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THERE'S NOTHING LESS PUNK THAN ASKING FOR HELP. BUT WHEN LOVE IS ON THE LINE, WHAT CAN YOU DO, RIGHT?

I'M HERE TO ASK FOR AN ALLIANCE. THE FEVER CAN'T DO THIS ALONE. WE NEED HELP, AND YOU'RE THE ONLY ONES THAT CAN KEEP US FROM GETTING KILLED.



SHE GOT GUTS. I CAN'T SAY I WOULDN'T DO THE SAME IN THEIR POSITION.

RUDDER'S RIGHT. BUT I'M AFRAID WE CAN'T DO THAT, BETTY. THERE WON'T BE AN ALLIANCE.



YOU SON OF A--- WHY? BIG TOUGH BAYSIDE TOO AFRAID OF THOSE WRATH PUNKS TO STEP UP AND BE "MEN" ABOUT IT?

I GUESS THAT'S WHAT BEING A **MAN** IS. TYPICAL.

I SHOULD'VE JUST LET HER UNLEASH. FASTER, VIOLET VOLT, KILL, KILL.



THIS IS ABOUT SURVIVAL, I KNOW. BUT LIKE YOU, WE NEED THE SAME THING. OUR CREW, THIS TOWN...WE NEED TO SURVIVE. IF WE JOIN YOU, WE TAKE A HARD STANCE AGAINST NEWPORT. AGAINST THE CITY. AGAINST OUR CLIENTELE.

SOON WE'D LOSE THE BUSINESS. THEN WE'D LOSE EACH OTHER. JUST LIKE YOU, THERE'S NOTHING WE'D DO TO PUT THAT AT RISK.

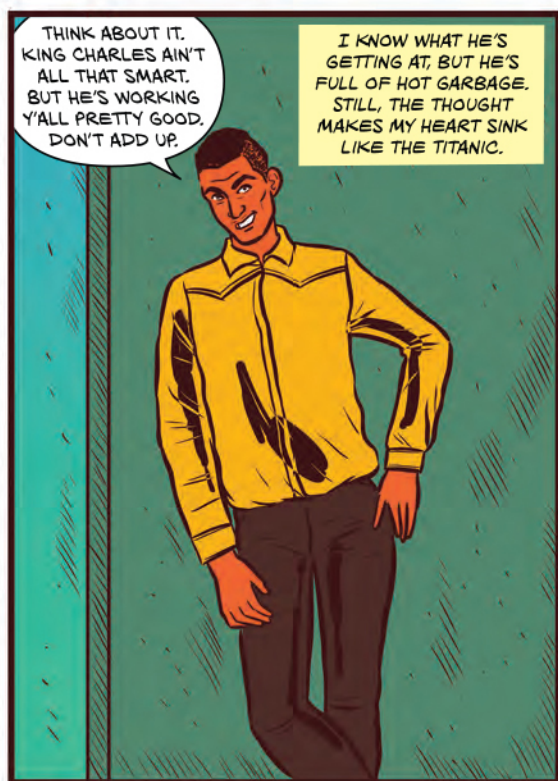


I KNOW. WE'VE ALREADY LOST ONE.



I'M SORRY TO HEAR THAT.







# THE CITY

THEY'RE OUT OF OPTIONS, CHARLES. THERE IS NO PLAN. BETTY'S IN BAYSIDE RIGHT NOW BEGGING NIKOLA FOR HELP.

YOU'D HAVE TO ASK NIKOLA ABOUT THAT.

OH, I'M NOT TOO WORRIED ABOUT NIKOLA. WE HAVE AN... UNDERSTANDING.

BESIDES, WE'VE BEEN MONITORING HIM AND BAYSIDE FOR WEEKS NOW.

SO UNLESS YOU'VE GOT SOME MORE FRUITFUL INFORMATION, I'M AFRAID WE'RE GOING TO CALL THIS LITTLE ARRANGEMENT OFF.

YOU CAN'T DO THAT. THAT'S NOT WHAT WE AGREED ON. I'M HELPING YOU.

YOU'RE HELPING ME WITH JACK ALL! YOU'RE A PAWN. YOU'RE USELESS TO ME NOW.

OLD BEACH IS GOING TO BURN TONIGHT, AND THERE'S NOTHING YOU CAN DO TO SAVE IT OR EXPEDITE IT.

WHAT ABOUT OUR DEAL? I GAVE YOU INFO.

==SIGH==  
I HONESTLY REALLY DON'T CARE IF YOU LIVE OR DIE AT THIS POINT. GO HOME. GET YOUR MOTHER. LEAVE OLD BEACH TONIGHT.

THAT'S THE WARNING THAT I'LL AFFORD YOU. THAT'S MY GIFT.

SWAN, SHOW HER OUT. LET HER SAY HER GOODBYES FIRST.



