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At the request of Princess Celestia, Twilight Sparkle and friends have traveled to an alternate dimension where Celestia and Luna are evil, and King Sombra is good! It has been revealed that our good Princess Celestia has fallen in love with the good King Sombra, and their relationship has destabilized the barriers between the two worlds! It is now up to our Ponies to use the Elements of Harmony to save the day!

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CONSTRUCTION SITE
- COMING SOON -
THE JEWEL OF EQUESTRIA
Canterlot

A LONG TIME AGO, PRINCESS
CELESTIA HAD TO BANISH HER
OWN SISTER TO THE MOON
FOR ONE THOUSAND YEARS.

SHE TOOK TEMPORARY SOLACE IN ANOTHER
WORLD, WHERE HER SISTER WAS NOT THE
VILLAIN. A LAND RULED BY A HANDSOME AND
GOOD-HEARTED STALLION, THE DOUBLE OF
HER OWN WORLD'S EVIL KING SOMBRA.

AND IN THAT REFUGE FROM HER
RESPONSIBILITIES AND GRIEF, SHE
FOUND EVERYTHING SHE WANTED.

...AND EVERYTHING SHE
KNEW SHE SHOULDN'T HAVE.

PRESENT DAY.

I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU REPLACED ME WITH ANOTHER ME WHILE I WAS GONE. I'D BE INSULTED, BUT I DON'T THINK I CAN BE... SINCE IT WAS ME.

LUNA, I DIDN'T "REPLACE" YOU. I WAS GOING THROUGH A VERY TOUGH TIME IN MY LIFE. I NEEDED... SOME PONY, ANY PONY TO TALK TO.

YOU COULD HAVE BROUGHT ME BACK FROM THE MOON.

AFTER STAR SWIRL AND I HAD OUR... ER... FALLING OUT, SOMBRA AND THE OTHER LUNA WERE MY CLOSEST FRIENDS.

AND IT'S JUST ONE MORE REASON YOU AND I *SHOULDN'T* GO THROUGH THE MIRROR. I AM SO CLOSELY BOUND TO *BOTH* YOU AND THE OTHER LUNA.

YOU'RE BOTH SO DEAR TO ME... BUT YOU'RE THE ORIGINAL. THE BEST ONE!

QUITE RIGHT! DON'T YOU FORGET IT.

I DON'T LIKE THE LOOKS OF THE SKY. IT FEELS... WRONG. I'M BEGINNING TO WONDER IF SENDING SOMETHING AS POWERFUL AS THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY THROUGH THE MIRROR IS ONLY ADDING TO THE RIFT.

WE HAVE NO CHOICE BUT TO WAIT FOR THE RETURN OF YOUR CHAMPIONS... SHALL WE HAVE SOME TEA? IT WILL CALM YOU.

TEA WOULD BE LOVELY.

SERVANT! TEA!

WE ARE *BOTH* PERFECTLY CAPABLE OF GETTING OUR OWN TEA.

WHAT IS THE POINT OF BEING THE MONARCHY IF I HAVE TO FETCH SUCH THINGS MYSELF?

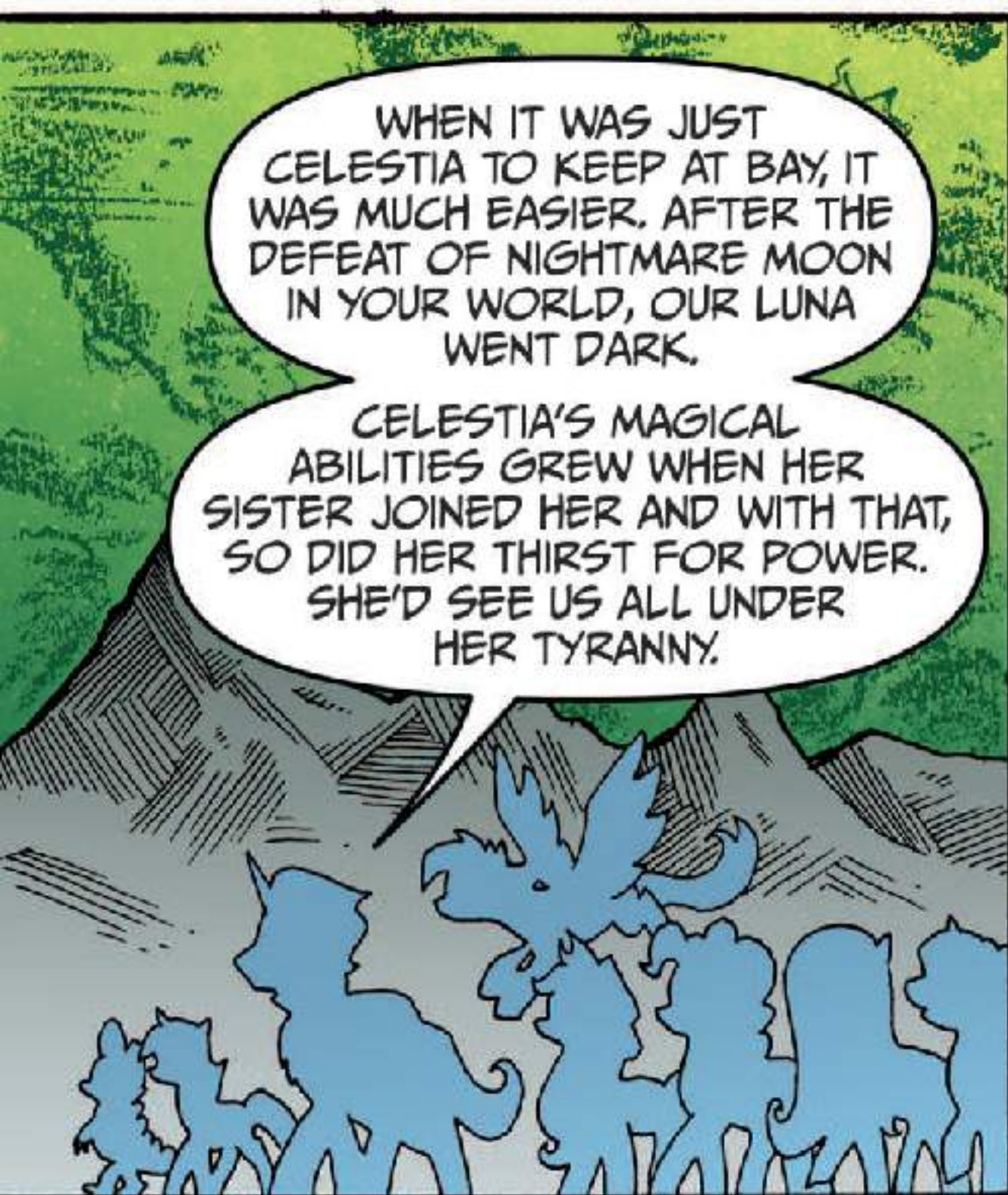


THROUGH THE MIRROR.

...AND THAT IS HOW YOU BROUGHT LUNA BACK FROM BEING NIGHTMARE MOON? FASCINATING.

YEP! THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY HAVE HELPED US OUT MORE TIMES THAN YOU CAN IMAGINE!

THAT MUST BE WHY CELESTIA SENT US TO YOU. I DON'T KNOW HOW YOU'VE BEEN KEEPIN' THE PEACE AROUND HERE WITHOUT 'EM. THEY'RE MIGHTY HANDY.



WHEN IT WAS JUST CELESTIA TO KEEP AT BAY, IT WAS MUCH EASIER. AFTER THE DEFEAT OF NIGHTMARE MOON IN YOUR WORLD, OUR LUNA WENT DARK.

CELESTIA'S MAGICAL ABILITIES GREW WHEN HER SISTER JOINED HER AND WITH THAT, SO DID HER THIRST FOR POWER. SHE'D SEE US ALL UNDER HER TYRANNY.



THE CONNECTION BETWEEN OUR WORLDS SCARES ME. WE *CAN'T* HURT THE EVIL CELESTIA AND LUNA WITHOUT HURTING OUR PRINCESSES.

IF WE DON'T GET THIS RIGHT, WE COULD *REALLY* HURT EVERYPONY.

WHEN HAVE WE EVER TURNED DOWN A SCUFFLE?

OH! "SCUFFLE"! YOU HAVE BEEN USING THE THESAURUS TWILIGHT GAVE YOU!



WHAT HAPPENS IF WE *FAIL*?!?

TWILIGHT, CALM DOWN. WE HAVEN'T FAILED YET, HAVE WE?

AND I DON'T PLAN ON *STARTING* TO FAIL AT THINGS *TODAY*.



I'VE FAILED AT *LOTS* OF THINGS! CABER-TOSSING, HANG GLIDING, UNDERWATER BASKET WEAVING...

DO I! THAT WAS A *BIG* FAILURE!

REMEMBER THAT TIME YOU TRIED TO GO OVER A WATERFALL WHILE DECORATING A CAKE?



BUT I'M SURE IT WON'T HAPPEN TODAY! NOTHING BUT WINNING! GO TEAM!

YAY?



I HOPE FATE IS ON OUR SIDE. THE CLOSER WE GET TO THE CASTLE OF THE TWO SISTERS, THE DARKER THE SKY BECOMES. I DO NOT LIKE THIS.

SPIKE, TAKE A MESSAGE.

TELL CELESTIA THAT WE HAVE A PLAN AND WE'RE ON OUR WAY TO DEFEAT THE EVIL PRINCESSES. TELL HER...



TELL HER WE WILL ALL DO OUR VERY BEST TO KEEP HER AND HER SISTER SAFE DURING THE FIGHT TO COME.

AND, IN CASE THIS IS OUR LAST CORRESPONDENCE, PLEASE TELL HER I'M THINKING OF HER.

WELL, ALRIGHT... BUT I DON'T THINK IT'LL MEAN THE SAME THING COMING FROM ME...



DON'T WORRY, SOMBRA. WE GOT THIS.

WE WON'T HURT A SINGLE HAIR ON EITHER CELESTIA'S HEAD. WE'LL STICK TO OUR PLANS AND EVERYTHING WILL BE FINE.



OH! WE HAVE ENOUGH TIME DURING OUR WALK TO GO OVER THE PLAN AGAIN! WHO WANTS PAPER TO TAKE NOTES?

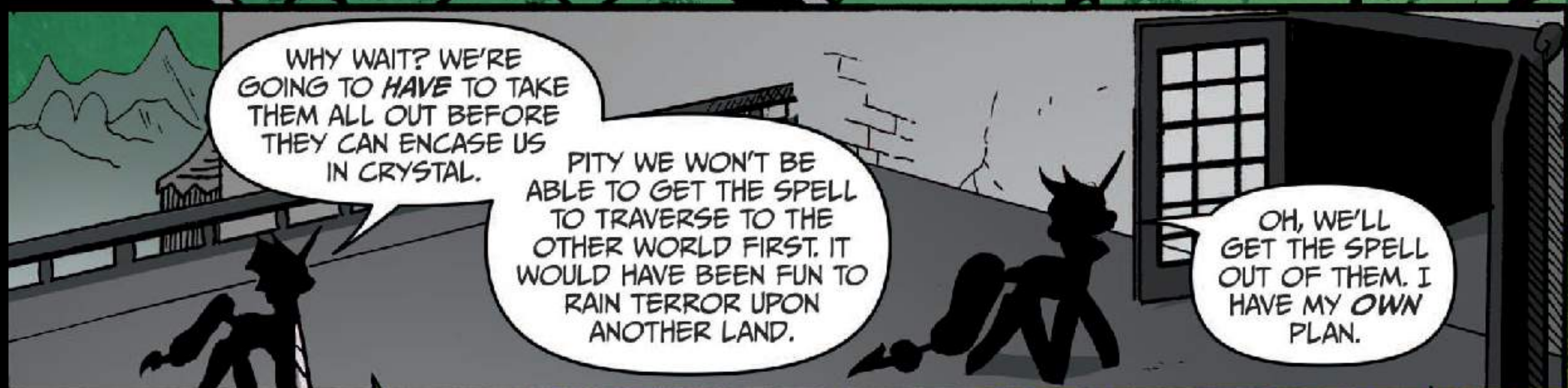
AGAIN? WE'VE BEEN OVER IT 37 TIMES!

THE 38TH TIME'S A CHARM!



YAWN. SHOULD WE GO MEET THEM OUT THERE OR LET THEM COME HERE?

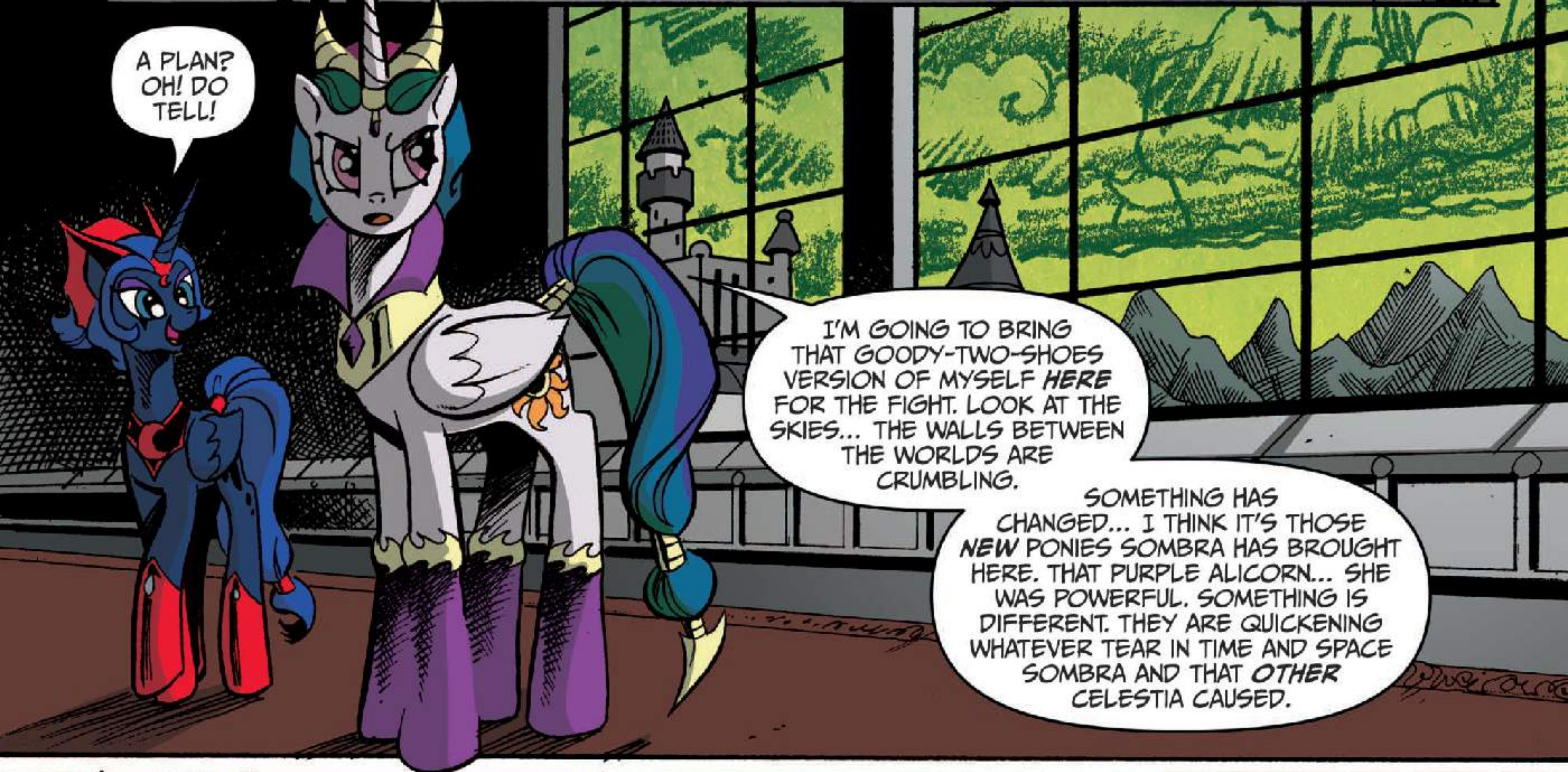
LET THEM COME.



WHY WAIT? WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO TAKE THEM ALL OUT BEFORE THEY CAN ENCASE US IN CRYSTAL.

PITY WE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET THE SPELL TO TRAVERSE TO THE OTHER WORLD FIRST. IT WOULD HAVE BEEN FUN TO RAIN TERROR UPON ANOTHER LAND.

OH, WE'LL GET THE SPELL OUT OF THEM. I HAVE MY OWN PLAN.



A PLAN? OH! DO TELL!

I'M GOING TO BRING THAT GOODY-TWO-SHOES VERSION OF MYSELF *HERE* FOR THE FIGHT. LOOK AT THE SKIES... THE WALLS BETWEEN THE WORLDS ARE CRUMBLING.

SOMETHING HAS CHANGED... I THINK IT'S THOSE *NEW* PONIES SOMBRA HAS BROUGHT HERE. THAT PURPLE ALICORN... SHE WAS POWERFUL. SOMETHING IS DIFFERENT. THEY ARE QUICKENING WHATEVER TEAR IN TIME AND SPACE SOMBRA AND THAT *OTHER* CELESTIA CAUSED.



ONCE THE OTHER CELESTIA IS HERE, I HAVE A PLAN TO FORCE THE SPELL TO HER WORLD OUT OF HER. THEN I'LL HAVE HER LITTLE MINIONS TRAP HER IN CRYSTAL AND I'LL BE FREE TO TAKE OVER HER WORLD WITHOUT FEAR OF HER GETTING SO MUCH AS A PAPER CUT AND HURTING US BOTH.

UH... DON'T YOU MEAN *US*?



WHAT?

WE WILL BE FREE TO TAKE OVER HER WORLD. *US*.



OF COURSE. *US*.



BACK IN THE PAST.

A FORTNIGHT AWAY FROM MY OWN BED! I'M GETTING TOO OLD FOR THIS... CELESTIA! OH, YOU GAVE MY OLD HEART A START!



STAR SWIRL... IT'S VERY NICE TO HAVE YOU BACK.

IS IT?



I... DON'T REALLY KNOW WHAT TO SAY. MY ACTIONS WERE...

TUT, TUT, MY DEAR.



SIGH. PRINCESS, I CAN SYMPATHIZE WITH YOU ON THIS. I REALLY CAN...

BUT MAKING DECISIONS YOU DON'T WANT TO MAKE IS PART OF **BEING** A RULER. I HAD TO MAKE A DECISION FOR YOU. I'M SORRY.



WE'LL JUST PRETEND THIS WHOLE MESS NEVER HAPPENED AND MOVE ON, ALRIGHT? IT'S REALLY FOR THE BEST. IT'S OVER NOW.

I... I...



NO NEED FOR APOLOGIES. WE'RE FORGETTING ABOUT THE WHOLE THING. LA-LA-LA-LA! I'M NOT LISTENING!

I'M NOT A GOOD PONY.



SOMBRA'S WORLD,
THE PRESENT.



LAST CHANCE,
SOMBRA! CARE TO
HAND OVER THE KEYS TO
THE OTHER KINGDOM AND
LIVE IN THIS DESOLATE
LANDSCAPE WITH YOUR
LADY LOVE?

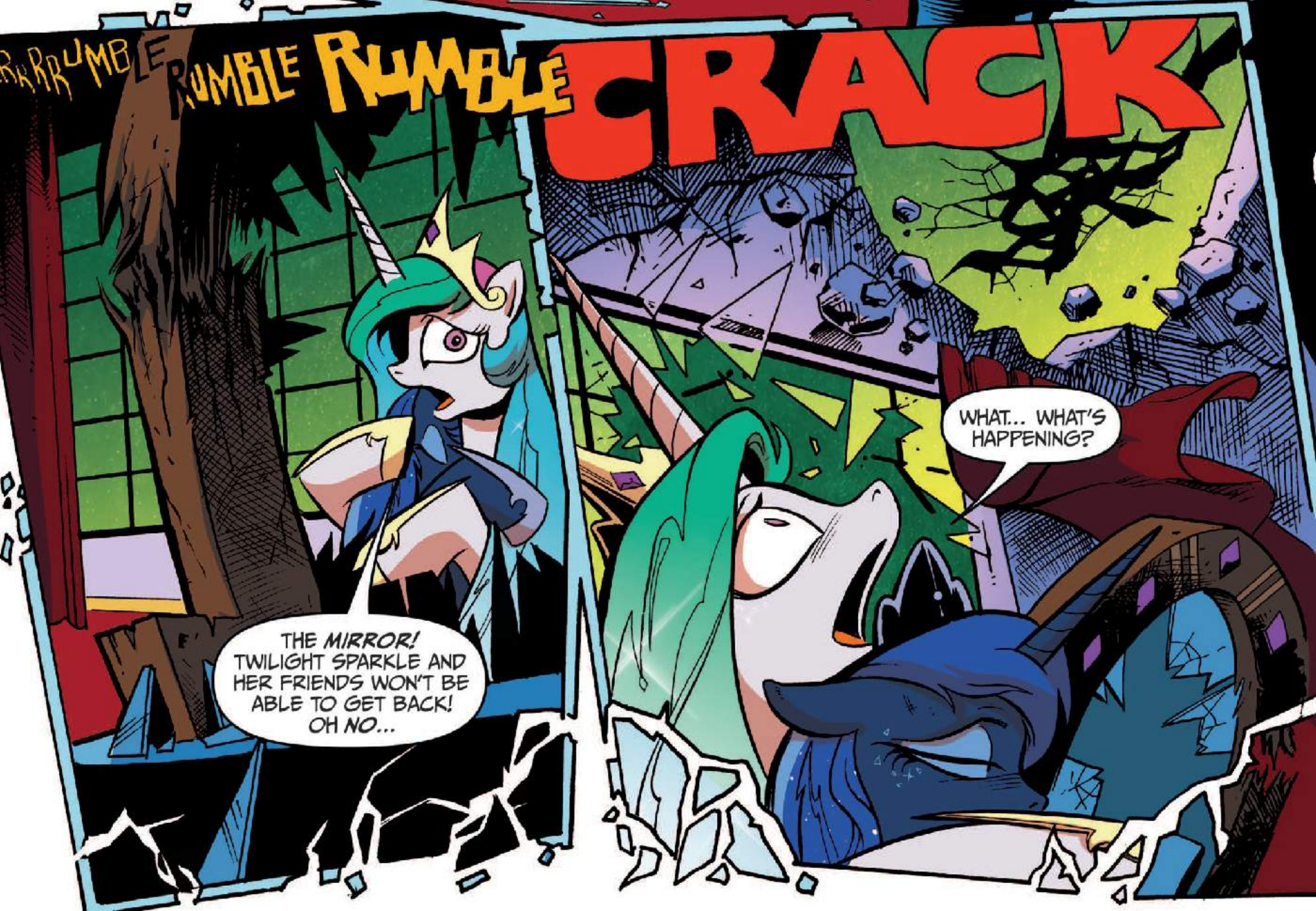
I DON'T BELIEVE
FOR ONE **SECOND** THAT
YOU WOULD LEAVE THIS
PLACE SO EASILY. YOU CAN'T
HAVE **BOTH WORLDS**,
CELESTIA! YOU ARE TO STAY
IN THIS ONE AND YOU WILL
NO LONGER HARM
MY PONIES!

THIS ENDS
RIGHT HERE,
RIGHT NOW.
YEAH!

MAYBE WE
CAN WORK THIS
OUT OVER A CUP
OF TEA?

CHAMOMILE
IS NICE.







WELL...
THERE GOES THE
NEIGHBORHOOD.

Only 14



THE
WORLDS ARE...
MERGING?

I DON'T
THINK I CAN
FIX THIS...

I'M ON
IT!

Guk

CELESTIA!

HAHAHA! THIS
IS EVEN BETTER
THAN I COULD
HAVE HOPED
FOR!



I'M FINE.
HERE, TAKE
LUNA.

UUUUUGH.

WAIT...
WHAT ARE YOU
DOING?

ENDING
THIS.

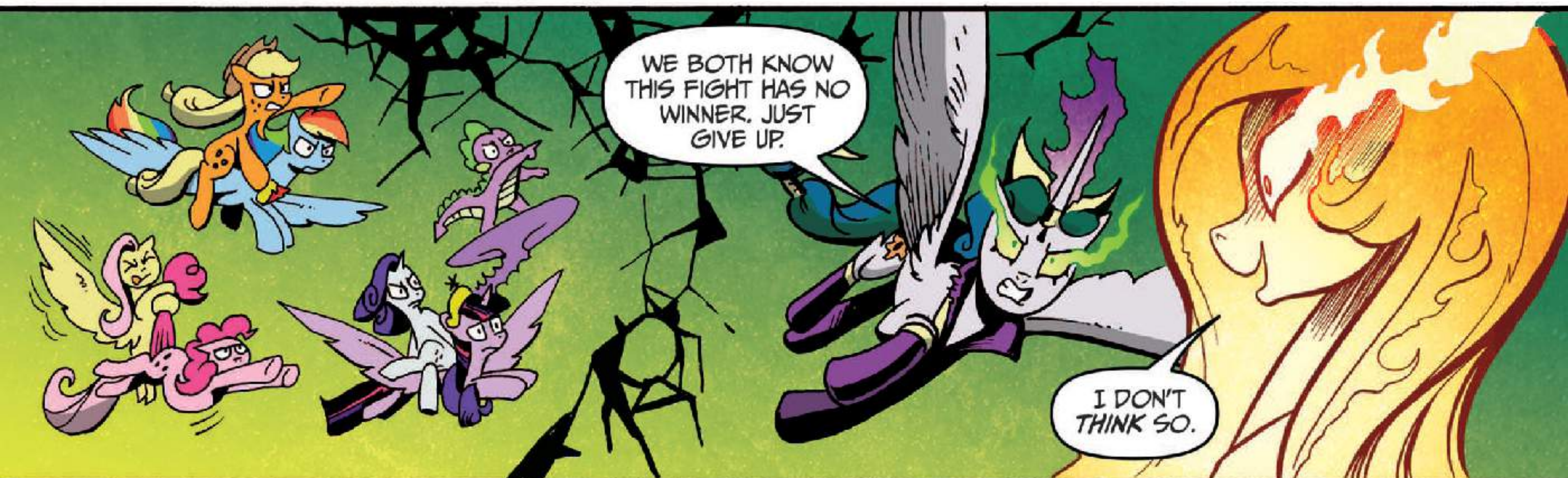
OH! THE
KITTEN HAS
CLAWS!

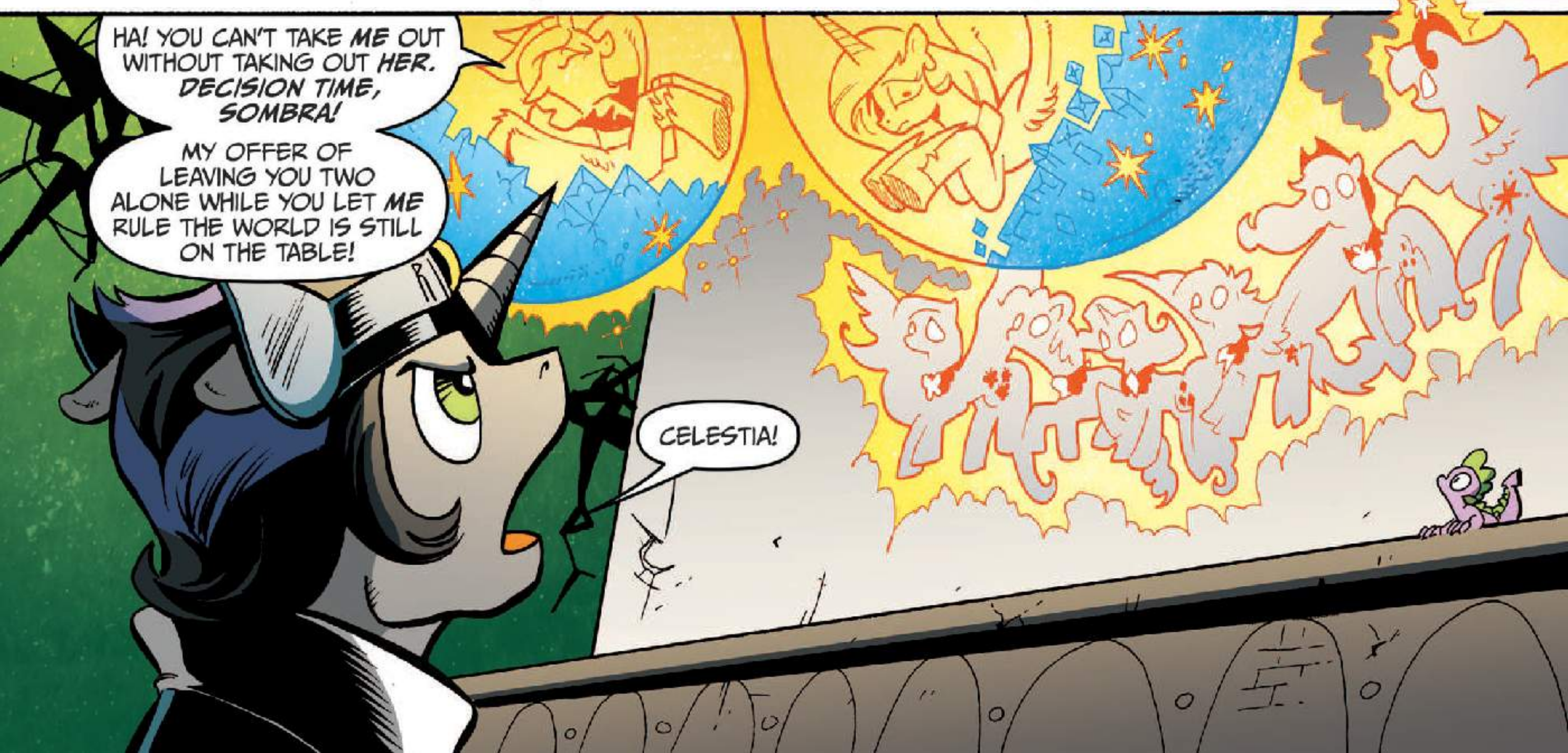
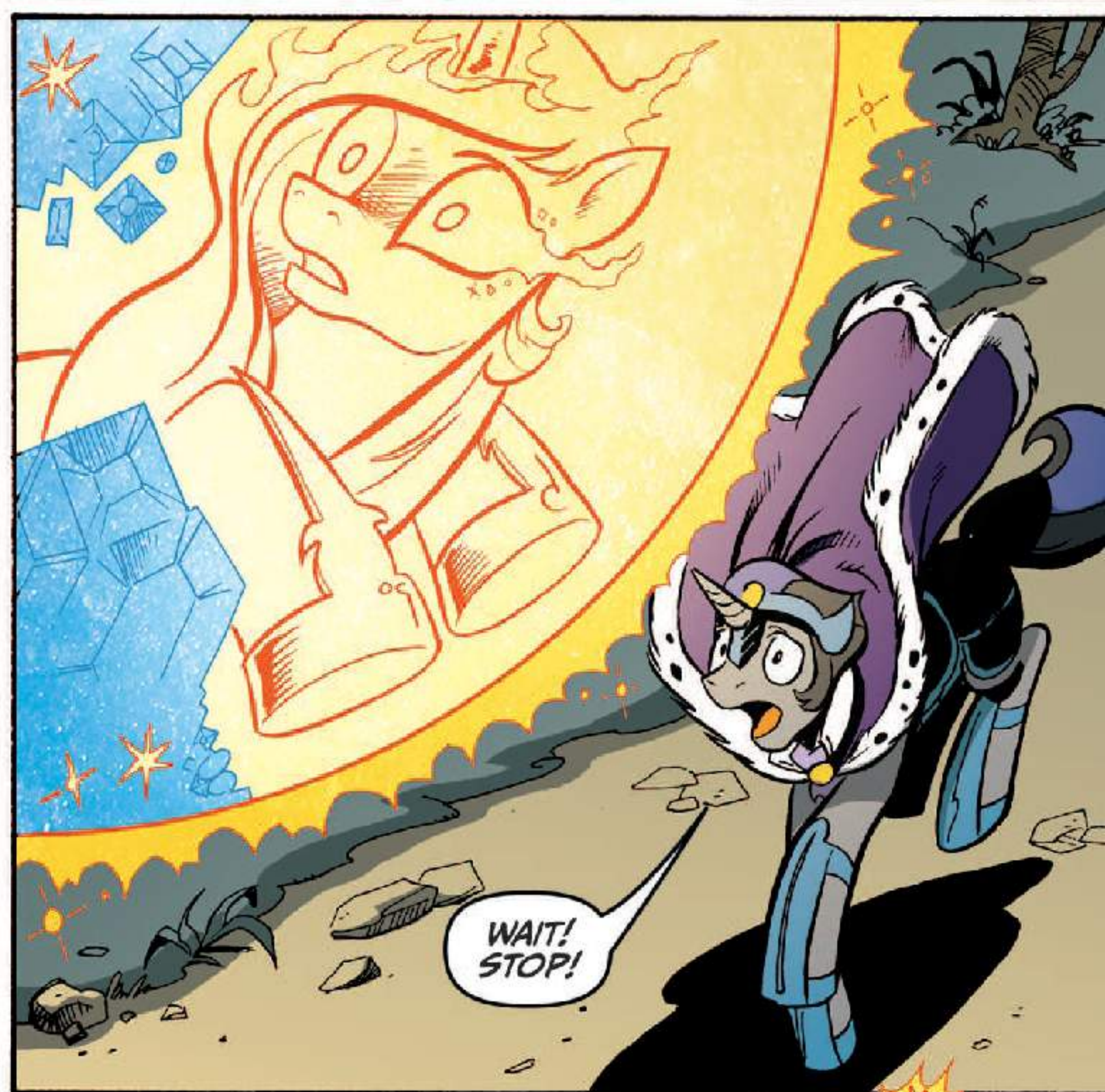
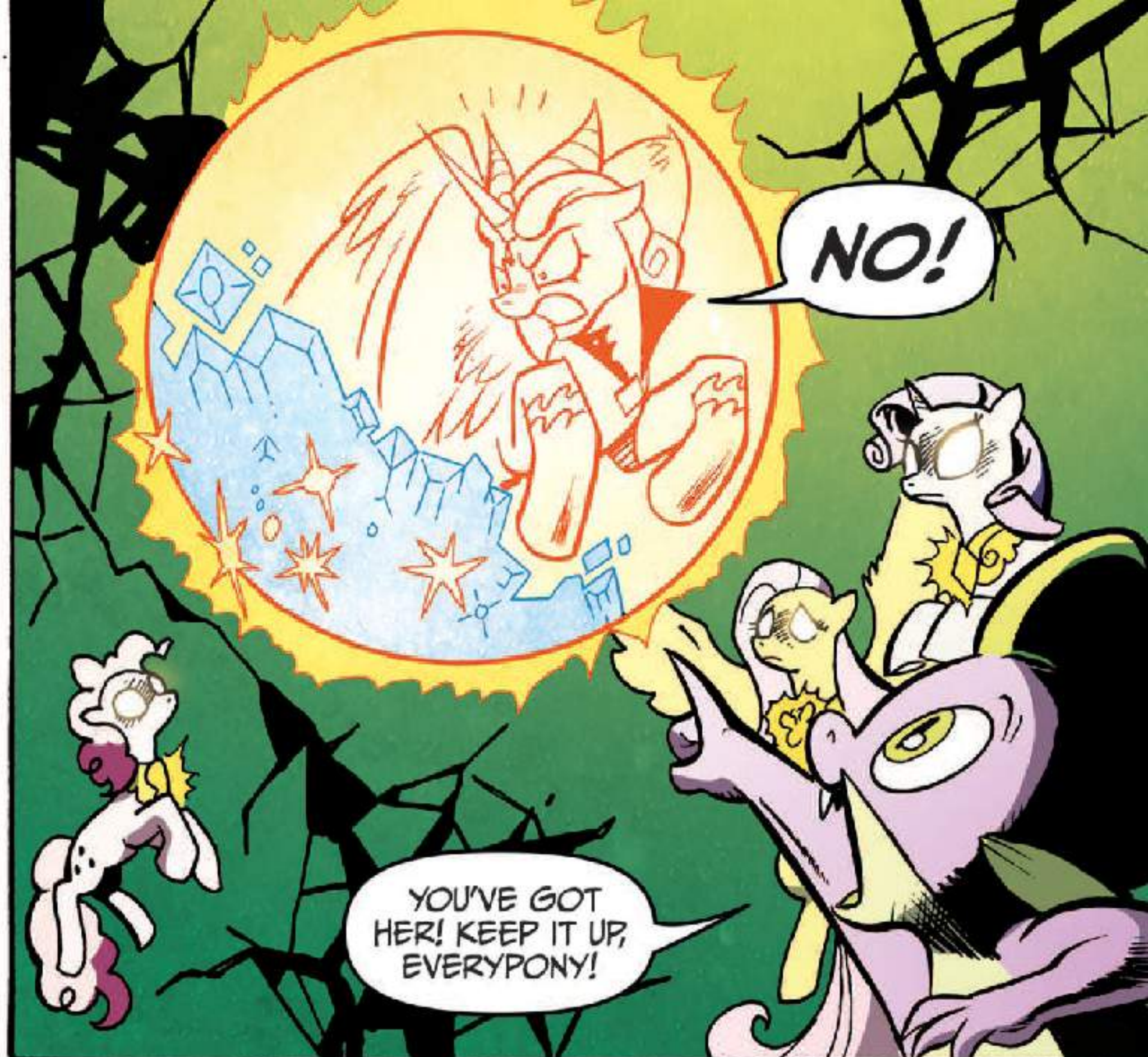
BUT I DON'T
WANT A CUTIE MARK
IN ACCOUNTING, I
WANT TO BE THE
MOON...

GIVE...
ME... YOUR...
WORLD.

NEVER!

KHUNK





HA! YOU CAN'T TAKE ME OUT WITHOUT TAKING OUT HER. DECISION TIME, SOMBRA!

MY OFFER OF LEAVING YOU TWO ALONE WHILE YOU LET ME RULE THE WORLD IS STILL ON THE TABLE!

CELESTIA!



TWILIGHT SPARKLE!
DON'T YOU SIX
DARE STOP!

YOU HAVE TO
IMPRISON US *BOTH*. IT
SHOULD BRING BALANCE
BACK TO OUR WORLDS. TAKE
LUNA BACK. YOU AND SHE ARE
IN CHARGE OF EQUESTRIA
NOW. I LEAVE IT
TO YOU.



WHAT? NO!
PRINCESS! I
CAN'T DO THAT!
I CAN'T LEAVE
YOU HERE!

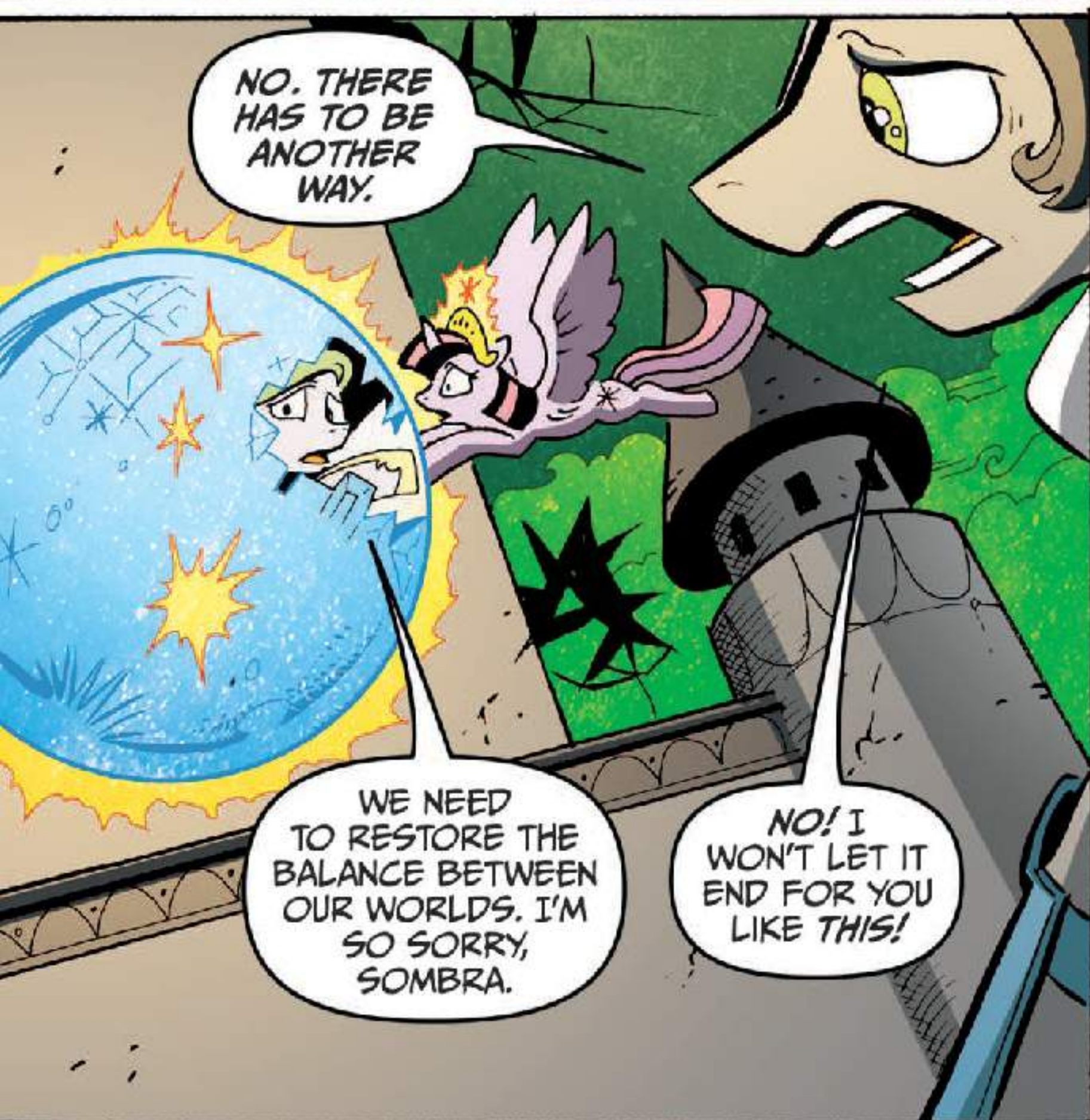
YOU *MUST*. A WISE
PONY ONCE TOLD ME
MAKING THE DECISIONS
YOU DON'T WANT TO MAKE
IS PART OF WHAT WE HAVE
TO DO... I'M MAKING
THIS DECISION FOR
YOU. I'M SORRY.



NO! I'M NOT
READY FOR THIS.
THERE HAS TO BE
A WAY TO *SAVE*
YOU.



I'M SO PROUD
OF YOU, TWILIGHT. I
KNOW THAT YOU WILL
BE AN AMAZING LEADER
OF EQUESTRIA.
GOODBYE.



NO. THERE
HAS TO BE
ANOTHER
WAY.

WE NEED
TO RESTORE THE
BALANCE BETWEEN
OUR WORLDS. I'M
SO SORRY,
SOMBRA.

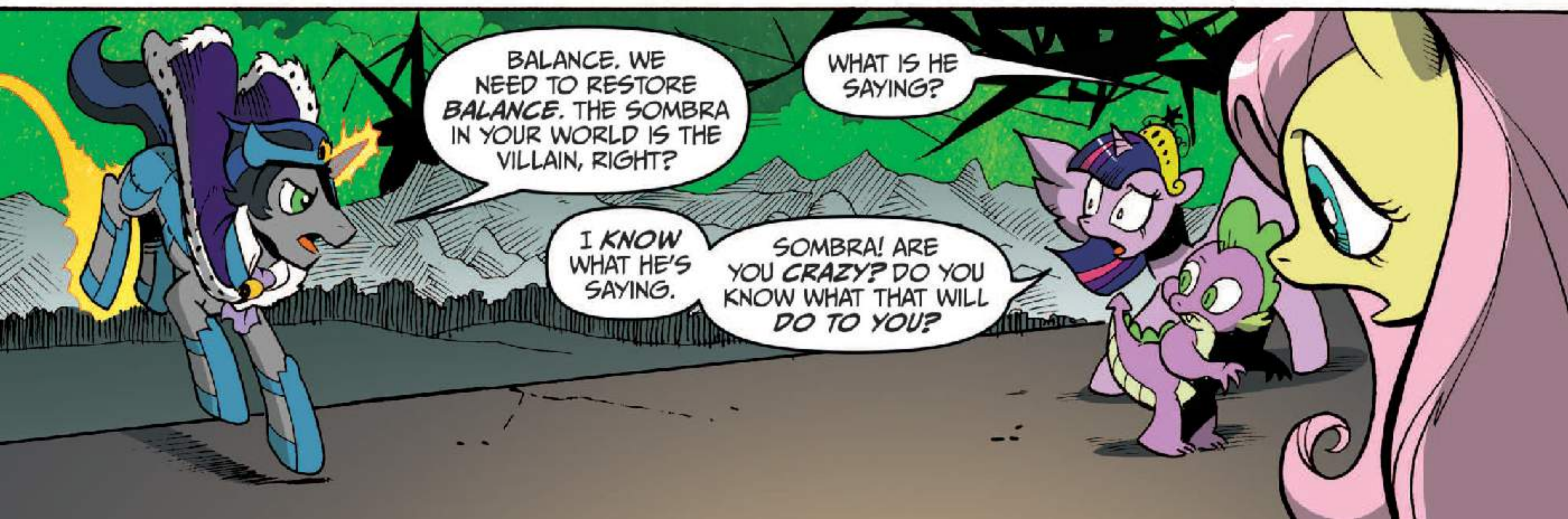
NO! I
WON'T LET IT
END FOR YOU
LIKE *THIS*!



TWILIGHT!
I HAVE AN
IDEA!

YOU
BETTER
MAKE IT
FAST!

CUTTING IT A
LITTLE CLOSE,
AREN'T WE?

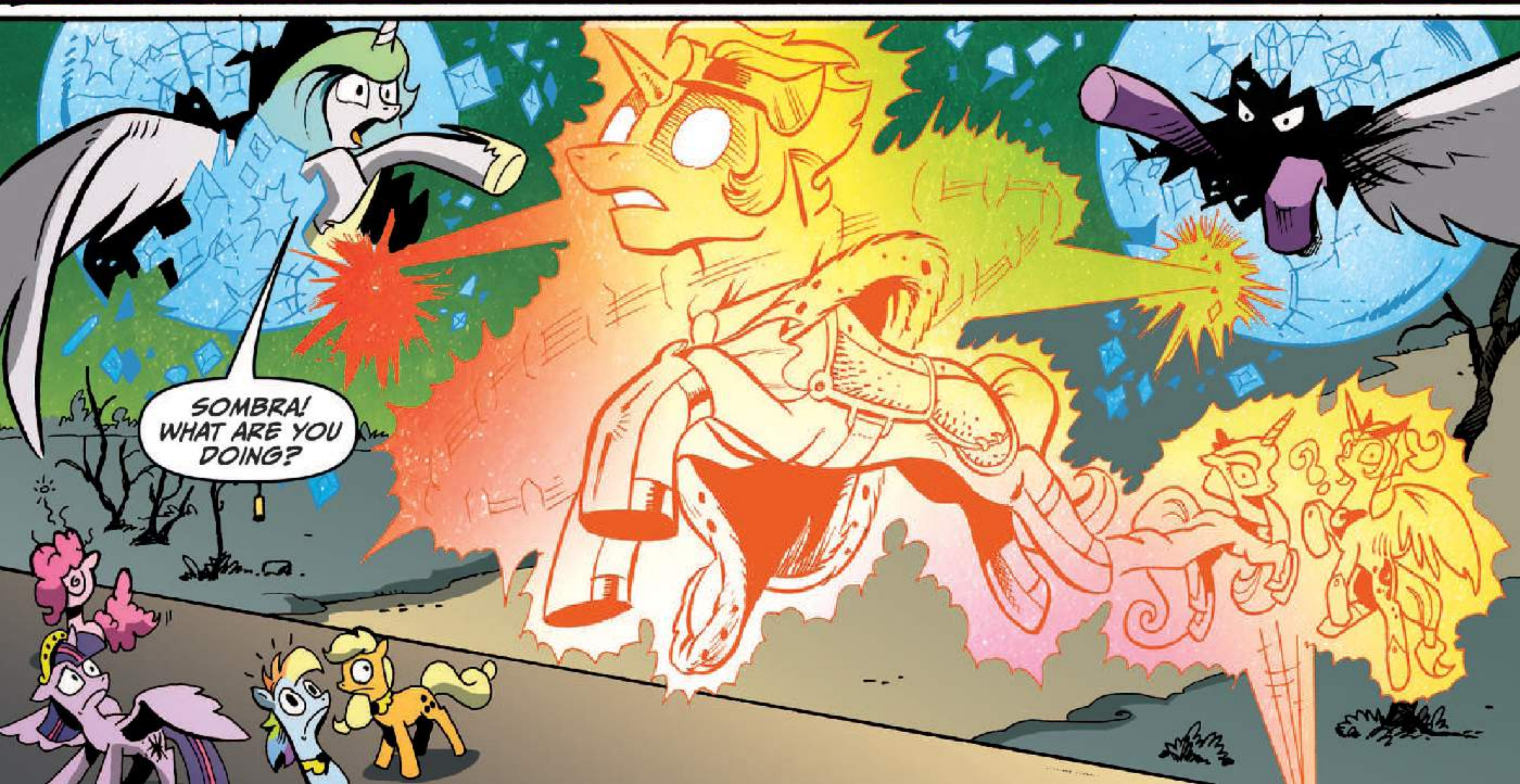
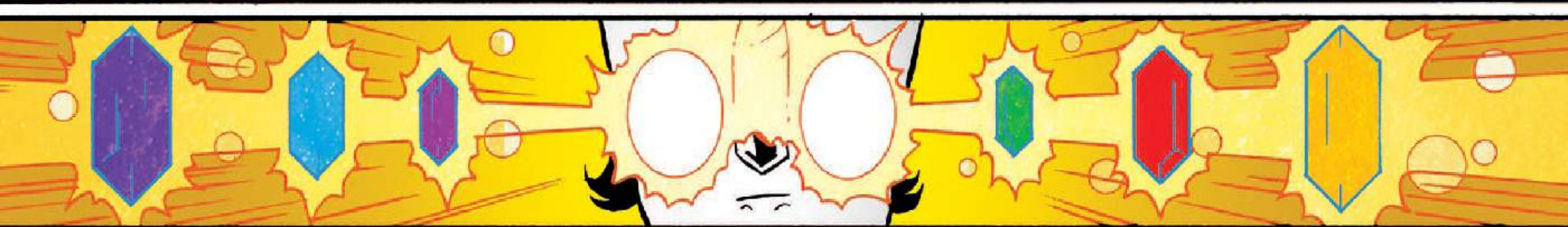
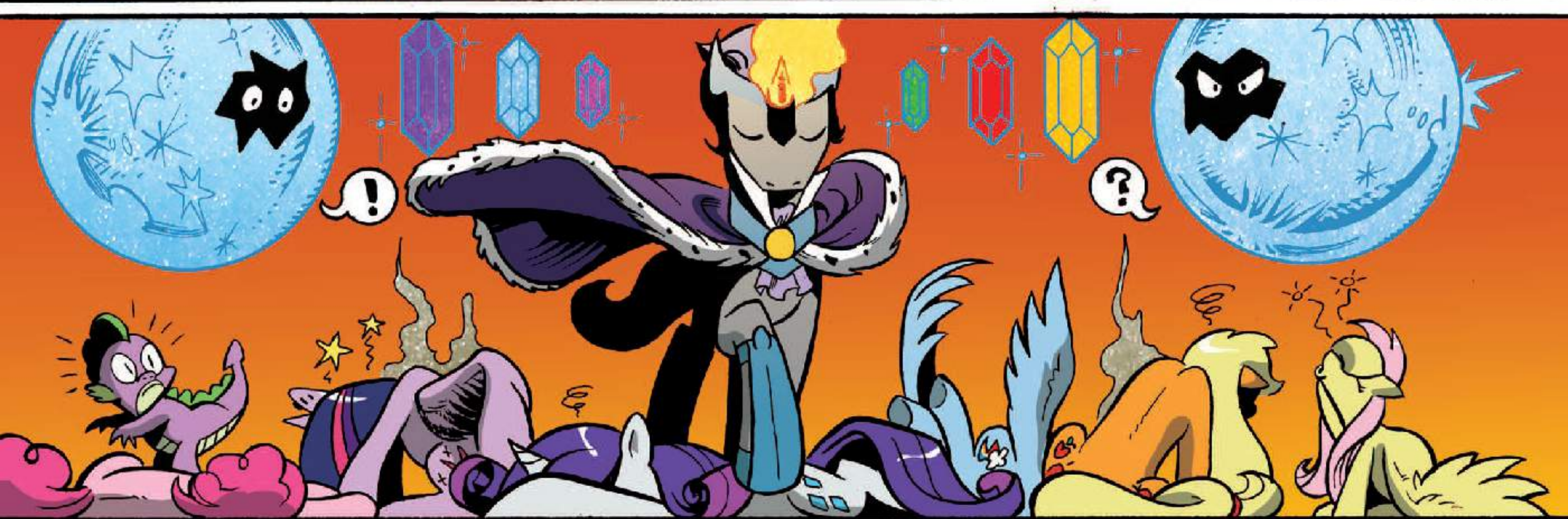
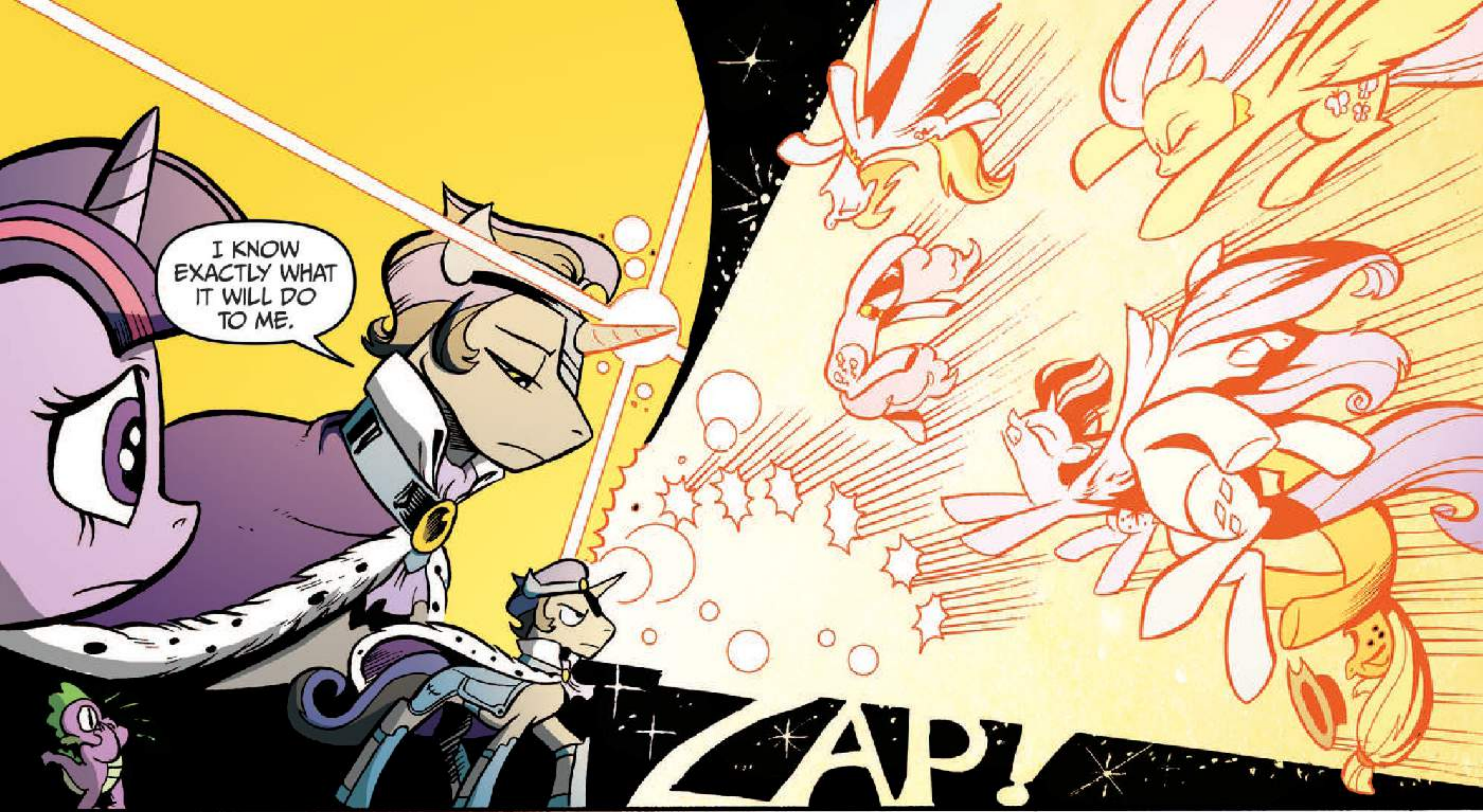


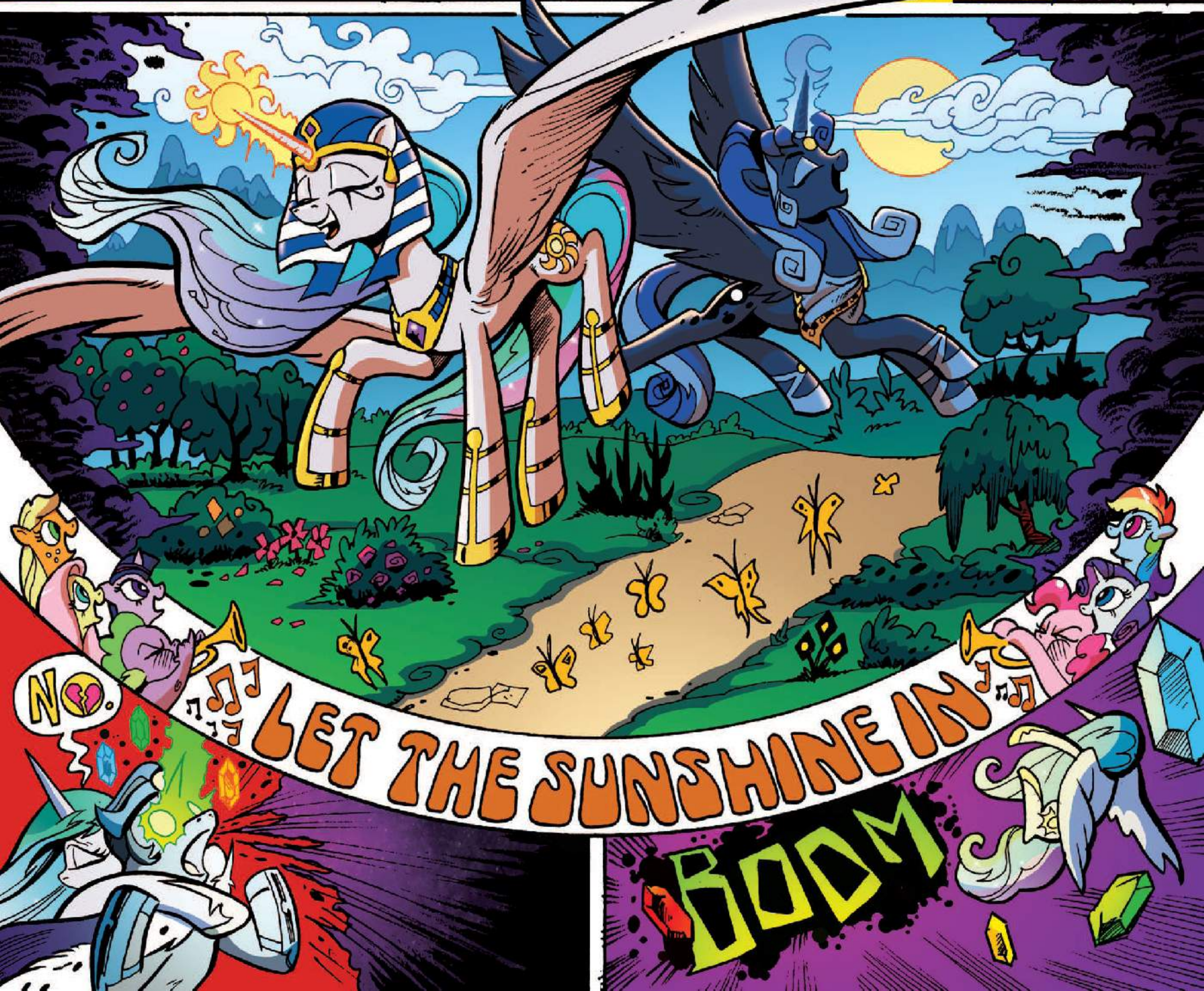
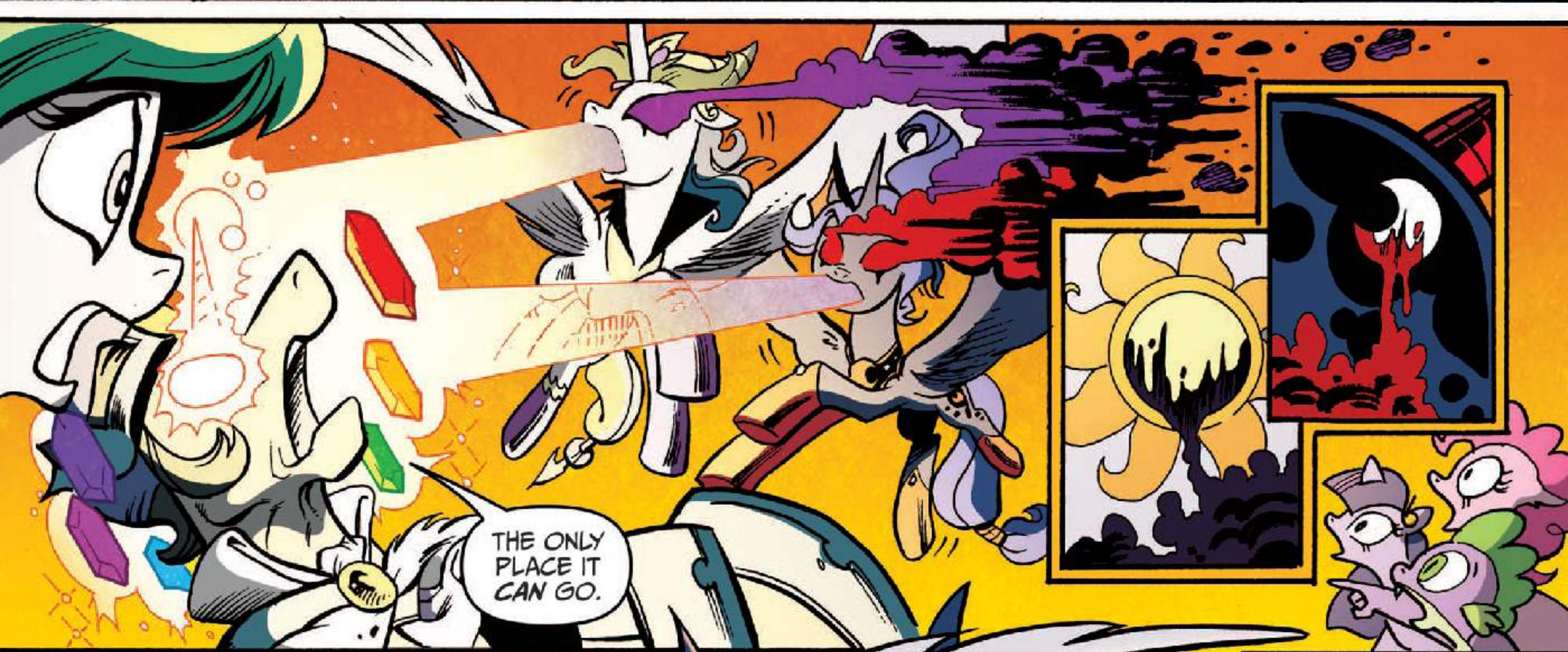
BALANCE. WE
NEED TO RESTORE
BALANCE. THE SOMBRA
IN YOUR WORLD IS THE
VILLAIN, RIGHT?

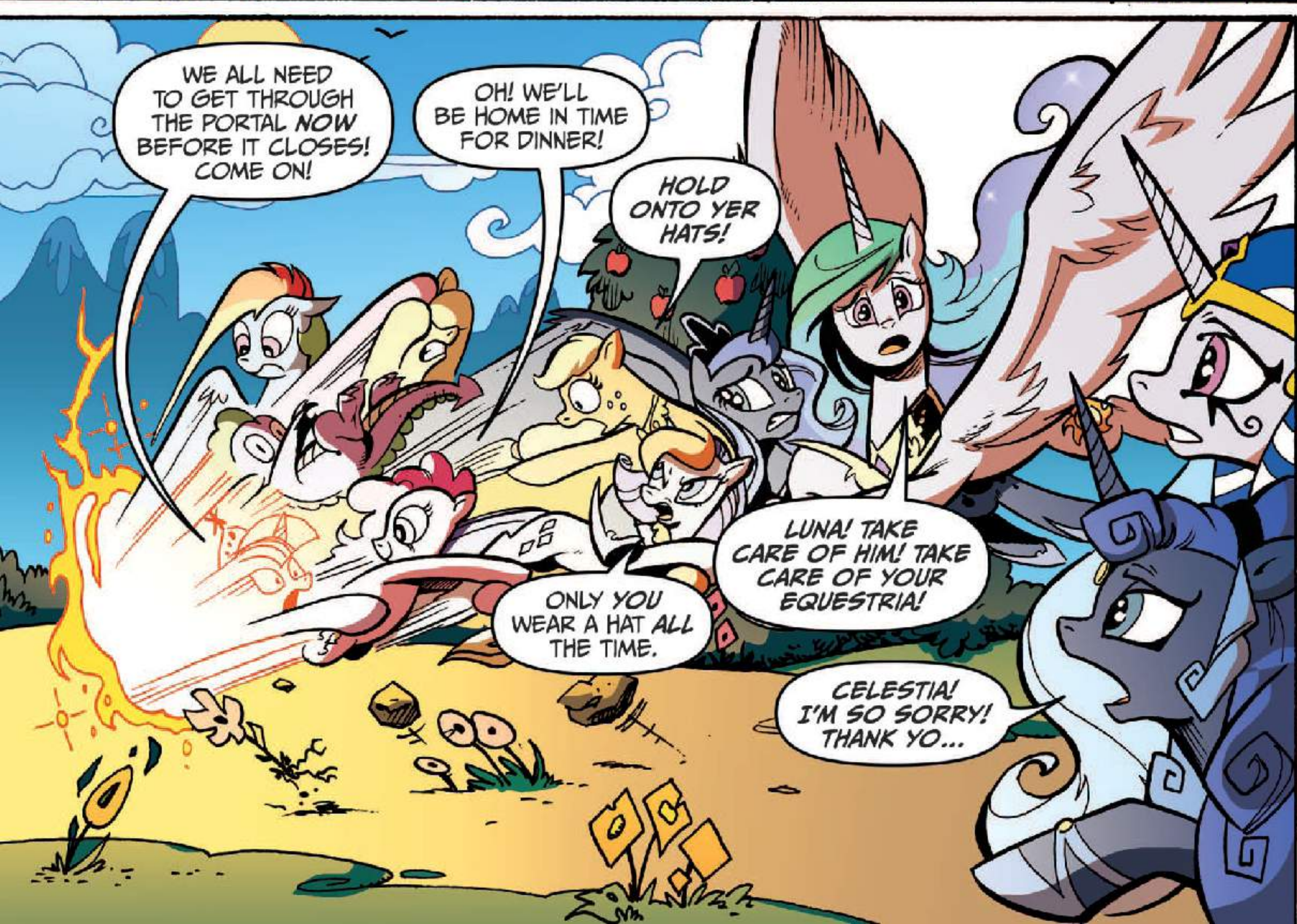
WHAT IS HE
SAYING?

I KNOW
WHAT HE'S
SAYING.

SOMBRA! ARE
YOU *CRAZY*? DO YOU
KNOW WHAT THAT WILL
DO TO YOU?









SO THAT'S IT THEN. THE MIRROR IS GONE.

IT'S FOR THE BEST.



TWILIGHT, I'M SO SORRY THAT YOU HAD TO LEARN ABOUT ALL THIS. I AM NOT WITHOUT MY FLAWS. I HOPE YOU DO NOT THINK LESS OF ME.

PRINCESS, IF ANYTHING IT MADE YOU MORE REAL. IT HELPED ME SEE THAT I CAN BE A PRINCESS AND NOT BE PERFECT.



I MEANT WHAT I SAID, YOU WOULD DO A FINE JOB RULING EQUESTRIA IF IT CAME TO THAT.

THAT DOESN'T SCARE ME QUITE AS MUCH AS IT USED TO... BUT FOR NOW, I THINK I'M READY TO KEEP BEING A BOOKWORM.



HMM?

PRINCESS LUNA GAVE ME THE MASTER KEYS TO STAR SWIRL'S OLD LIBRARY!

SURE... THAT COULDN'T POSSIBLY CAUSE ANY TROUBLE.



YOU ALL DID SO WELL TODAY. I CANNOT THANK YOU ENOUGH.

I KNOW THAT I HAVE NO RIGHT TO ASK YOU, BUT I WOULD APPRECIATE IT IF WORD OF THIS ADVENTURE DID NOT REACH MY SUBJECTS.

ANOTHER WORLD?

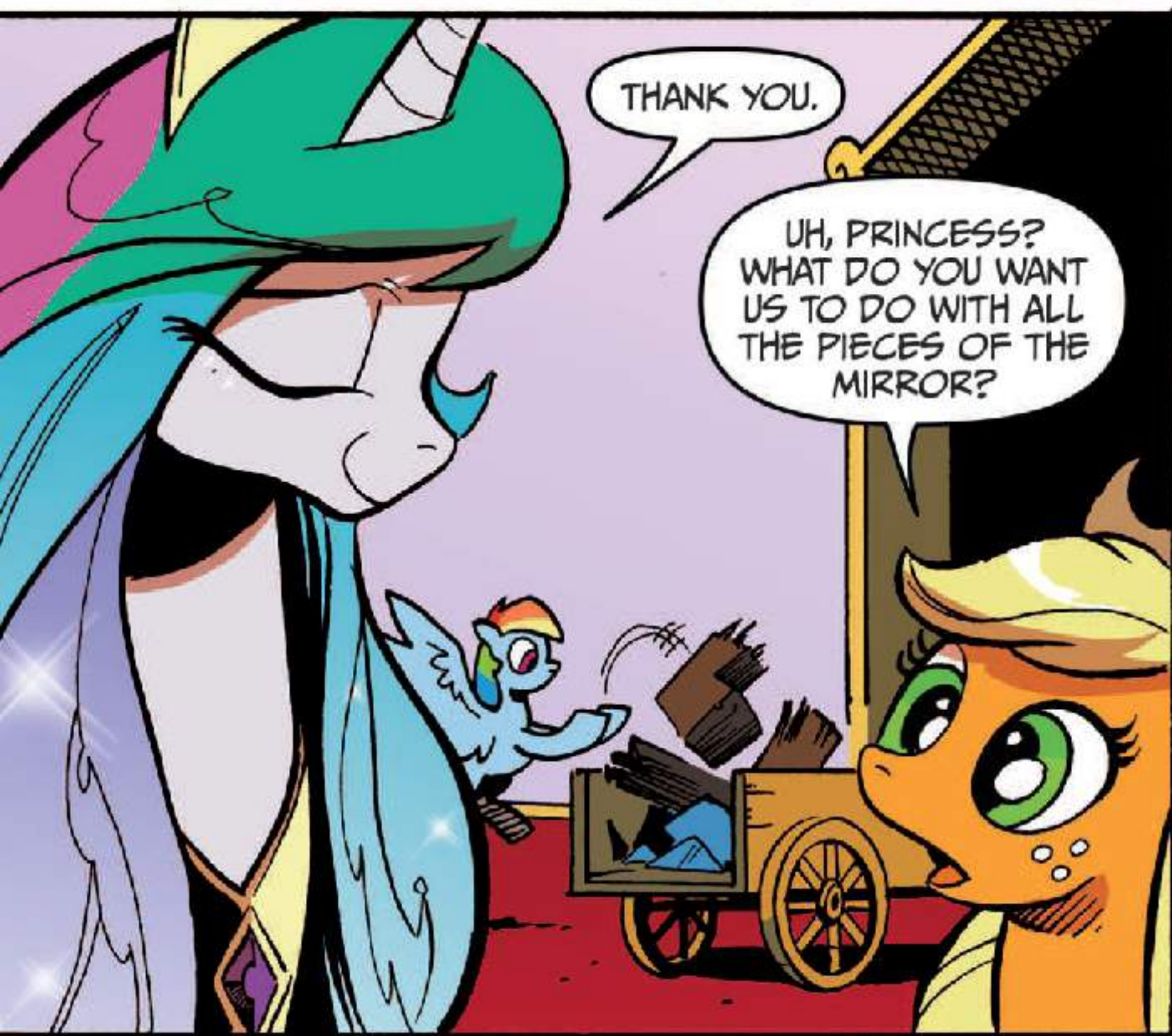
LOVE AND INTRIGUE?

EVIL PRINCESSES?

NO CAKE?

WHO WOULD BELIEVE US?!

WHERE..?



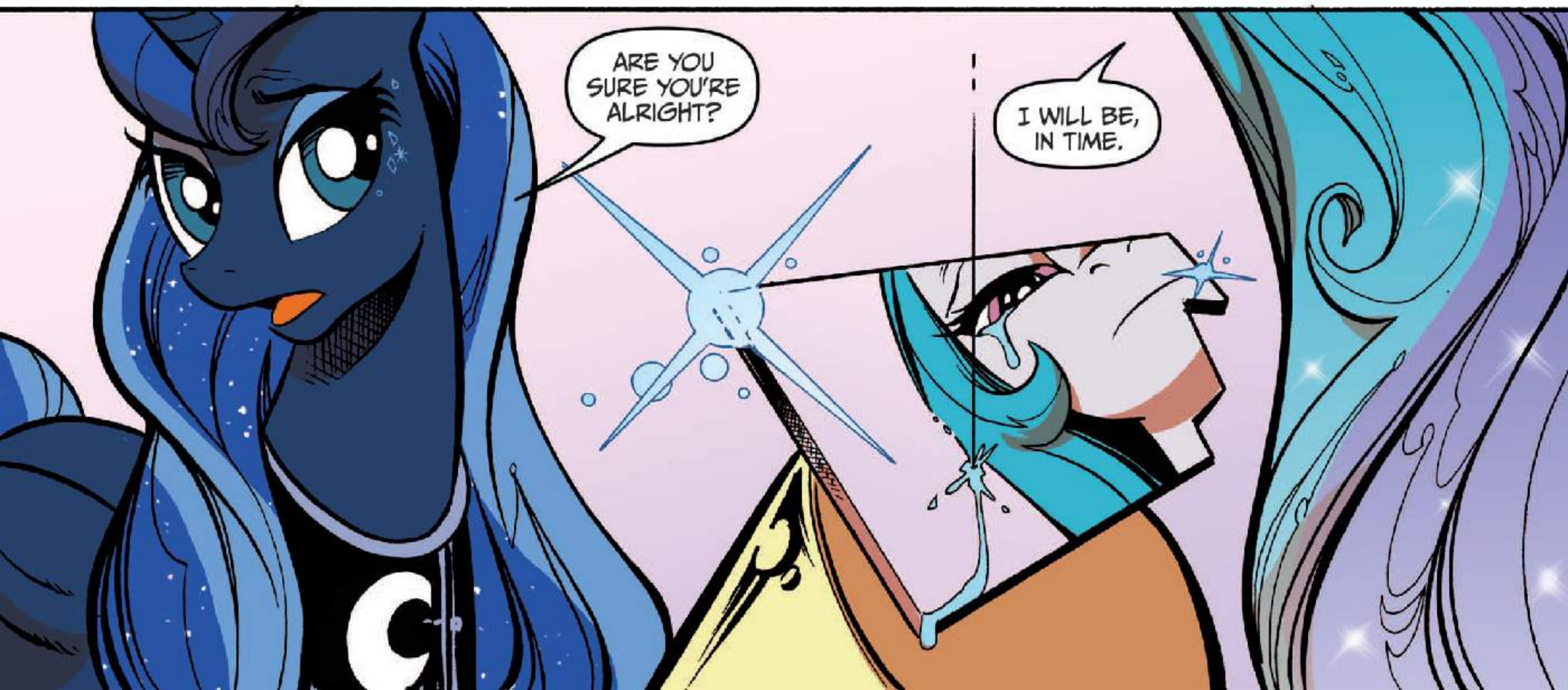
THANK YOU.

UH, PRINCESS? WHAT DO YOU WANT US TO DO WITH ALL THE PIECES OF THE MIRROR?



DESTROY THEM.

WELL, I'LL KEEP THIS ONE PIECE... TO REMEMBER.



ARE YOU SURE YOU'RE ALRIGHT?

I WILL BE, IN TIME.



GOODBYE,
SOMBRA.

...HOW LUCKY
AM I THAT I HAD
SOME PONY THAT
MAKES SAYING
GOODBYE SO
HARD?

GOODBYE,
MY SWEET
CELESTIA.

Oh I'm all
Alone Now...
No Love to
Shield Me...

Trapped in a World
That's a Distorted
Reality...

REFLECTIONS

conclusion

my LITTLE PONY

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DO
NOT
APPROACH

THE MANE 6
AKA: THE MALCONTENT
MAVERICKS-
THE ERRONEOUS EQUINES



TWILIGHT SPARKLE



APPLEJACK



RARITY



PINKAMENA PIE



RAINBOW DASH



FLUTTERSHY



SPIKE

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GO FISH

ELSEWHERE IN
ALTERNATE EQUESTRIA...
BY KATIE COOK





ANYPONY ELSE
HAVE A BAD FEELING ABOUT
SOMETHING?

I DO!
I'M GLAD WE DECIDED
TO STAY INSIDE. IT LOOKS
NUTS OUT THERE!

I HOPE
D PONY WAS EXPECTING
SEE US POP UP IN SOME
ONVOLUTED STORYLINE
TODAY.

I THINK
SOME PONY IS
CHEATIN'.