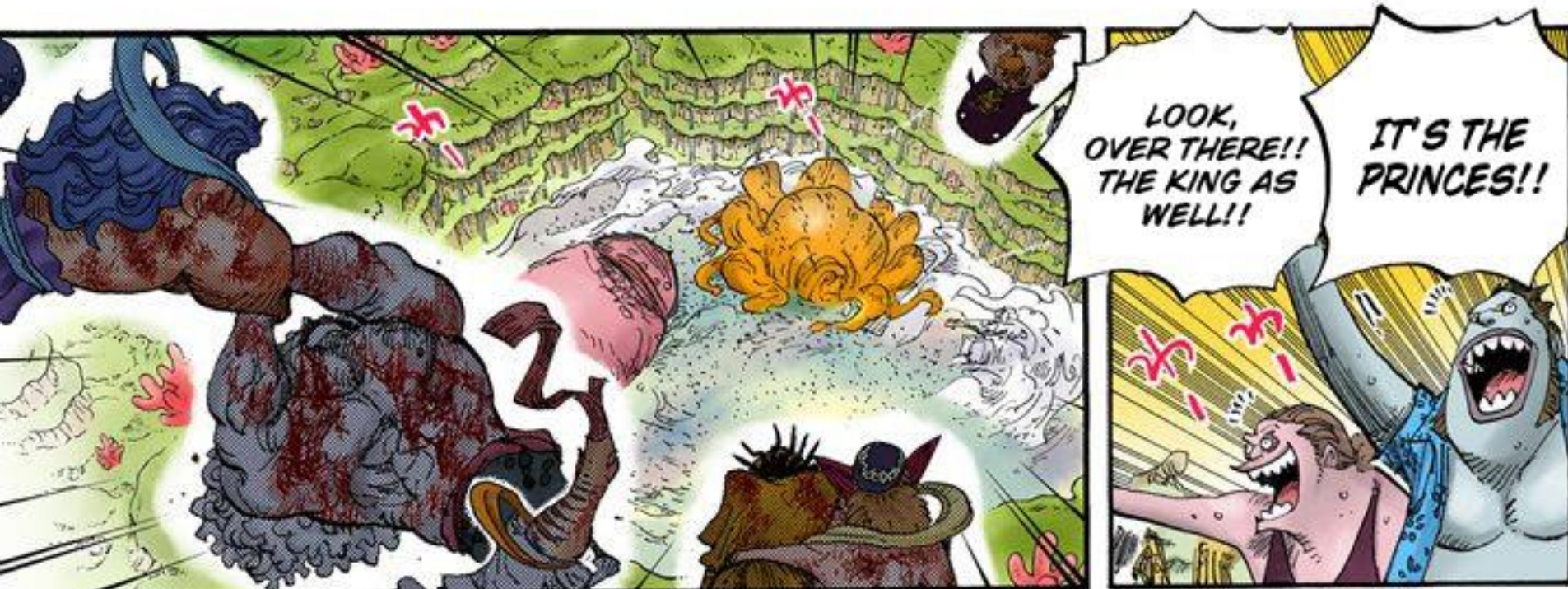


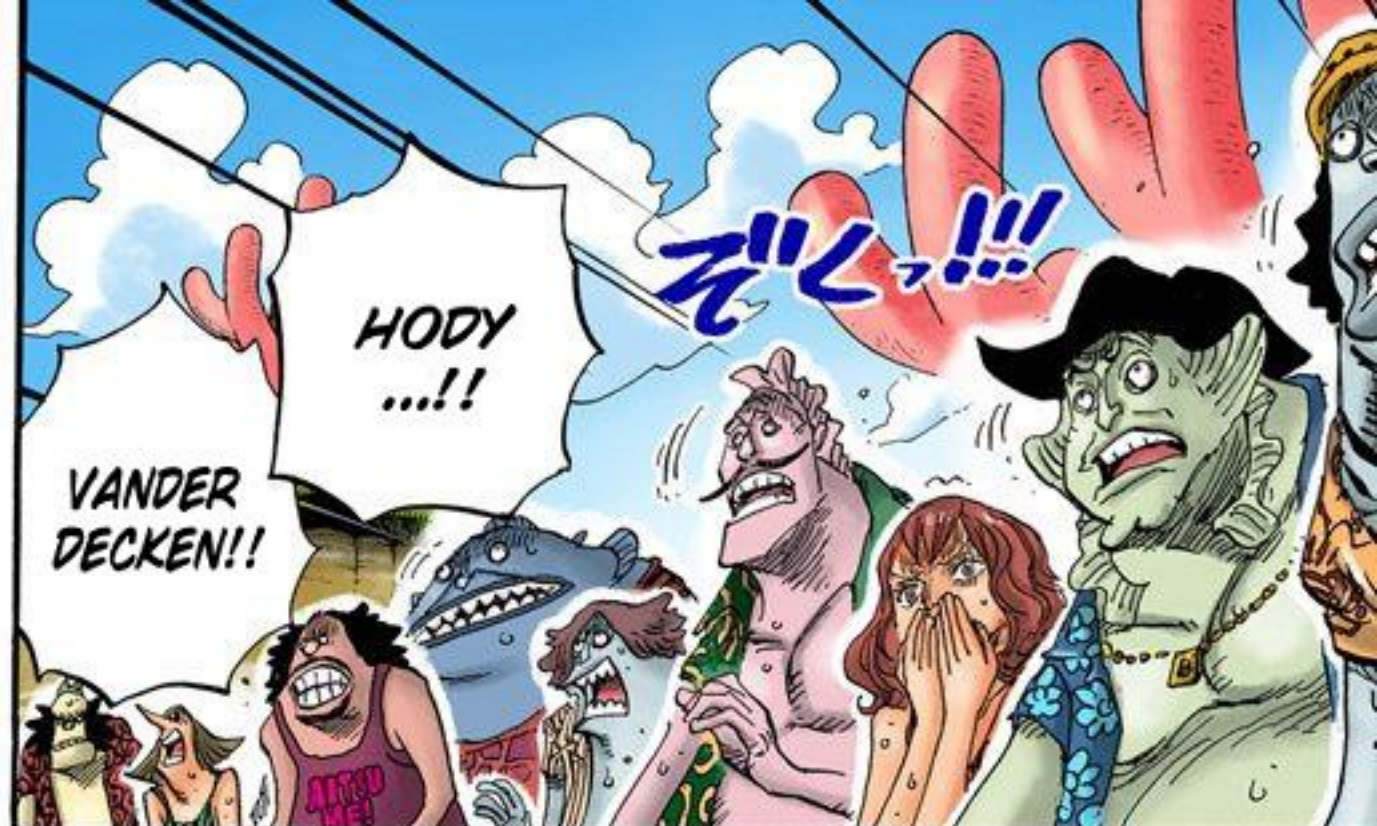
YEAH...
DON'T WORRY
ABOUT ME.

HEY, CHOPPER,
ARE YOU SURE
YOU'RE ALL
RIGHT?

AAAAAAR
GHHHHHH!!!
DAMMITALL!!!









C... CAPTAIN HODY...!!

HE LOOKS LIKE A MONSTER...



I WAS SO SCARED... TO THINK A GUY LIKE THAT WAS LIVING SO CLOSE BY, JUST DOWN IN THE FISHMAN DISTRICT...



...AND PRINCESS SHIRAHOSHI!!!

IT'S STRAW HAT LUFFY...



WHY, THAT MUST BE LUFFY-SAN COMING BACK!!



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UWAHHH!!

HEY OVER THERE



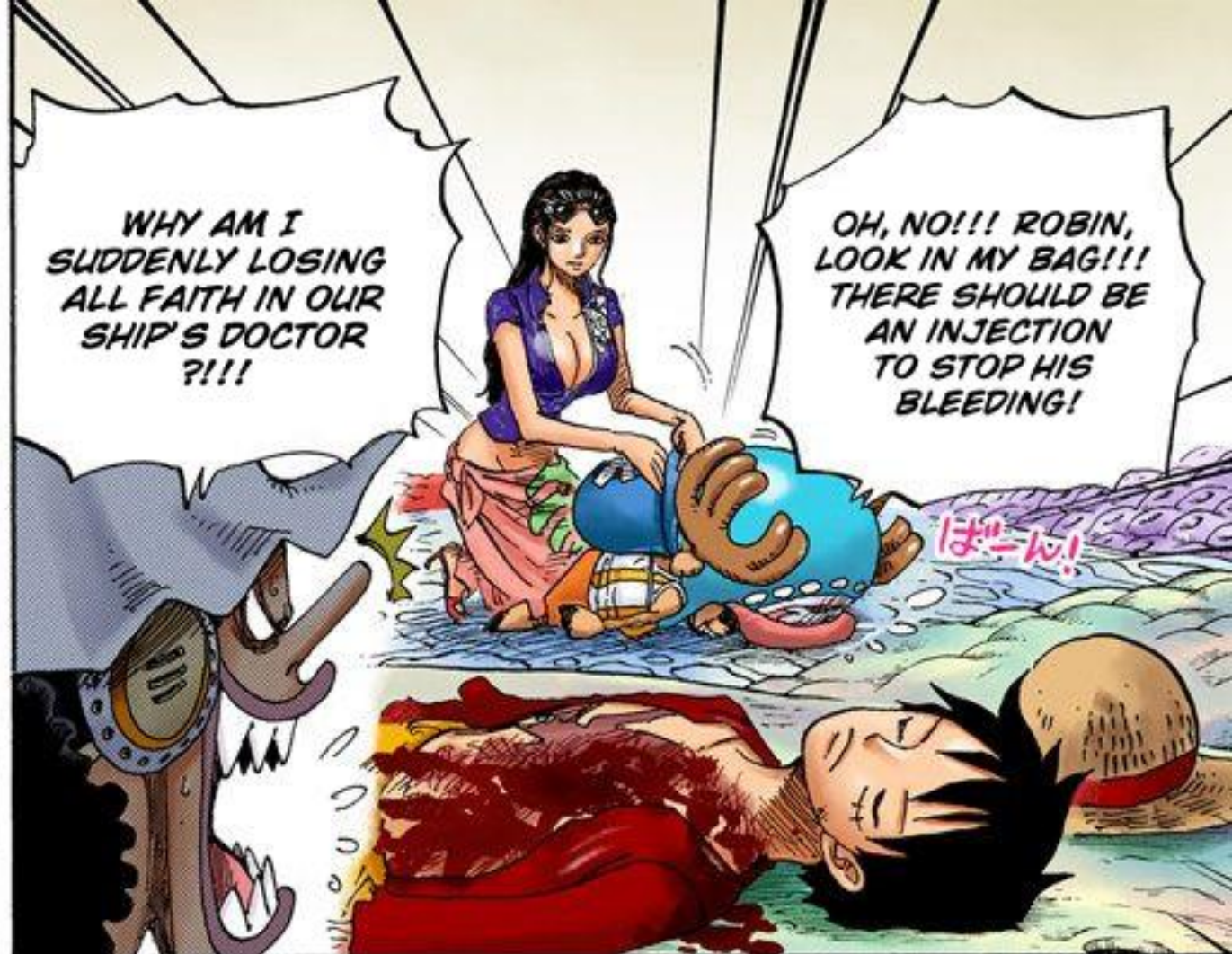
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IT'S LUFFY-SAMA!!! HIS BLEEDING JUST WON'T STOP!!!

PLEASE, SOMEBODY HELP!!!

HE PUSHED HIMSELF SO HARD FOR OUR SAKE...!!!

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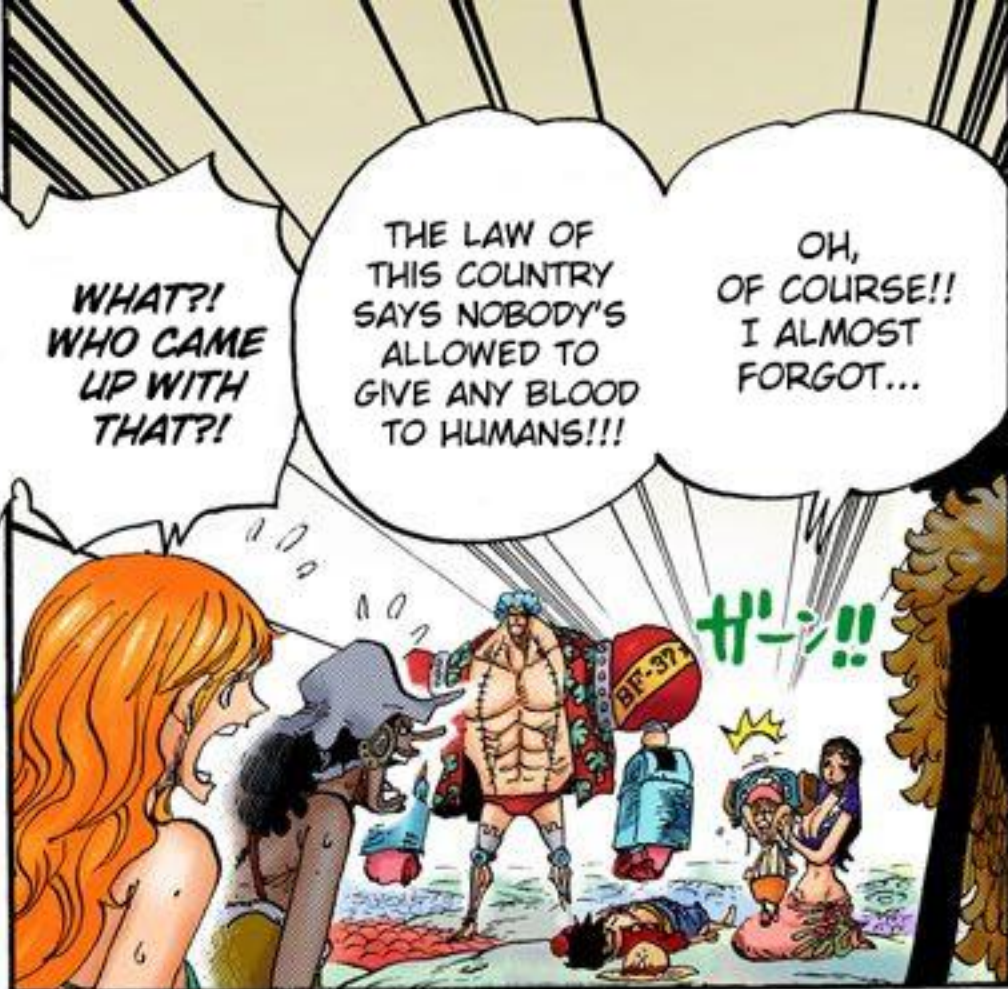


THAT'S A
TERRIBLE
LAW!!

WHAT?!
WHO CAME
UP WITH
THAT?!

THE LAW OF
THIS COUNTRY
SAYS NOBODY'S
ALLOWED TO
GIVE ANY BLOOD
TO HUMANS!!!

OH,
OF COURSE!!
I ALMOST
FORGOT...



P...
PRINCESS
SHIRAHOSHI
...?!!

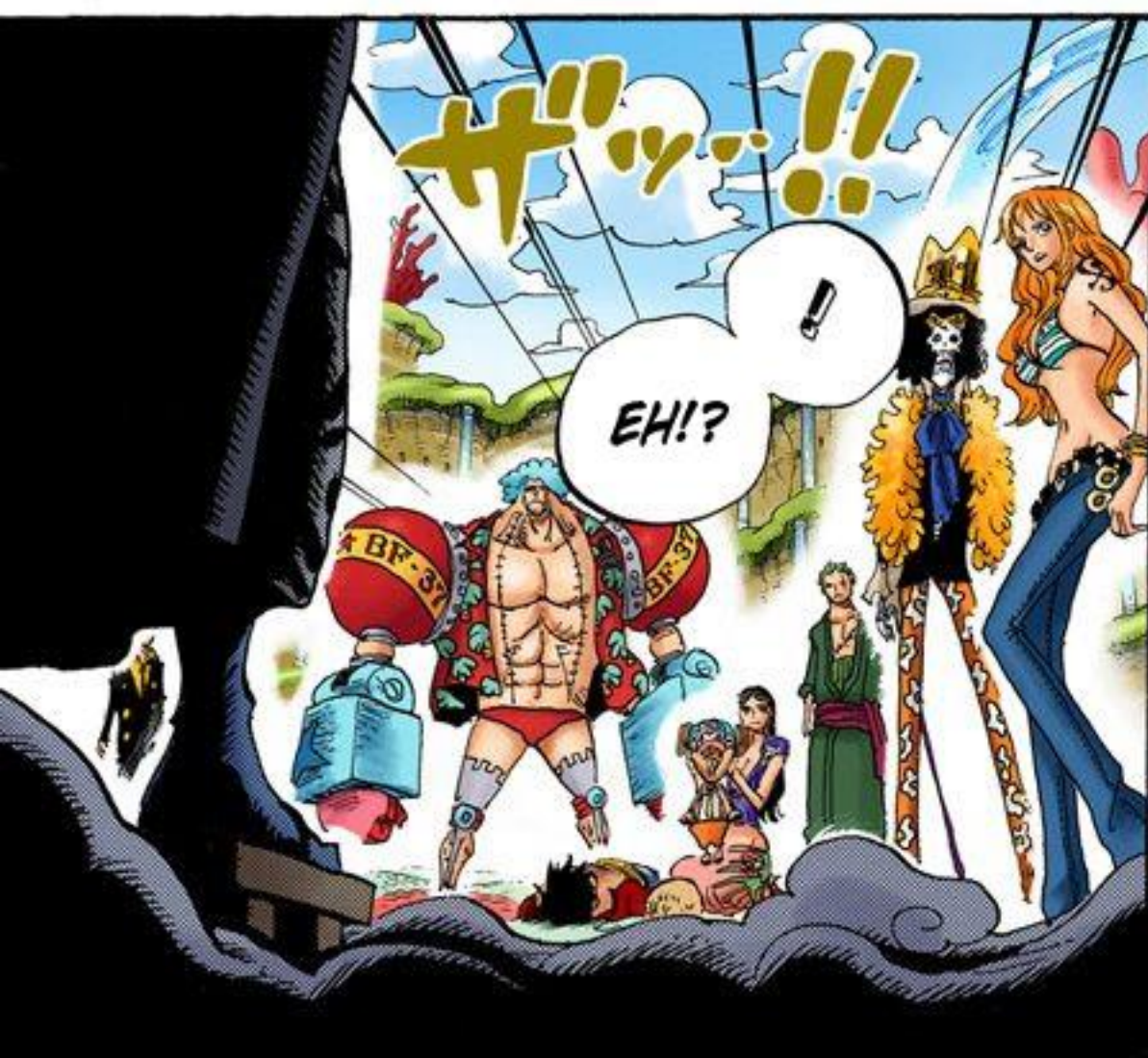


UH-
HUH. RIGHT.
I APPRECIATE
THE SENTIMENT,
REALLY!!!

IS THAT
NOT GOOD
ENOUGH?!

M...
MY BLOOD
ISN'T THAT
TYPE, BUT...
BUT IT IS
RED!!

OH, YEAH!!
WHAT ABOUT
THE HUMAN
PIRATES?!!



EH!?



!!!?





IT FLOWS
FROM THOSE
WHO ARE HURT,
AND IN THOSE
WHO DO THE
HURTING.



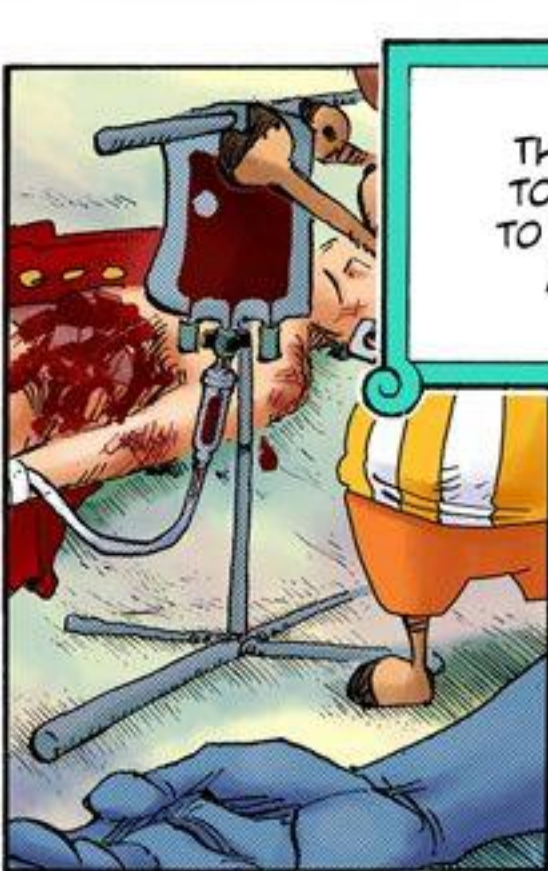
THE DEEP
RED OF
BLOOD...



...THROUGH
WHICH THAT
BLOOD NOW
FLOWED...



IT WAS THE
TINY TUBES
...



THOUGH FAR
TOO NARROW
TO BE CALLED
A PATH...



...THROUGH
THE BATTLES
OF THOSE
WHO SOUGHT
TO WASH AWAY
BLOOD WITH
MORE BLOOD...

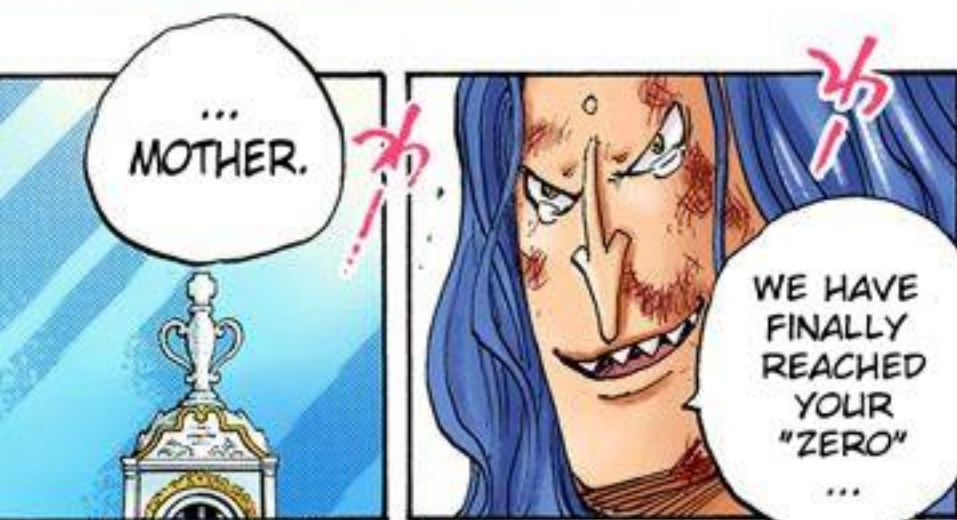


...THAT TORE
THROUGH
PREJUDICE
AND FEAR...





STRAW
HAT!!!



...
MOTHER.

WE HAVE
FINALLY
REACHED
YOUR
"ZERO"
...



HEY,
JINBE
...



JOIN MY
CREW!!



...
THAT, CLEARER
THAN ANY WILD
DREAM OR IDEAL
...

SO SMOOTHLY
AND EASILY
IT FLOWED...

...ALL
COULD SEE
IT FOR WHAT
IT WAS...

A PATH TO
THE SUN.



WELL, I
NEVER
...

YOU'RE
CONSCIOUS?



LUFFY!!



AHHH!
LUFFY-SAMA
IS COMING
TO!!

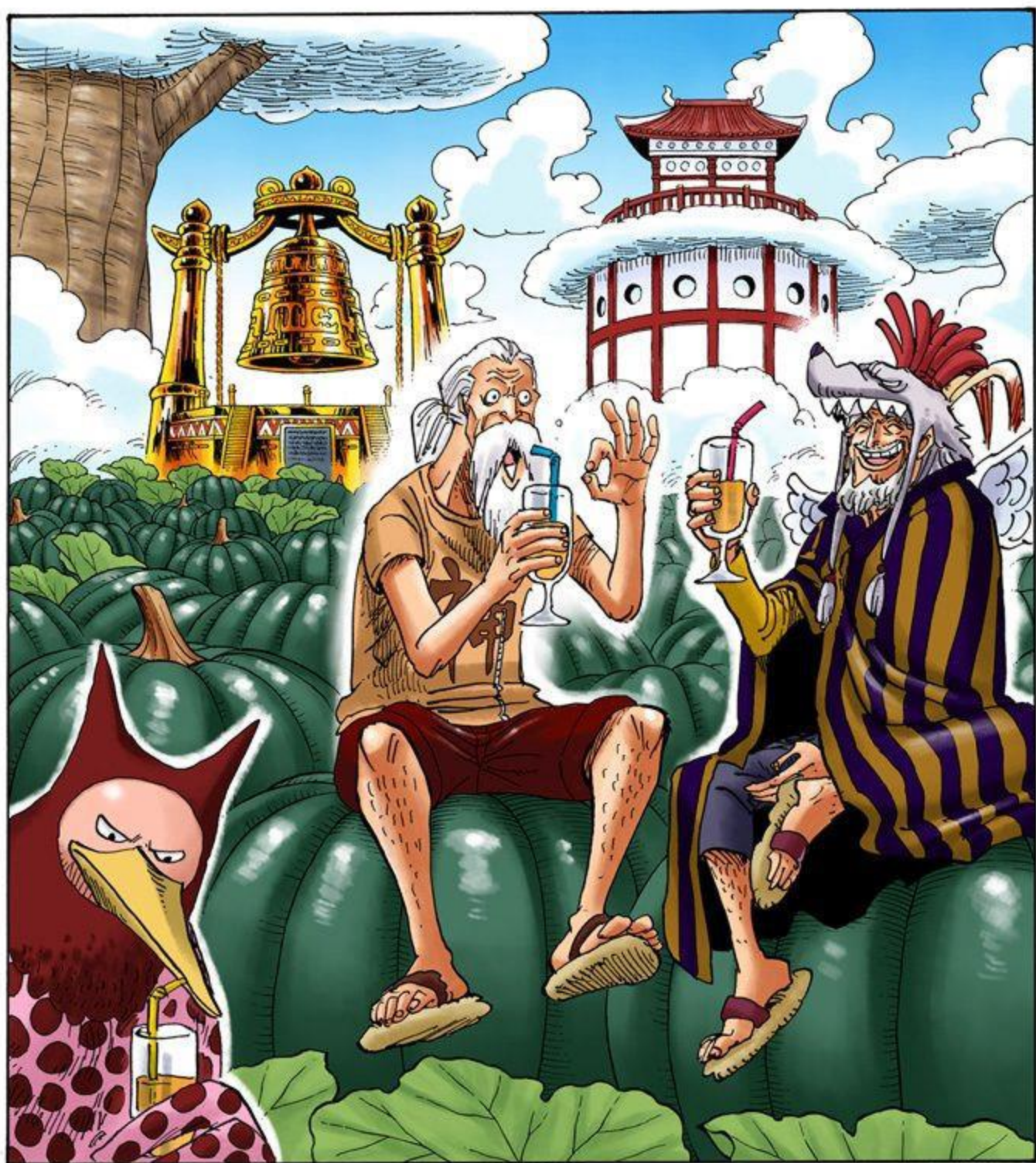


JINBE
...



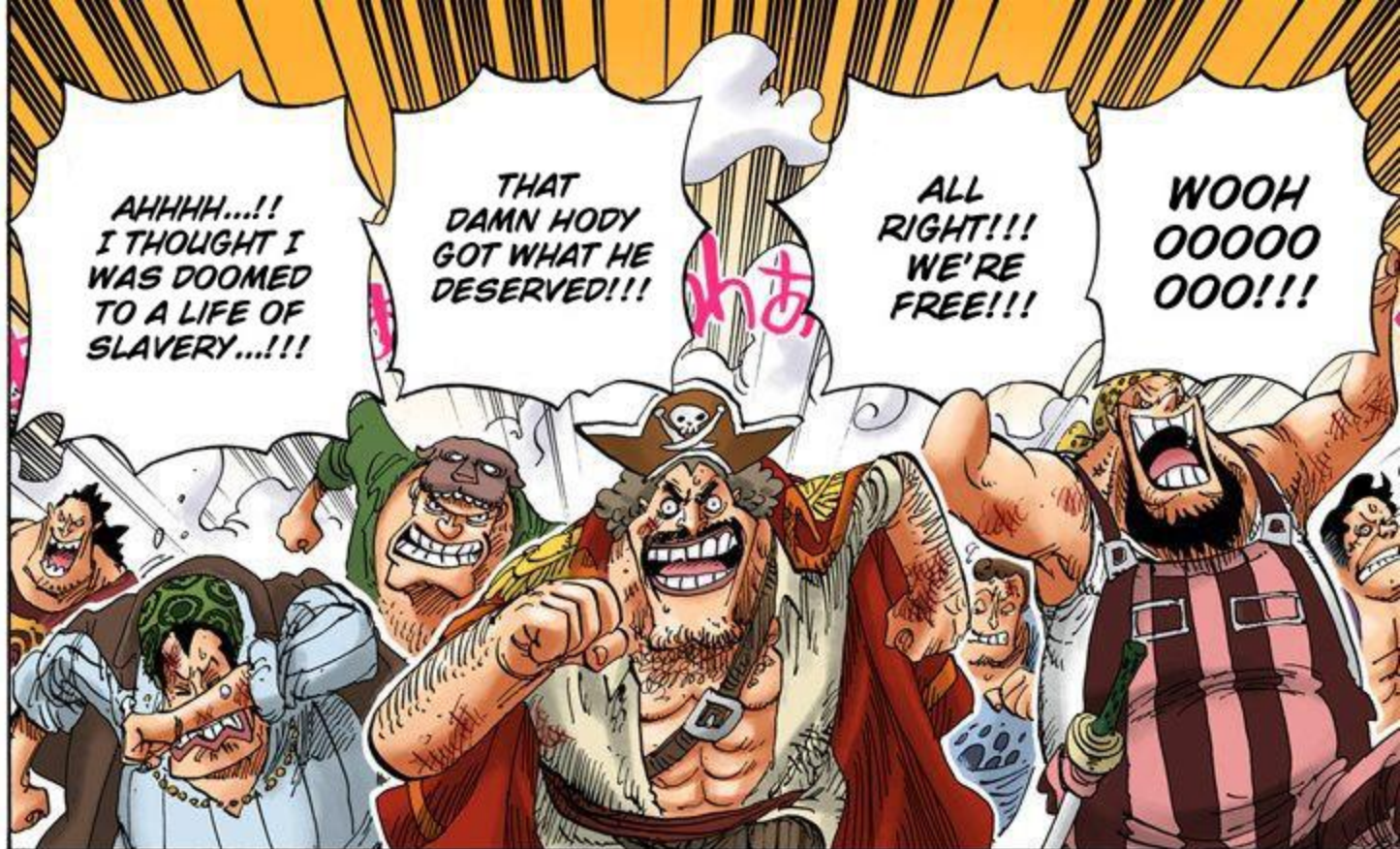
CHAPTER 649

"DANCE OF SEA BREAMS AND FLOUNDERS"



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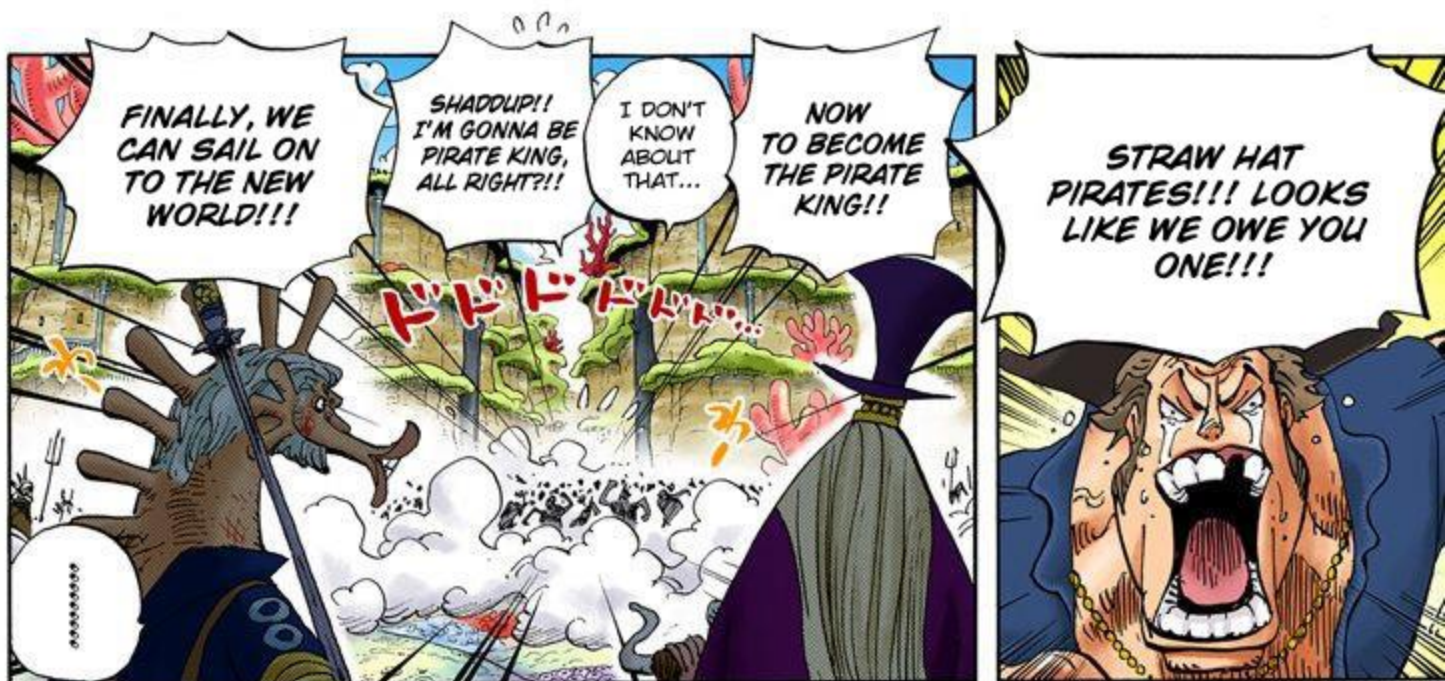


AHHHH...!!
I THOUGHT I
WAS DOOMED
TO A LIFE OF
SLAVERY...!!!

THAT
DAMN HODY
GOT WHAT HE
DESERVED!!!

ALL
RIGHT!!!
WE'RE
FREE!!!

WOOH
OOOOO
OOO!!!



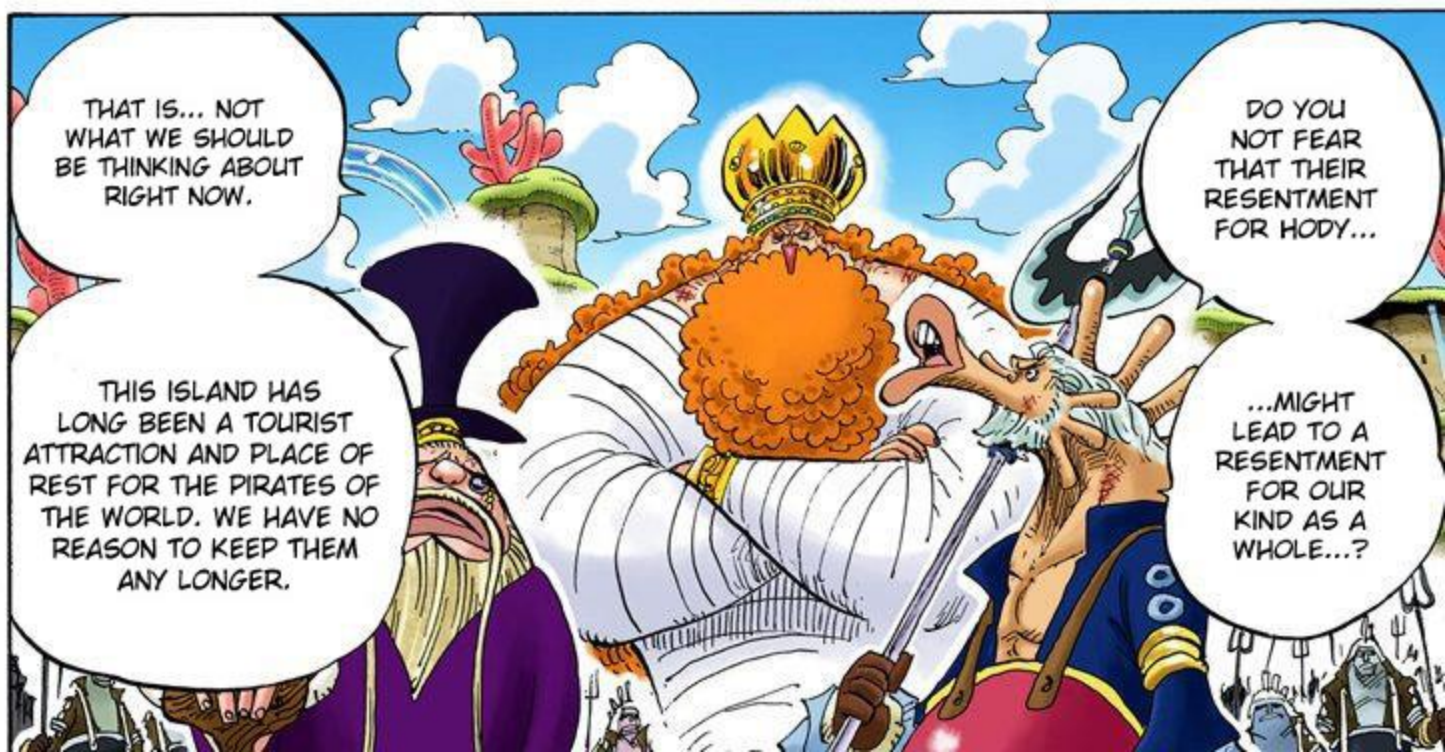
FINALLY, WE
CAN SAIL ON
TO THE NEW
WORLD!!!

SHADDUP!!
I'M GONNA BE
PIRATE KING,
ALL RIGHT?!!

I DON'T
KNOW
ABOUT
THAT...

NOW
TO BECOME
THE PIRATE
KING!!

STRAW HAT
PIRATES!!! LOOKS
LIKE WE OWE YOU
ONE!!!



THAT IS... NOT
WHAT WE SHOULD
BE THINKING ABOUT
RIGHT NOW.

THIS ISLAND HAS
LONG BEEN A TOURIST
ATTRACTION AND PLACE OF
REST FOR THE PIRATES OF
THE WORLD. WE HAVE NO
REASON TO KEEP THEM
ANY LONGER.

DO YOU
NOT FEAR
THAT THEIR
RESENTMENT
FOR HODY...

...MIGHT
LEAD TO A
RESENTMENT
FOR OUR
KIND AS A
WHOLE...?



WE DIDN'T KNOW
ANYTHING ABOUT
HODY KILLING THE
QUEEN!! THOSE
GUYS WERE
CRAZY, I TELL
YOU!!!

AAHHHH!!!
PLEASE DON'T
BEHEAD US!!
ANYTHING BUT
THAT!!

REMNANTS OF
THE NEW FISHMAN
PIRATES...!



NOW,
THEN...



!!?

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FROM NOW ON,
YOU WILL LIVE HERE,
ON FISHMAN ISLAND
PROPER.



EVERYONE
WILL BE TOO
SCARED TO LET
THEIR CHILDREN
LEAVE THE
HOUSE!!!

I MUST OBJECT,
YOUR MAJESTY!!!
WE CAN'T HAVE
BRUTES LIKE
THESE WALKING
FREELY ABOUT
OUR STREETS
...!!!

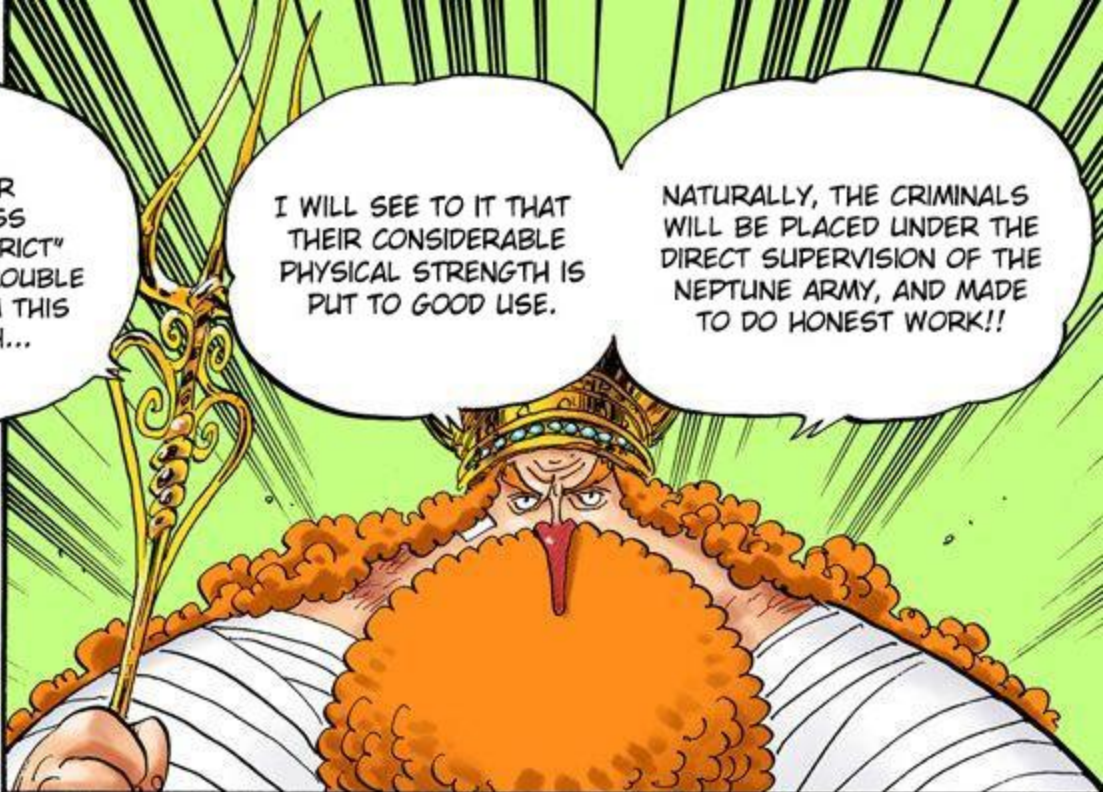
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SOUNDS
GOOD TO ME.
BETTER THAN
BEING RULED
BY HODY...

YOU MEAN
WE HAVE TO
LIVE BY THE
LAWS OF THE
KINGDOM?!

WHAT
?!!



AND AS FOR
THE LAWLESS
"FISHMAN DISTRICT"
WHERE THIS TROUBLE
BEGAN, FROM THIS
DAY FORTH...

I WILL SEE TO IT THAT
THEIR CONSIDERABLE
PHYSICAL STRENGTH IS
PUT TO GOOD USE.

NATURALLY, THE CRIMINALS
WILL BE PLACED UNDER THE
DIRECT SUPERVISION OF THE
NEPTUNE ARMY, AND MADE
TO DO HONEST WORK!!

...AND
EMBODIMENT OF
THE DARKNESS
THAT HAUNTS THE
WHOLE FISHMAN
RACE...

THE
PIRATE HODY
JONES, TRUE
ASSASSIN OF
QUEEN OTOHIME
...

...IT WILL BE
SEALED OFF
ENTIRELY!!!

...HIS AMBITIONS
CRUSHED, IRONICALLY
ENOUGH, BY A CREW
OF HUMAN PIRATES
VISITING THE ISLAND.

...FAILED IN
HIS ATTEMPT TO
CONQUER FISHMAN
ISLAND...

**RUN
AWAY?!**

WELL,
ACTUALLY... HE
SEEMS TO HAVE
RUN AWAY.

NOW, WHERE
IS STRAW HAT
LUFFY?



COME ON, SERIOUSLY? AFTER WE MADE A GIANT SPECTACLE FIGHTING LIKE THAT IN FRONT OF THE WHOLE DAMN COUNTRY?

BUT WHY DID YOU ALL LEAVE THE PLAZA AS THOUGH RUNNING FROM SOMETHING...?

IF WE'D HUNG AROUND, THEY MIGHT HAVE MADE US OUT TO BE SOME KIND OF HEROES!

JUST THE THOUGHT OF IT MAKES ME SHUDDER!

DO YOU NOT LIKE THE IDEA OF BEING HEROES?

WHY WOULD YOU SAY NO, JINBE?!!!

SERIOUSLY, WHAT'S UP WITH THIS LOGIC YOU PEOPLE HAVE?!!!

I WANNA DRINK MY BOOZE!!!

YOU KNOW WHAT A HERO IS? IT'S THE KIND OF GUY WHO SHARES OUT HIS DRINK WITH EVERYONE ELSE.

C'MON, LET'S GO ADVENTURING TOGETHER!!!



I'M SAYING
IT'S JUST NOT
POSSIBLE RIGHT
NOW, THAT'S
ALL!!

I AM EXTREMELY
GRATEFUL FOR
THE INVITATION.



YEAH, YOU
SHOULD JOIN
THE CREW,
BOSS-MAN!!

IT WOULD BE
AWESOME TO
HAVE A FORMER
SHICHIBUKAI ON
THE CREW!!

AND LUFFY,
YOU NEED TO
REST.

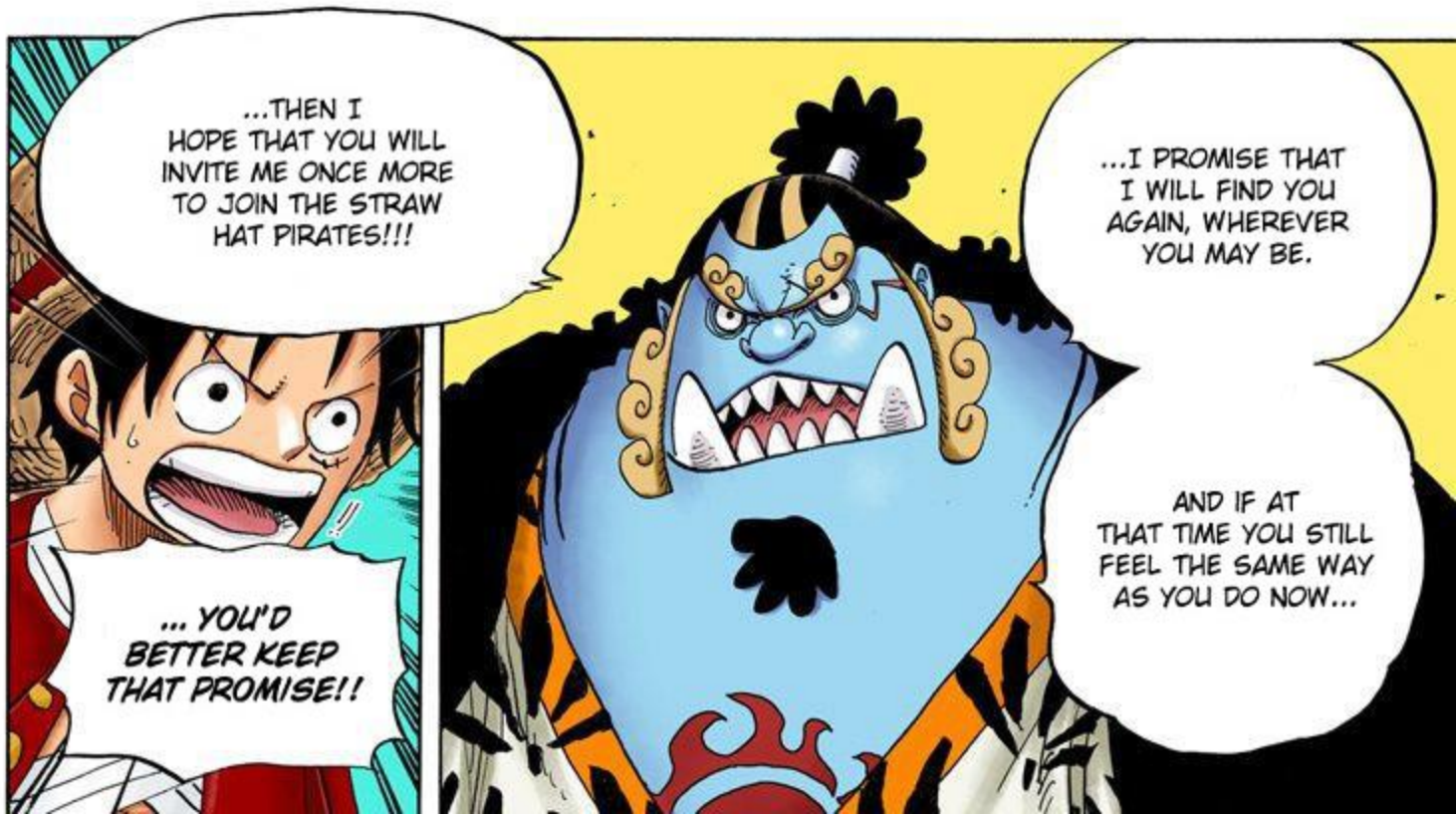


I HAVE MY
CURRENT POSITION
TO CONSIDER. THIS
LITTLE INCIDENT WAS
BUT A NECESSARY
DETOUR.

ONCE I
HAVE FULFILLED
MY DUTY AND AM
FREE OF SUCH
CONSTRAINTS...

IT WOULD BE A
GREAT PLEASURE TO
TRAVEL THE OCEAN
WITH ALL OF YOU.

BUT THERE ARE
THINGS REMAINING
THAT I MUST DO!!

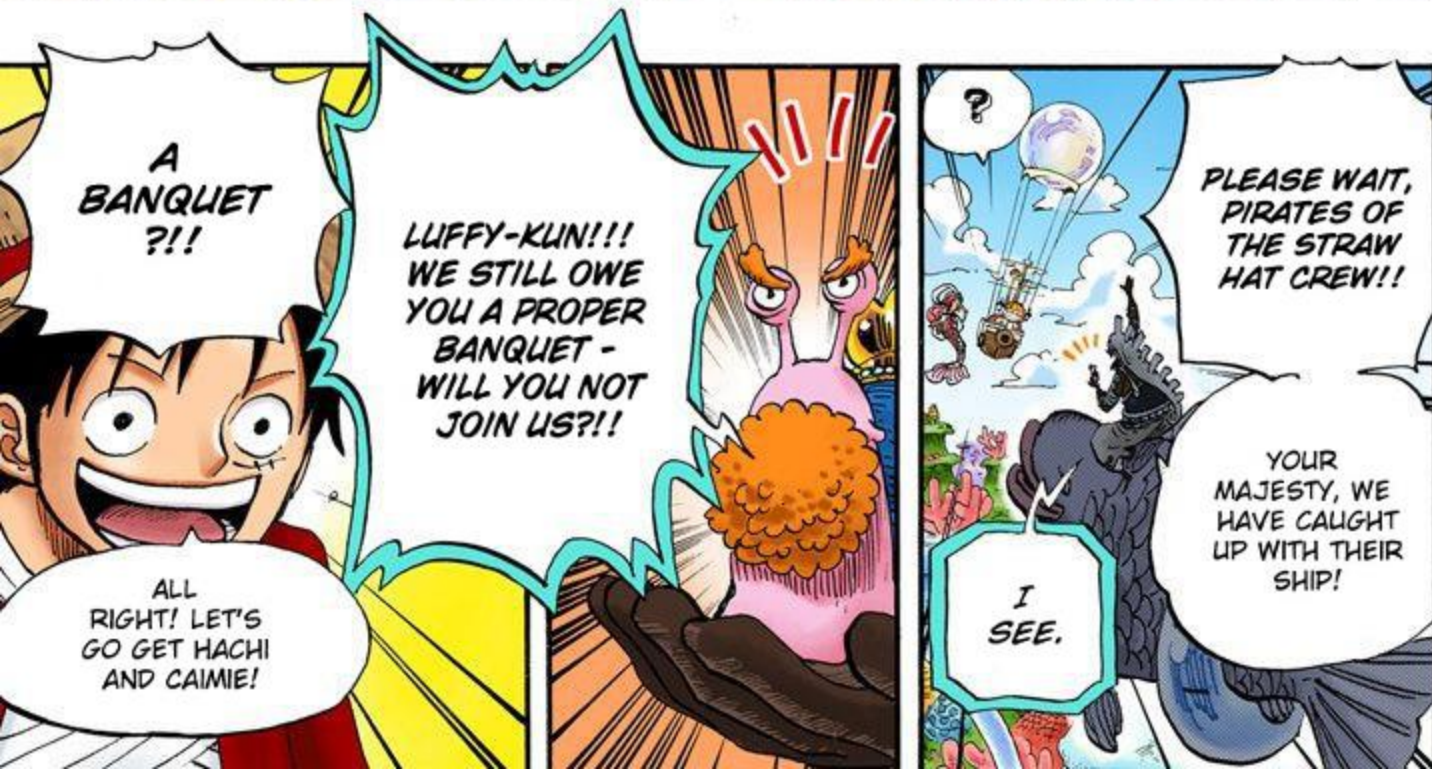
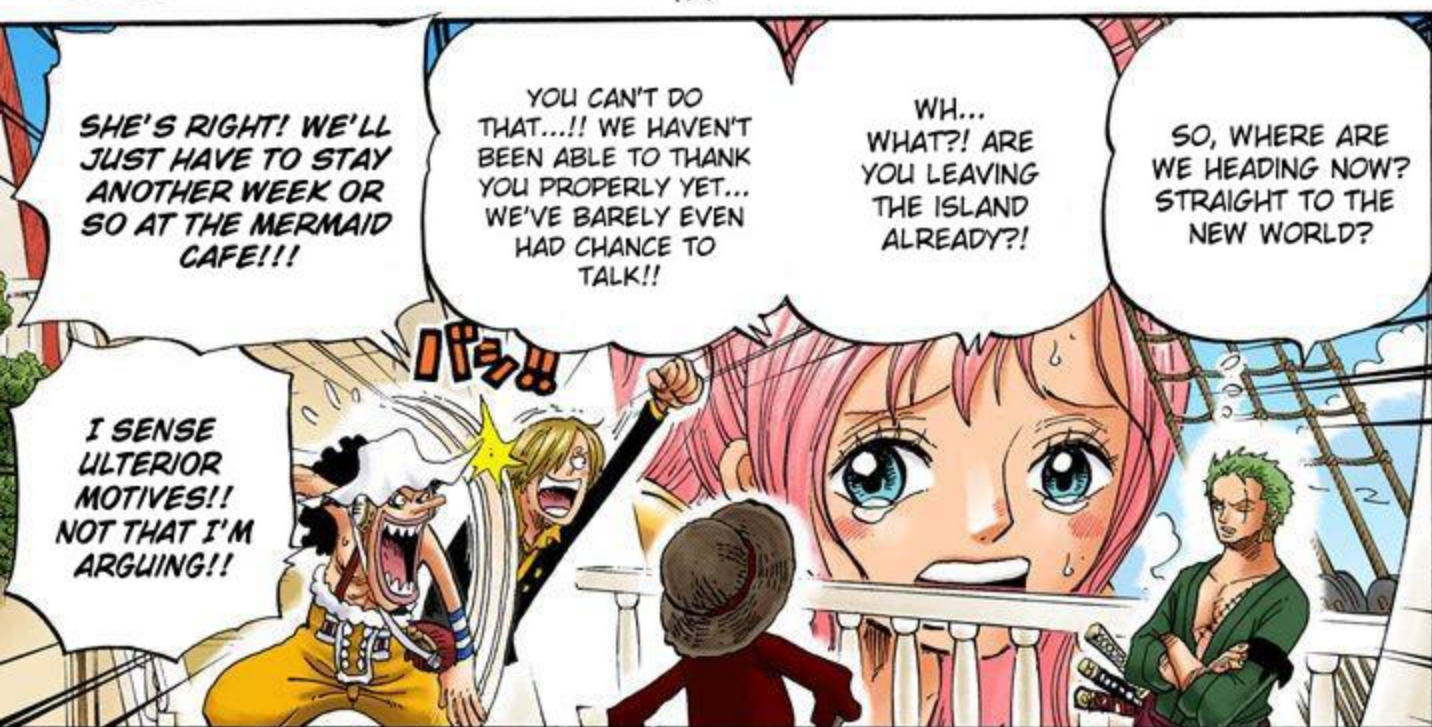
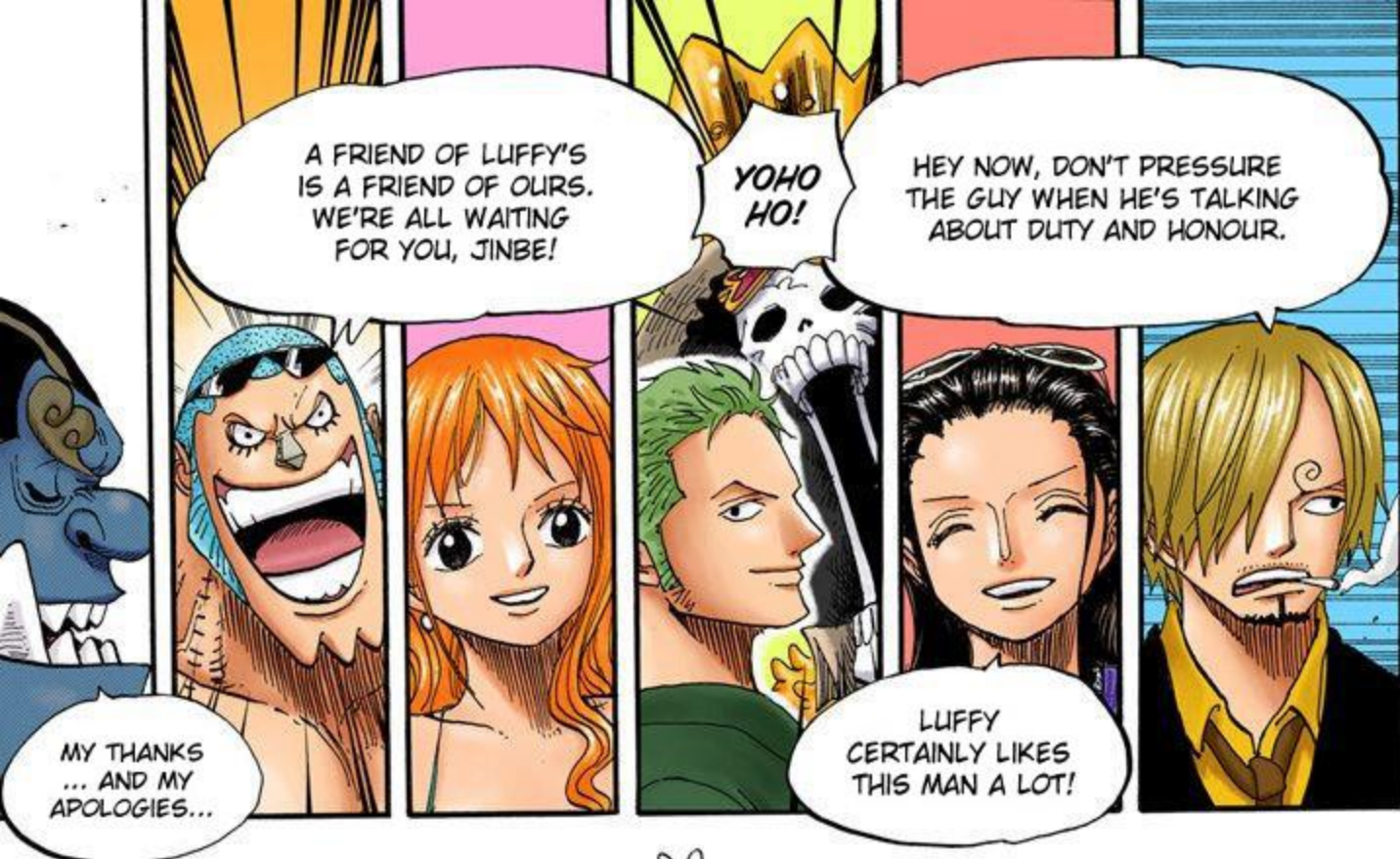


...THEN I
HOPE THAT YOU WILL
INVITE ME ONCE MORE
TO JOIN THE STRAW
HAT PIRATES!!!

... YOU'D
BETTER KEEP
THAT PROMISE!!

...I PROMISE THAT
I WILL FIND YOU
AGAIN, WHEREVER
YOU MAY BE.

AND IF AT
THAT TIME YOU STILL
FEEL THE SAME WAY
AS YOU DO NOW...





...
SEALED
OFF.



THE
FISHMAN
DISTRICT
...



PRISON
TOWER
...



RYUUGUI
PALACE
...



...LOCKED
SECURELY
AWAY.

THE LEADING
MEMBERS
OF THE NEW
FISHMAN
PIRATES...

...ALONG
WITH VANDER
DECKEN...



...BUT YOU'RE
FORBIDDEN FROM
ENTERING THIS
COUNTRY EVER
AGAIN!!

WE DON'T
HAVE A PRISON
BIG ENOUGH FOR
YOU, WADATSUMI
...



FISHMAN
ISLAND MAIN
ENTRANCE

WE'RE
COUNTING
ON YOU,
KRAKEN!!

TAKE HIM
AS FAR AWAY
AS YOU CAN!!



I
HEAR THEY'RE
HOLDING A MASSIVE
BANQUET WITH
THE STRAW HATS
AS HONOURED
GUESTS!!

WE MUST
PREPARE THESE
AT ONCE AND
DELIVER THEM
DIRECT TO THE
PALACE!

LEAVE
IT TO
ME!!

FANTASTIC
!!!

HOW'S THE
HAUL?!

CORAL
HILL

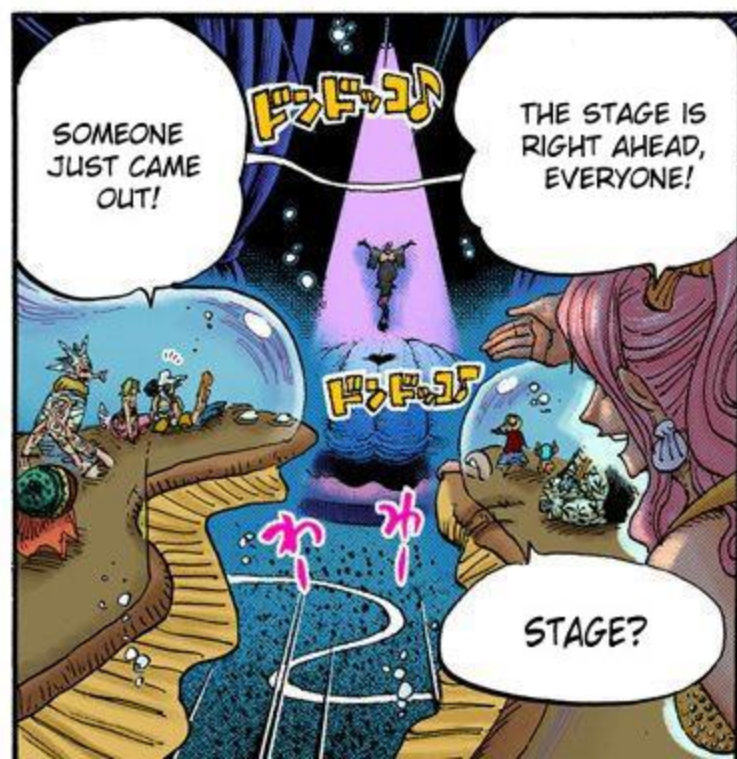


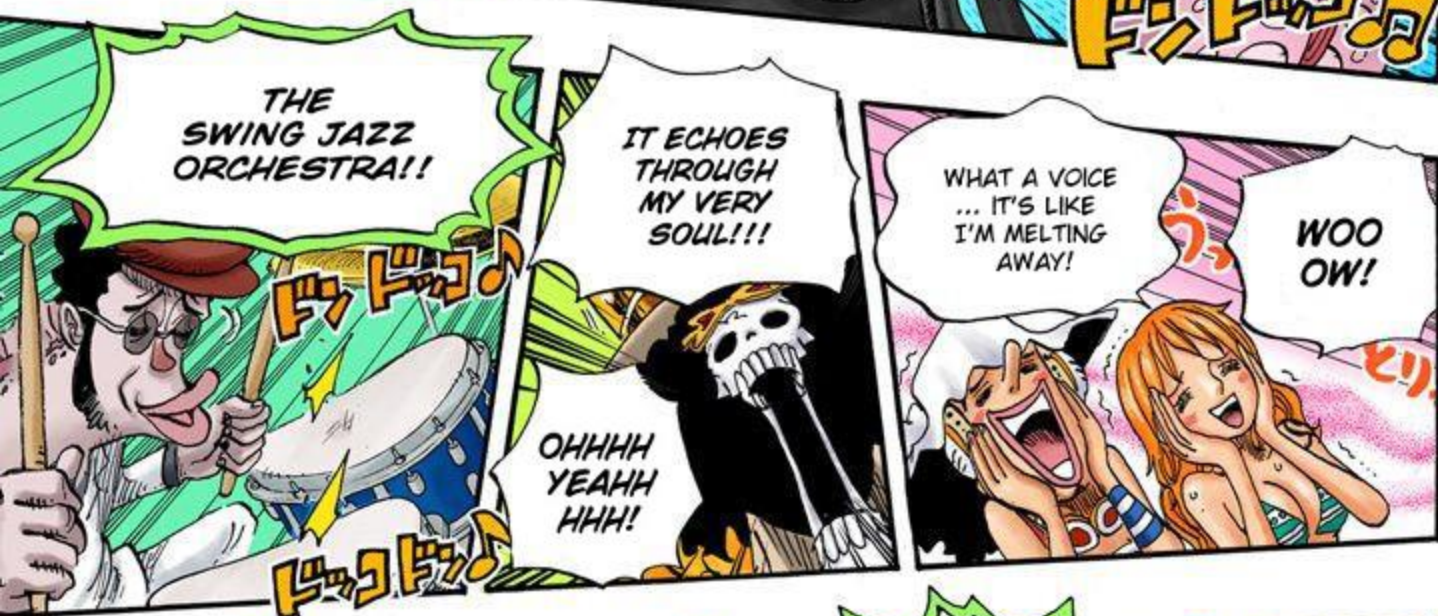
HOW ARE THE
DRINK SUPPLIES?!
LET'S TAKE THEM
THE BEST THEY'VE
EVER TASTED!!

LET'S TAKE
THEM PLENTY OF
CAKES AND SWEET
SNACKS!!

I HEAR THEY'RE
BIG FANS OF
SEA-MONSTER
MEAT!!

SEAWEED CAKE





EAT,
DRINK, SING,
DANCE AND
BE MERRY!!!

BRING
ON THE
FOOD!!!

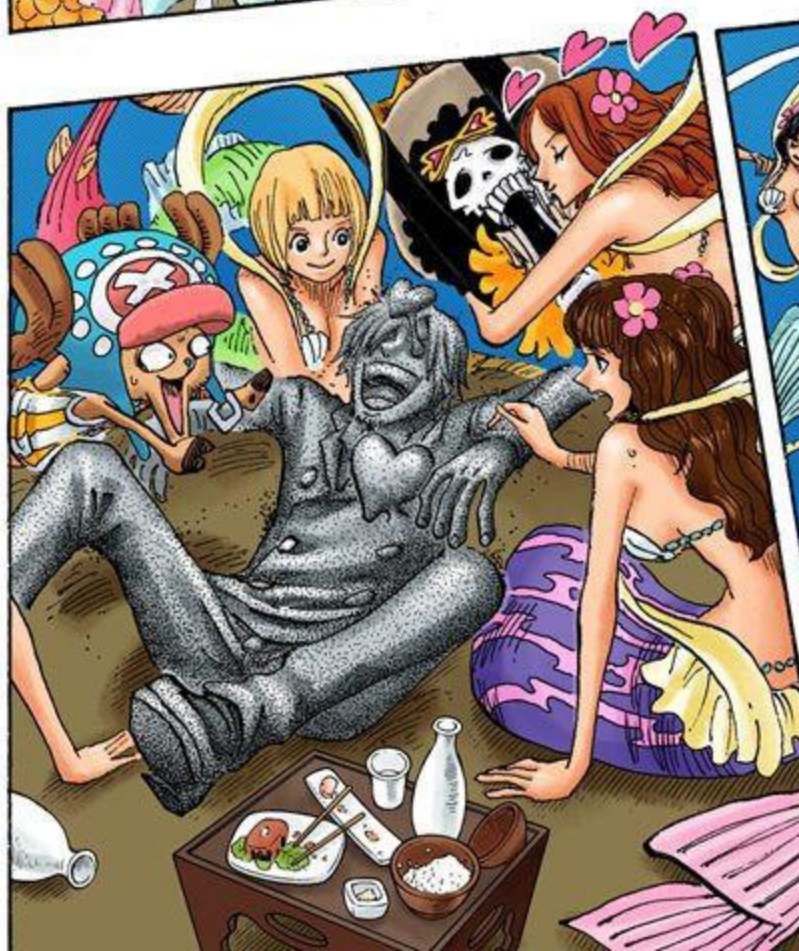
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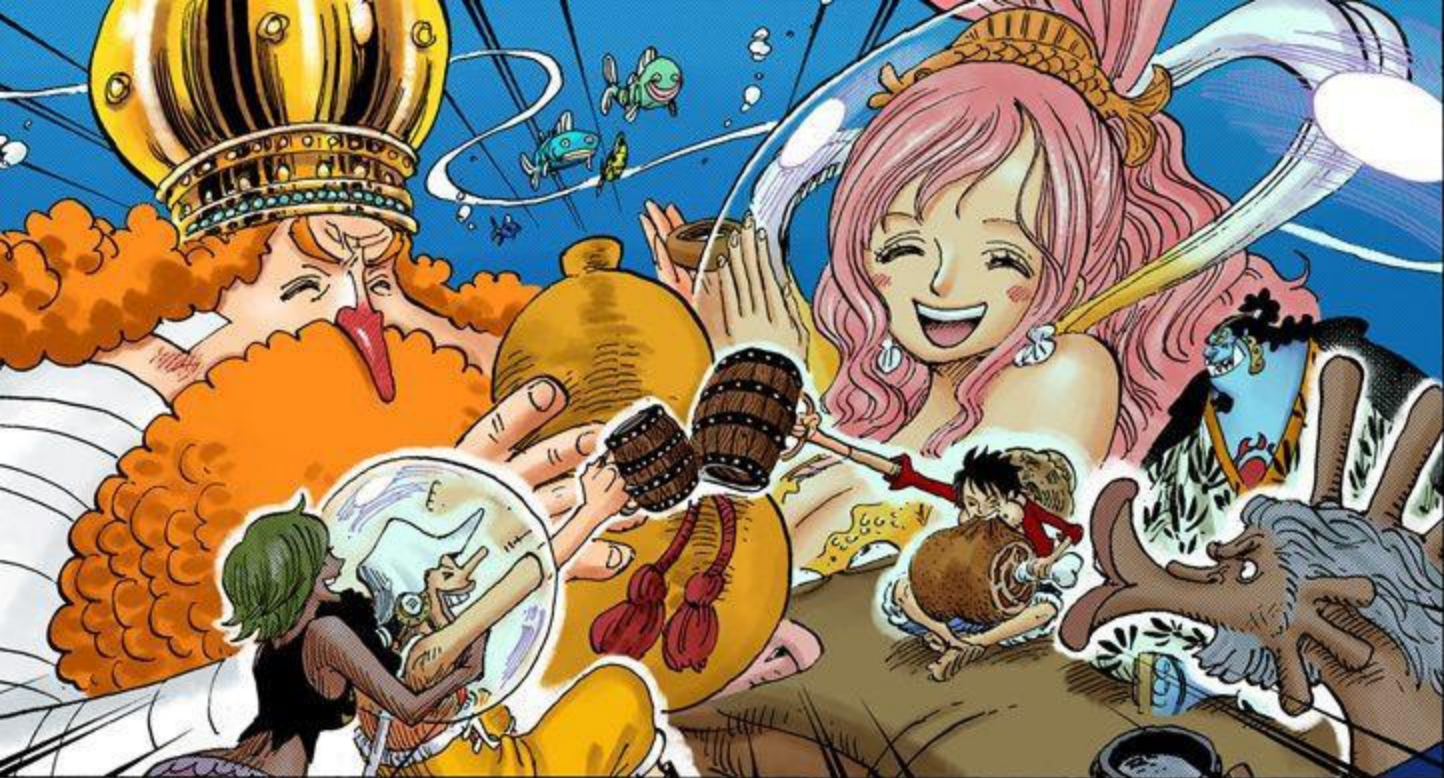
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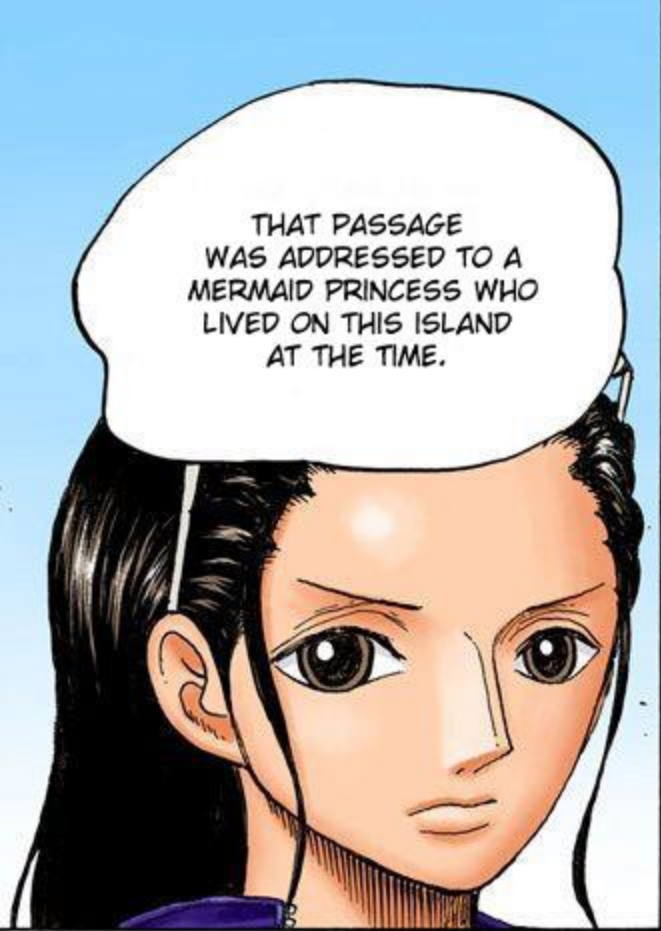
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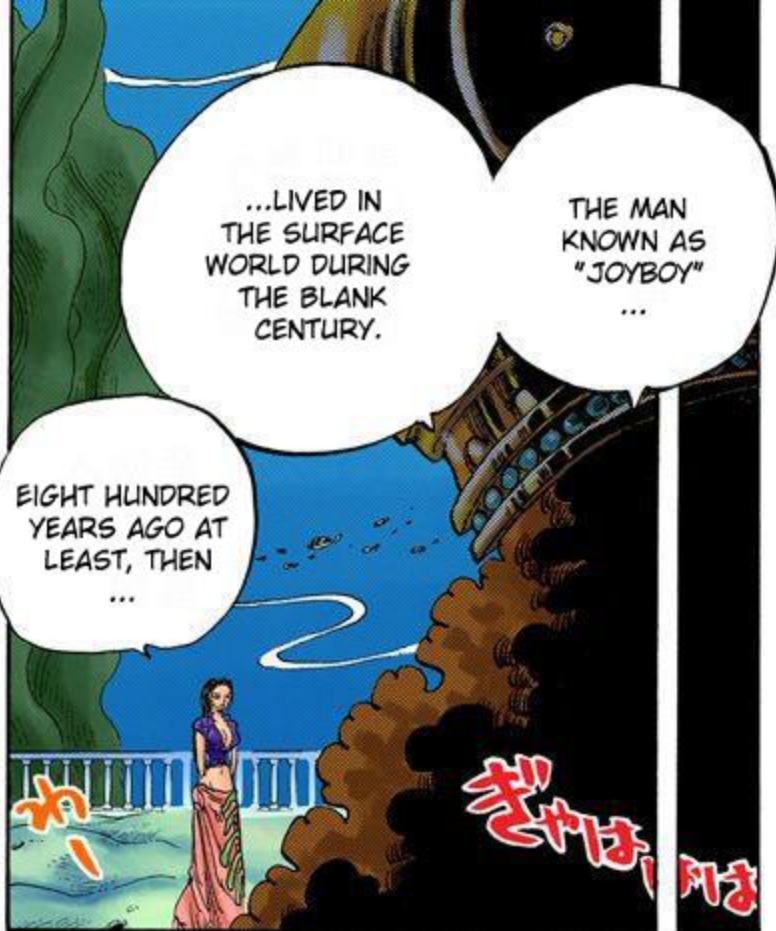









THAT PASSAGE
WAS ADDRESSED TO A
MERMAID PRINCESS WHO
LIVED ON THIS ISLAND
AT THE TIME.



...LIVED IN
THE SURFACE
WORLD DURING
THE BLANK
CENTURY.

THE MAN
KNOWN AS
"JOYBOY"
...

EIGHT HUNDRED
YEARS AGO AT
LEAST, THEN
...



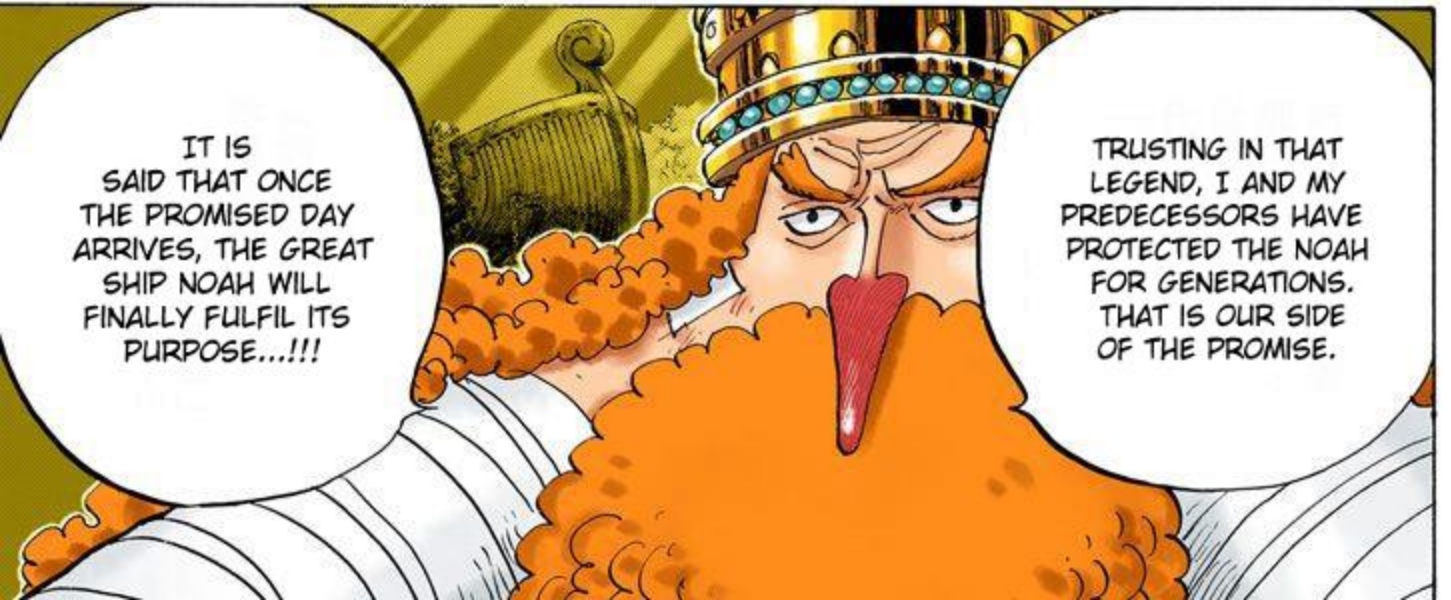
BUT IT IS
SAID THAT ONE DAY,
AN INDIVIDUAL WILL
APPEAR TO FULFIL THE
PROMISE IN JOYBOY'S
PLACE.

THE
DETAILS OF THE
PROMISE ARE
NOT CLEAR
...

A
PROMISE?

IT IS SAID TO
BE AN APOLOGY FOR
BREAKING A PROMISE
THAT JOYBOY MADE
WITH FISHMAN ISLAND
...

THIS IS A
LEGEND PASSED
DOWN ALONG THE
ROYAL LINE...



IT IS
SAID THAT ONCE
THE PROMISED DAY
ARRIVES, THE GREAT
SHIP NOAH WILL
FINALLY FULFIL ITS
PURPOSE....!!!

TRUSTING IN THAT
LEGEND, I AND MY
PREDECESSORS HAVE
PROTECTED THE NOAH
FOR GENERATIONS.
THAT IS OUR SIDE
OF THE PROMISE.

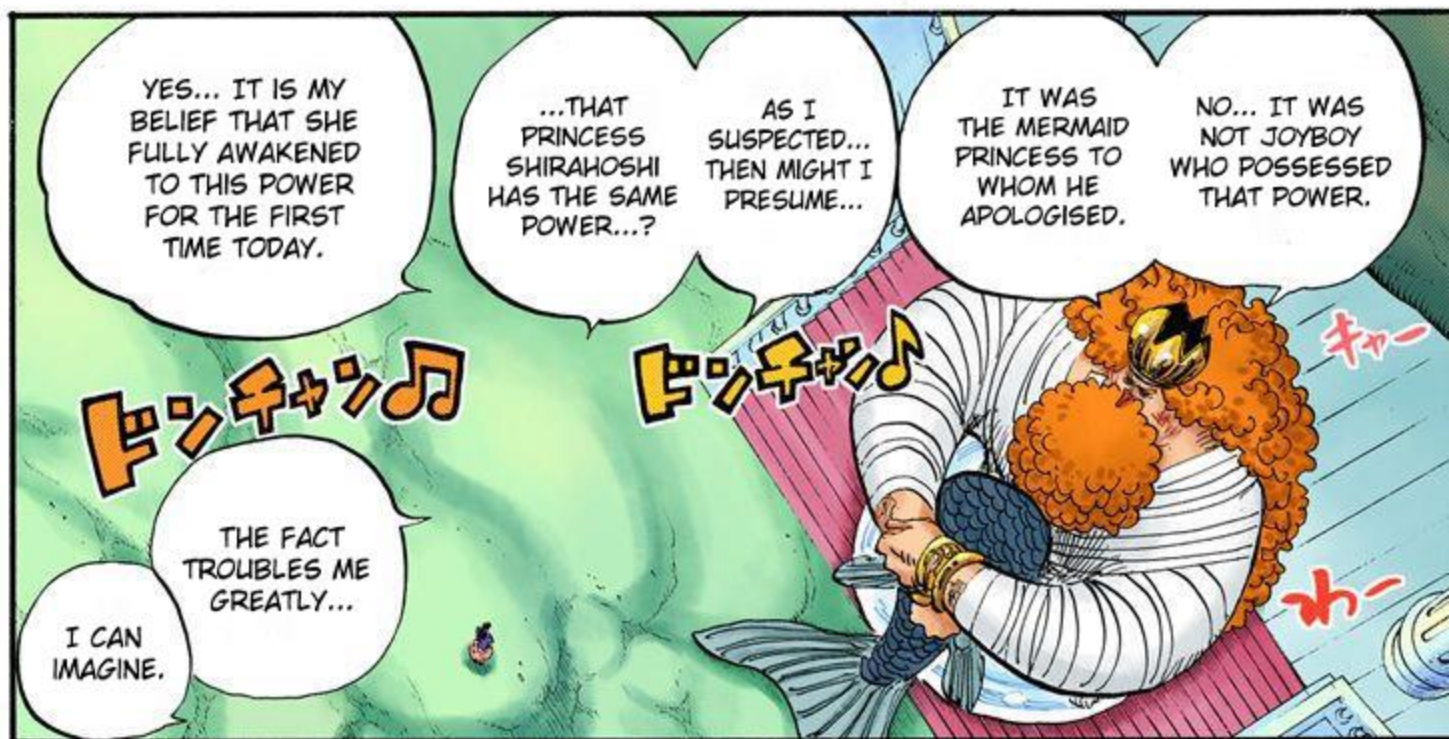


DO YOU KNOW IF
THIS MAN "JOYBOY"
HAD SOME KIND OF
ABILITY TO CONTROL
THE SEA KINGS?

CARRIED
BY THE SEA
KINGS.

...THE HEAVILY-
DAMAGED NOAH
WAS CARRIED AWAY
TO THE OCEAN
FOREST.

I HEAR THAT
EARLIER TODAY,
ONCE THE INCIDENT
IN THE WATERS
ABOVE THE ISLAND
WAS OVER...



YES... IT IS MY
BELIEF THAT SHE
FULLY AWAKENED
TO THIS POWER
FOR THE FIRST
TIME TODAY.

...THAT
PRINCESS
SHIRAHOSHI
HAS THE SAME
POWER...?

AS I
SUSPECTED...
THEN MIGHT I
PRESUME...

IT WAS
THE MERMAID
PRINCESS TO
WHOM HE
APOLOGISED.

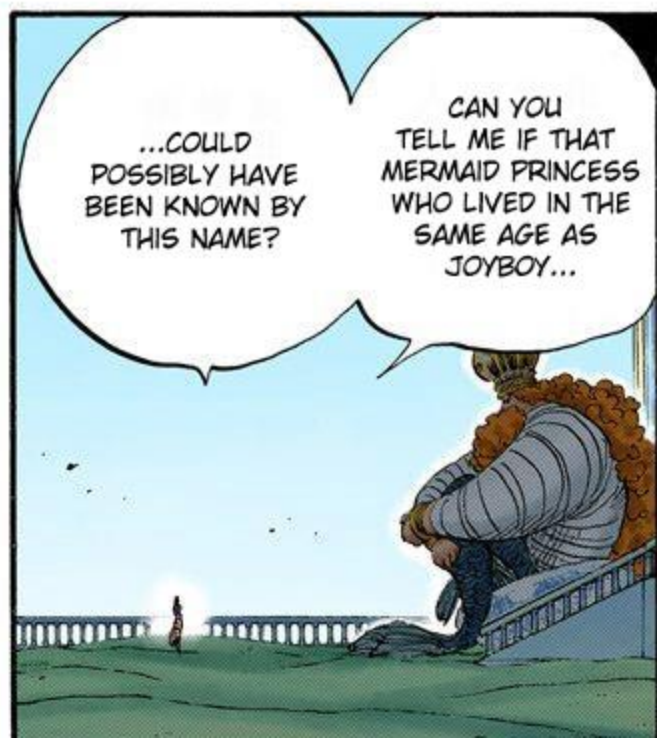
NO... IT WAS
NOT JOYBOY
WHO POSSESSED
THAT POWER.

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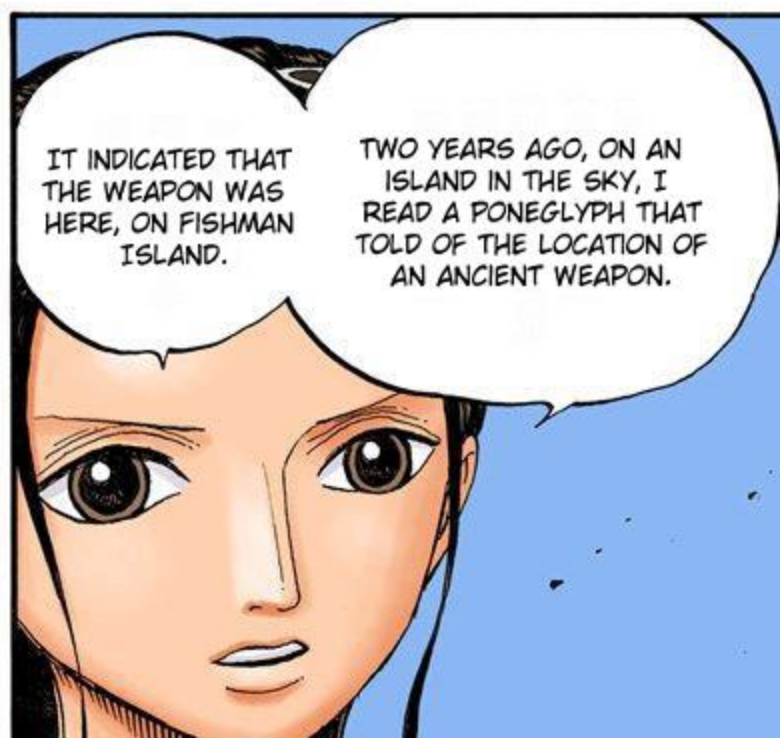
THE FACT
TROUBLES ME
GREATLY...

I CAN
IMAGINE.



...COULD
POSSIBLY HAVE
BEEN KNOWN BY
THIS NAME?

CAN YOU
TELL ME IF THAT
MERMAID PRINCESS
WHO LIVED IN THE
SAME AGE AS
JOYBOY...



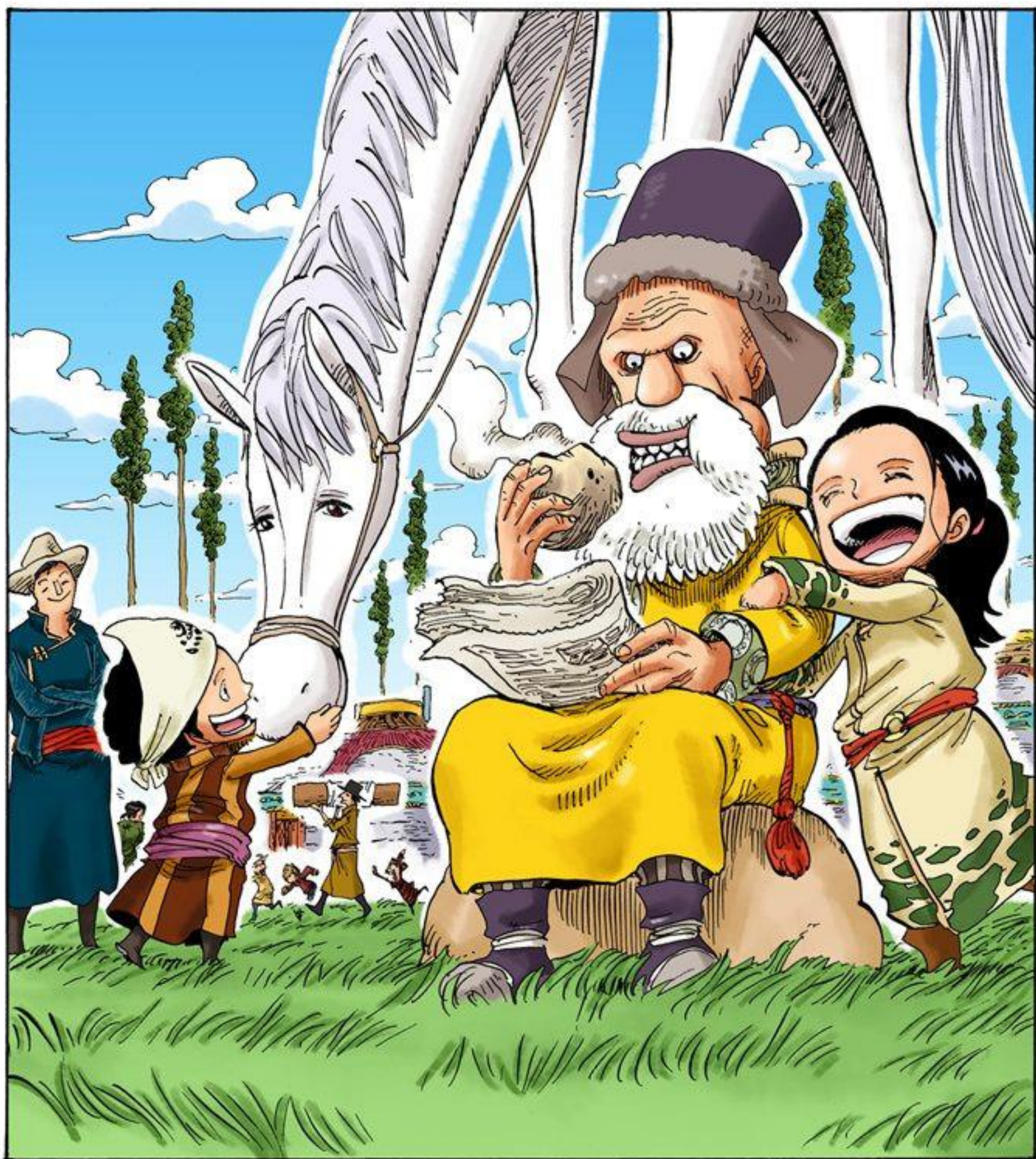
IT INDICATED THAT
THE WEAPON WAS
HERE, ON FISHMAN
ISLAND.

TWO YEARS AGO, ON AN
ISLAND IN THE SKY, I
READ A PONEGLYPH THAT
TOLD OF THE LOCATION OF
AN ANCIENT WEAPON.

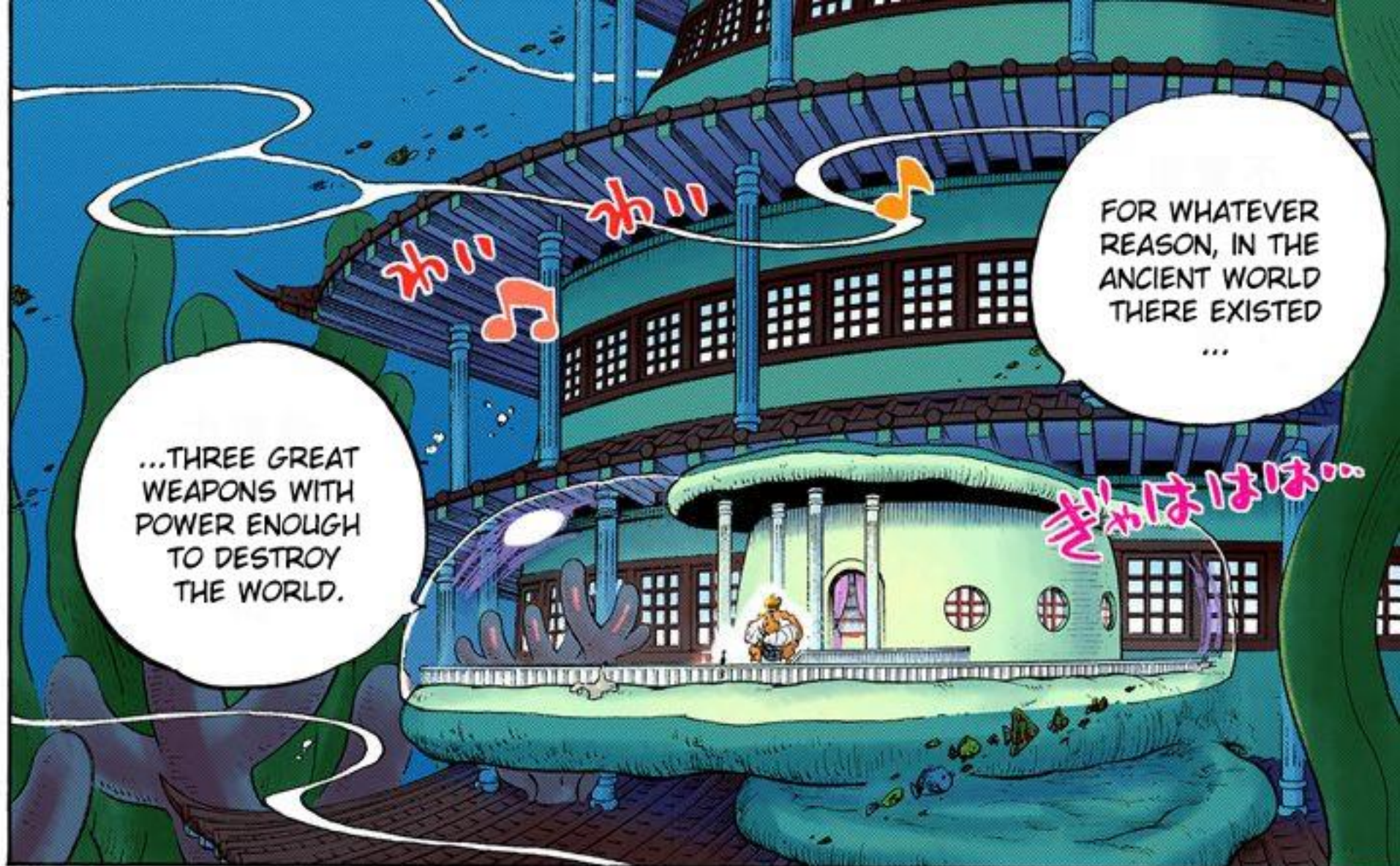


CHAPTER 650

"TWO CHANGES YOU NEED TO KNOW"



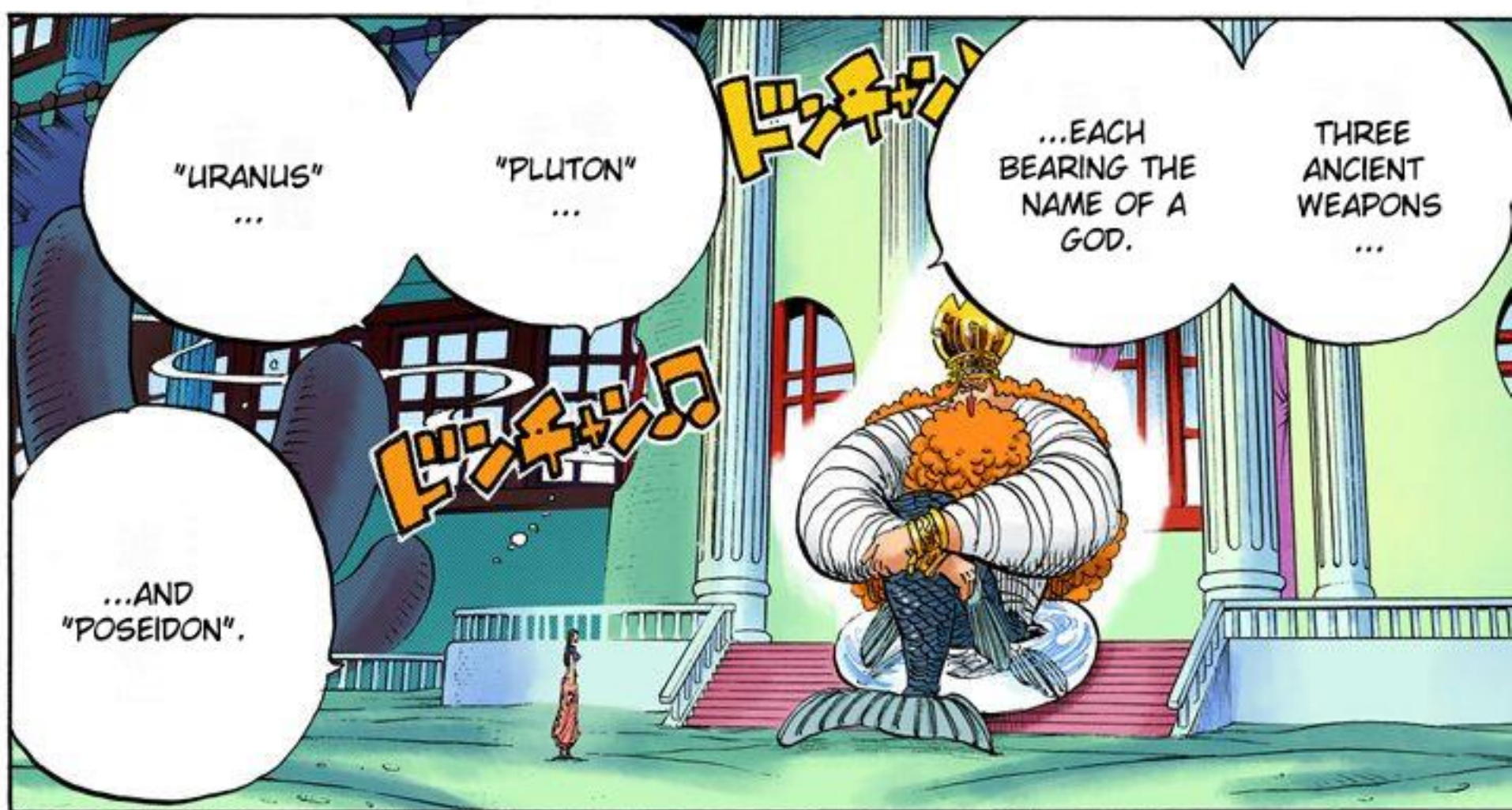
FROM SHIPDECKS AROUND THE WORLD
VOL 33: LONG RING LONG LAND - TONJIT'S GRANDCHILDREN



...THREE GREAT WEAPONS WITH POWER ENOUGH TO DESTROY THE WORLD.

FOR WHATEVER REASON, IN THE ANCIENT WORLD THERE EXISTED ...

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"URANUS" ...

"PLUTON" ...

...EACH BEARING THE NAME OF A GOD.

THREE ANCIENT WEAPONS ...

...AND "POSEIDON".

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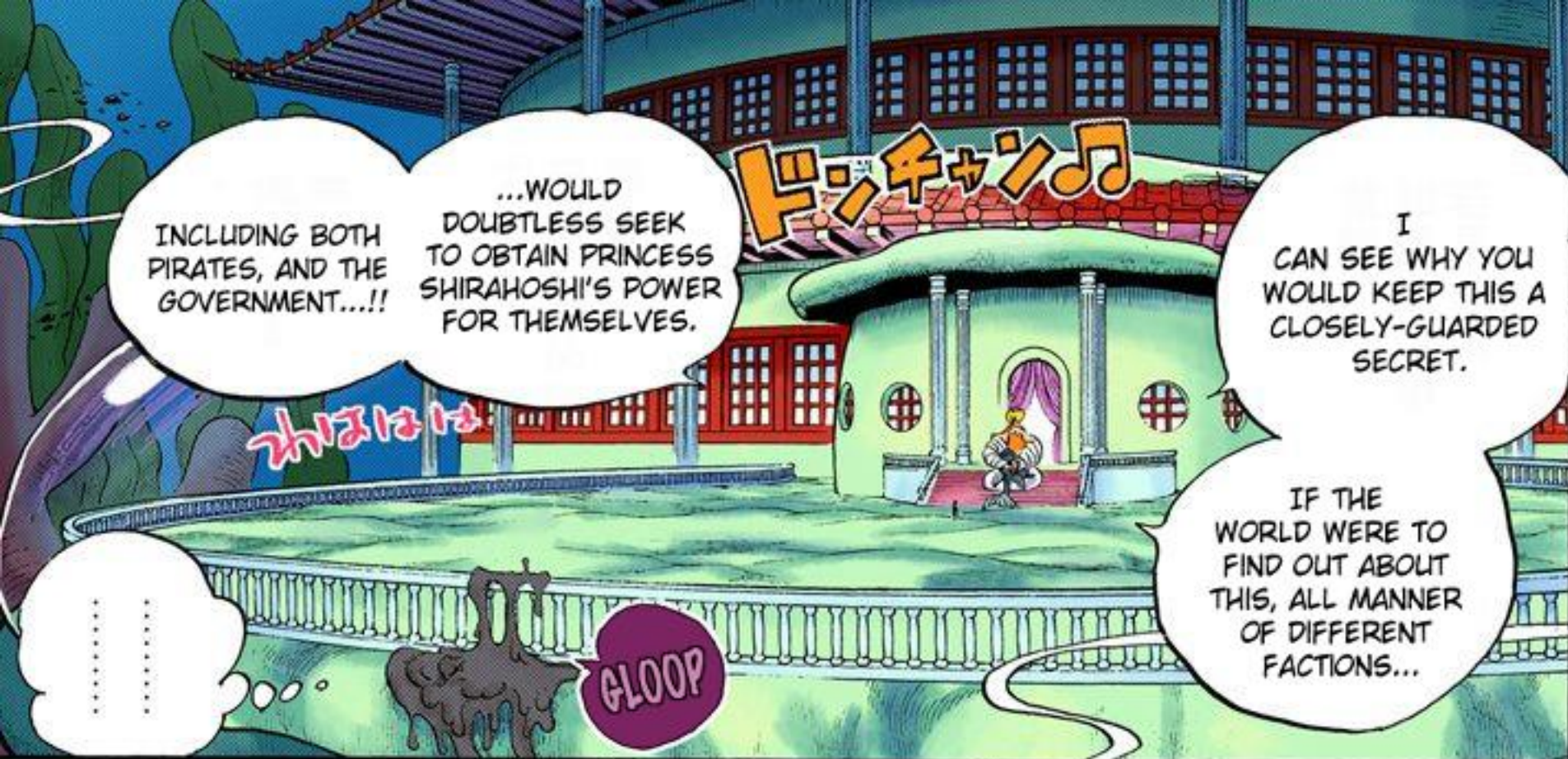
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I CANNOT DENY IT.



AND ONE OF THOSE THREE WEAPONS ... IS YOUR DAUGHTER.



INCLUDING BOTH
PIRATES, AND THE
GOVERNMENT...!!

...WOULD
DOUBTLESS SEEK
TO OBTAIN PRINCESS
SHIRAHOSHI'S POWER
FOR THEMSELVES.

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I
CAN SEE WHY YOU
WOULD KEEP THIS A
CLOSELY-GUARDED
SECRET.

IF THE
WORLD WERE TO
FIND OUT ABOUT
THIS, ALL MANNER
OF DIFFERENT
FACTIONS...

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GLOOP



KEHIIHIIHIIHI!
I SEE, I SEE...
THAT MERMAID
PRINCESS, EH
...?

IS IT JUST
ME, OR DID I JUST
OVERHEAR A MAJOR
SCOOOOP?!

どん!



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GLOOP

AN ANCIENT
WEAAAAPON?! A
POWER CAPABLE OF
DESTROYING THE
WOORLD?!



COULD I SPEAK TO
YOU SOMEWHERE
MORE PRIVATE?

REALLY?

...TO
THE WORLD
AROUND
YOU...

LUFFY, I DO
THINK YOU SHOULD
PAY A LITTLE MORE
ATTENTION...

SURE!
HANG ON A
MINUTE...

...I'LL JUST
GO FETCH
SOME THINGS
TO EAT!

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ドンチン♪

ドンチン♪



SANJI'S
RECOVERING
FROM A MERMAID
OVERDOSE.

AND I ATE
TOO MUCH. I'M
STUFFED.

I DRANK
A LITTLE TOO
MUCH! I CAME
OUT HERE TO
SOBER UP.

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OH, HEY!
YOU GUYS
ARE OUT
HERE TOO?

FISHMAN
ISLAND IS
THE BEST!!
♥



BUT STILL...
YOU'VE BEEN SO
OUT OF TOUCH, YOU
HAVEN'T EVEN HEARD
OF SUCH A MAJOR
INCIDENT?!

I KNEW IT...
THAT RAYLEIGH
DOESN'T DO THINGS
BY HALVES.

WHAAAAAT?!!
AKAINU AND
AOKIJI HAD A
BIG FIGHT?!!

UH-
HUH.

OH, OH, I
KNOW THIS
ONE! I'VE
HEARD ABOUT
IT!

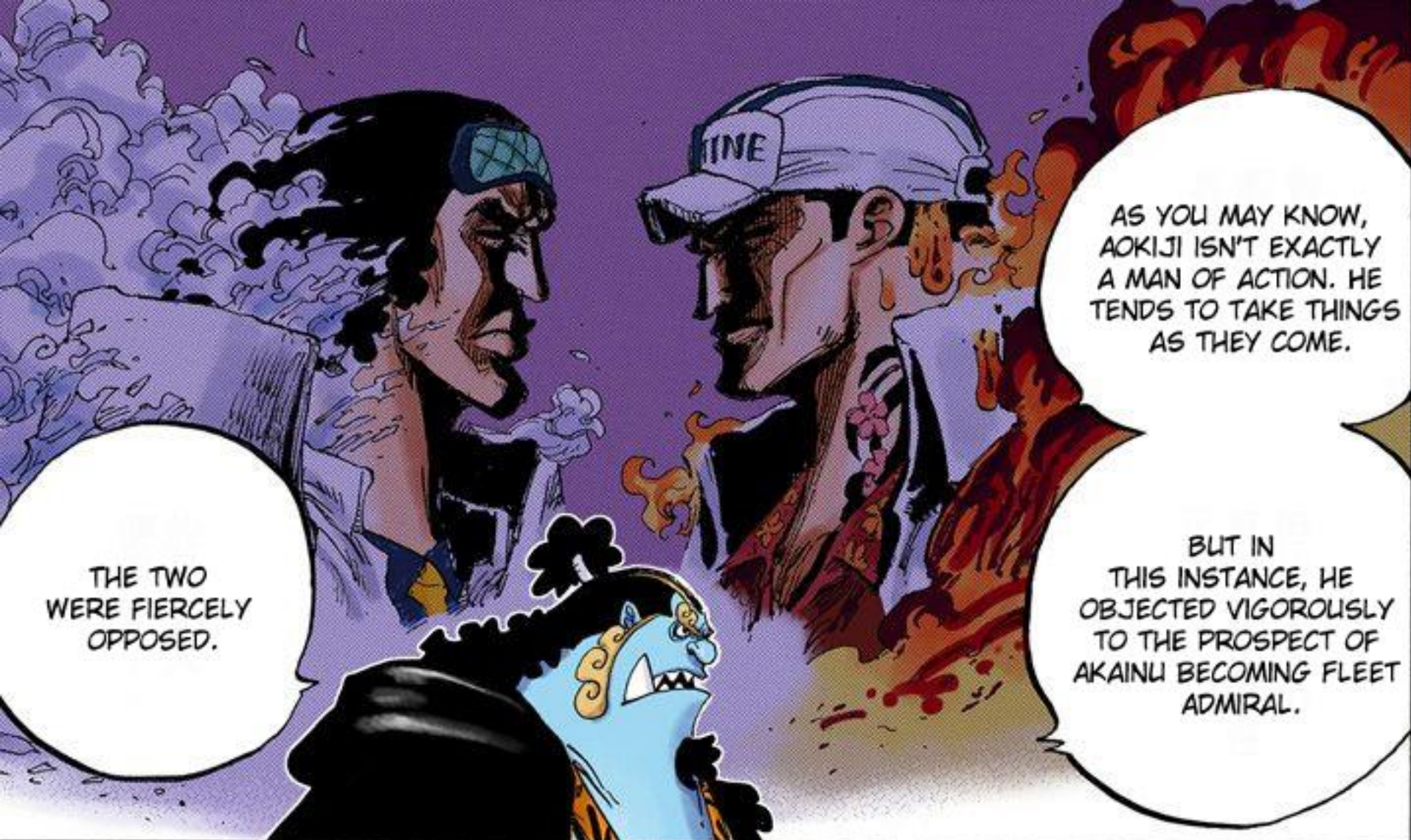


SENGOKU HIMSELF
RECOMMENDED AOKIJI,
A MAN WHO COMMANDS
GREAT RESPECT FROM
HIS SUBORDINATES.

BUT
AMONGST THE UPPER
ECHELONS OF THE
WORLD GOVERNMENT,
AKAINU BECAME THE
FAVOURERED CANDIDATE.

IMMEDIATELY AFTER
THE WAR TWO YEARS
AGO, FLEET ADMIRAL
SENGOKU STEPPED
DOWN FROM HIS
POST.

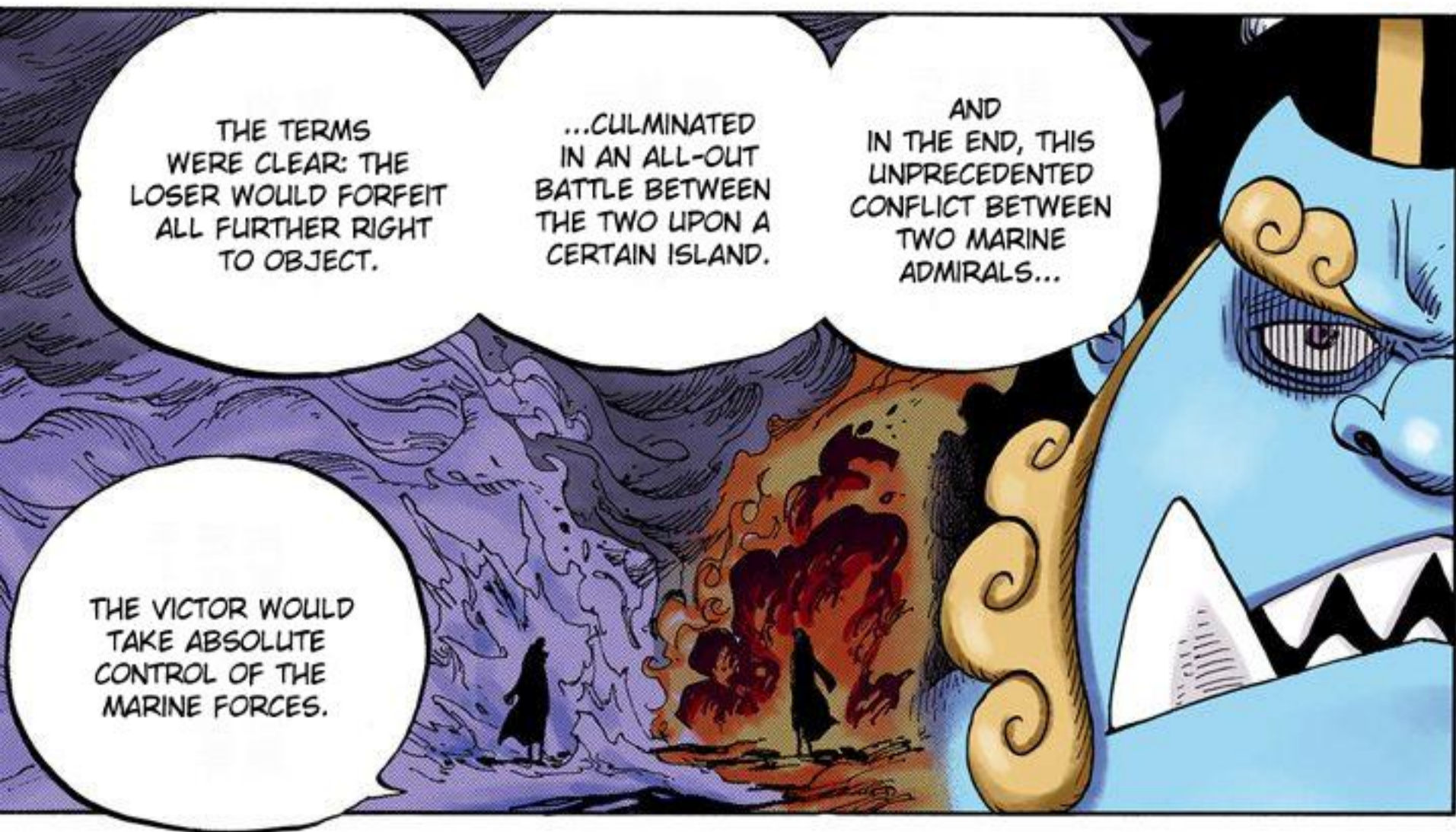
THIS GAVE
RISE TO THE
QUESTION OF HIS
SUCCESSOR.



THE TWO
WERE FIERCELY
OPPOSED.

AS YOU MAY KNOW,
AOKIJI ISN'T EXACTLY
A MAN OF ACTION. HE
TENDS TO TAKE THINGS
AS THEY COME.

BUT IN
THIS INSTANCE, HE
OBJECTED VIGOROUSLY
TO THE PROSPECT OF
AKAINU BECOMING FLEET
ADMIRAL.

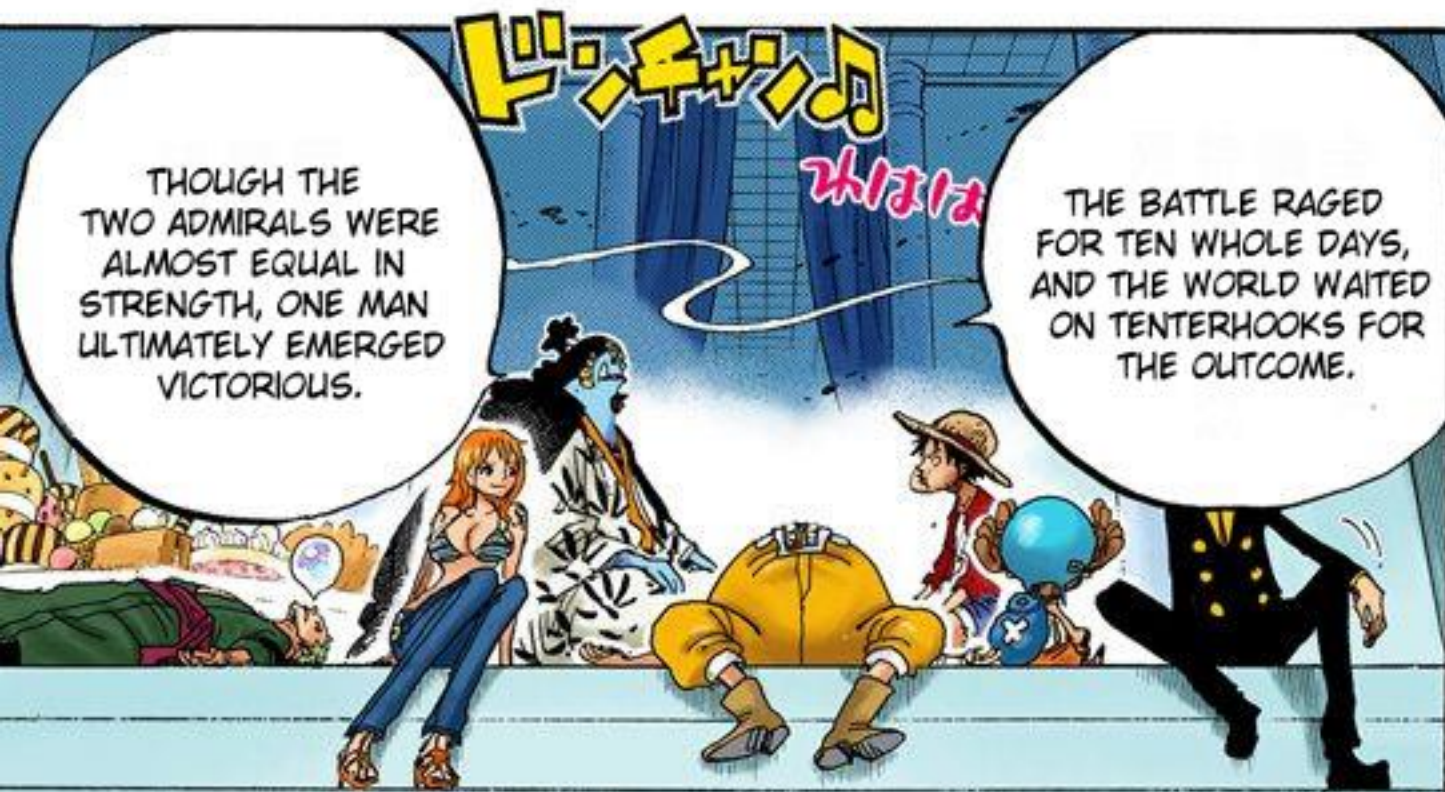


THE TERMS
WERE CLEAR: THE
LOSER WOULD FORFEIT
ALL FURTHER RIGHT
TO OBJECT.

...CULMINATED
IN AN ALL-OUT
BATTLE BETWEEN
THE TWO UPON A
CERTAIN ISLAND.

AND
IN THE END, THIS
UNPRECEDENTED
CONFLICT BETWEEN
TWO MARINE
ADMIRALS...

THE VICTOR WOULD
TAKE ABSOLUTE
CONTROL OF THE
MARINE FORCES.



THOUGH THE
TWO ADMIRALS WERE
ALMOST EQUAL IN
STRENGTH, ONE MAN
ULTIMATELY EMERGED
VICTORIOUS.

THE BATTLE RAGED
FOR TEN WHOLE DAYS,
AND THE WORLD WAITED
ON TENTERHOOKS FOR
THE OUTCOME.

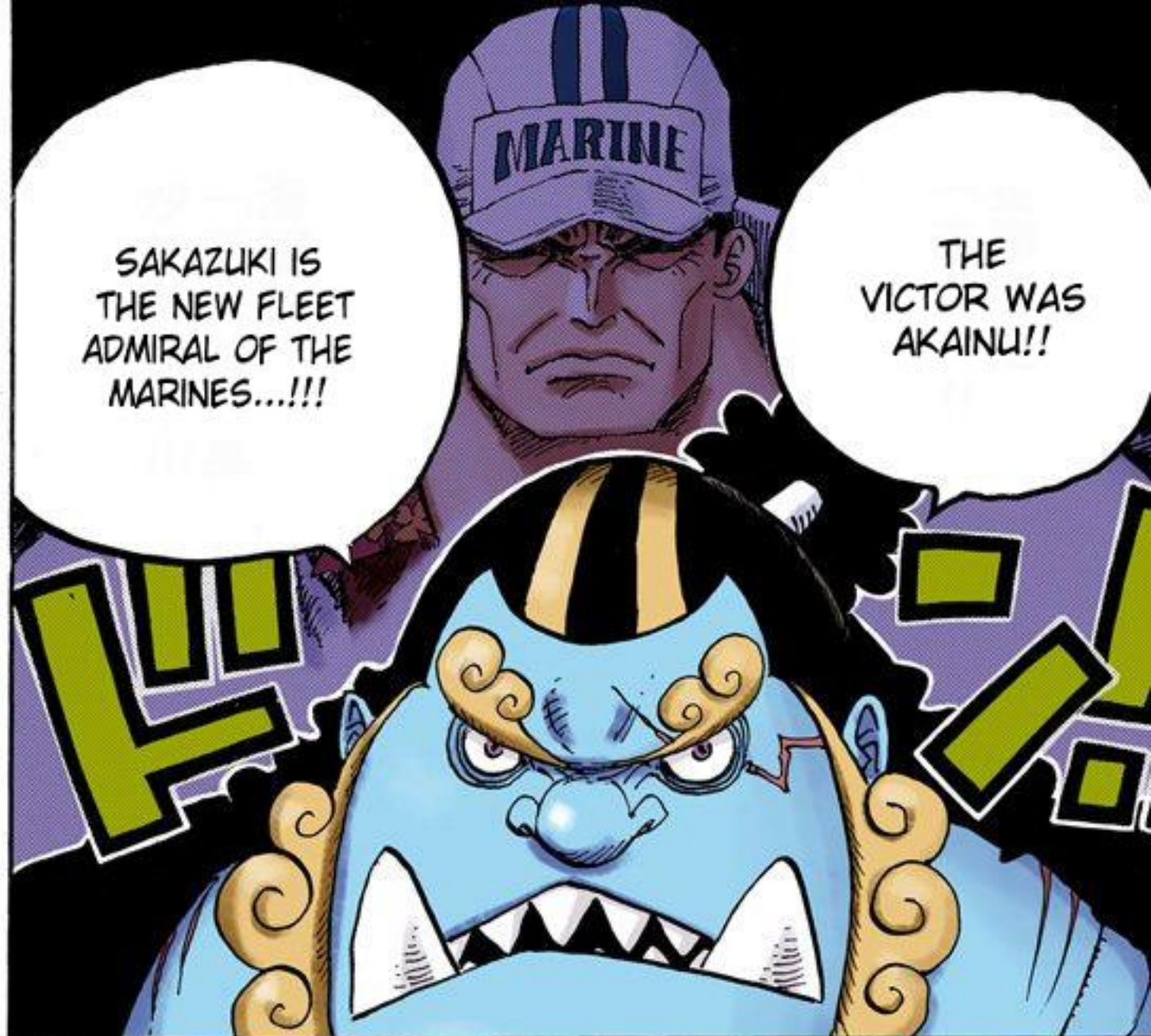


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AKAINU
...!!



SAKAZUKI IS
THE NEW FLEET
ADMIRAL OF THE
MARINES...!!!

THE
VICTOR WAS
AKAINU!!



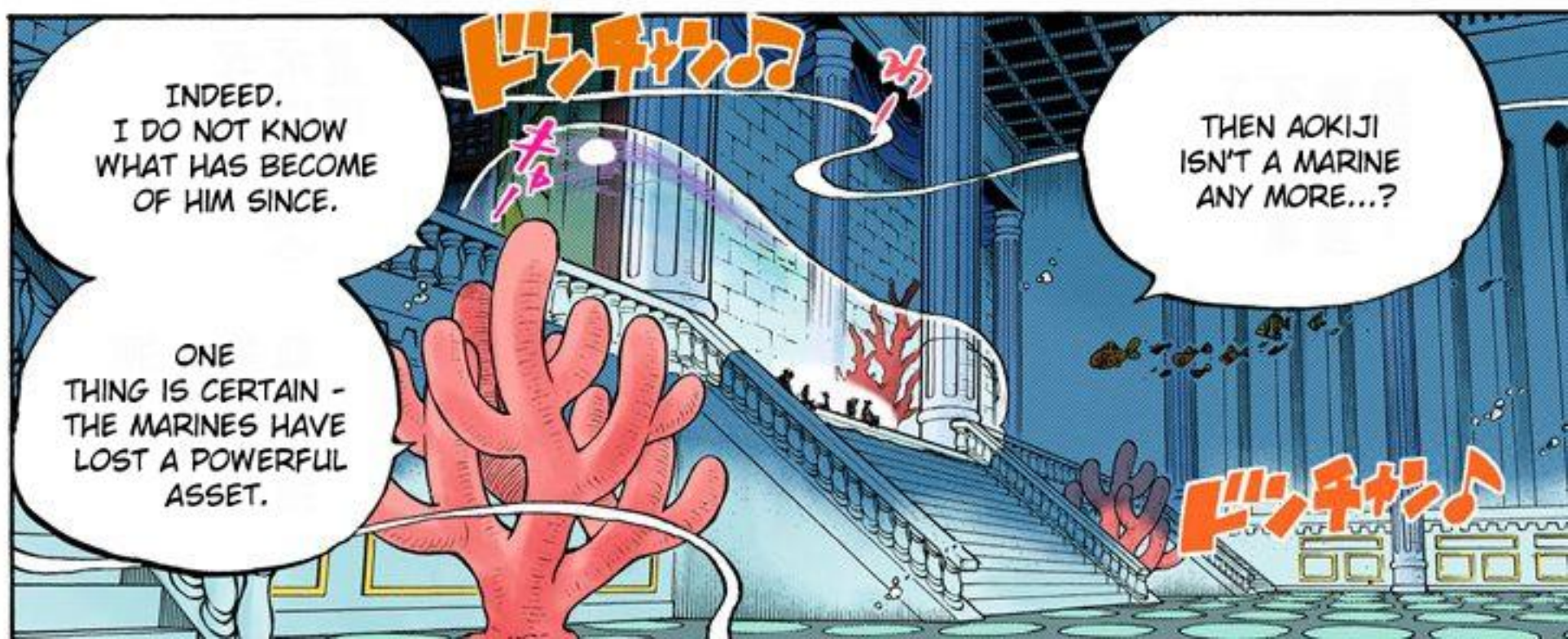
...TO
SLAUGHTER THE
ONE-TIME ALLY WHO
LAY HELPLESS
BEFORE HIM.

BUT EVEN
AKAINU COULD
NOT FIND IT IN
HIMSELF...

BOTH PARTIES
WERE SEVERELY
WOUNDED.

SO DID
AOKIJI DIE,
THEN?

AOKIJI
STAUNCHLY REFUSED
TO SERVE UNDER THE
COMMAND OF AKAINU,
SO HE LEFT THE
MARINES.



INDEED.
I DO NOT KNOW
WHAT HAS BECOME
OF HIM SINCE.

ONE
THING IS CERTAIN -
THE MARINES HAVE
LOST A POWERFUL
ASSET.

THEN AOKIJI
ISN'T A MARINE
ANY MORE...?

LISTEN
CAREFULLY,
ALL OF YOU.

IF NOTHING ELSE,
YOU SHOULD BE
AWARE OF TWO
GREAT CHANGES
THAT HAVE SHAKEN
THE NEW WORLD
IN THESE PAST
TWO YEARS.

BUT THE MEASURES
THE GOVERNMENT
SUBSEQUENTLY TOOK
TO MAKE UP FOR
THAT LOSS...

...
HAVE GRANTED
THE MARINES
FRIGHTFUL NEW
POWER...!!

AND THE OTHER
...RELATES TO
THE BLACKBEARD
PIRATES.

BLACKBEARD
...THE CREW WE
MET BACK IN
MOCK TOWN!!

THE GUY WHO
CRUSHED MY
HOMETOWN!!


THE FIRST IS THAT,
UNDER FLEET ADMIRAL
SAKAZUKI, MARINE HQ HAS
BECOME A MORE POWERFUL
FORCE FOR JUSTICE THAN
EVER BEFORE.

AFTER THE OLD MAN'S
DEATH, HE WAS ABLE
TO CONQUER THOSE
REGIONS ALMOST
IMMEDIATELY.

A FEAT HE
ACCOMPLISHED USING
NONE OTHER THAN THE
GURA GURA POWERS
THAT HE STOLE FROM
THE OLD MAN HIMSELF.

YOU MUST
UNDERSTAND, THE
MAN WAS A MEMBER
OF THE WHITEBEARD
PIRATES FOR MANY
YEARS.

HE
WAS INTIMATELY
FAMILIAR WITH
THE OLD MAN'S
TERRITORIES.



...IN THE SAME
BREATH AS RED-HAIR,
KAIDOU AND BIG MAM,
AS A MEMBER OF
THE YONKOU...!!!

HE ALREADY HAS
THE PEOPLE OF THE
WORLD REFERRING
TO HIM...

TRULY, HE IS A
DESPICABLE
MAN...!!!



THE BLACKBEARD
PIRATES' PRIMARY
AIM IS TO ACQUIRE
THE MOST POWERFUL
DEVIL FRUIT ABILITIES
THEY CAN OBTAIN.
SO BE CAREFUL,
ALL OF YOU...!!

RUMOUR HAS IT
THAT HIS CREW ARE
ACTIVELY HUNTING DOWN
USERS OF DEVIL FRUIT
ABILITIES. THOUGH LITTLE
IS KNOWN OF THE
HOW...

UH, WHY
WOULD THEY
CARE ABOUT
THE HITO HITO
NO MI...?

THEY
MIGHT
COME
AFTER
ME!!

WHAT WAS
THAT?!!

...IT SEEMS
THAT THEY POSSESS
SOME MEANS OF
KILLING DEVIL FRUIT
USERS AND TAKING
THEIR ABILITIES FOR
THEMSELVES...!!

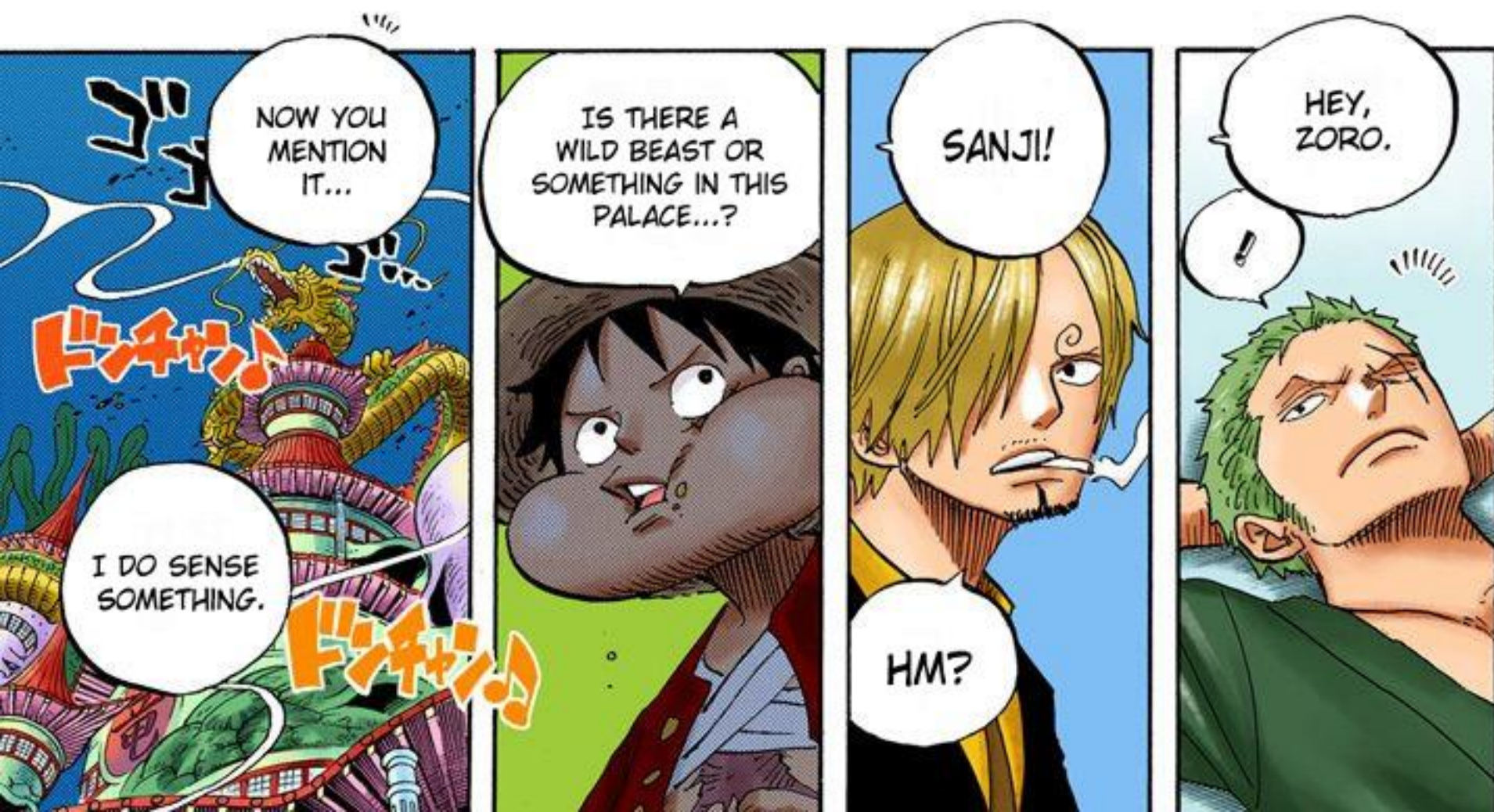
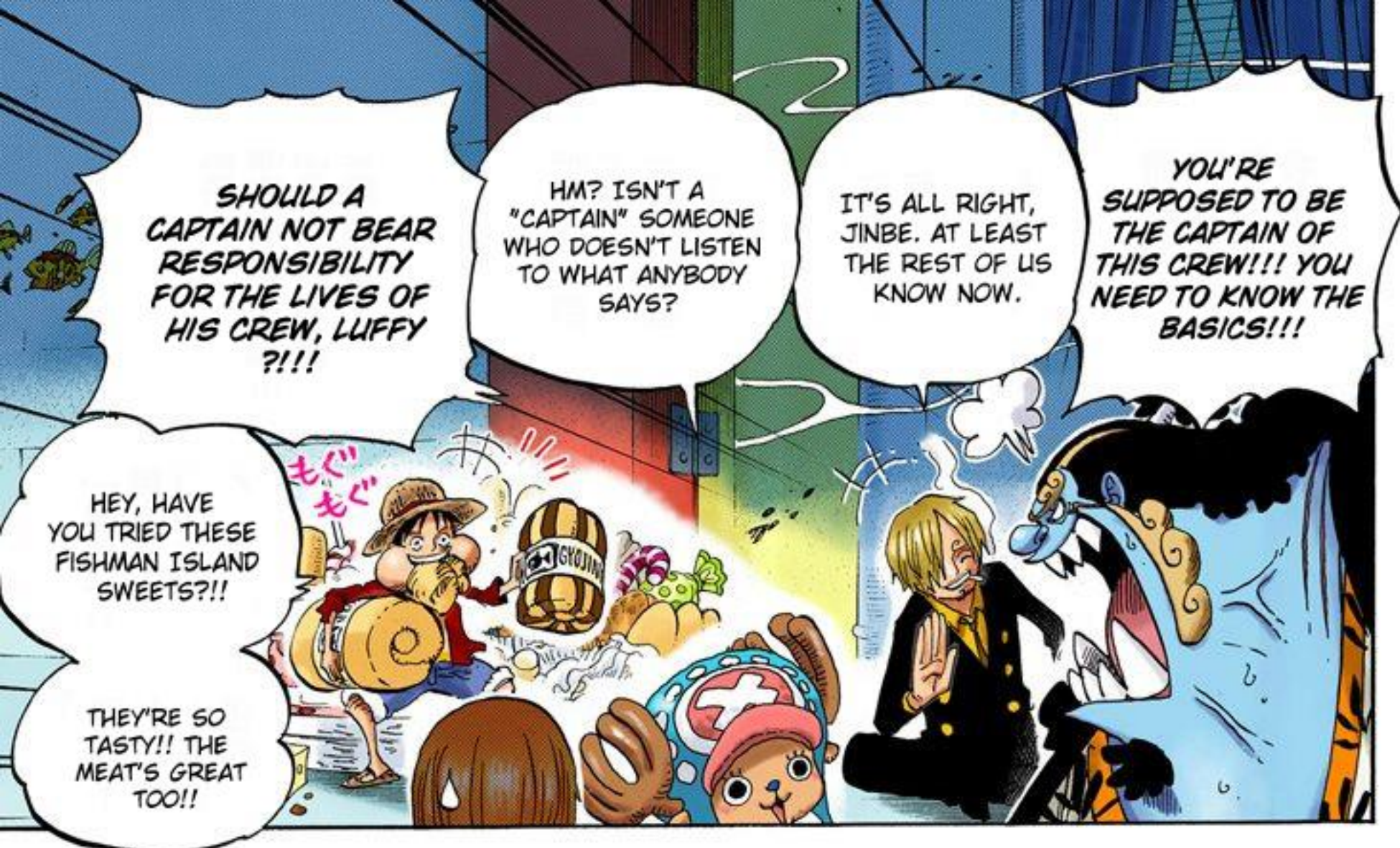
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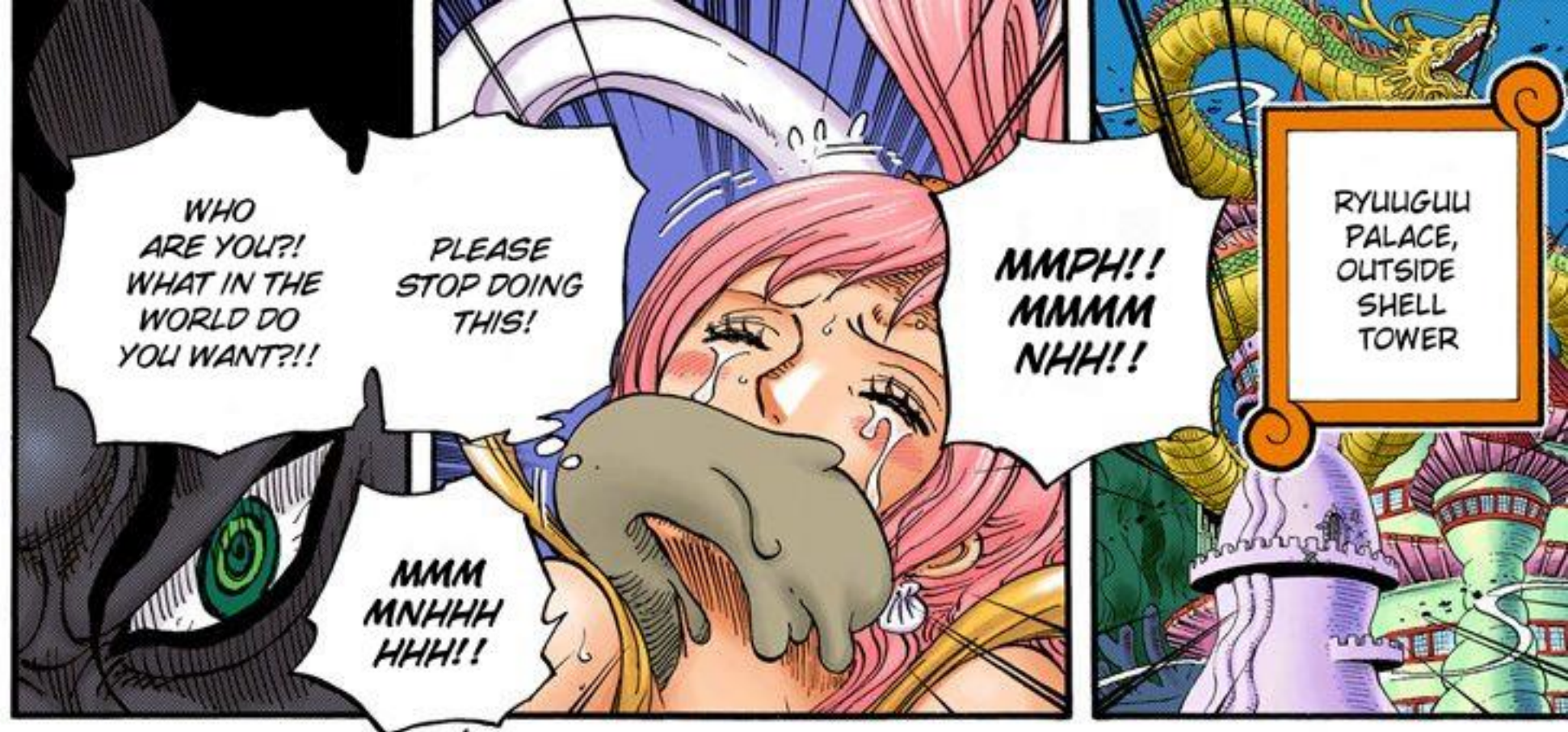
...
LUFFY
!!!

ARE
YOU EVEN
LISTENING
TO ME?!!!

IT IS
IMPERATIVE
THAT...

LUFFY-KUN IN
PARTICULAR
HAS EARNED
THE PERSONAL
ATTENTION OF
"BLACKBEARD"
TEACH HIMSELF
...





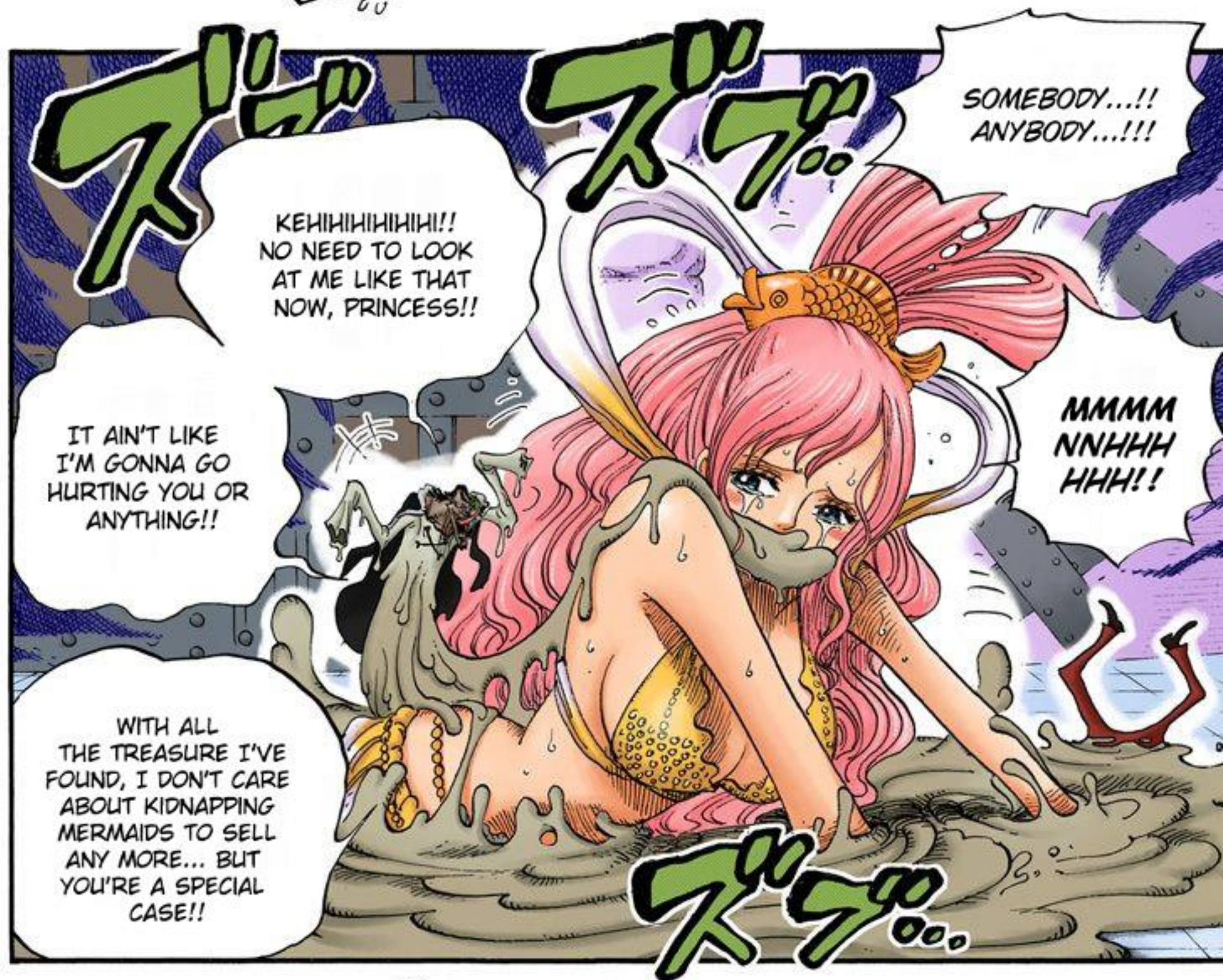
WHO
ARE YOU?!
WHAT IN THE
WORLD DO
YOU WANT?!!

PLEASE
STOP DOING
THIS!

MMPH!!
MMMM
NHH!!

RYUUGU
PALACE,
OUTSIDE
SHELL
TOWER

MMM
MNNHHH
HHH!!



SOMEBODY...!!
ANYBODY...!!

KEHIIIIIIIIII!!
NO NEED TO LOOK
AT ME LIKE THAT
NOW, PRINCESS!!

IT AIN'T LIKE
I'M GONNA GO
HURTING YOU OR
ANYTHING!!

MMMM
NNHHH
HHH!!

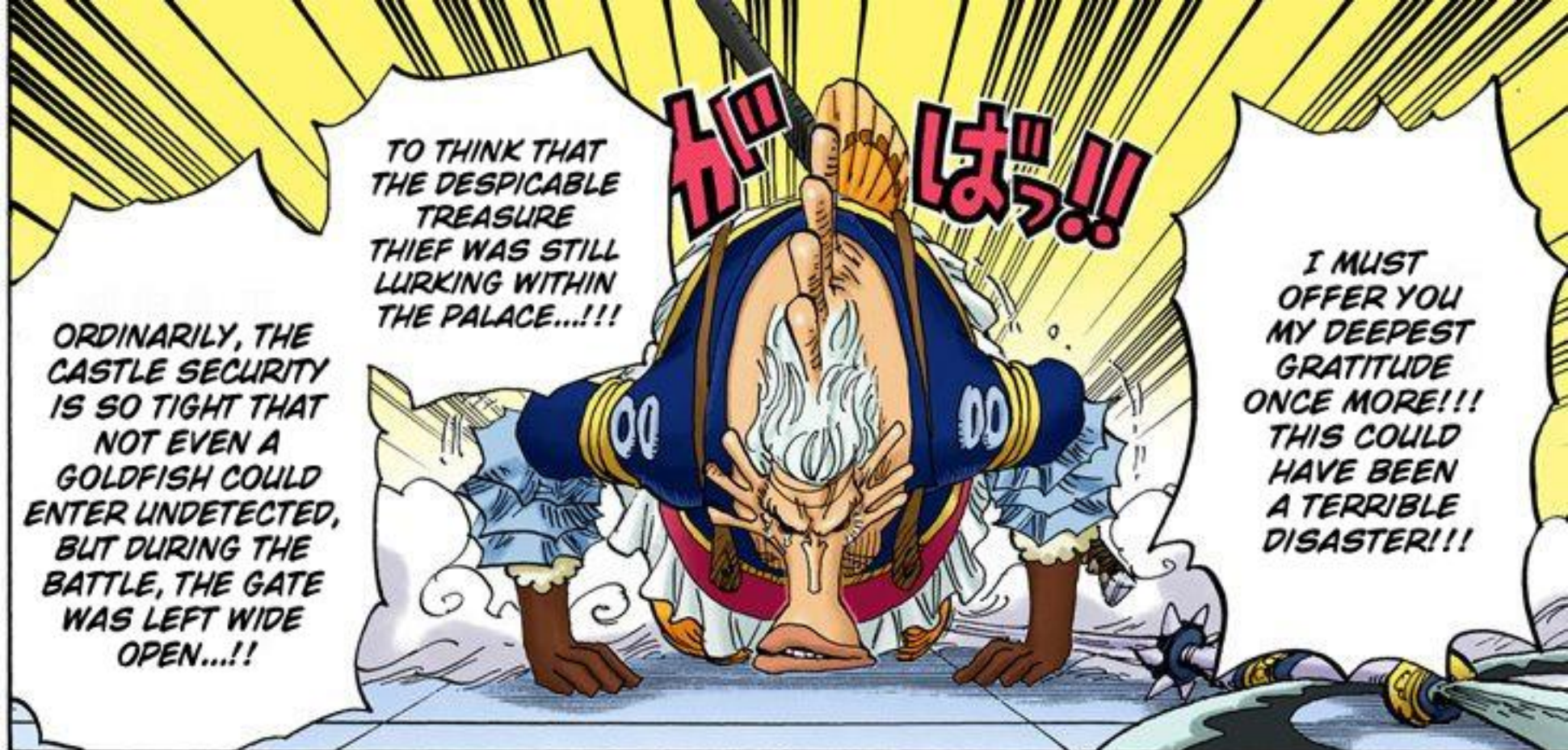
WITH ALL
THE TREASURE I'VE
FOUND, I DON'T CARE
ABOUT KIDNAPPING
MERMAIDS TO SELL
ANY MORE... BUT
YOU'RE A SPECIAL
CASE!!



LOOKS LIKE MY
BROTHER'S ALREADY
BROUGHT THE CREW
HERE TO MEET ME AT
THE PORT!! SO LET'S
HEAD OFF TO THE
NEW WORLD
TOGETHER!!!

SO IF YOU'LL
JUST GO TO
SLEEP FOR ME
FOR A LITTLE
WHILE...
YEAH?!!





TO THINK THAT
THE DESPICABLE
TREASURE
THIEF WAS STILL
LURKING WITHIN
THE PALACE....!!!

ORDINARILY, THE
CASTLE SECURITY
IS SO TIGHT THAT
NOT EVEN A
GOLDFISH COULD
ENTER UNDETECTED,
BUT DURING THE
BATTLE, THE GATE
WAS LEFT WIDE
OPEN....!!

I MUST
OFFER YOU
MY DEEPEST
GRATITUDE
ONCE MORE!!!
THIS COULD
HAVE BEEN
A TERRIBLE
DISASTER!!!



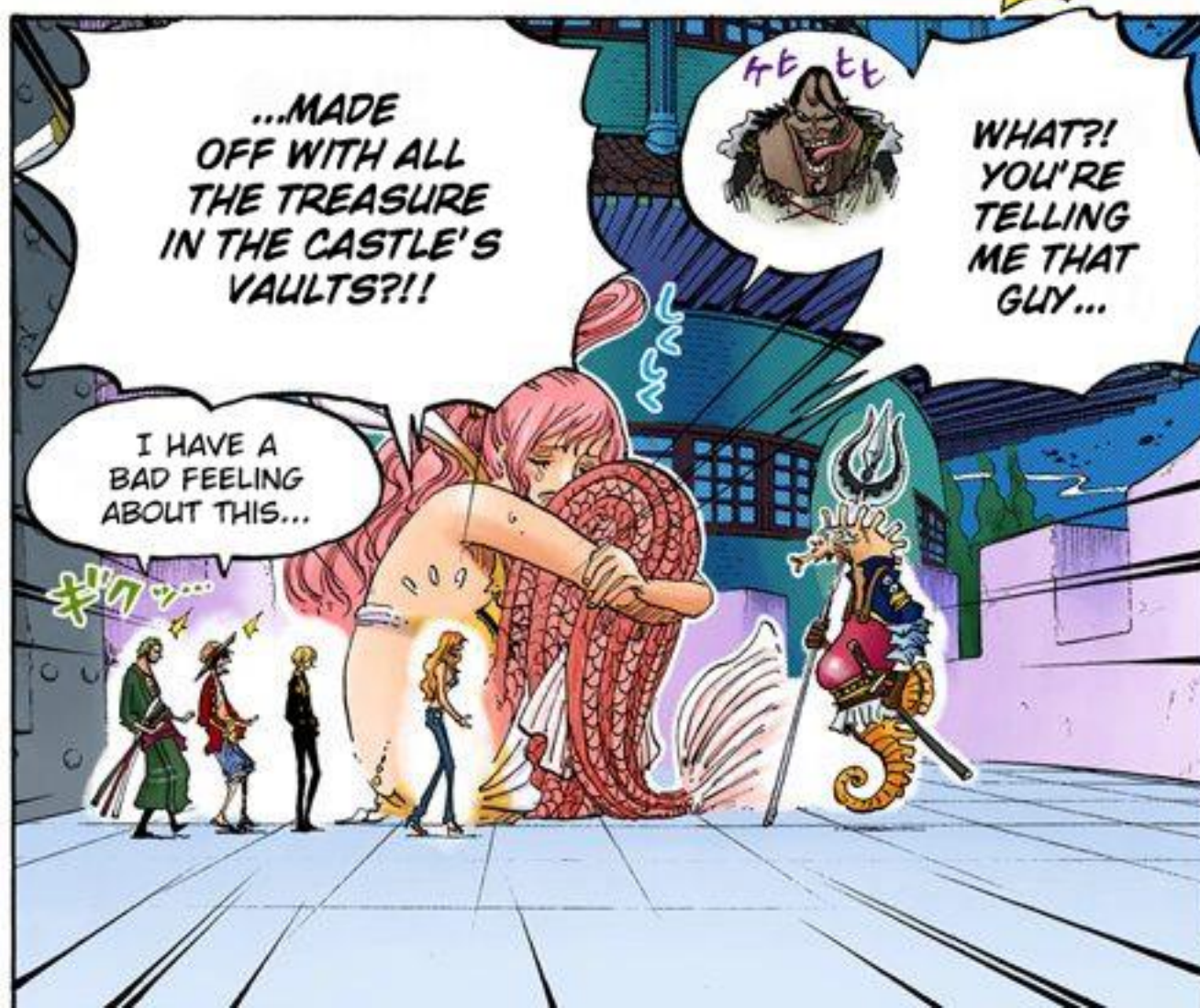
FORGET JUST SLICING
UP THE CAGE TO ESCAPE,
HE SLICED RIGHT THROUGH
THE WHOLE DAMN ROOM
WHILE HE WAS AT IT

NO, IT WAS
THIS GUY WHO
SLICED UP THE
TOWER!!

DOUBTLESS
THIS TOO IS THE
HANDIWORK OF
THAT NO-GOOD
TREASURE-
THIEF...

WHY,
IF YOU WOULD
OBSERVE - EVEN
THE RIGHT-HAND
TOWER OF THE
RYUUGU PALACE
HAS BEEN SLICED
CLEAN APART!

LET THE
THIEF TAKE
THE BLAME,
YOU STUPID
STARFISH!!



...MADE
OFF WITH ALL
THE TREASURE
IN THE CASTLE'S
VAULTS?!!

I HAVE A
BAD FEELING
ABOUT THIS...

WHAT?!
YOU'RE
TELLING
ME THAT
GUY...



... HOLD
ON A MINUTE, MINISTER
OF THE RIGHT-CHAN!
WHAT'S THIS ABOUT A
"TREASURE THIEF"?!



OUR
HATRED WILL
NOT FADE... WE
WILL HAVE OUR
REVENGE!!!

WORTHLESS
HUMANS!!!

PRISON
TOWER

BRING STRAW
HAT TO ME AT
ONCE... I'LL
SLAUGHTER
HIM!!!

MUSHI...
WE WILL BE THE
JUDGES OF
HUMANITY...

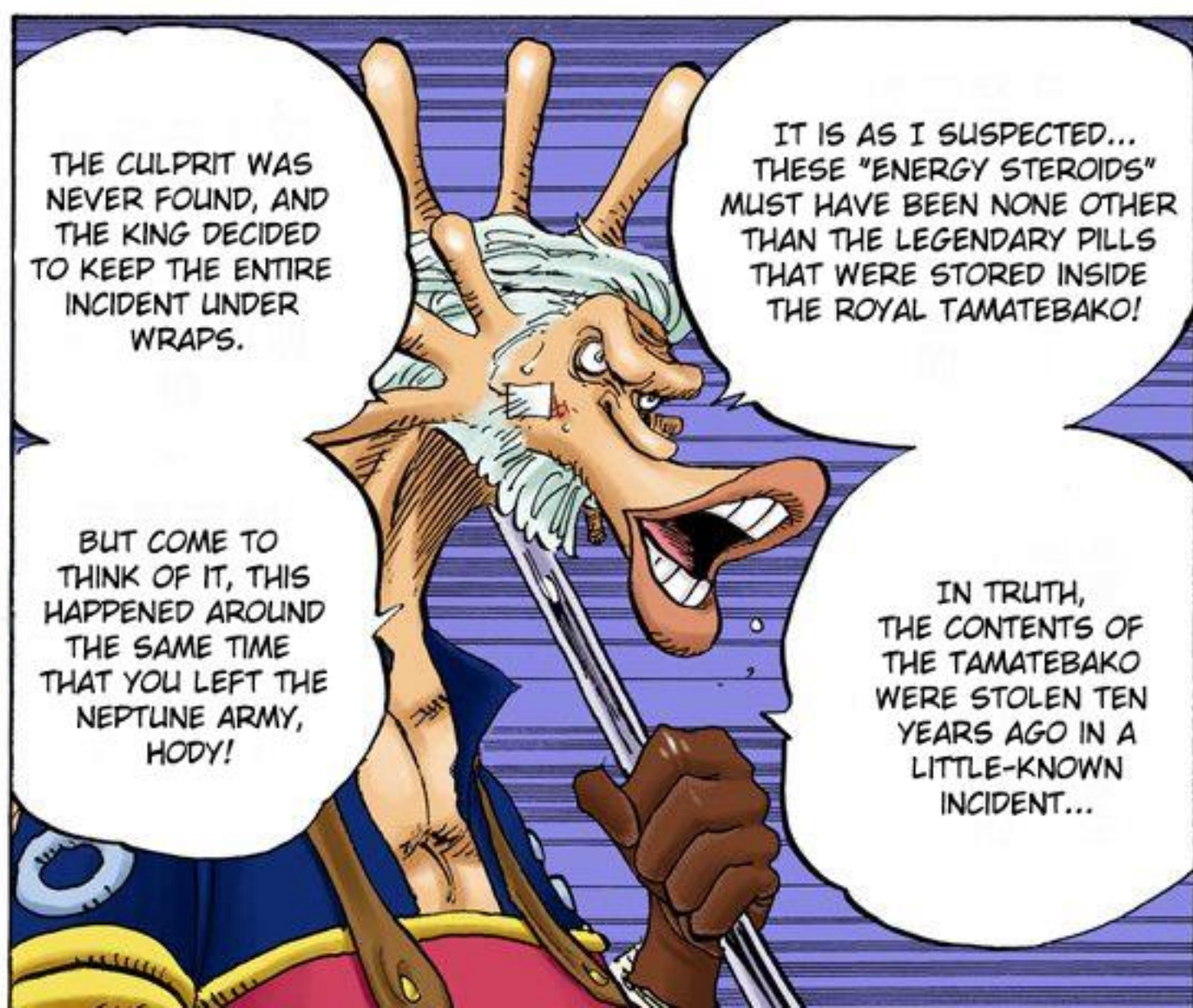
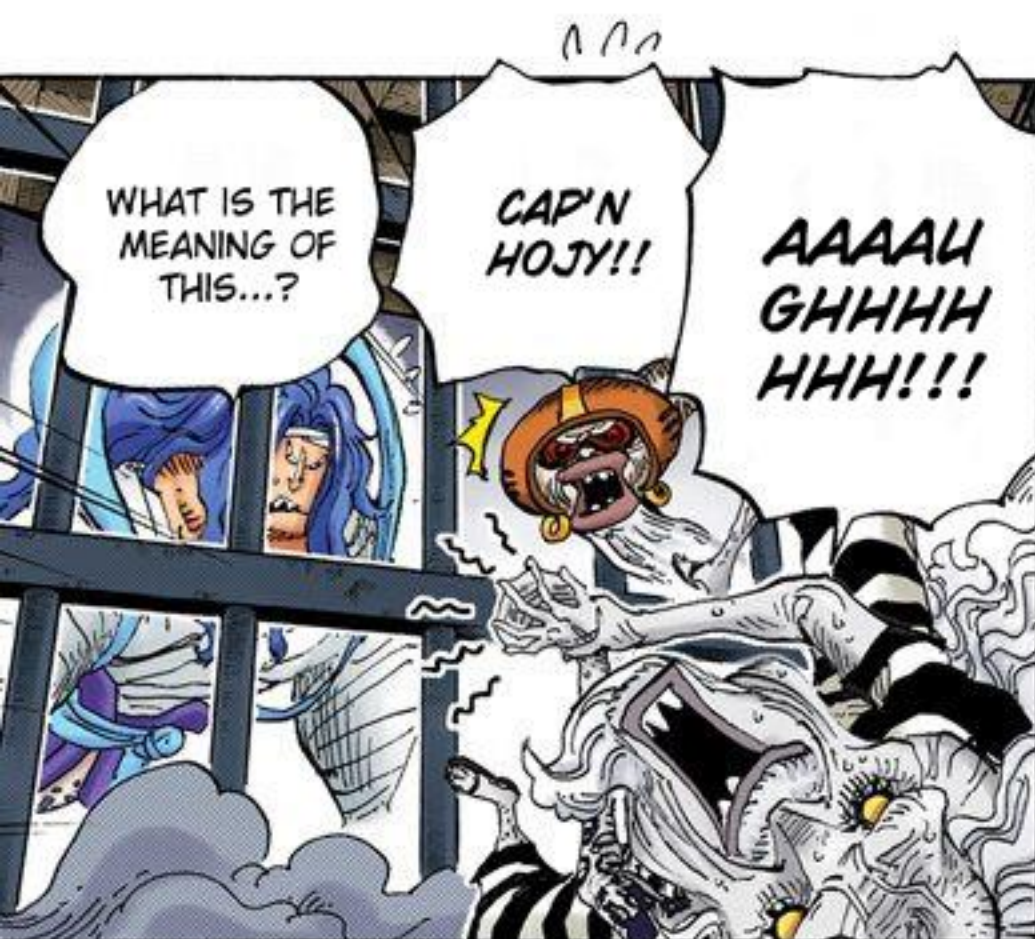
WE OUGHTTA
TAKE REVENGE
ON THOSE
STRAWHATS,
FOSUN!

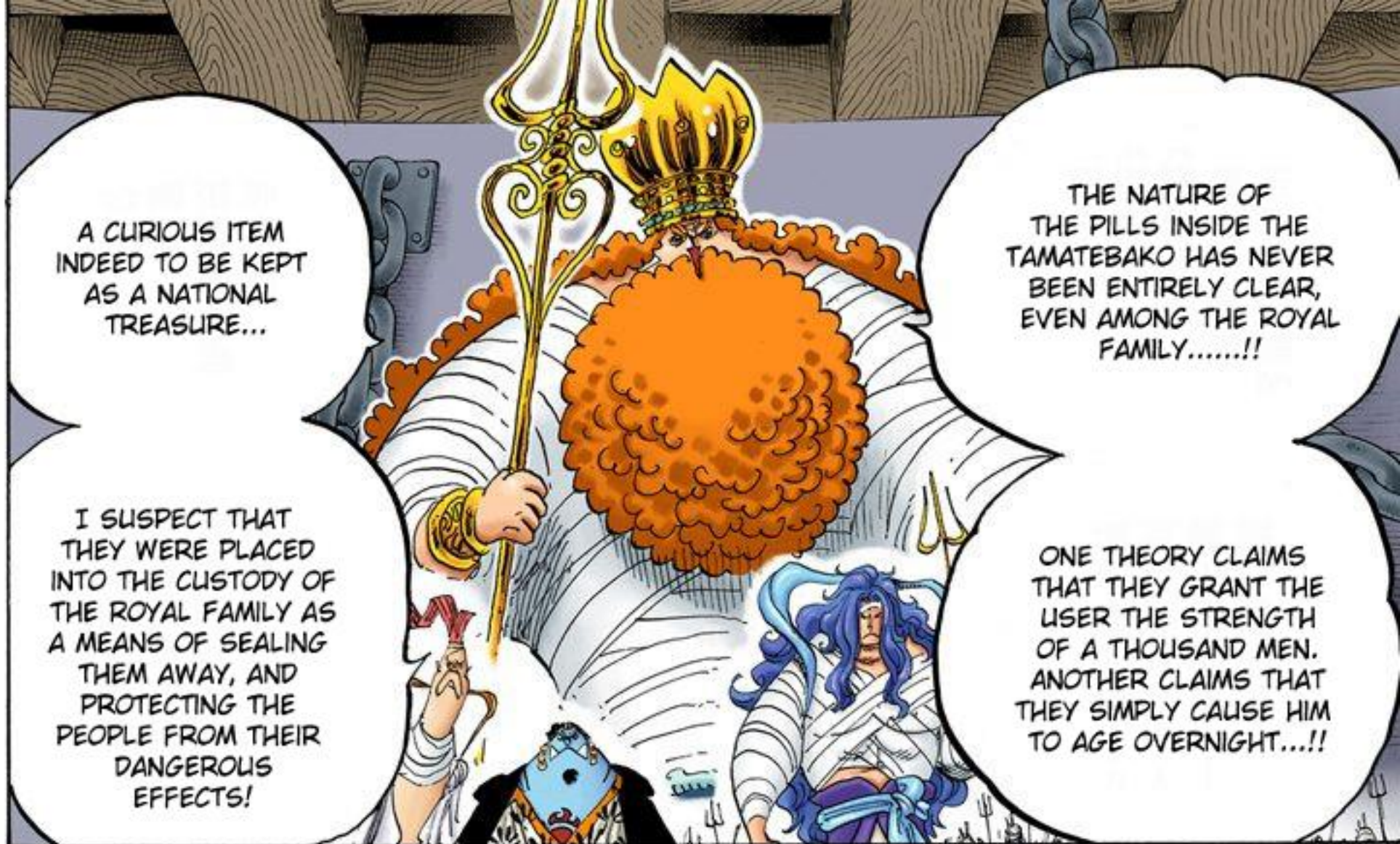
HAHAHAH
AH... I HAVE
AGED ON
PURPOSE...

JAHHAHAHAH
YAHYURGHH...
COUGH COUGH
...

AM I
DRUNK? MY
JOINTS ARE
ACHING LIKE
CRAZY...

HYAHAAH
HYHYAAH
PANT...
PANT...





A CURIOUS ITEM
INDEED TO BE KEPT
AS A NATIONAL
TREASURE...

THE NATURE OF
THE PILLS INSIDE THE
TAMATEBAKO HAS NEVER
BEEN ENTIRELY CLEAR,
EVEN AMONG THE ROYAL
FAMILY.....!!

I SUSPECT THAT
THEY WERE PLACED
INTO THE CUSTODY OF
THE ROYAL FAMILY AS
A MEANS OF SEALING
THEM AWAY, AND
PROTECTING THE
PEOPLE FROM THEIR
DANGEROUS
EFFECTS!

ONE THEORY CLAIMS
THAT THEY GRANT THE
USER THE STRENGTH
OF A THOUSAND MEN.
ANOTHER CLAIMS THAT
THEY SIMPLY CAUSE HIM
TO AGE OVERNIGHT....!!

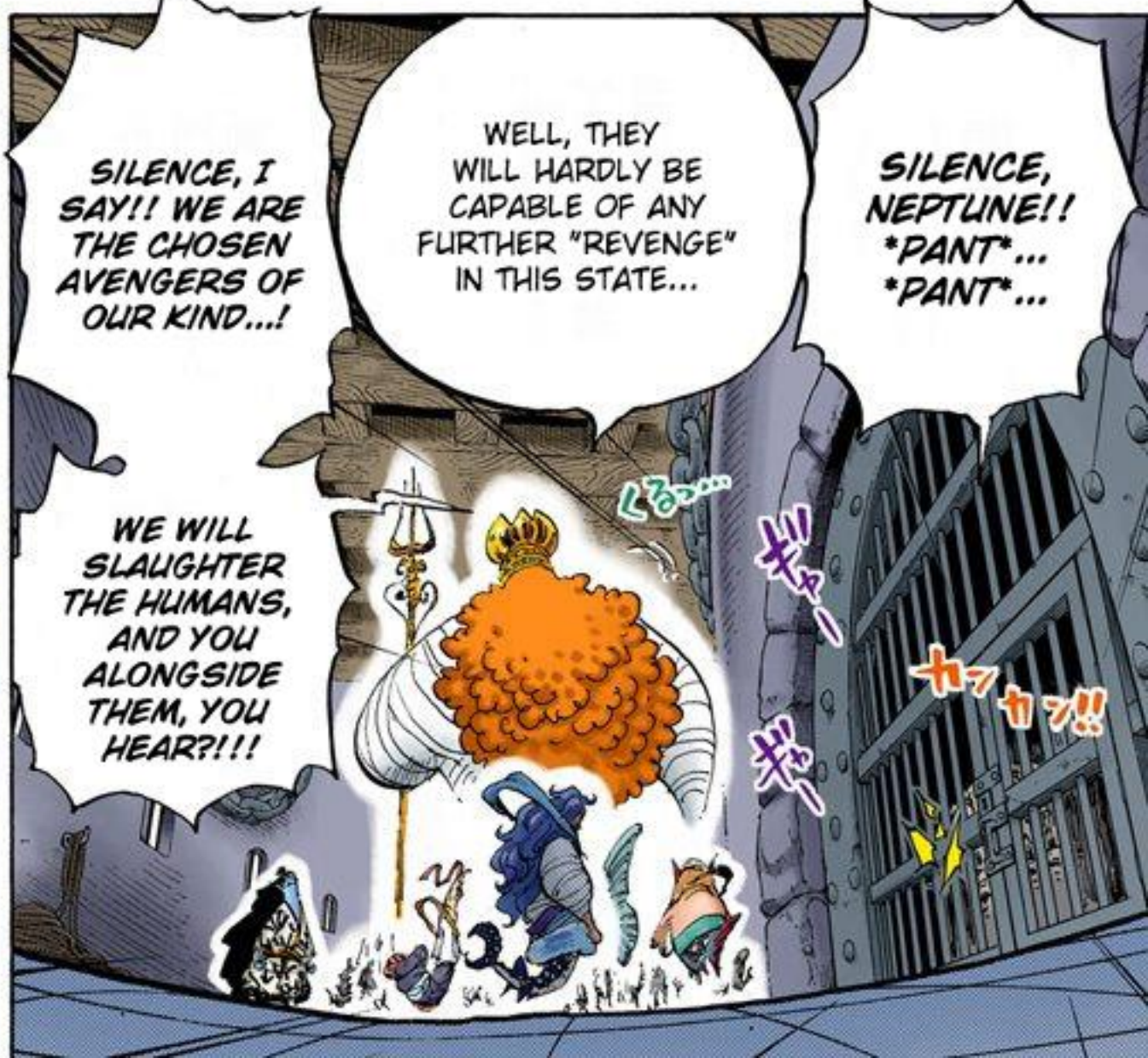


THOUGH YOU
THOUGHT IT
GRANTED YOU
POWER, THAT
WAS NO MORE
THAN A FOOLISH
DREAM.

YOU SHOULD
NEVER HAVE
OPENED THAT
BOX, HODY.



I FIND MYSELF
ALMOST PITYING THEM.
PERHAPS I WILL HAVE
TO RETHINK THEIR
SENTENCE...



**SILENCE, I
SAY!! WE ARE
THE CHOSEN
AVENGERS OF
OUR KIND...!**

WELL, THEY
WILL HARDLY BE
CAPABLE OF ANY
FURTHER "REVENGE"
IN THIS STATE...

**SILENCE,
NEPTUNE!!**
PANT...
PANT...

**WE WILL
SLAUGHTER
THE HUMANS,
AND YOU
ALONGSIDE
THEM, YOU
HEAR?!!!**



IT WOULD NOT DO FOR THE CHILDREN OF THE ISLAND TO HEAR YOUR TAINTED WORDS.



...SO PLEASE... JUST BE QUIET.



...I WILL NOT RESENT YOU FOR WHAT YOU DID TO MY MOTHER.



IS THAT YOU, FUKABOSHI, YOU FILTHY DISGRACE?!



WE DON'T HAVE ANY SWEETS TO GIVE TO THEM, MINISTER!

AH, THE ENVOYS OF BIG MAM...

THE FACTORY WAS RANSACKED BY HODY'S CREW, OF COURSE...



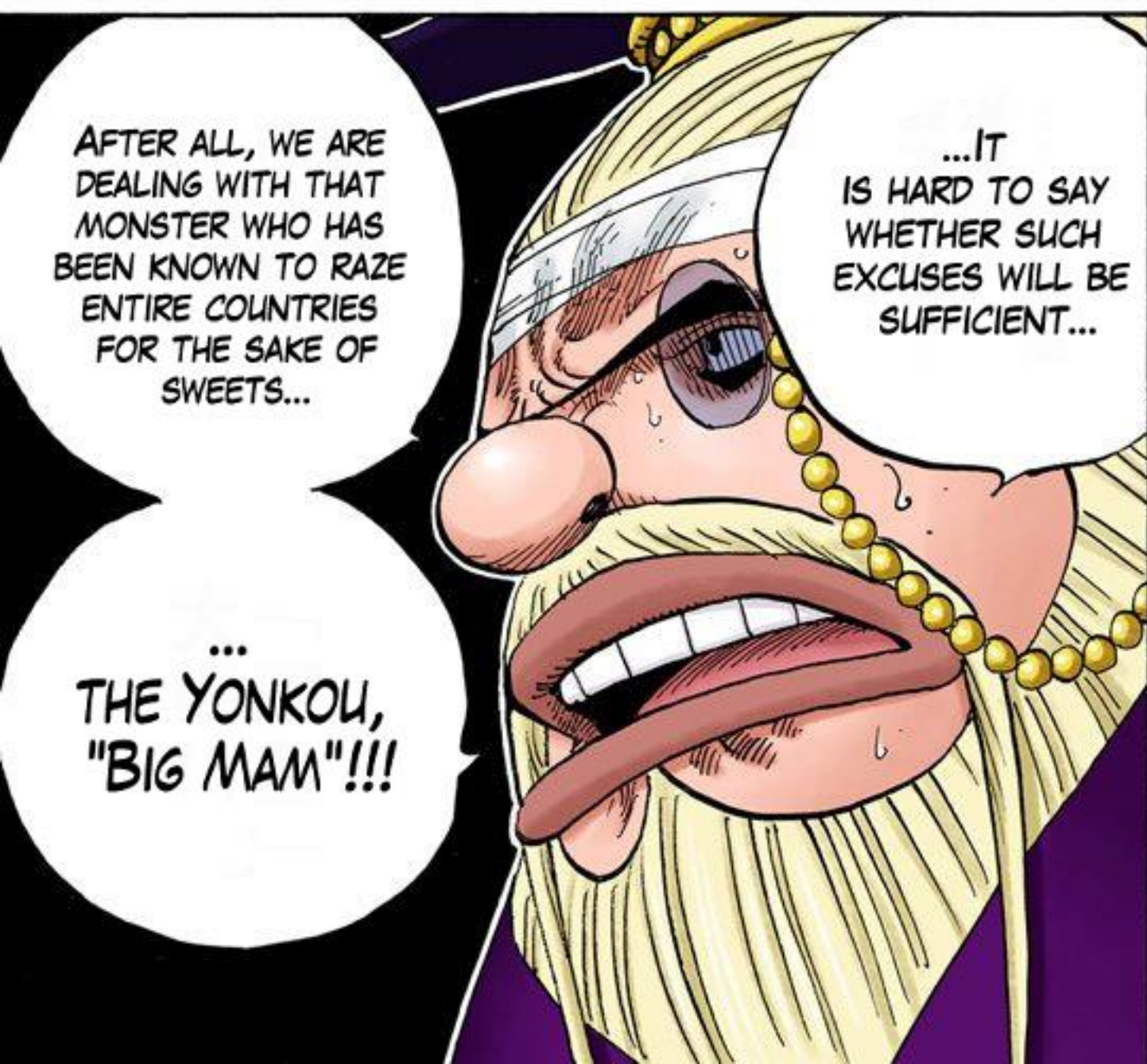
... HAVE JUST ARRIVED AT THE SWEET FACTORY...!

MR PEKOMS AND BARON TAMAGO...



?

MINISTER OF THE LEFT!!



AFTER ALL, WE ARE DEALING WITH THAT MONSTER WHO HAS BEEN KNOWN TO RAZE ENTIRE COUNTRIES FOR THE SAKE OF SWEETS...

... THE YONKOU, "BIG MAM"!!!

...IT IS HARD TO SAY WHETHER SUCH EXCUSES WILL BE SUFFICIENT...



...AND EVERYONE INSISTED THAT THE REMAINING SWEETS...

...SHOULD BE TAKEN TO THE BANQUET FOR THE STRAW HATS TO ENJOY!

CHAPTER 651 - "THE VOICE FROM THE NEW WORLD"

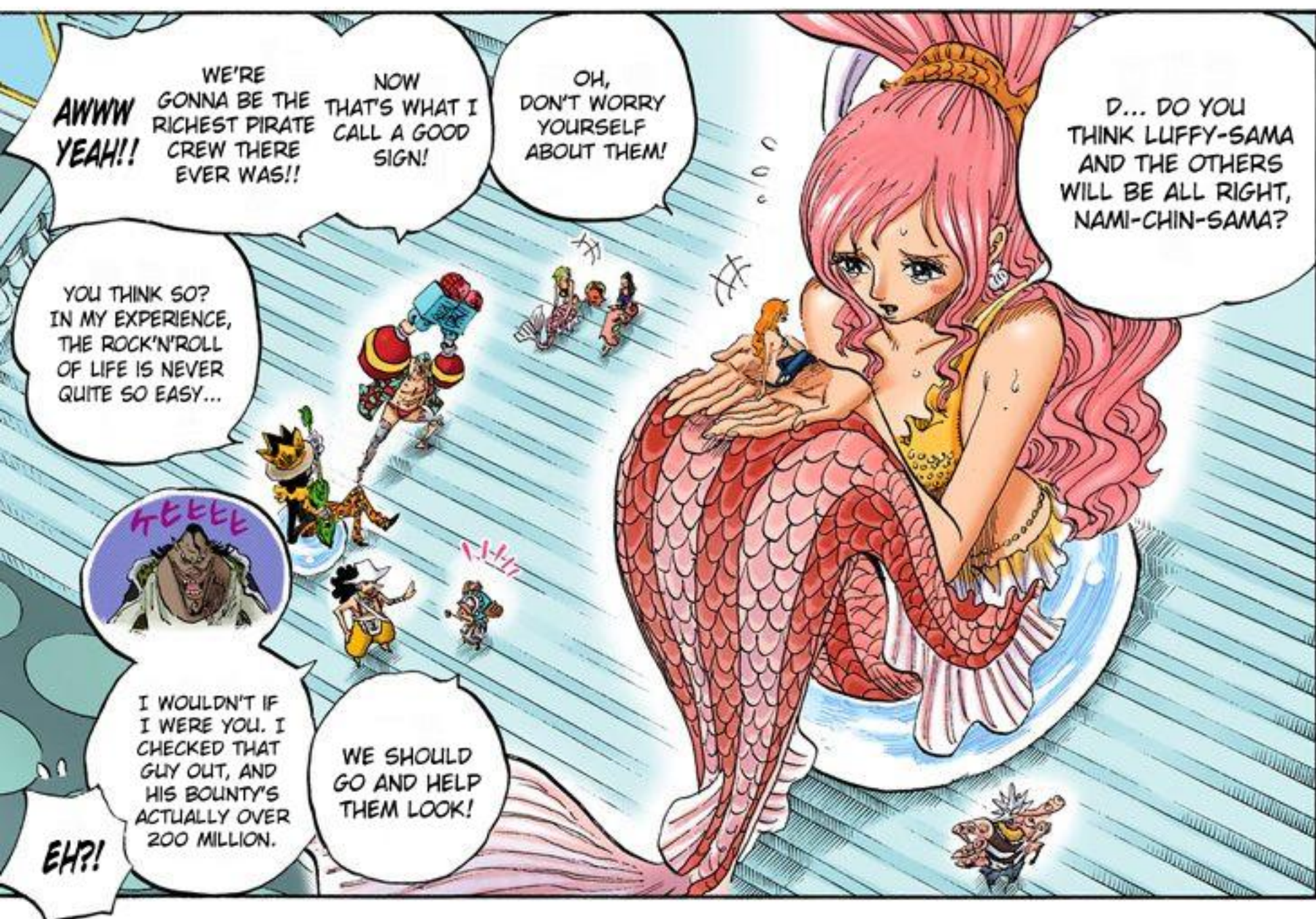




WHAAAAAA
AAAAAAT?! WE
CAN REALLY JUST
HAVE ALL THAT
TREASURE?!



ALL GOOD THINGS
MUST COME TO AN
END, AND THIS FINE
BANQUET TOO HAD
REACHED ITS
CONCLUSION...



AWWW
YEAH!!

WE'RE
GONNA BE THE
RICHEST PIRATE
CREW THERE
EVER WAS!!

NOW
THAT'S WHAT I
CALL A GOOD
SIGN!

OH,
DON'T WORRY
YOURSELF
ABOUT THEM!

D... DO YOU
THINK LUFFY-SAMA
AND THE OTHERS
WILL BE ALL RIGHT,
NAMI-CHIN-SAMA?

YOU THINK SO?
IN MY EXPERIENCE,
THE ROCK'N'ROLL
OF LIFE IS NEVER
QUITE SO EASY...



I WOULDN'T IF
I WERE YOU. I
CHECKED THAT
GUY OUT, AND
HIS BOUNTY'S
ACTUALLY OVER
200 MILLION.

WE SHOULD
GO AND HELP
THEM LOOK!

EH?!



I FOUND THE
TREASURE!!
THAT WAS
PRETTY
EASY!!

ZORO,
SANJI!!

HEY,
CHECK IT
OUT!!

THAT PUNCH
OF YOURS ALREADY
KNOCKED HIM CLEAN
OUT, HUH? WELL,
THAT'S NO FUN.



MEANWHILE,
LUFFY IS ALREADY
ON HIS WAY TO THE
MAIN ISLAND TO
FIND CARIBOU...

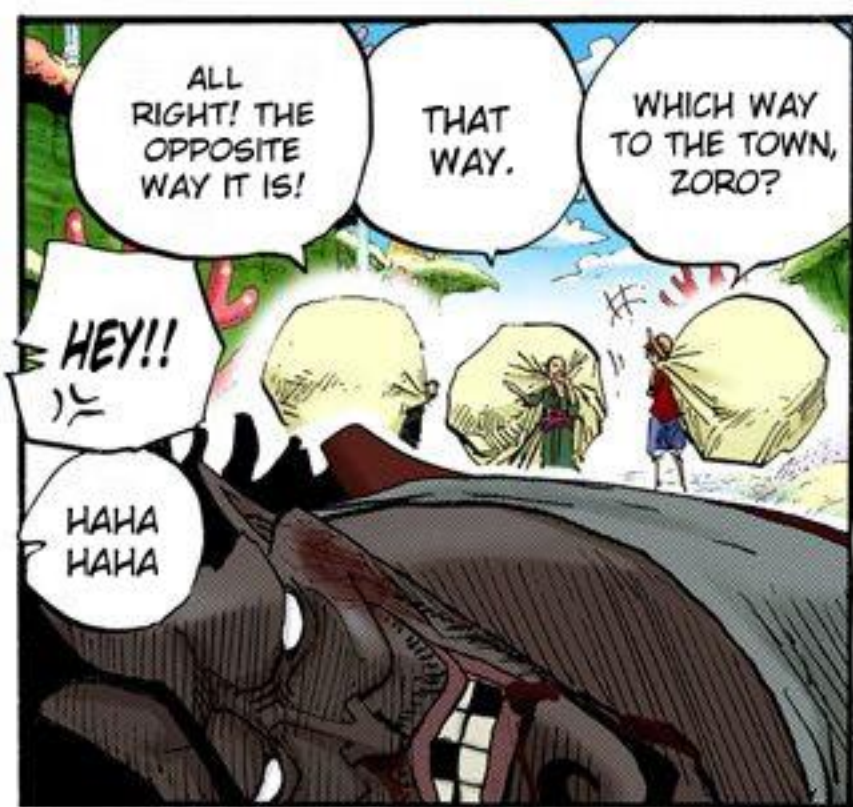


WAS HE
STORING ALL
THIS INSIDE HIS
WEIRD MARSHY
BODY...?

OH, YEAH!!
NOW WE CAN
BUY SO MUCH
MEAT!!

IS THAT SHAGGY
OLD KING REALLY
GONNA JUST GIVE
IT ALL TO US?!!

HAVE
YOU SEEN HOW
MUCH TREASURE
THERE IS AROUND
HERE?!



ALL
RIGHT! THE
OPPOSITE
WAY IT IS!

THAT
WAY.

WHICH WAY
TO THE TOWN,
ZORO?

HEY!!

HAHA
HAHA



HNNNNGHHHHH!!

WE NEED A
FLYING FISH
OR TWO!

HOW,
EXACTLY
?!

RIGHT!
BACK TO THE
PALACE!!



WE
DON'T GIVE A
DAMN ABOUT
YOUR LITTLE
DOMESTIC
CONFLICTS!

I AM, BUT PLEASE, I BEG
YOU TO MAKE ALLOWANCES
JUST THIS ONCE! WE HAVE
JUST SUFFERED A MAJOR
INCIDENT, AND THE FACTORY
WAS TERRIBLY DAMAGED...

ARE YOU EVEN
LISTENING TO
ME, MINISTER?!!
GRRRRRH!!

MEANWHILE,
NEARBY AT THE
SWEET FACTORY
...



YOU GIVE US
THE SWEETS
ON TIME ONCE
A MONTH...

...AND OUR
MAMA LENDS YOU
HER NAME AS
PROTECTION!!

I WAS HOPING
FOR A COUPLA
BITES MYSELF,
SO I'M PRETTY
DAMN HUNGRY
RIGHT NOW!!!



NOW, I DON'T LIKE
TO SAY STUFF LIKE
THIS TO FOLKS WHO
WE'RE ON GOOD
TERMS WITH...

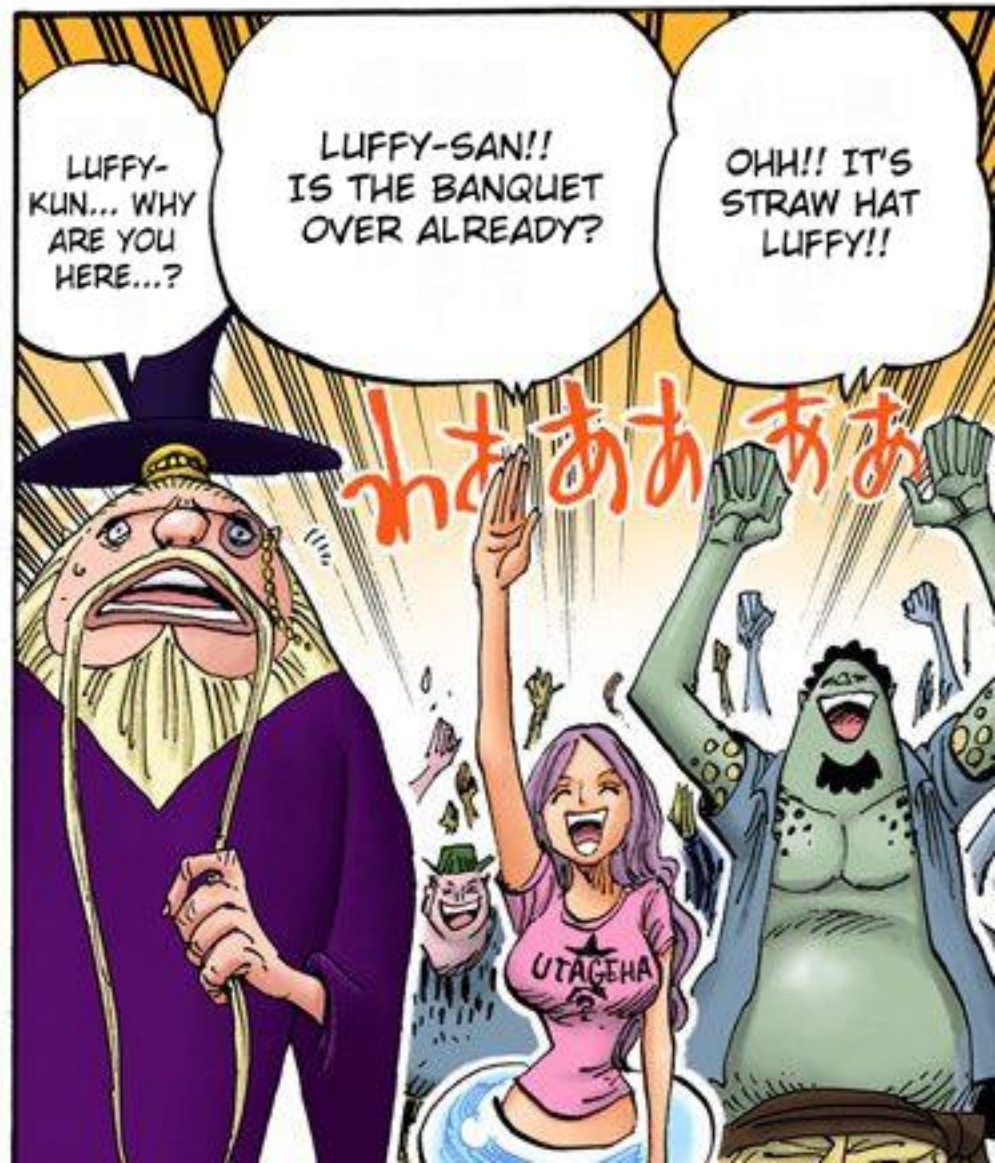
THAT'S
HOW IT WORKS,
AND DON'T YOU
TELL ME YOU'VE
FORGOTTEN!!!
GRRRRHHHH!!!

...BUT I'M SURE
YOU KNOW HOW
SCARY OUR MAMA
CAN BE, YEAH? IF
YOU MAKE HER
MAD...



YOU'RE DONE
FOR!!!


BIG MOM PIRATES
Pekoms
FIGHTER







WHOA,
IT'S ANOTHER
WEIRD GUY...
WHO'RE YOU?



AS LONG
AS WE TAKE
OUR LEAVE
BY TOMORROW
MORNING, WE
CAN STILL MAKE
IT IN TIME.

LET US
SETTLE THIS IN
A PEACEABLE
MANNER, N'EST-
CE PAS?

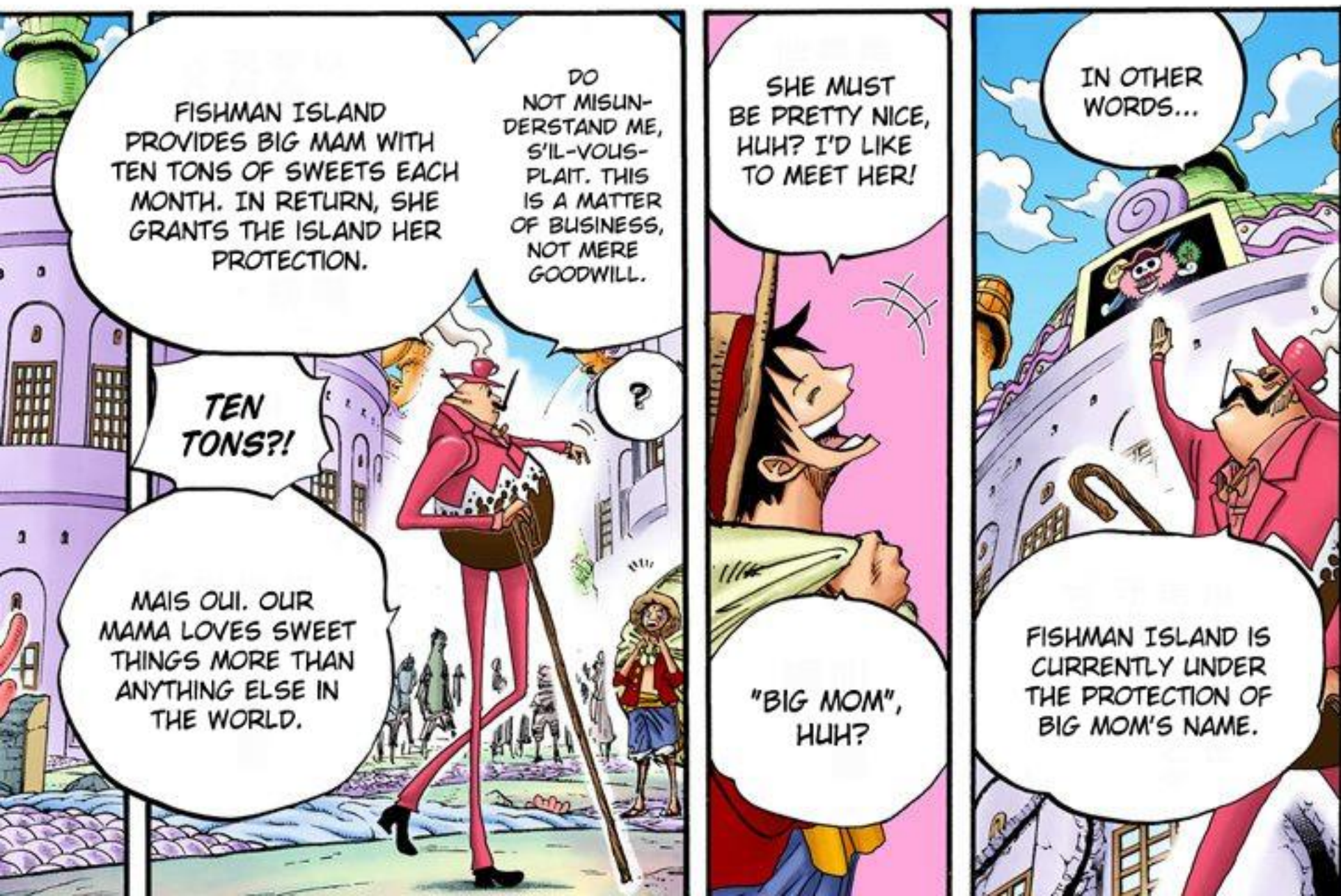
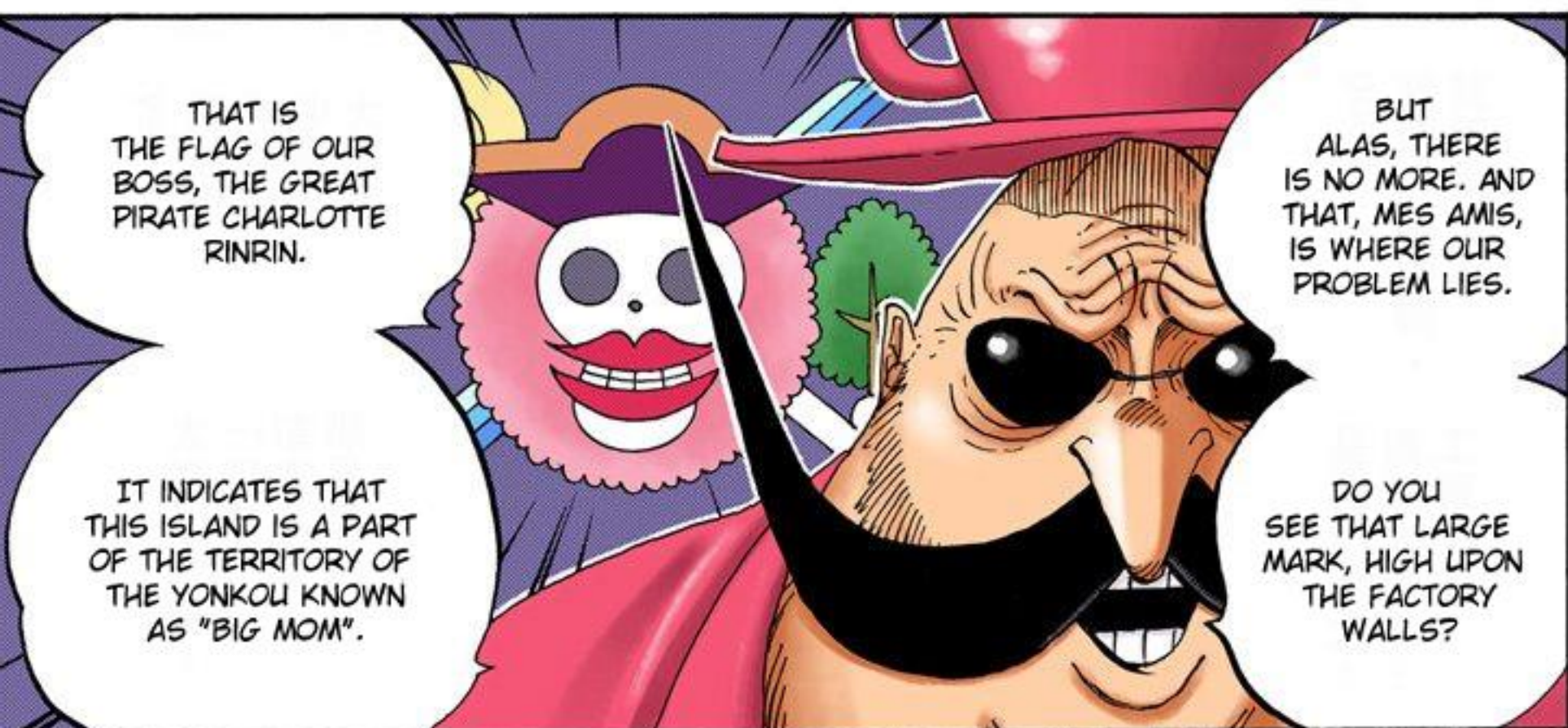
THE TEA
PARTY IS NOT
FOR ANOTHER
FOUR DAYS.

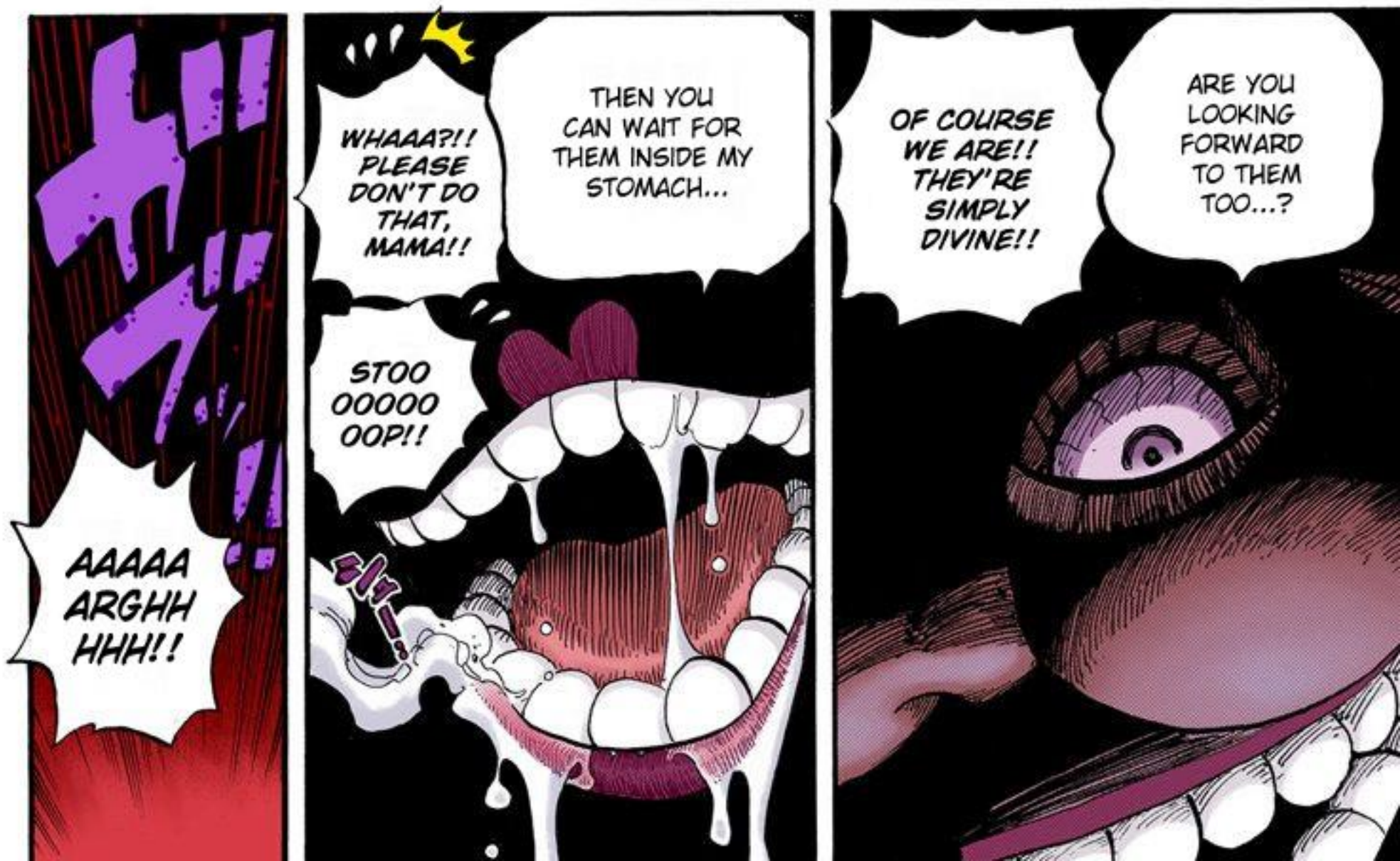
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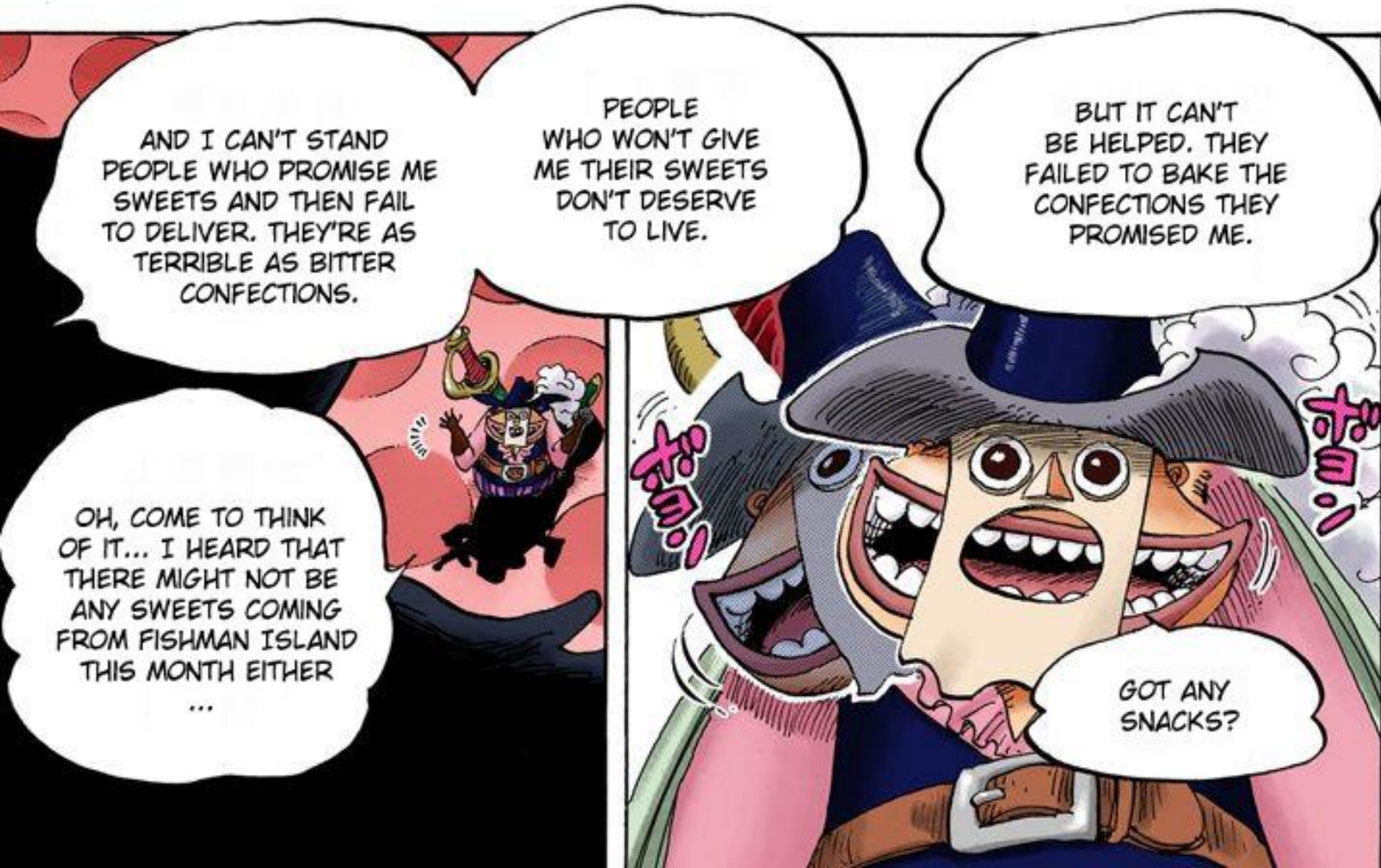
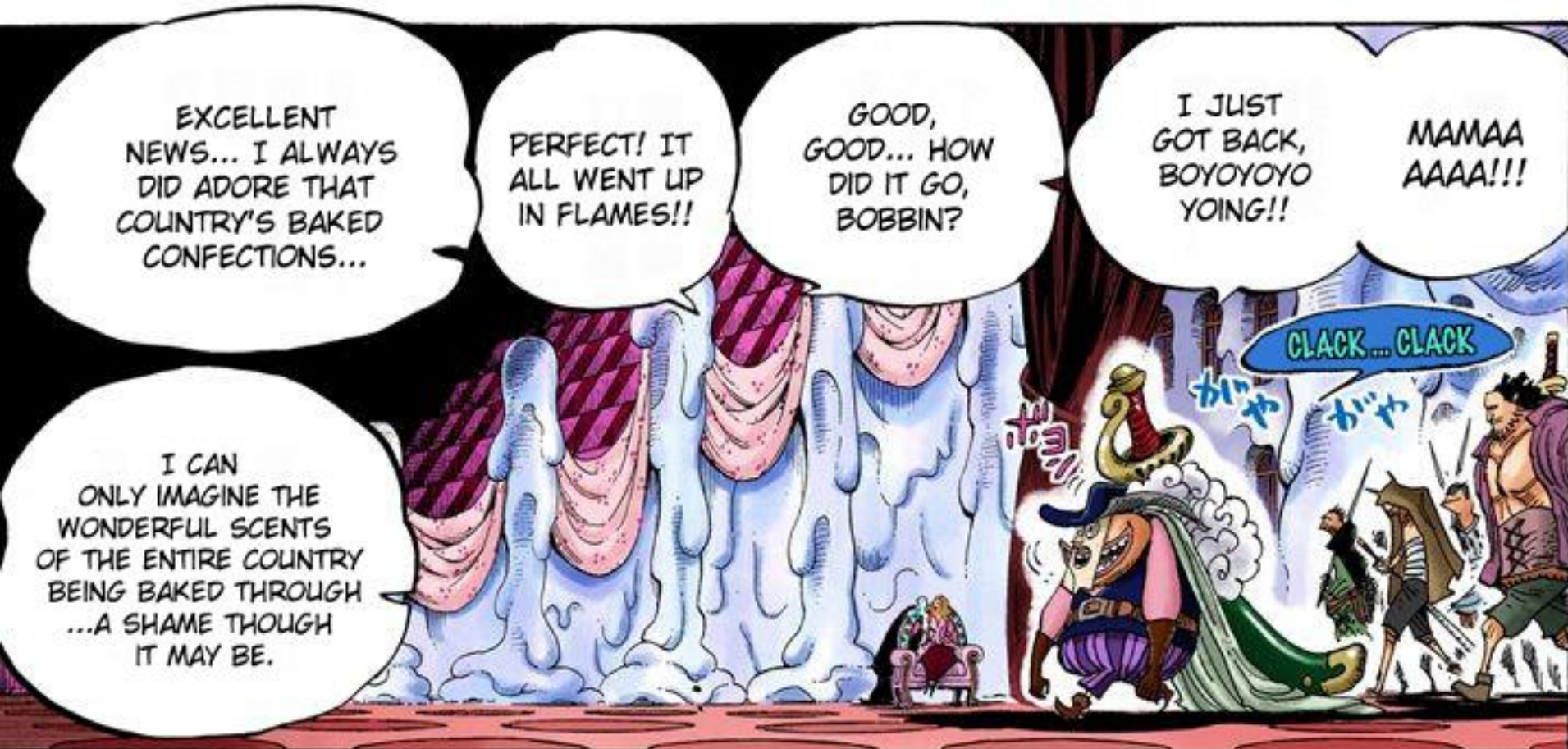
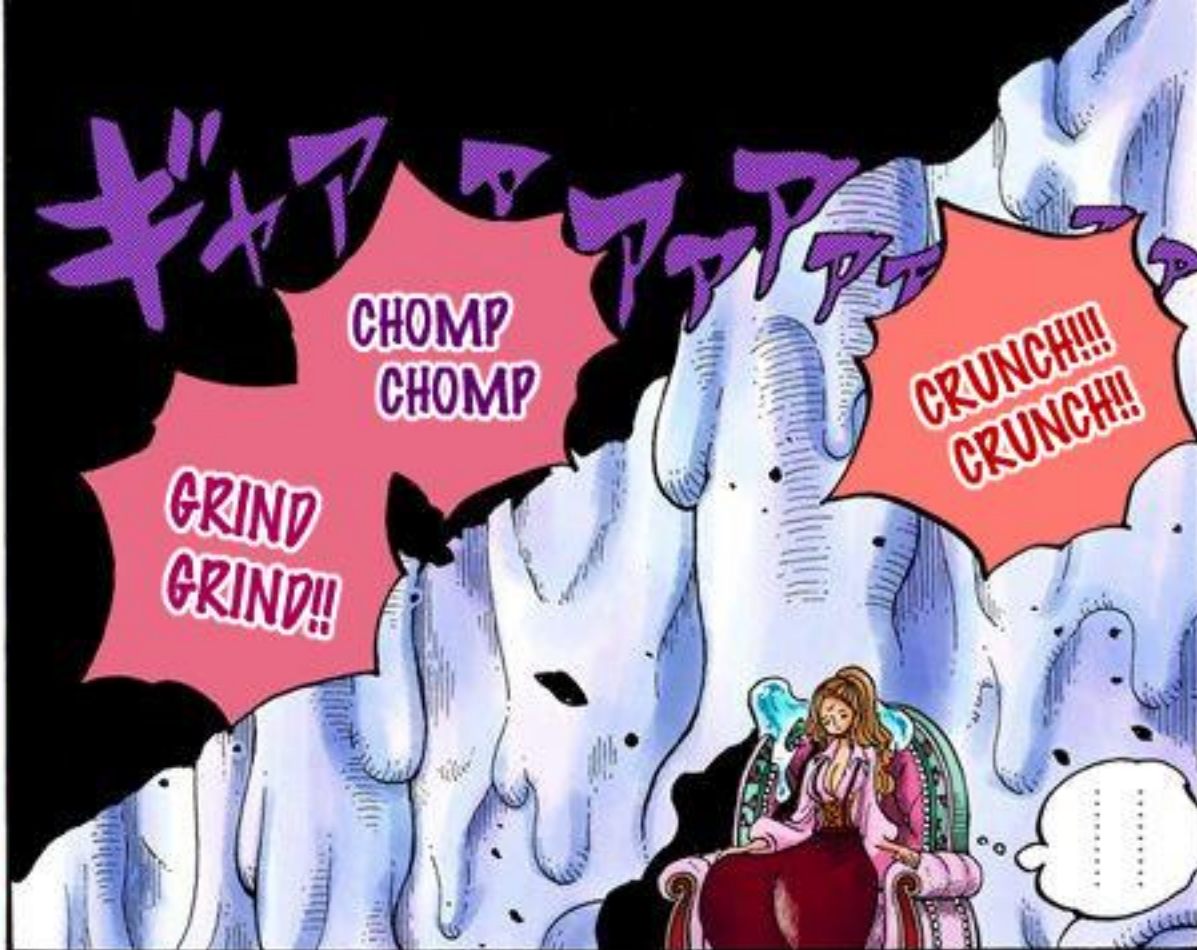
A VERY
BONJOUR TO
YOU, MY SOFT-
BOILED PIRATE
FRIENDS...

ALLOW ME
TO INTRODUCE
MYSELF. I AM
THE BARON
TAMAGO!!

BIG MOM PIRATES
Baron Tamago
FIGHTER
(LONGLEG TRIBE)









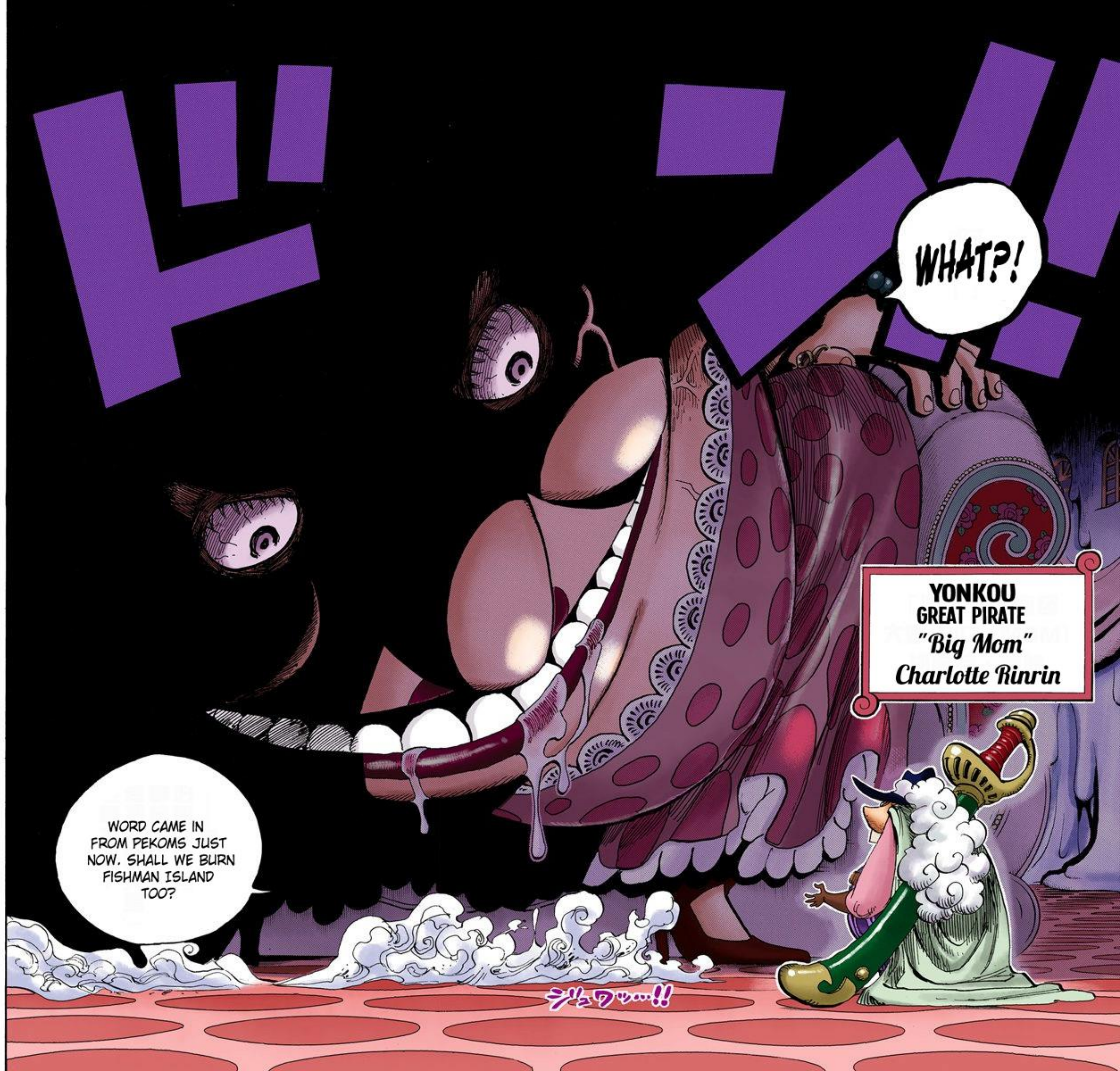
NO
SWEETS
FROM
FISHMAN
ISLAND?!!



BRING ME A
DEN-DEN MUSHI
AT ONCE!!!



WORD CAME IN
FROM PEKOMS JUST
NOW. SHALL WE BURN
FISHMAN ISLAND
TOO?



WHAT?!

YONKOU
GREAT PIRATE
"Big Mom"
Charlotte Rinrin





IT WILL TAKE
TIME TO GET
THEM BACK
IN WORKING
CONDITION...
IF YOU CAN
JUST GIVE
US TWO
WEEKS...!

BUT, BARON
TAMAGO, AS I HAVE
JUST EXPLAINED...
THE MACHINES IN THE
FACTORY THAT PRODUCE
OUR CONFECTIONS ARE
ALL BADLY DAMAGED!

AS SUCH, WE
ARE WILLING
TO WAIT UNTIL
TOMORROW
MORNING.

FISHMAN
ISLAND'S
SWEETS ARE
OUR MAMA'S
MOST BELOVED
OF ALL.

FISHMAN
ISLAND
SWEET
FACTORY

OUT OF THE
QUESTION.



BIG MOM♥

AND I
LOVE A
GUY WHO
CAN MAKE
THEM!!

I JUST
LOVE
SWEET
THINGS

A FICKLE
LADY... I SEE... THEN
WHAT HAPPENS IF THE
SWEETS DON'T GET
TO HER ON TIME?



I WILL HAVE
YOU KNOW THAT
OUR "BOSS" IS
A WOMAN, S'IL-
VOUS-PLAIT!

SHE IS MOST
CERTAINLY NOT
A "BASTARD"!



THIS BOSS OF YOURS
MUST BE A PRETTY
SMALL-MINDED BASTARD!
AND HE CALLS HIMSELF
A YONKOU...?!

HEY,
EGG-MAN!!!
WHY CAN'T
YOU JUST
GIVE THE GUY
A BREAK?!!



...WILL
COME TO
THIS ISLAND
AND DESTROY
IT ONCE AND
FOR ALL!!!

THEN OUR
ARRANGEMENT
WILL BE OVER!
THE WARRIORS
OF THE BIG MOM
PIRATES...



WHAT ARE YOU, STUPID?! YOU CAN'T DESTROY A COUNTRY OVER A FEW SWEETS!!

!!?

YOU'RE GONNA DESTROY FISHMAN ISLAND?!!

NOT RIGHT AFTER WE JUST SAVED IT ONCE!!!



THAT'LL BE HER NOW.

I SENT HER A REPORT OF THE SITUATION.

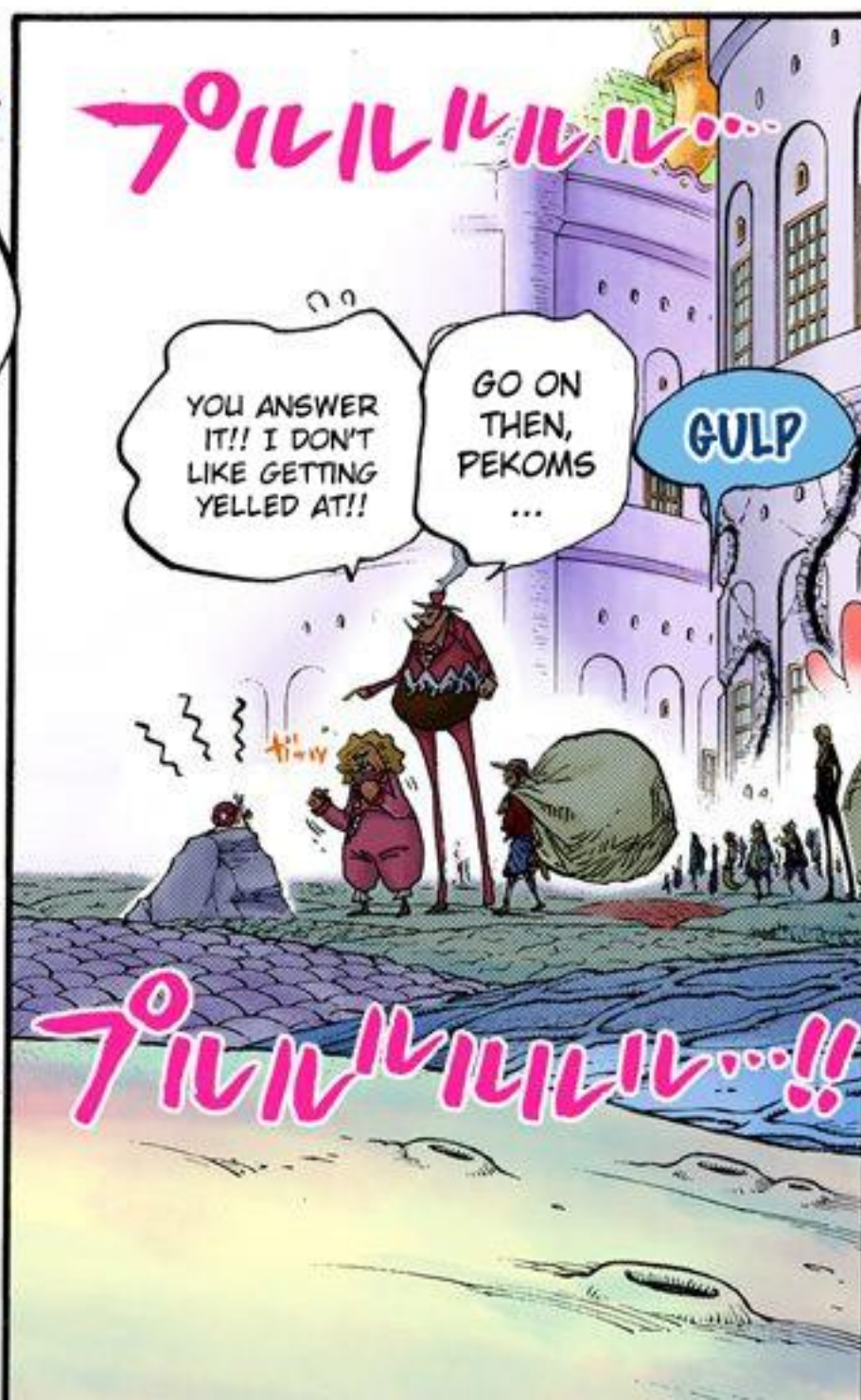


BRRR RRRING!!
BRRRRRRR
RRRRRRRR
RRRING...!!



HEY!!

HELLO?



ポルポルポルポル...

YOU ANSWER IT!! I DON'T LIKE GETTING YELLED AT!!

GO ON THEN, PEKOMS ...

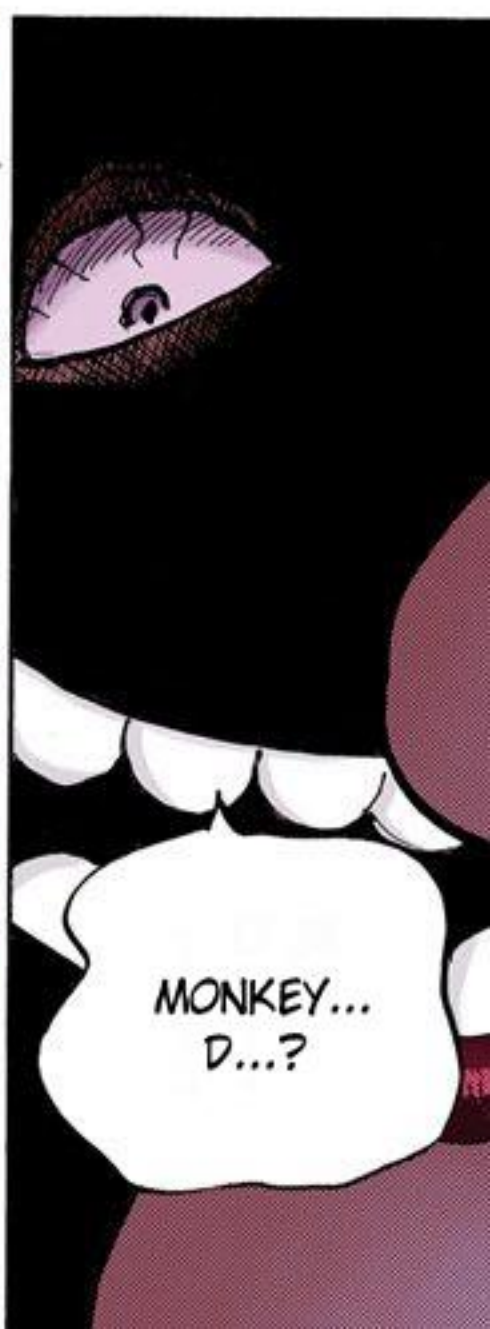
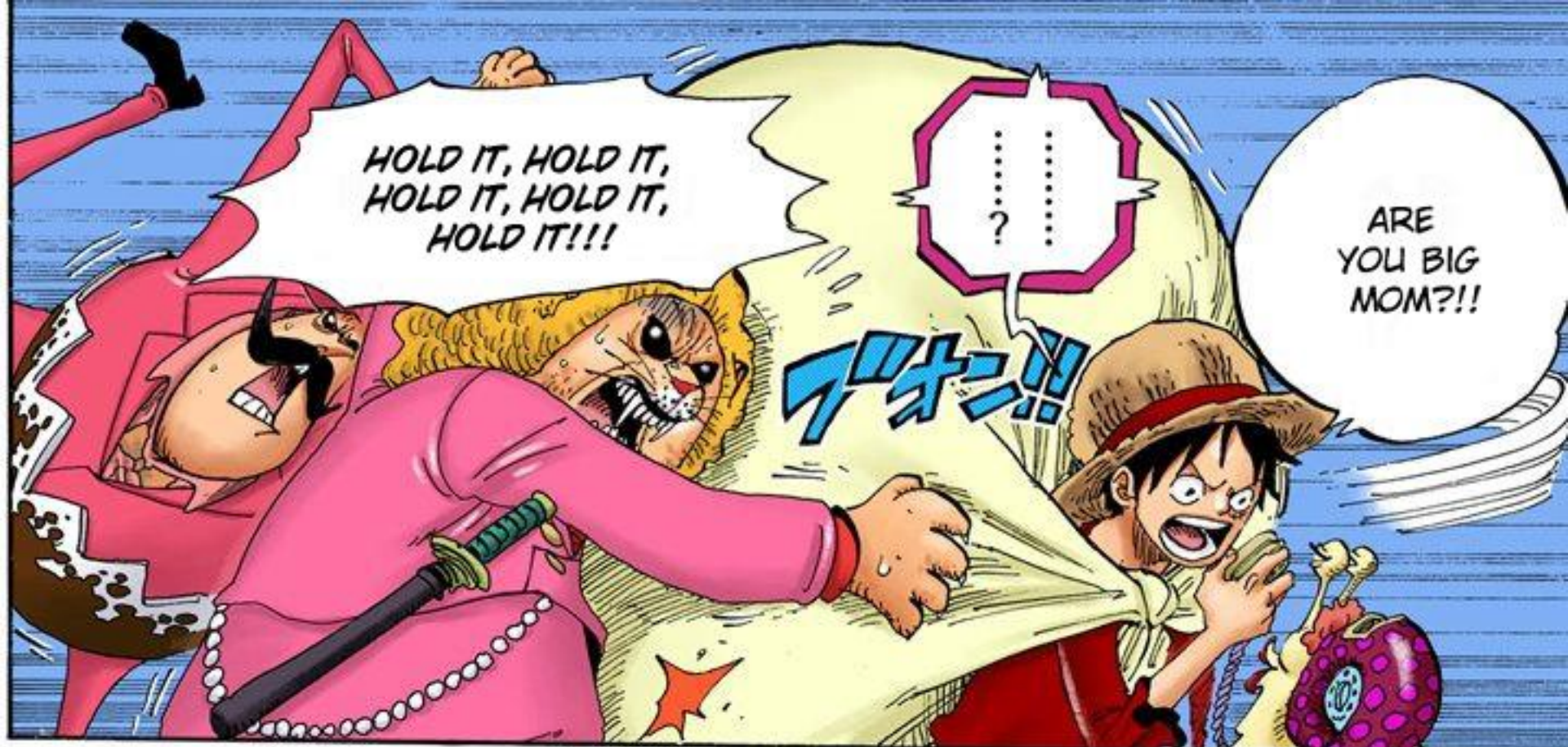
GULP

ポルポルポルポル...



A..... A CALL FROM B-BIG MOM HERSELF ...?!

ゾッ...!!





THEN
IT'S TRUE?!
THERE ARE NO
SWEETS FOR
ME?! THERE
OUGHT TO BE
TEN TONS!!

'CAUSE I
ATE THEM
ALL!!!

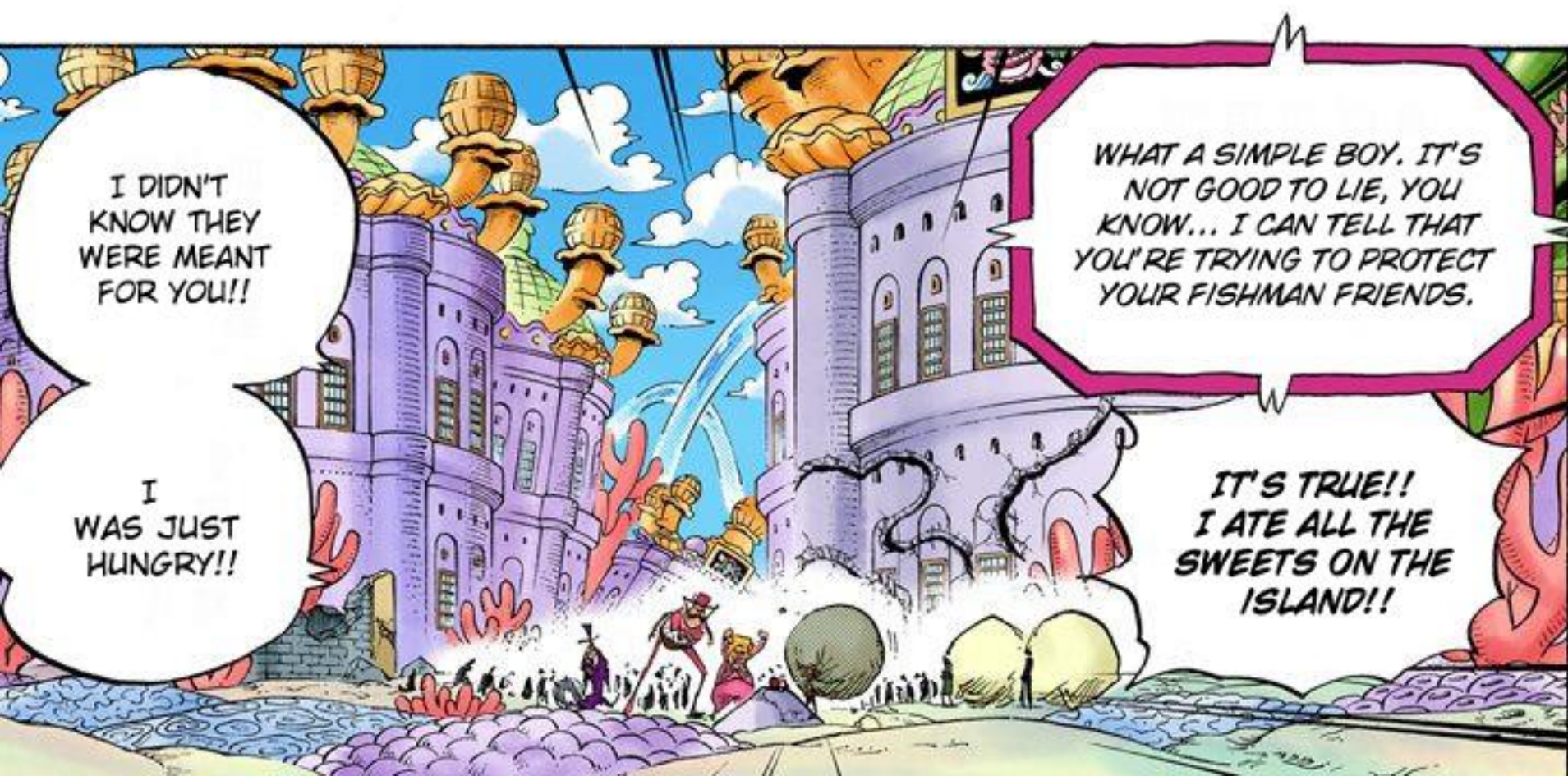
I ATE ALL
TEN TONS
OF 'EM!!!



WHAT
ARE YOU
THINKING
...?!!



STRAW HAT-
SAN...!!! YOU
DON'T HAVE
TO...!!

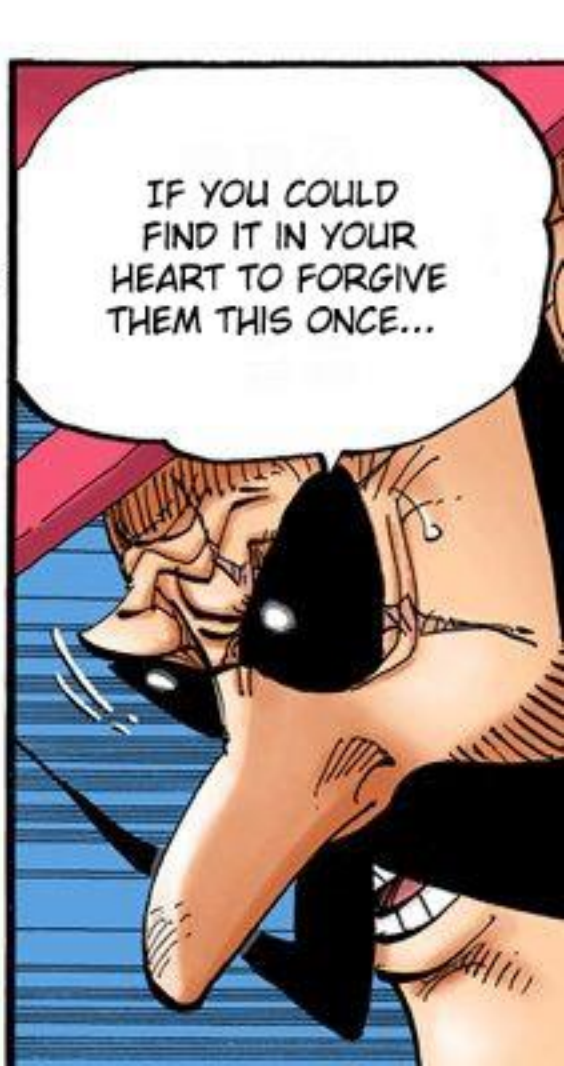
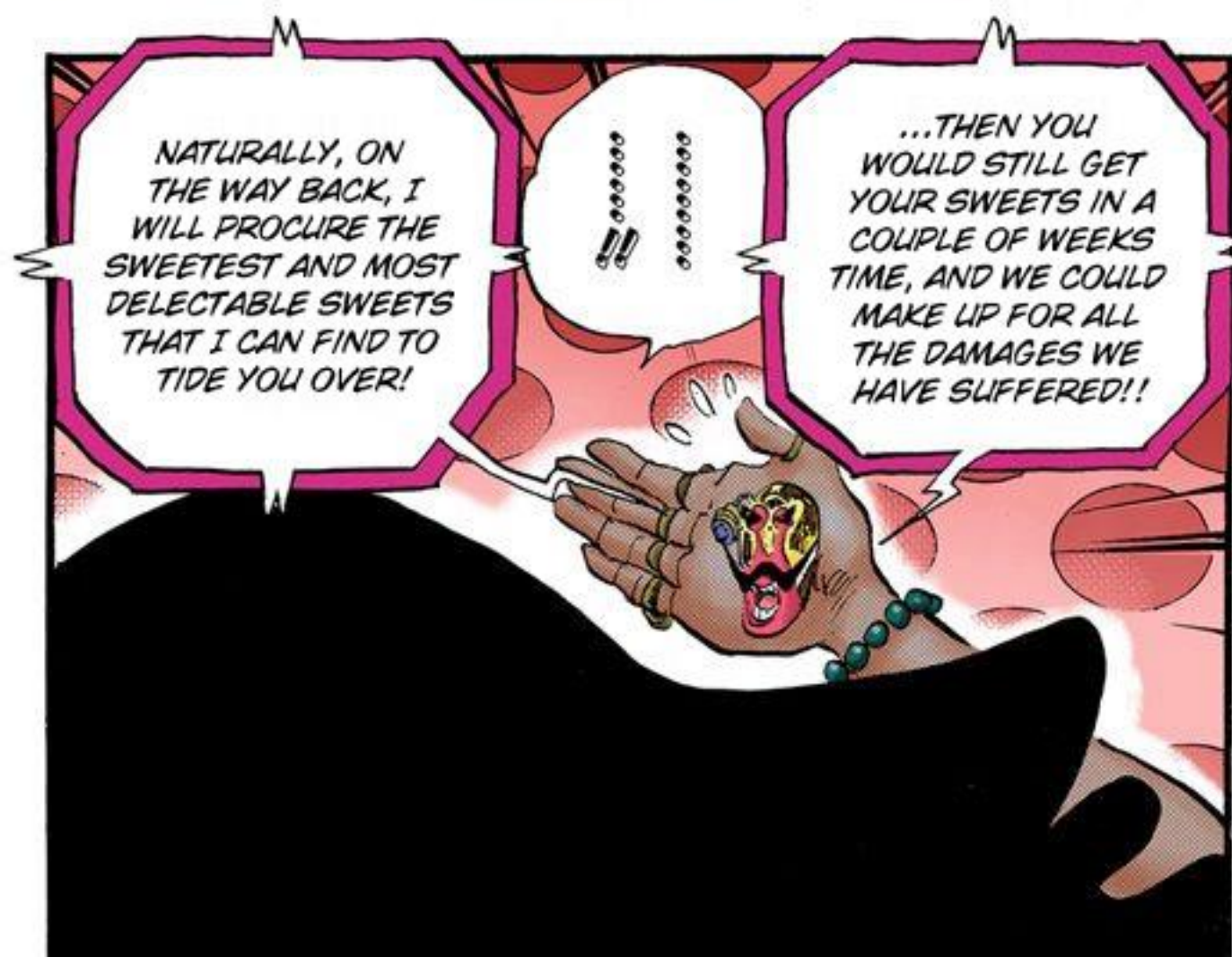


I DIDN'T
KNOW THEY
WERE MEANT
FOR YOU!!

I
WAS JUST
HUNGRY!!

WHAT A SIMPLE BOY. IT'S
NOT GOOD TO LIE, YOU
KNOW... I CAN TELL THAT
YOU'RE TRYING TO PROTECT
YOUR FISHMAN FRIENDS.

IT'S TRUE!!
I ATE ALL THE
SWEETS ON THE
ISLAND!!



SO HERE'S WHAT
I'LL DO. SINCE YOU
WANT TO PROTECT
THEM SO MUCH, I'LL
DO JUST AS YOU
WISH... AND CHANGE
MY TARGET FROM
FISHMAN ISLAND TO
YOUR LITTLE CREW!!!

ALTHOUGH...
HAHAHAH...
I DO FIND
MYSELF QUITE
INTRIGUED BY
THIS BOY WHO
DEFIES ME.

WHAT KIND OF
WORTHLESS
PIRATE WOULD
COMPROMISE ON
THE TREASURE
HE DESIRES?!!

SHUT YOUR DAMN
FACE, TAMAGO, YOU
SWINE!!! HOW DARE
YOU EVEN SUGGEST
SUCH A THING?!!

M-MY
APOLOGIES!!
PARDONNEZ-
MOI!!

I CAN'T
LEAVE THIS ISLAND
IN THE HANDS OF
SOMEONE LIKE YOU.
IT'S NOT SAFE!

SO I'M
GONNA FIND YOU
IN THE NEW WORLD,
BEAT YOU UP...

DAMN RIGHT
I WILL!! I'VE
GOT A BONE
TO PICK WITH
YOU TOO!!

MONKEY
D LUFFY...!!
I WON'T FORGET
YOUR NAME... SO
COME AND MEET
ME IN THE NEW
WORLD!!!

...AND MAKE
FISHMAN ISLAND
INTO MY OWN
TERRITORY!!!

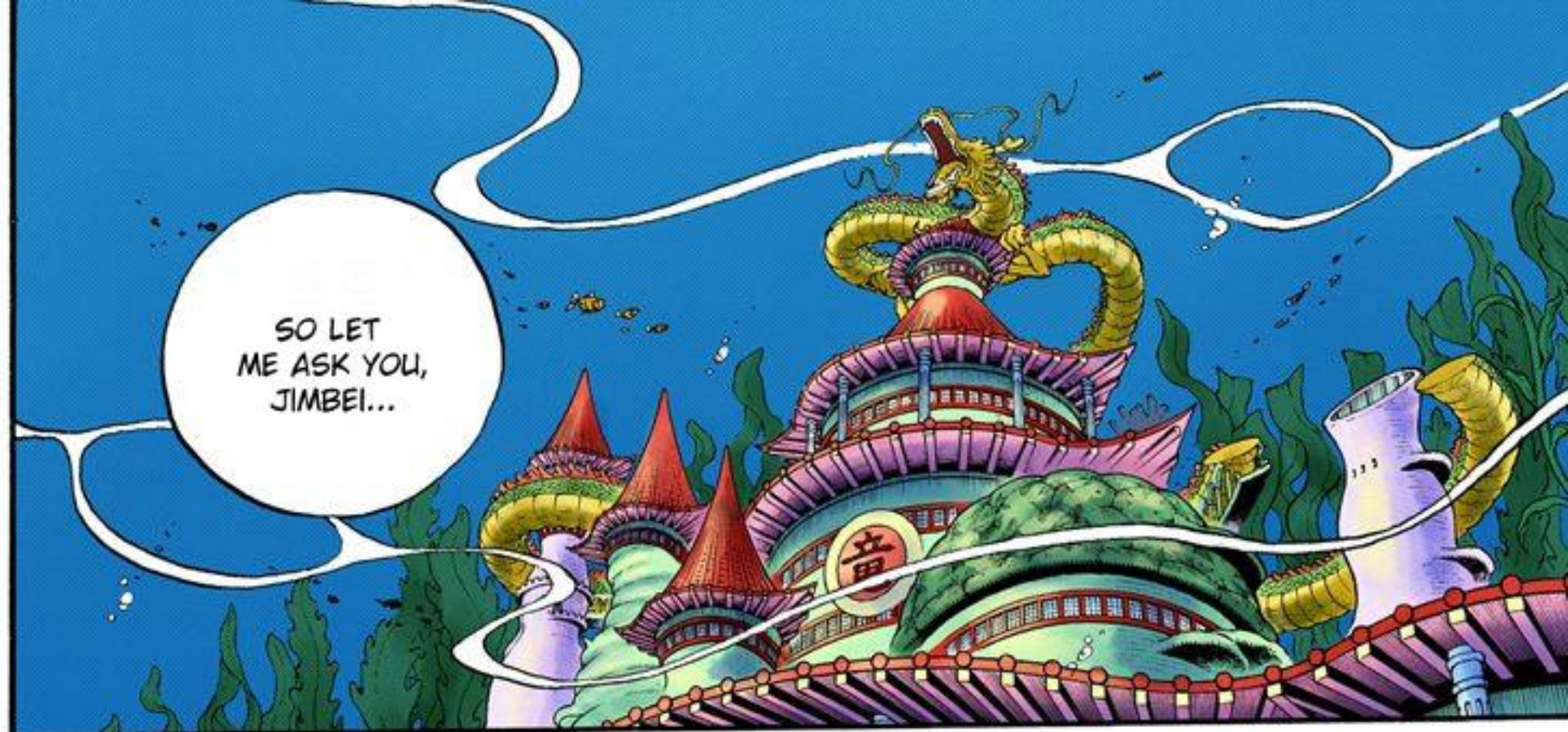
TWITCH!!

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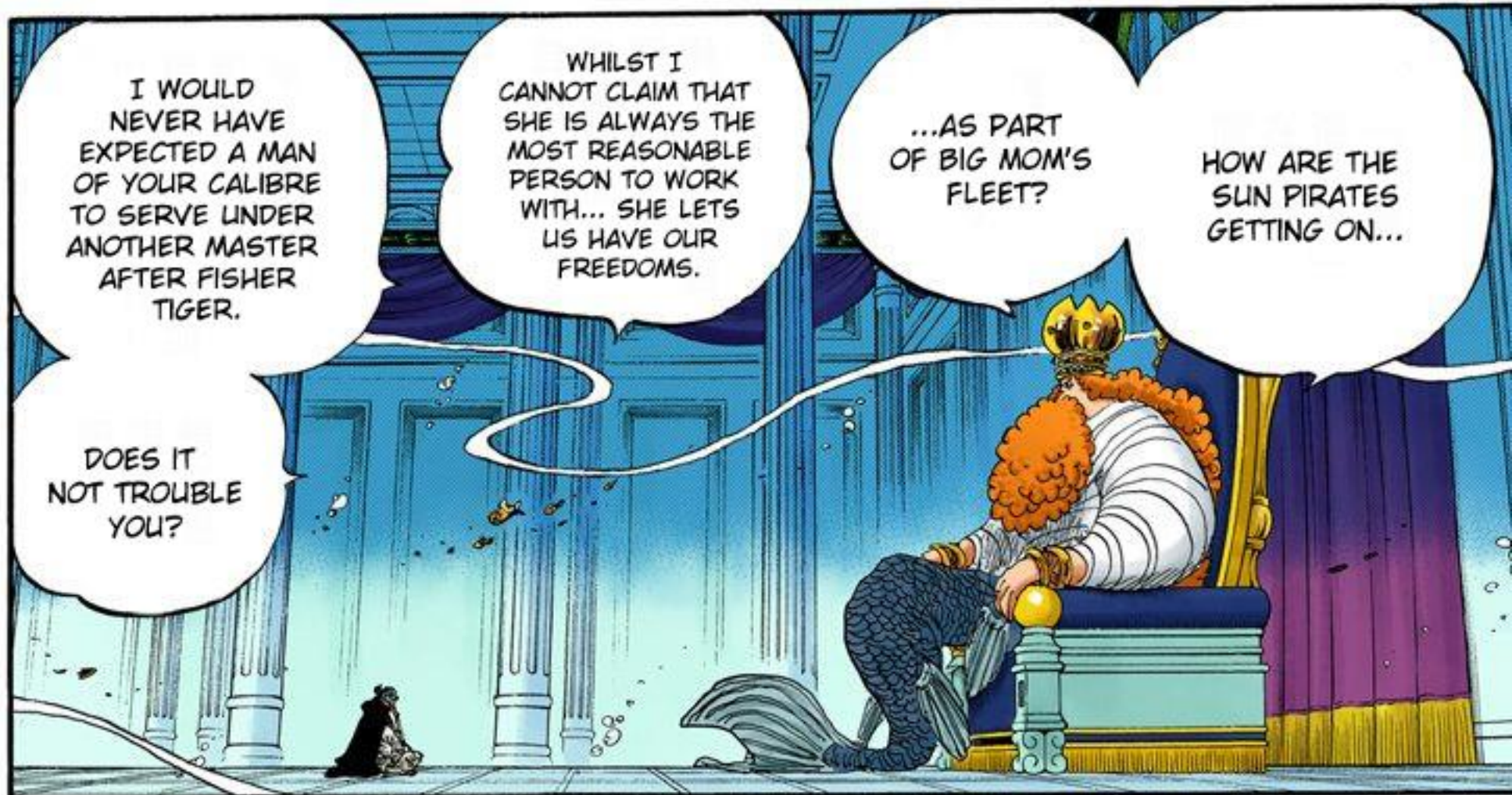
"GRIM PREMONITIONS"



FROM SHIPDECKS AROUND THE WORLD
VOL 34: SHIFT STATION - SUNDAY SPECIAL, STATIONMASTER CHIMNEY



SO LET
ME ASK YOU,
JIMBEI...



I WOULD
NEVER HAVE
EXPECTED A MAN
OF YOUR CALIBRE
TO SERVE UNDER
ANOTHER MASTER
AFTER FISHER
TIGER.

WHILST I
CANNOT CLAIM THAT
SHE IS ALWAYS THE
MOST REASONABLE
PERSON TO WORK
WITH... SHE LETS
US HAVE OUR
FREEDOMS.

...AS PART
OF BIG MOM'S
FLEET?

HOW ARE THE
SUN PIRATES
GETTING ON...

DOES IT
NOT TROUBLE
YOU?



IT WAS,
AFTER ALL, THANKS
TO YOUR CONNECTIONS
THAT OUR ISLAND WAS
ABLE TO OBTAIN THE
PROTECTION OF BIG
MOM'S NAME...

TRULY? I
CANNOT HELP BUT
THINK YOU DO IT
FOR FISHMAN
ISLAND'S SAKE
...

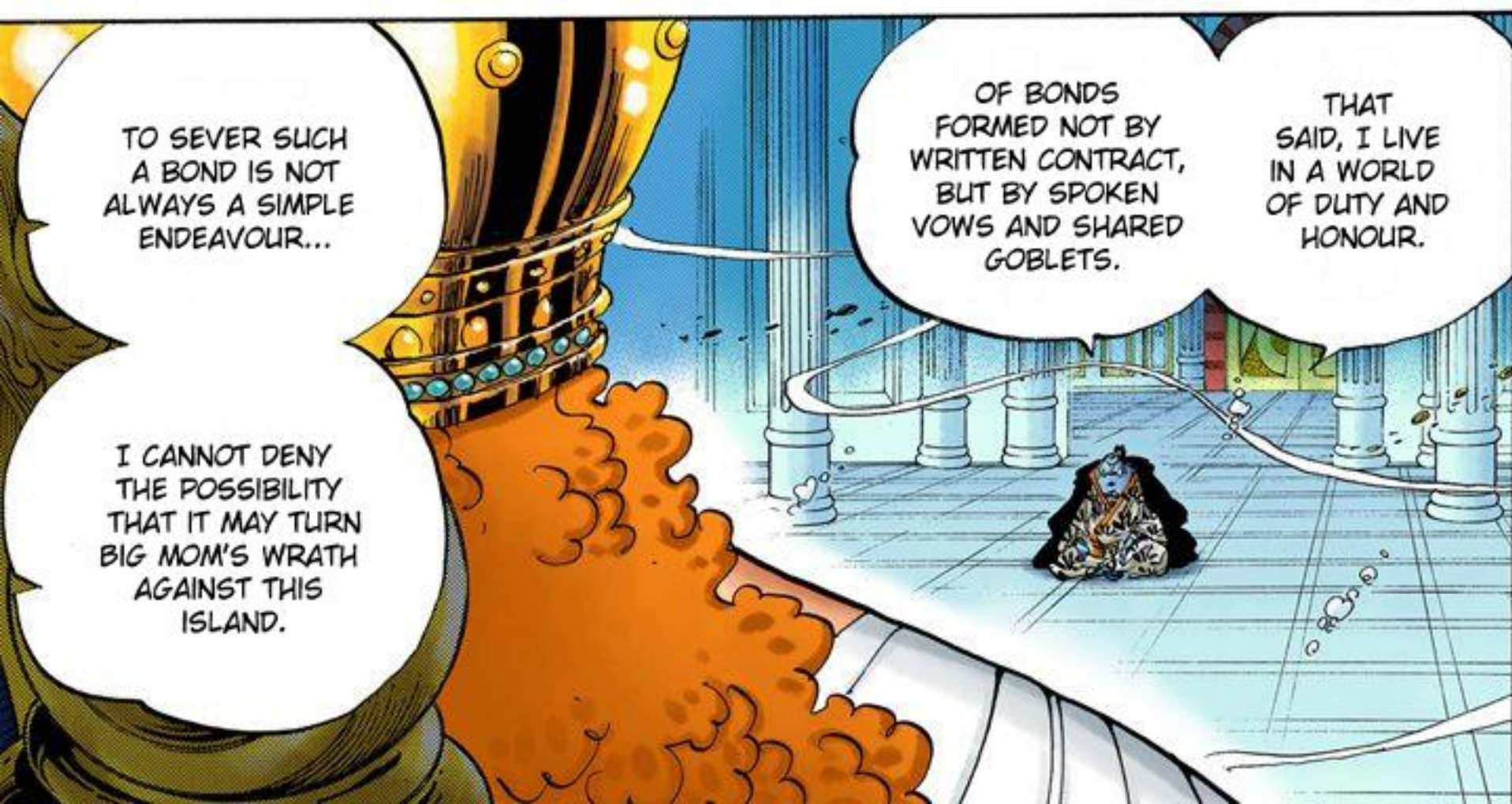
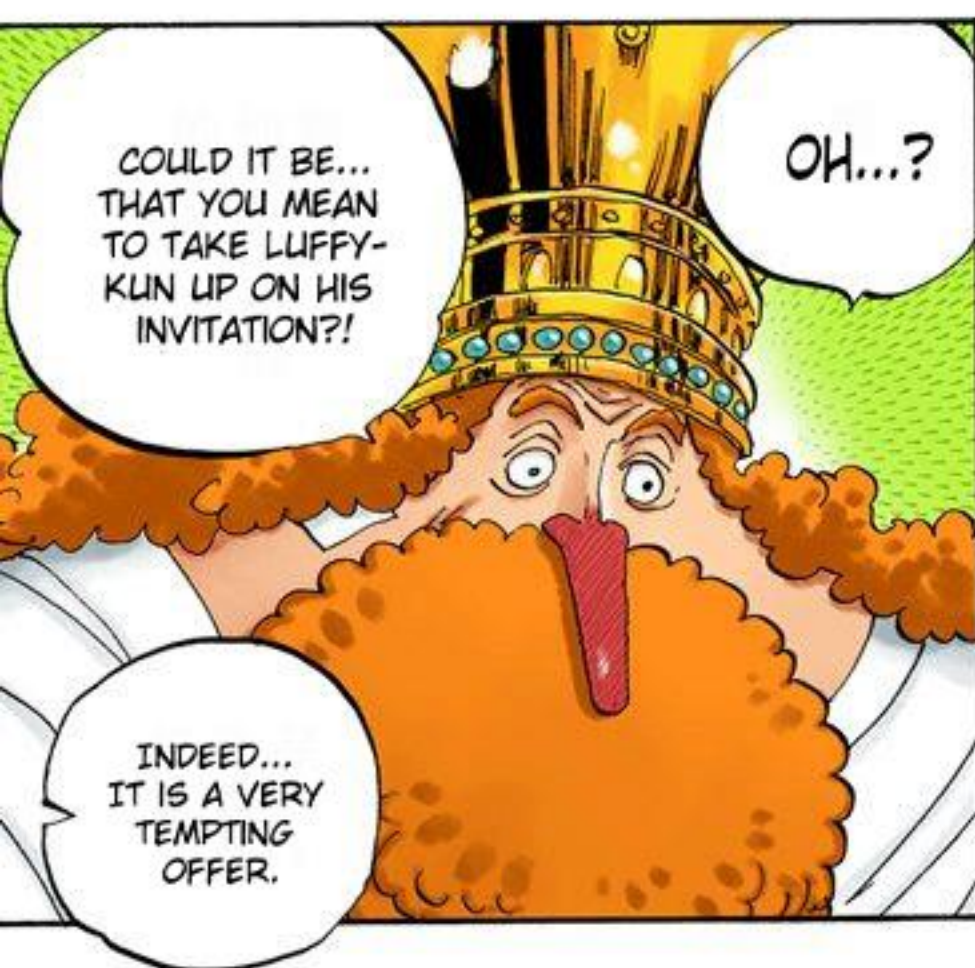
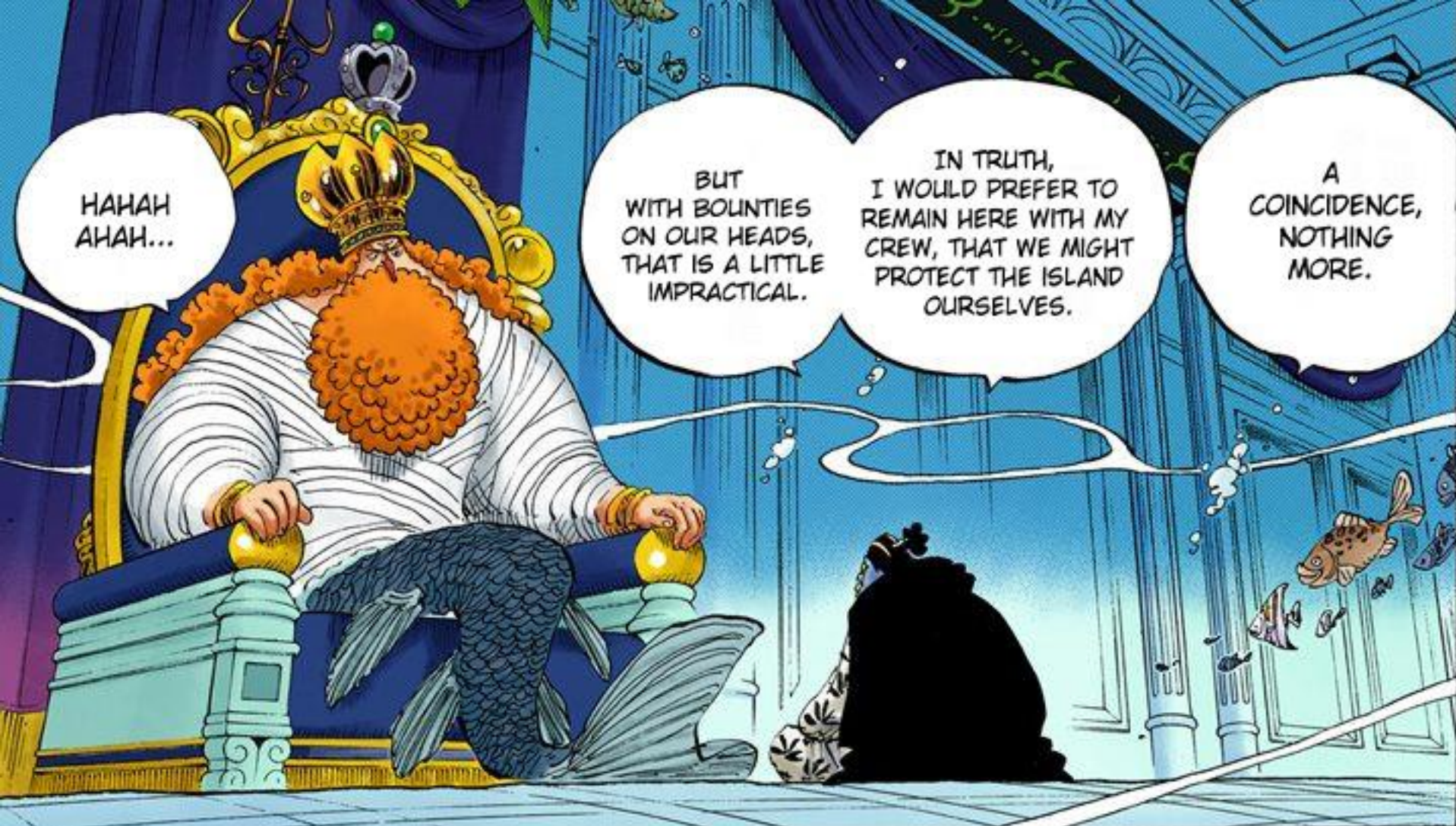
...AND THUS
REMAIN SAFE
EVEN AFTER
WHITEBEARD'S
DEMISE.



IN THE
NEW WORLD,
AFFILIATING
ONESELF WITH
ONE OF THE
FOUR YONKOU
...

NOT AT ALL. I
HAVE NO GRAND
ASPIRATIONS
TO ABSOLUTE
LEADERSHIP.

...IS
SIMPLY THE
MOST SENSIBLE
WAY TO ENSURE
THE SAFETY
OF ONE'S
COMRADES.



IF SUCH A
SITUATION ARISES,
THEN WE WILL SEEK
OUT A SOLUTION
OURSELVES.

.....



YOU
ALWAYS TRY TO
TAKE TOO MUCH
RESPONSIBILITY
UPON YOUR OWN
SHOULDERS.

JINBE.

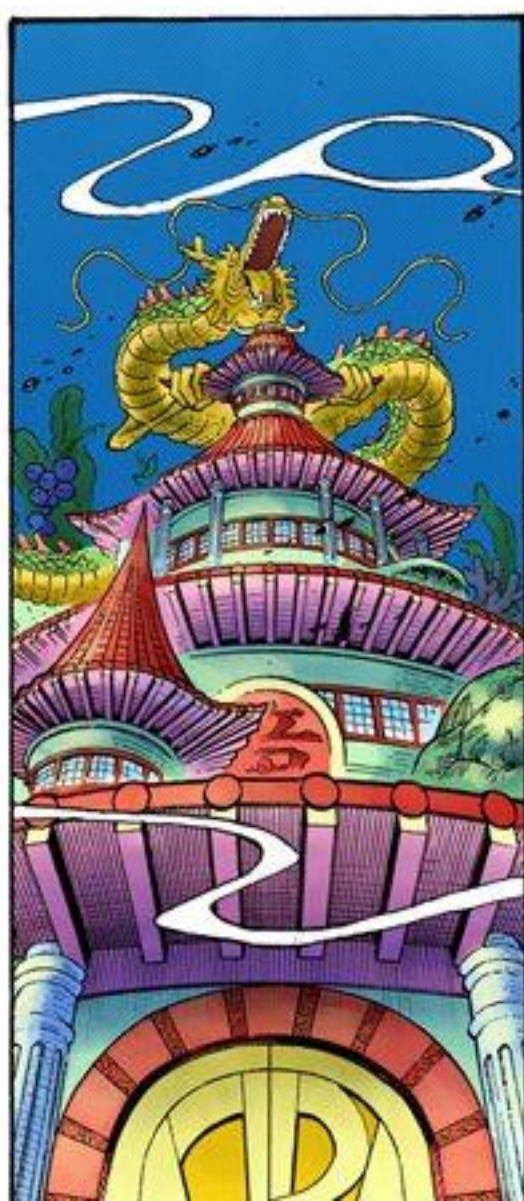
BESIDES WHICH,
IF THIS ISLAND
EVER WERE TO LOSE
THE PROTECTION OF
BIG MOM'S FLAG...

...THERE IS
ANOTHER FLAG
I WOULD VERY
MUCH LIKE TO
BORROW.

?

WHY, ONLY
TODAY THIS LAND
HAS COME INTO
POSSESSION...

...OF A
70,000-MAN
STRONG FORCE
OF POWERFUL,
IF ROWDY,
FIGHTERS FROM
THE FISHMAN
DISTRICT.

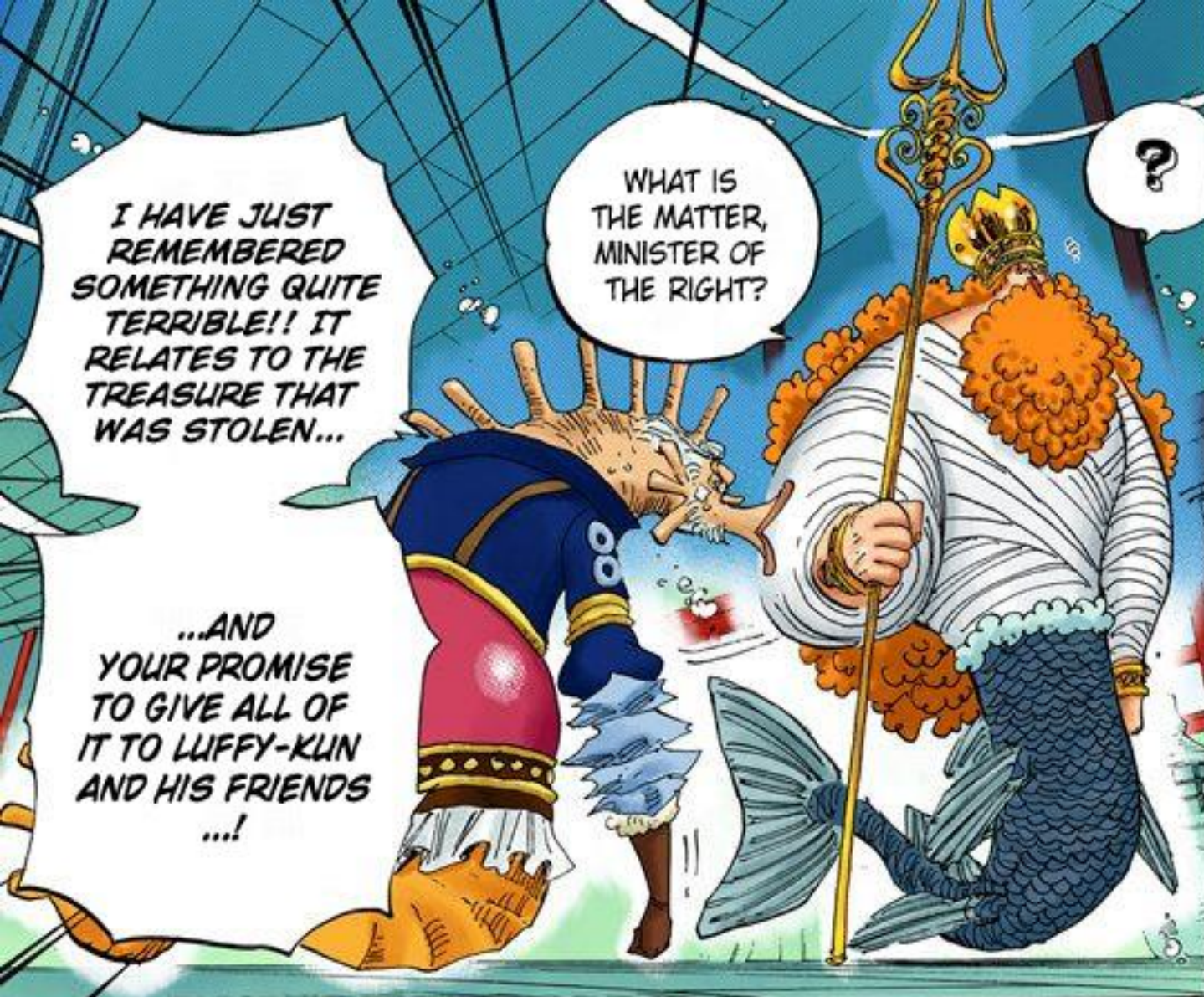


INDEED, THAT
WOULD BE
A FINE FLAG
TO FLY...!!

WAHA
AHAA!
I SEE!

THE
JOLLY ROGER
THAT WEARS A
STRAW HAT!!





I HAVE JUST REMEMBERED SOMETHING QUITE TERRIBLE!! IT RELATES TO THE TREASURE THAT WAS STOLEN...

WHAT IS THE MATTER, MINISTER OF THE RIGHT?

...AND YOUR PROMISE TO GIVE ALL OF IT TO LUFFY-KUN AND HIS FRIENDS ...!

YOUR MAJESTY!!

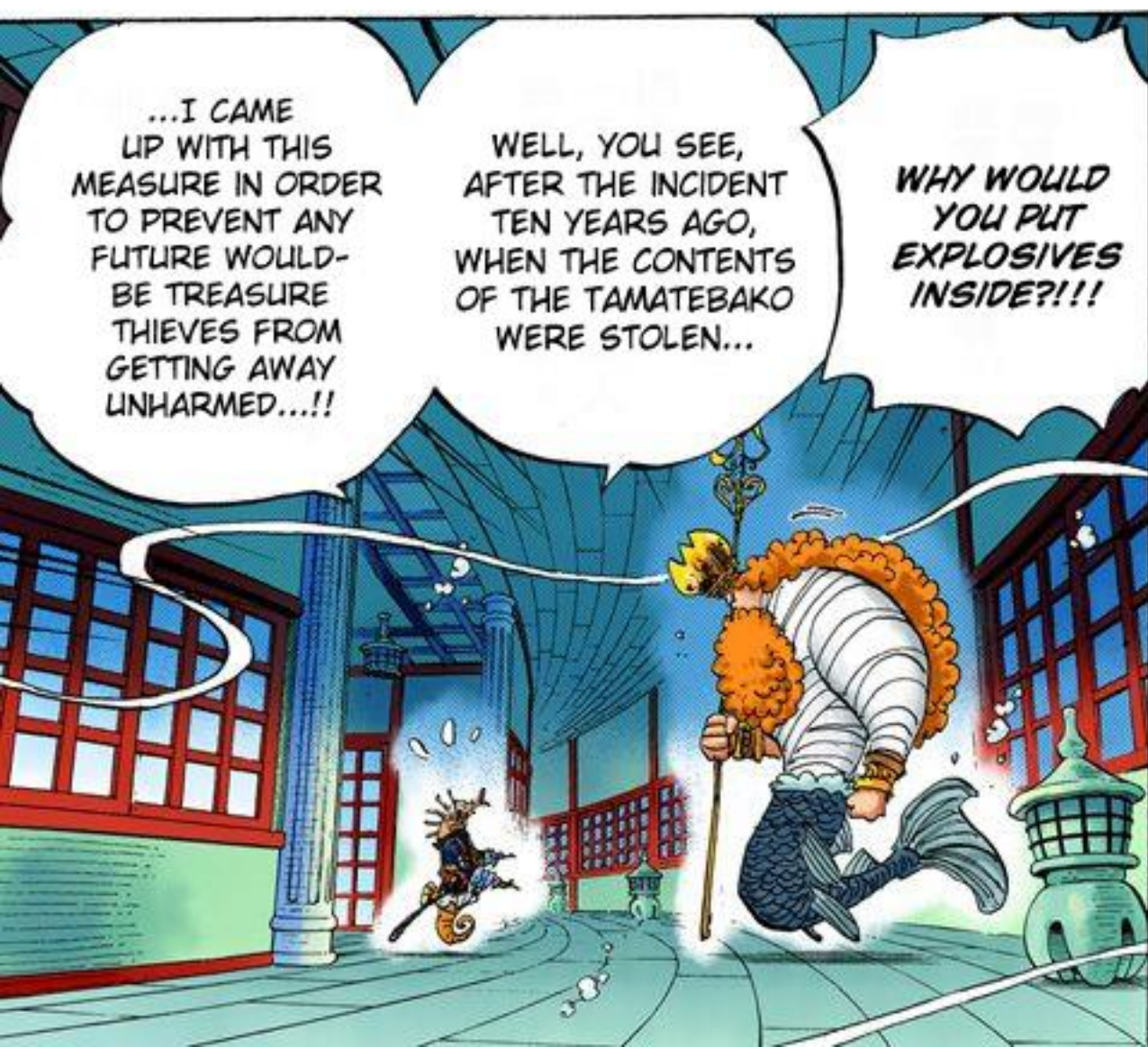


WHAT NONSENSE IS THIS?! THE PROMISE HAS ALREADY BEEN MADE!! I HAVE NO RIGHT TO DEMAND THE TREASURE'S RETURN!!!



IF THEY DO SUCCEED IN RECOVERING IT, I MUST ASK THAT YOU INSTRUCT THEM...

...TO RETURN THE TAMATEBAKO ALONE TO US!



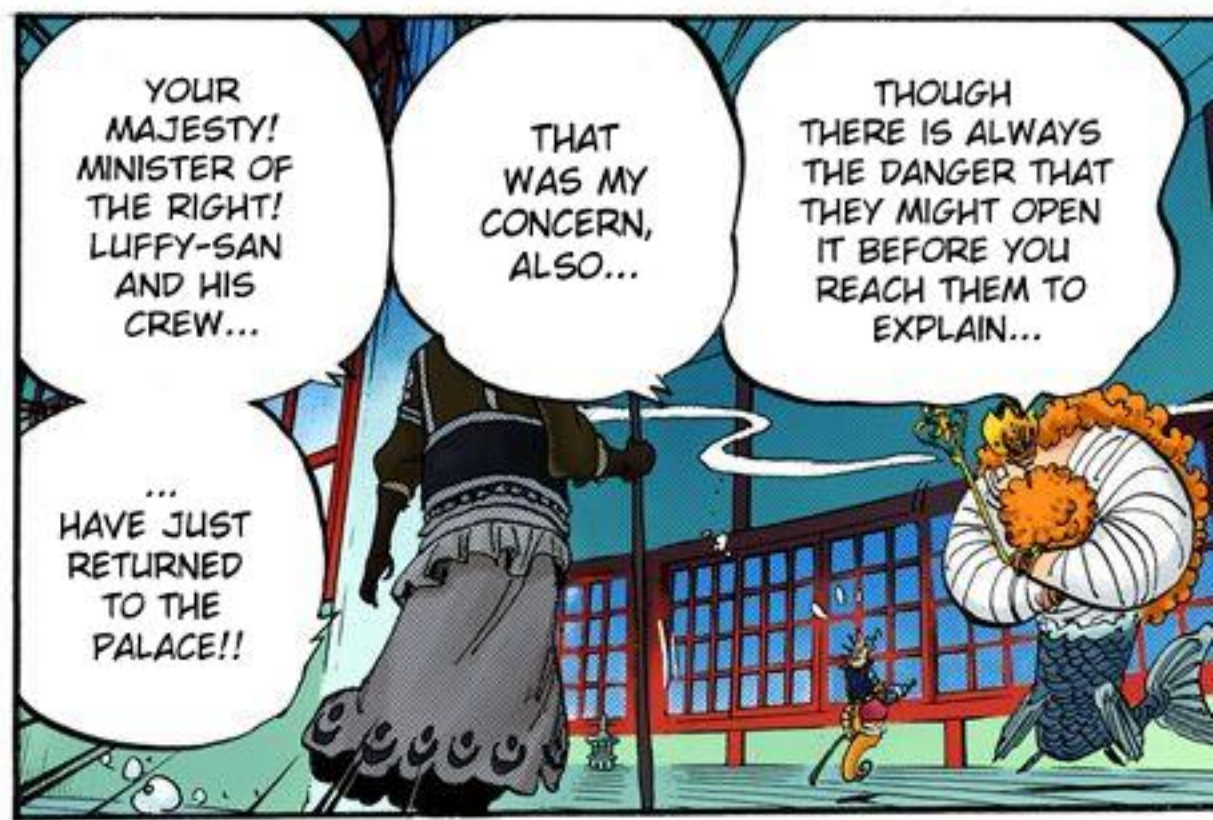
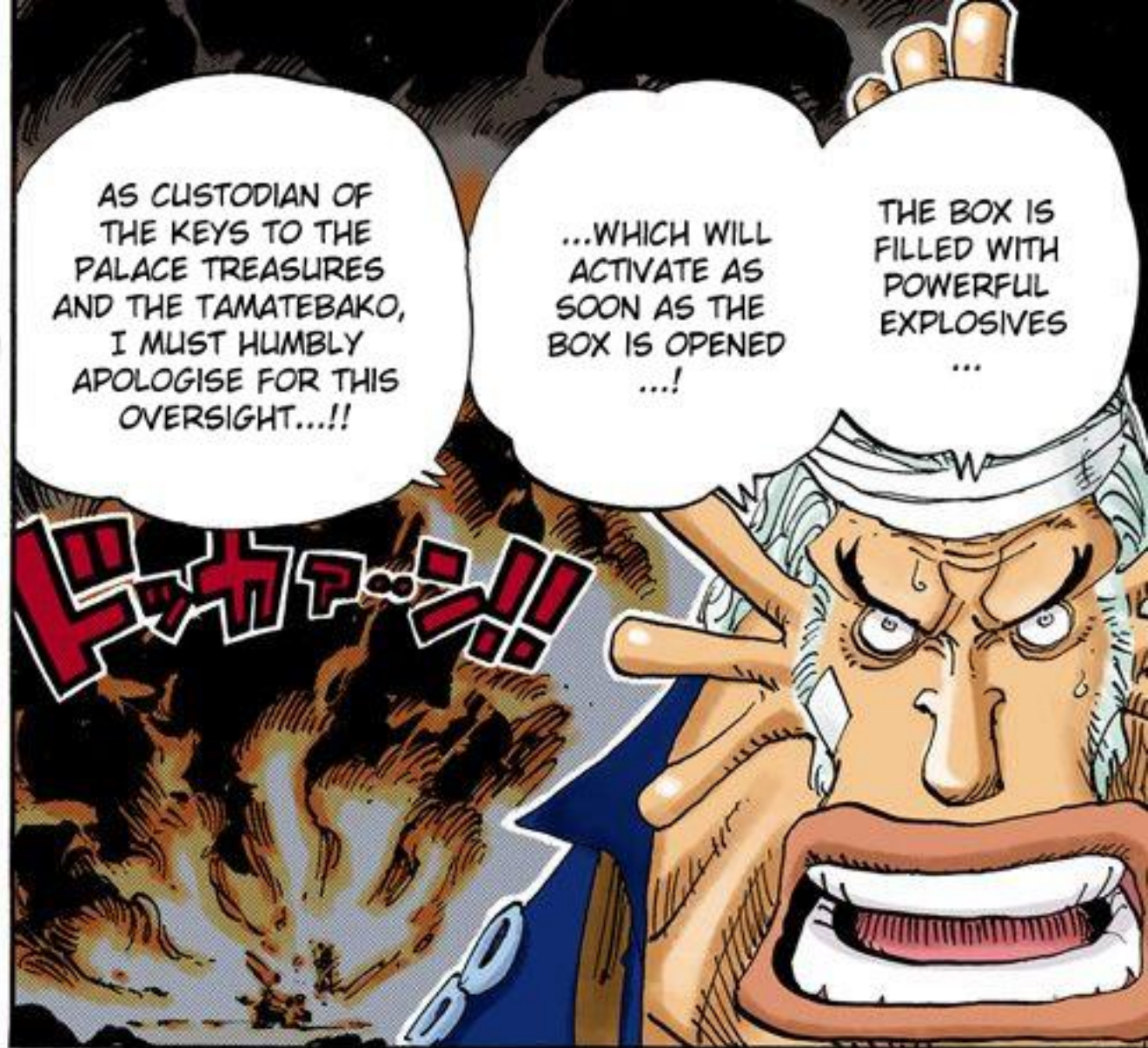
...I CAME UP WITH THIS MEASURE IN ORDER TO PREVENT ANY FUTURE WOULD-BE TREASURE THIEVES FROM GETTING AWAY UNHARMED....!!

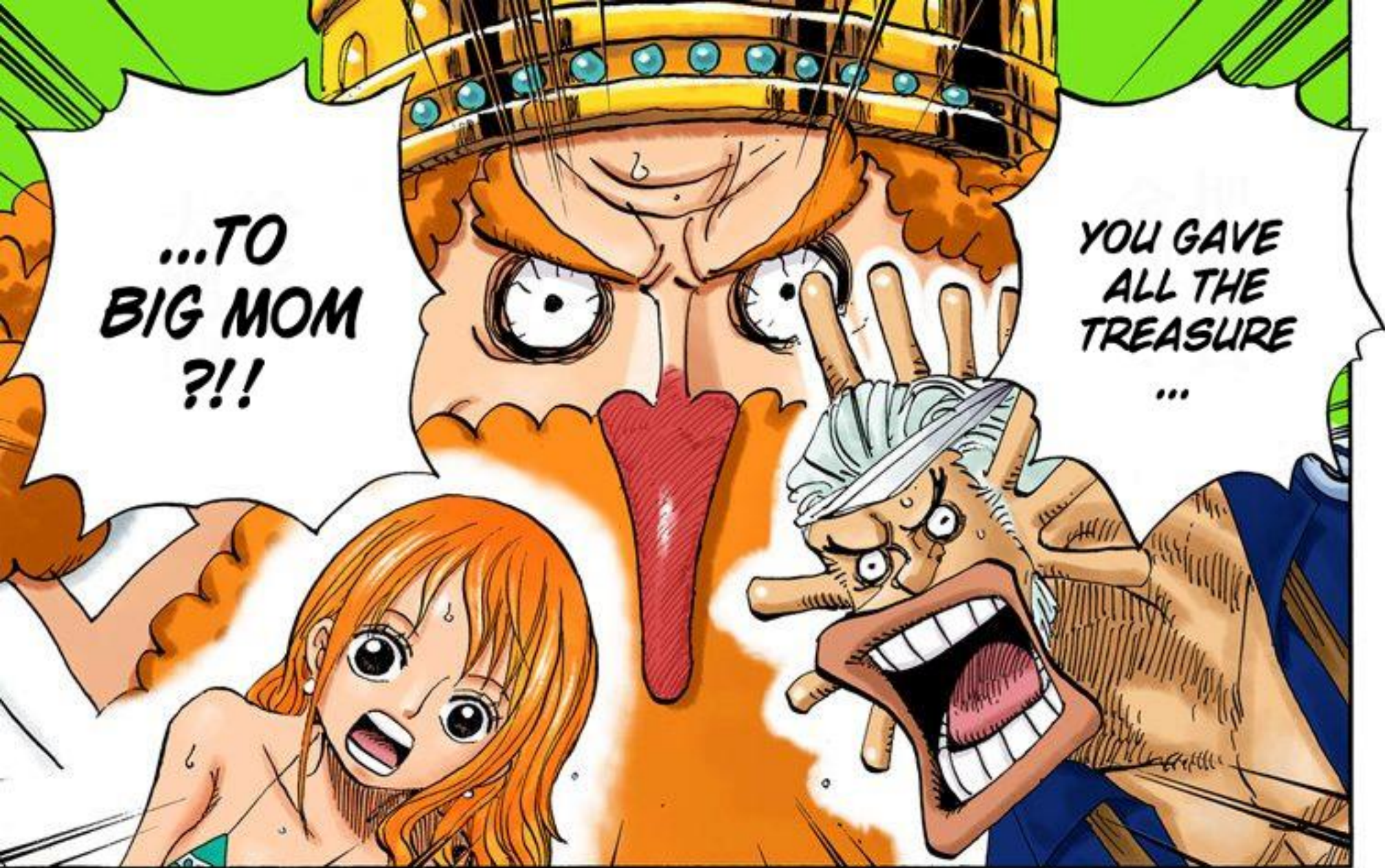
WELL, YOU SEE, AFTER THE INCIDENT TEN YEARS AGO, WHEN THE CONTENTS OF THE TAMATEBAKO WERE STOLEN...

WHY WOULD YOU PUT EXPLOSIVES INSIDE?!!!



WHAT?! THE BOX WILL EXPLODE IF OPENED?!!





...TO
BIG MOM
?!!

YOU GAVE
ALL THE
TREASURE
...



WITH A
YONKOU?!!



WELL, SHE WAS GOING
ON ABOUT DESTROYING
FISHMAN ISLAND JUST
'CAUSE THERE WASN'T
ANY SWEETS LEFT!
STUPID, RIGHT?!

I MEAN, IF IT WAS
MEAT, THEN OKAY, BUT
OVER SWEETS?! ANYWAY,
DON'T WORRY!! I'VE GONE
AND PICKED A FIGHT WITH
HER NOW!!!



THAT'S
NOT THE
ISSUE
HERE!!

OH, MY!
YOU CERTAINLY
ARE A STRONG
MAN, LUFFY-
SAMA!



YOU
PICKED
A FIGHT
WITH BIG
MOM?!!

THAT...
COULD BE
AN ISSUE
...!!



LIKE HELL
WE WOULD!!
SHE'S A
YONKOU!!
SHE COULD
WIPE US OUT
IN SECONDS
!!!

AT ANY RATE, SEE
TO IT THAT YOUR
CREW DOES NOTHING
TO PROVOKE BIG MOM
FURTHER FOR THE
TIME BEING!



OF ALL THE
OUTRAGEOUS... I
FEAR I MAY HAVE
TO SEVER MY TIES TO
BIG MOM QUICKLY,
BEFORE THINGS
BECOME MORE
AWKWARD...

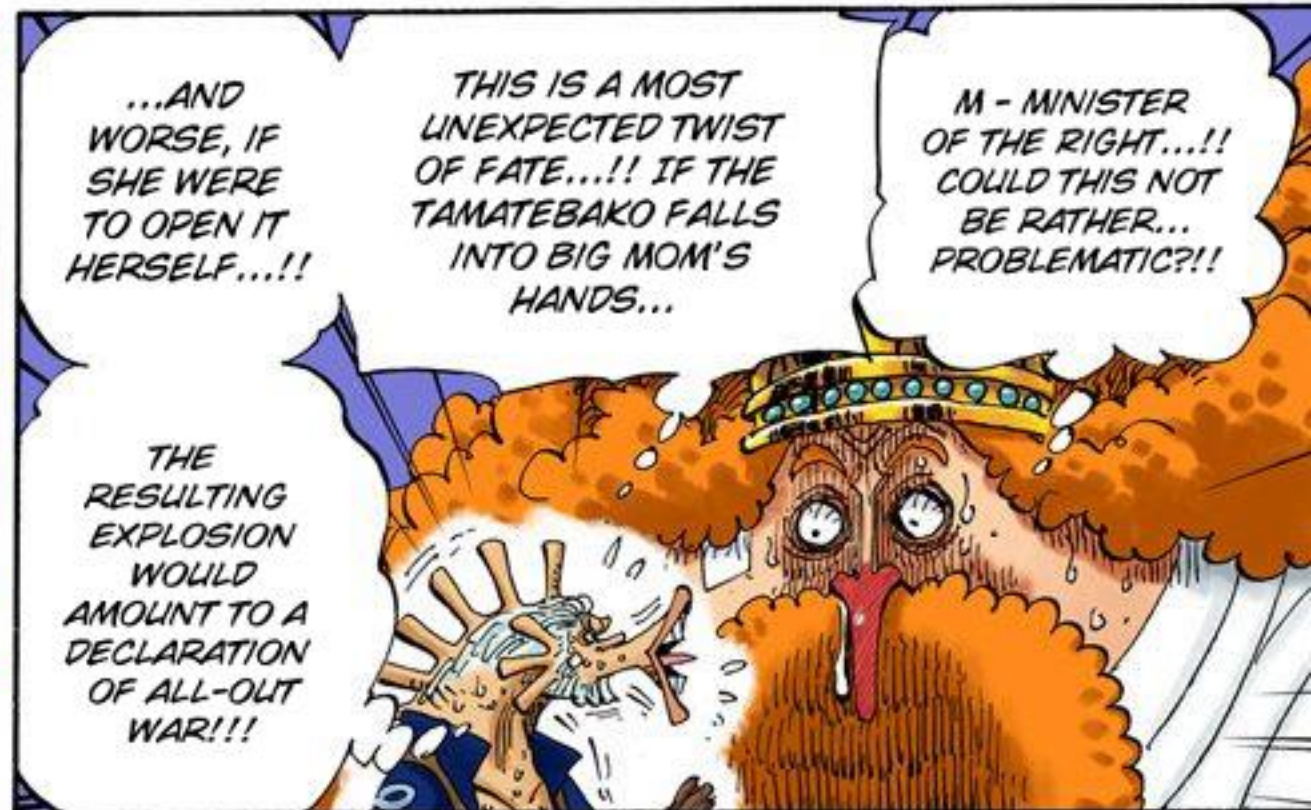
MY
NAME'S
USOPP!
AND I'M
SORRY!

UWAAAAAH
H!! YOU'RE
TOO SCARY,
NOSEPP-
SAMA!!



NOW, LUFFY, I UNDERSTAND
THAT YOU HAD TO PICK A
FIGHT WITH HER UNDER THE
CIRCUMSTANCES. YOU ARE
A MAN, AFTER ALL.

THAT'S RIGHT!!
I DON'T CARE
WHO SHE IS -

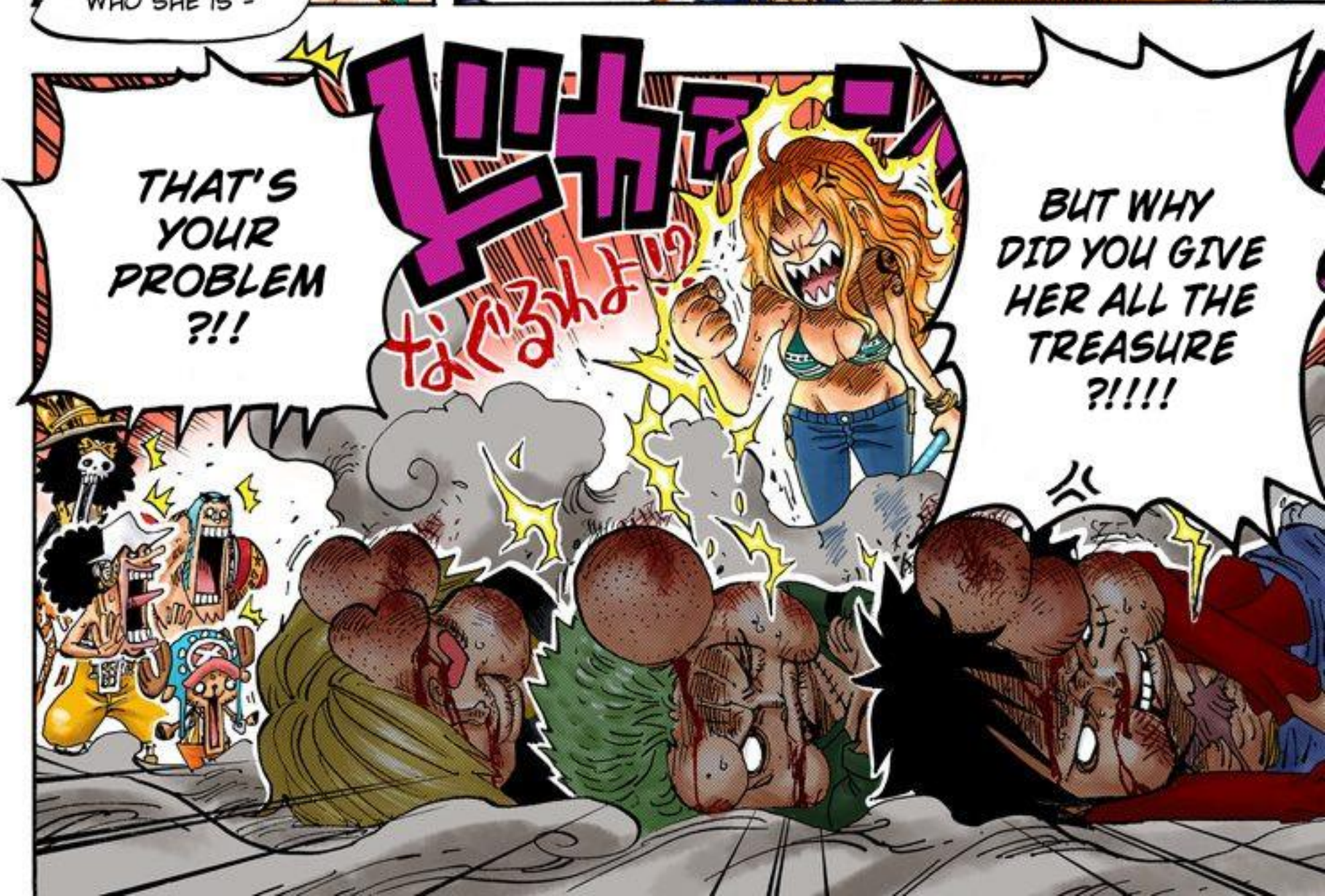


...AND
WORSE, IF
SHE WERE
TO OPEN IT
HERSELF...!!

THIS IS A MOST
UNEXPECTED TWIST
OF FATE...!! IF THE
TAMATEBAKO FALLS
INTO BIG MOM'S
HANDS...

M - MINISTER
OF THE RIGHT...!!
COULD THIS NOT
BE RATHER...
PROBLEMATIC?!!

THE
RESULTING
EXPLOSION
WOULD
AMOUNT TO A
DECLARATION
OF ALL-OUT
WAR!!!



THAT'S
YOUR
PROBLEM
?!!

BUT WHY
DID YOU GIVE
HER ALL THE
TREASURE
?!!!!



WE'RE
TOTALLY
DOOMED
!!!

C'MON
GUYS...
LET'S GO
TO DA NEW
WORLD...



I GOTTA
TAKE THAT
MOUNTAIN OF
TREASURE AND
THE MERMAID
PRINCESS'
SECRET OUTTA
HERE WITH ME!!
IF I DO, "THAT
PERSON" WILL
TAKE A SHINE
TO ME FOR
SURE!!

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DAMMITALL! I
WAKE UP AND
WHAT DO I FIND?!
ALL THAT TREASURE,
GONE WITHOUT A
TRACE!!!

WHO THE HELL
TOOK IT?! I'LL RIP '
EM TO PIECES, YOU
BETTER BELIEVE
IT!!!

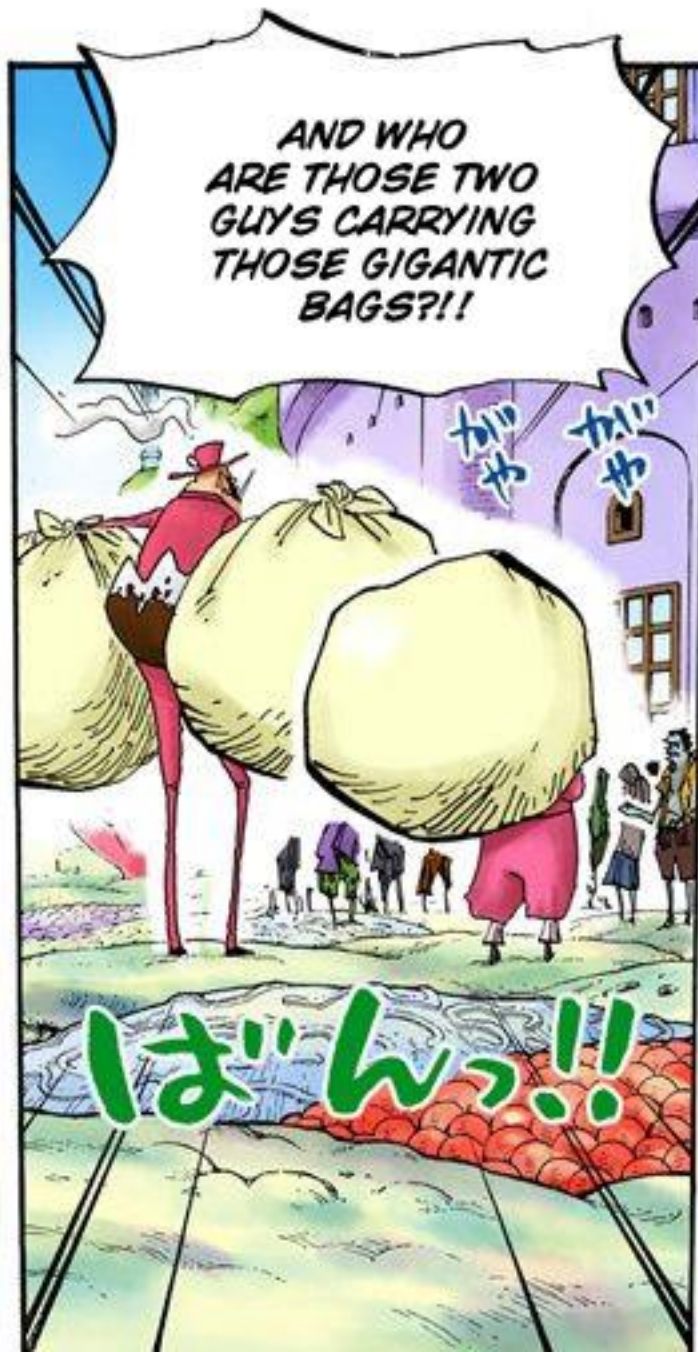


NEAR THE
SWEET
FACTORY



THAT'S MY
TREASURE!!!
IT'S GOTTA BE!!!
WHO THE HELL DO
THEY THINK THEY
AREEEEE?!!

I'LL
BURY 'EM
ALIVE!!!



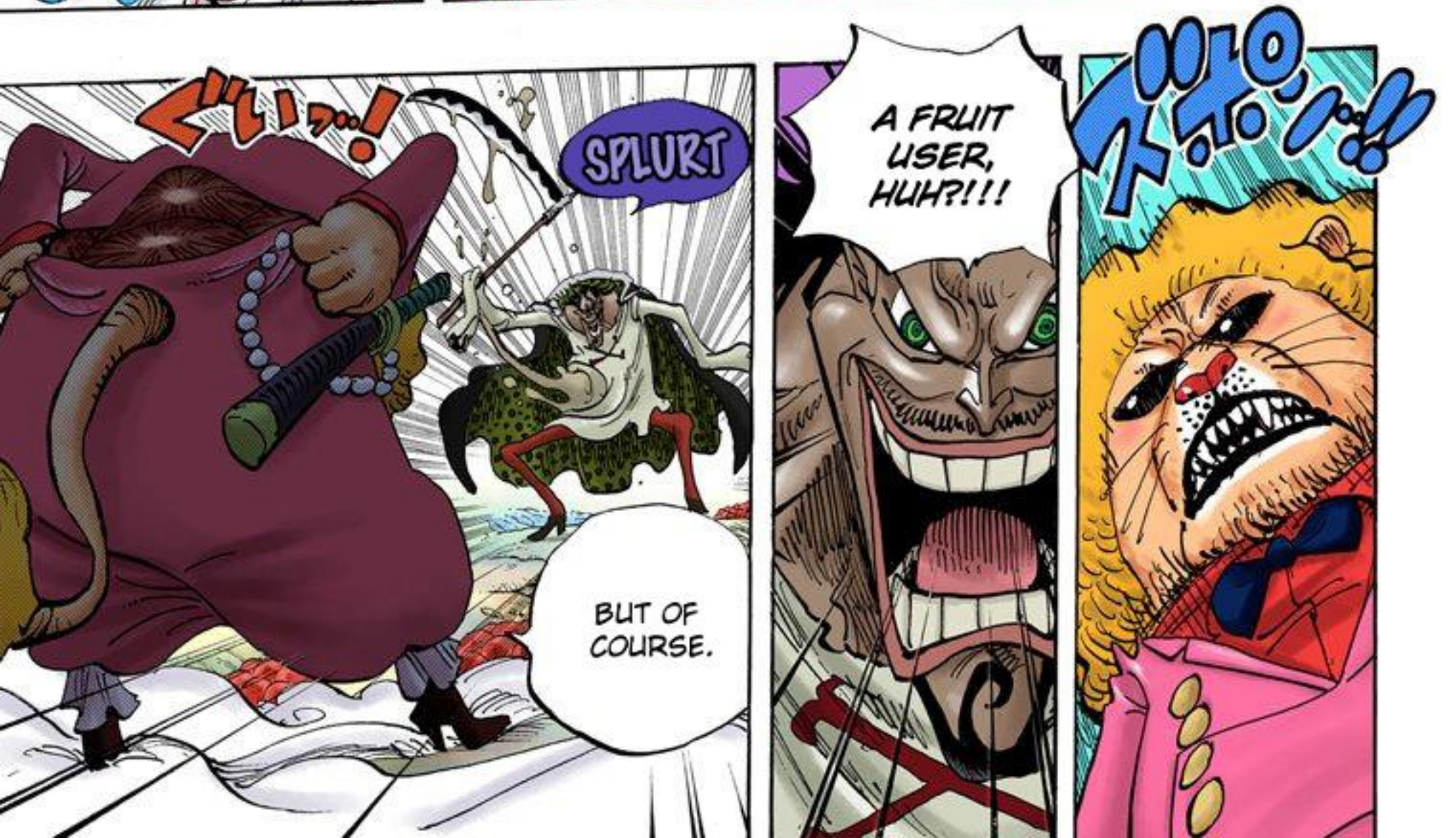
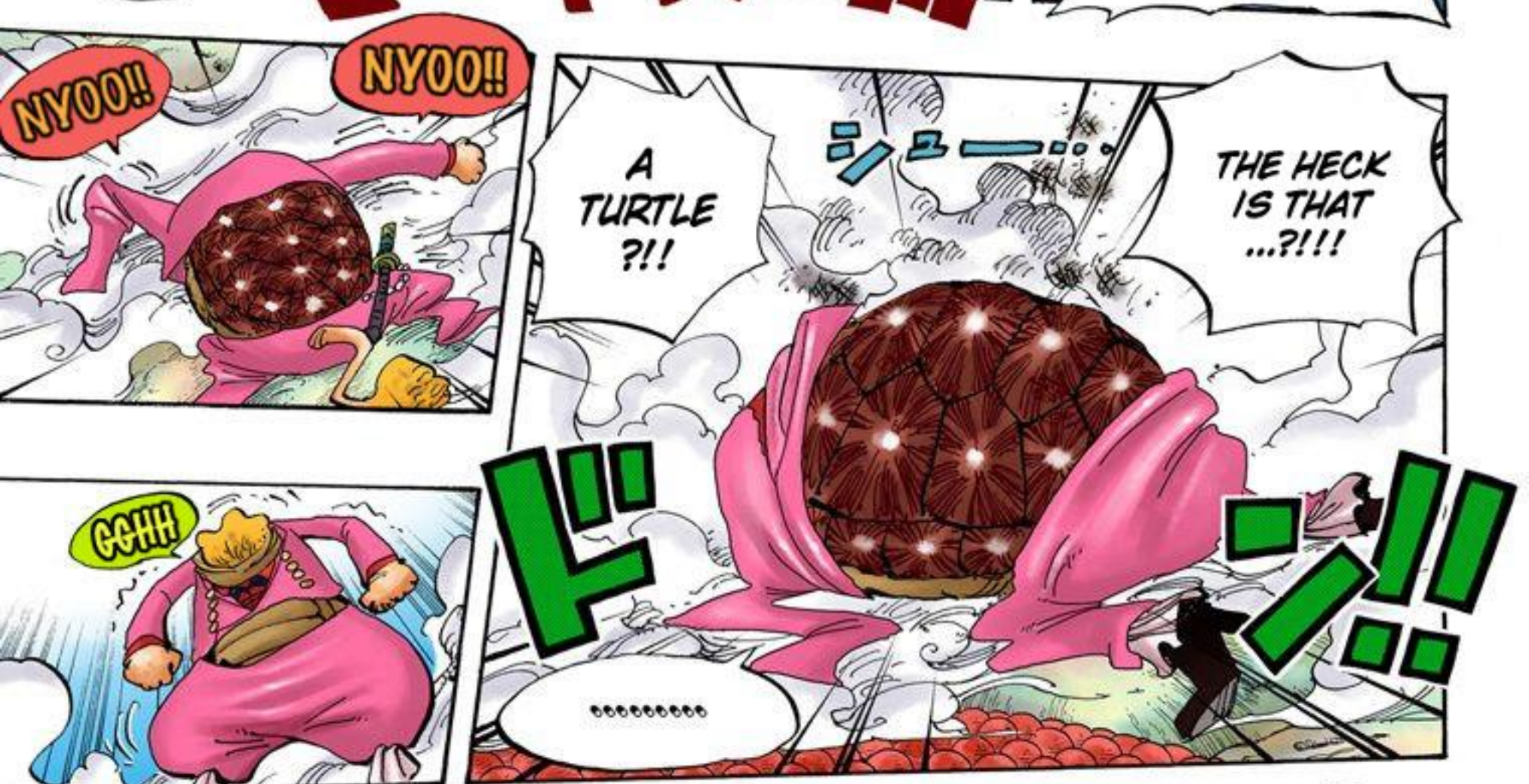
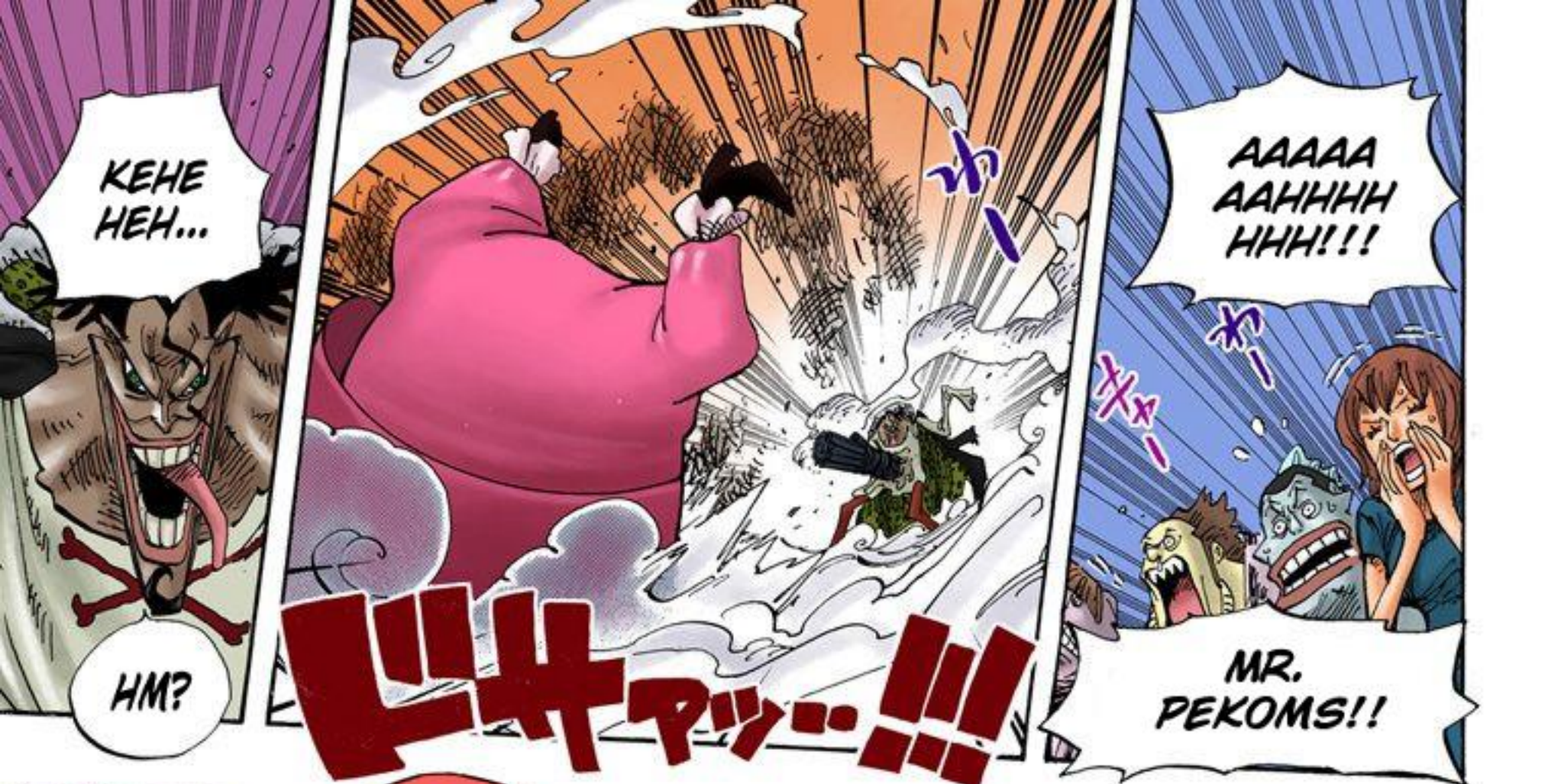
AND WHO
ARE THOSE TWO
GUYS CARRYING
THOSE GIGANTIC
BAGS?!!

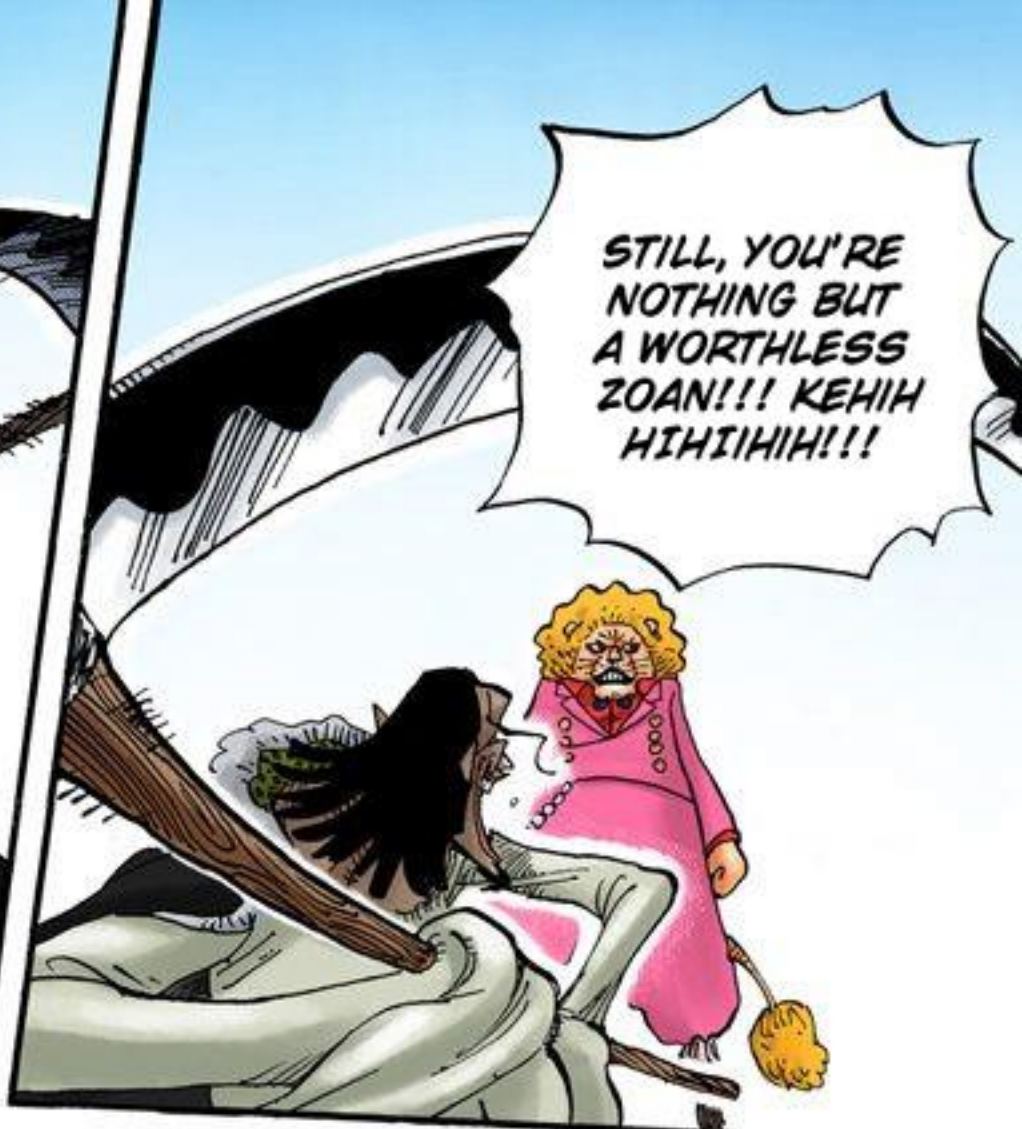
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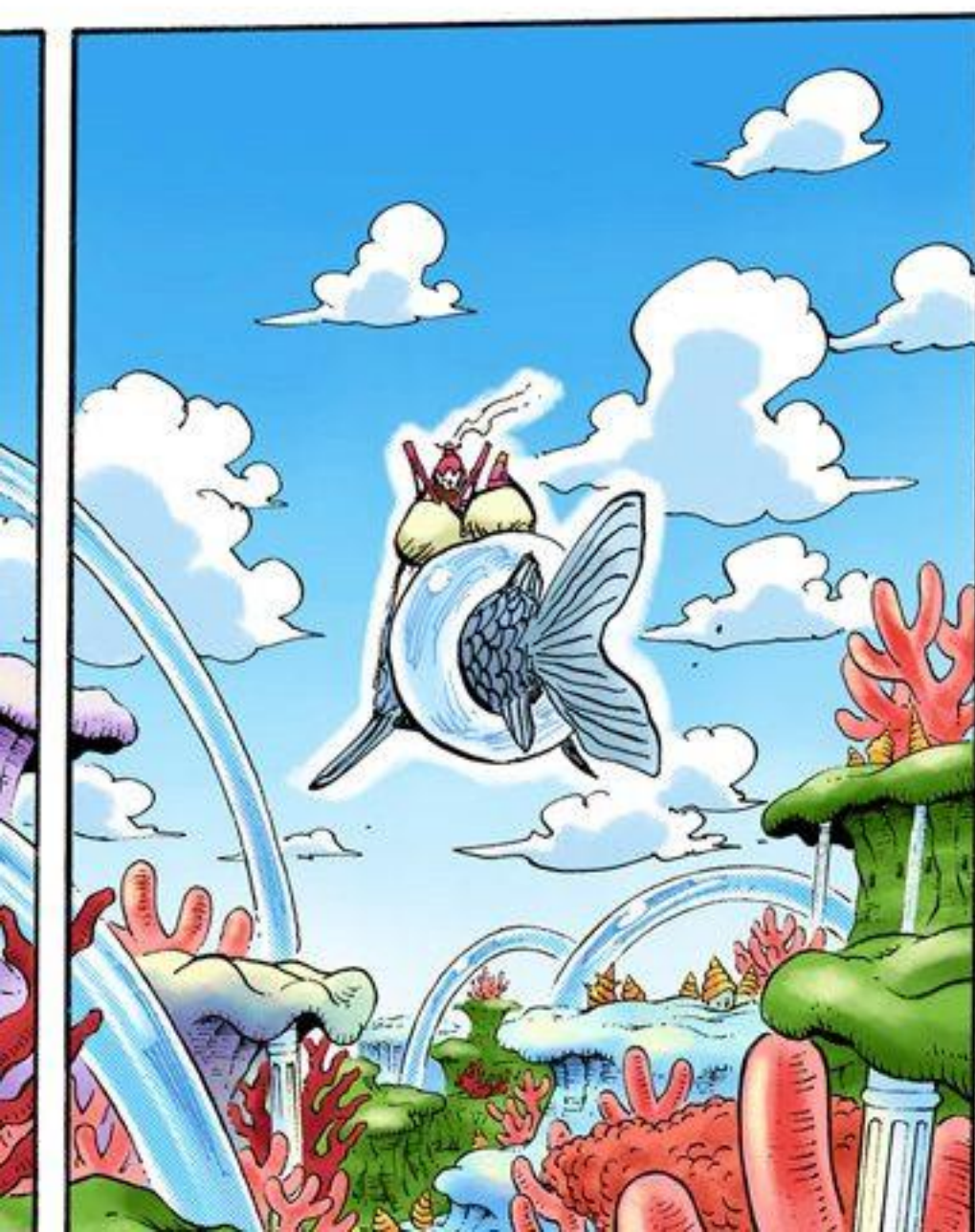


HUH?!!
WHAT'S THIS
CROWD OF
PEOPLE...?









I TAKE NO PLEASURE IN CRUSHING SOFT-BOILED WEAKLINGS.

LET US RETURN, PEKOMS. OUR MAMA IS WAITING.



FOOLISH LOGIA USERS WHO THINK THEMSELVES INVINCIBLE WILL NOT LAST LONG FROM HERE ON OUT.

PEKOMS

BOUNTY
330,000,000 BELI



MEANWHILE IN
THE NEW WORLD...
IN THE WATERS
NEAR THE RED
LINE



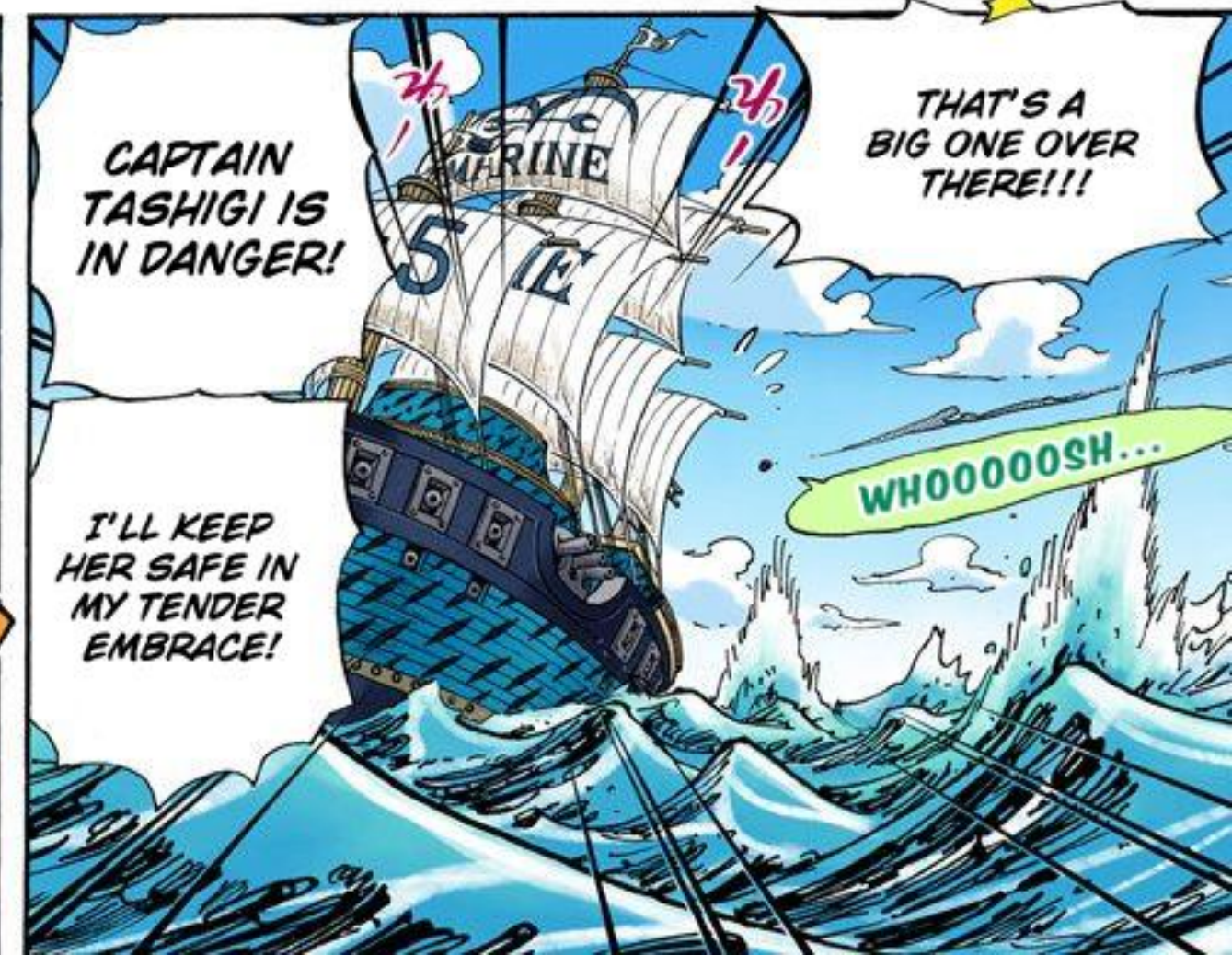
WHAT'S
GOING ON
HERE?!

THESE PIRATE
SHIPS JUST KEEP
SURFACING ONE
AFTER ANOTHER!!!

ANOTHER
VESSEL
SIGHTED AT
2 O'CLOCK!!



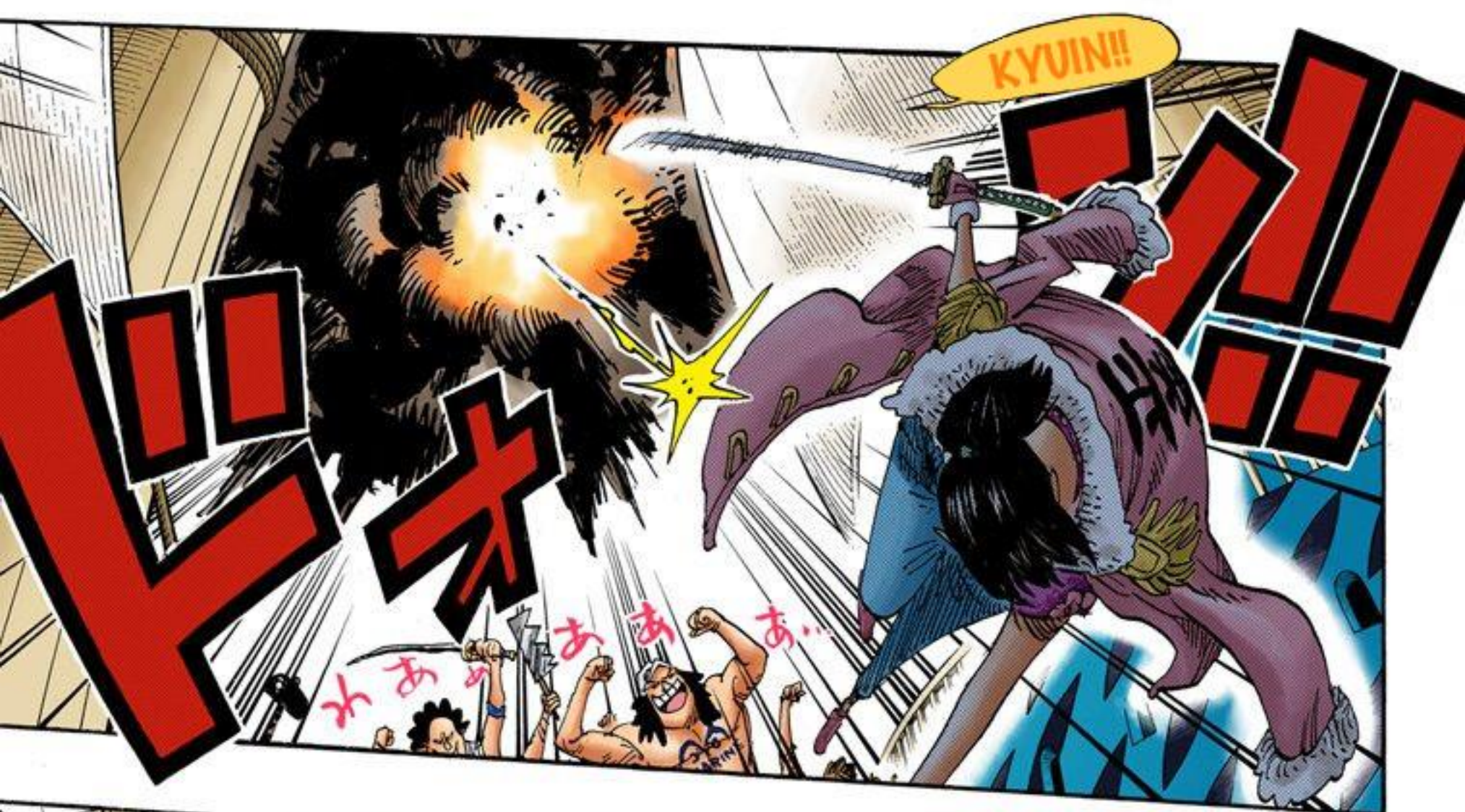
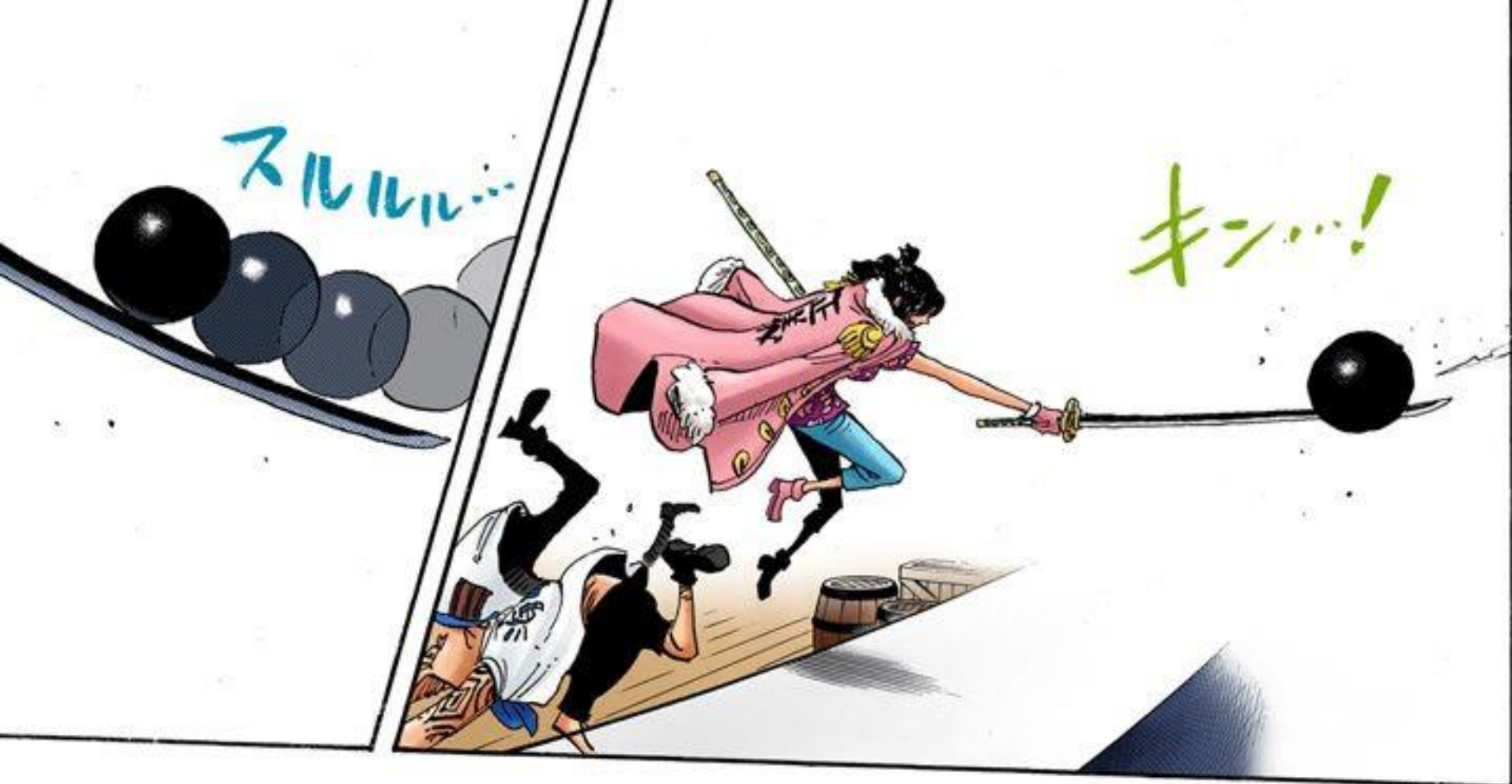
OH,
THAT'S QUITE
ENOUGH...!!



CAPTAIN
TASHIGI IS
IN DANGER!

I'LL KEEP
HER SAFE IN
MY TENDER
EMBRACE!

THAT'S A
BIG ONE OVER
THERE!!!





YOU'LL LOSE YOUR LIVES IF YOU'RE NOT CAREFUL!! HONESTLY, I CAN'T STAND G-5 SOMETIMES...

...!! I FIND IT HARD TO BELIEVE YOU'RE MARINES AT ALL!!

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WHY MUST YOU ALWAYS SAY THINGS LIKE THAT IN THE MIDDLE OF BATTLE?!!



BE QUIET, TASHIGI!!! I'M CONDUCTING AN INTERROGATION HERE!!

JUST BECAUSE I'M A WOMAN IS NO REASON TO SHOW SUCH A LACK OF RESPECT!!!

EHE HEH!

SMOKER-SAN...!!



THAT EXPLAINS WHY THERE HAVEN'T BEEN ANY ROOKIES PASSING THROUGH FISHMAN ISLAND FOR THE PAST MONTH.

I SEE... YOU WERE ALL PRISONERS OF THE SEABED PIRATE HODY JONES.

AND IT EXPLAINS WHY ALL THESE PIRATE SHIPS ARE SUDDENLY CRAWLING LIKE COCKROACHES UP FROM THE DEPTHS.....!!



MARINE CAPTAIN AT "G-5"
THE FIFTH MARINE BRANCH
STATION IN THE GRAND LINE

Tashigi



YOU IDIOT!!
JUST SPILL
THE BEANS
ALREADY!!!

THESE AREN'T
ORDINARY MARINES
WE'RE DEALING
WITH!! THEY'RE
FROM G-5!!!



...ANOTHER
PIRATE CREW
STEPPED IN,
DEFEATED THE
LOT OF THEM,
AND SET US
ALL FREE!!

I AIN'T TELLING
YOU WHO THAT
WAS, THOUGH!!
WE OWE THEM
OUR LIVES!!!

PRISONERS?!
I WISH!! THEY
KEPT US AS
SLAVES!!

BUT JUST
WHEN HODY'S
CREW TRIED
TO STAGE
A PROPER
UPRISING...

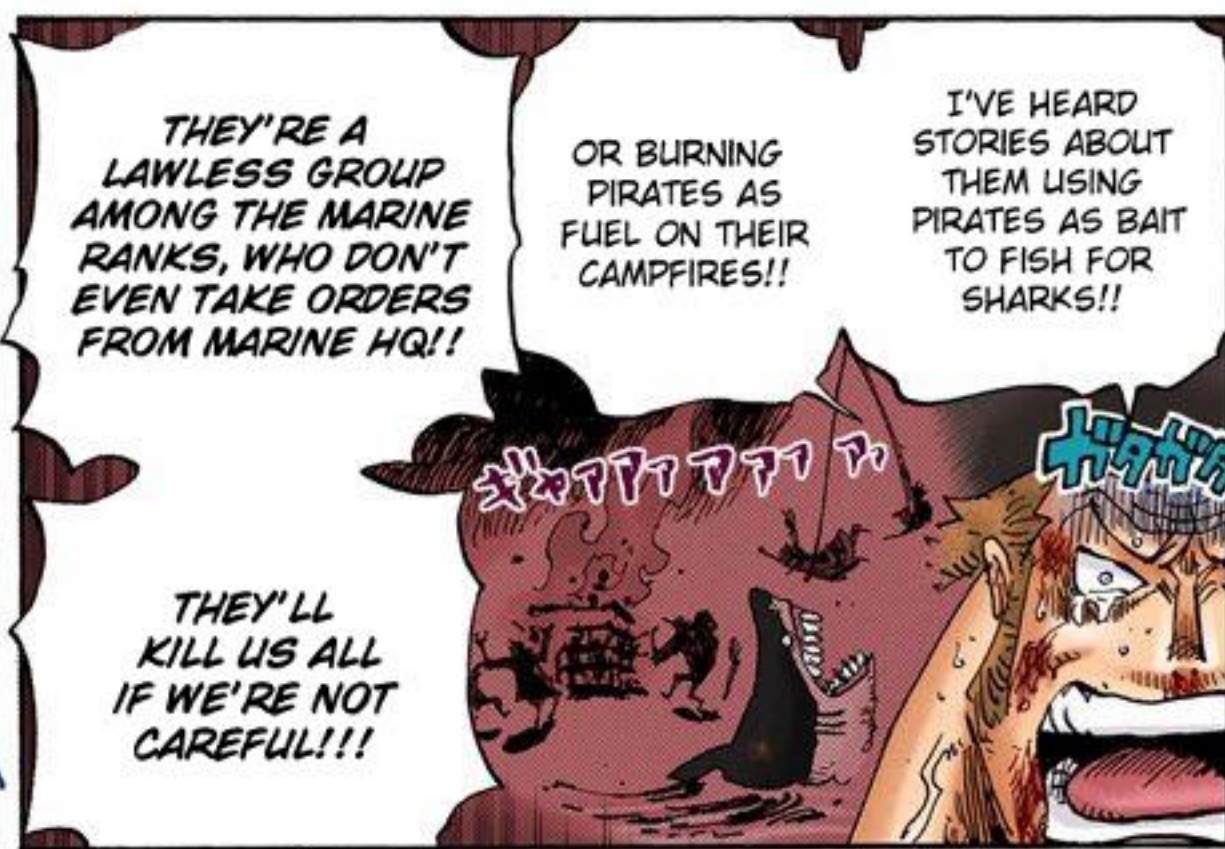


AAAA
GHHH!!
HEY -
WAIT -
STOP!!

VICE-ADMIRAL!!
CAN WE TAKE
CARE OF THESE
ONES? GEHEHE
HEHEHEH...

I'LL TALK,
I'LL TALK!!
PLEASE
DON'T KILL
ME!!!

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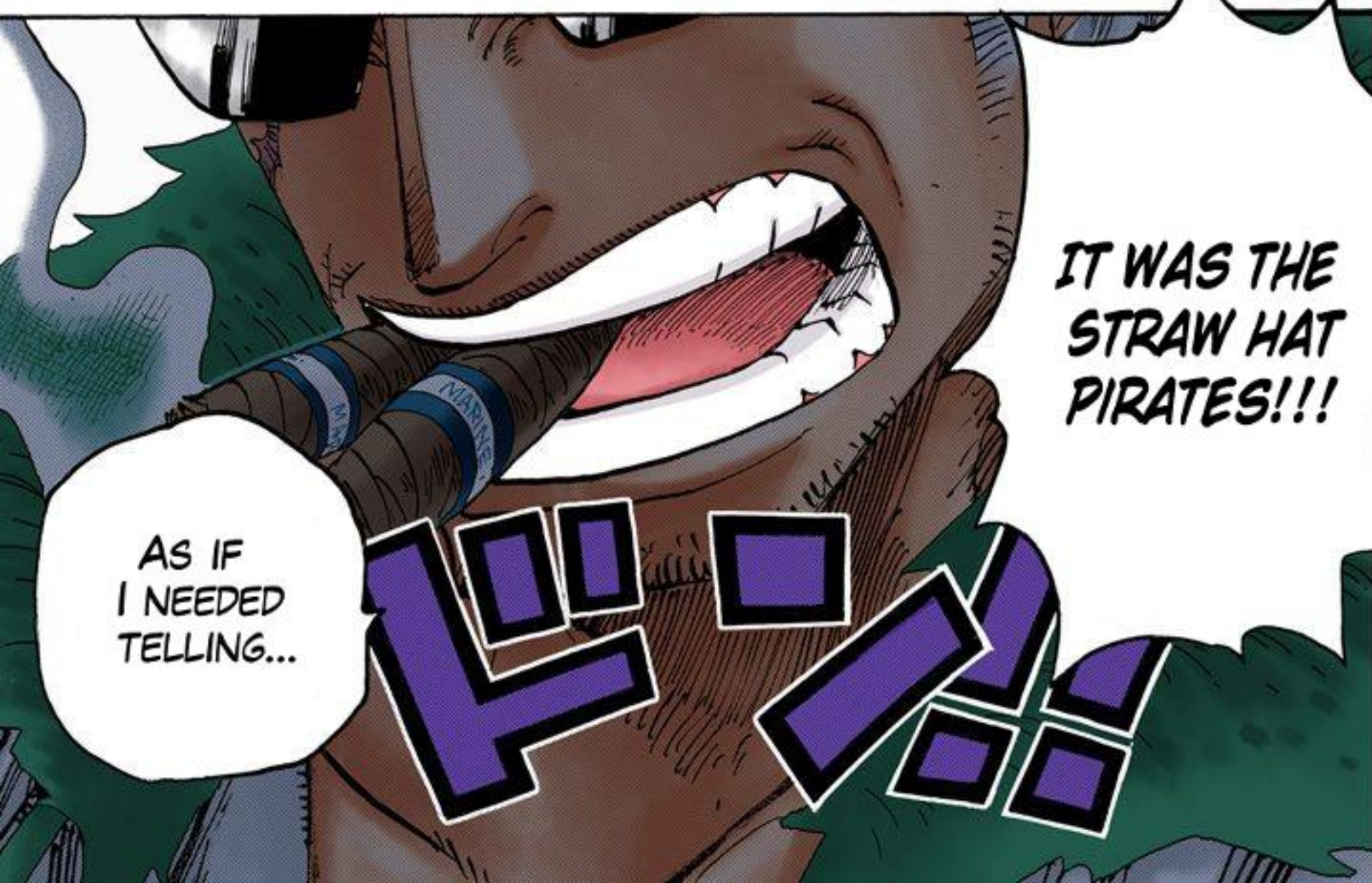


THEY'RE A
LAWLESS GROUP
AMONG THE MARINE
RANKS, WHO DON'T
EVEN TAKE ORDERS
FROM MARINE HQ!!

OR BURNING
PIRATES AS
FUEL ON THEIR
CAMPFIRE!!

I'VE HEARD
STORIES ABOUT
THEM USING
PIRATES AS BAIT
TO FISH FOR
SHARKS!!

THEY'LL
KILL US ALL
IF WE'RE NOT
CAREFUL!!!



IT WAS THE
STRAW HAT
PIRATES!!!

AS IF
I NEEDED
TELLING...

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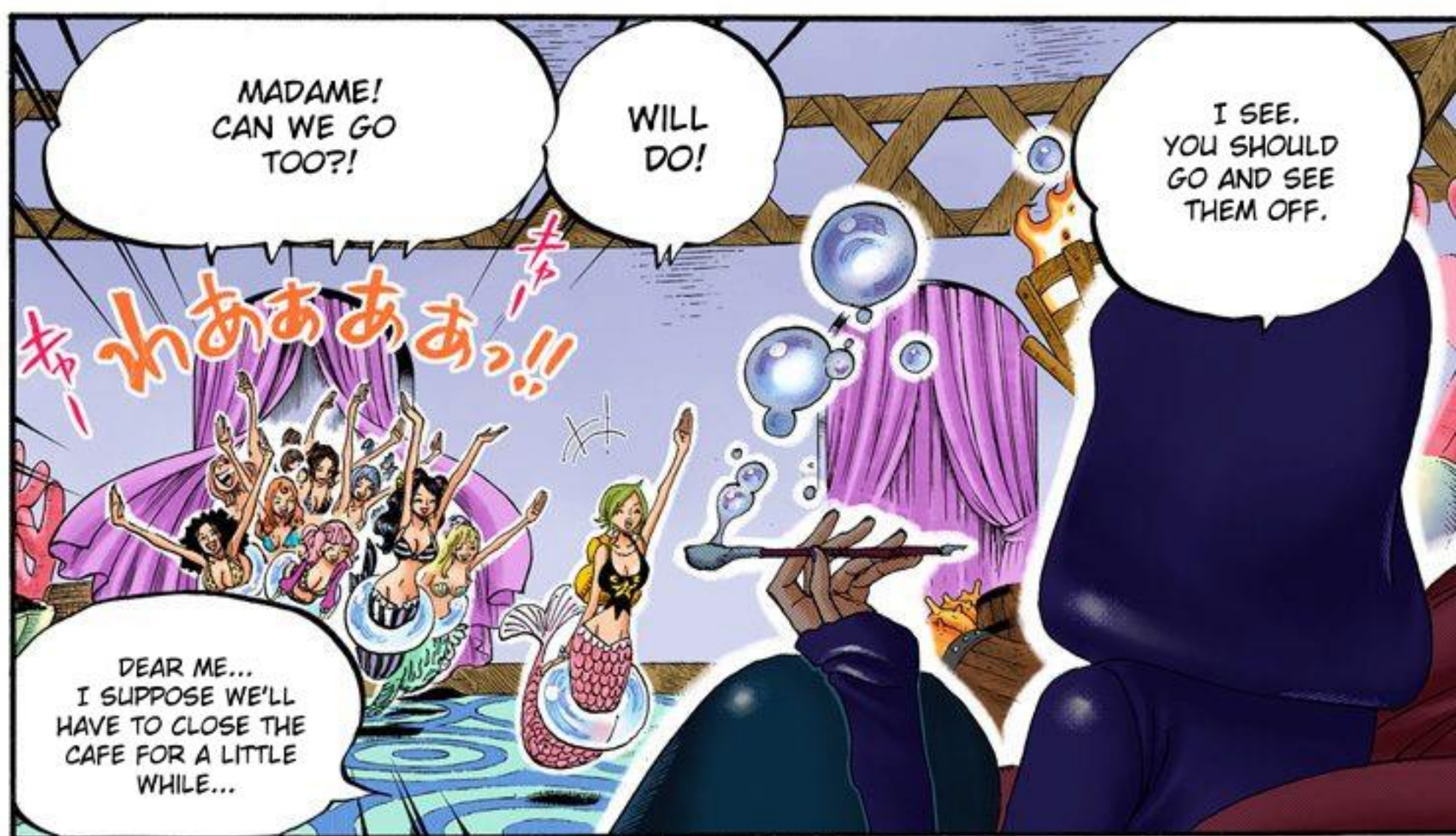
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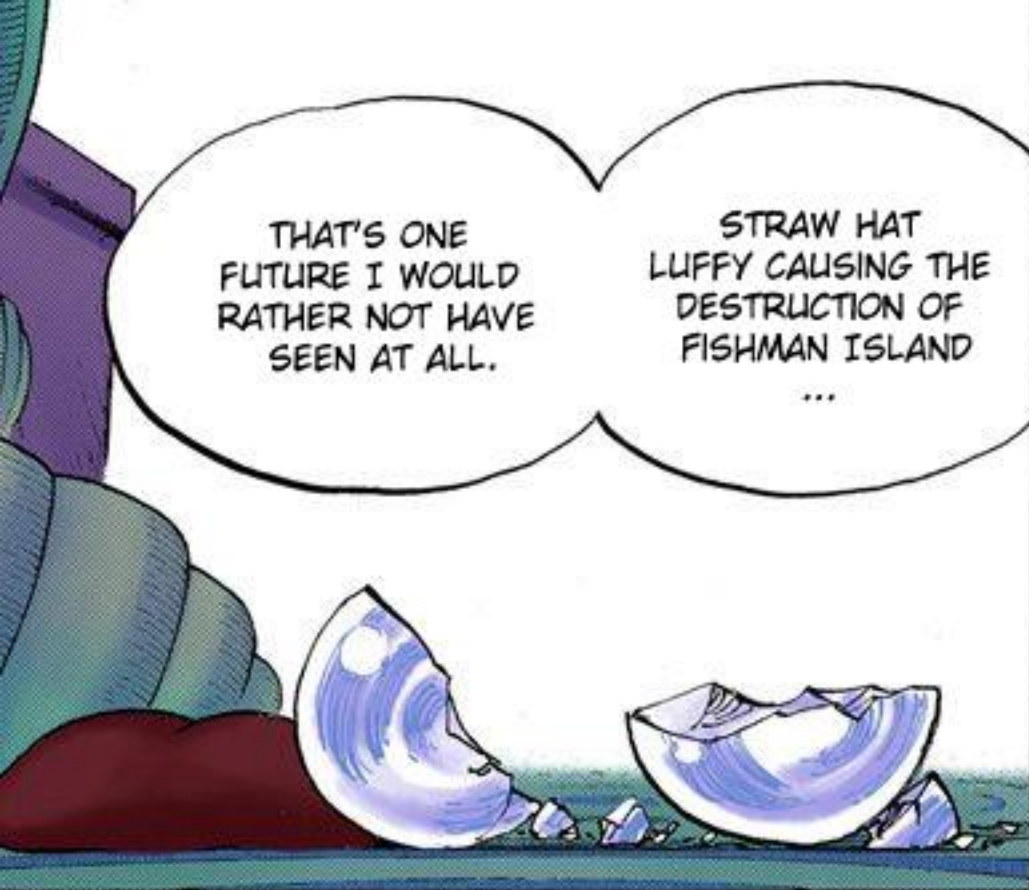
"THE HERO'S HAT"



FROM SHIPDECKS AROUND THE WORLD

VOL 35: ICEFISH MERMAID KOKORO-SAN SPENDS A DAY OFF IN STYLE





THAT'S ONE
FUTURE I WOULD
RATHER NOT HAVE
SEEN AT ALL.

STRAW HAT
LUFFY CAUSING THE
DESTRUCTION OF
FISHMAN ISLAND
...



NO MORE
FORTUNE-
TELLING
FOR ME.

DON'T WORRY.
I REALLY AM
DONE WITH ALL
THAT NOW...

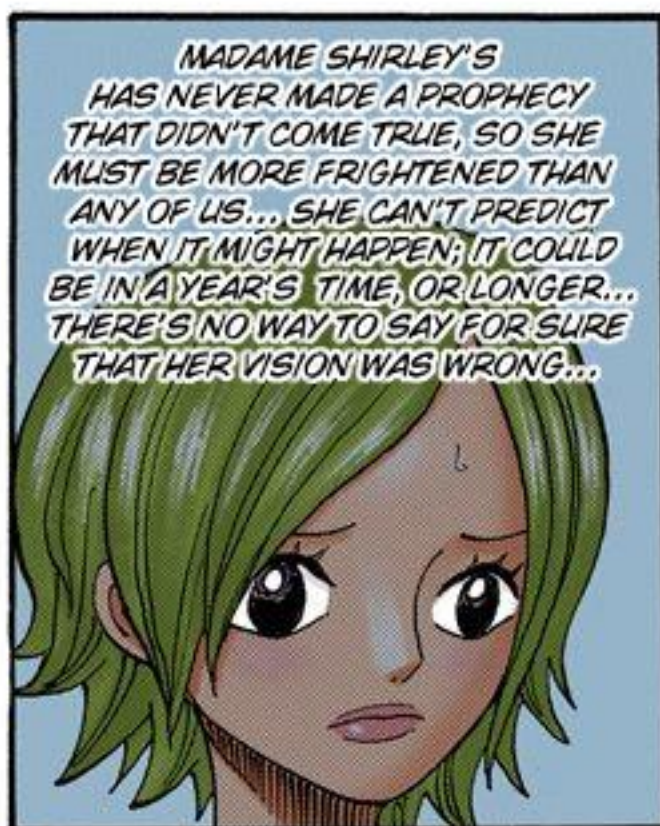
OH, MY
CRYSTAL
BALL?



BUT MADAME... I
KNOW LUFFY-CHIN
WOULD NEVER DO
A THING LIKE -

!?

CAIMIE
...



MADAME SHIRLEY'S
HAS NEVER MADE A PROPHECY
THAT DIDN'T COME TRUE, SO SHE
MUST BE MORE FRIGHTENED THAN
ANY OF US... SHE CAN'T PREDICT
WHEN IT MIGHT HAPPEN; IT COULD
BE IN A YEAR'S TIME, OR LONGER...
THERE'S NO WAY TO SAY FOR SURE
THAT HER VISION WAS WRONG...

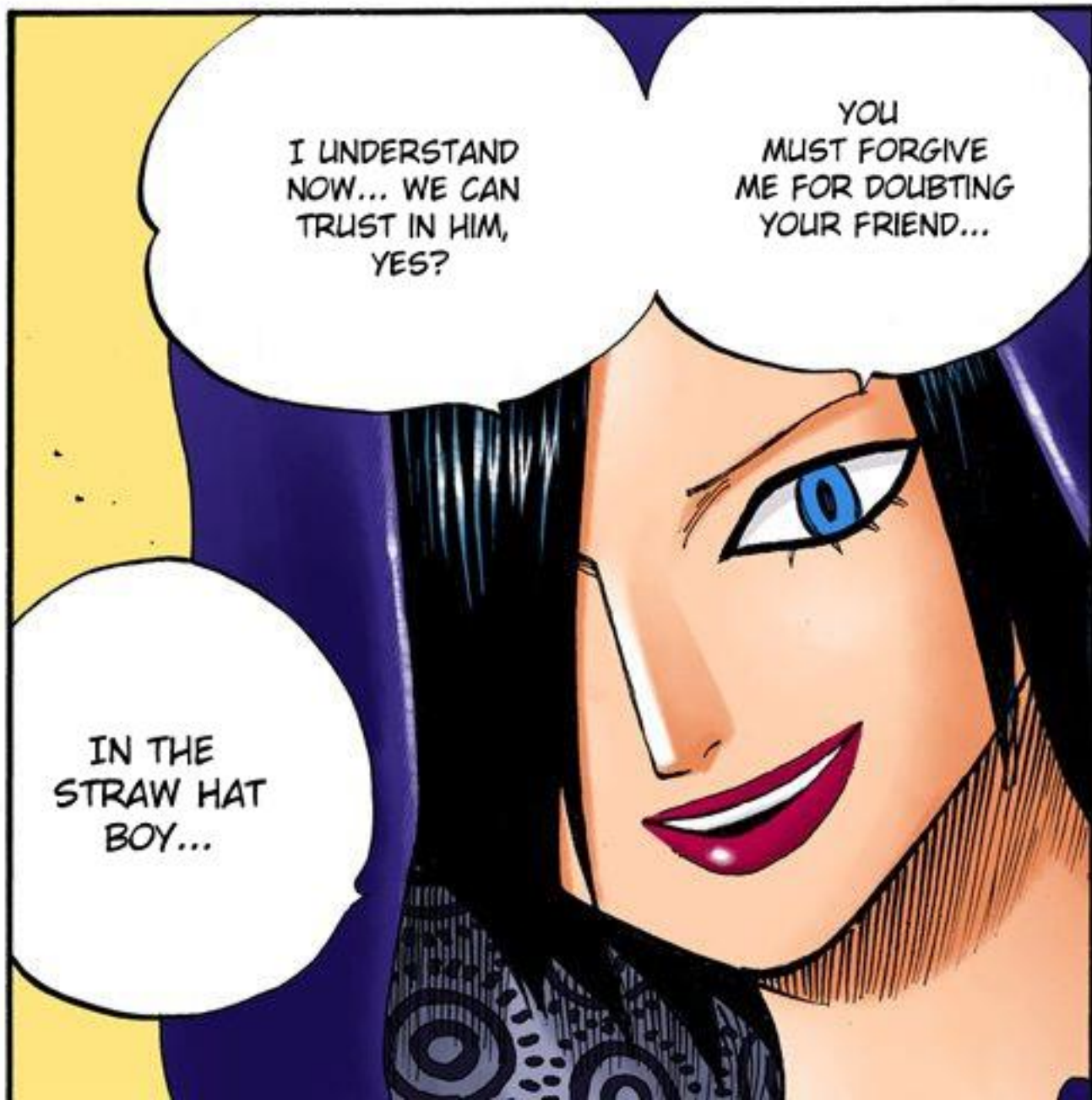


...THEN
NOTHING
WOULD MAKE
ME HAPPIER
...

IF MY
FORETELLING
WAS WRONG,
JUST THIS
ONCE...



...THAT'S
RIGHT...!!!



I UNDERSTAND
NOW... WE CAN
TRUST IN HIM,
YES?

YOU
MUST FORGIVE
ME FOR DOUBTING
YOUR FRIEND...

IN THE
STRAW HAT
BOY...



WE'VE ONLY JUST PROPERLY MADE FRIENDS... CAN'T YOU STAY FOR ANOTHER DAY, AT LEAST...? OR ANOTHER WEEK...?

UWAAAAAAAAAAAAA
AHHHHHHHHHHH!!
ARE YOU REALLY ALL GOING TO LEAVE THE ISLAND ALREADY, LUFFY-SAMA?!

NO, ANOTHER YEAR...!!

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TO THINK THAT I WOULD LIVE TO SEE HER SHED TEARS AT OUR DEPARTURE...!! MAYBE WE REALLY SHOULD STAY HERE FOR ANOTHER YEAR!!!

AHHHHH... THE MERMAID PRINCESS OF FISHMAN ISLAND, WHO HAS ALWAYS BEEN IN MY DREAMS...

I... I'M VERY SORRY! I'LL STOP BEING SUCH A CRYBABY, I REALLY WILL!
SNIFF

YOU REALLY DO END UP CRYING EVERY TIME I SEE YOU...

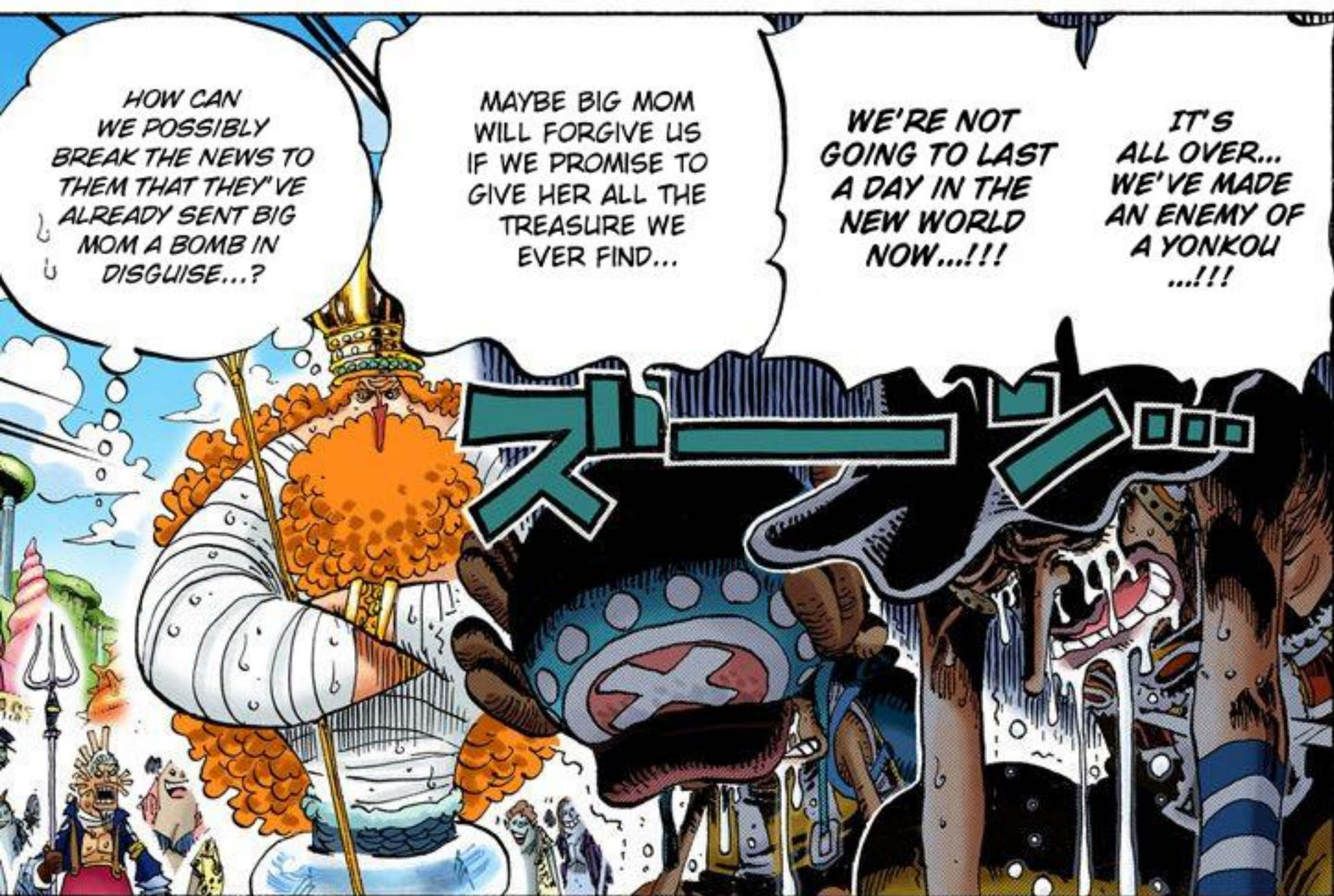


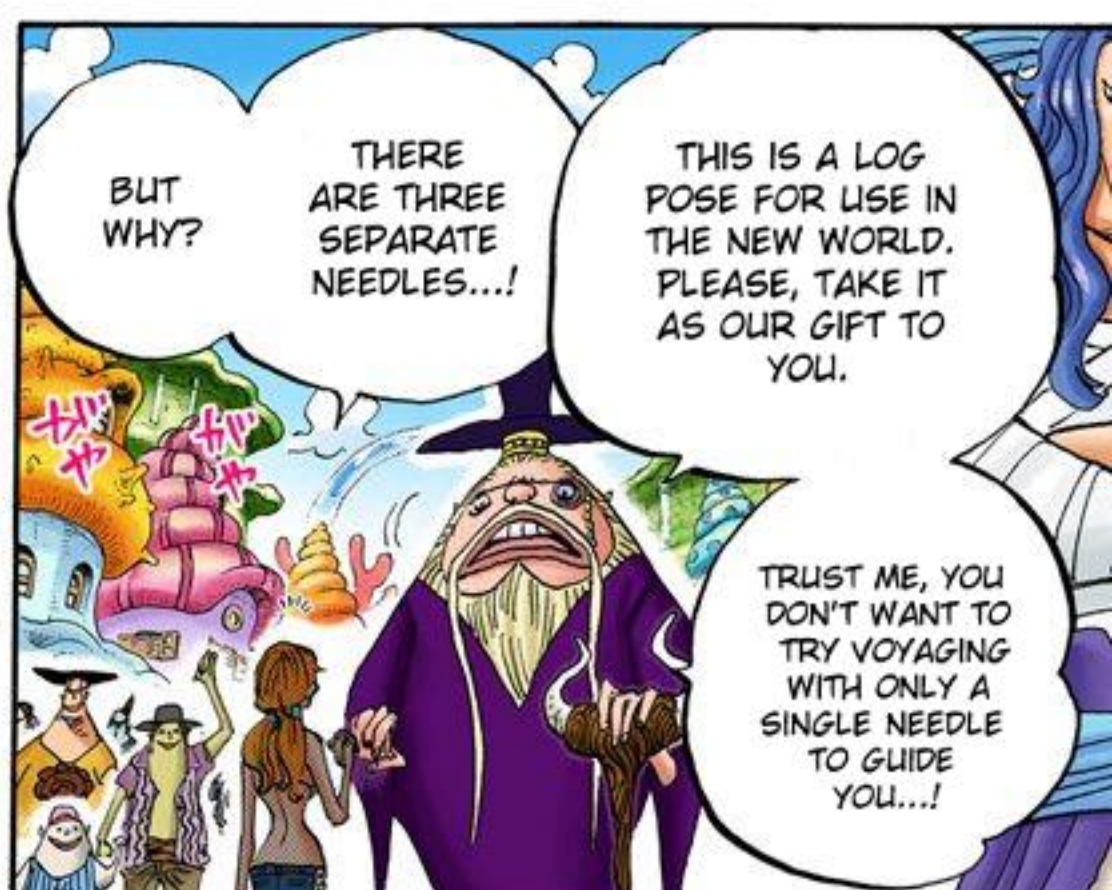
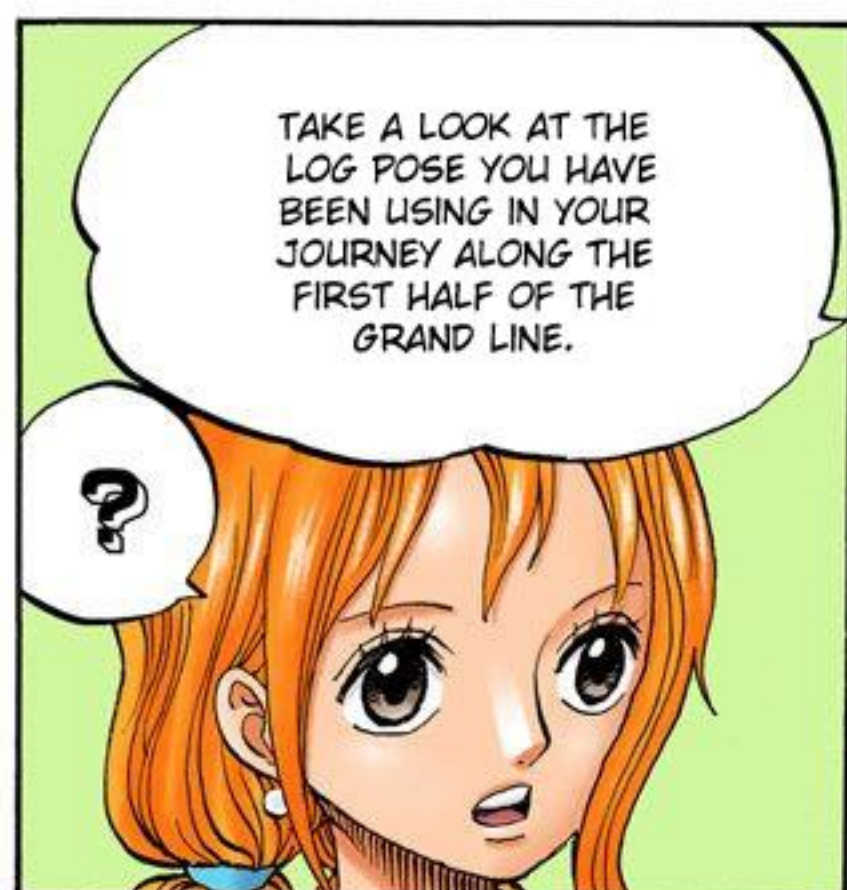
WHO ARE YOU CALLING "NOSEBLEED-KUN", MARIMO-HEAD?!!!

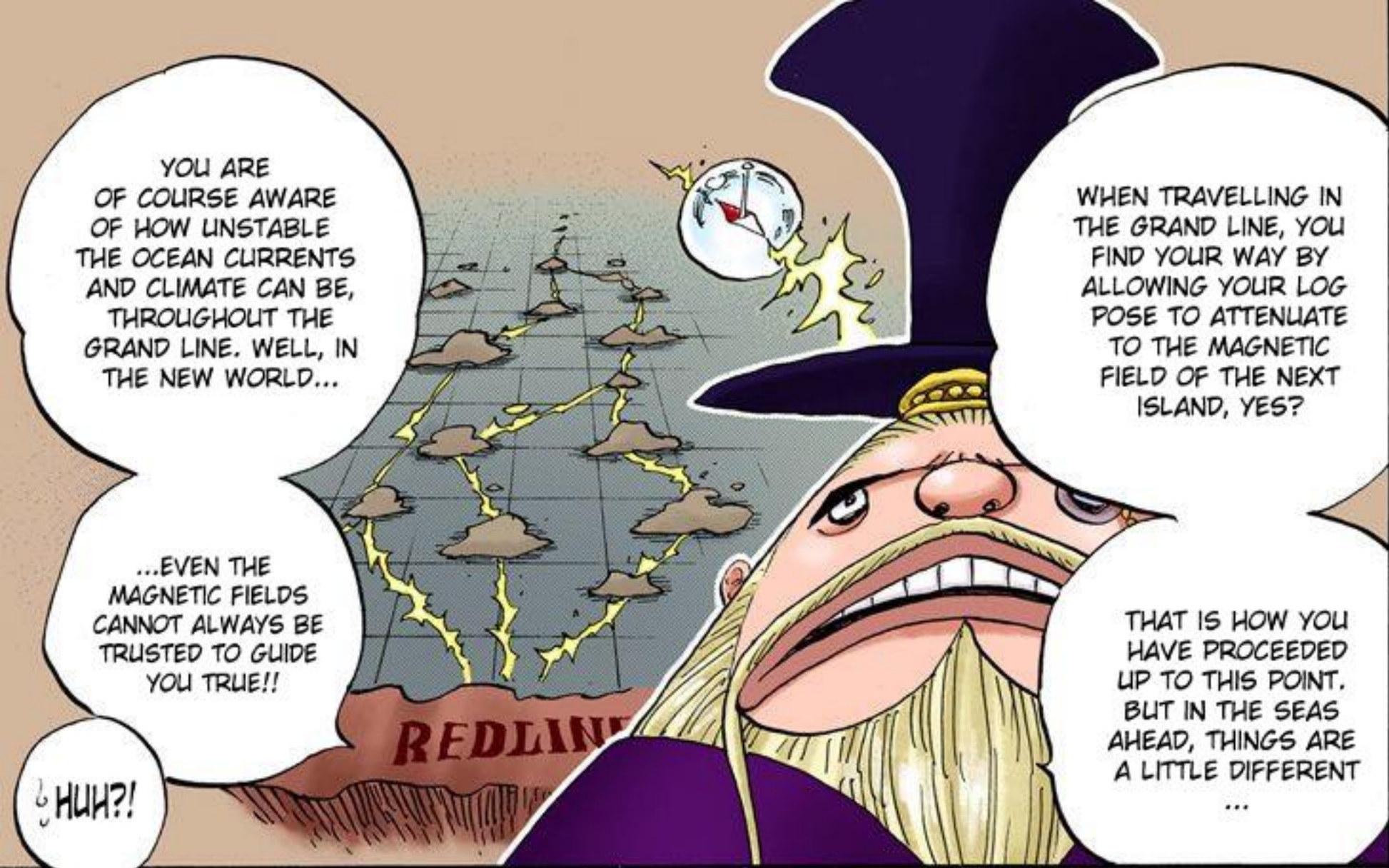
YOU STAY HERE AS LONG AS YOU LIKE, NOSEBLEED-KUN. WE WON'T MISS YOU.

A-ONE, TWO, THREE, FOUR!!
OH, YOU WAKE UP BRIGHT AND EARLY AND SAY: "GOOD MOR-NINGYO!"

I MUST SAY I AGREE, YOHOOHOOHOO!! I HAVE DECIDED TO BASE MY NEW SINGLE ON THE FISHMAN ISLAND LIFE!!







YOU ARE
OF COURSE AWARE
OF HOW UNSTABLE
THE OCEAN CURRENTS
AND CLIMATE CAN BE,
THROUGHOUT THE
GRAND LINE. WELL, IN
THE NEW WORLD...

WHEN TRAVELLING IN
THE GRAND LINE, YOU
FIND YOUR WAY BY
ALLOWING YOUR LOG
POSE TO ATTENUATE
TO THE MAGNETIC
FIELD OF THE NEXT
ISLAND, YES?

...EVEN THE
MAGNETIC FIELDS
CANNOT ALWAYS BE
TRUSTED TO GUIDE
YOU TRUE!!

THAT IS HOW YOU
HAVE PROCEEDED
UP TO THIS POINT.
BUT IN THE SEAS
AHEAD, THINGS ARE
A LITTLE DIFFERENT
...

RED LINE

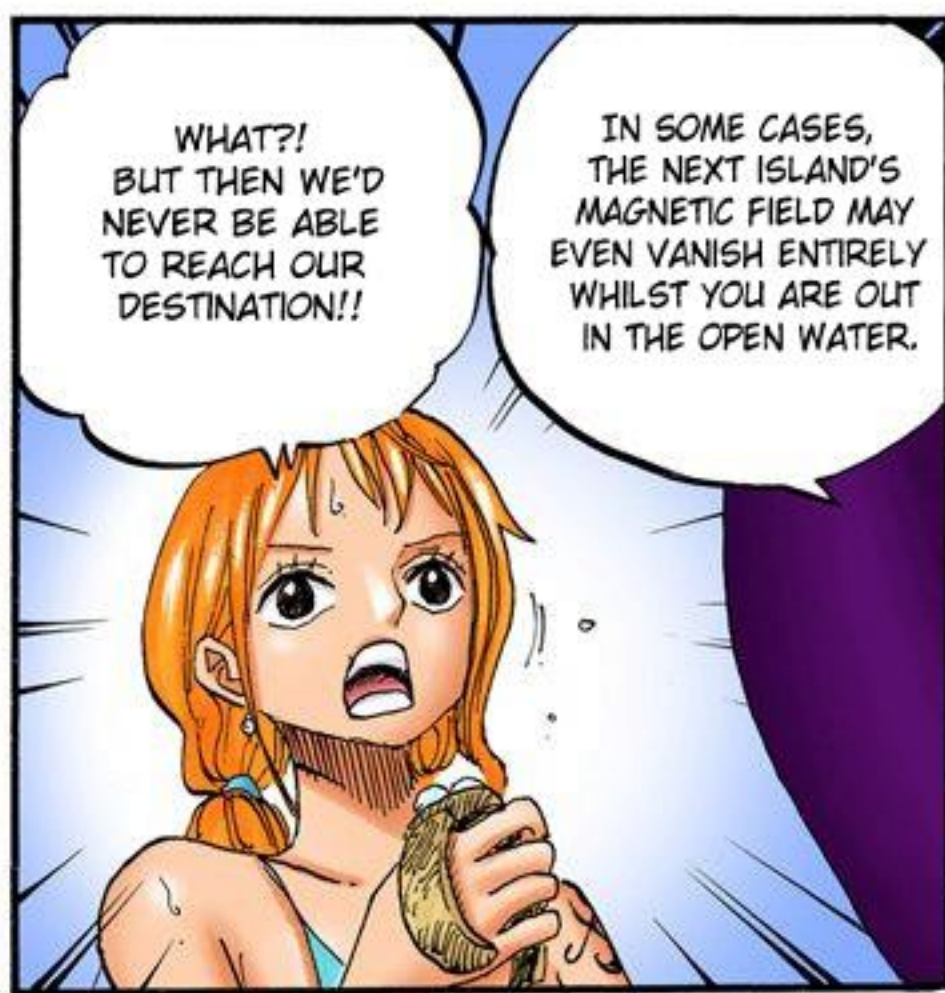
! HUH?!



BUT WHAT
ABOUT IF YOU
HAVE THREE
DIFFERENT
NEEDLES?

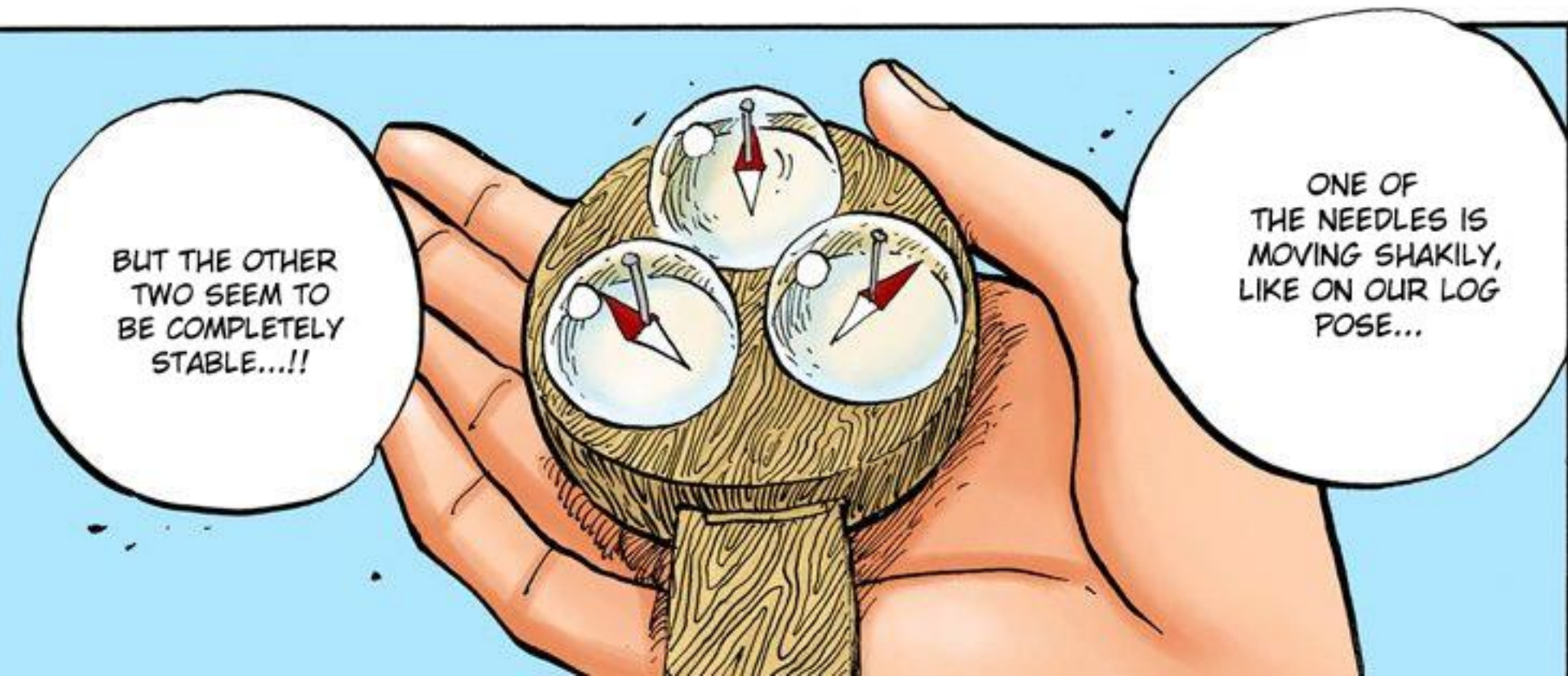
IF YOU
RELY ON A SINGLE
NEEDLE, THEN SUCH
AN INCIDENT CAN BE
DISASTROUS.

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WHAT?!
BUT THEN WE'D
NEVER BE ABLE
TO REACH OUR
DESTINATION!!

IN SOME CASES,
THE NEXT ISLAND'S
MAGNETIC FIELD MAY
EVEN VANISH ENTIRELY
WHILST YOU ARE OUT
IN THE OPEN WATER.

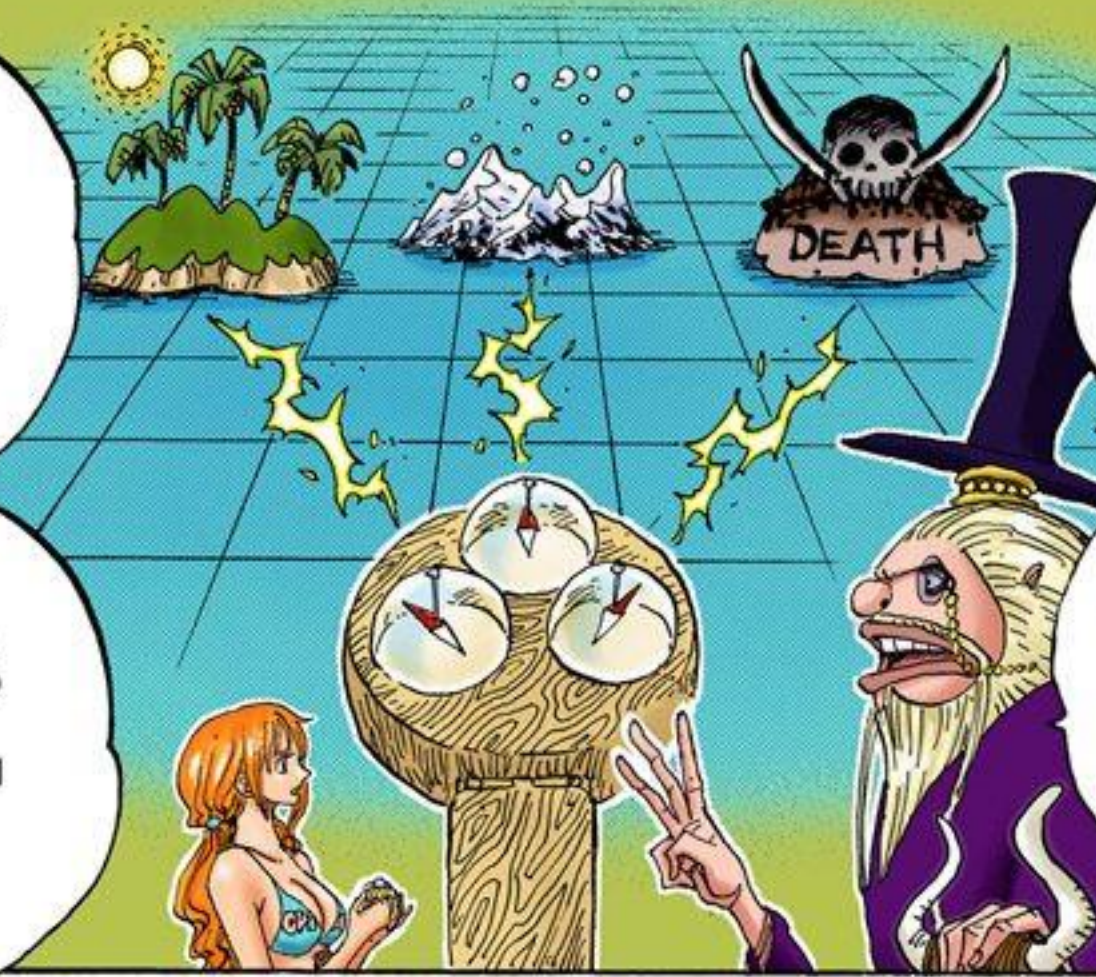


BUT THE OTHER
TWO SEEM TO
BE COMPLETELY
STABLE....!!

ONE OF
THE NEEDLES IS
MOVING SHAKILY,
LIKE ON OUR LOG
POSE...

IN OTHER WORDS, YOU WILL NEED TO CHOOSE BETWEEN THREE DIFFERENT POSSIBLE COURSES.

WHICH COURSE TO FOLLOW IS FOR YOUR INSTINCTS TO DECIDE. BUT THE DECISION CAN MEAN THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH!

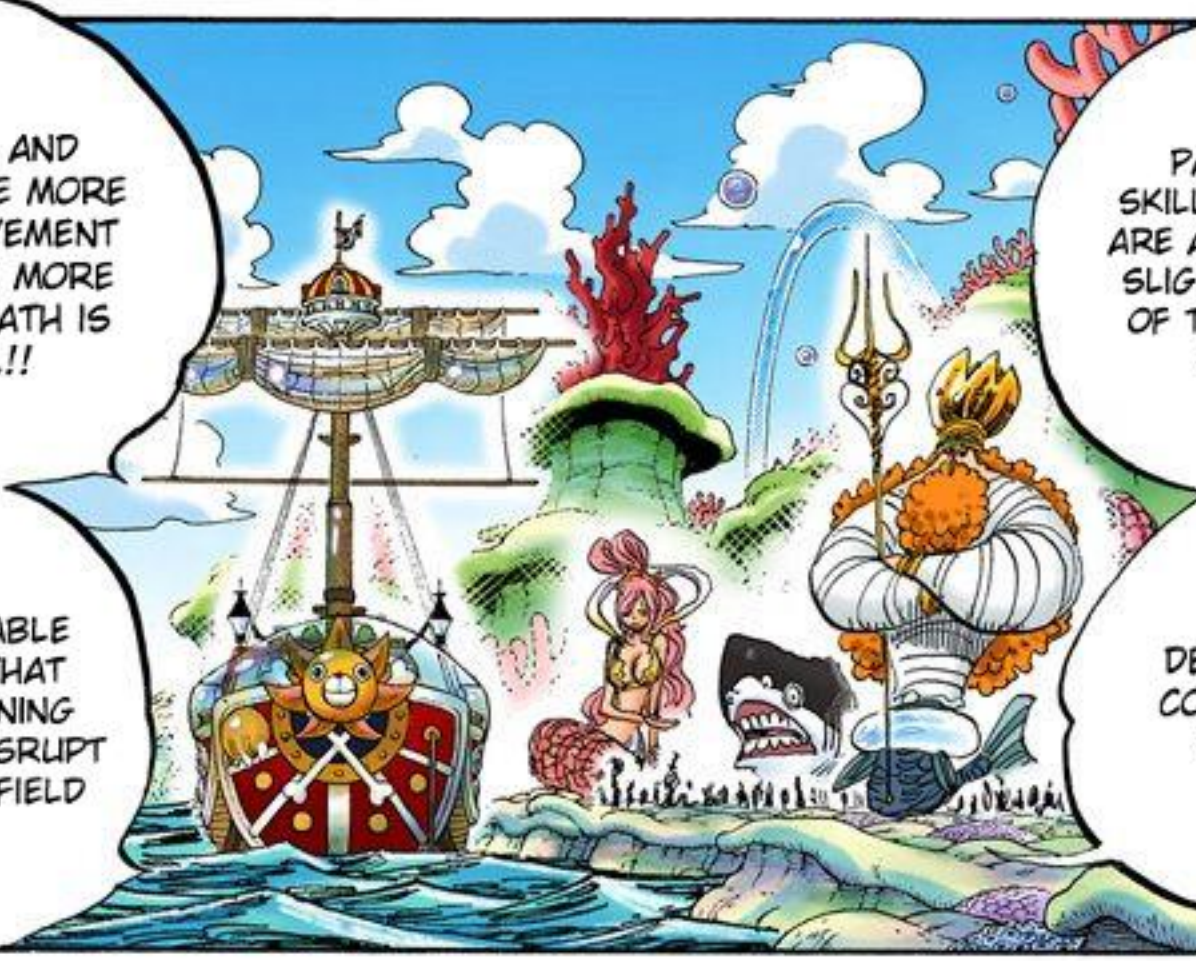


EACH OF THE THREE NEEDLES ON THIS LOG POSE...

...WILL ATTENUATE TO THE MAGNETIC FIELD OF A DIFFERENT ISLAND IN THE WATERS AHEAD.

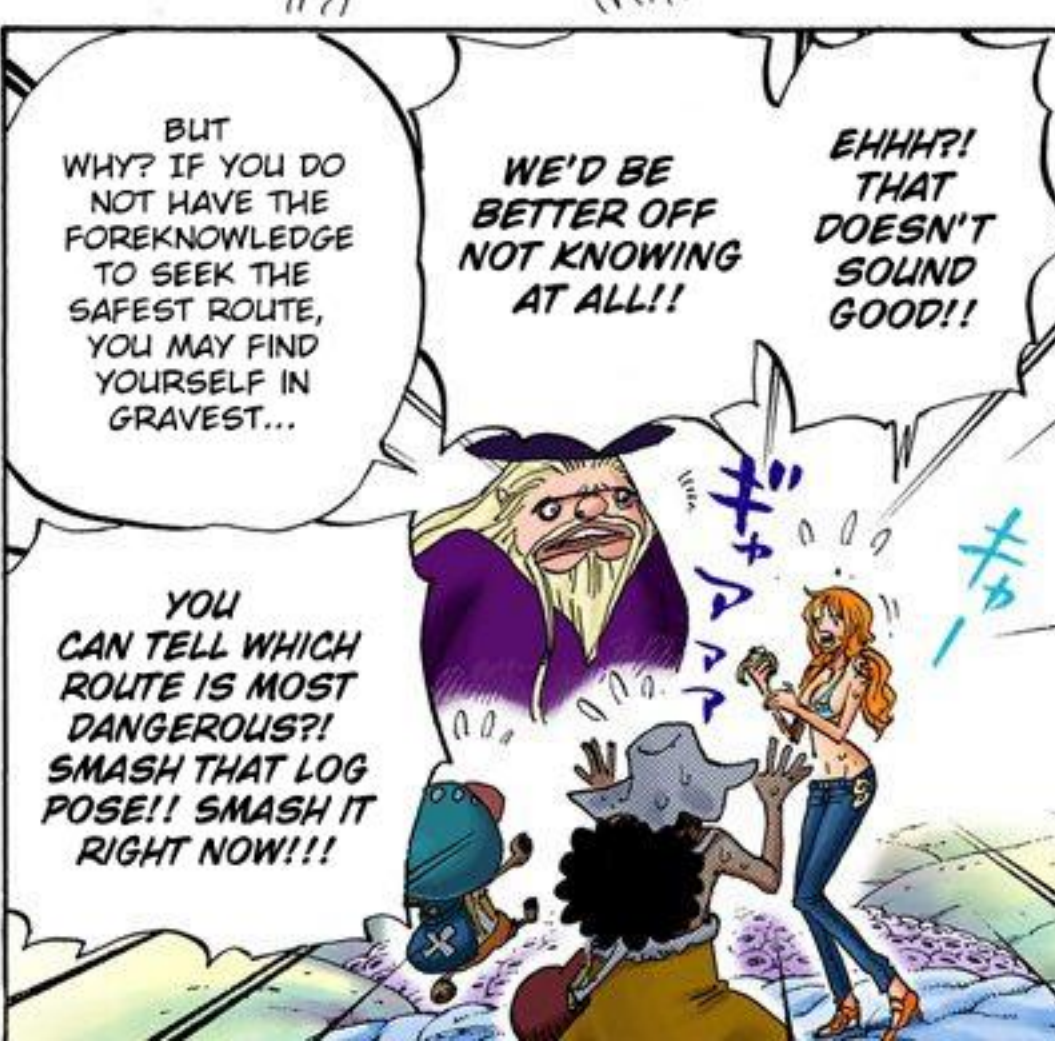
AS A VERY BASIC AND GENERAL RULE, THE MORE UNSTABLE THE MOVEMENT OF THE NEEDLE, THE MORE DANGEROUS THAT PATH IS LIKELY TO BE...!!

AFTER ALL, AN UNSTABLE NEEDLE SUGGESTS THAT SOMETHING IS HAPPENING ON THAT ISLAND TO DISRUPT THE VERY MAGNETIC FIELD AROUND IT...!!!



PARTICULARLY SKILLED NAVIGATORS ARE ABLE TO USE THE SLIGHT MOVEMENTS OF THE INDIVIDUAL NEEDLES...

...TO DEDUCE WHICH COURSE IS THE SAFEST TO FOLLOW.



BUT WHY? IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE FOREKNOWLEDGE TO SEEK THE SAFEST ROUTE, YOU MAY FIND YOURSELF IN GRAVEST...

WE'D BE BETTER OFF NOT KNOWING AT ALL!!

EHHH?! THAT DOESN'T SOUND GOOD!!

YOU CAN TELL WHICH ROUTE IS MOST DANGEROUS?! SMASH THAT LOG POSE!! SMASH IT RIGHT NOW!!!



WE
SHOULD GO
THERE!!!

I LIKE THE
LOOK OF THAT
ISLAND IN THE
MIDDLE WITH THE
REALLY SHAKY
NEEDLE!

HE WAS
LISTENING
!!!

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I THINK
I HAVE MY
B-SIDE!!
I CALL IT
"REQUIEM
FOR US"!

WE'RE
BEGGING YOU,
CAPTAIN! LISTEN
TO WHAT YOUR
NAVIGATOR
SAYS!!!

DON'T
BE STUPID!!
I'M THE
CAPTAIN!!!

THIS
HAS GOT NOTHING
TO DO WITH YOU,
LUFFY!!! I'M THE
ONE WHO DECIDES
WHERE WE'RE
GOING TO GO!!

NAMI-SAN'S
SO CUTE
WHEN SHE'S
TERRIFIED!

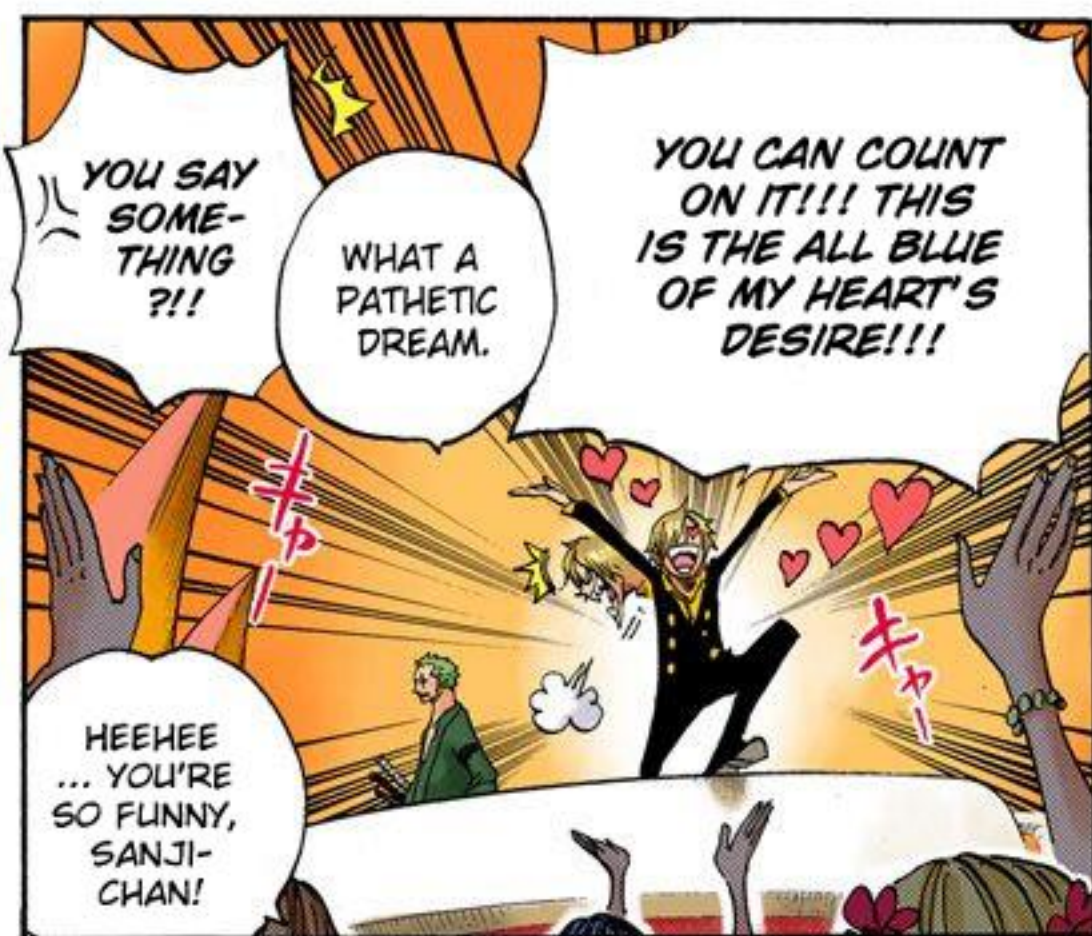


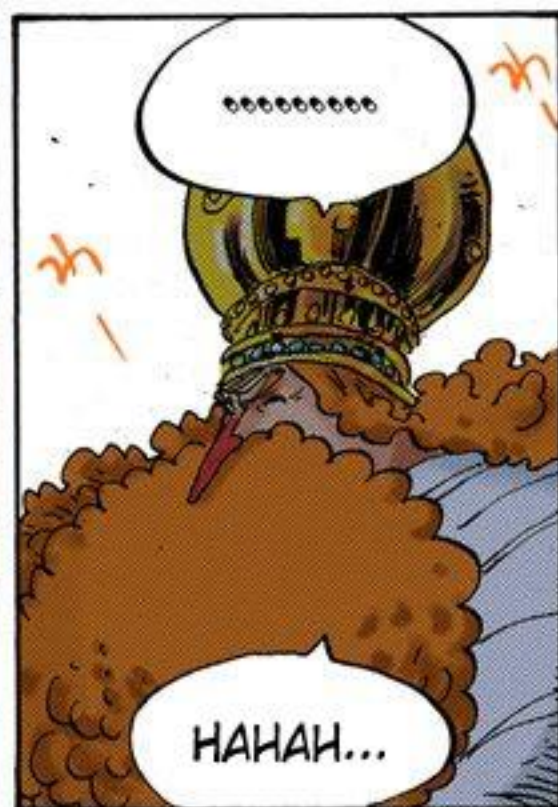
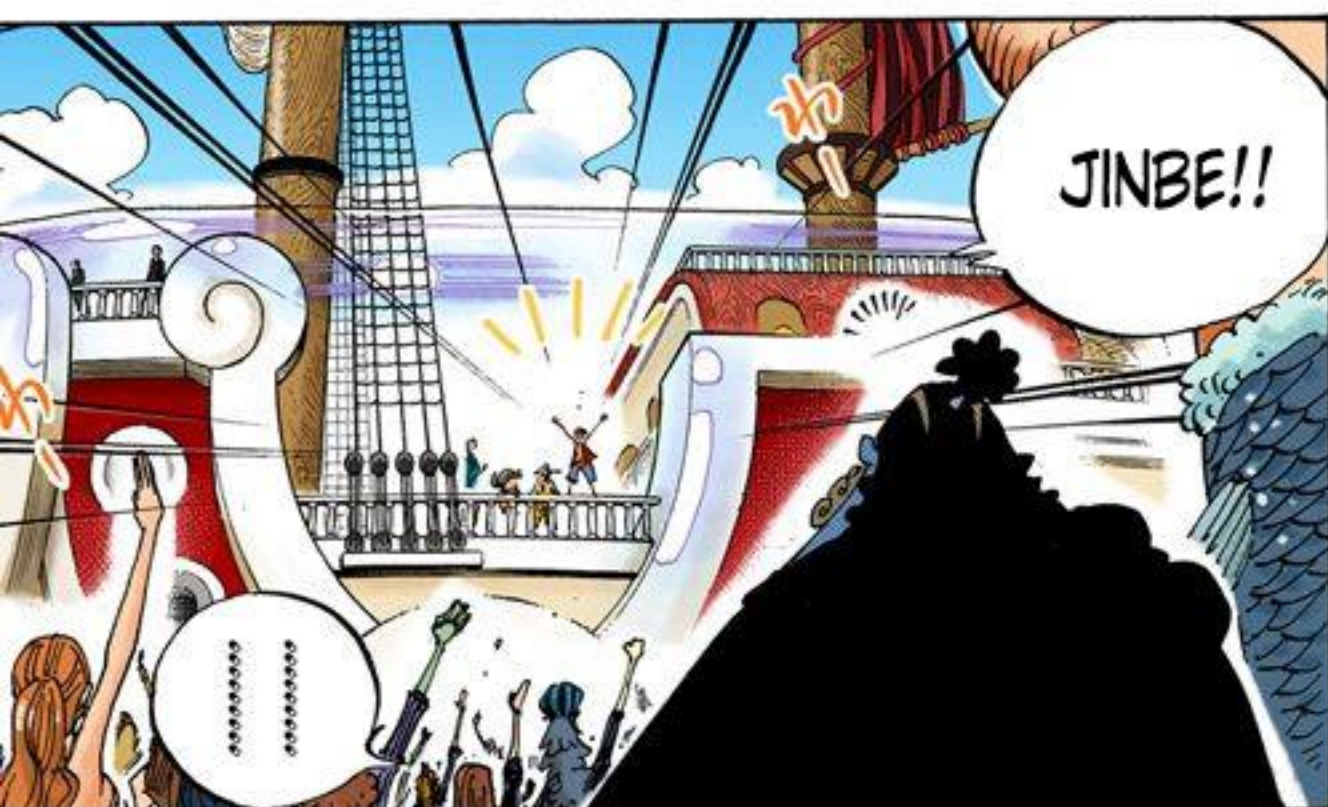
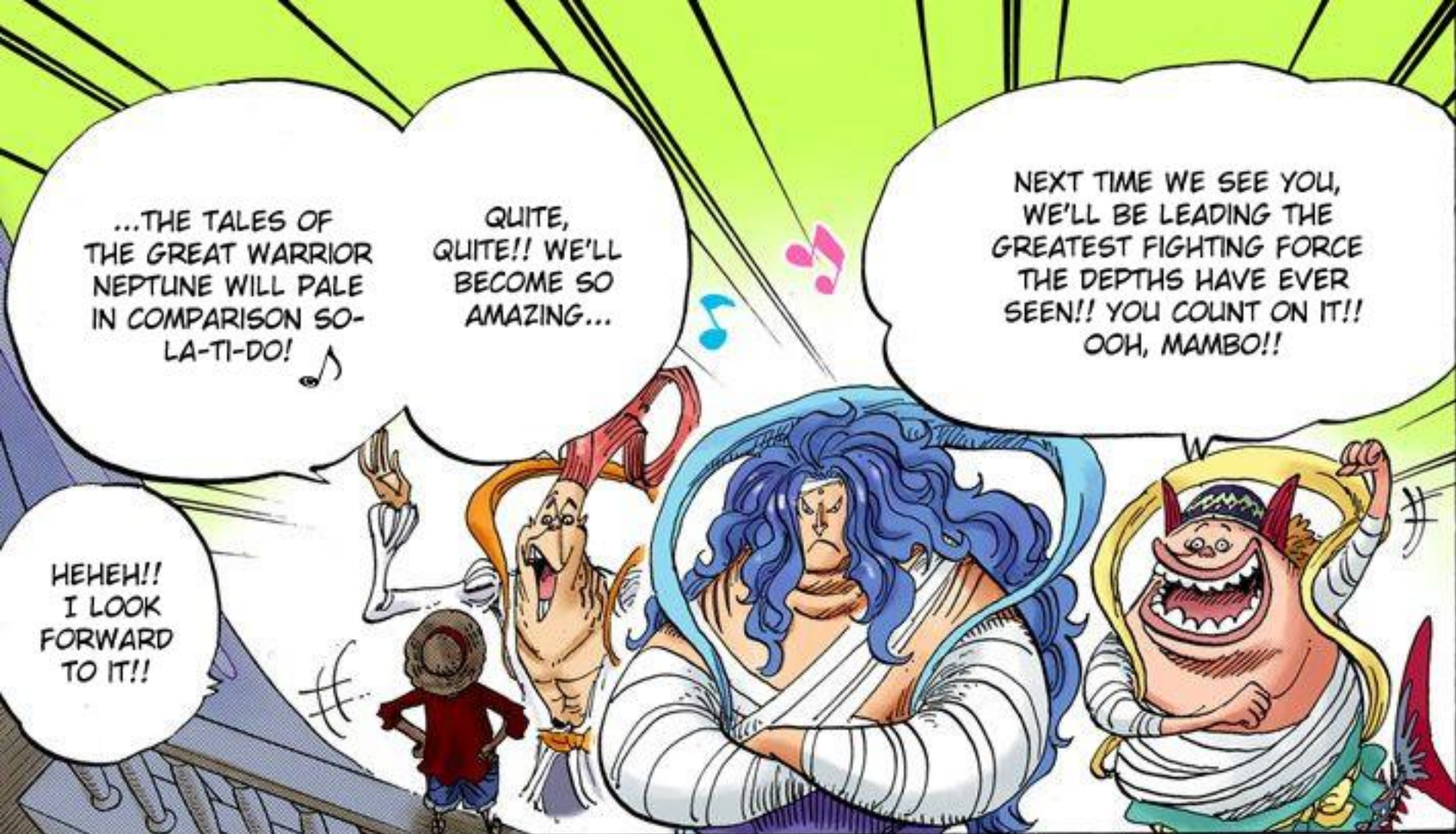
LET'S
GO!!!

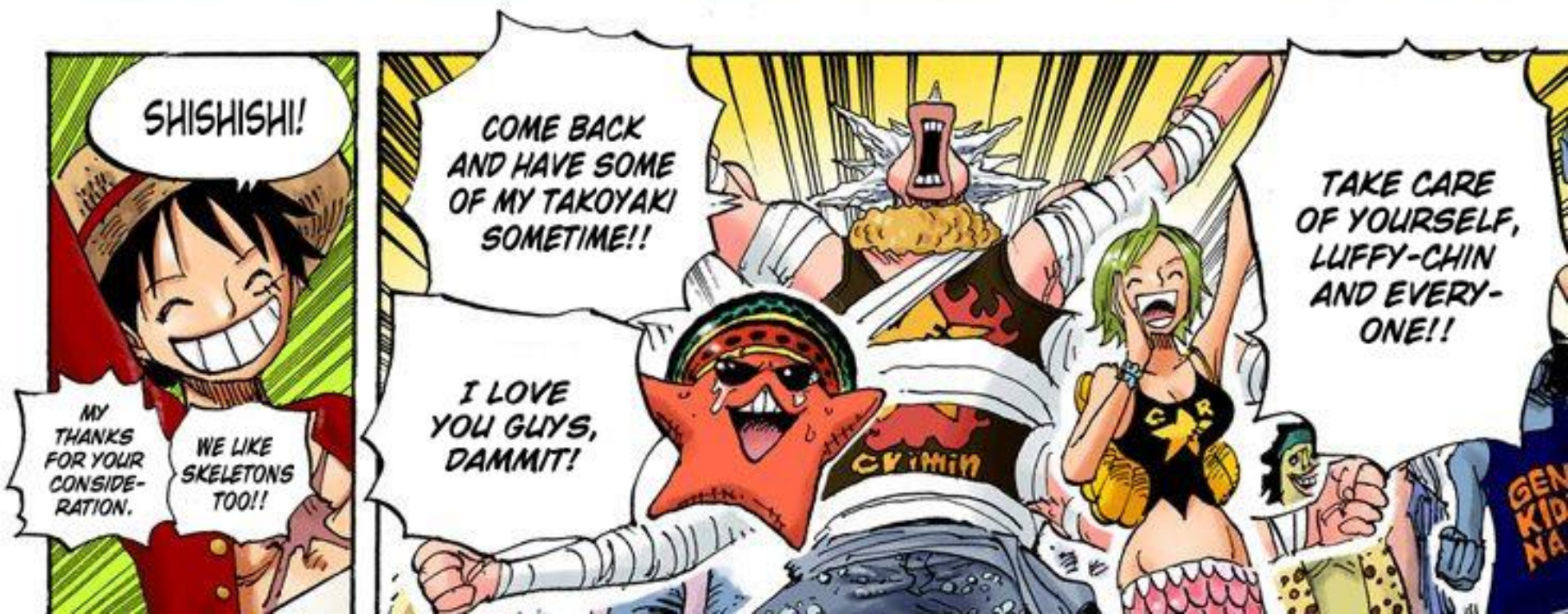
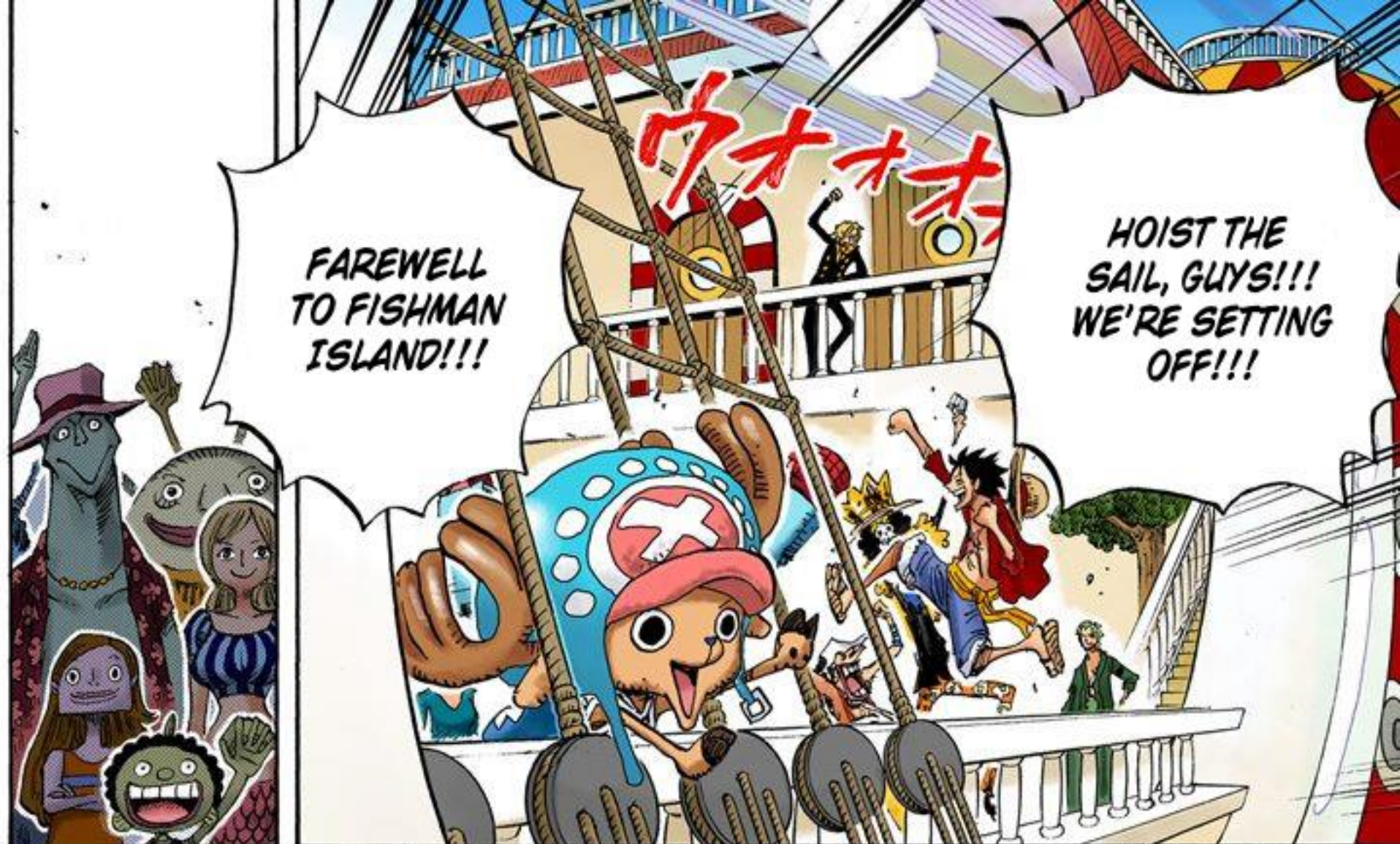


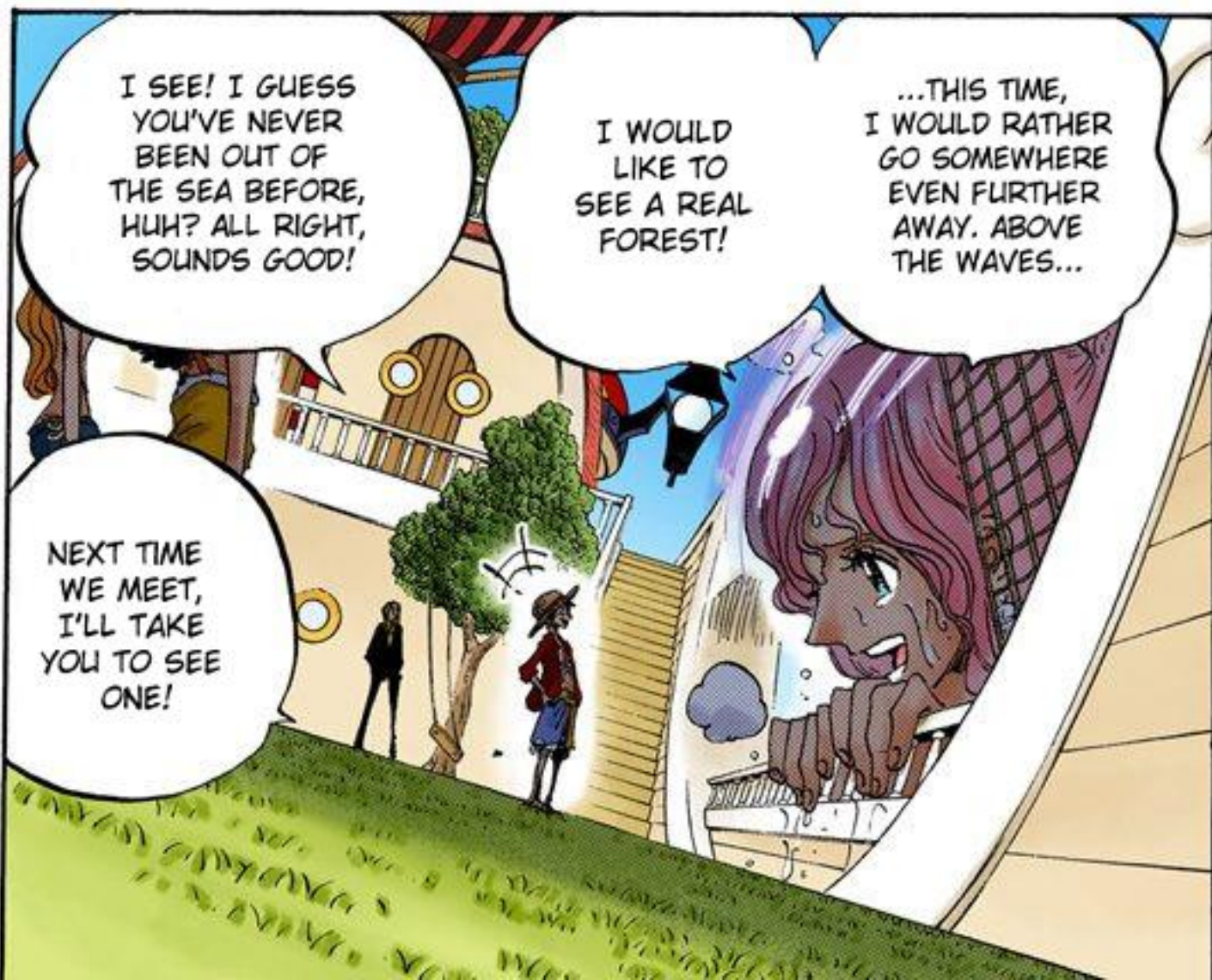
ALL RIGHT, YOU
GUYS!! WE'RE
ALL READY TO
SET SAIL!!

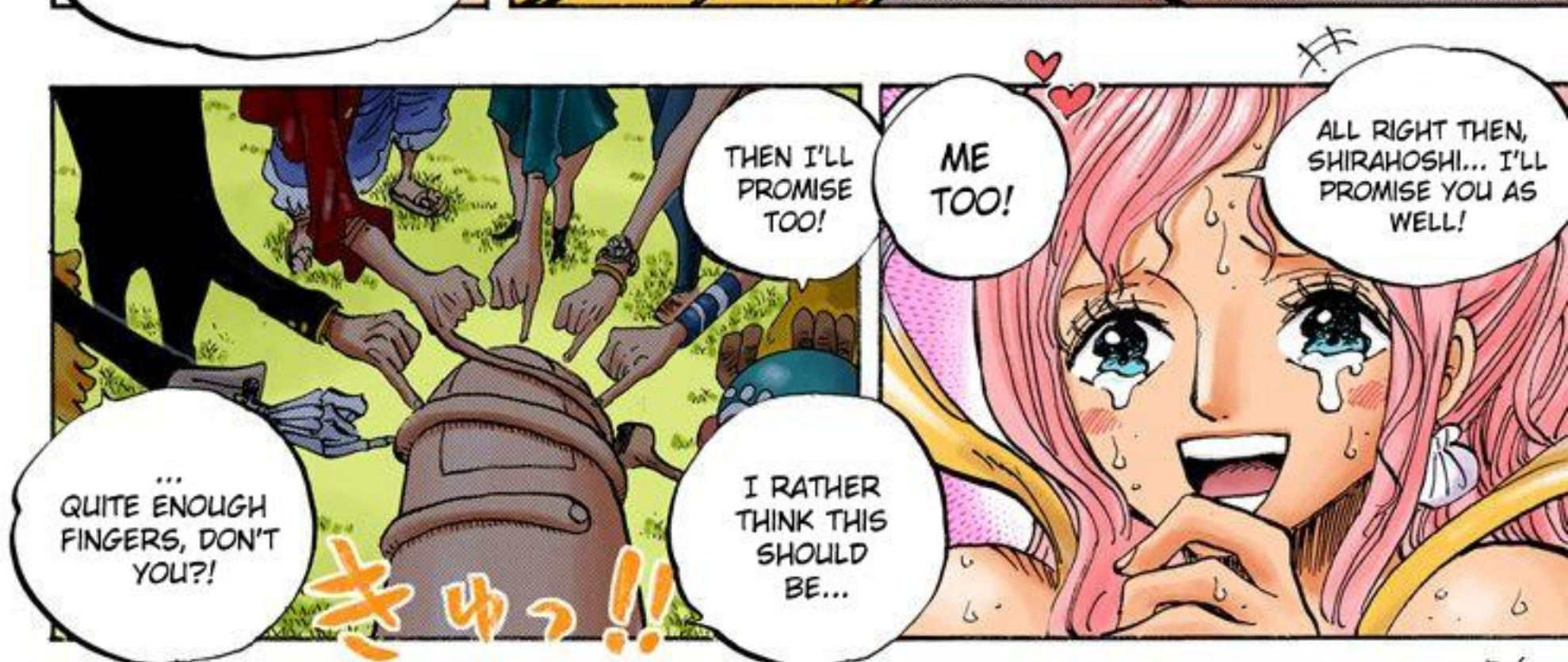
I'M ALL
CLEAR ON HOW
TO TAKE US
UP!! ARE WE
GOING?!

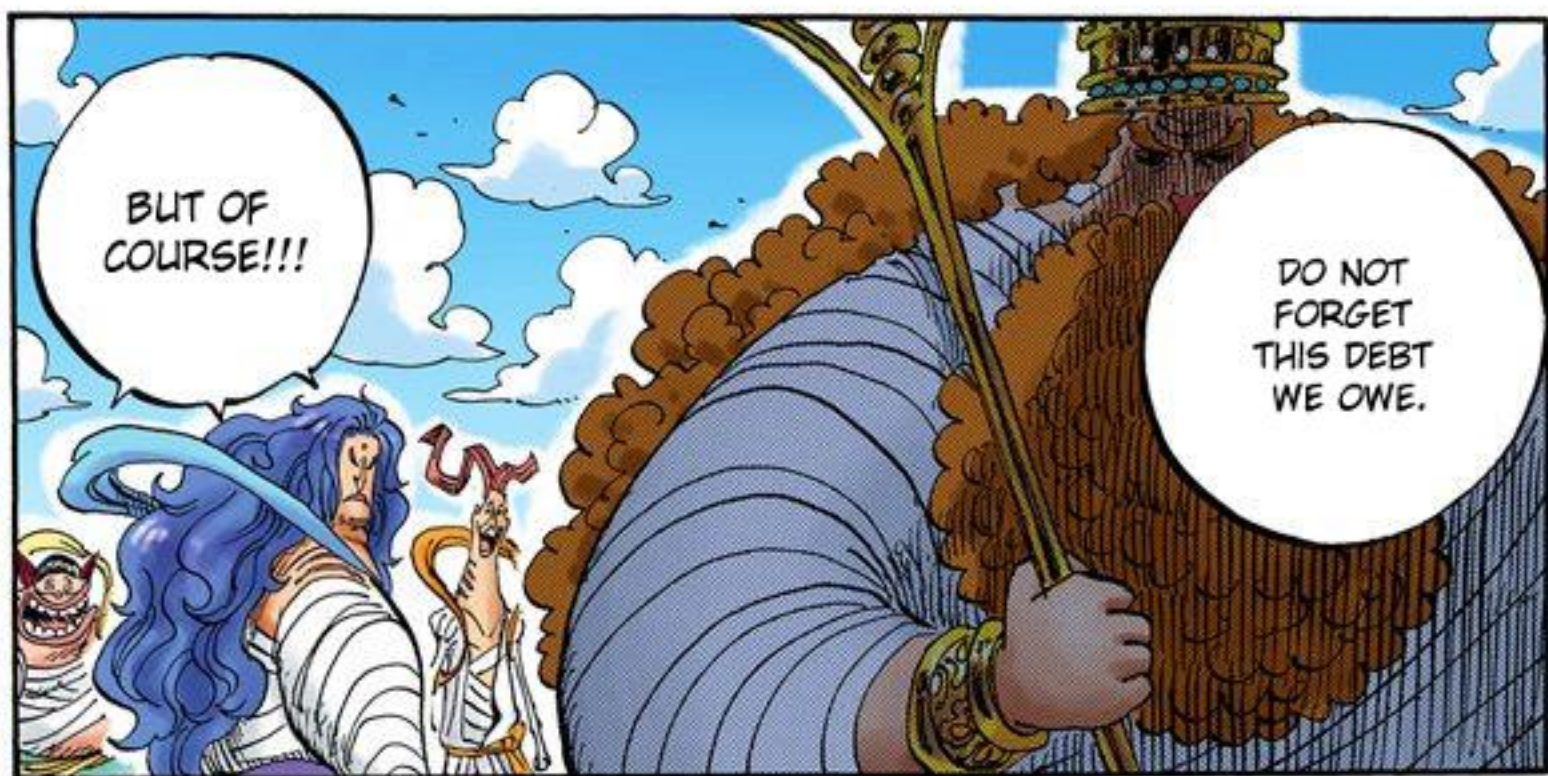


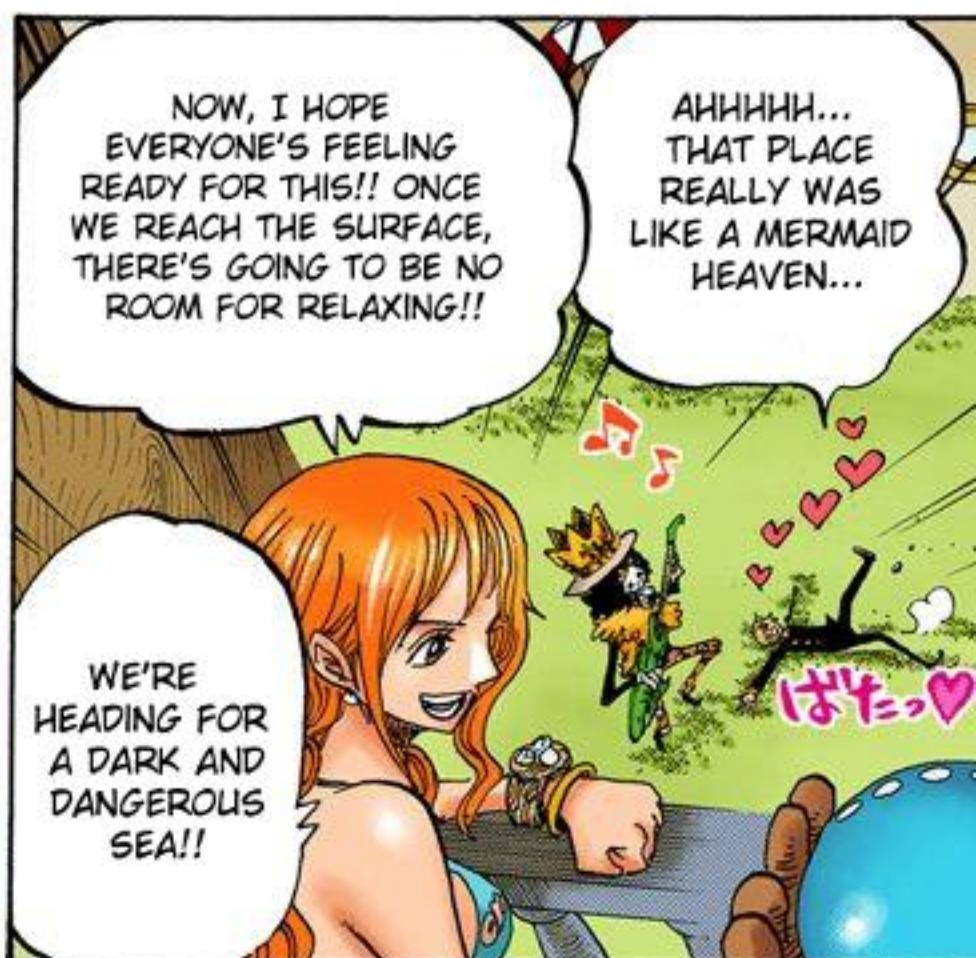
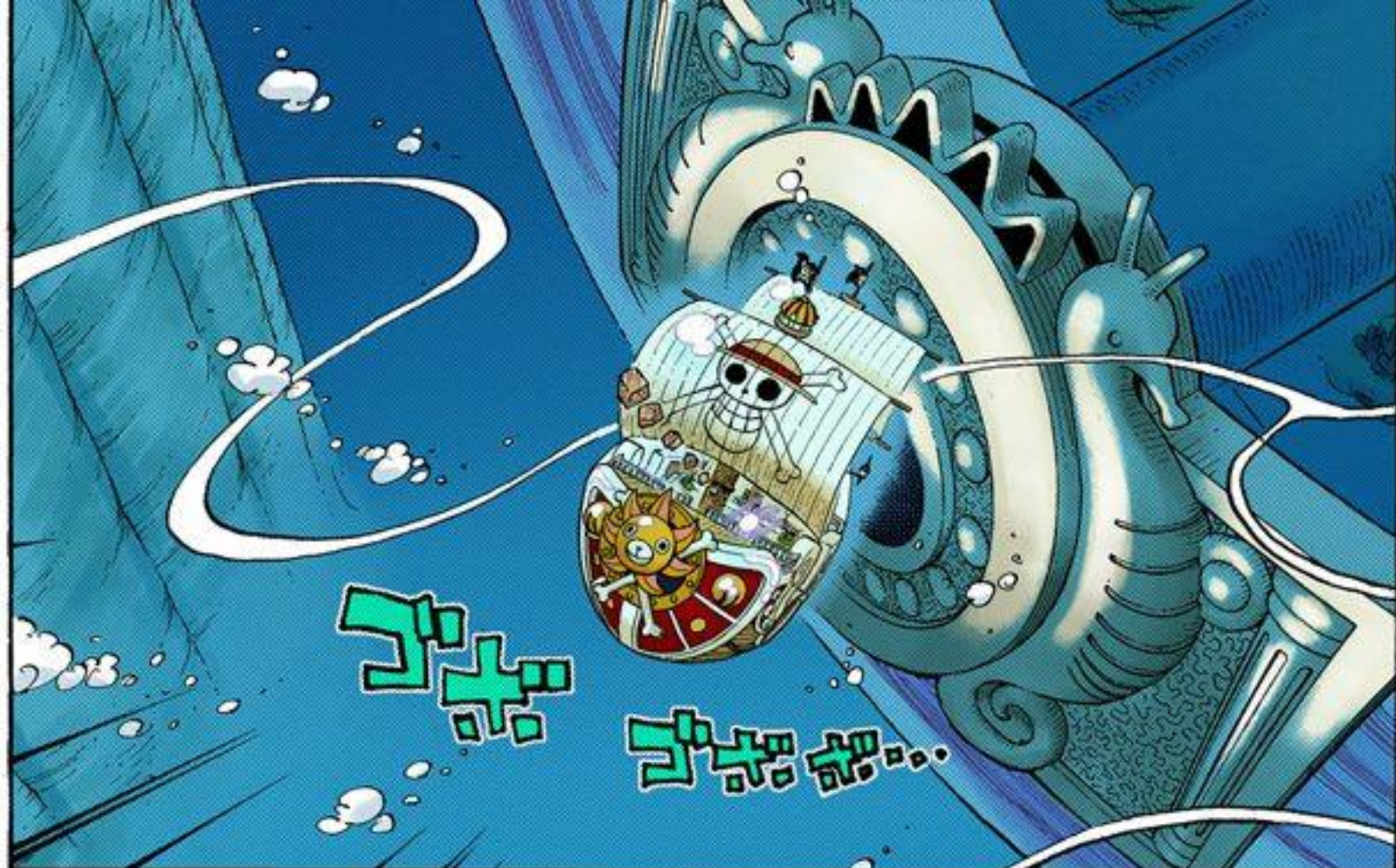


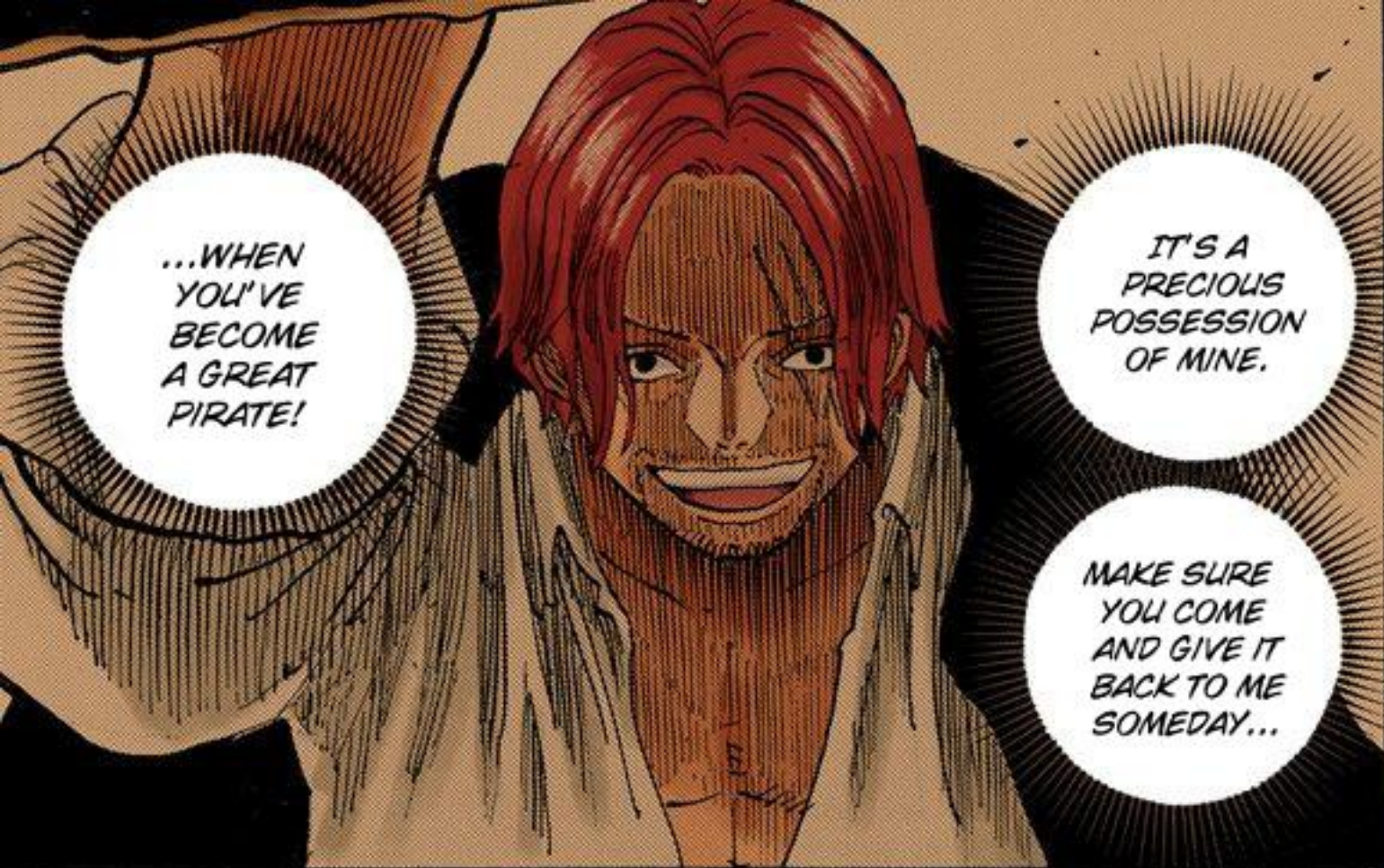












...WHEN
YOU'VE
BECOME
A GREAT
PIRATE!

IT'S A
PRECIOUS
POSSESSION
OF MINE.

MAKE SURE
YOU COME
AND GIVE IT
BACK TO ME
SOMEDAY...



I'LL
LEAVE THIS
HAT WITH
YOU.



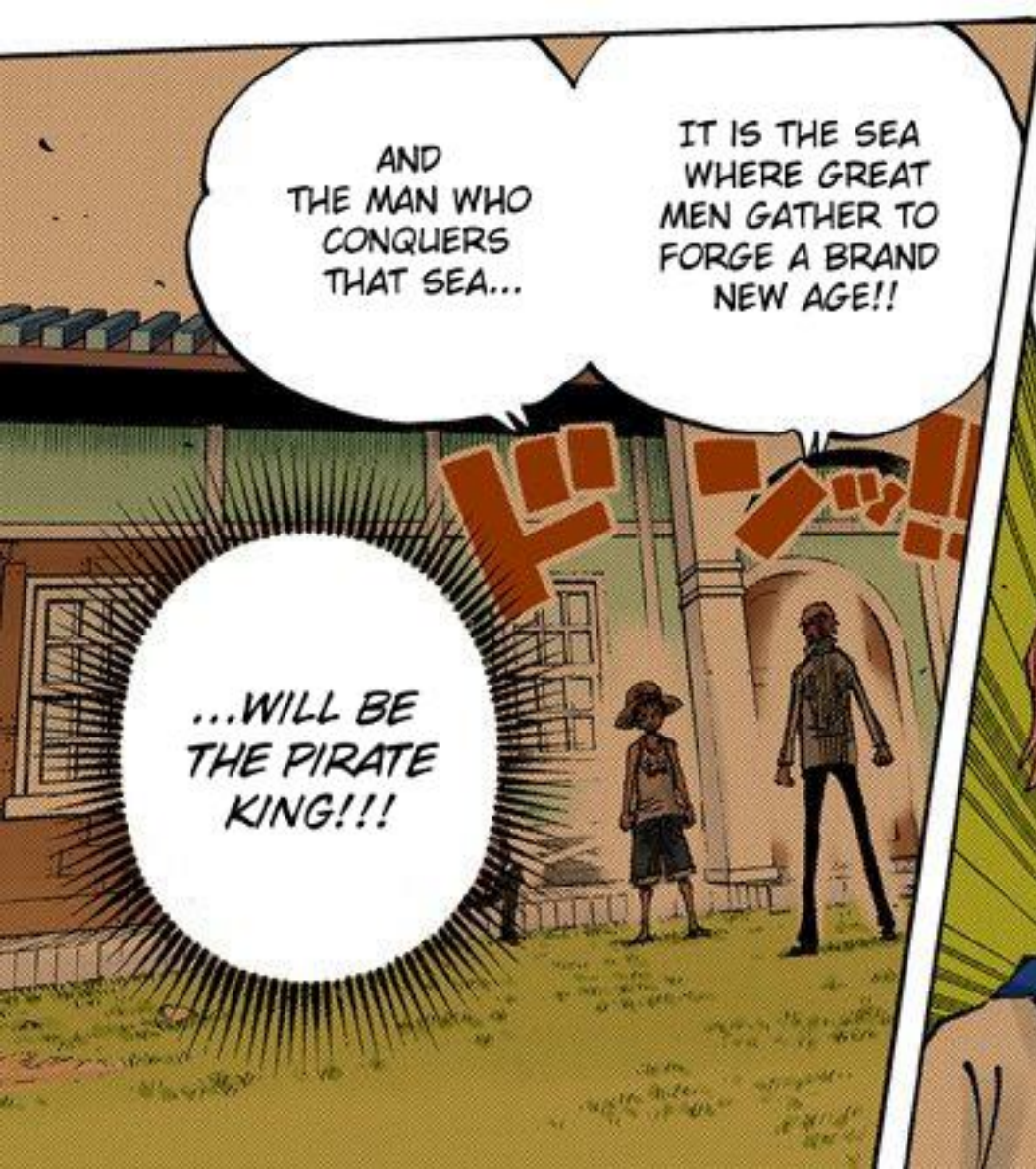
HEAD
STRAIGHT FOR
THE TOP!!!



ASK YOURSELF
THIS!! WHAT IS
THERE THAT STILL
REMAINS TO YOU
?!!!



YOU'LL PULL IT OFF
FOR SURE...!! YOU'RE
MY BROTHER, AFTER
ALL...!!!



AND
THE MAN WHO
CONQUERS
THAT SEA...

IT IS THE SEA
WHERE GREAT
MEN GATHER TO
FORGE A BRAND
NEW AGE!!

...WILL BE
THE PIRATE
KING!!!



...CALL
THAT FINAL
OCEAN BY
ANOTHER
NAME.

MOST
PEOPLE
...

TO
THE NEW
WORLD!!!

FULL
SPEED
AHEAD,
MEN!!!

YEAAA
AAAAHHH
HHH!!!!

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CHAPTER 654

"GAM"



FROM SHIPDECKS AROUND THE WORLD
VOL 36: WATER 7 - THE MOZ AND KIWI BAR

IT'S
KIND OF
UNSETTLING.

LEAVING
FISHMAN
ISLAND
BEHIND...

THE CREW
HAVE FINALLY
SET SAIL FOR
THE LATTER
HALF OF THE
GRAND LINE...

SMOOTH
SAILING, NOT
A HITCH...

THAT CLOUD
LOOKS SO
FLUFFY AND
DELICIOUS,
THOUGH...
I BET IT'S
SUGARY-
SWEET!

NO,
I'M FINE! I
WASHED THE
DAY BEFORE
YESTERDAY!

THE
NEW WORLD
AWAITS THEM
ABOVE.

CHOPPER,
STAY AWAY
FROM THE
CLOUD,
OKAY?

SOMETHING
SWEET AND
DELICIOUS IN
THE BATHROOM,
YOU SAY...?

SWEET AND
DELICIOUS
IS RIGHT ON
THE MARK!

GYAA
AAAAAA
AAHHHH
HHH!!!

I THINK
I'D BETTER
NOT EAT
IT AFTER
ALL!!

YOU
WANT TO
COME TRY
IT OUT
TOO?

HOW
DO YOU
LIKE MY
SHOWER
TEMPO?

AND IT'S AN AMAZING
FEELING TO ENJOY A HOT
BATH WHILE GAZING OUT
AT THE SEA DEPTHS, BLACK
AS THE NIGHT SKY!

THAT
FEELS
GOOD!

WHEW!

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IT'S
BEEN TWO
YEARS SINCE I
LAST TOOK A
BATH ON THE
SUNNY!

...
WITHOUT
A NAVA-
TOR...?

D'YOU THINK
THEY'LL BE
ALL RIGHT
UP ON DECK
...

IF ANY
SEA MONSTERS
SHOW UP, THE
OTHERS CAN
HANDLE THOSE,
RIGHT?

I'LL BE
DONE BY THE
TIME WE REACH
THE UPWARD
CURRENT, SO
IT'LL BE FINE.

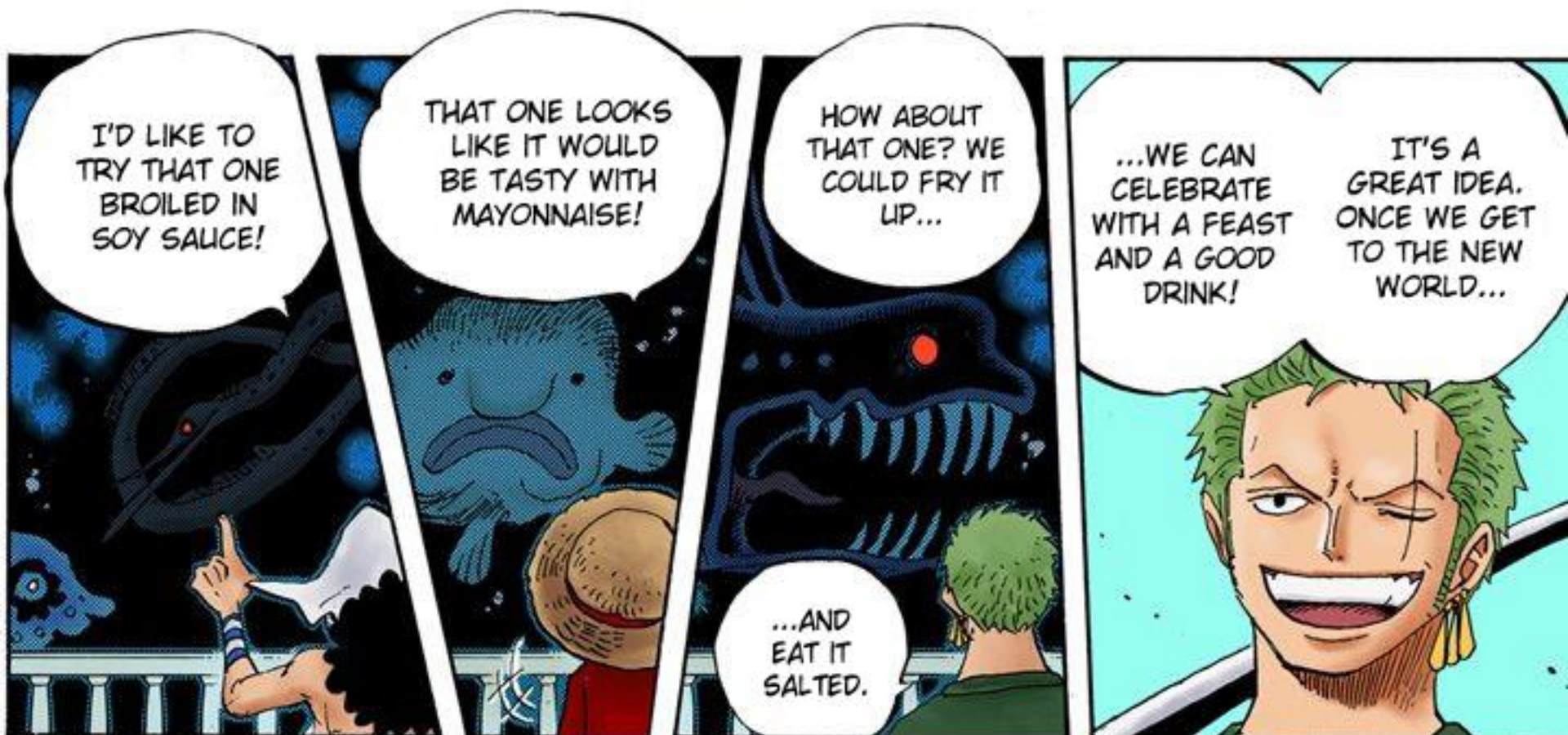


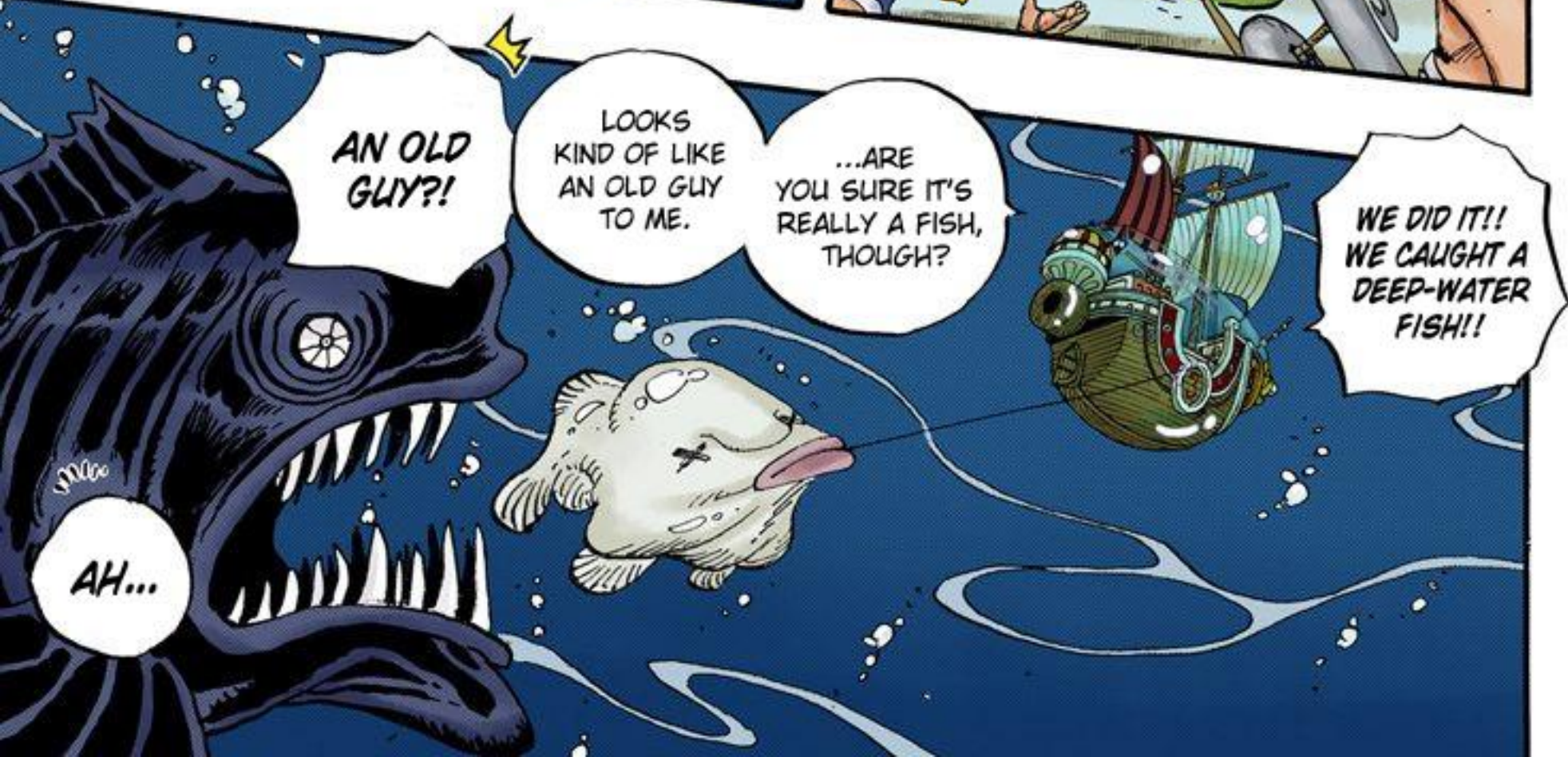
WE'RE
DEALING WITH
SUPER-GIANT FISH
HERE! WE WON'T
GET ANYWHERE
WITH A NORMAL
ROPE!!

HURRY UP,
USOPP!!

HAVE
A LITTLE
PATIENCE!









WHOO
OOOOAA
AAHH!!!

ANOTHER
ONE TOOK
THE BAIT
!!!

THAT DOES
IT, I GIVE!!!
THIS THING'S
GONNA PULL
THE SHIP RIGHT
OVER!!!

AAAAAAGH!!!
NOW AN EVEN
BIGGER ONE!!!

WHAT IS
THIS, SOME
KIND OF DEEP-
SEA RUSSIAN
DOLL?!!!

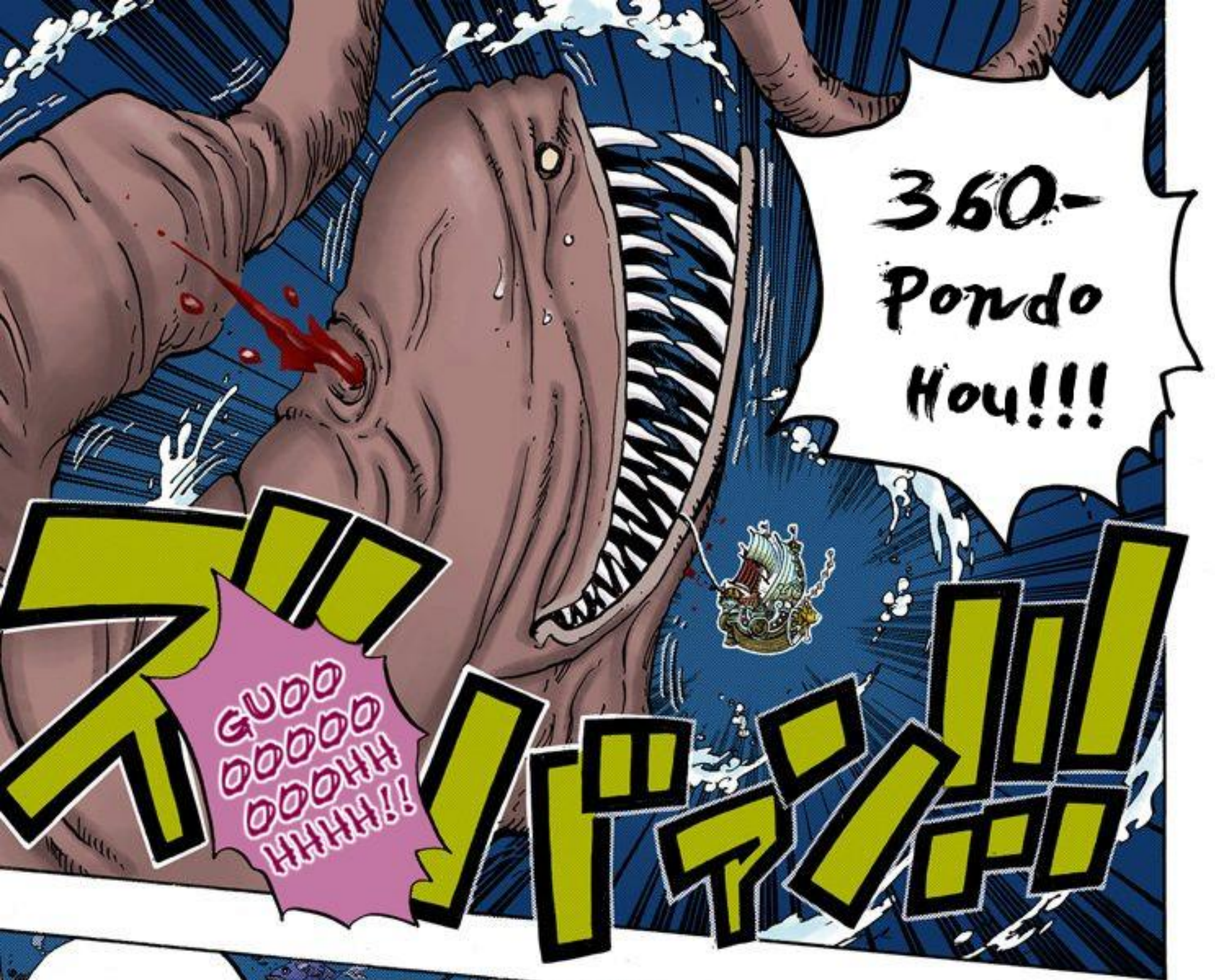


KA-CHINK!!

ITTOU
RYUU...

MAYBE I
SHOULDN'T
HAVE LEFT
THEM ON
THEIR OWN
AFTER ALL
...

THE SHIP'S
SHAKING
ABOUT, AND
THEY SURE
ARE BEING
NOISY UP
ON DECK
...!!



360-
Pondo
Hou!!!

GUDDO
OOOOO
OOOHH
HHHH!!



NOT JUST
ONE DEEP-
SEA FISH TO
COOK!!

WHAT
HAPPENED
TO YOU...?

THERE
ARE TWO
MORE
INSIDE
IT!!

A DEEP-SEA
FISH TO COOK,
EH? THAT
SOUNDS LIKE A
CHALLENGE!!



OOH!
WHAT'S
THAT?! A
SNAKE?!



THAT'S
JUST YOUR
IMAGINATION!

SO, UH...
IS THE SHIP
STILL ON
COURSE?

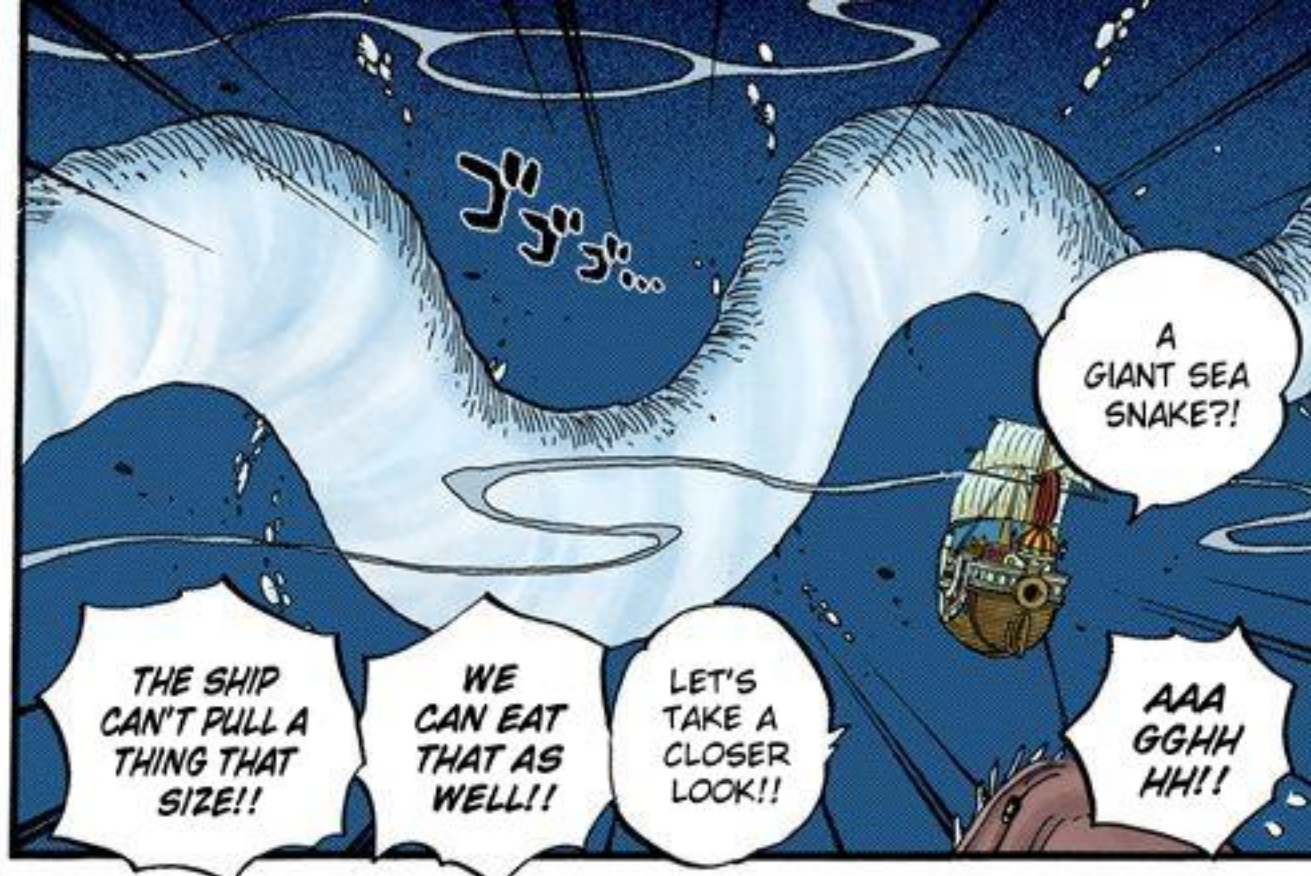
I'M GETTING
SOMETHING OF
A...SINKING
FEELING...



HM?

COULD IT POSSIBLY BE...?

HOLD ON...



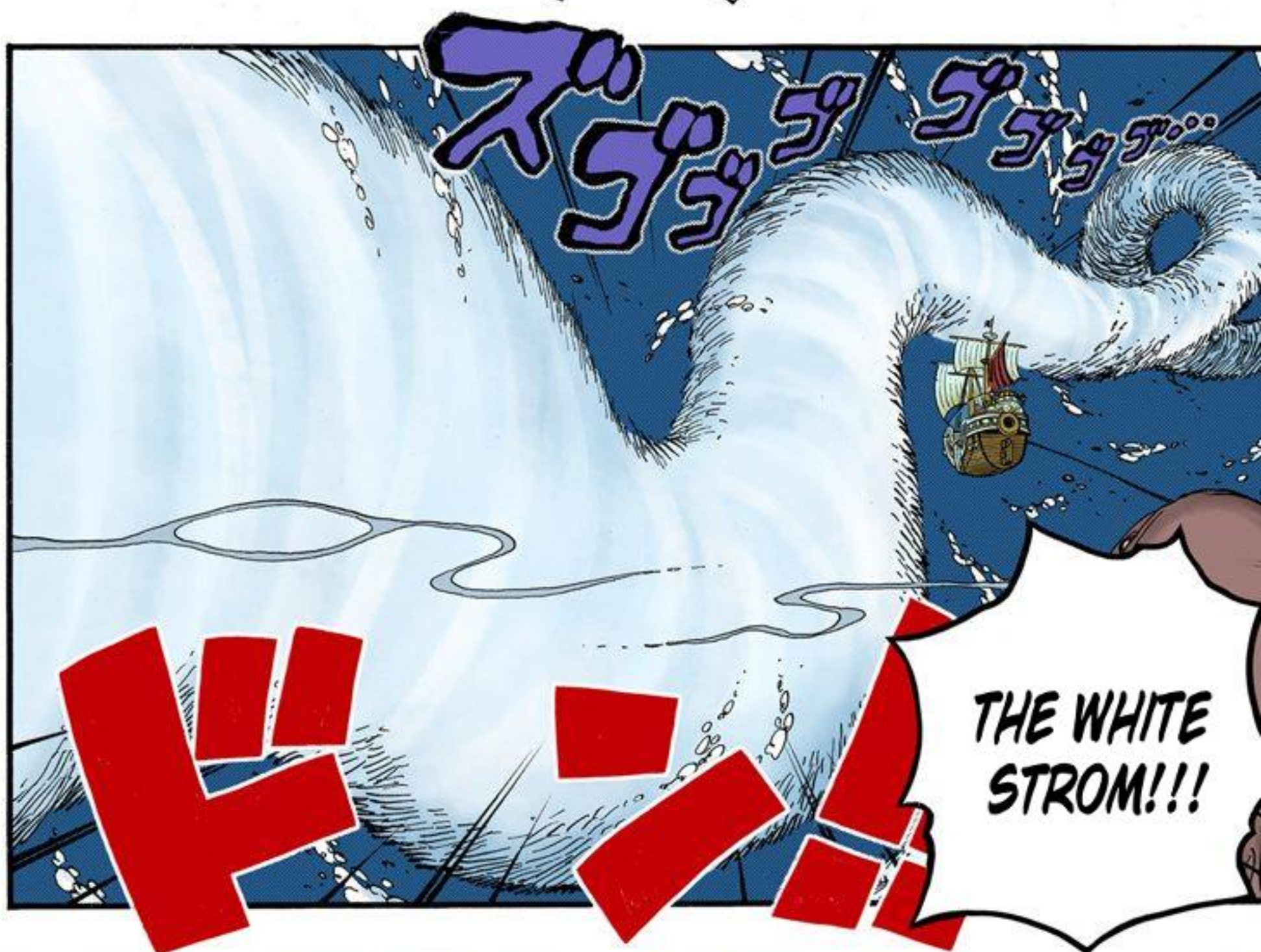
A GIANT SEA SNAKE?!

THE SHIP CAN'T PULL A THING THAT SIZE!!

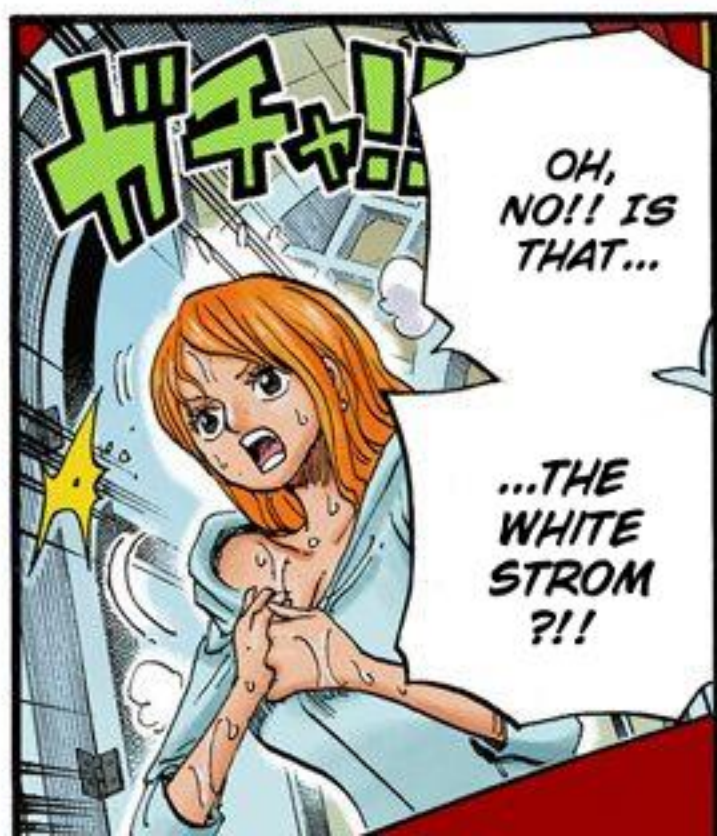
WE CAN EAT THAT AS WELL!!

LET'S TAKE A CLOSER LOOK!!

AAA GGHH HH!!



THE WHITE STROM!!!



OH, NO!! IS THAT...

...THE WHITE STROM ?!!



A WHIRLPOOL UNDER-WATER?!

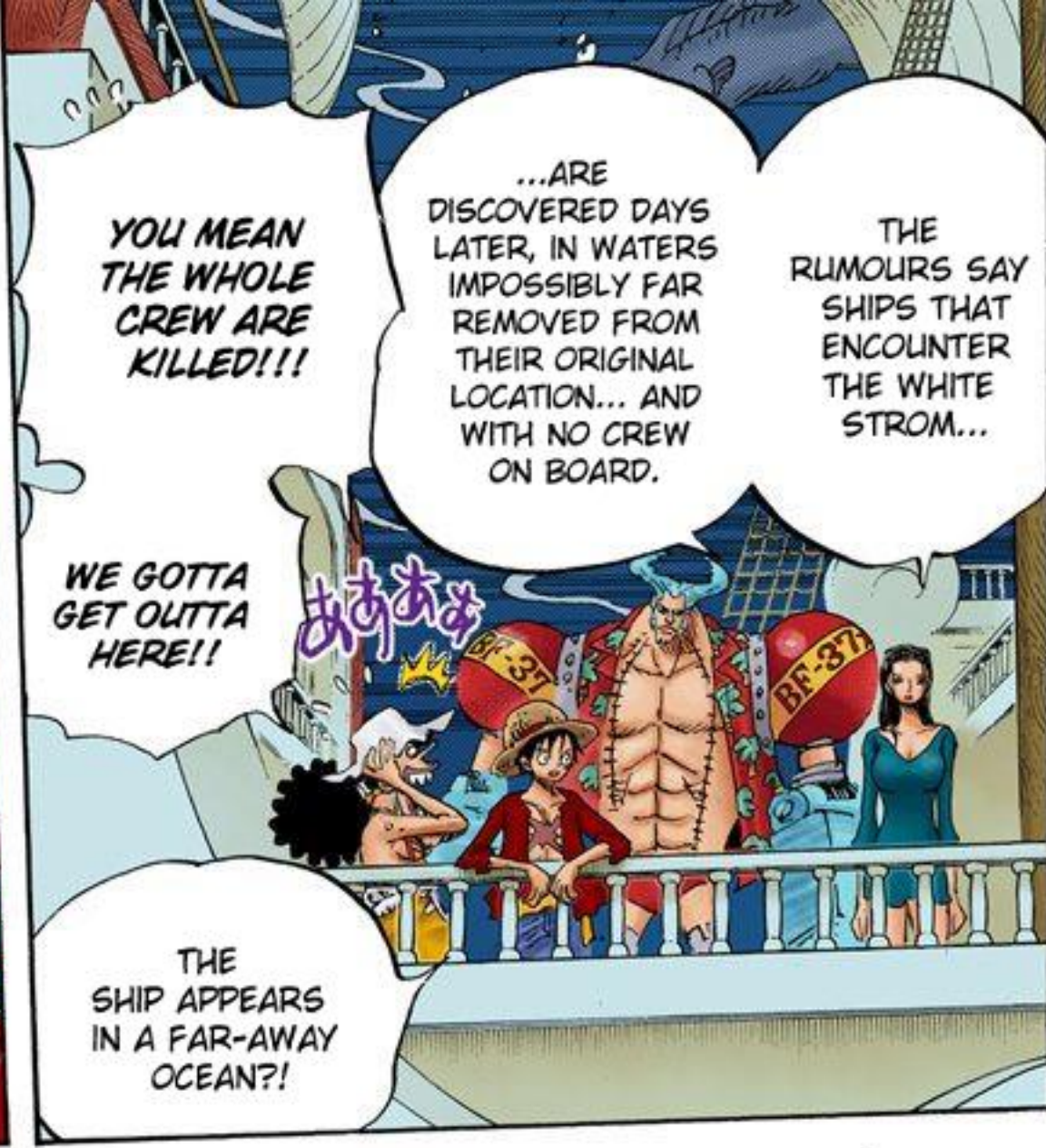
THEY SAY IT APPEARS SUDDENLY AND WITHOUT WARNING, LIKE A WRITHING DRAGON IN THE DEPTHS OF THE OCEAN...

IT'S A GIGANTIC WHITE WHIRLPOOL!!



I DON'T
THINK
SO!!!

YOU MEAN
IT'S LIKE...
A WARP
ZONE?!



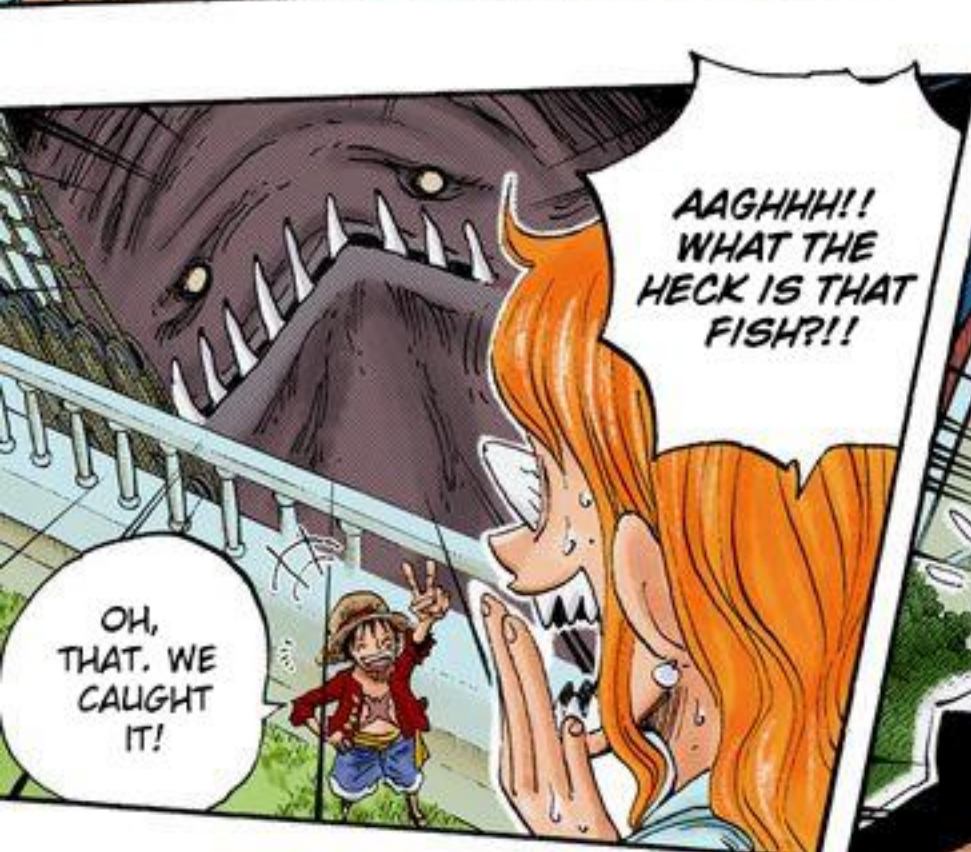
YOU MEAN
THE WHOLE
CREW ARE
KILLED!!!

...ARE
DISCOVERED DAYS
LATER, IN WATERS
IMPOSSIBLY FAR
REMOVED FROM
THEIR ORIGINAL
LOCATION... AND
WITH NO CREW
ON BOARD.

THE
RUMOURS SAY
SHIPS THAT
ENCOUNTER
THE WHITE
STORM...

WE GOTTA
GET OUTTA
HERE!!

THE
SHIP APPEARS
IN A FAR-AWAY
OCEAN?!



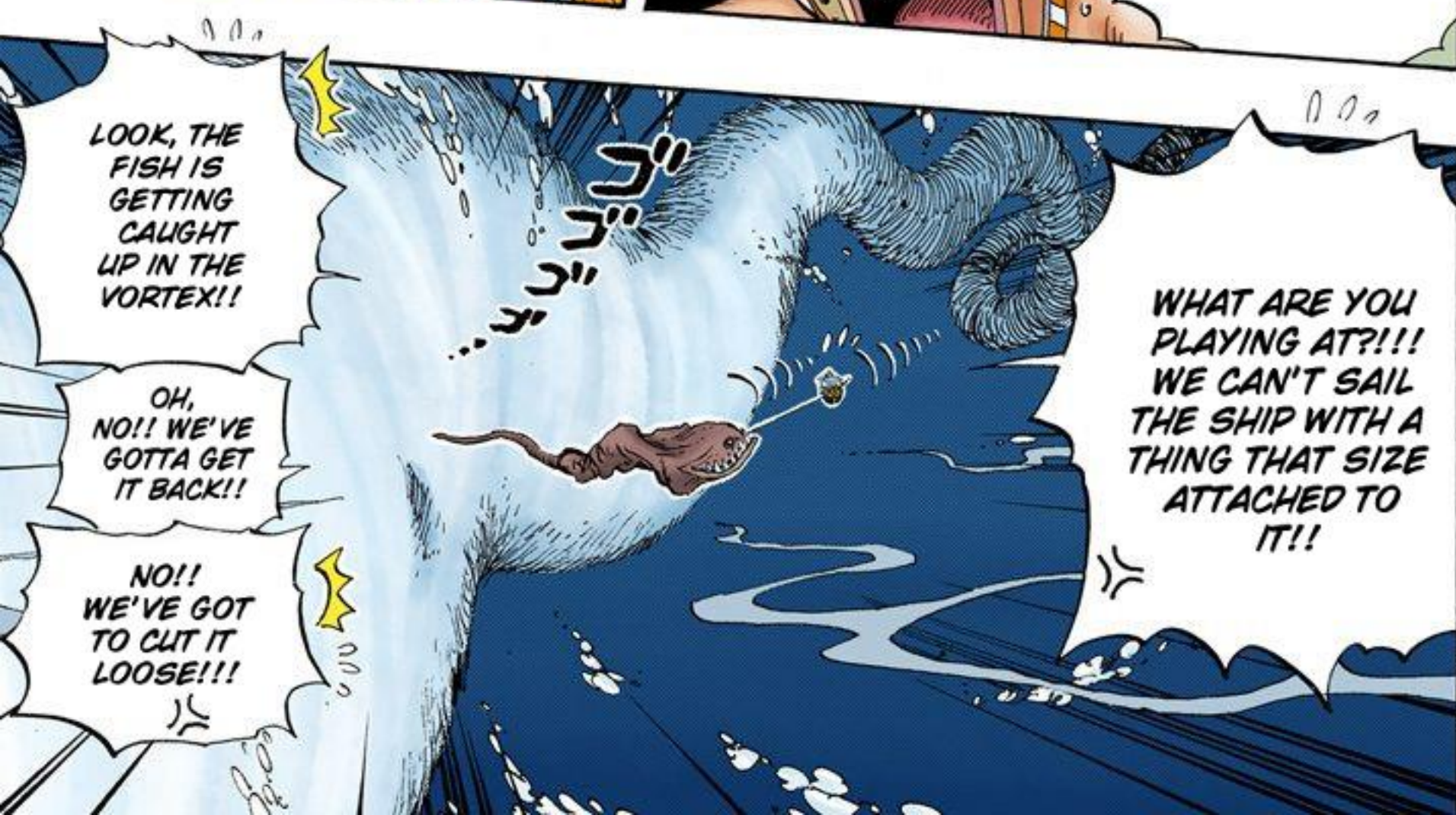
AAGHHH!!
WHAT THE
HECK IS THAT
FISH?!!

OH,
THAT. WE
CAUGHT
IT!



HURRY,
EVERYONE!!
WE HAVE TO
GET AWAY
FROM THAT
VORTEX!!

AND THERE'S
OUR NAVIGATOR!!
YOU HEARD HER,
LET'S GET OUTTA
HERE!!

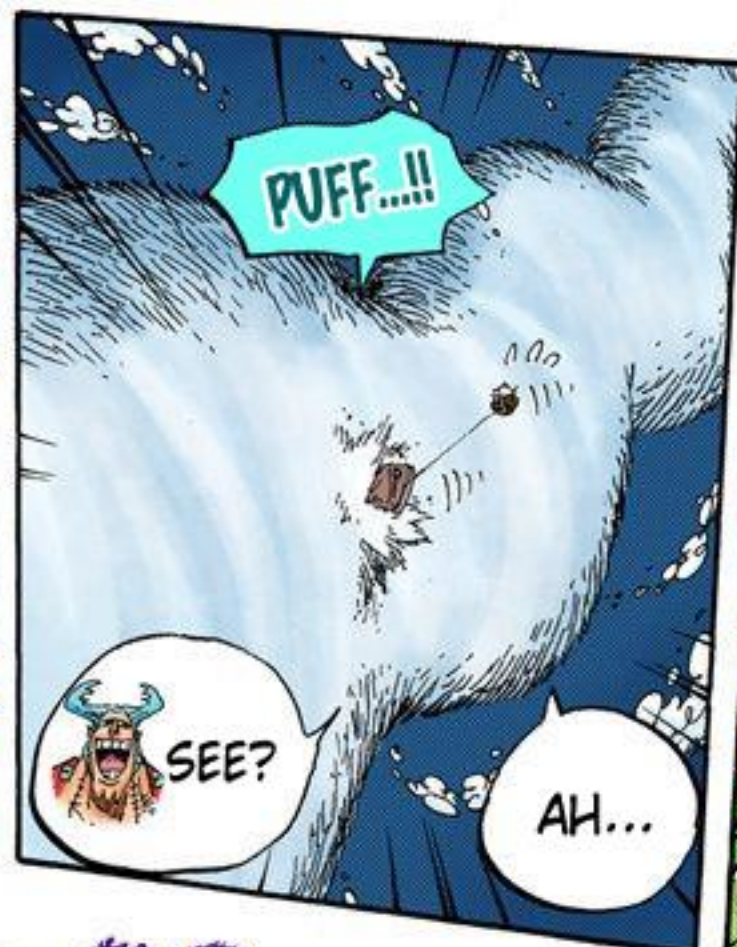
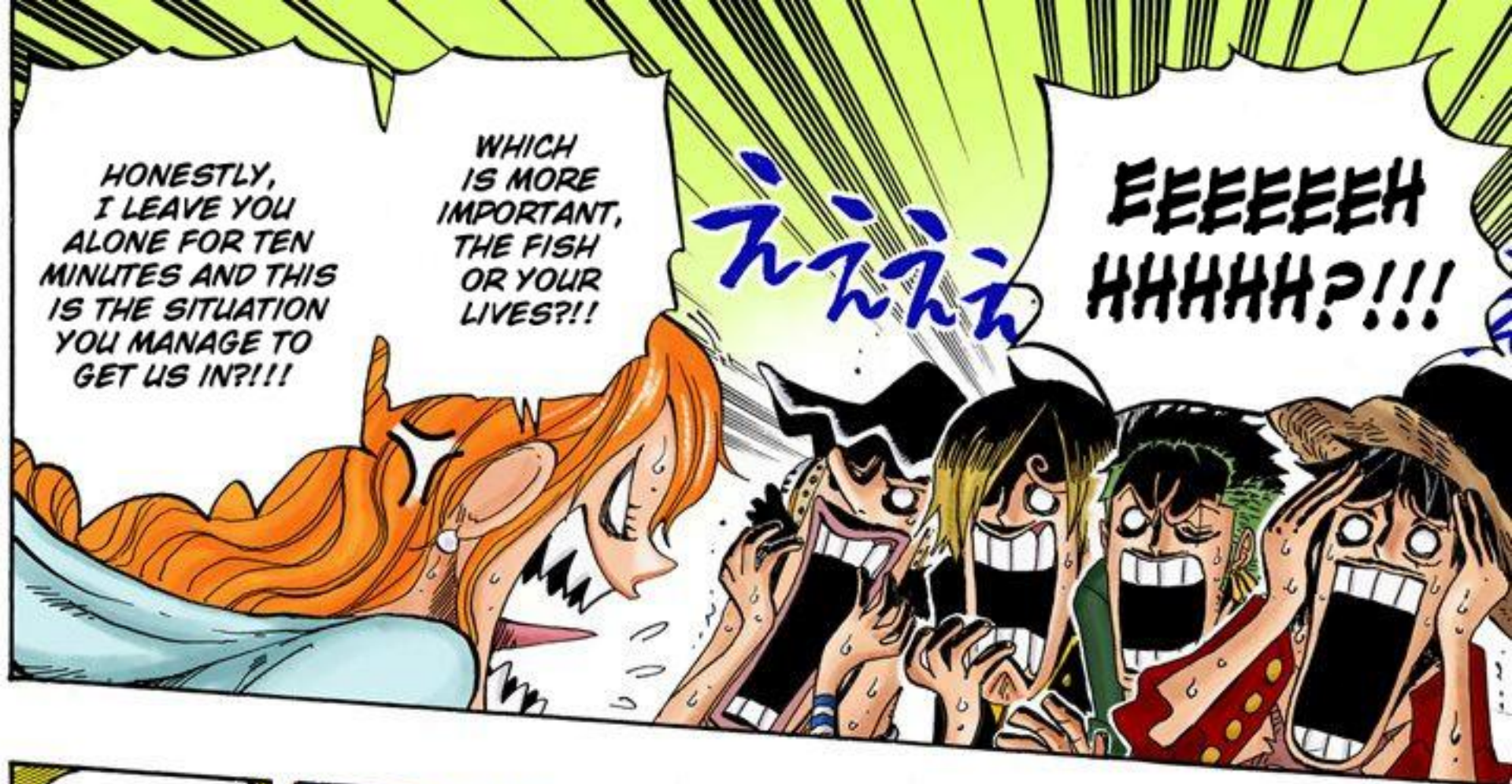


LOOK, THE
FISH IS
GETTING
CAUGHT
UP IN THE
VORTEX!!

OH,
NO!! WE'VE
GOTTA GET
IT BACK!!

NO!!
WE'VE GOT
TO CUT IT
LOOSE!!!

WHAT ARE YOU
PLAYING AT?!!!
WE CAN'T SAIL
THE SHIP WITH A
THING THAT SIZE
ATTACHED TO
IT!!





LABOON!!!



WE'LL TRAVEL
RIGHT ROUND
THE WORLD AND
COME STRAIGHT
BACK HERE!!!

LABOON!

POW
LUUUU
UU!!

LABOON!!!
YOU'VE
GROWN SO
MUCH...!!

HE COULDN'T
EVEN MAKE IT
THROUGH THE
HOLD IN THE
RED LINE
WITH A BODY
THAT SIZE!

DON'T BE
STUPID!!
LABOON'S
BACK IN THE
FIRST HALF OF
THE GRAND
LINE!



WHOO
OOOOOO
OAAAAAAA
AAAAAAA
AAAA!!!

GOING TO
DELIVER
BINKS'
SAKE! ♪

I CAN'T
BELIEVE IT!!
ARE THEY
REALLY NOT
LABOON?!

YEAH,
THEY LOOK
JUST THE
SAME....!!

QUITE A FEW
OF 'EM HAVE GOT
WOUNDS ON THEIR
HEADS JUST LIKE
LABOON DID.

IT'S LIKE A
MIRACLE... TO RUN
INTO A GROUP OF
ISLAND WHALES
OUT OF THE
BLUE....!!

LABOON!!
WAIT!! LISTEN,
PLEASE!! IT'S
ME, BROOK!!!

NAMI-
SAN!!

FIRST, WE
OUGHTTA MAKE
SURE WE DIDN'T
LOSE ANYONE
BACK IN THAT
CRAZY VORTEX!!
I'LL TAKE A
ROLL CALL!!

ANYWAY, SHOULD
WE REALLY BE JUST
ENJOYING THE VIEW?!!!
WE MAY BE OUT OF THE
WHIRLPOOL, BUT WE'RE
NOT OUT OF DANGER
YET!!

LABOO
OOOOO
OOOOO
OON!!!

GET A GRIP,
WOULD YOU?!!!
YOU'VE GOT
THE WRONG
WHALE!!!

HERE!

ROBIN-
CHAN!

I'M STILL
HERE.

YOU HEARD
THE LADY!! WE
DON'T NEED TO
DO A THING, YOU
LAYABOUTS!!

THERE'S NO
NEED TO GO
ANYWHERE!!

SANJI-KUN,
ALLOW ME TO
CONFIRM THAT THE
OTHER SIX MEMBERS
OF OUR CREW ARE
ALL PRESENT AND
ACCOUNTED FOR!!

IT WON'T LAST
FIVE SECONDS IF
ONE OF THESE
WHALES BUMPS
INTO IT!!!

ALL
RIGHT!!
...THEN
LET'S GET
THIS SHIP
MOVING!!

WHAT'S
WITH THAT
ATTITUDE
?!!

NOW GET
ADMIRING
THOSE
WHALES!!

NAMI-
SAN, WE
AWAIT YOUR
ORDERS!!!

SANJI, CALL
OUR NAMES
TOO!!

SO WE RAISE
THE MAINSAIL AND
POINT THE SHIP IN
THE SAME DIRECTION
THE WHALES ARE
MOVING!!!

A GROUP
OF WHALES THIS
LARGE WILL CAUSE A
POWERFUL CURRENT
AS IT MOVES!!

AAAAHH
HHHHHHH
HHHHH!!!

TRYING TO
FIGHT THE FLOW
WOULD ONLY PUT
US IN MORE
DANGER!!

BE
CAREFUL,
BROOK - !!

IS THERE
ANYONE HERE
RELATED TO
LABOON...?!

OF COURSE
... THIS MUST
BE LABOON'S
HOME...!!

BUO
OOOHH
HHH!!

RIDE THE
CURRENT
!!!

RIGHT!

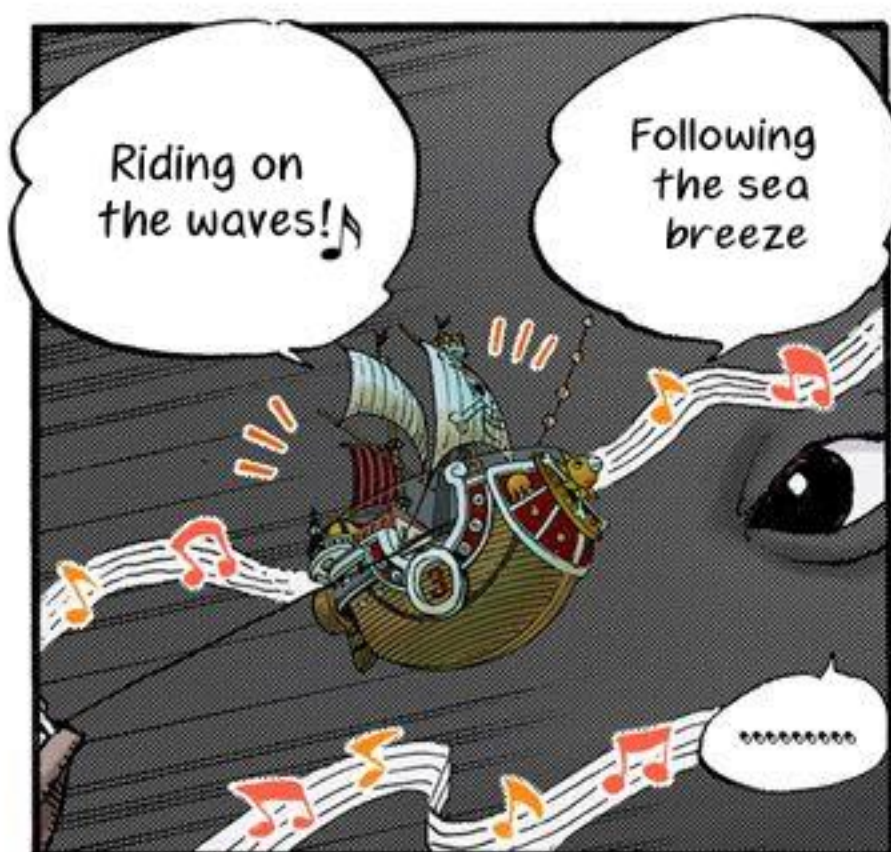
IF THERE IS
ANYONE HERE
LOOKING FOR A
YOUNG WHALE WHO
WAS SEPARATED
FROM HIS FAMILY
FIFTY YEARS
AGO...

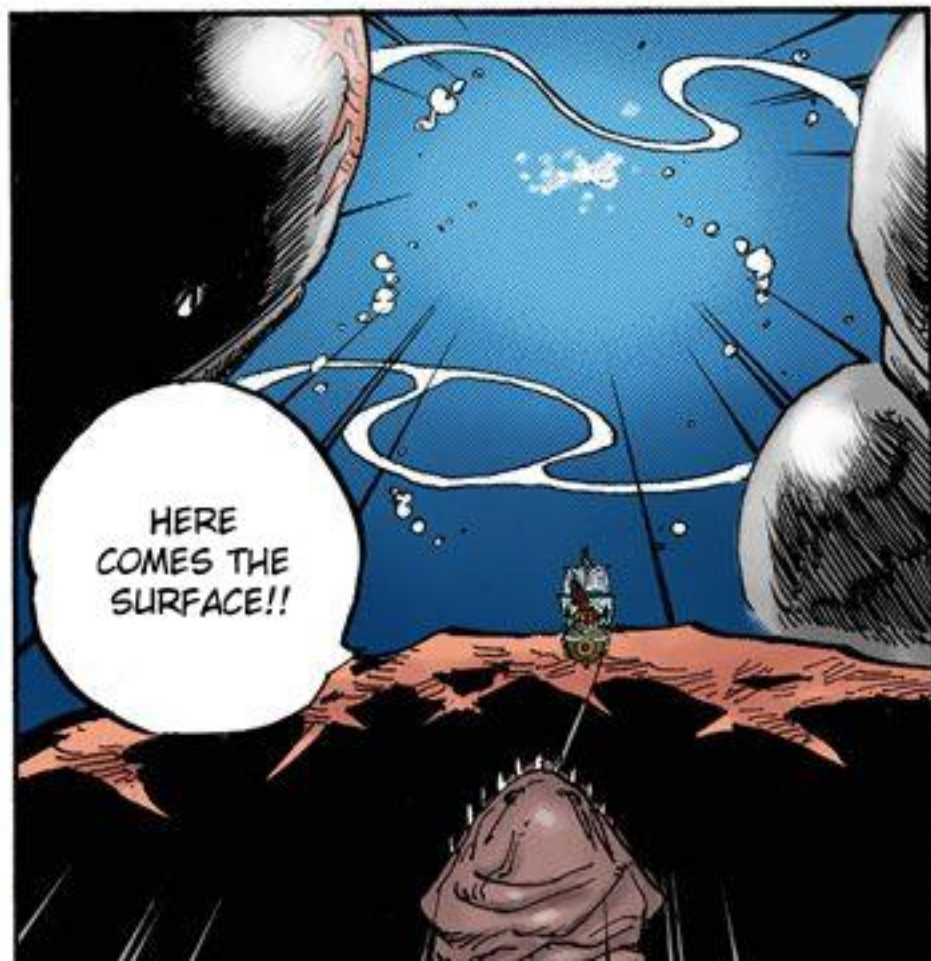
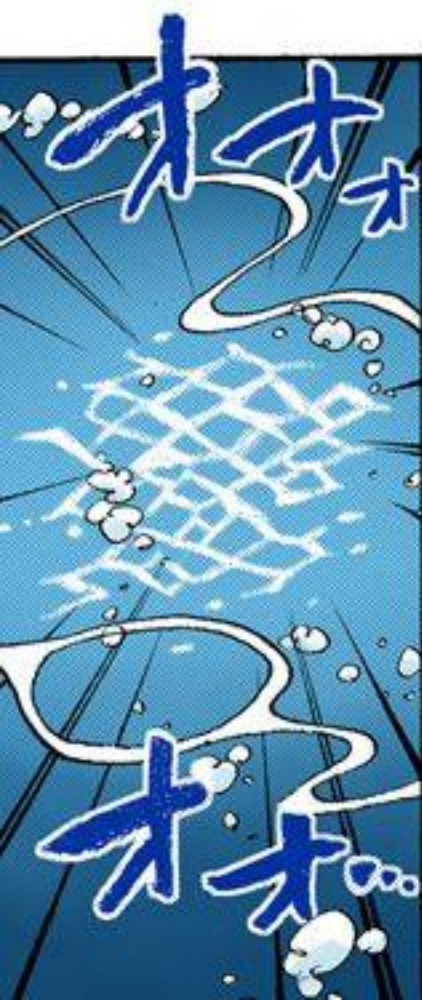
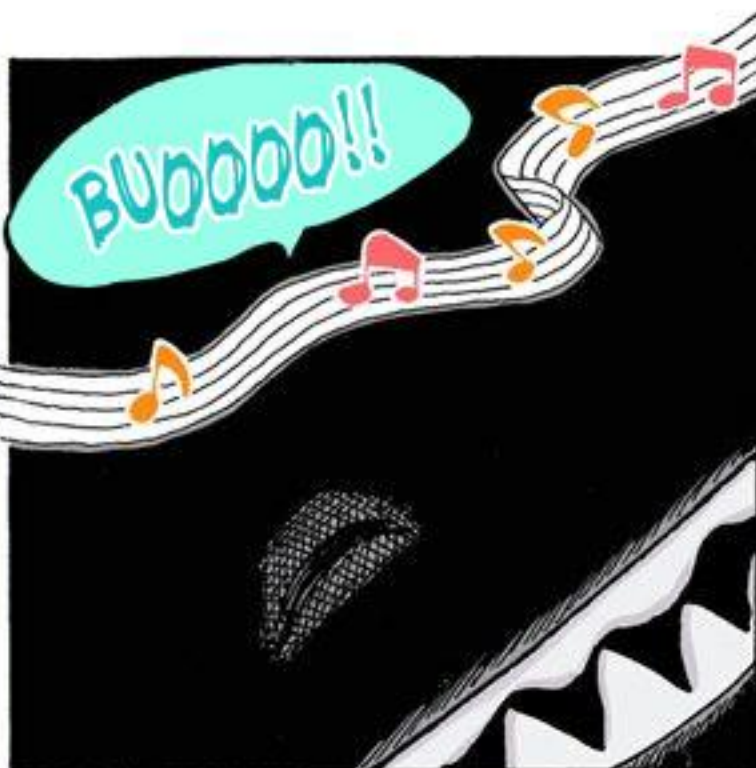
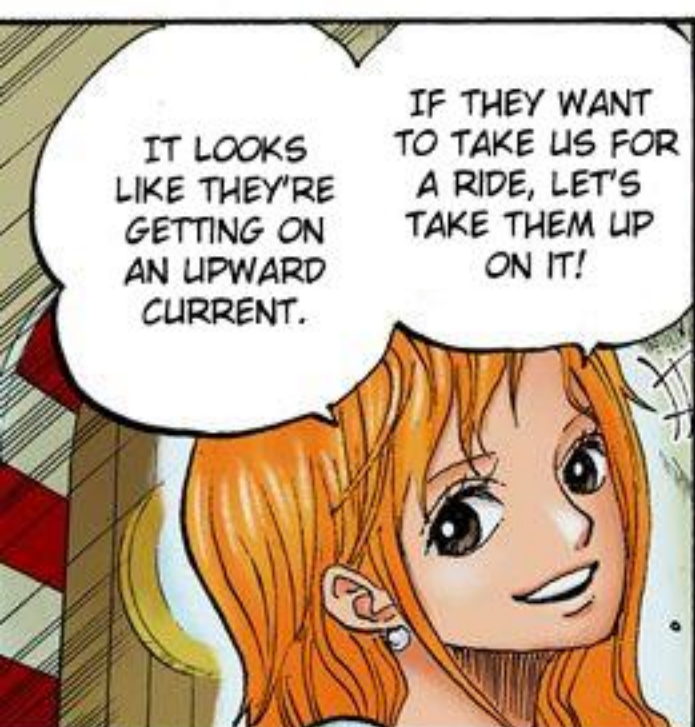
...THEN HAVE
NO FEAR!!
YOUR CHILD
IS SAFE AND
SOUND...

AAAAHH
HHH...!

SO
PLEASE,
DO NOT
WORRY!!

...LIVING A
HEALTHY LIFE ON
THE OTHER SIDE
OF THE OCEAN!!!
I HEAR HE HAS
GROWN TO A
MAGNIFICENT
SIZE!!





BUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUUU!!!



IT'S
THE NEW
WORLD!!!

WE'RE
HERE!!!



BRING
IT ON
!!!

IT'S LIKE WE'RE
STANDING AT THE
GATES TO HELL.

A RAGING
OCEAN OF
FIRE!!

I CAN
SEE RED
WATERS
AHEAD!!

OUR
COMPASS
SPINNING
WILDLY!!

THE WAVES
ARE ROUGH
AND WILD!!

MIGHTY GALES
IN THE AIR!

YOHOOHOOHOO!!
WHAT A STORMY
SKY!!

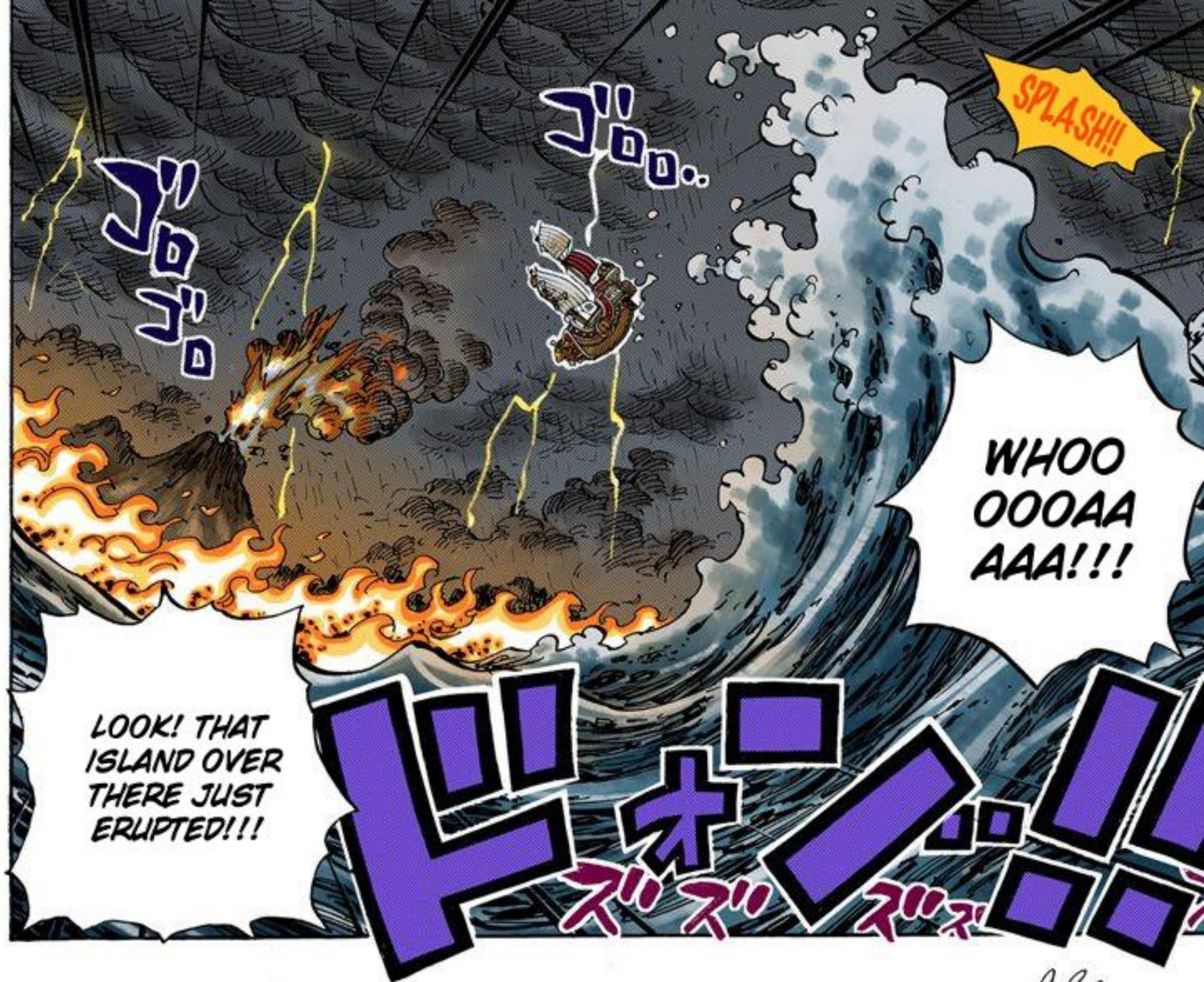
THE
WEATHER'S
TERRIBLE!!!

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"PUNK HAZARD"



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SECRETARY



LOOK! THAT
ISLAND OVER
THERE JUST
ERUPTED!!!

WHOO
OOOAA
AAA!!!

IT'S RIGHT
THERE, ISN'T IT?!!
WHO CARES WHERE
THE NEEDLES ARE
POINTING!!

I
DON'T CARE
HOW WEIRD
IT IS, THAT'S
WHERE WE'RE
GOING!!

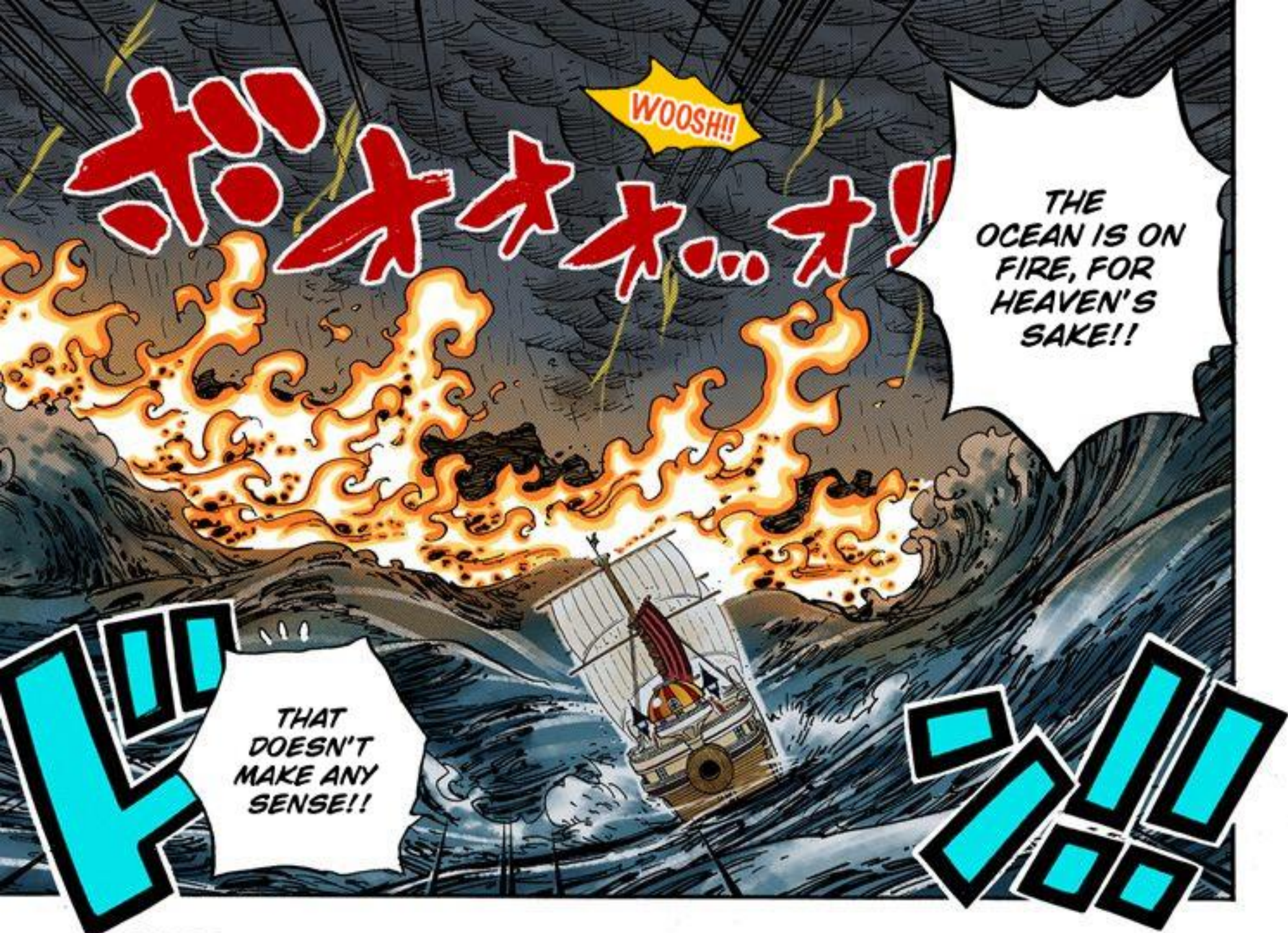
NOT
A CHANCE!
WE'RE NOT
GOING
ANYWHERE
NEAR IT!!

NOT
ONE OF OUR
THREE LOG
POSE NEEDLES
IS POINTING TO
THAT ISLAND!!

LISTEN TO
ME, LUFFY,
ALL RIGHT
?!!!

IT'S
NOT NORMAL
EVEN BY THE
NEW WORLD'S
STANDARDS!!

FAREWELL,
LABOON'S
FAMILY!!
TAKE CARE!!



WOOSH!!

ボオオオオオ!!

THE OCEAN IS ON FIRE, FOR HEAVEN'S SAKE!!

THAT DOESN'T MAKE ANY SENSE!!



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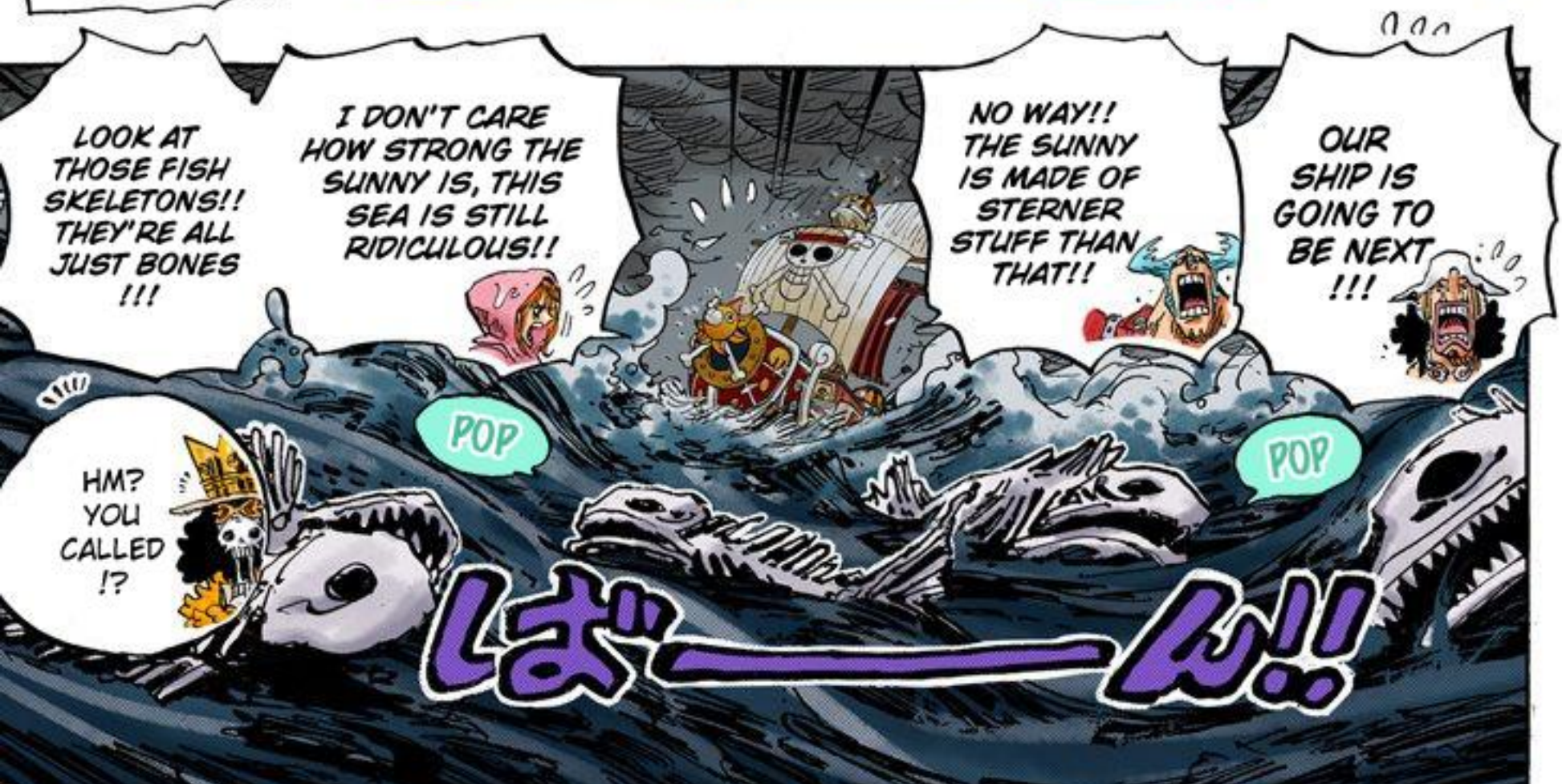
ASIDE FROM THIS PIECE I MANAGED TO CARVE OUT, THE WHOLE THING IS BURNED TO A CRISP.

HEY, LUFFY, I HAVE A PIECE OF BAD NEWS FOR YOU.

AAAAAGHHH!!

THE FISH GOT BURNED UP BY THE SEA?!!

IT'S ABOUT THAT GIGANTIC FISH WE CAUGHT.



LOOK AT THOSE FISH SKELETONS!! THEY'RE ALL JUST BONES !!!

I DON'T CARE HOW STRONG THE SUNNY IS, THIS SEA IS STILL RIDICULOUS!!

NO WAY!! THE SUNNY IS MADE OF STERNER STUFF THAN THAT!!

OUR SHIP IS GOING TO BE NEXT !!!

HM? YOU CALLED !?

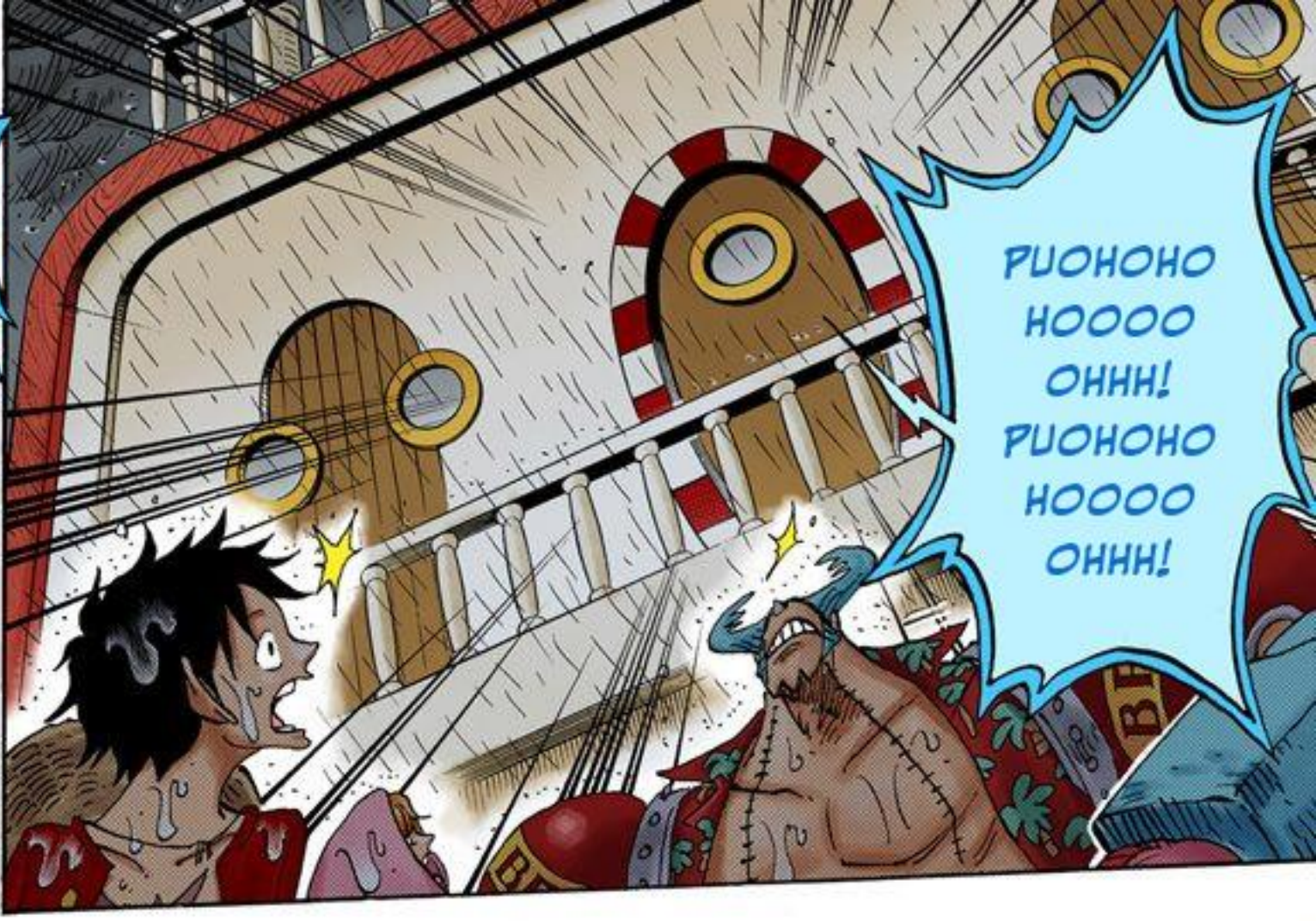
POP

POP

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PUOHOO
HOOOO
OHOO!



PUOHOO
HOOOO
OHOO!
PUOHOO
HOOOO
OHOO!



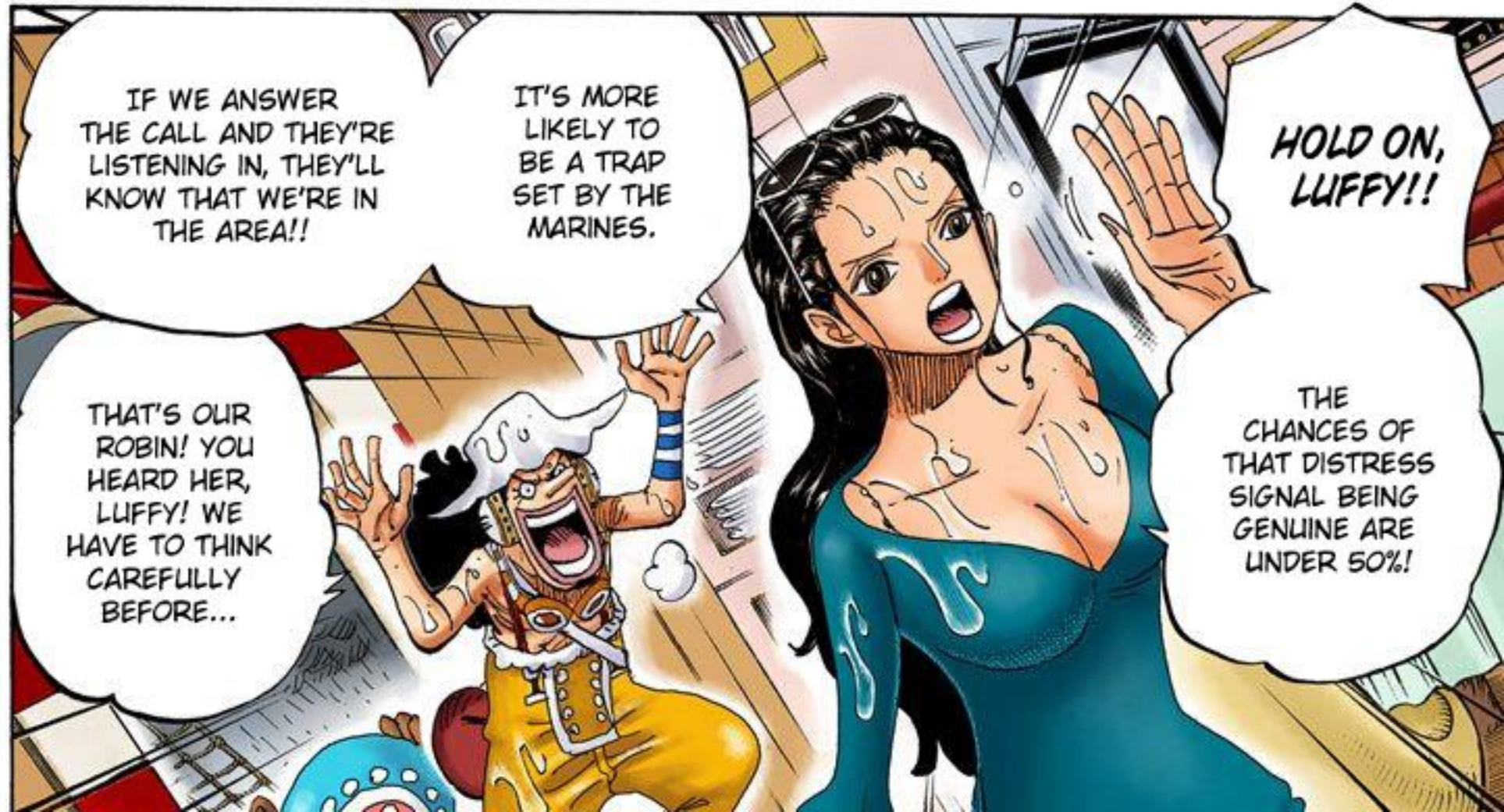
DON'T
BE STUPID - THAT'S
A DISTRESS SIGNAL!!
SOMEBODY'S CALLING
OUT FOR HELP!!

WHAT'S WRONG,
LITTLE GUY? YOUR
STOMACH HURT OR
SOMETHING?!

WHAT'S
GOING ON?! THE
DEN-DEN MUSHI
JUST STARTED
CRYING!!

THEN...IF I PICK
IT UP, CAN WE
TALK TO THEM?

PUOHOO
HOOOO
OHOO!



IF WE ANSWER
THE CALL AND THEY'RE
LISTENING IN, THEY'LL
KNOW THAT WE'RE IN
THE AREA!!

IT'S MORE
LIKELY TO
BE A TRAP
SET BY THE
MARINES.

HOLD ON,
LUFFY!!

THAT'S OUR
ROBIN! YOU
HEARD HER,
LUFFY! WE
HAVE TO THINK
CAREFULLY
BEFORE...

THE
CHANCES OF
THAT DISTRESS
SIGNAL BEING
GENUINE ARE
UNDER 50%!

HELP!
PLEASE!
ANYONE!!!



DID YOU
REALLY NEED
TO SAY THAT
?!!!



I'M
GOING TO BE
THE PIRATE
KING!!!

HELLO?!
THIS IS
LUFFY!!

WE'RE ALL GONNA
BE KILLED BY THE
SAMURAI!!!
PANT...



WE'RE BEING
SLICED DOWN
ONE AFTER
ANOTHER...
IT'S NO USE
...!!



NO, I'M NOT
YOUR BOSS.
DID YOU SAY
IT'S COLD?!



IT'S COLD
... SO COLD...
IS THAT YOU,
BOSS...?!!

PUNK
HAZARD!!!



WHERE
ARE YOU
RIGHT
NOW?!!

HEY!! WHO
ARE YOU?!
WHAT'S YOUR
NAME?!



WHOEVER YOU
ARE, YOU HAVE TO
HELP US, PLEASE...!
WE'RE AT A PLACE
CALLED...

AAAAAAAAAH
HHHHH!!! HE GOT
SLICED UP TOO!!!

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BSSSH!!

AAAA
AARGH
HHH!!!

Slash!!

C'MON!

SUCH
A CALM
BEAUTY!

WE DON'T
KNOW THAT. IT
COULD ALL HAVE
BEEN AN ACT TO
LURE US IN.

OF COURSE
IT'S AN INCIDENT,
YOU IDIOT!!! THAT
GUY JUST GOT
MURDERED!!!

...! I
SMELL AN
INCIDENT
AFOOT!

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THEY SAY
THE COUNTRY'S
SWORDSMEN,
THE SAMURAI,
ARE SO
TERRIFYINGLY
STRONG...

THEY ARE NOT
EVEN A PART
OF THE WORLD
GOVERNMENT.

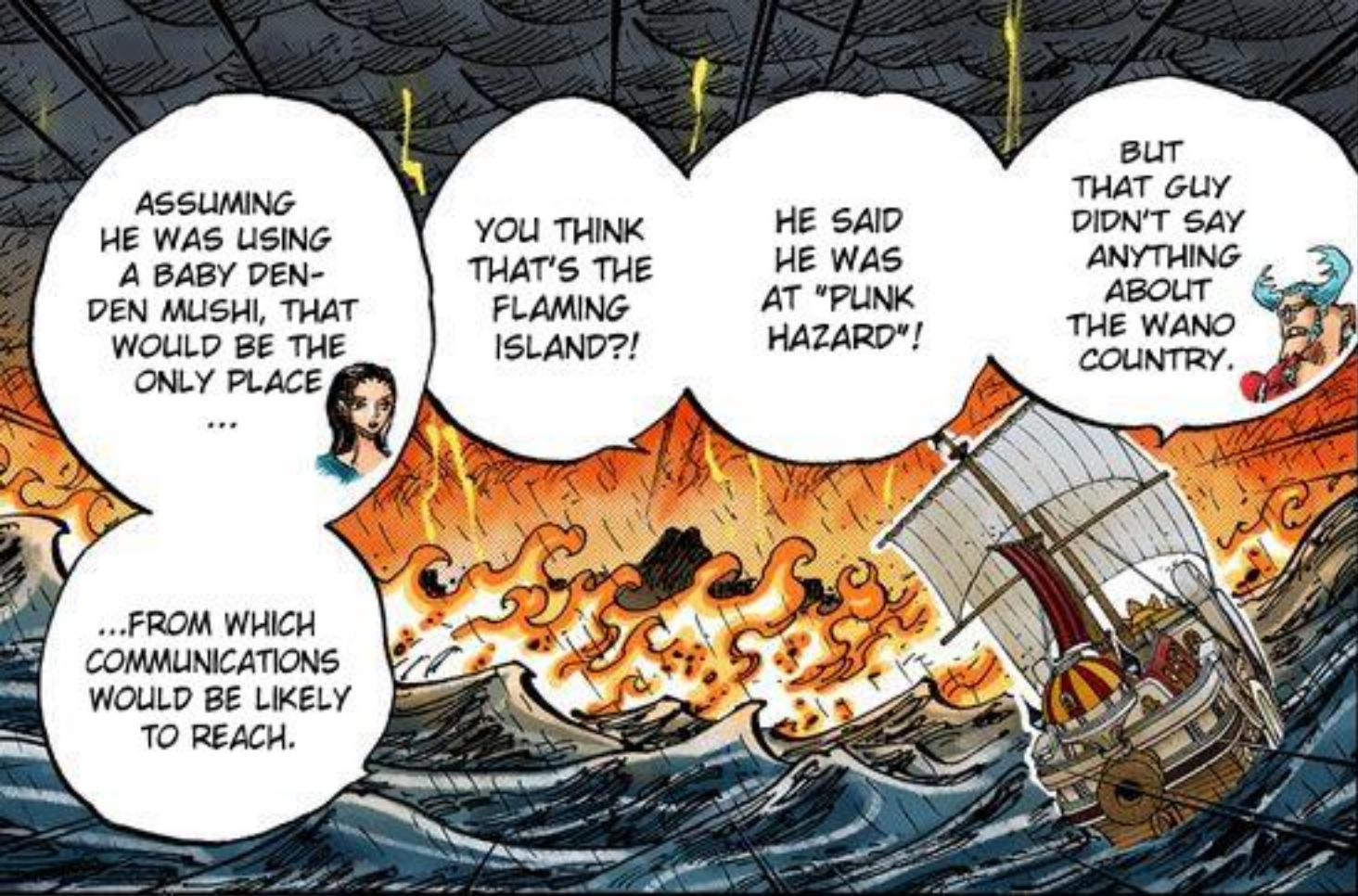
THE WANO
COUNTRY IS A
SEALED-OFF
NATION WHOSE
PEOPLE DO NOT
TAKE KINDLY TO
OUTSIDERS...

INDEED.
"SAMURAI" IS THE
NAME GIVEN TO
THE SWORDSMEN
OF THE WANO
COUNTRY.

I HEARD
THE WORD
"SAMURAI"
...BROOK,
ISN'T THAT
...?

...THAT EVEN
THE MARINES
DARE NOT
VENTURE TOO
CLOSE.

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ASSUMING HE WAS USING A BABY DEN-DEN MUSHI, THAT WOULD BE THE ONLY PLACE ...

YOU THINK THAT'S THE FLAMING ISLAND?!

HE SAID HE WAS AT "PUNK HAZARD"!

BUT THAT GUY DIDN'T SAY ANYTHING ABOUT THE WANO COUNTRY.

...FROM WHICH COMMUNICATIONS WOULD BE LIKELY TO REACH.



YOU'VE GOTTA BE KIDDING ME...!!!



THOSE SAMURAI SOUND SCARY!!!

SURELY IT'S TOO LATE FOR THAT!

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ALL RIGHT!!
LET'S GO
AND SAVE
HIM THEN
!!!

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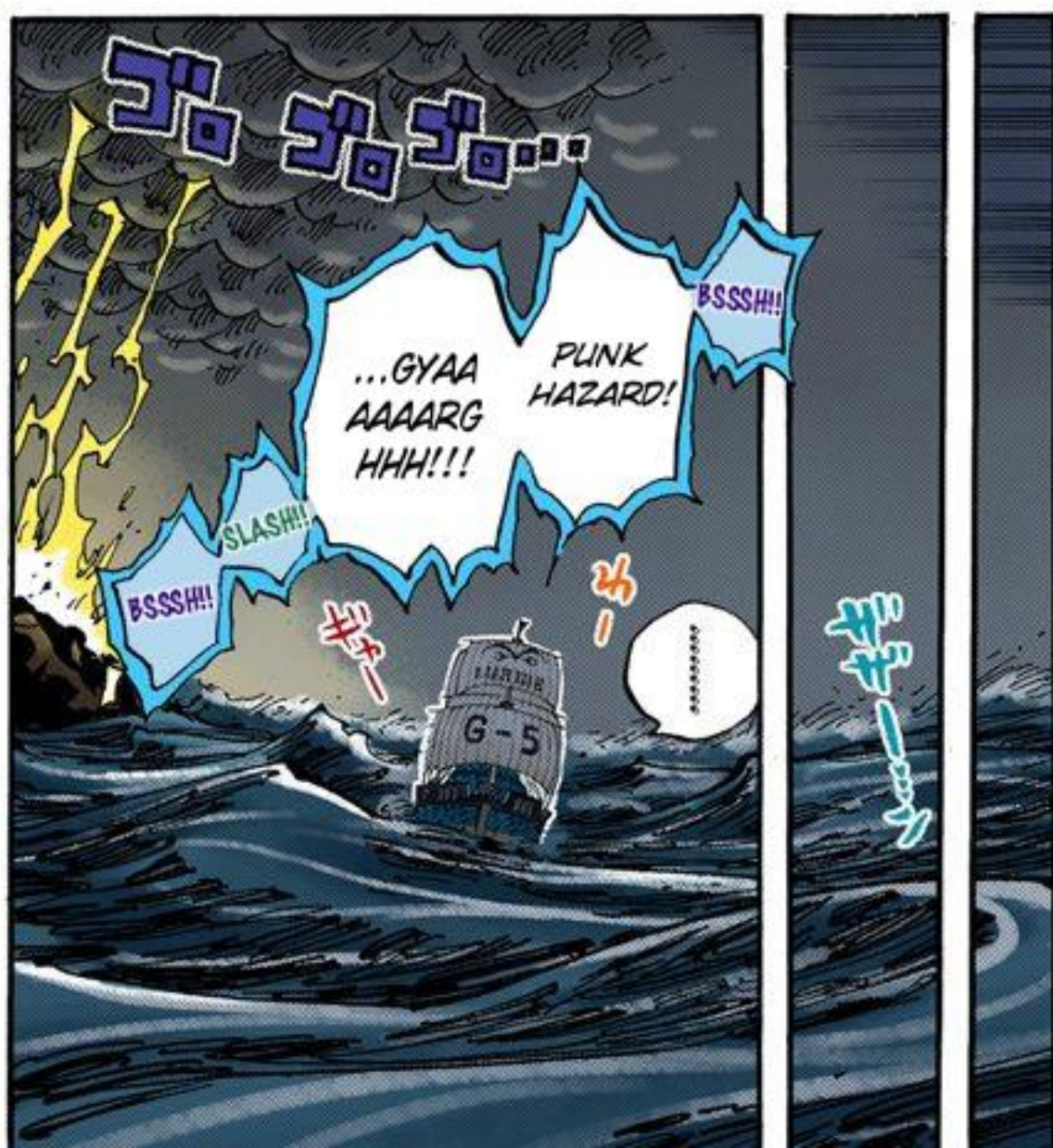
I
QUITE
AGREE
!!



UGH... WHAT THE HELL KIND OF ROUTE ARE THOSE PUNKS TAKING...?

SMOKER-SAN! WAS THAT...?!

BLACK
DEN-DEN MUSHI
(INTERCEPTING
COMMUNICATIONS)



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...GYAA
AAAARG
HHH!!!

PUNK
HAZARD!

BSSSH!!

SLASH!!

BSSSH!!

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THAT'S
QUITE
ENOUGH
OF THAT
!!!

AHHA
HAH!!

SO HOT!!
IT BURNS!!
HELP ME!!

...UNDER
ORDINARY
CIRCUM-
STANCES
...

WE OUGHT
TO HAVE A
ONE-IN-THREE
CHANCE...

STOP
BULLYING
THE PIRATE
...!!

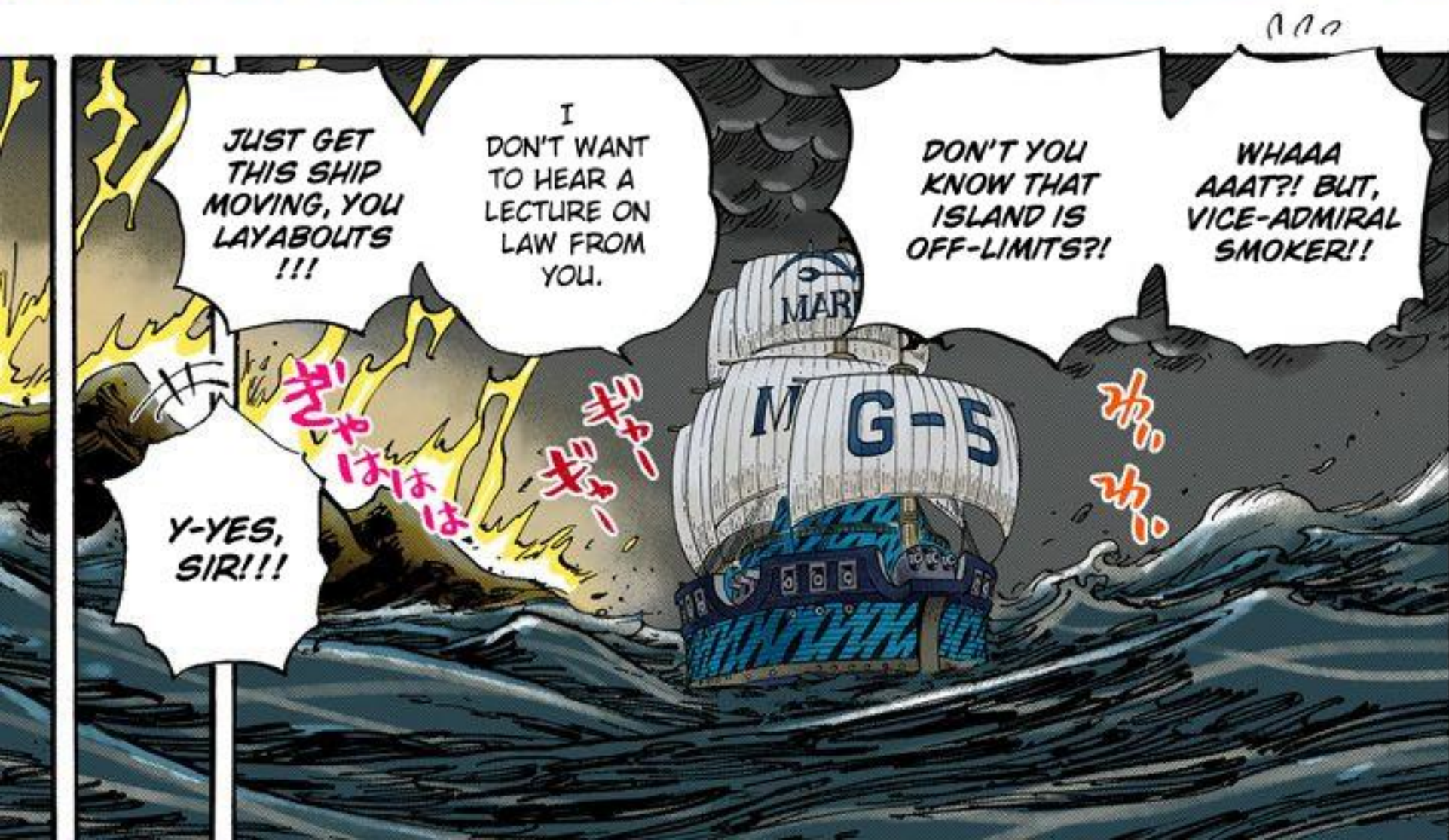
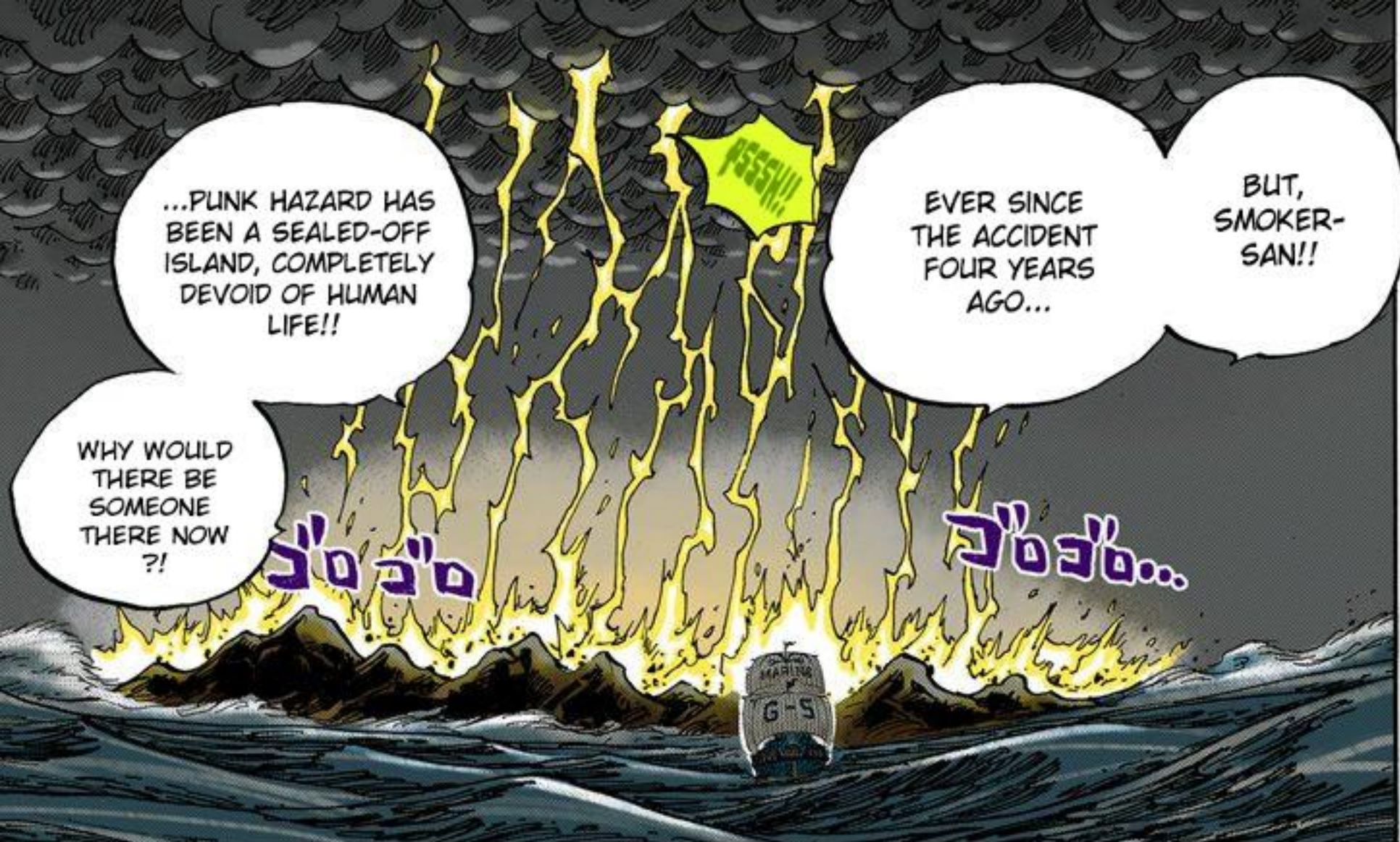
THE THREE ISLANDS
THAT CAN BE REACHED BY
LOG POSE FROM FISHMAN
ISLAND ARE RISKY RED
ISLAND, RAIJIN ISLAND
AND MISTRIA ISLAND.

I CAME HERE ON THE
ASSUMPTION THAT STRAW
HAT WOULD CHOOSE THE PATH
TO RAIJIN ISLAND, WHERE THE
MAGNETIC FIELD IS MOST
UNSTABLE...

...
AN ENTIRELY
DIFFERENT
ROUTE FROM
THOSE THREE
...

BUT TO
THINK HE
WOULD
FOLLOW
...

MARINE VICE-ADMIRAL AT "G-5"
THE FIFTH MARINE BRANCH STATION
IN THE GRAND LINE
*Smoker the
White Hunter*



WHO DREW
THE MARKED
STRAWS?

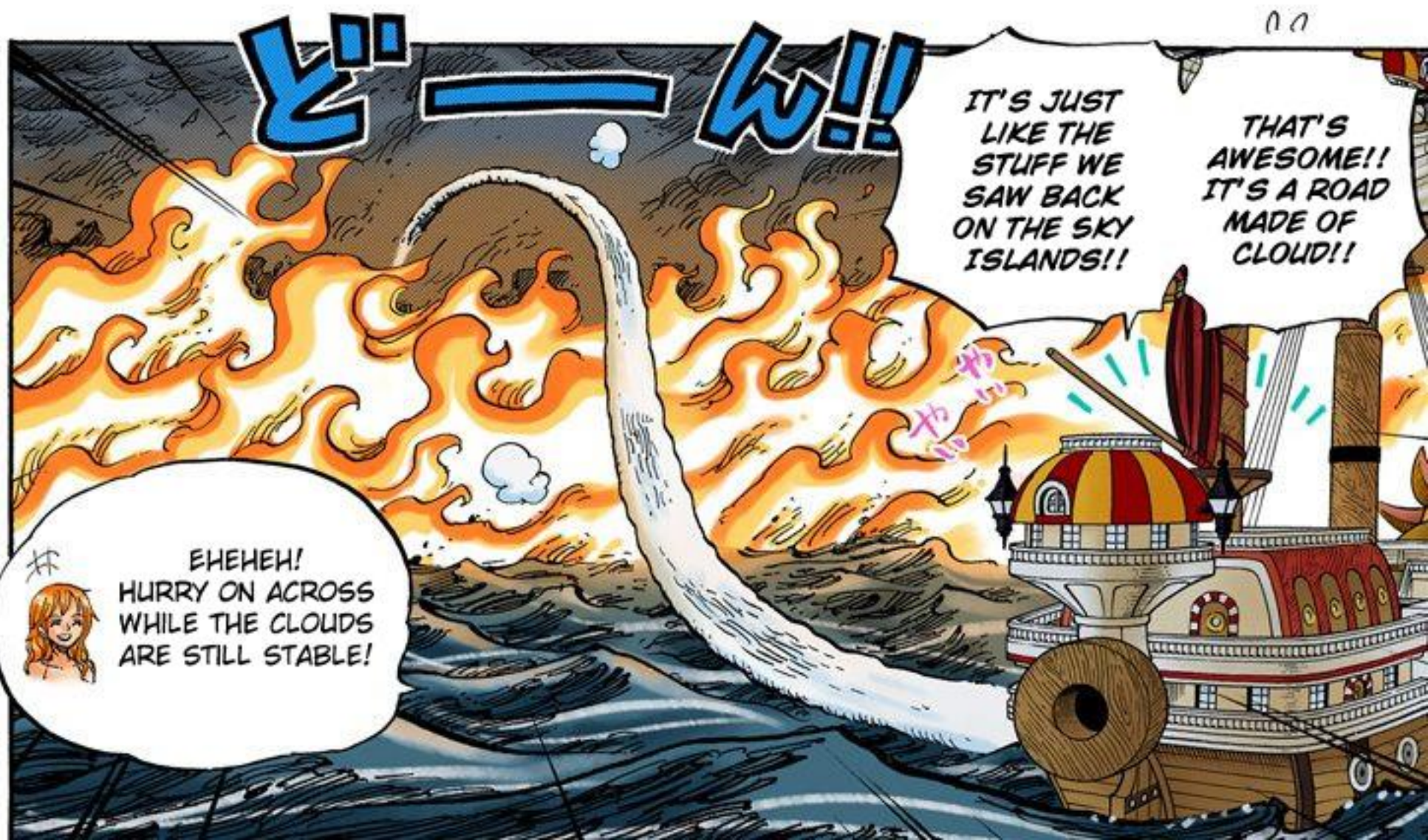
WE
DID.

SOMEBODY
TRADE WITH
ME!!!

WELL,
THIS SHOULD
BE INTERE-
STING!

OH, MAN!!
I CAN'T
WAIT TO
EAT IT!!!

THERE
YOU GO - A
DEEP-SEA FISH
LUNCHBOX!!





CHIN UP,
USOPP!!

YOHOOH
HO! BON
VOYAGE!

WE'LL BE
ABLE TO
GO TOO
LATER.

YOU GUYS
HAVE ALL
THE LUCK
...

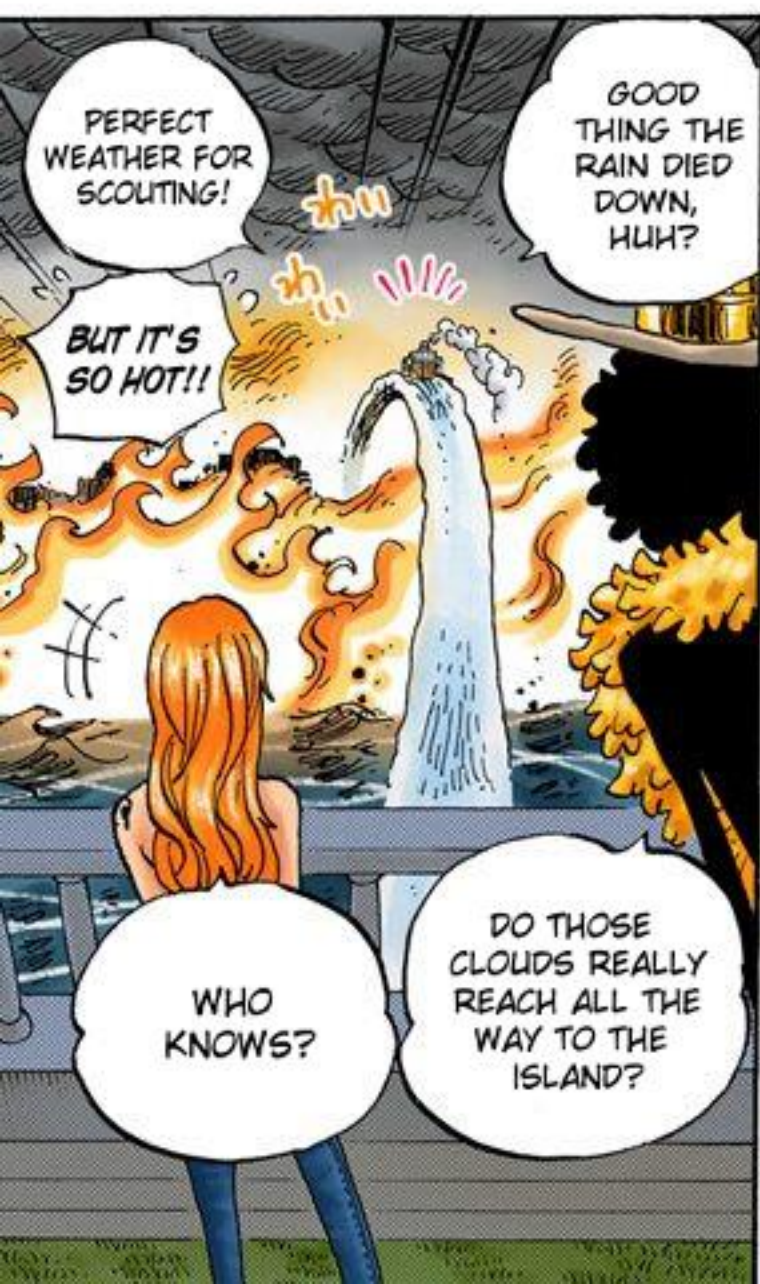
GOOD
LUCK, YOU
GUYS!!

ALL RIGHT!!
HERE GOES THE
SCOUTING PARTY!!
WE'RE COUNTING
ON YOU, MINI-
MERRY!!!

THIS
FISH IS
GREAT!!!

SOMEBODY
TAKE MY
PLACE!!!

OWW!!
HOT HOT
!!



PERFECT
WEATHER FOR
SCOUTING!

BUT IT'S
SO HOT!!

GOOD
THING THE
RAIN DIED
DOWN,
HUH?

WHO
KNOWS?

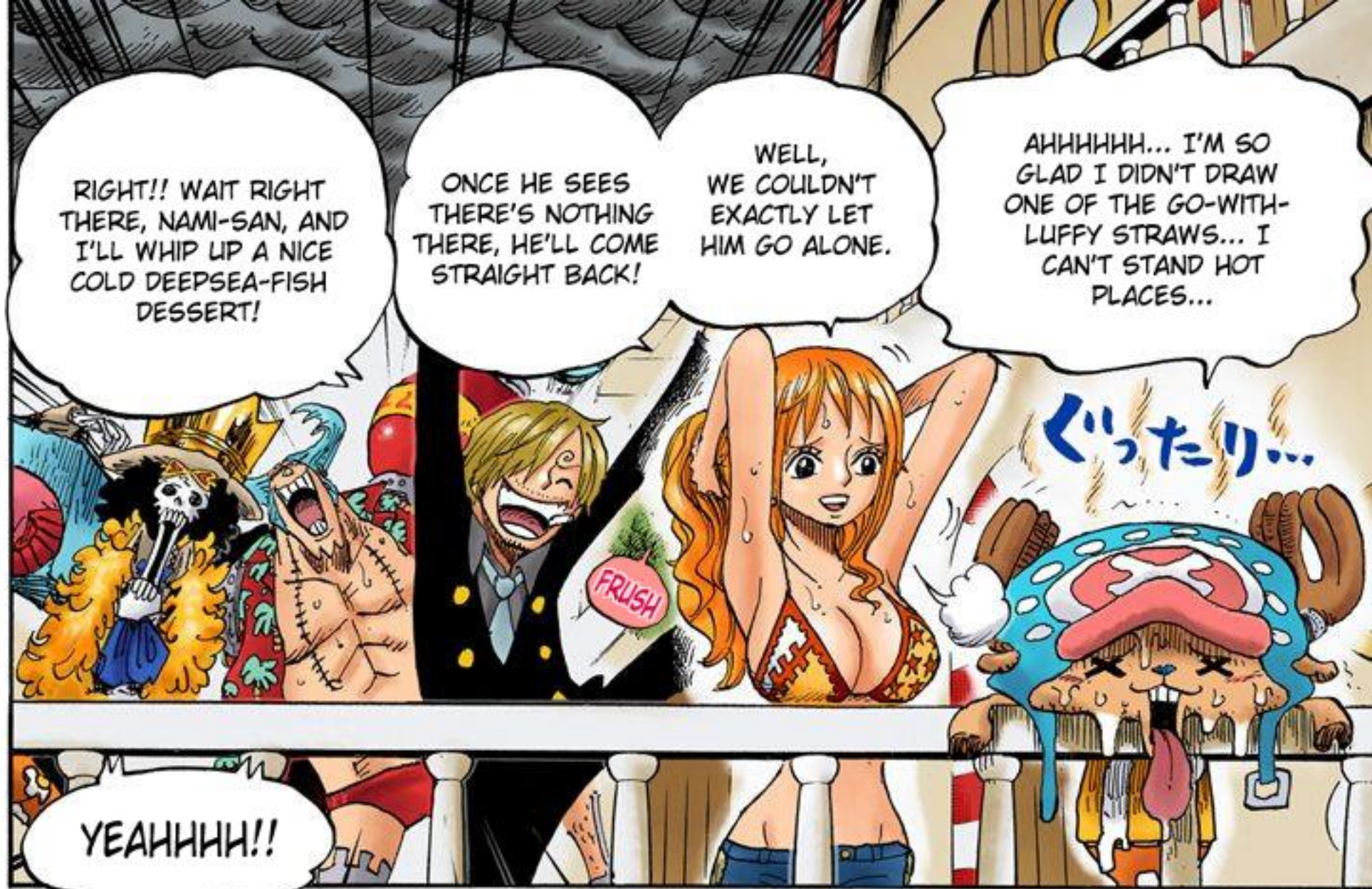
DO THOSE
CLOUDS REALLY
REACH ALL THE
WAY TO THE
ISLAND?



THESE CLOUDS
HAD BETTER TAKE
US SAFELY BACK
AS WELL!!

WE'RE GOING
RIGHT OVER
THE FIERY
SEA!!

WHOOAAA,
WE'RE GOING
UP!! THIS IS
FUUN!!



RIGHT!! WAIT RIGHT THERE, NAMI-SAN, AND I'LL WHIP UP A NICE COLD DEESEA-FISH DESSERT!

ONCE HE SEES THERE'S NOTHING THERE, HE'LL COME STRAIGHT BACK!

WELL, WE COULDN'T EXACTLY LET HIM GO ALONE.

AHHHHHH... I'M SO GLAD I DIDN'T DRAW ONE OF THE GO-WITH-LUFFY STRAWS... I CAN'T STAND HOT PLACES...

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YEAHHHHH!!

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THAT DEN-DEN MUSHI MUST'VE BEEN TRANSMITTING FROM SOME FAR-OFF ISLAND, IT'S THE ONLY EXPLANATION! RIGHT, ROBIN?!

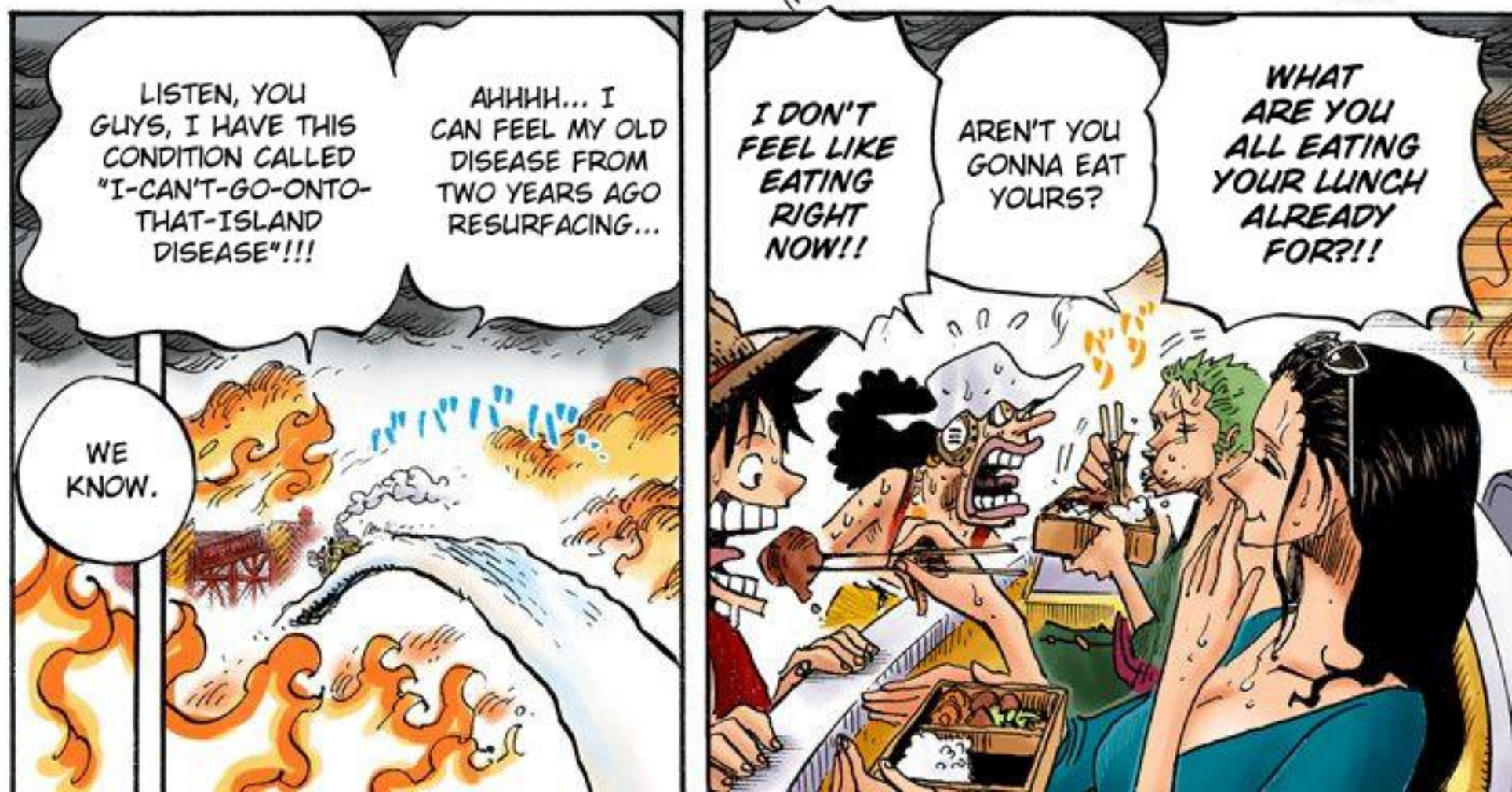
BUT NOBODY COULD POSSIBLY LIVE HERE NOW!!

I'M TELLING YOU, MAYBE THERE WERE PEOPLE HERE YEARS AND YEARS AGO...

LOOK, SEE?! THAT HAS TO BE AN ENTRANCE!!

IT DOESN'T LOOK LIKE MUCH, BUT THIS IS SURPRISINGLY DELICIOUS!

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LISTEN, YOU GUYS, I HAVE THIS CONDITION CALLED "I-CAN'T-GO-ONTO-THAT-ISLAND DISEASE"!!!

AHHHH... I CAN FEEL MY OLD DISEASE FROM TWO YEARS AGO RESURFACING...

I DON'T FEEL LIKE EATING RIGHT NOW!!

AREN'T YOU GONNA EAT YOURS?

WHAT ARE YOU ALL EATING YOUR LUNCH ALREADY FOR?!!

WE KNOW.





OH, RIGHT
... WE'RE
PIRATES...

I HOPE YOU
REALISE
YOU'RE
BREAKING
THE LAW!!

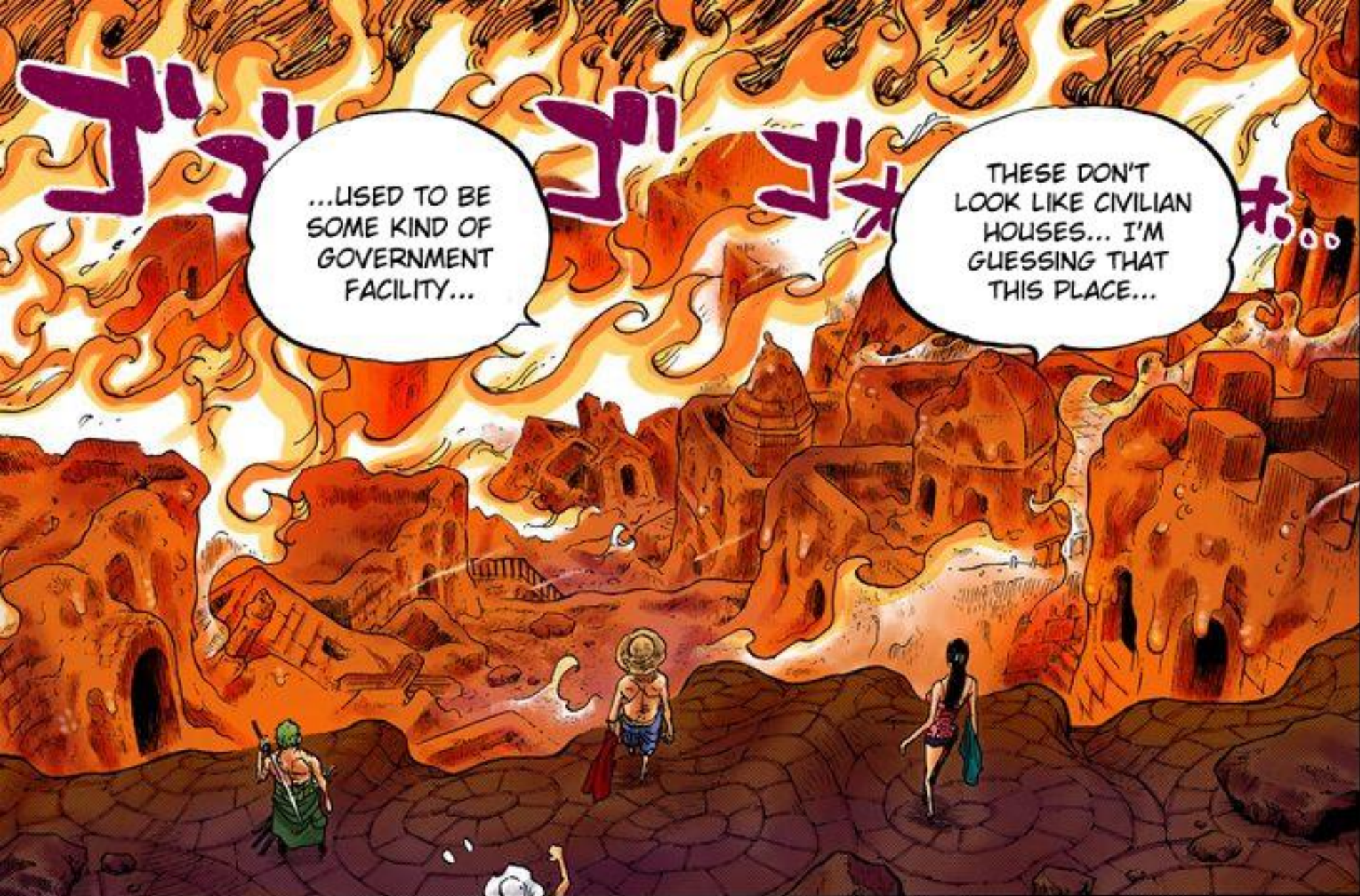
IT DOESN'T SEEM LIKE
THE ISLAND IS ON FIRE
LIKE THIS NATURALLY...
WAS THERE SOME KIND
OF DISASTER? OR AN
ACCIDENT?

THIS WHOLE
PLACE REALLY
IS ABLAZE
...!!

WELL, DON'T
SAY I DIDN'T WARN
YOU!! YOU'RE
PICKING A FIGHT
WITH THE WORLD
GOVERNMENT
HERE!!

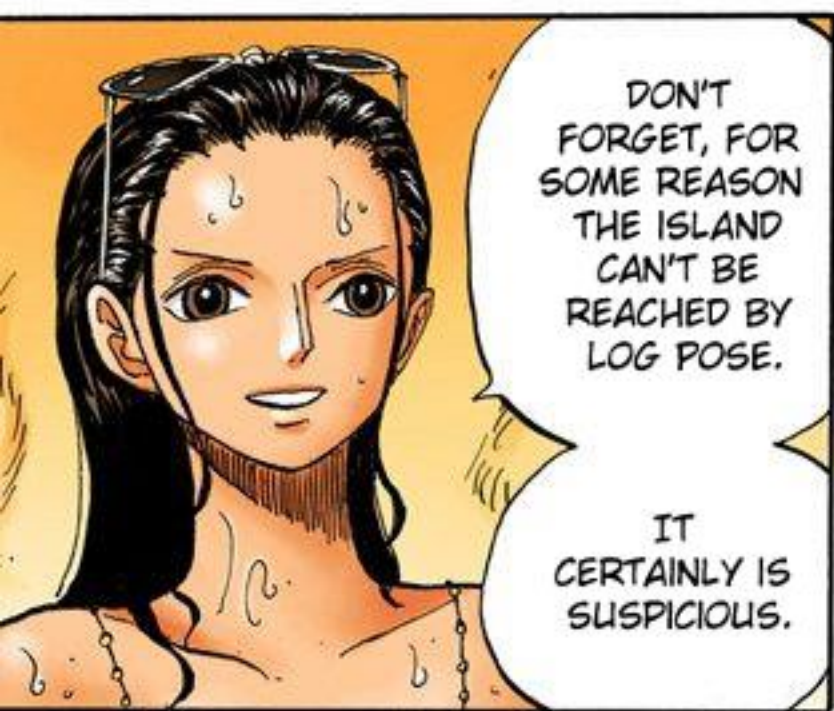
OH, WAIT...
WE ALREADY
DID THAT...

MAN,
IT'S HOT...!!
LET'S SEE...



...USED TO BE
SOME KIND OF
GOVERNMENT
FACILITY...

THESE DON'T
LOOK LIKE CIVILIAN
HOUSES... I'M
GUESSING THAT
THIS PLACE...



DON'T
FORGET, FOR
SOME REASON
THE ISLAND
CAN'T BE
REACHED BY
LOG POSE.

IT
CERTAINLY IS
SUSPICIOUS.



OR
BECAUSE
IT WAS A
DANGEROUS
PLACE TO
BEGIN
WITH?

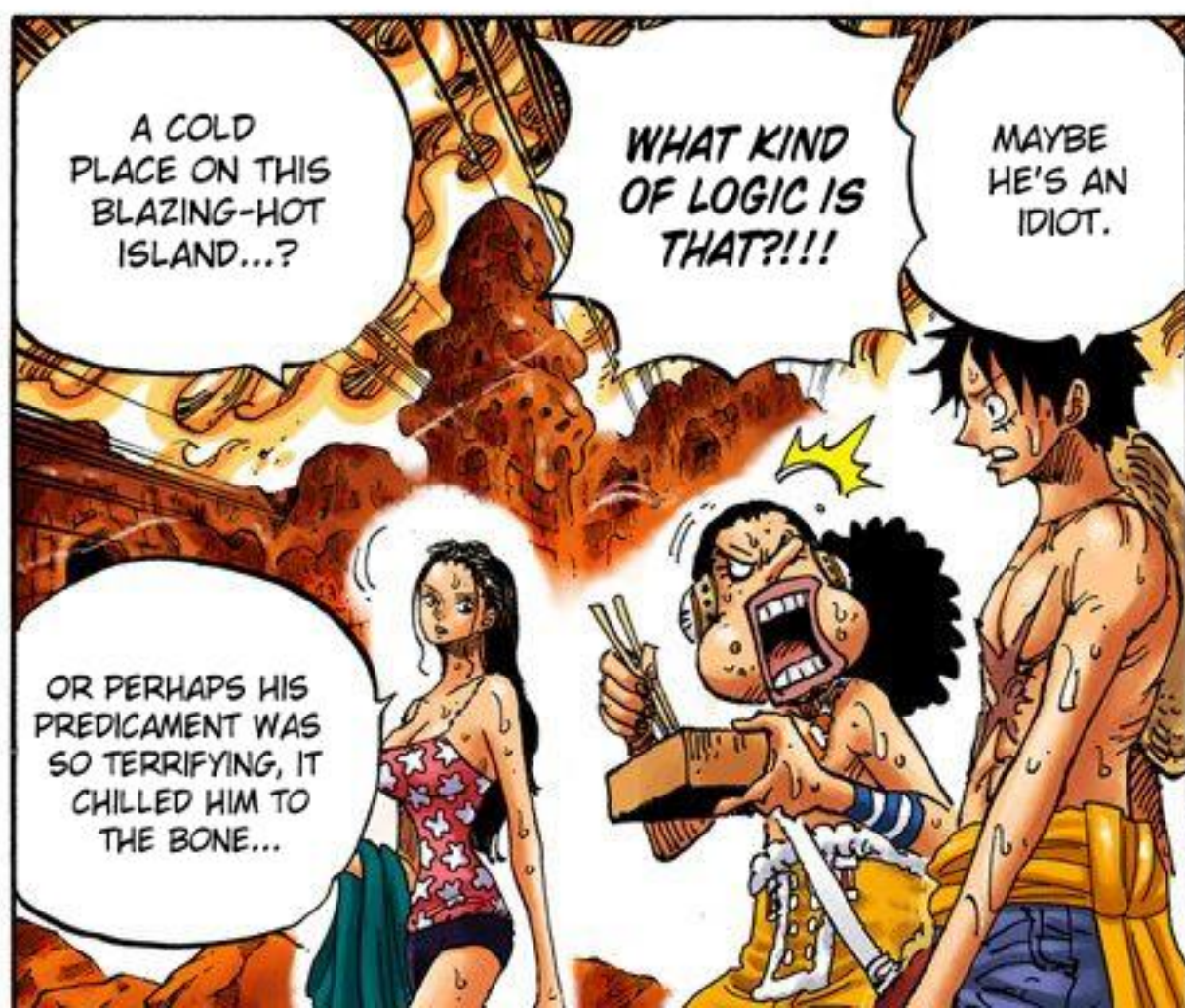
SO THE
QUESTION IS,
WHY WAS THE
PLACE SEALED
OFF?

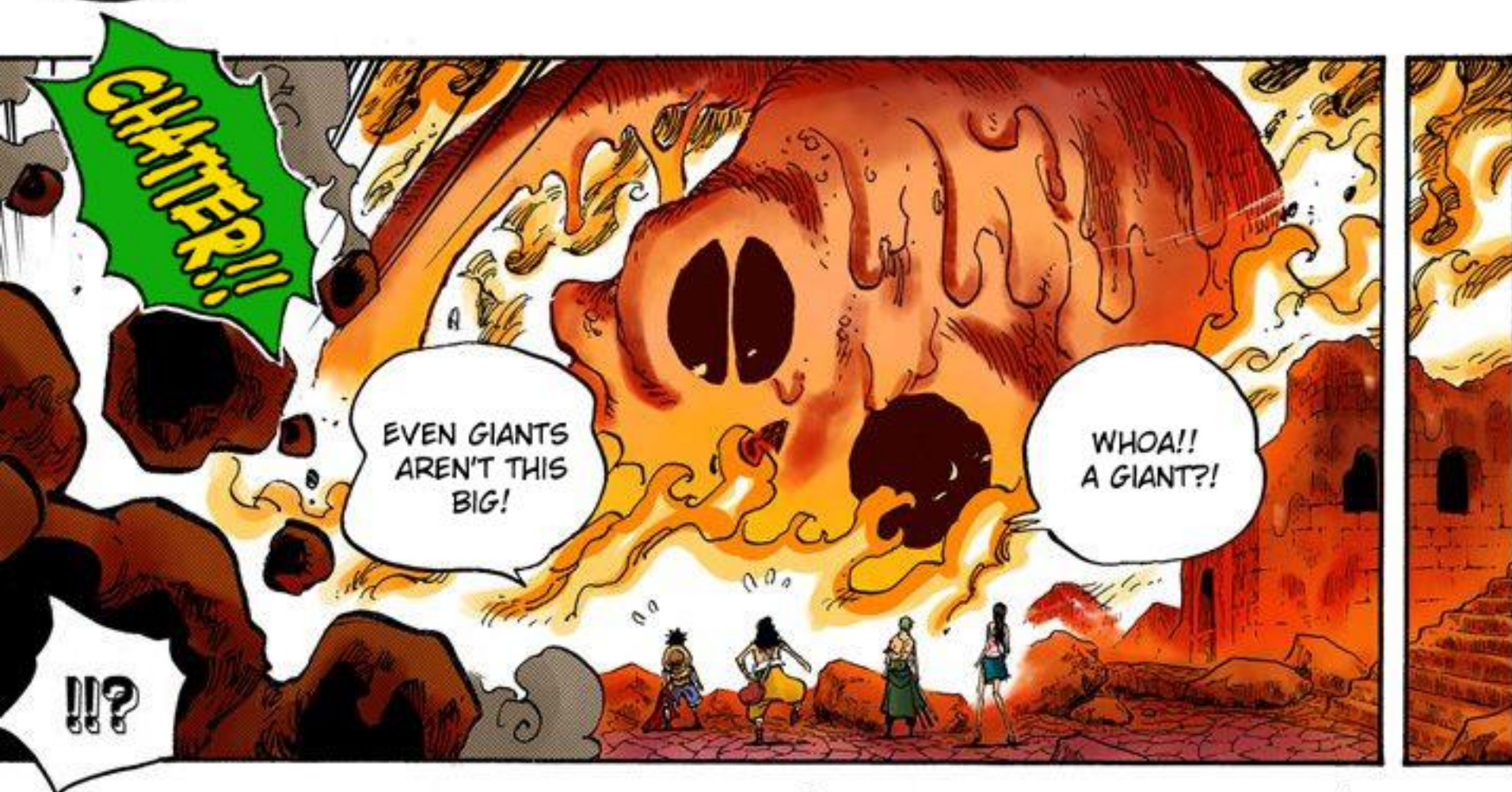
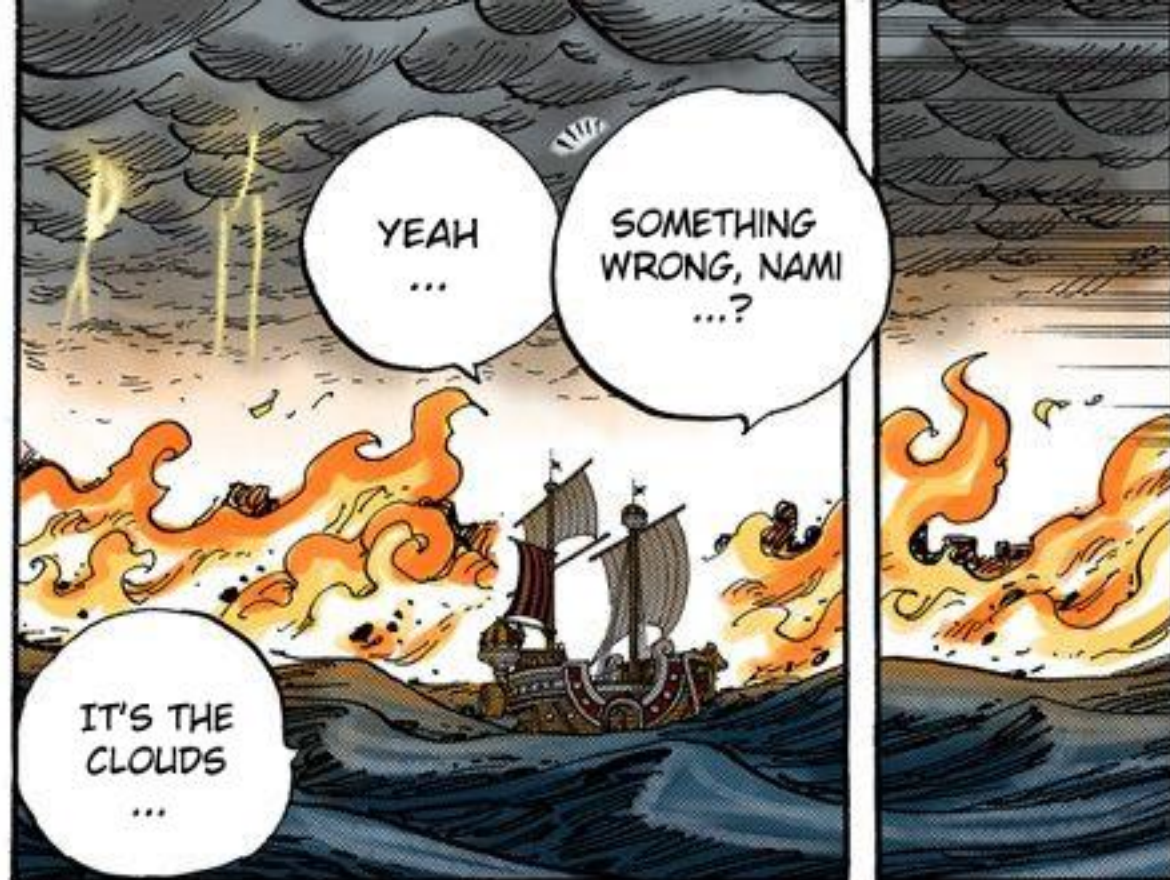
BECAUSE OF
WHATEVER
HAPPENED TO
CAUSE THIS
FIRE?



WE'VE
COME TO
SAVE
YOU!!!

HEY!!!
DEN-DEN
MUSHI GUY,
ARE YOU
HERE?!!!





RESIDENT OF PUNK HAZARD
DRAGON

WHO
GOES
THERE
...?

HUH
?!!



A
DRAGON
?!!

CHAPTER 656

"ADVENTURE ON THE BURNING ISLAND"



FROM SHIPDECKS AROUND THE WORLD
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WHOOAA
AAAAAAAAAA
AAAAA!!!



IT
BREATHED
FIRE!!!



AHAHA
HAHA!!

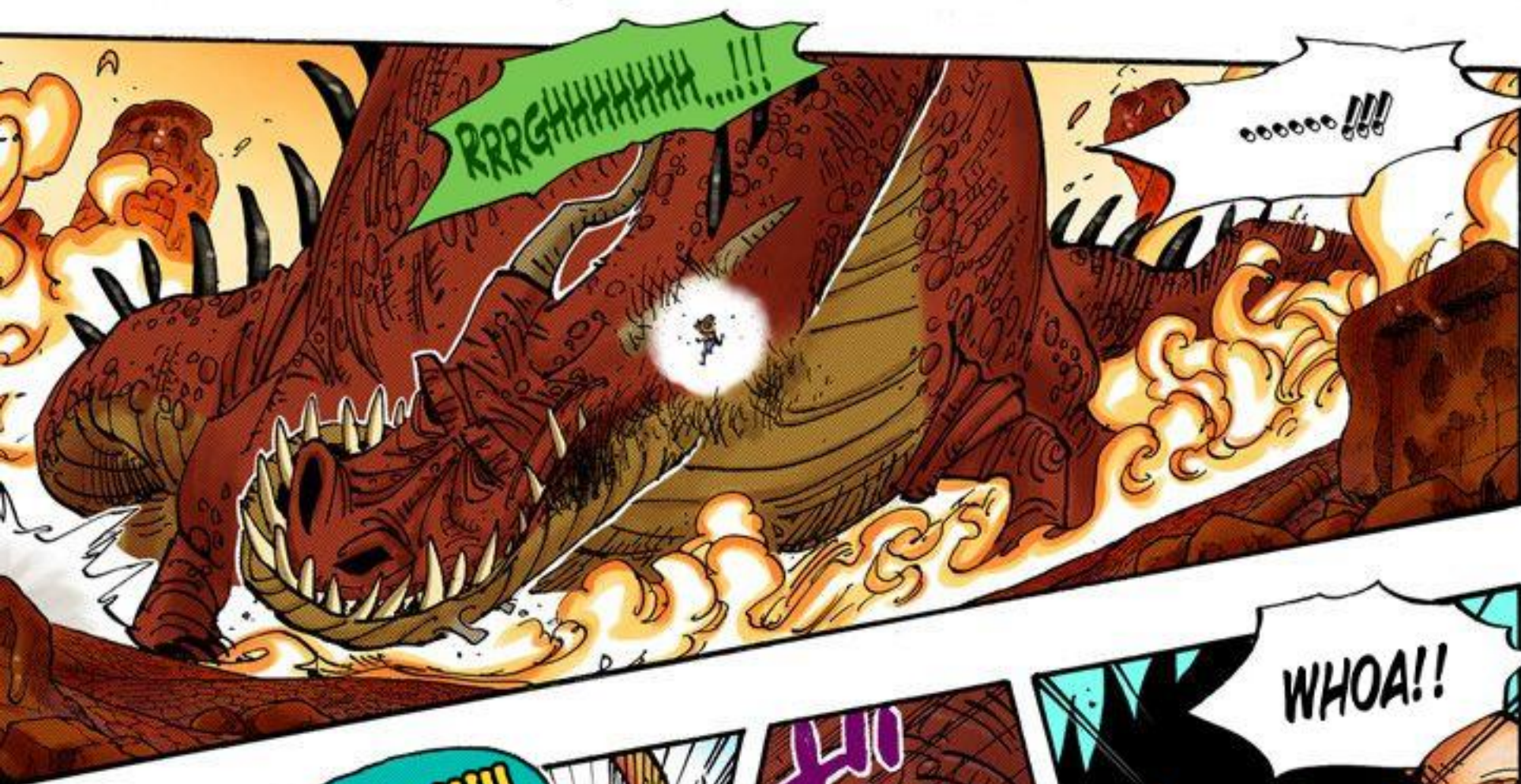
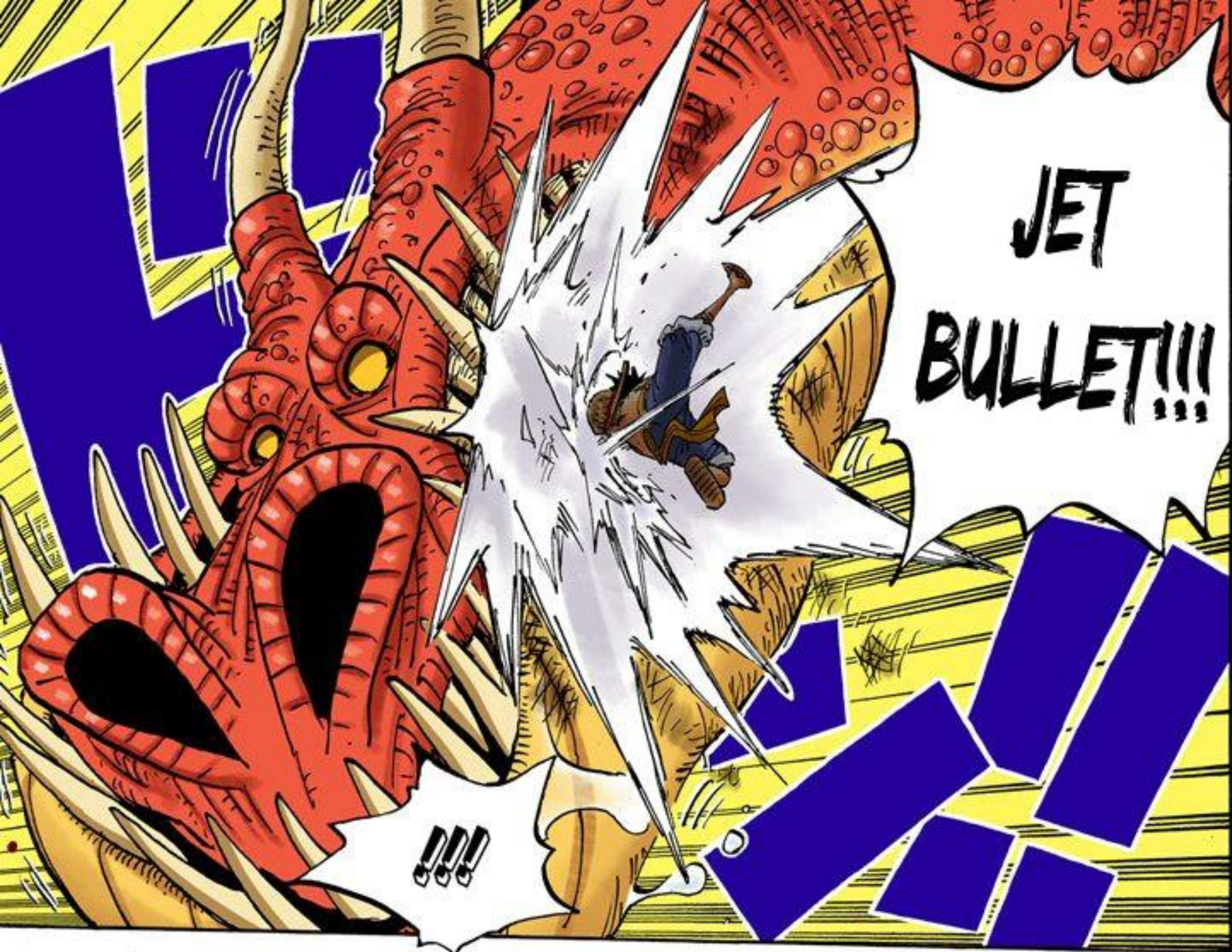
THIS IS GETTING
INTERESTING....!!

OWOWOWO
WOWWWW!!!
THIS THING
CAN'T EXIST!!
I MUST BE
DREAMING!!

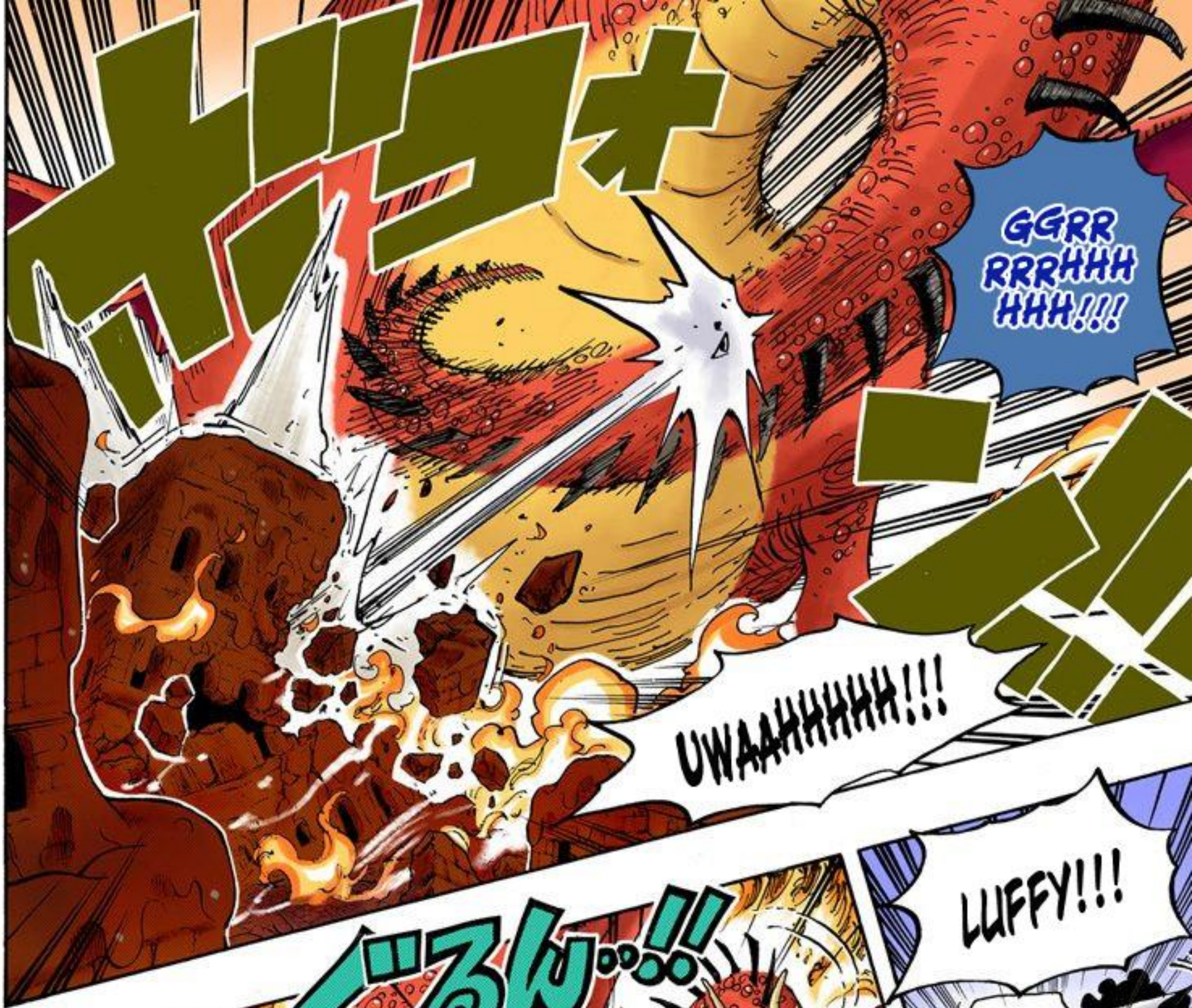


GOMU
GOMU
NO...

DORURUN!!!



ITS SKIN IS REALLY HARD!!



UWAAAAHHHH!!!



LUFFY!!!

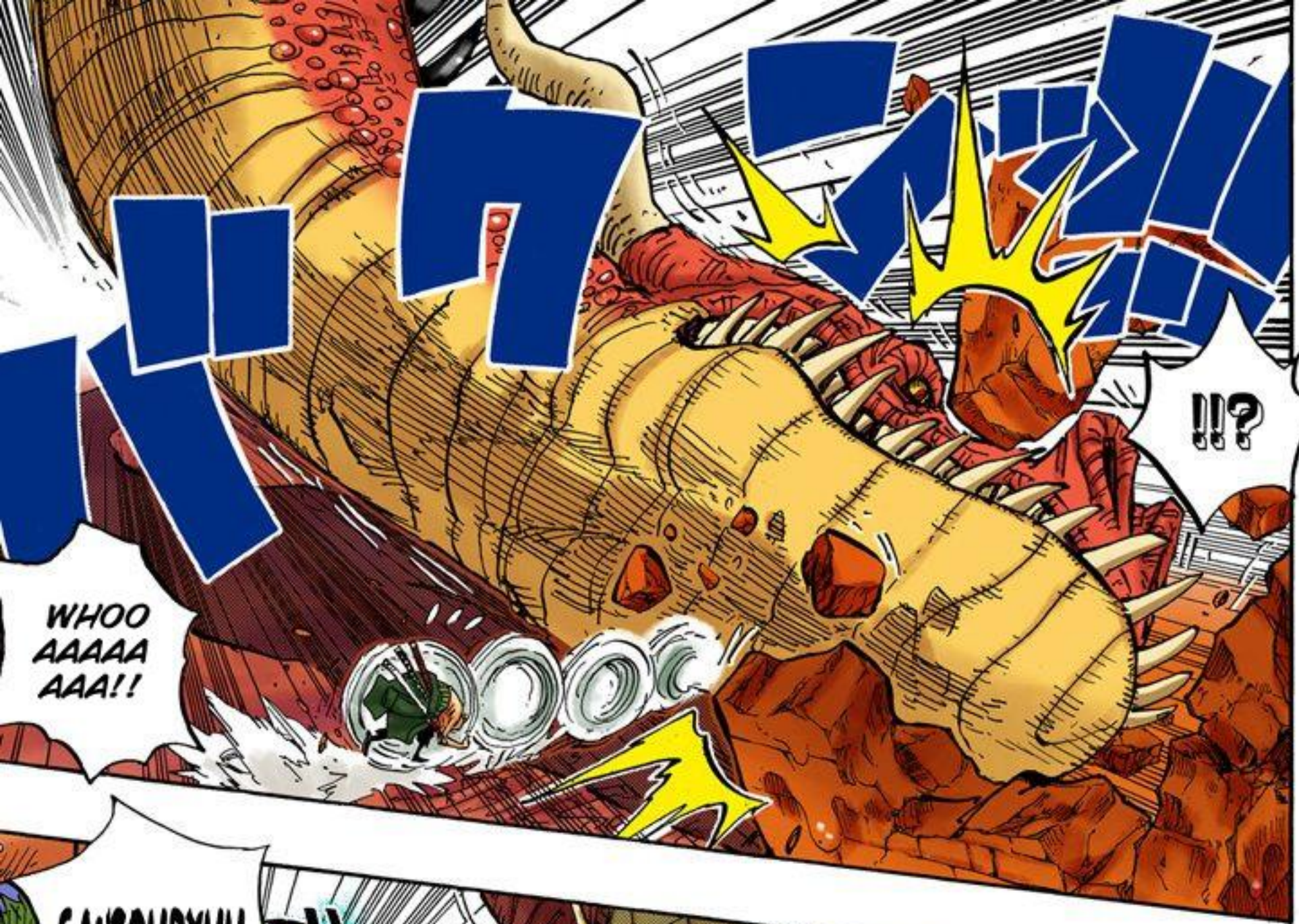


I CAN FEEL YOUR PRESENCE, PFFT!!!

HUH?



GO ON, TRY IT.

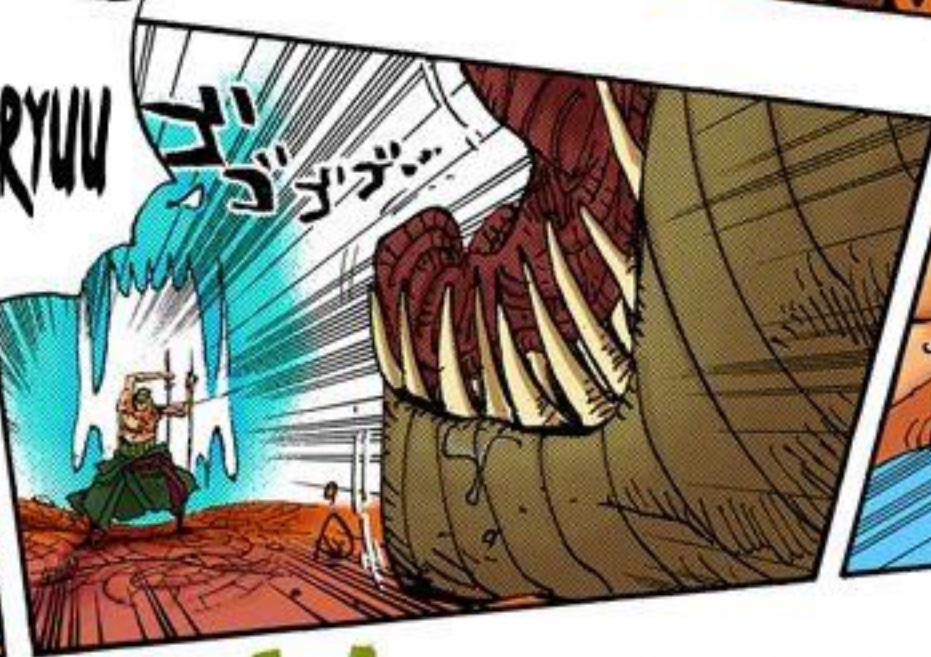


WHOO
AAAAA
AAA!!

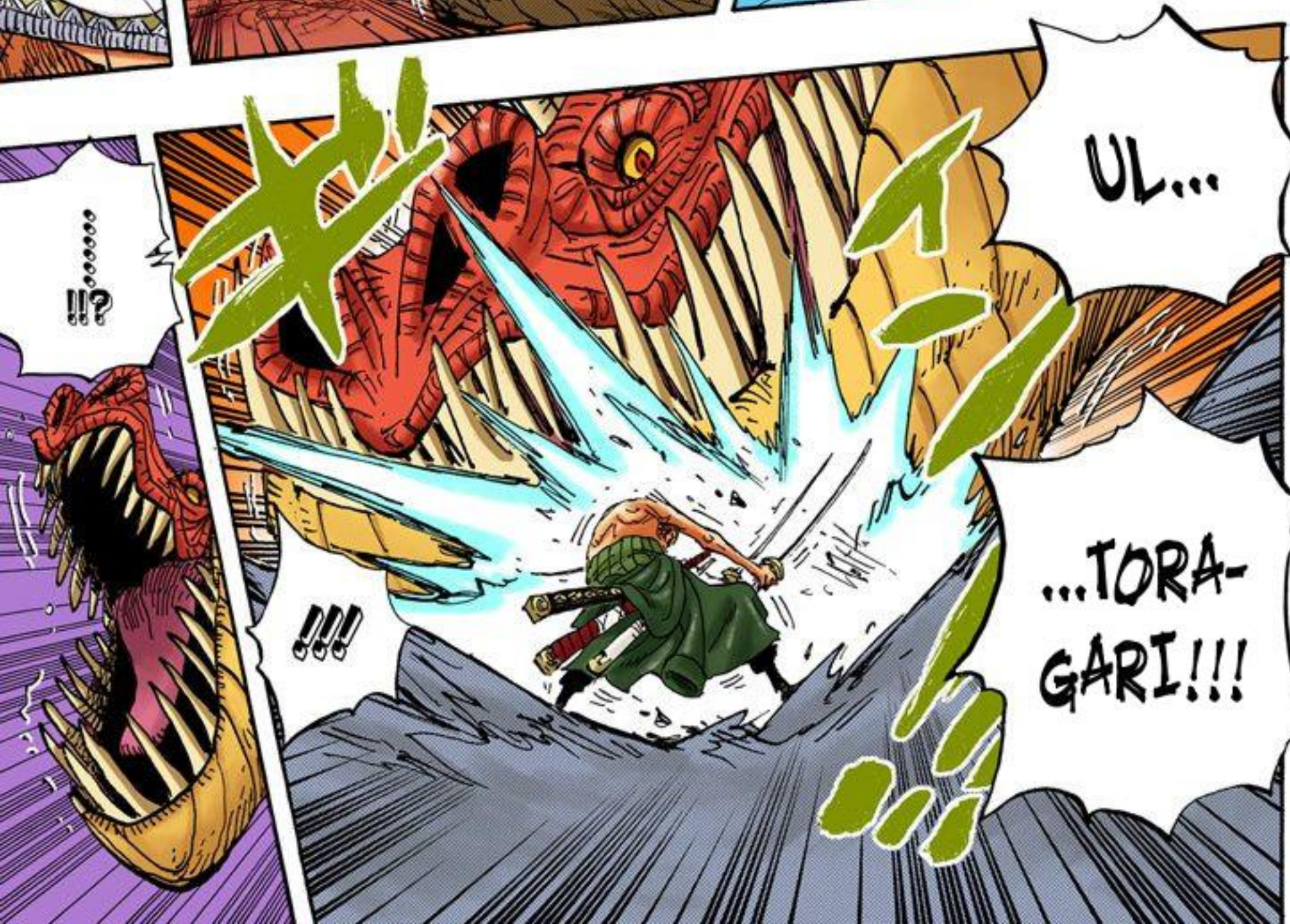
!!?



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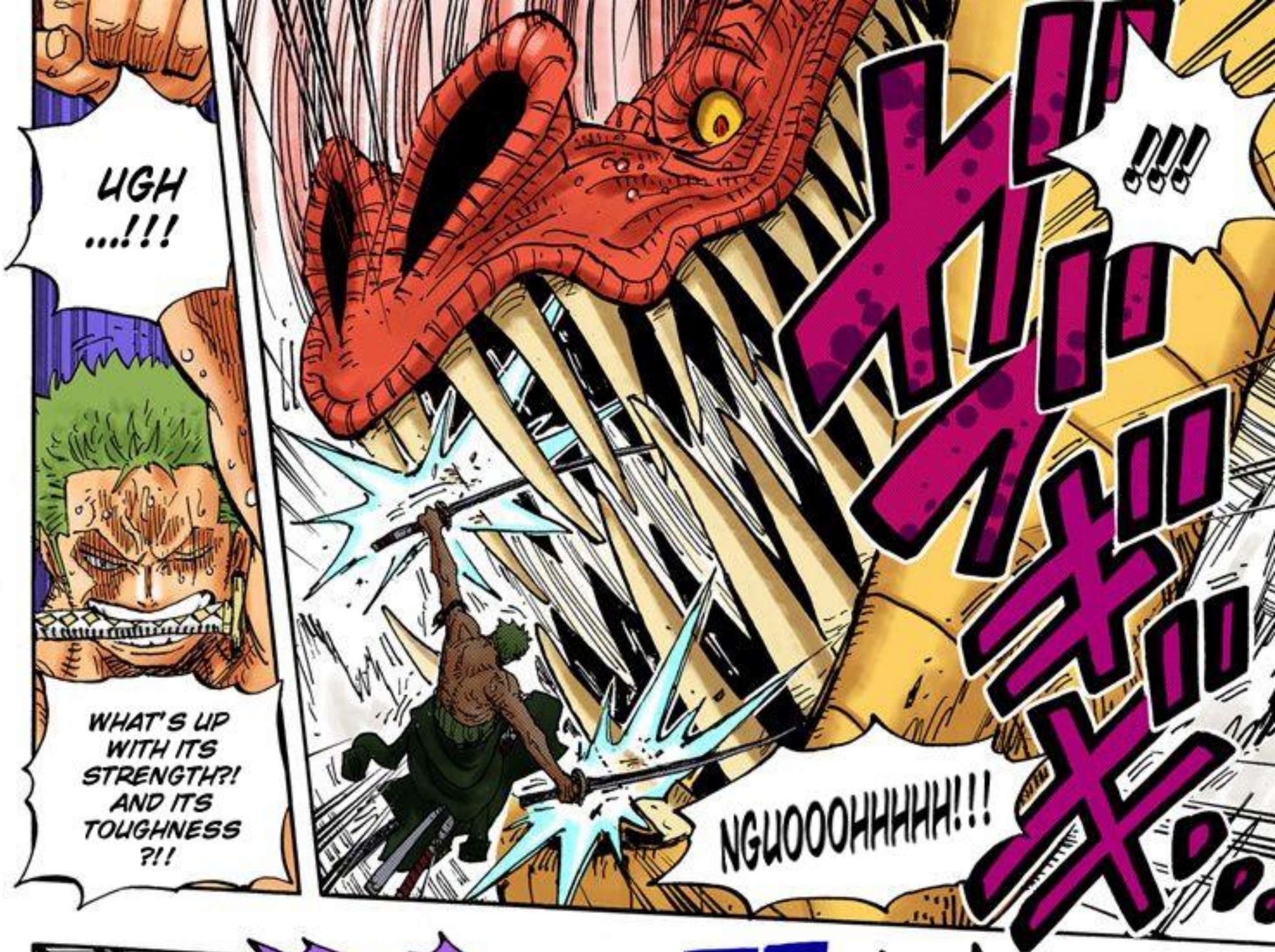


LUFFY'S
RIGHT... THIS
THING REALLY
CAN TALK!!



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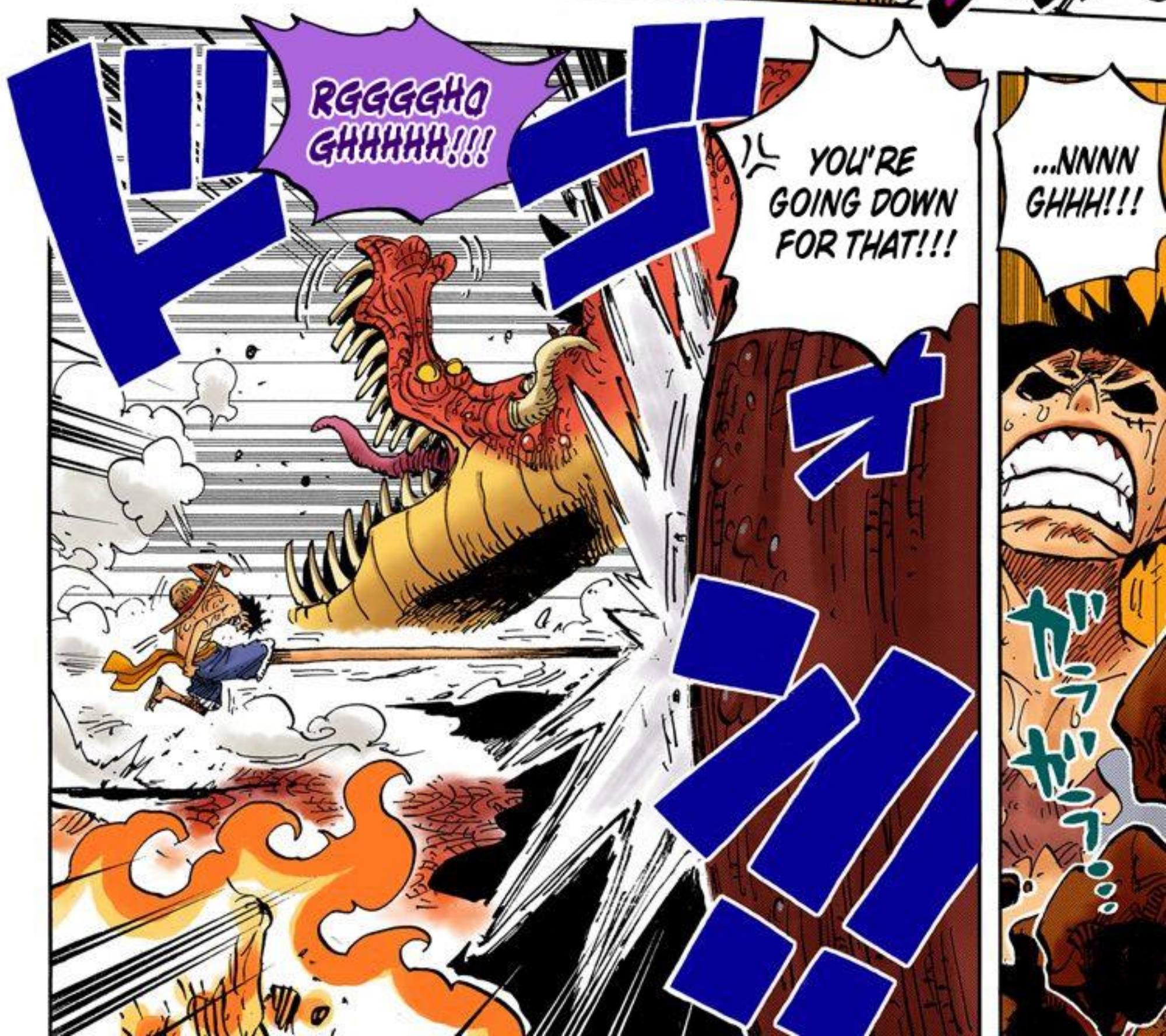
...TORA-
GARI!!!



UGH
...!!!

WHAT'S UP
WITH ITS
STRENGTH?!
AND ITS
TOUGHNESS
?!!

NGUOOOHHHHH!!!

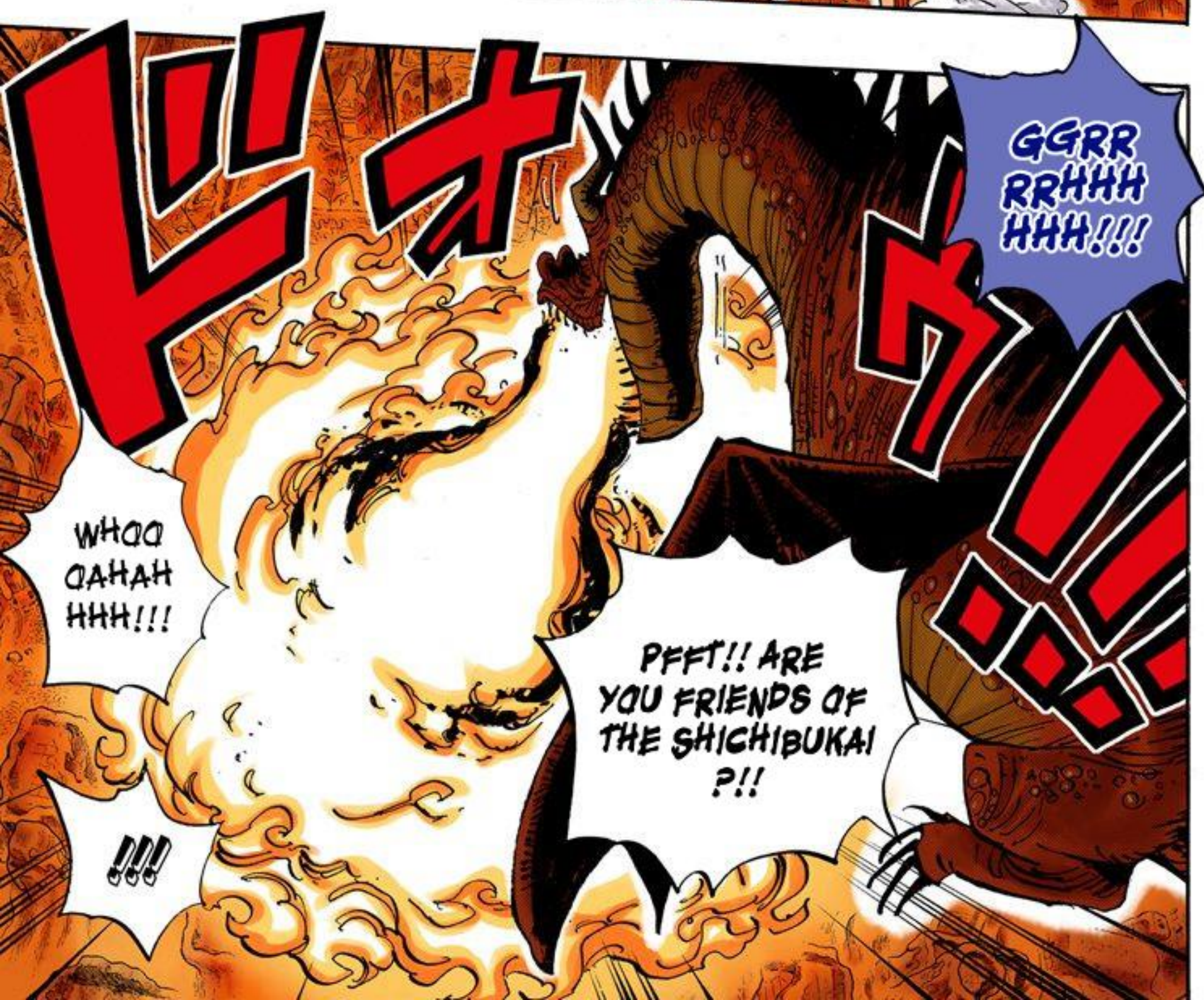


RGGGGH
GHHHH!!!

YOU'RE
GOING DOWN
FOR THAT!!!

...NNNN
GHHH!!!

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AAAAGHHHH!!
SO HOT!! AND IT
TALKED AGAIN
TOO!!!

IT MENTIONED THE
SHICHIBUKAI... DOES IT
HAVE SOME KIND OF
GRUDGE AGAINST
THEM...?!

PANT

ヒュー!!

I'LL
SMACK IT
DOWN TO
YOU!!

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LUFFY!! LET
ME HANDLE
THIS THING!!

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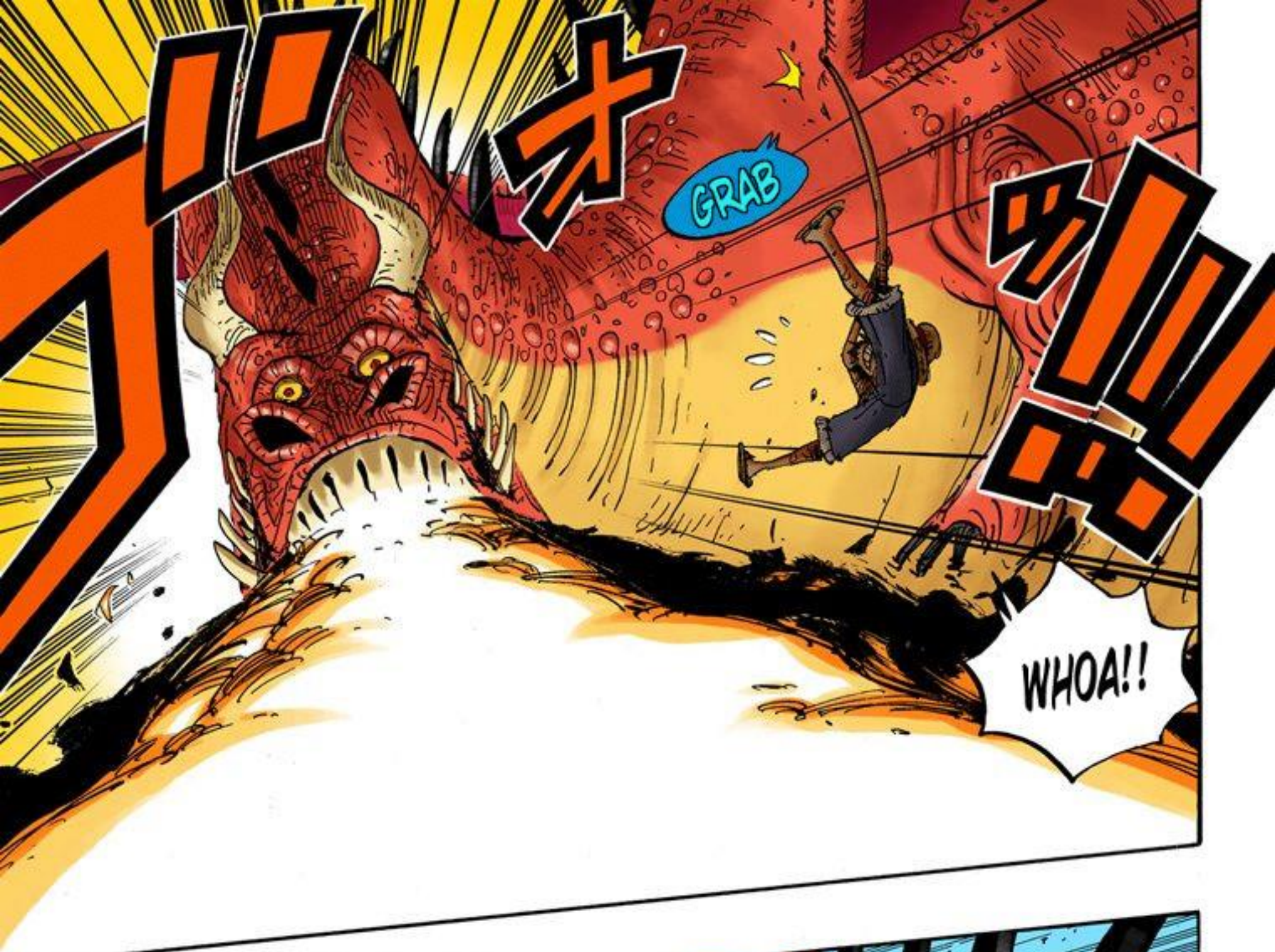
ALL
RIGHT
THEN!!

I'LL
SLICE IT
TO PIECES
!!!

OWO
WOWO
WOWO
...!!

IN THAT
CASE...

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GRAB

WHOA!!

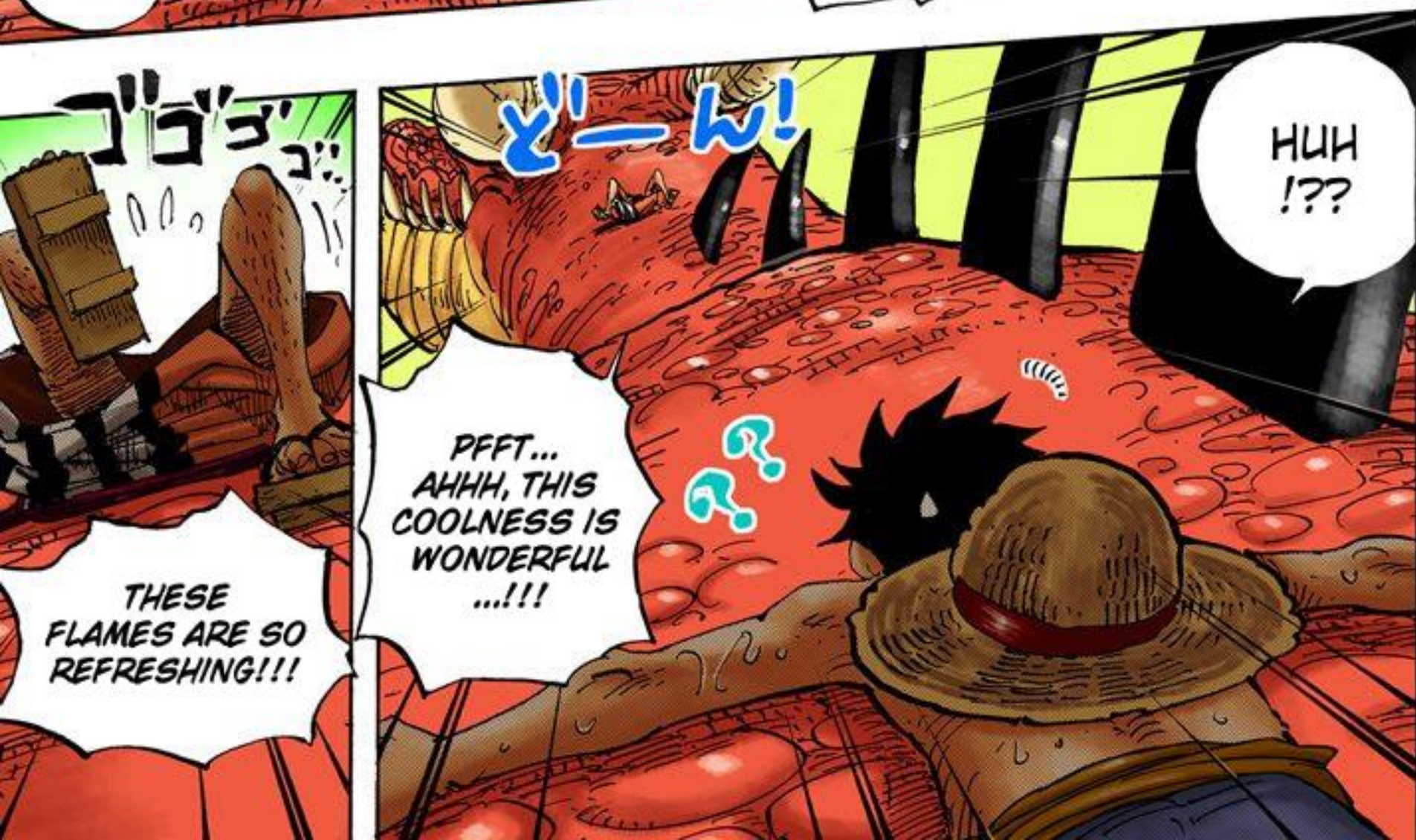


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EVEN
ITS BODY
IS HOT...

OWW
W...

OW
...



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HUH
!??

PFFT...
AHHH, THIS
COOLNESS IS
WONDERFUL
...!!!

THESE
FLAMES ARE SO
REFRESHING!!!



HE'S STUCK RIGHT INTO THE DRAGON'S HEAD!!!

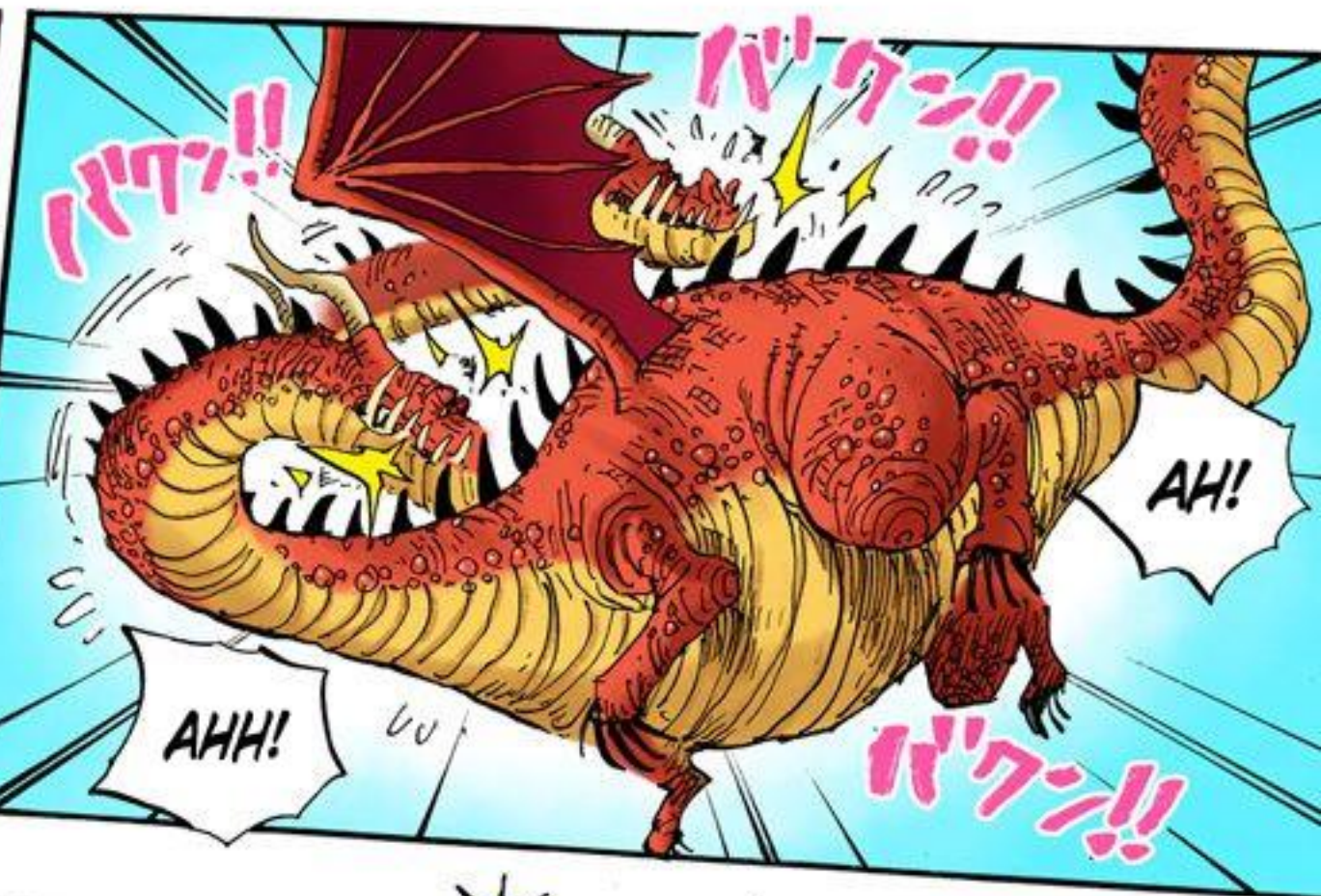
HEY, YOU GUYS!! IT'S TERRIBLE!! THERE'S A PERSON!!

THEN THE VOICE WE HEARD WAS...

HUHHH ?!! WHAT KIND OF SITUATION IS THAT?!!



WHY, YOU.....!! HAVE A BITE OF THIS WING, WHY DON'T YOU?!!



バクン!!

バクン!!

AH!

AHH!

バクン!!



UDD ORGG HHH!!!

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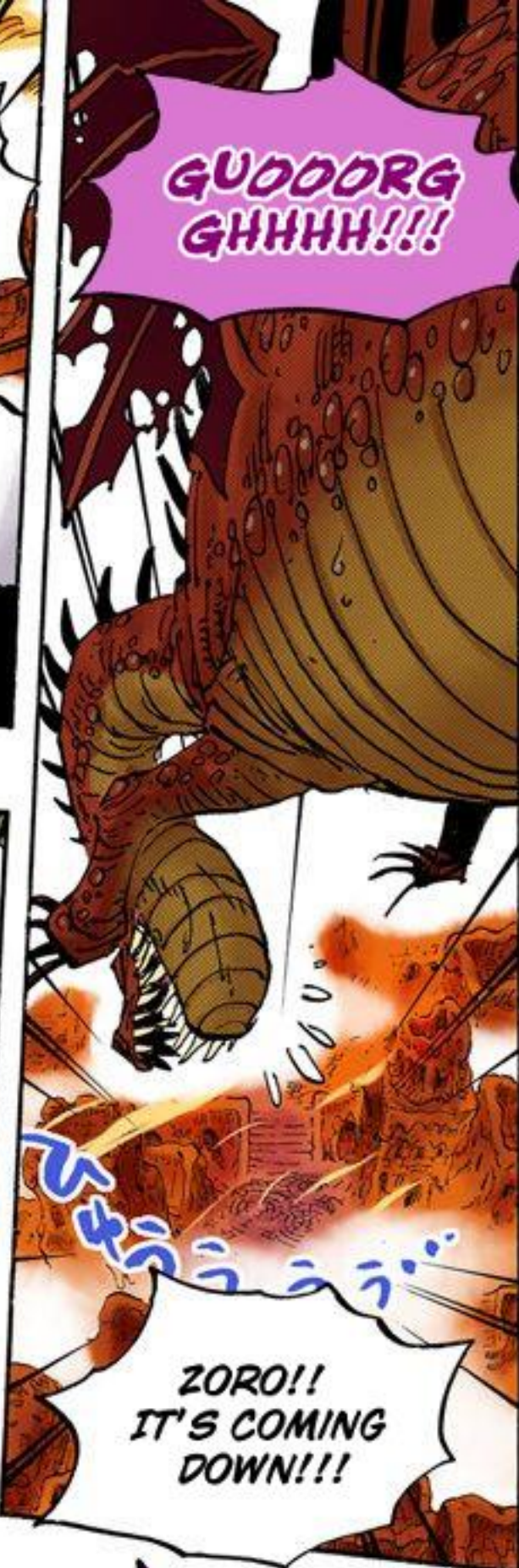


SHI SHISHI!! STUPID DRAGON!!



バクン!!

バクン!!





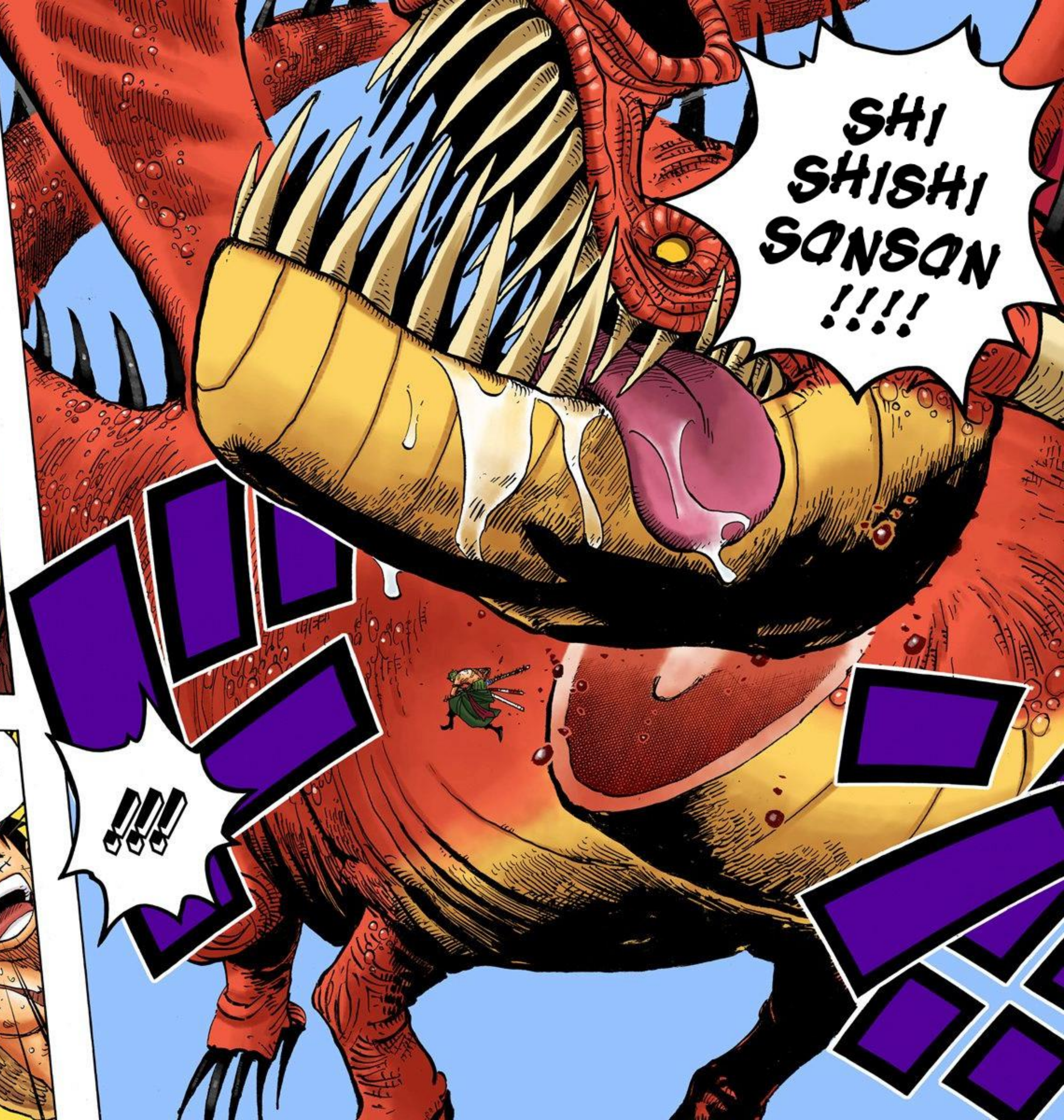
WHOOAHH!!
AWESOME!!!



WE CAN
BARBECUE IT IN
THE ISLAND'S
FLAMES.

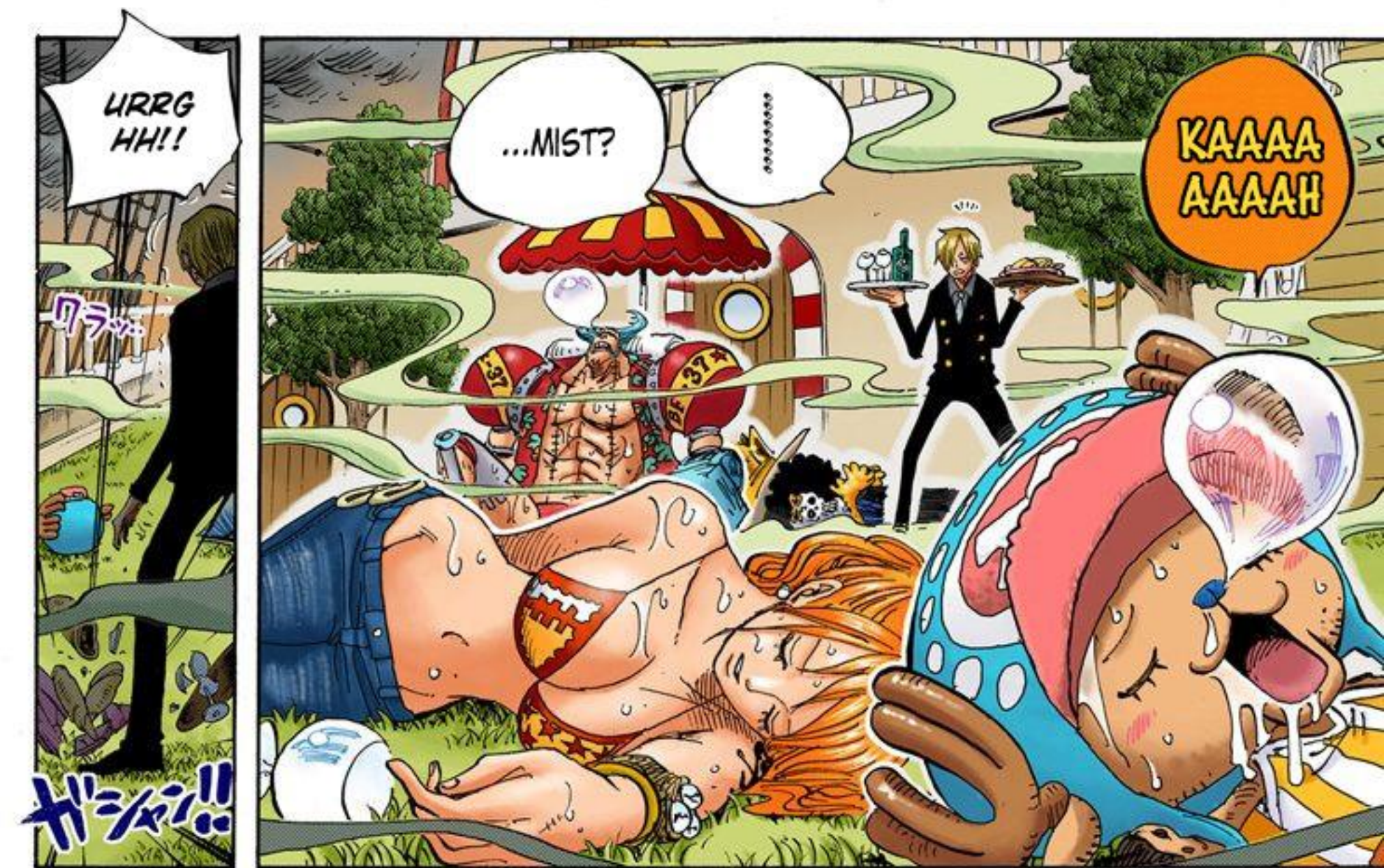
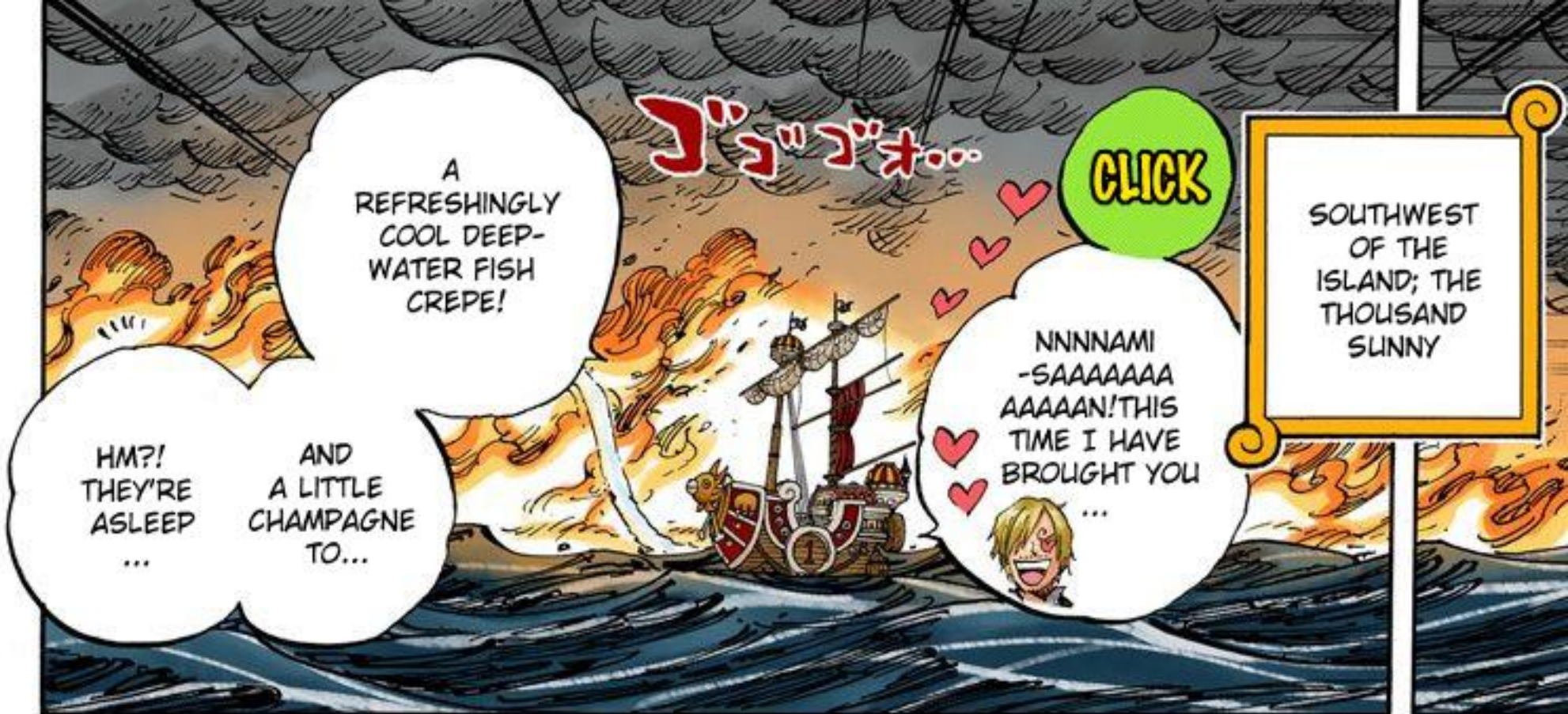
THIS
DRAGON
LOOKS
TASTY!

AHAHAH
AHAH!!



SHI
SHISHI
SONSON
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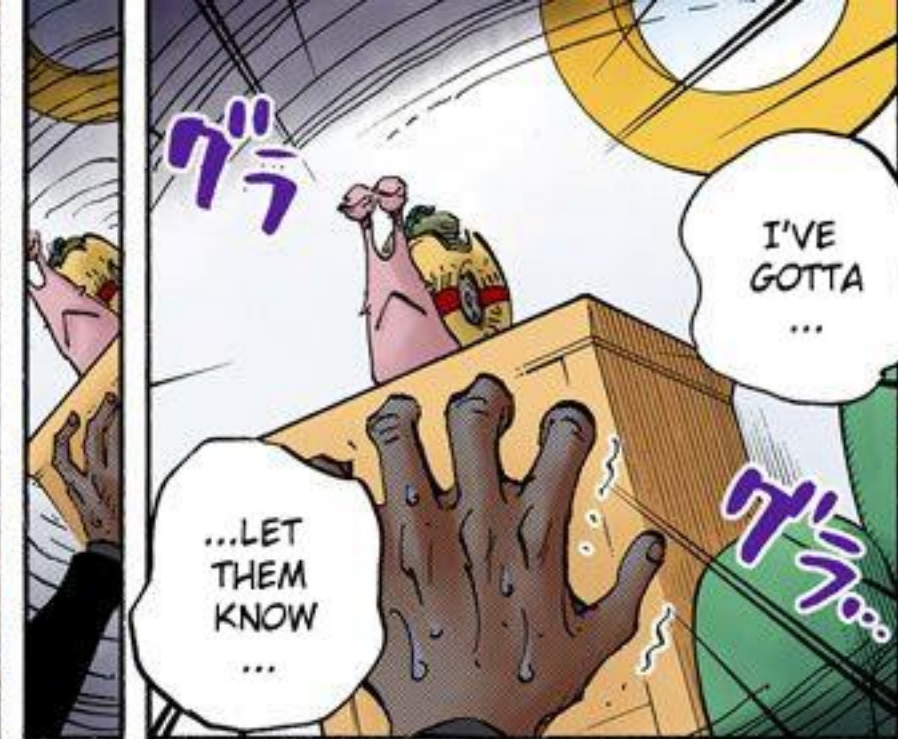




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KOH..

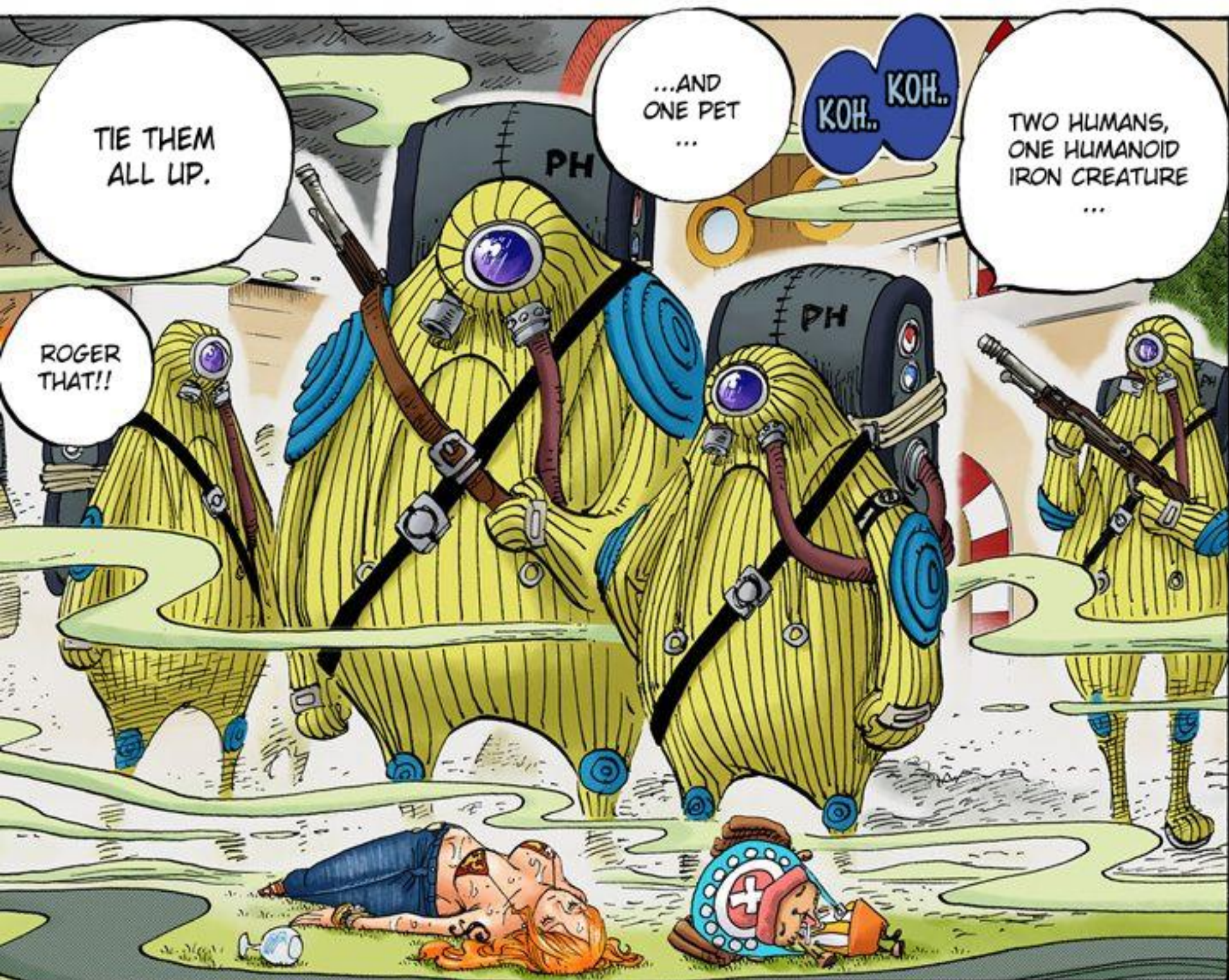
KOH..



...LET
THEM
KNOW
...

I'VE
GOTTA
...

クラ...



TIE THEM
ALL UP.

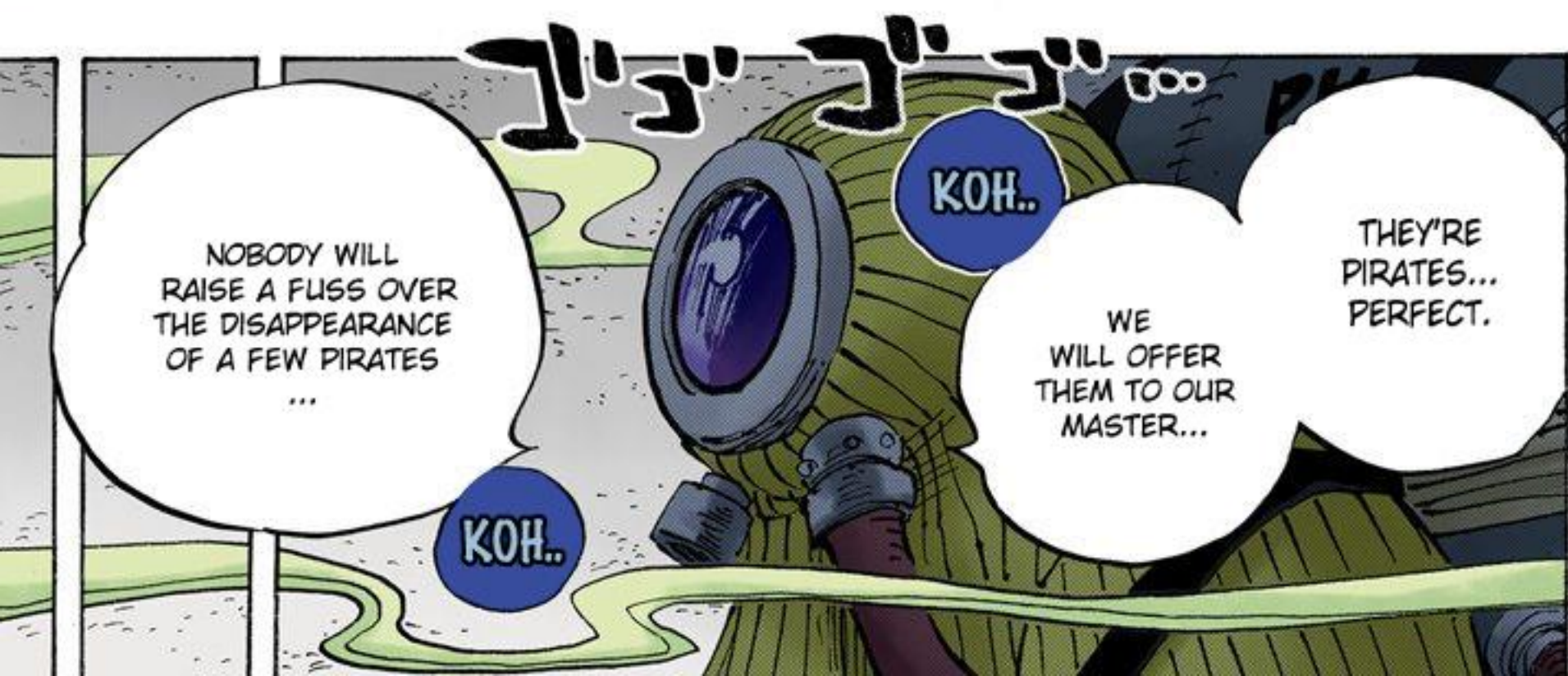
ROGER
THAT!!

...AND
ONE PET
...

KOH..

KOH..

TWO HUMANS,
ONE HUMANOID
IRON CREATURE
...



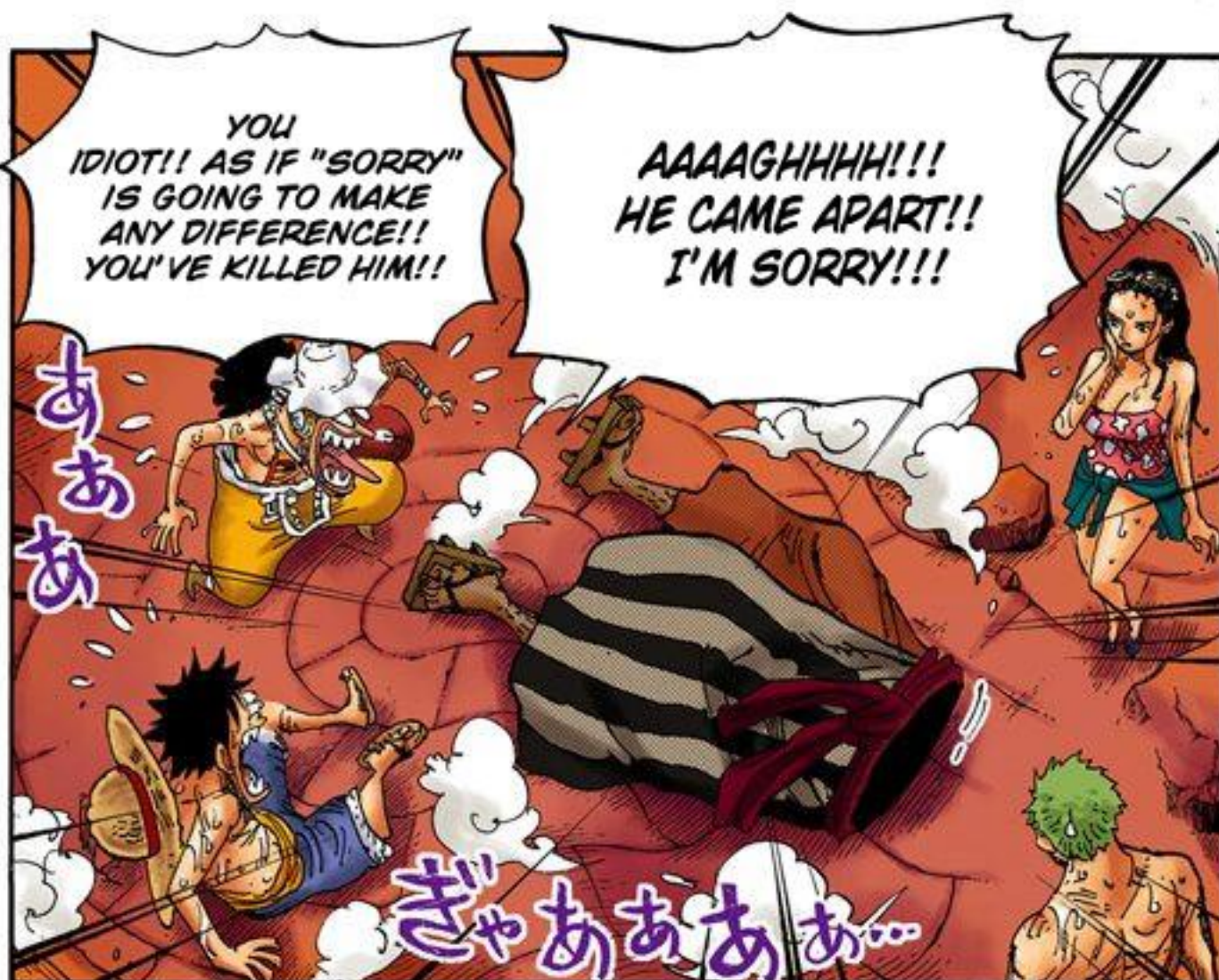
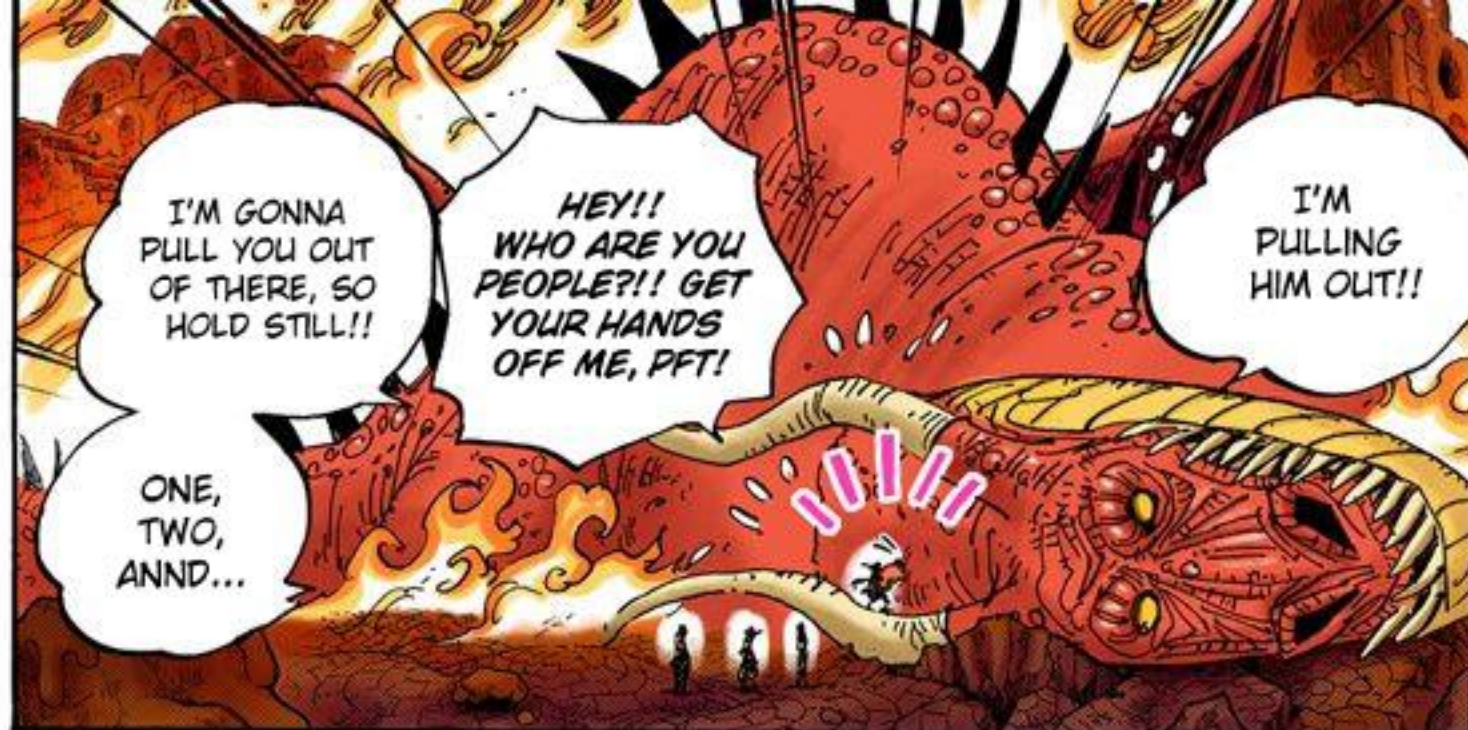
NOBODY WILL
RAISE A FUSS OVER
THE DISAPPEARANCE
OF A FEW PIRATES
...

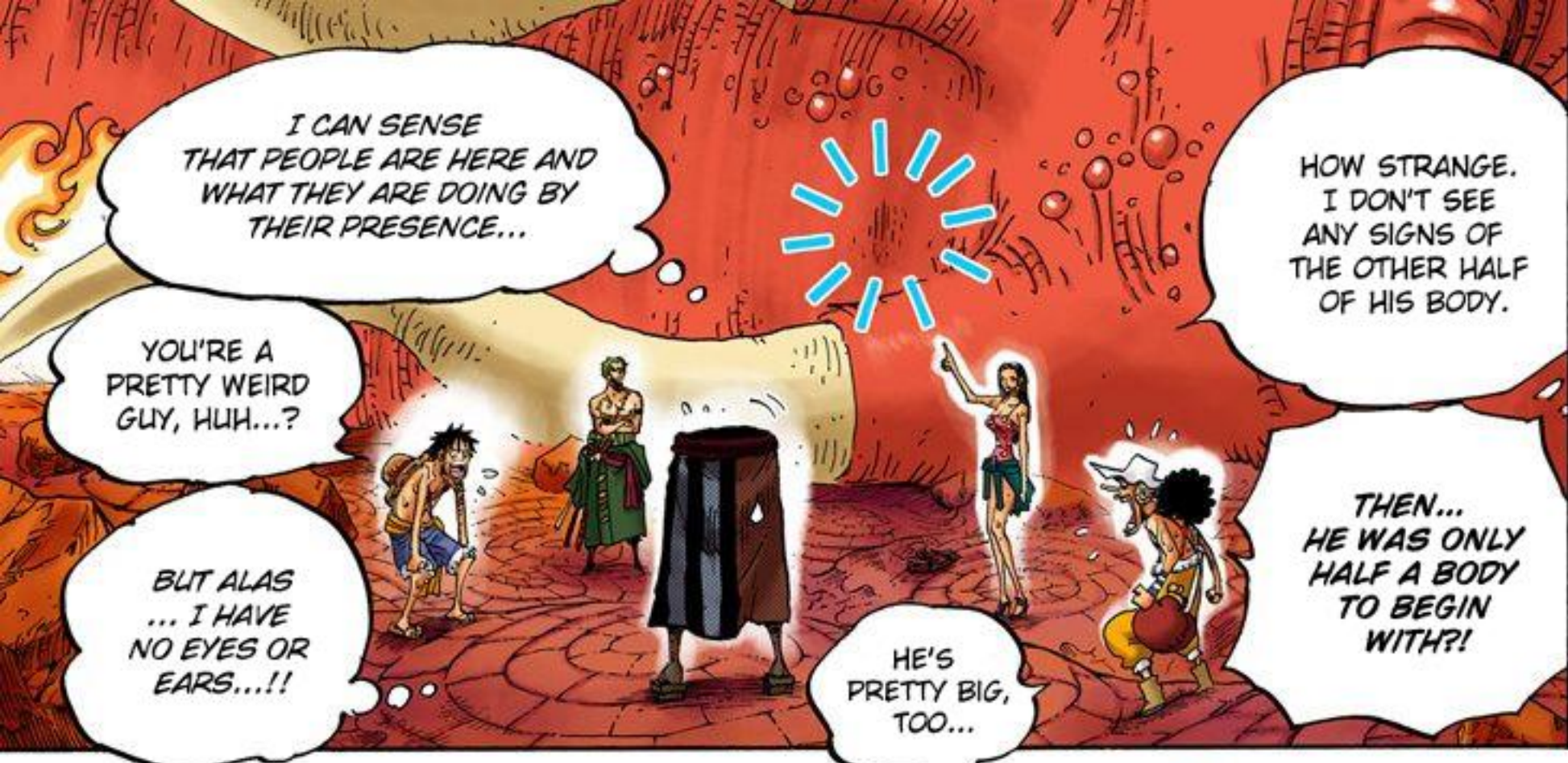
KOH..

KOH..

WE
WILL OFFER
THEM TO OUR
MASTER...

THEY'RE
PIRATES...
PERFECT.





I CAN SENSE
THAT PEOPLE ARE HERE AND
WHAT THEY ARE DOING BY
THEIR PRESENCE...

YOU'RE A
PRETTY WEIRD
GUY, HUH...?

BUT ALAS
... I HAVE
NO EYES OR
EARS...!!

HOW STRANGE.
I DON'T SEE
ANY SIGNS OF
THE OTHER HALF
OF HIS BODY.

THEN...
HE WAS ONLY
HALF A BODY
TO BEGIN
WITH?!

HE'S
PRETTY BIG,
TOO...



PFPT!! I DO
NOT KNOW WHO
YOU ARE, BUT YOU
WILL NOT STAND IN
MY WAY!! I CANNOT
AFFORD TO PERISH
IN SUCH A PLACE
AS THIS, PFPT!!!

WHOA
HH!!!



WAIT UP!!
YOU HAVE GOT
TO JOIN MY
CREW!!!

YOU
WILL NOT
ESCAPE ME
SO EASILY
...!!!

NOOO
OOOOO
OOO!!!

ACCURSED
SHICHIBUKAI
...!!!

AHH!!
HE RAN
OFF!!