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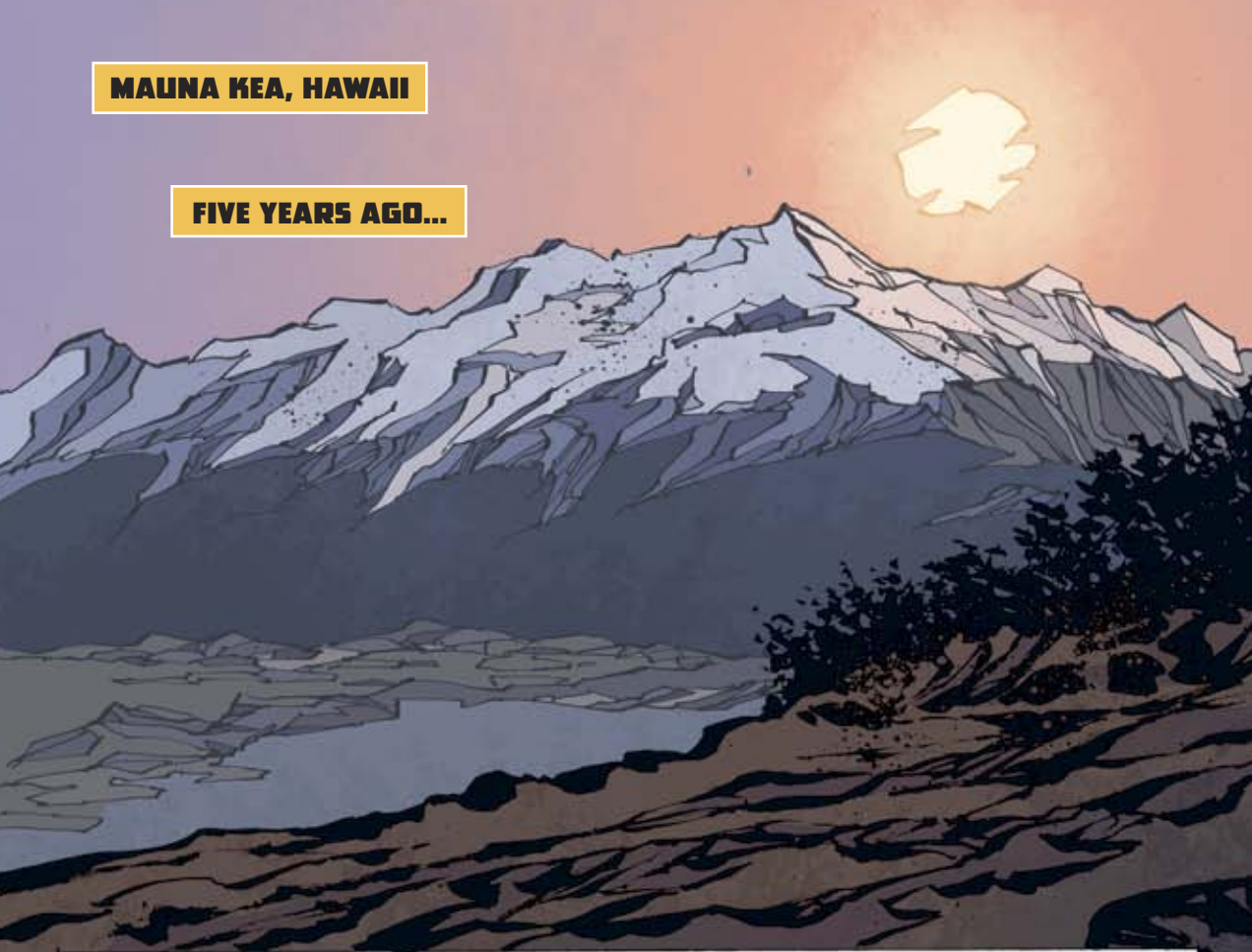
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MAUNA KEA, HAWAII

FIVE YEARS AGO...



TELL ME
AGAIN...



...WHY
THIS IS
NECESSARY?

BECAUSE
THE SCIENTIST
YOU'RE LOOKING FOR
LIVES HERE AND HAS
CUT OFF ALL CONTACT
WITH THE WORLD.





BROOKLYN, NEW YORK.

TODAY.





WHY IS THERE ALMOST NO BLOOD?

YOU GOT ME, DETECTIVE.



SEE IF WE CAN FIND THIS DOCTOR KEEFER. I'LL TAKE A LOOK AT THE BODY.

KNOCK YOURSELF OUT.



WHAT THE FUCK?

THUD



THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT.



SON OF A BITCH...



THE HEAD
CANNOT BE SEEN,
BUT IT SHOWS UP IN
MAGNETIC RESONANCE
IMAGING AND
ULTRASOUND.



BUT WHAT'S
THE CAUSE OF
DEATH? CLEARLY, *THIS*
ISN'T ACTUALLY A
WOUND AT ALL.

CAN'T BE
SURE. I EXPECT THERE'S
SOME SIGN ON THE HEAD
ITSELF, SO WHEN WE'VE IMAGED
IT AS BEST WE CAN WITH THE
TOOLS THAT *DO* WORK, I
MAY HAVE ANSWERS.



BUT THERE
WAS SOMETHING IN
THE *BLOOD*.

A VIRUS,
MAYBE A
RETROVIRUS.



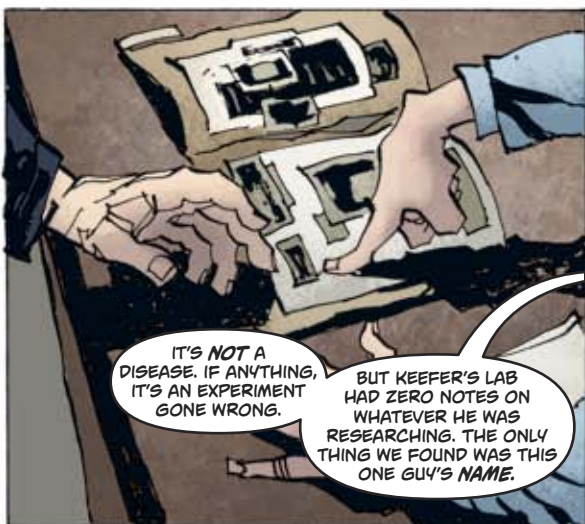
COULD IT BE
A TOXIN? COULD
HE HAVE BEEN
POISONED?

UNCLEAR.
I'VE NEVER SEEN
ANYTHING LIKE IT.
HELL, IT COULD JUST
BE A *DISEASE*.



A *DISEASE*
THAT...?

HEY DON'T
LOOK AT ME.
I JUST *WORK*
HERE.



**CENTERS FOR
DISEASE CONTROL**

DRUID HILLS, GEORGIA

AN
INVISIBLE
HEAD? IS THIS
A JOKE?

IT'S NOT
A JOKE. IT'S A
RETROVIRUS.

THE AUTOPSY
SHOWED THAT THE
CORPSE HAD A RETRO-
VIRUS IN HIS BLOOD.
TAKE A LOOK.

REALLY?
HOW DID THEY
EVEN GET ACCESS
TO THE CARPENTER
TRIALS?

HEAD TO
NEW YORK AND
FIND OUT.

I'LL NEED
A FORENSIC
SPECIALIST.

I'M
ASSIGNING
YOU--

AS LONG
AS IT'S
NOT...

INVISIBLE
HEAD?
I'M IN.

...HOGARTH?

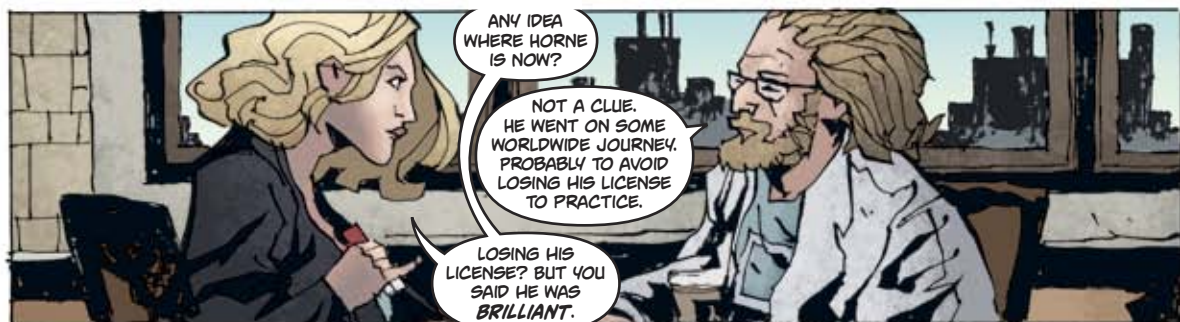
I LOVE
YOU TOO,
BUDDY.

SHUT
UP.

NEW YORK PRESBYTERIAN HOSPITAL.

WEILL CORNELL MEDICAL CENTER.







YOU HAVE GOT TO SEE THIS.

OR NOT SEE IT. IT'S CRAZY-THE HEAD, IT'S IN-FUCKING-VISIBLE.



ARE YOU **SURE** WE SHOULD BE DOING THIS? I MEAN, I'M NOT SURE I EVEN WANT TO SEE IT. AND WE COULD GET IN TROUBLE. COULDN'T WE?



BERT?



GOTCHA. GOD, KID, YOU'RE EASY TO SCARE.

SO. NOT. FUNNY.



READY?







MERLIN?

SSH.
IT'S OKAY,
BOY.



YOU'VE REACHED
RANDAL HORNE. THE
WORLD IS FULL OF MYSTERIES.
ONE OF THEM WILL BE
SOLVED ONCE YOU LEAVE
A MESSAGE.

