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STORIES FROM
DONNY CATES,
DAVID MICHELINIE,
RON LIM,
JAMES STOKOE
AND A HOST OF
SYMBIOTIC
STORYTELLERS!

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DISGRACED REPORTER EDDIE BROCK STUMBLED UPON AN AGGRESSIVE ALIEN ORGANISM CALLED A SYMBIOTE DURING ONE OF THE LOWEST POINTS OF HIS LIFE. SHARING A SIMILAR NEED FOR JUSTICE IN THE FORM OF VENGEANCE, THE SYMBIOTE AND EDDIE BONDED, AND THEIR UNION GRANTED EDDIE POWERS SIMILAR TO THOSE OF SPIDER-MAN, AS WELL AS A NUMBER OF OTHER UNIQUE ABILITIES. TOGETHER, THEY NOW FIGHT CRIME AS THE WICKED WEB-SLINGER CALLED VENOM!

HOWEVER, BEFORE VENOM BECAME THE SCOURGE OF THE CRIMINALS THAT COMPOSE NEW YORK'S SEEDY UNDERBELLY, HE WAS ONE OF THEM.

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I'M TELLING YOU GUYS. VENOM IS @#%&'&.



NAH, GET OVER IT. HE'S NOT ALL THAT.

YEAH, VENOM AIN'T THAT SCARY, JACK O'LANTERN. I HEARD HE BROKE GOOD NOW ANYWAY. AIN'T HE SOME KINDA SOLDIER? AVENGER-LIKE DUDE?

THAT'S THE OLD ONE. BLOND DUDE. OSBORN KILLED HIM, LIKE, LAST WEEK.



BROCK IS DEAD?

NO, THE OTHER BLOND VENOM. THE SUPER HERO.

THE SPACE RANGER?

I DON'T KNOW NOTHING ABOUT NO SPACE RANGERS.



WAIT, I'M CONFUSED. HOW MANY VENOMS ARE THERE?

I MEAN, I WAS VENOM FOR A WHI--

HE GOUGED MY #&'&@ EYE OUT, MAN!*

*SEE VENOM #1!



I MEAN...I WAS JUST SELLING SOME GUNS TO SOME GUYS LIKE YOU DO, NOT HURTING NOBODY, AND HERE COMES VENOM.

I THOUGHT MAYBE HE'D ROUGH ME UP A BIT AND TURN ME IN OR WHATEVER MESSED-UP MORALITY CRAP HE'S ON THESE DAYS BUT...BUT...

HE STARTS SPEAKING IN TONGUES, AND HE RIPPED MY FREAKING EYE OUT OF MY HEAD!



I MEAN, AIN'T YOU GUYS SEEN THE NEWS? HE'S LIKE SOME KINDA FREAKING DRAGON OR SOMETHING NOW!

I'M MESSED UP, MAN! I CAN'T SLEEP! I KEEP SEEING HIM OVER MY SHOULDER AND WHEN I CLOSE MY EYES.

EYE.

IT AIN'T FUNNY! I'M TELLING YOU--

KID'S NOT WRONG.



VENOM. THE REAL VENOM...

...HE'S TERRIFYING.

I KNOW FROM EXPERIENCE. LET ME TELL YOU ABOUT IT...



"I KNEW I WASN'T DEAD.

"DEAD WOULDN'T HURT SO MUCH!



"VENOM HADN'T PULLED ANY PUNCHES, EITHER **PHYSICAL** OR **EMOTIONAL**.



"HE'D HIT ME WITH FISTS AND BOMBSHELL NEWS ABOUT SPIDER-MAN, MY EX.



"AND I WASN'T ABOUT TO LET HIM GET AWAY WITH EITHER!"



"OF COURSE, AS THE OLD SAYING GOES, THE BEST-LAID SCHEMES OF MICE AND MEN--"



"--AND CATS--"

"--GANG AFT AGLEY!"

"THAT'S SCOTTISH FOR 'THINK AGAIN, SISTER!'"



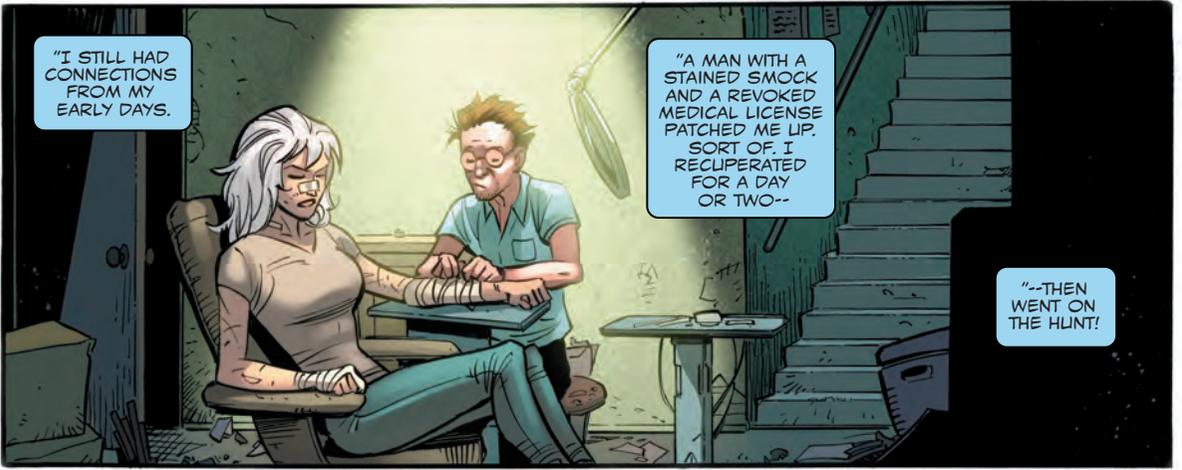
"I WAS PRETTY SURE MY NOSE WAS BROKEN, AND I HAD BRUISES ON MY BRUISES."

"I WAS WEAK AS A KITTEN."



"ANGER STILL SEARED MY HEART, BUT MY HEAD HAD TO ADMIT:"

"INSTANT GRATIFICATION WASN'T GONNA HAPPEN."



"I STILL HAD CONNECTIONS FROM MY EARLY DAYS.

"A MAN WITH A STAINED SMOCK AND A REVOKED MEDICAL LICENSE PATCHED ME UP. SORT OF. I RECOVERATED FOR A DAY OR TWO--

"--THEN WENT ON THE HUNT!



"I KNEW VENOM WAS SEARCHING FOR SPIDER-MAN, PROBABLY SURVEILLING HIS KNOWN HANGOUTS.

"SO I DID THE SAME.



"IT TOOK A WHILE, BUT I WAS PATIENT...



"...DETERMINED...

"...AND EVENTUALLY--



"--AT A RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOOD IN FOREST HILLS...

GOTCHA!