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On their quest to save Rarity from the Nightmare forces, the ponies have been captured and locked away! Though Spike returned to save the day, he fell victim to the terrifying powers of Nightmare Rarity.

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HOW COULD YOU LEAVE THE PONIES? YOUR WEAKNESS MADE YOU NIGHTMARE MOON ONCE, AND NOW YOU'RE WEAK AGAIN...

YOU'LL NEVER BE STRONG, LUNA.



WHERE ARE THE PONIES?

THEY WERE CAPTURED.

BUT WHAT ABOUT RARITY? WAS SHE OKAY?



WE KNOW YOU MEAN WELL, BUT PLEASE STAY OUT OF HARM'S WAY.

I'M SORRY, PRINCESSES, BUT I'M AFRAID WE CAN'T DO THAT. THIS TIME OUR SISTERS NEED OUR HELP!



I WILL NOT ALLOW ANY MORE PONIES TO RISK THEIR LIVES!

LIVES? WHAT HAPPENED?



THE NIGHTMARE FORCES ARE ON THEIR WAY. THEY WILL ATTACK PONYVILLE.

DON'T WORRY, SISTER, WE'LL BE READY FOR THEM.



PLEASE, RAINBOW DASH! ENOUGH OF THE DINGUS... ES! DINGUSI? WHATEVER IT IS IN THE PLURAL.



DINKI!



THEN WHAT ARE WE GONNA DO, HUH?



APPARENTLY, OVER REACT IN A COMPLETELY UNHELPFUL WAY! ... LIKE YOU ALWAYS DO.



WHAT?!? THAT'S INSANE, APPLEJACK! COMPLETELY INSANE!



YOU'RE THE ONE WHO IS ALL "HOWDY, PARDNER" ABOUT EVERYTHING!

WHAT DOES THAT EVEN MEAN?!



SERIOUSLY, YOU GUYS! THAT'S ENOUGH!



DINKI PINKIE DO!

STOP BEING—



IT'S OKAY, MISS BUFFY— THEY DON'T ACTUALLY MEAN IT. WE ARE ALL BEST FRIENDS.





MEANWHILE...

LUCKY YOU, TINY DRAGON, OUR QUEEN HAS USE FOR YOU YET.

I'M NOT DOING ANYTHING FOR HER! SHE TOOK MY RARITY AWAY FOREVER!



WELL, YOU SEE, THAT'S THE PROBLEM—APPARENTLY THERE IS A WEE BIT OF THAT DREADFUL PONY LEFT IN OUR VIGILANT, YET GLAMOROUS, LEADER.

WHAT?! YOU'VE GOTTA SET RARITY FREE! YOUR "QUEEN" IS A MONSTER!



NOT A CHANCE! YOU WILL WATCH AS YOUR BELOVED RARITY DESTROYS YOUR HOME ALONG WITH ALL THE LOVE YOU HAVE FOR HER. THEN THE TRANSFORMATION WILL BE PERMANENT.



NOOOO!



ARE MY EARS BURNING?
BECAUSE WITH HOW HOT I LOOK, I SHOULD BE ON FIRE!



COME ON, LITTLE GUYS!



NOW IS THE TIME FOR NIGHTMARE RULE!



THE SILENT TREATMENT? CLEVER, BUT YOUR SILENCE WON'T SAVE RARITY ONCE YOUR LOVE IS GONE.



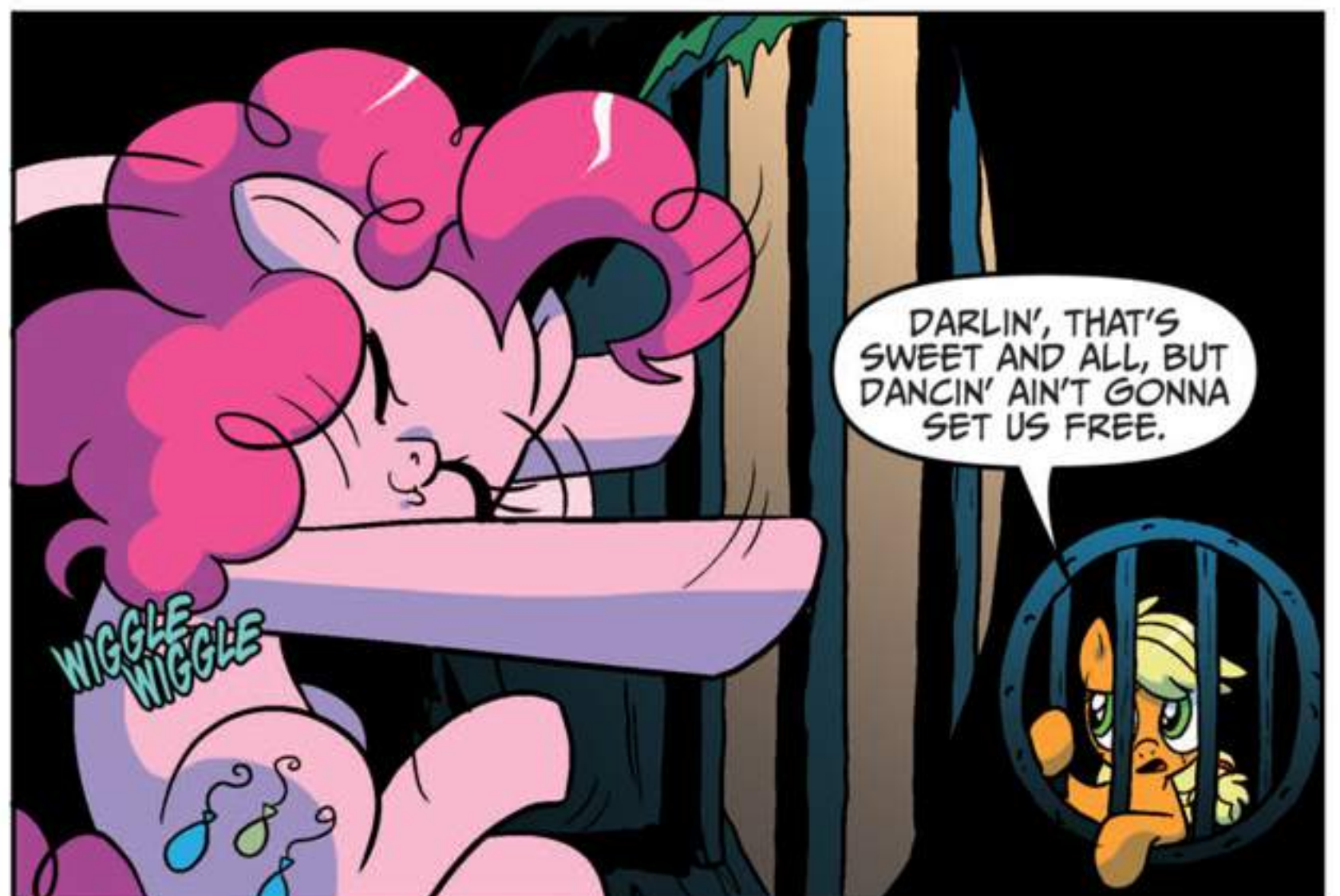
JOKE'S ON YOU—I'M NOT THE ONLY ONE WHO LOVES RARITY, AND YOU'RE ABOUT TO FIND OUT THE HARD WAY! I GUESS THAT'S WHAT YOU GET WHEN YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT TRUE LOVE AND FRIENDSHIP ARE!

... THAT, AND A COUPLE SLUGS IN YOUR CHARIOT!



NO DUNGEON TOO DANK, DARK, OR DIRTY FOR SPIKE, SPIKE THE MIGHTY!









YOU CAN'T ESCAPE FROM ME! I'LL STOP YOU AND FINALLY GET THE ATTENTION I DESERVE!

DO YOU REALLY WANT TO BE FRIENDS WITH THEM? THEY'RE KINDA MEAN TO YOU.



FRIENDS? WE DON'T CARE ABOUT FRIENDS! FRIENDS ARE UNIMPORTANT.

ARE YOU LOCO? FRIENDS ARE EVERYTHING THAT IS WONDERFUL AND NICE! AND FLUFFY!



I BET THOSE BOOGERS DON'T EVEN KNOW YOUR NAME, DO THEY?

NO, NO THEY DON'T, LAR—I MEAN, SHADOWFRIGHT SAYS NAMES ARE THE MOST IMPORTANT ELEMENT FOR BEING SCARY, BUT HE DOESN'T EVEN KNOW MINE.



HOW INCONSIDERATE. WHAT ABOUT YOUR FEELINGS?

WE'RE SO SORRY!

I KNOW—I MEAN, NO! FRIENDSHIP MEANS NOTHING! IT HAS NO POWER!



AND THERE IS NOTHING YOU CAN DO TO ESCAPE MY CLUTCHES!



MEANWHILE, IN PONYVILLE...



SISTER? WHAT'S WRONG? WE NEED TO FOCUS. TO LEAD THEM.



NOTHING IS WRONG. I WILL SAVE THESE PONIES—NO MATTER WHAT.

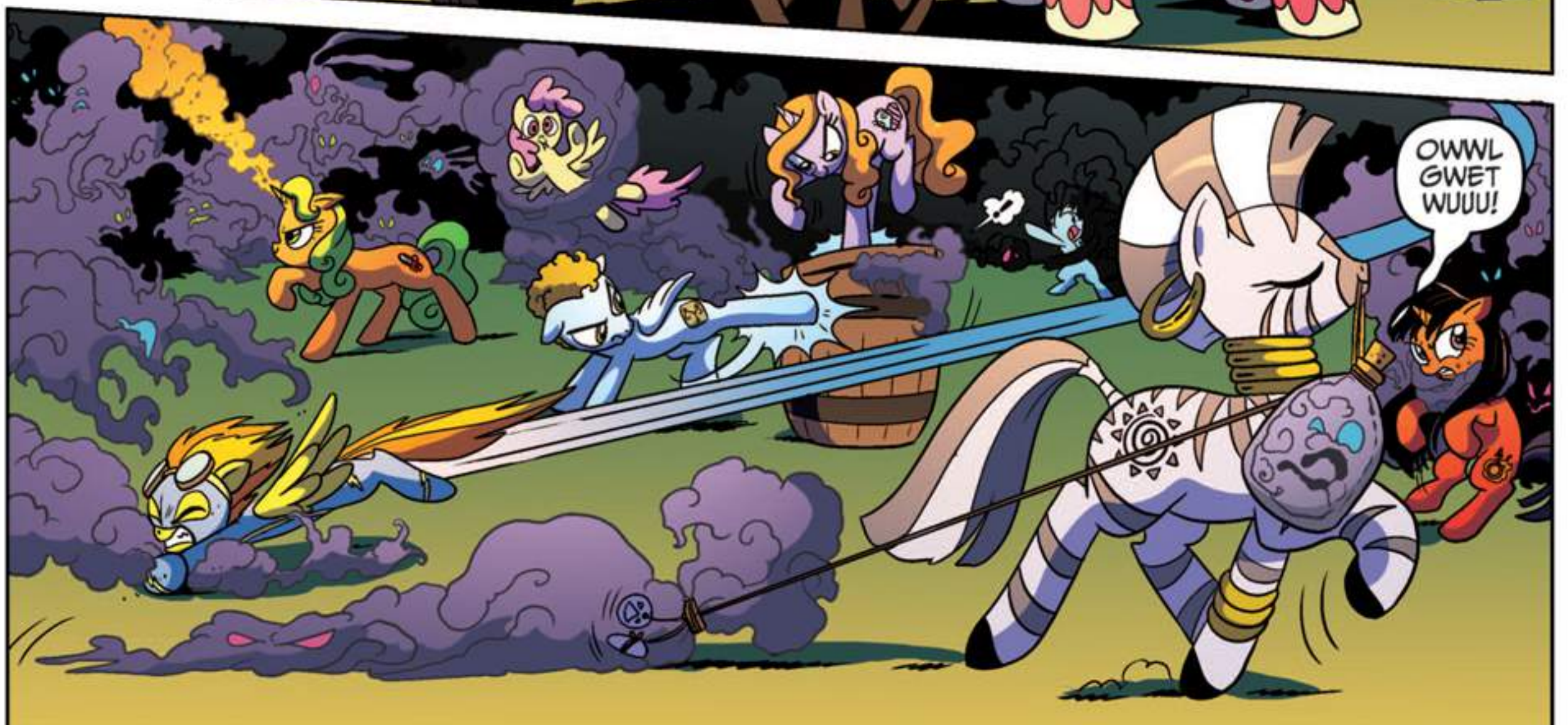


REALLY, MUST WE GO THROUGH ALL OF THIS AGAIN? BOR-RING.



STILL TRYING TO FIGHT BACK YOUR FEAR AND ANGER, LUNA? TSK-TSK. GIVE INTO THE DARKNESS! JOIN THE PARTY.

I WILL DEFEAT YOU! ALONE!









YES!
FOREVER!



MY BITTERNESS AND ANGER TRANSFORMED ME INTO NIGHTMARE MOON BEFORE. I FEAR IT COULD HAPPEN AGAIN. IT'S MY BURDEN.



IT ISN'T YOUR BURDEN TO BEAR ALONE. BELIEVE ME.

LIKE WE'D LET THAT HAPPEN?! YOU'RE ONE OF US NOW!



ONE OF YOU?



WELL, SURE! YOU ARE AS MUCH PART OF PONYVILLE AS MR. & MRS. CAKE, OR JOE OR TWIST—



HIYA!





TOGETHER WE WILL DEFEAT THE NIGHTMARE ENERGY, AND IT WILL NEVER HURT ANYPONY EVER AGAIN!



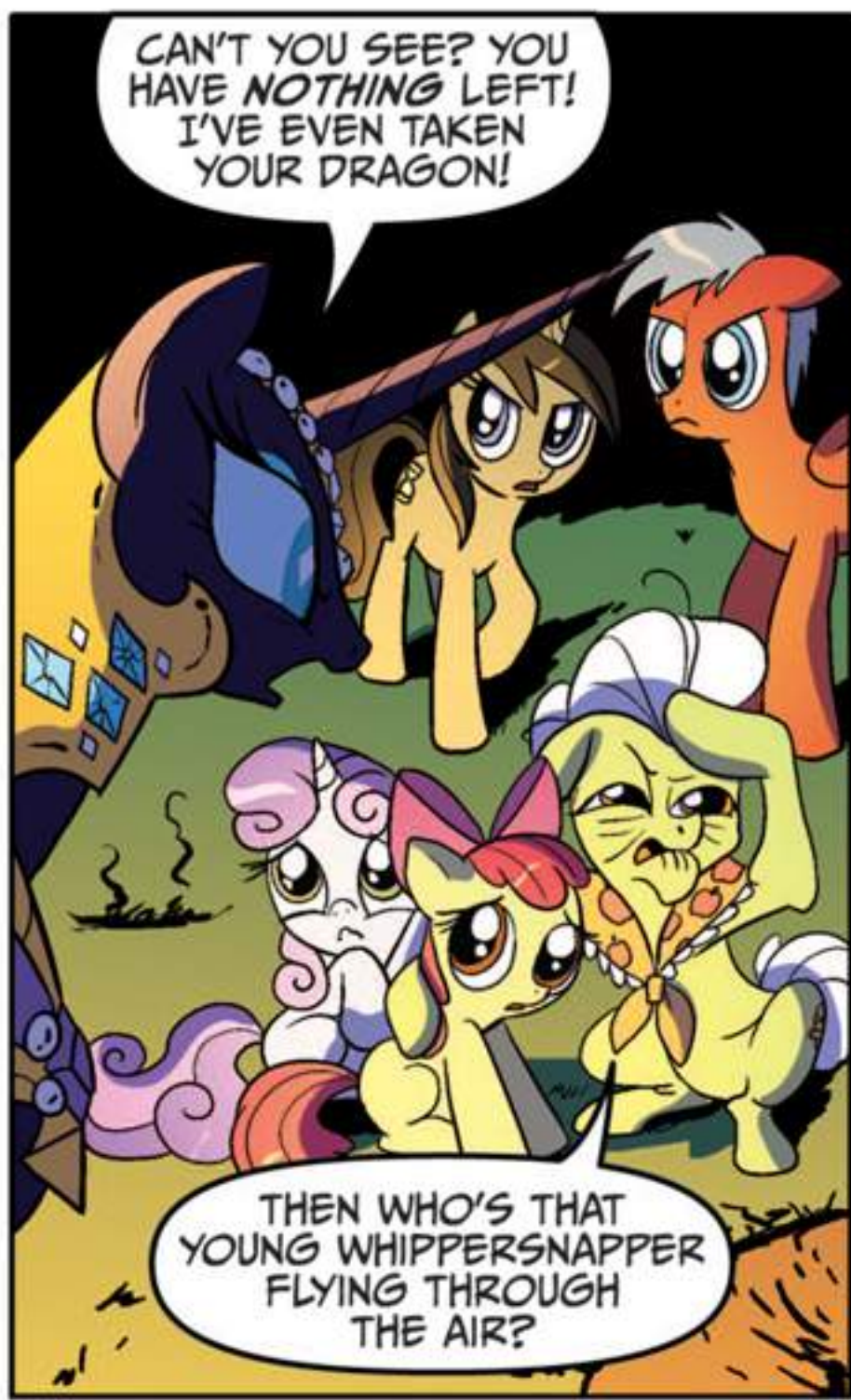
YOU ARE ALL FOOLS! LOVE! TRUST! FRIENDSHIP! BLEH! TRY POWER! FEAR! DARKNESS!



YOU CAN'T BE RARITY. SHE WOULD NEVER SAY SUCH AN AWFUL THING! ... BUT WHY DO YOU FEEL LIKE HER?



SWEETIE BELLE?



CAN'T YOU SEE? YOU HAVE NOTHING LEFT! I'VE EVEN TAKEN YOUR DRAGON!

THEN WHO'S THAT YOUNG WHIPPERSNAPPER FLYING THROUGH THE AIR?



W-WHAT? HOW DID HE?

THAT DINGUS.



NO MATTER—OUR MAN... WHAT'S-HIS-FACE HAS HIM. OR SHOULD WE BE SHAKING IN OUR HORSESHOES?



ACTUALLY, YOU PROBABLY SHOULD. TAKE IT AWAY, JEROME!



THAT'S RIGHT, LARRY! MY NAME IS JEROME!



AND THAT'S NOT ALL!



SILLY SCARY LADY, FRIENDSHIP IS STRONGER THAN FEAR WILL EVER BE!





MY FRIENDS!
YOU CAME FOR
ME! YOU DIDN'T
FORGET ME!

GEEZE, THOSE
THINGS REALLY SUCKED
ON YOUR BRAIN,
DIDN'T THEY?



YOU MEAN,
YOU DIDN'T REPLACE
ME WITH AN
ILL-FASHIONED PONY
WITH BRACES?!

WHY
WOULD WE
DO THAT?

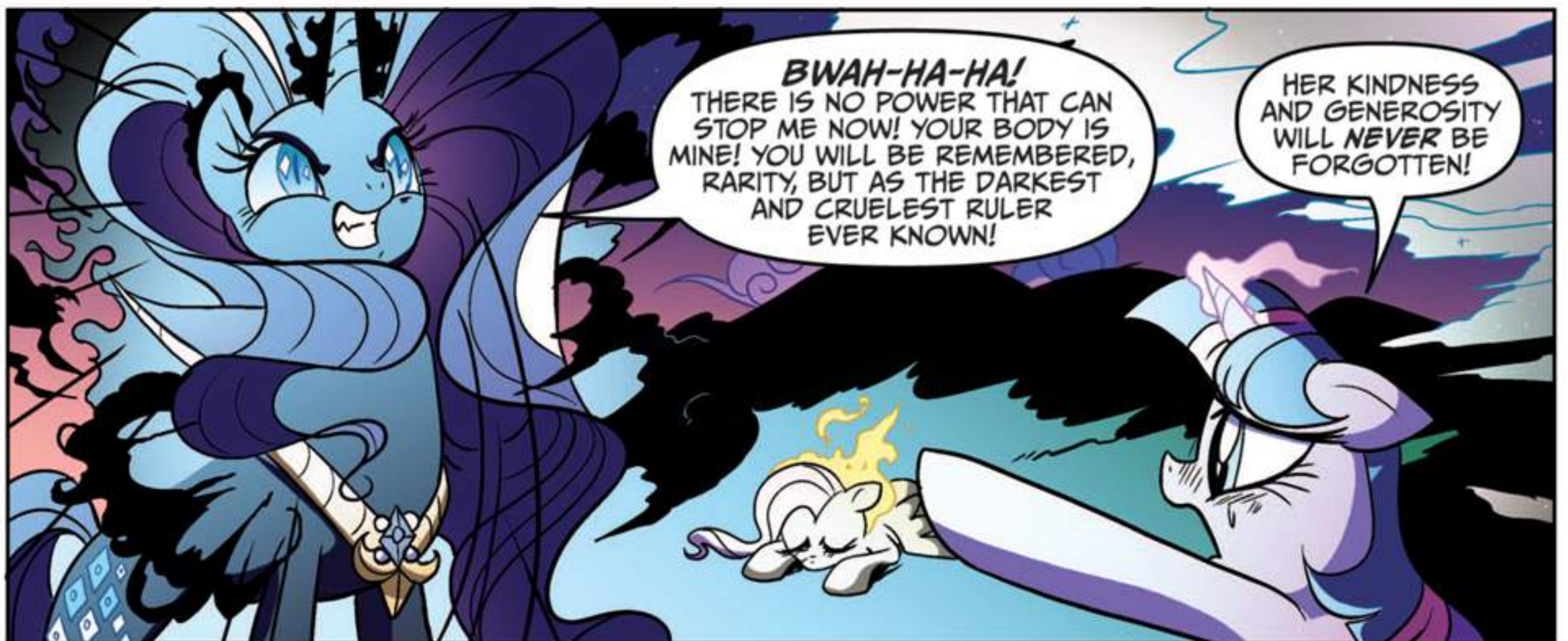


I THOUGHT THAT YOU'D
FORGET ME IF I STOPPED
BEING FABULOUS... I WANT
TO HELP... ALWAYS!

RARITY!



PLEASE, NO! I DON'T
WANT TO GO BACK! IT WAS
SO COLD AND LONELY—AND
I WASN'T HELPING ANYPONY!
I WAS HURTING THEM.
HELP!



BWAH-HA-HA!
THERE IS NO POWER THAT
CAN STOP ME NOW! YOUR BODY IS
MINE! YOU WILL BE REMEMBERED,
RARITY, BUT AS THE DARKEST
AND CRUELEST RULER
EVER KNOWN!

HER KINDNESS
AND GENEROSITY
WILL NEVER BE
FORGOTTEN!





YOU MEAN EVERYTHING TO ME.



PLEASE COME HOME.



RARITY!



HOW COULD I HAVE BEEN SO FOOLISH? I BELIEVED THEIR LIES AND LET INSECURITY GET THE BETTER OF ME. ME, OF ALL PONIES!

THAT'S ONE NIGHTMARE THAT WILL NEVER COME TRUE!



THANK YOU ALL FOR REMINDING ME—

REMINDING US THAT EVERYPONY IS IRREPLACEABLE TO THEIR TRUEST FRIENDS.

REMINDING US—



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GETS A LITTLE
STRANGER
EVERY DAY...

RUN FOR
the
ROSES
CIDER HOUSE

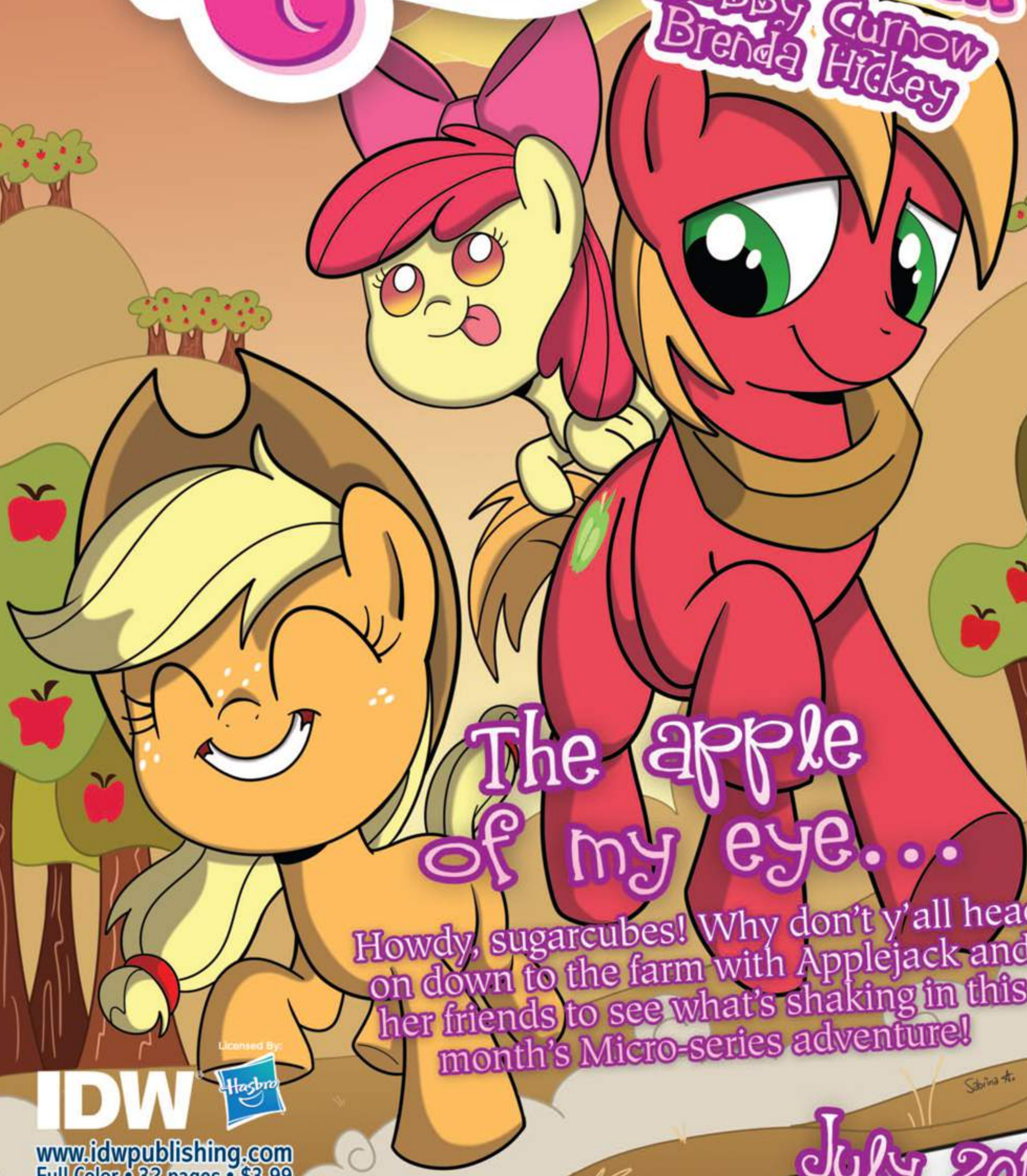
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MICRO-SERIES
APPLEJACK

Bobby Curnow
Brenda Hickey



The apple
of my eye...

Howdy, sugarcubes! Why don't y'all head on down to the farm with Applejack and her friends to see what's shaking in this month's Micro-series adventure!

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