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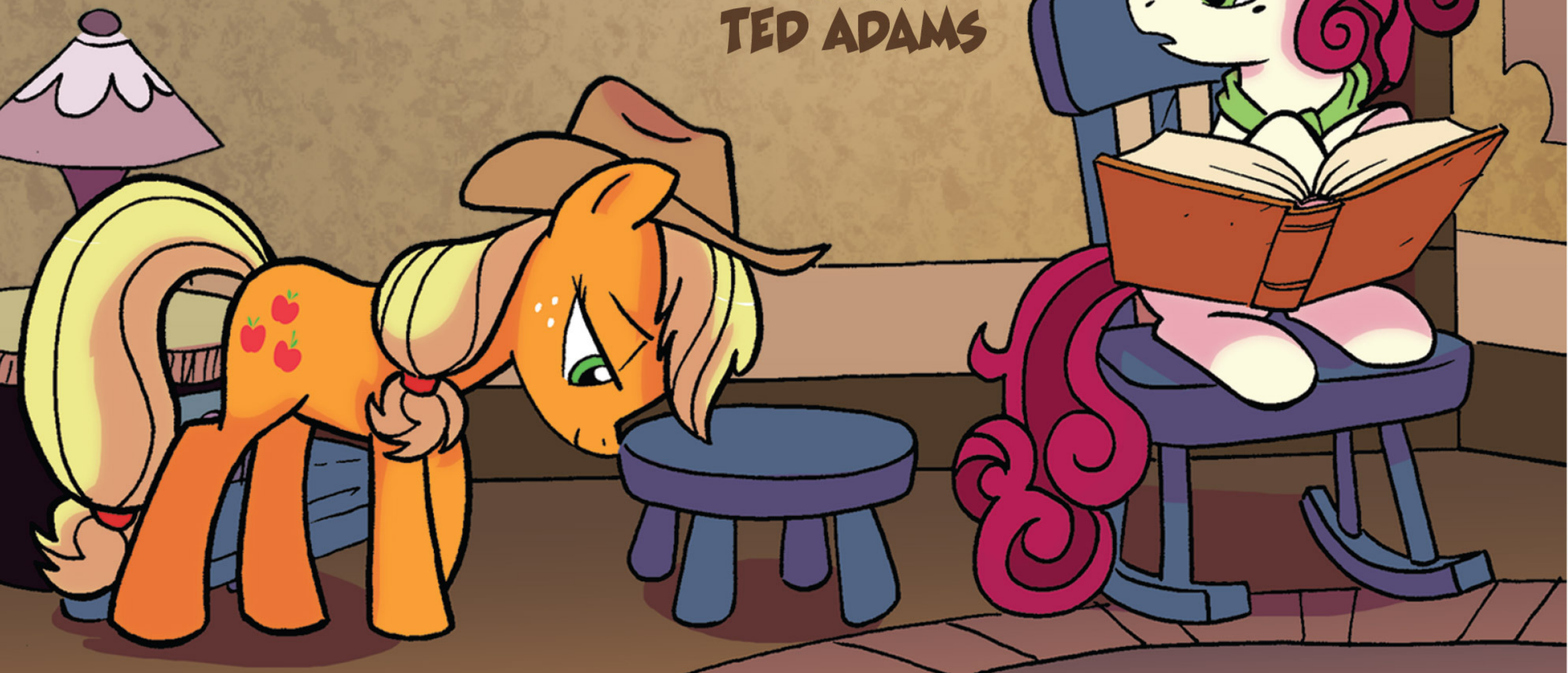
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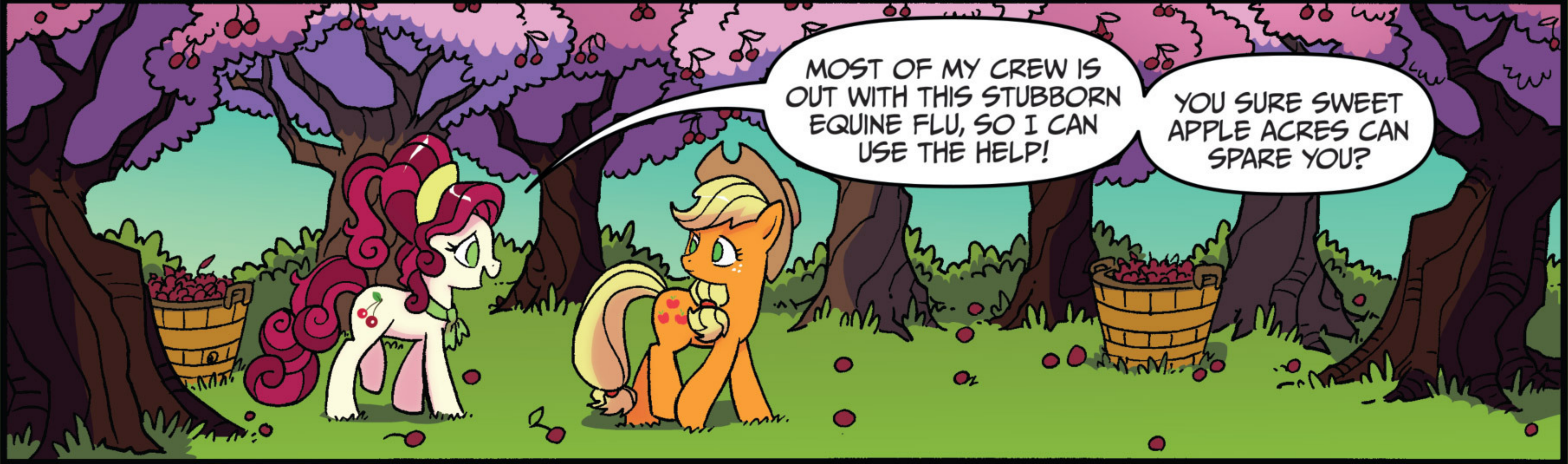
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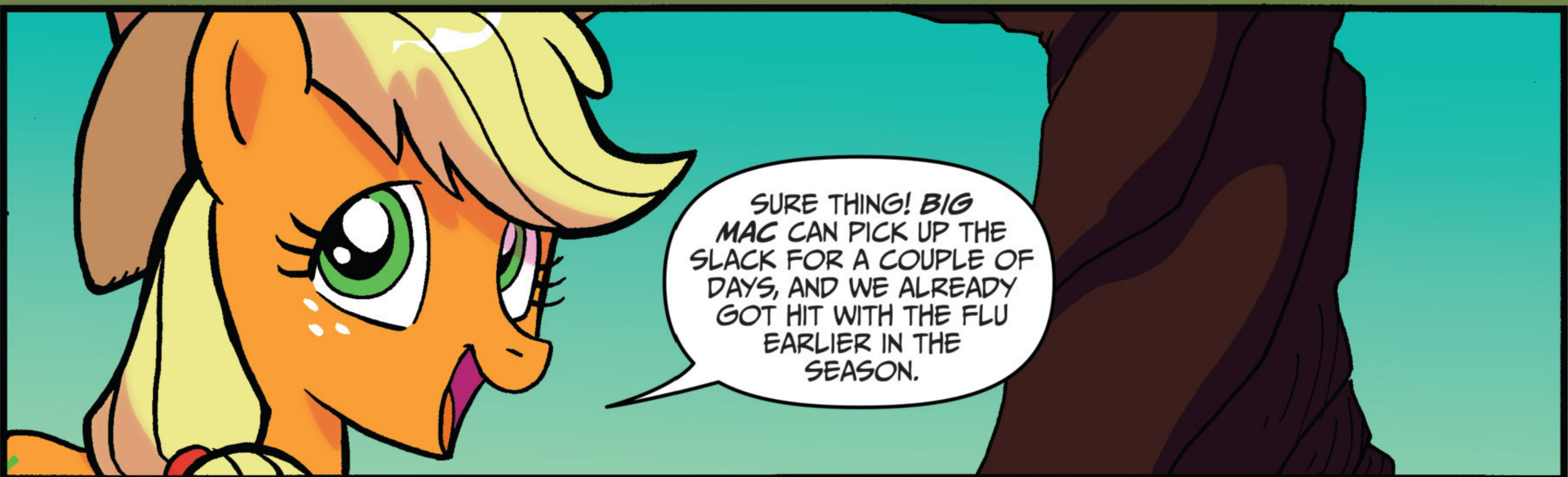
IT'S MIGHTY KIND OF YOU TO LEND A HOOF LIKE THIS, APPLEJACK!

MY PLEASURE, CHERRY!



MOST OF MY CREW IS OUT WITH THIS STUBBORN EQUINE FLU, SO I CAN USE THE HELP!

YOU SURE SWEET APPLE ACRES CAN SPARE YOU?



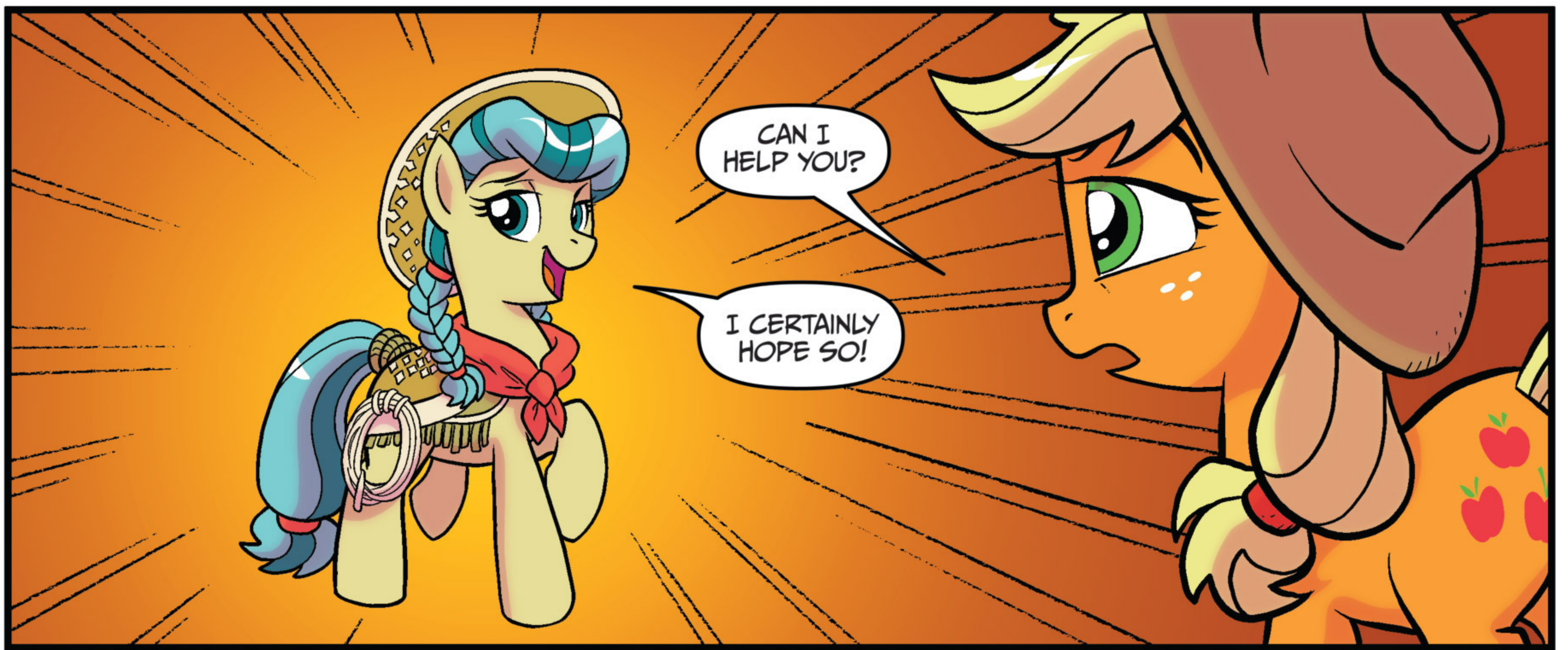
SURE THING! **BIG MAC** CAN PICK UP THE SLACK FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS, AND WE ALREADY GOT HIT WITH THE FLU EARLIER IN THE SEASON.



I'M GONNA GET STARTED ON THE SORTING AND WILL CHECK BACK IN A BIT.



HOOOOOOOWWDDDY!



CAN I HELP YOU?

I CERTAINLY HOPE SO!



I'M WITH A TRAVELING WILD WEST SHOW, AND MOST OF THE TROUPE HAS COME DOWN WITH THE EQUINE FLU.

WE NEED A PLACE TO SET UP CAMP FOR A FEW MOONS TO REST AND RECUPERATE.

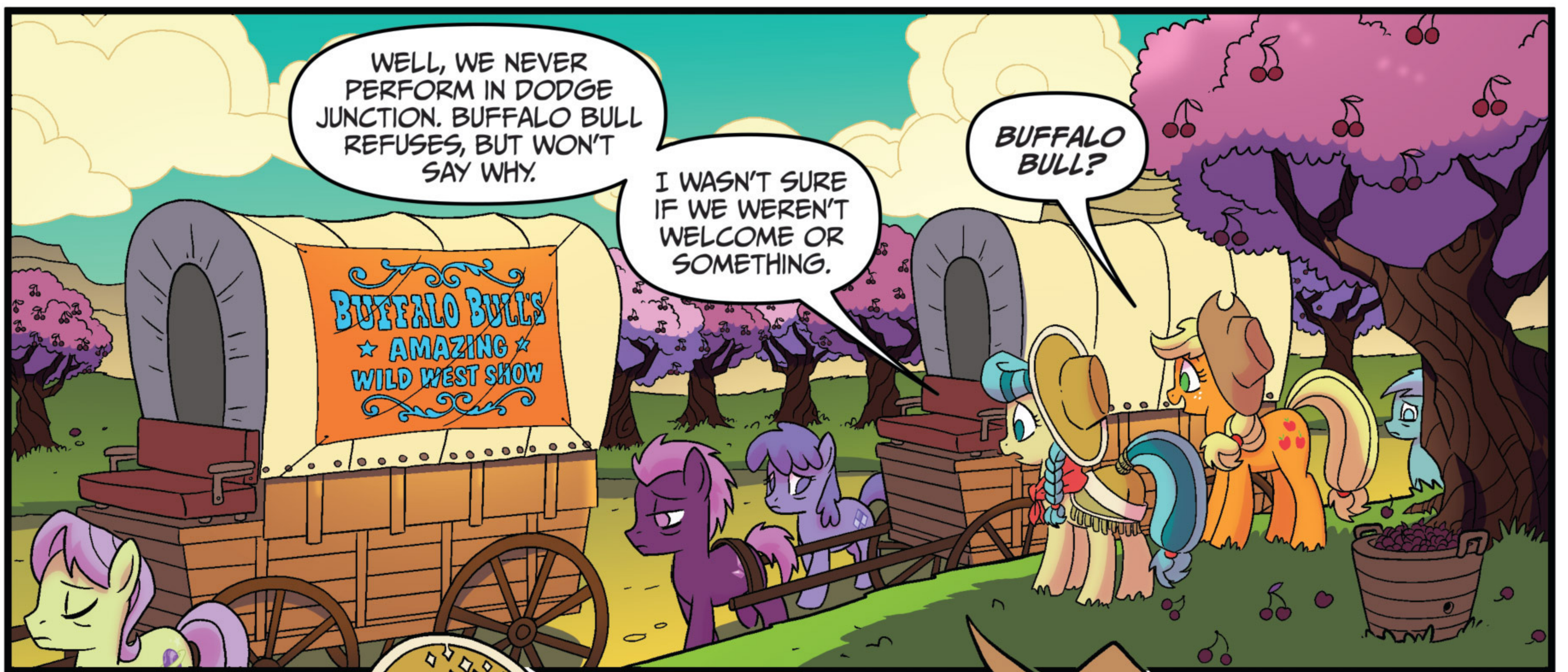
THIS HERE RANCH LOOKS LIKE THE PERFECT PLACE.



WELL, MY NAME IS APPLEJACK, AND I AIN'T THE OWNER, BUT CHERRY JUBILEE IS SO GENEROUS, THAT I'M SURE SHE'LL SAY YES!

REALLY?

WHY NOT?



WELL, WE NEVER PERFORM IN DODGE JUNCTION. BUFFALO BULL REFUSES, BUT WON'T SAY WHY.

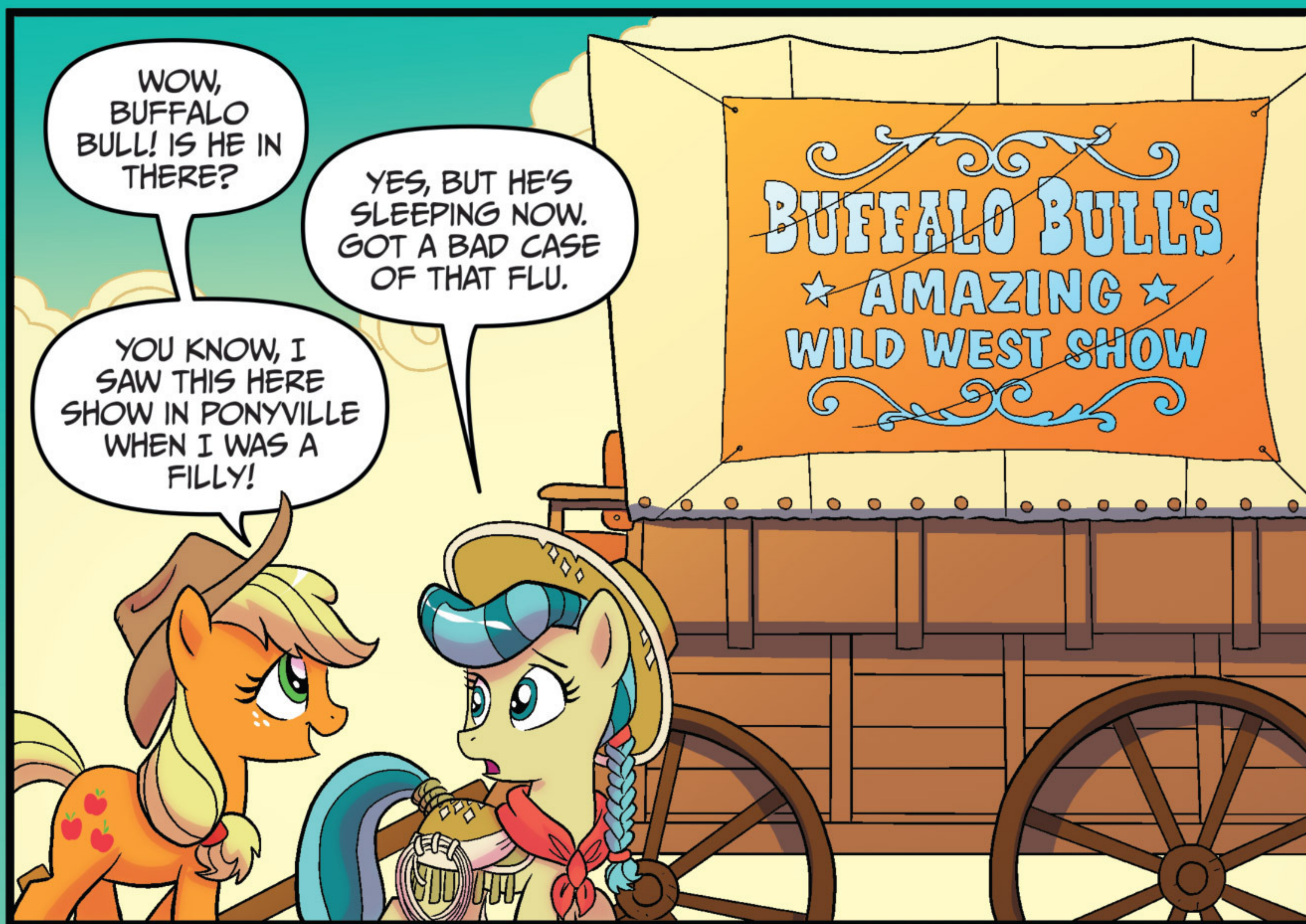
I WASN'T SURE IF WE WEREN'T WELCOME OR SOMETHING.

BUFFALO BULL?



THEN THAT MUST MAKE YOU CALAMITY MANE!

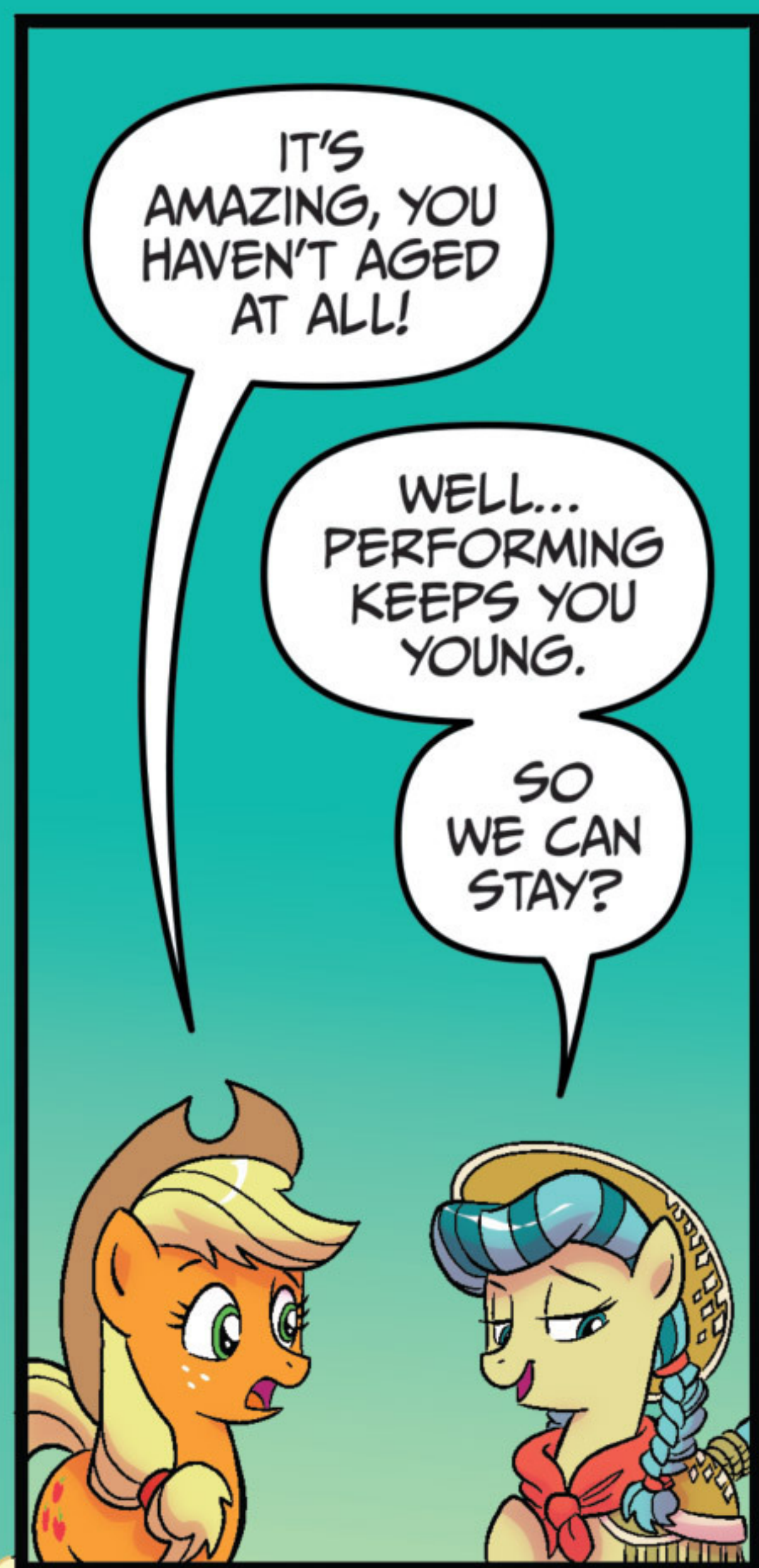
THE ONE AND ONLY!



WOW, BUFFALO BULL! IS HE IN THERE?

YES, BUT HE'S SLEEPING NOW. GOT A BAD CASE OF THAT FLU.

YOU KNOW, I SAW THIS HERE SHOW IN PONYVILLE WHEN I WAS A FILLY!



IT'S AMAZING, YOU HAVEN'T AGED AT ALL!

WELL... PERFORMING KEEPS YOU YOUNG.

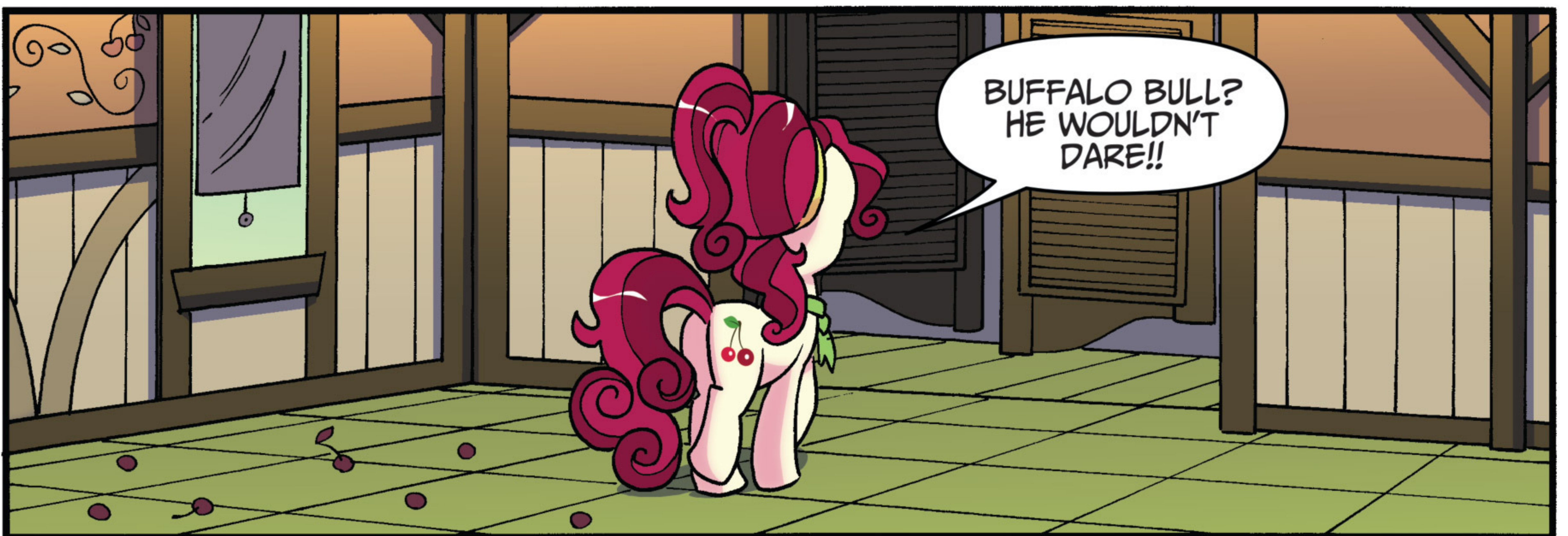
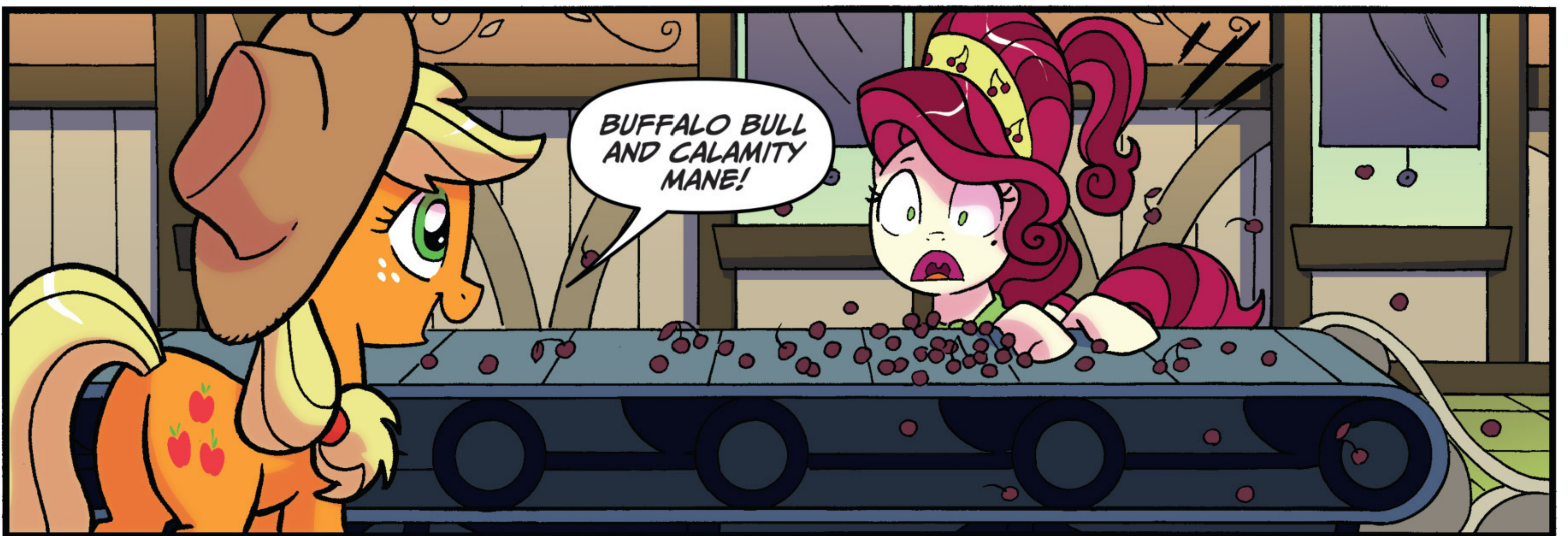
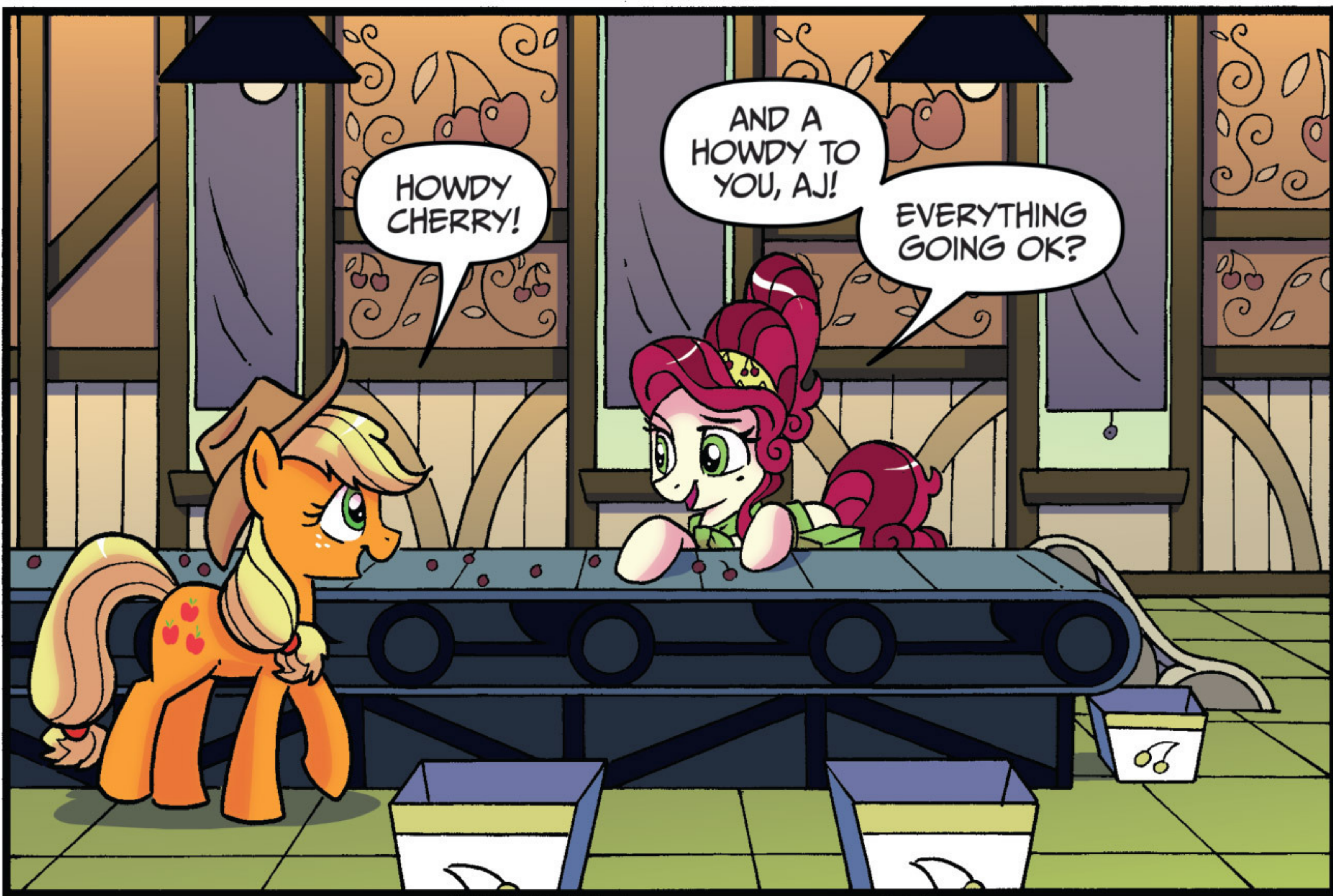
SO WE CAN STAY?



I CAN'T IMAGINE CHERRY WOULD SAY NO TO CALAMITY MANE!



Y'ALL GO AHEAD AND START SETTING UP CAMP, AND I'LL SQUARE IT AWAY WITH HER.





WHY WOULD YOU TELL HIM IT'S OK TO STAY HERE?

I DIDN'T THINK IT WOULD BE A PROBLEM, AND UH—



BUFFALO BULL! YOU'VE GOT A LOTTA NERVE SHOWING YOUR MUZZLE IN THESE PARTS!

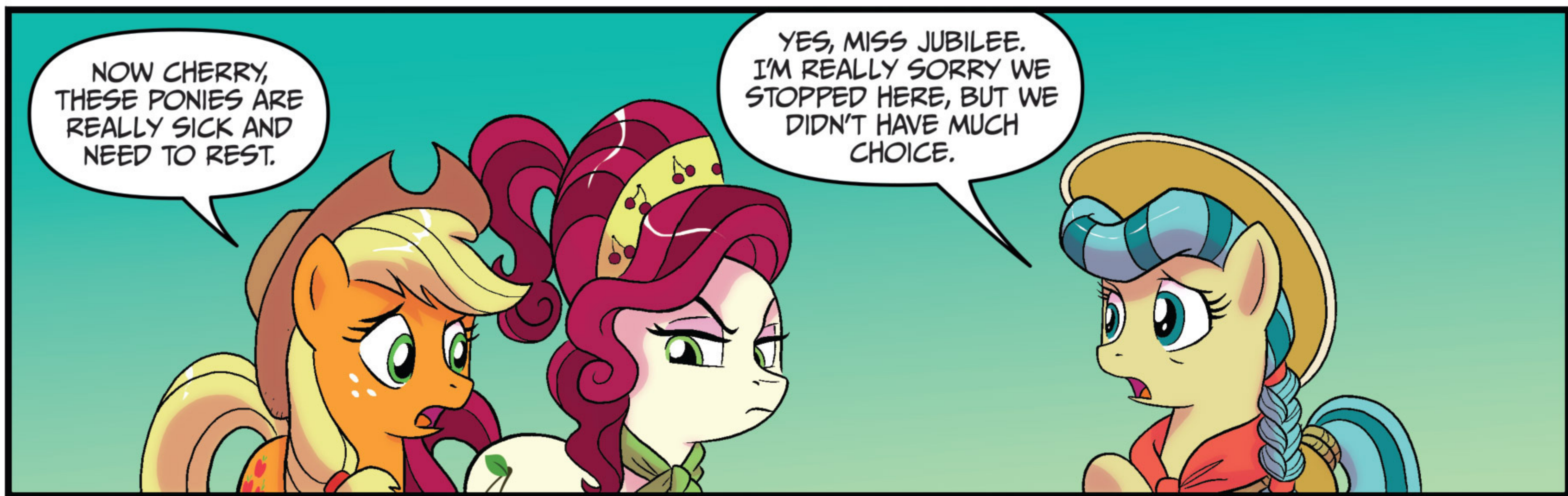
BUFFALO BULL'S * AMAZING * WILD WEST SHOW



BULL IS REALLY SICK, MA'AM. DON'T THINK HE CAN DO MUCH TALKING.

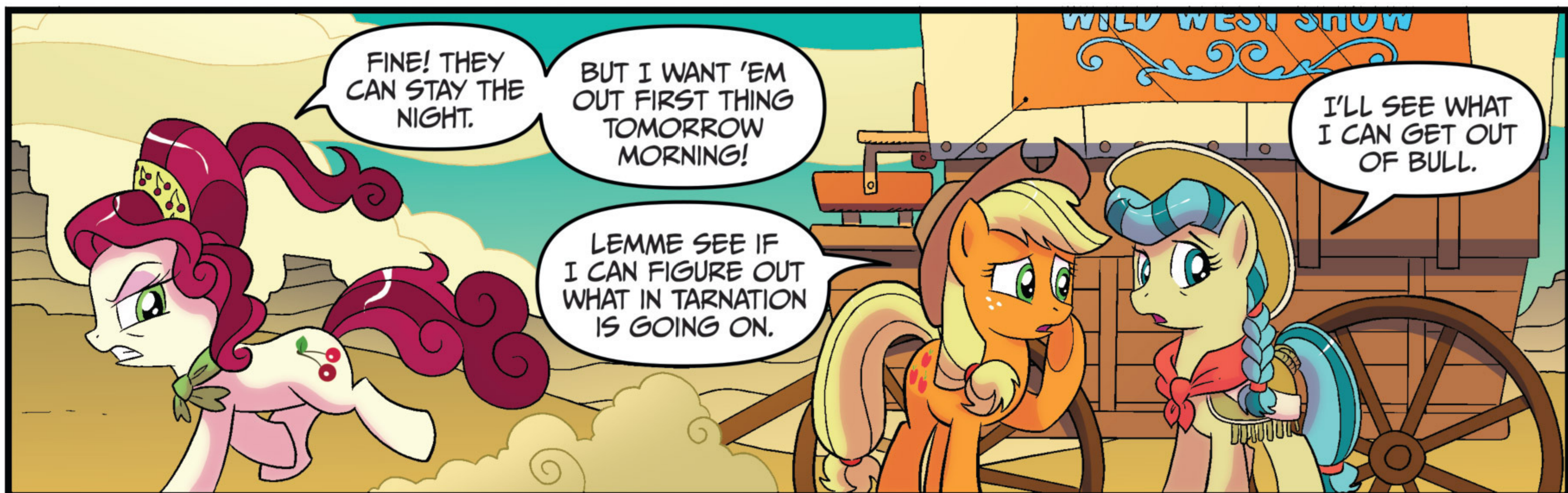
THEN GET HIM OUTTA HERE! Y'ALL NEED TO GET OUTTA HERE.

NOW!



NOW CHERRY, THESE PONIES ARE REALLY SICK AND NEED TO REST.

YES, MISS JUBILEE. I'M REALLY SORRY WE STOPPED HERE, BUT WE DIDN'T HAVE MUCH CHOICE.

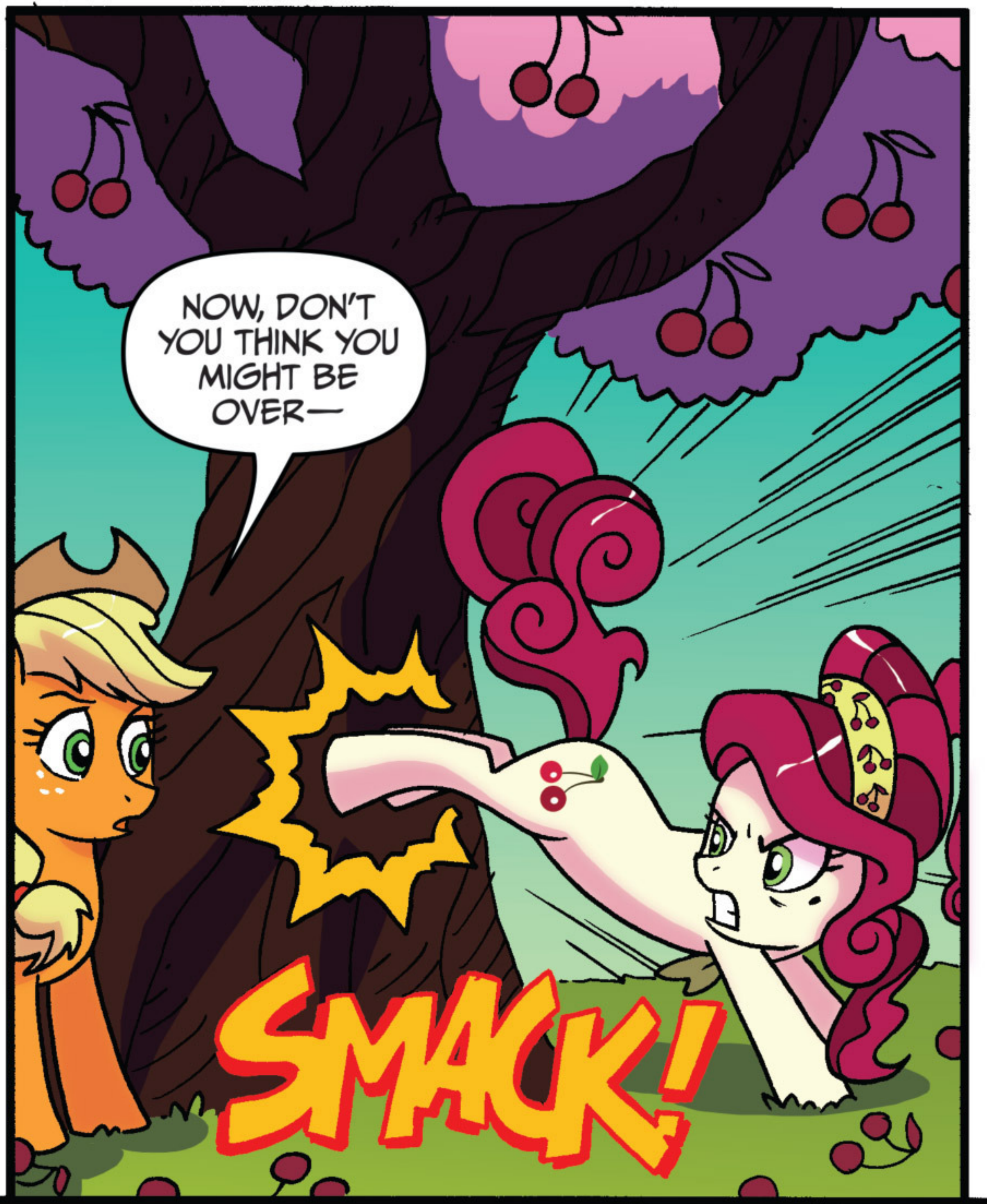


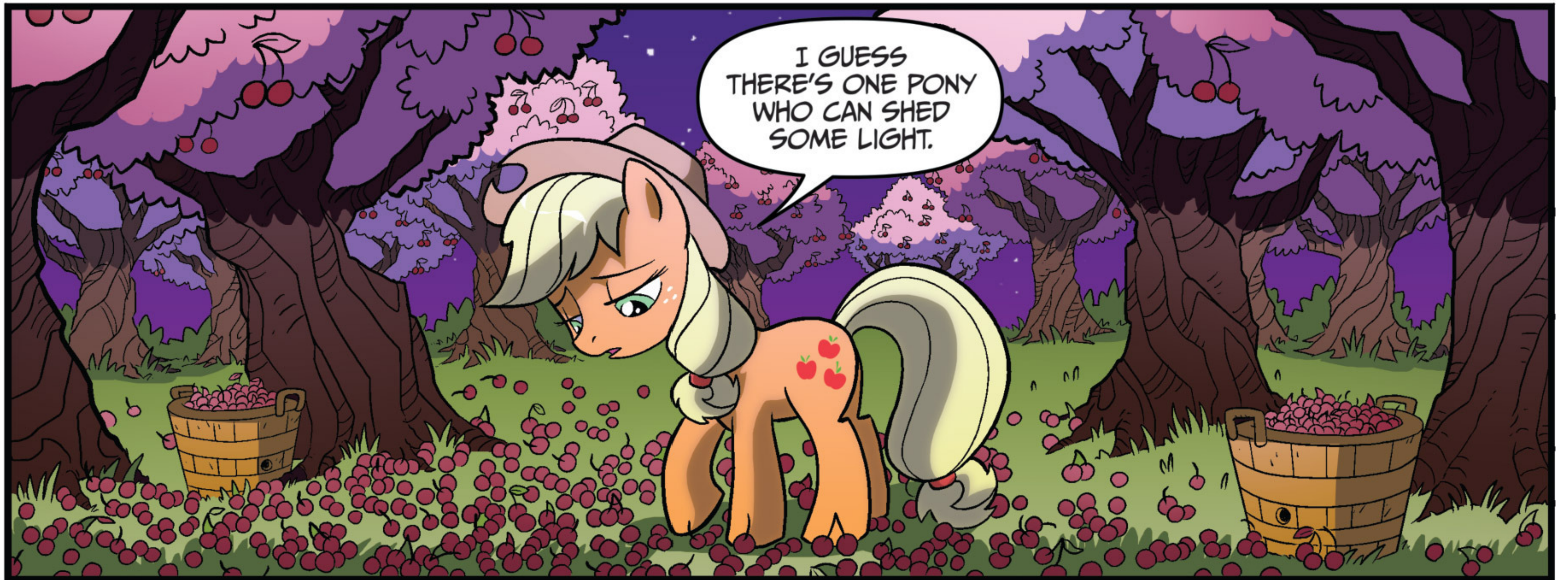
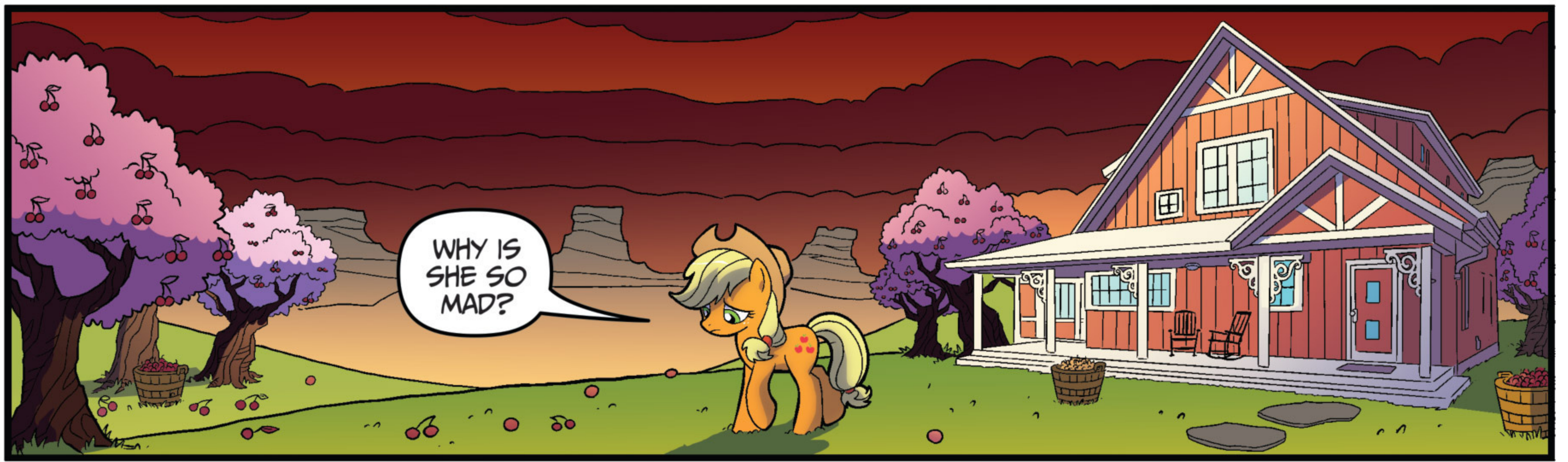
FINE! THEY CAN STAY THE NIGHT.

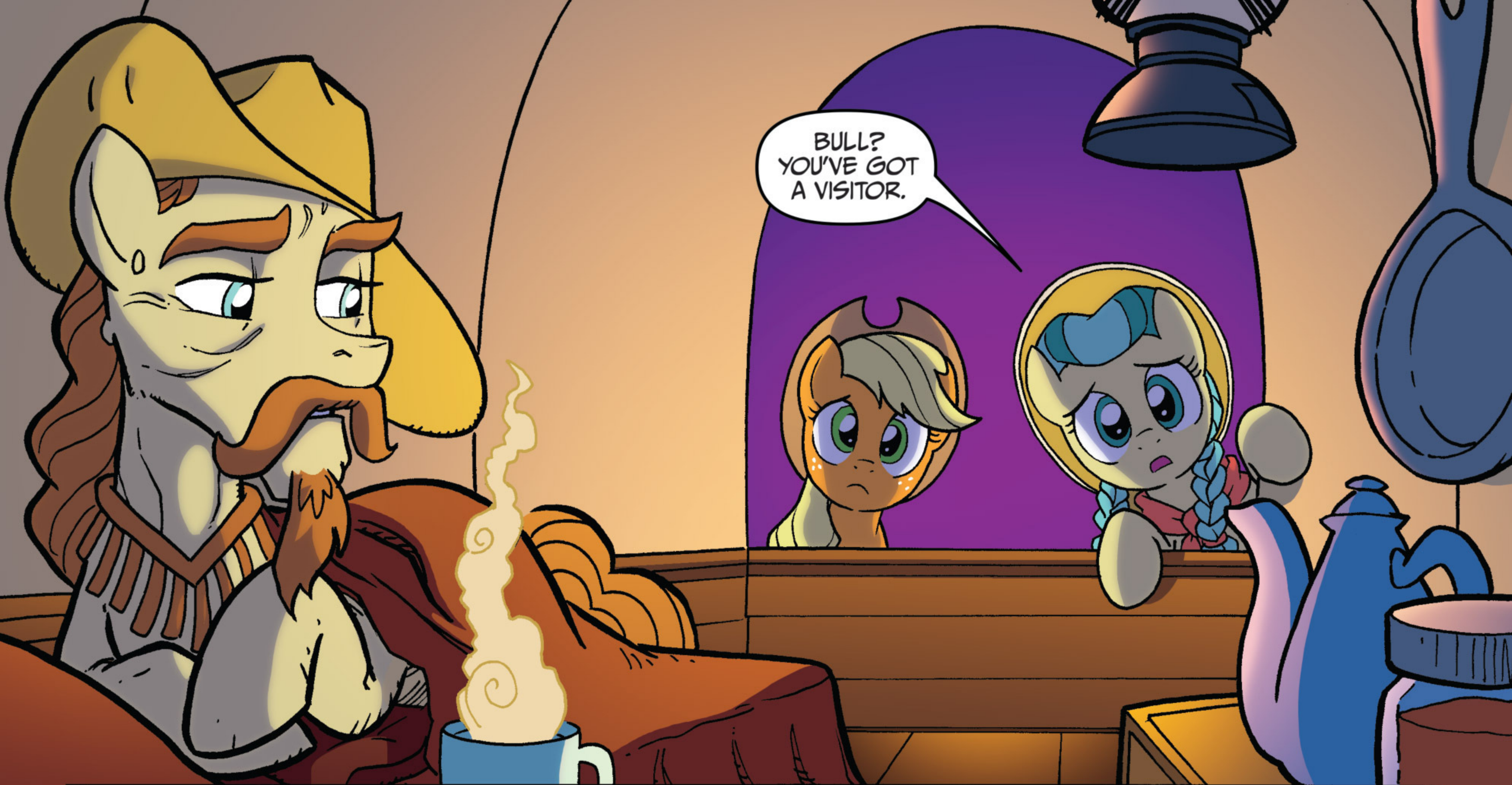
BUT I WANT 'EM OUT FIRST THING TOMORROW MORNING!

LEMME SEE IF I CAN FIGURE OUT WHAT IN TARNATION IS GOING ON.

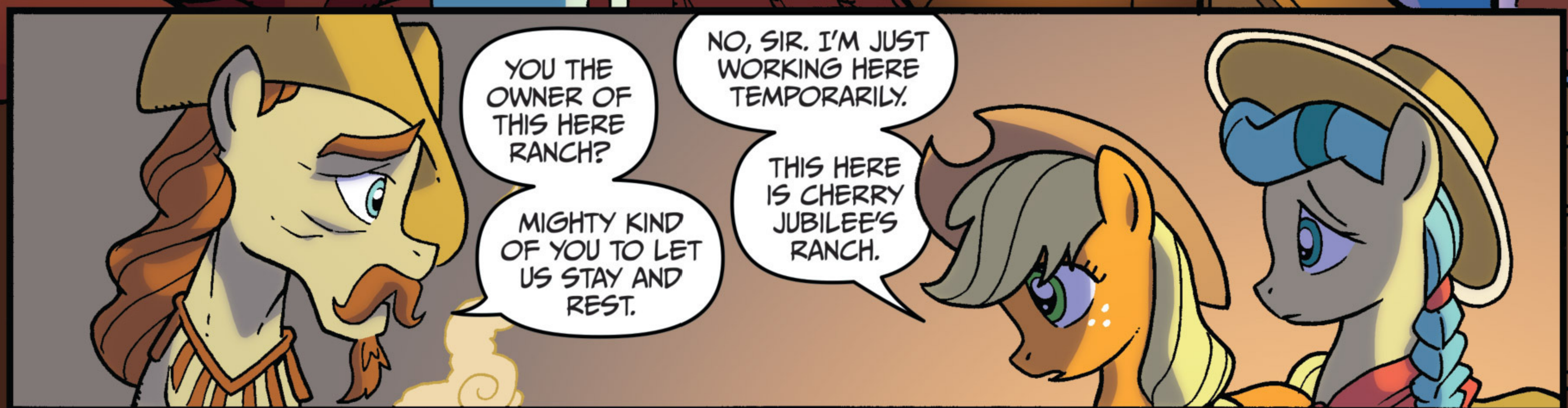
I'LL SEE WHAT I CAN GET OUT OF BULL.







BULL? YOU'VE GOT A VISITOR.



YOU THE OWNER OF THIS HERE RANCH?

NO, SIR. I'M JUST WORKING HERE TEMPORARILY.

MIGHTY KIND OF YOU TO LET US STAY AND REST.

THIS HERE IS CHERRY JUBILEE'S RANCH.



CHERRY JUBILEE! SO, THAT REALLY WAS HER YELLING EARLIER!

I THOUGHT I WAS DELIRIOUS FROM THE FLU!



CALAMITY! WHAT DID I TELL YOU ABOUT COMING TO DODGE JUNCTION?

WE NEED TO PACK UP AND LEAVE!



NOW!

WHAT IS GOING ON?

NOT SURE. I'LL CALM HIM DOWN...

AND START PACKING.

HOLD YER PONIES, NOW.

LET'S SLEEP ON THIS AND WE'LL REGROUP IN THE MORNING.

THE NEXT MORNING.

HOWDY, CALAMITY!

HI, APPLEJACK.

I KNOW WE SHOULD BE PACKED, BUT I DIDN'T HAVE THE HEART TO WAKE 'EM ALL UP.

BULL GOT MUCH WORSE AFTER YOU LEFT.

I'M REALLY WORRIED. BULL IS LIKE A FATHER TO ME AND I HATE TO SEE HIM SO BAD OFF.

I WISH THERE WAS SOMETHING MORE I COULD DO TO HELP.

WELL, YOU COULD GO INTO TOWN AND SEE IF THE APOTHECARY HAS ANYTHING TO GIVE THE TROUPE.

YOU'VE GOT IT!



COME ON, APPLEJACK! THINK!



ONE OF YOUR BEST FRIENDS IS THE PRINCESS OF FRIENDSHIP.

YOU MUST HAVE LEARNED SOMETHING FROM HER!

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WHAT WOULD TWILIGHT DO?

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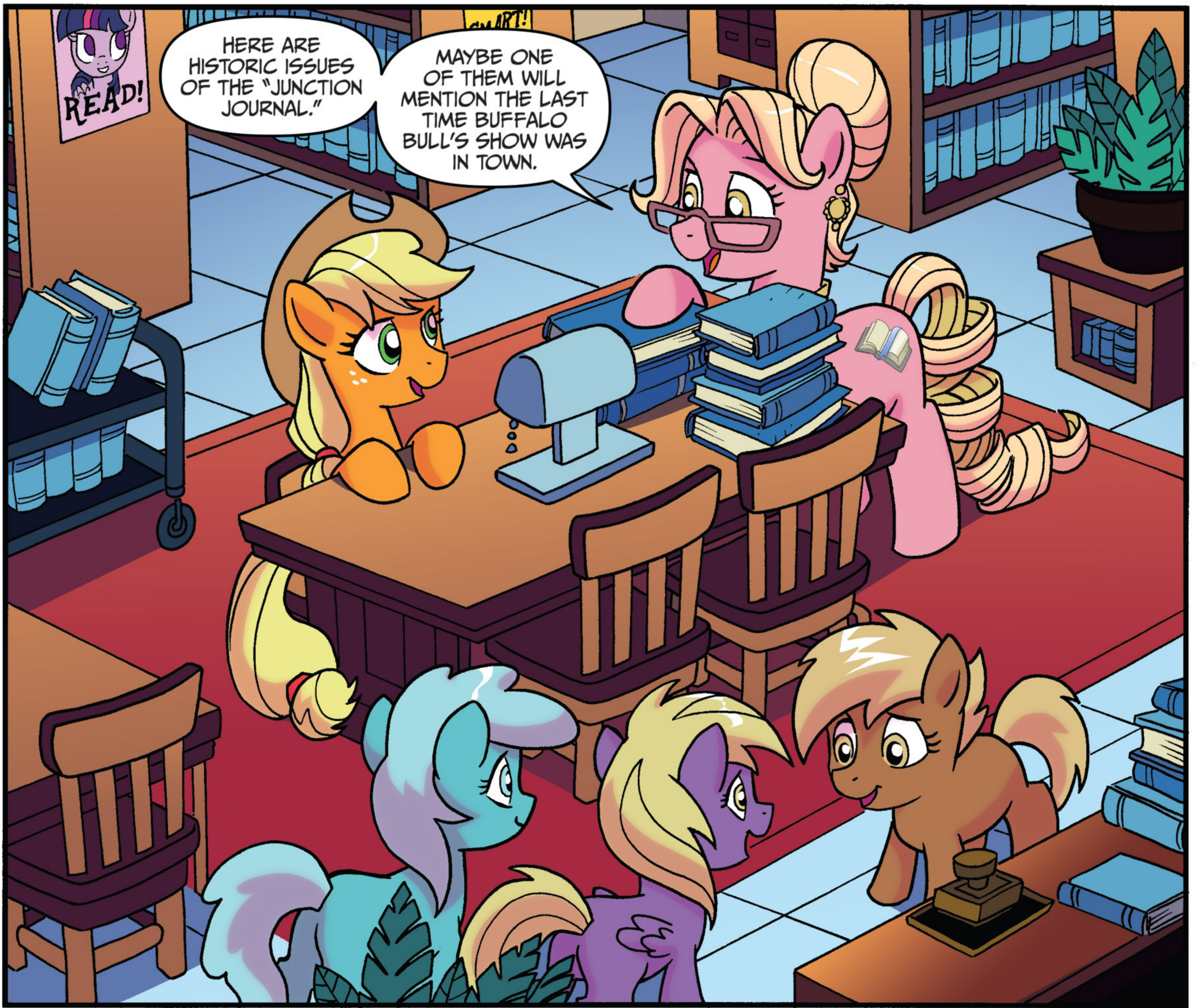
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WELL, IF THAT'S NOT A SIGN I DON'T KNOW WHAT IS!

HERE GOES NOTHING.

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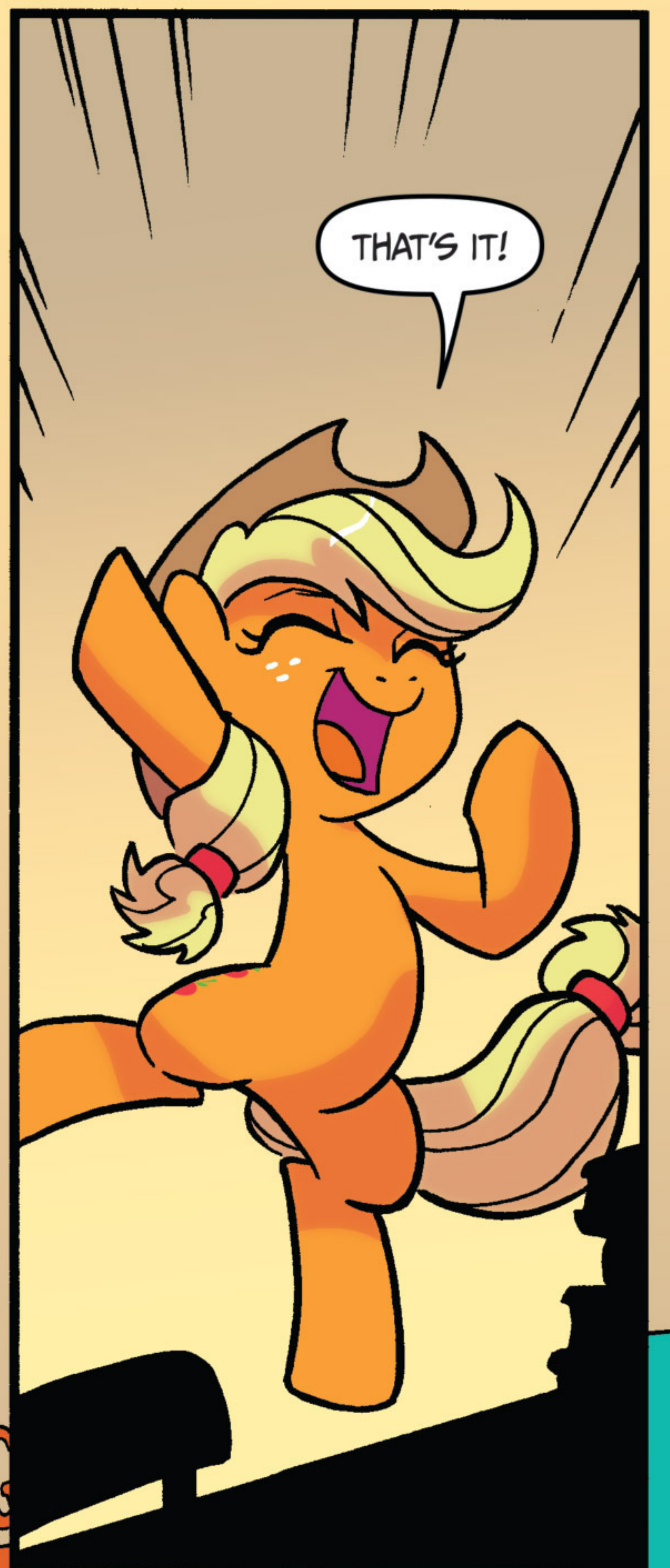
SHHHHHH!

WHAT? WHERE AM I?

JOURNALS



COME ON, AJ, YOU CAN DO THIS!



THAT'S IT!



FIND WHAT YOU NEEDED?

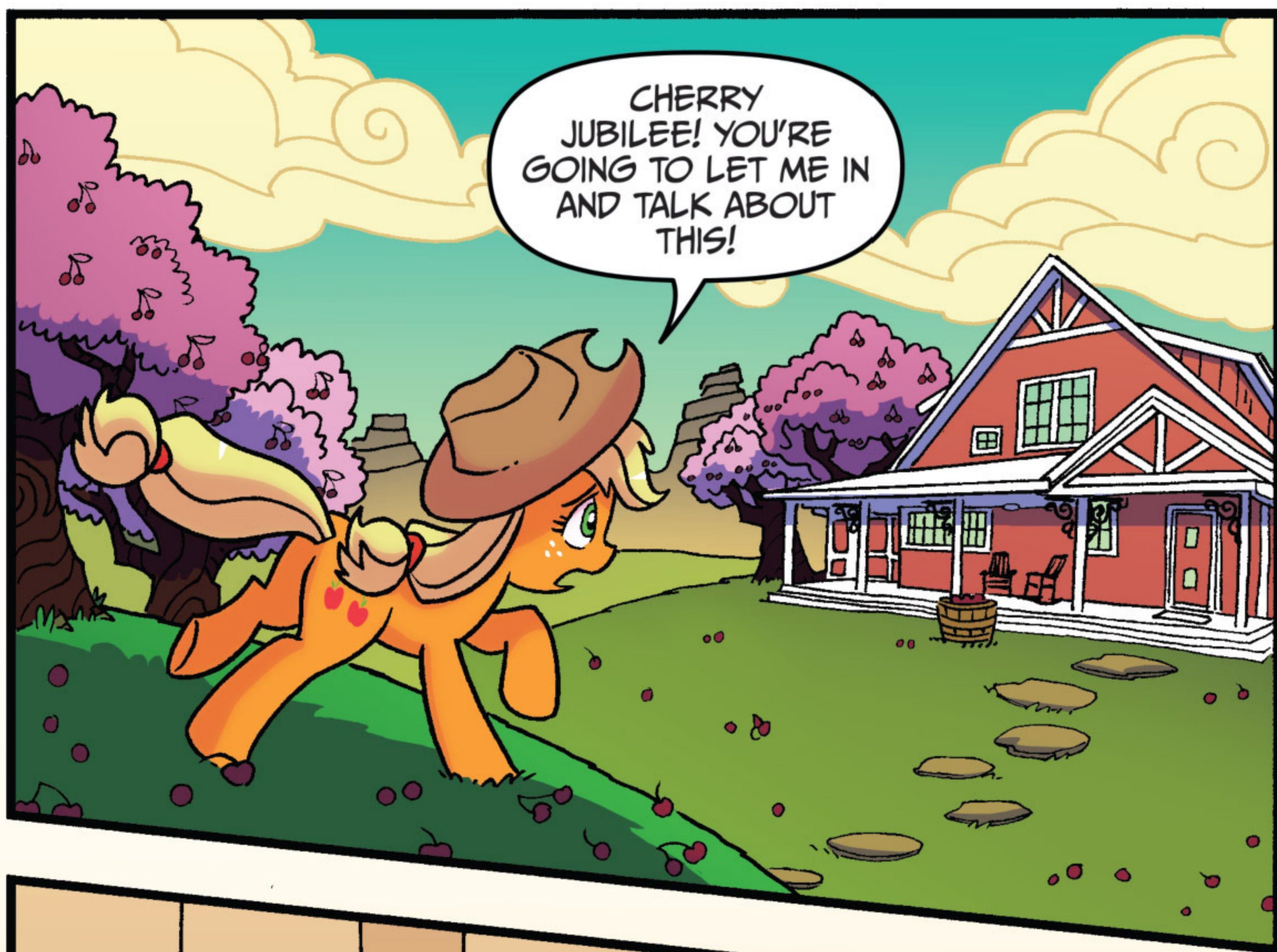
AND HOW!

THANKS!

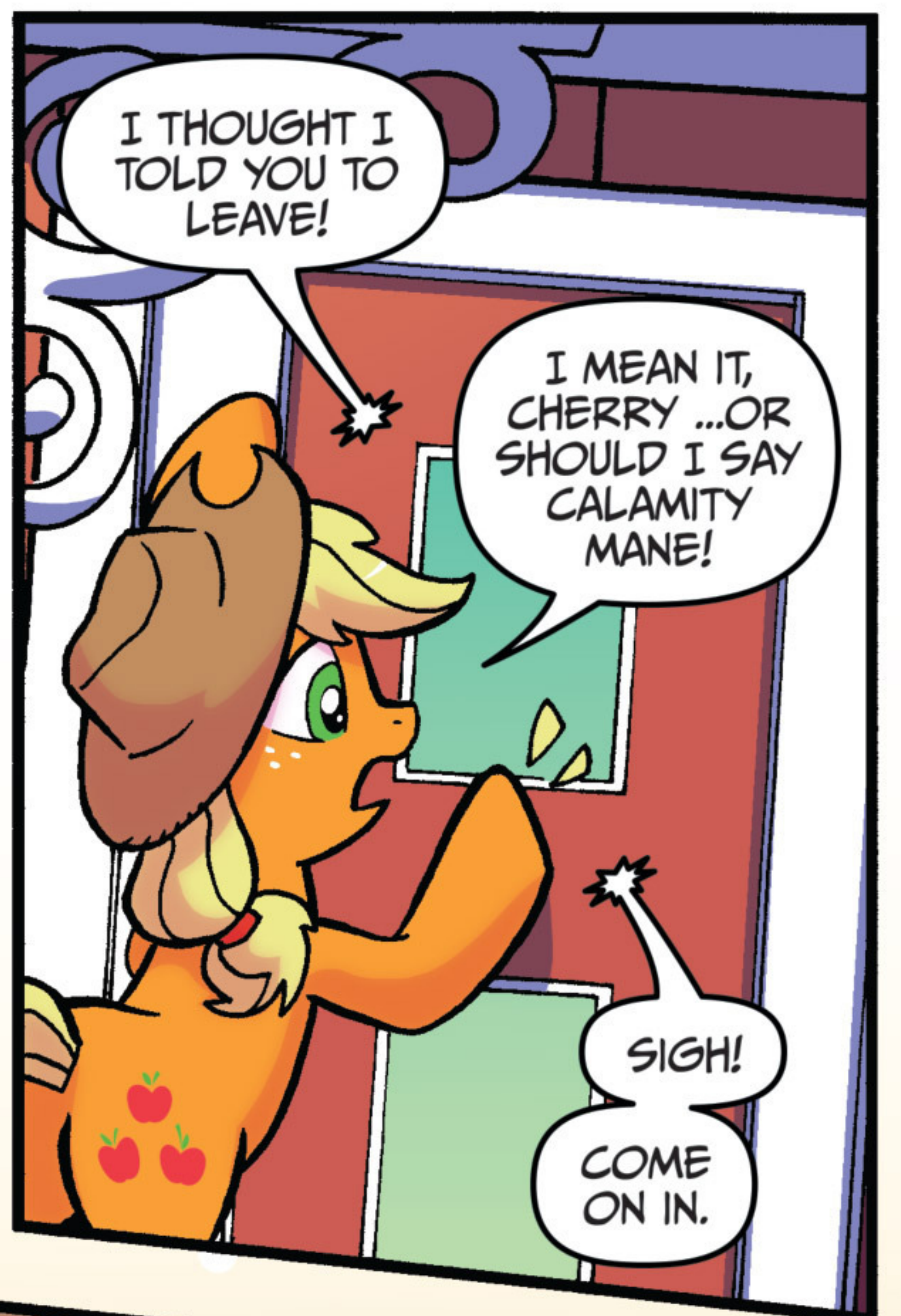
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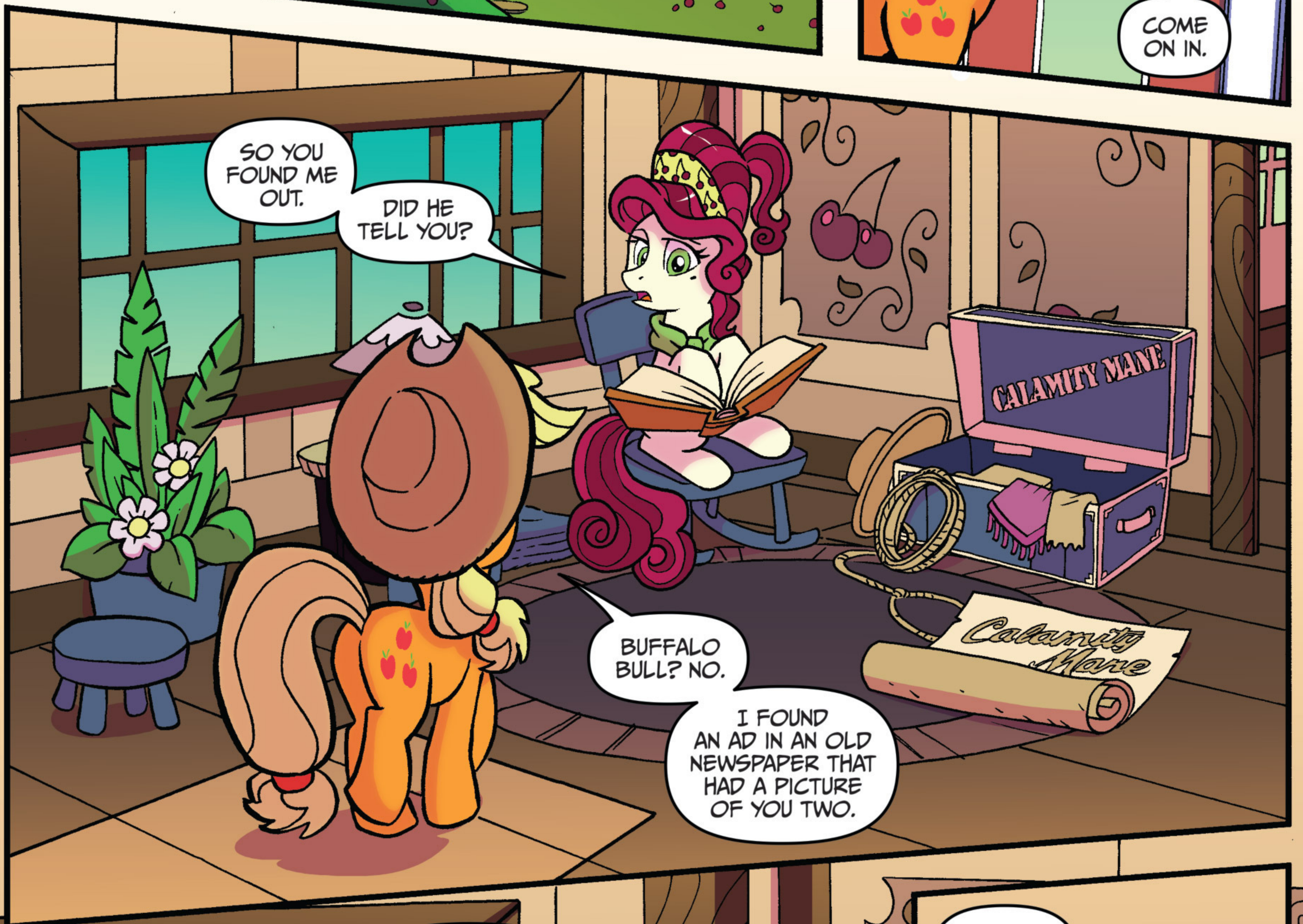
CHERRY JUBILEE! YOU'RE GOING TO LET ME IN AND TALK ABOUT THIS!



I THOUGHT I TOLD YOU TO LEAVE!

I MEAN IT, CHERRY ...OR SHOULD I SAY CALAMITY MANE!

SIGH!
COME ON IN.



SO YOU FOUND ME OUT.

DID HE TELL YOU?

BUFFALO BULL? NO.

I FOUND AN AD IN AN OLD NEWSPAPER THAT HAD A PICTURE OF YOU TWO.



BUFFALO BULL! HAVE YOU NOTICED HE'S NEITHER A BUFFALO NOR A BULL?

THAT PONY IS ALL ABOUT FLASH.

WHICH IS WHY HE THOUGHT CALAMITY MANE WAS A BETTER NAME THAN THE ONE I WAS BORN WITH.

WHAT HAPPENED BETWEEN YOU?

IF YOU'VE FIGURED THIS MUCH OUT, I GUESS I SHOULD TELL YOU.

"I GREW UP ON A CHERRY RANCH, NOT TOO DIFFERENT FROM WHERE I AM NOW.

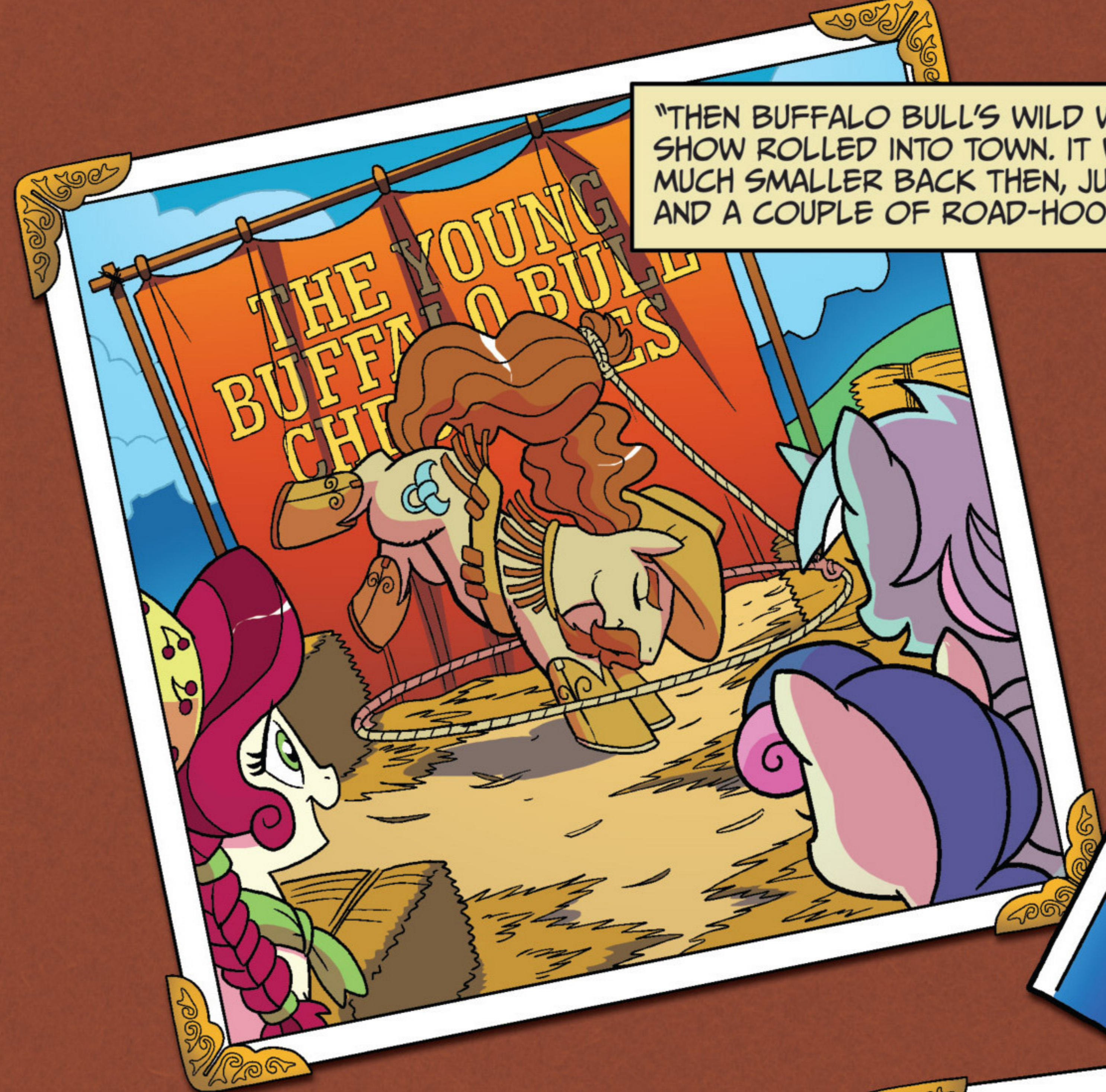


"I LOVED WORKING THE LAND AND IT SEEMED LIKE THAT'S WHAT I WAS MEANT FOR.



"AND YET, I FELT LIKE THERE WAS SOMETHING ELSE FOR ME. LIKE I NEEDED TO SEE MORE OF EQUESTRIA. SEE WHAT IT HAD TO OFFER.

"THEN BUFFALO BULL'S WILD WEST SHOW ROLLED INTO TOWN. IT WAS MUCH SMALLER BACK THEN, JUST HIM AND A COUPLE OF ROAD-HOOVES.



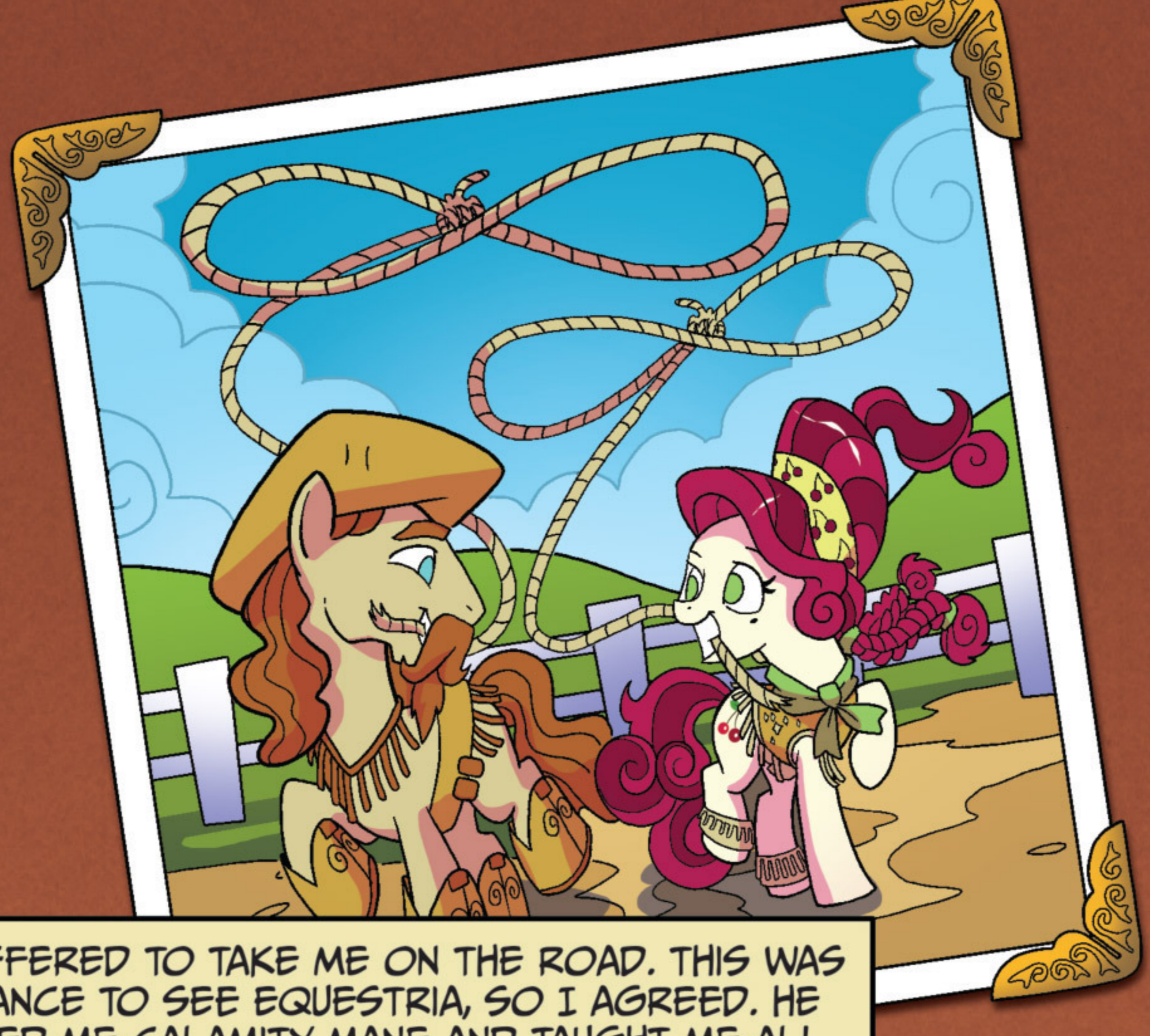
FIRST PRIZE!



"YOU NEVER SAW NO PONY LIKE BULL IN HIS PRIME. I WAS SMITTEN AT ONCE, AND TO MY SURPRISE, BULL FELT THE SAME WAY ABOUT ME!



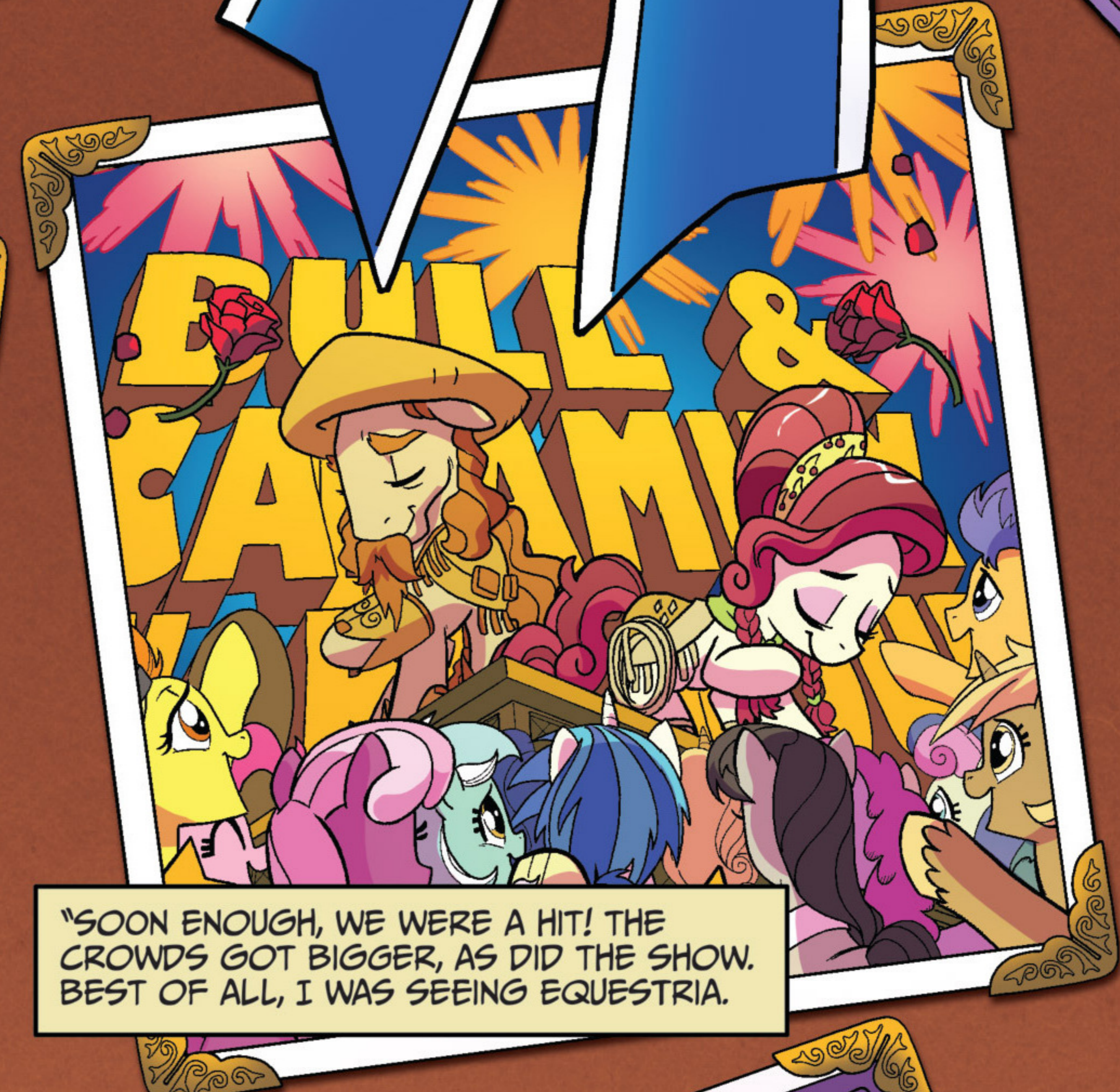
"HE OFFERED TO TAKE ME ON THE ROAD. THIS WAS MY CHANCE TO SEE EQUESTRIA, SO I AGREED. HE RENAMED ME CALAMITY MANE AND TAUGHT ME ALL HE KNEW ABOUT BEING A PERFORMER.



"IT WAS BUMPY AT THE START, BUT AS IT TURNED OUT, WE WERE A GOOD TEAM AND PONIES STARTED COMING OUT TO SEE US.



"SOON ENOUGH, WE WERE A HIT! THE CROWDS GOT BIGGER, AS DID THE SHOW. BEST OF ALL, I WAS SEEING EQUESTRIA.



Sunny HAYTONA BEACH

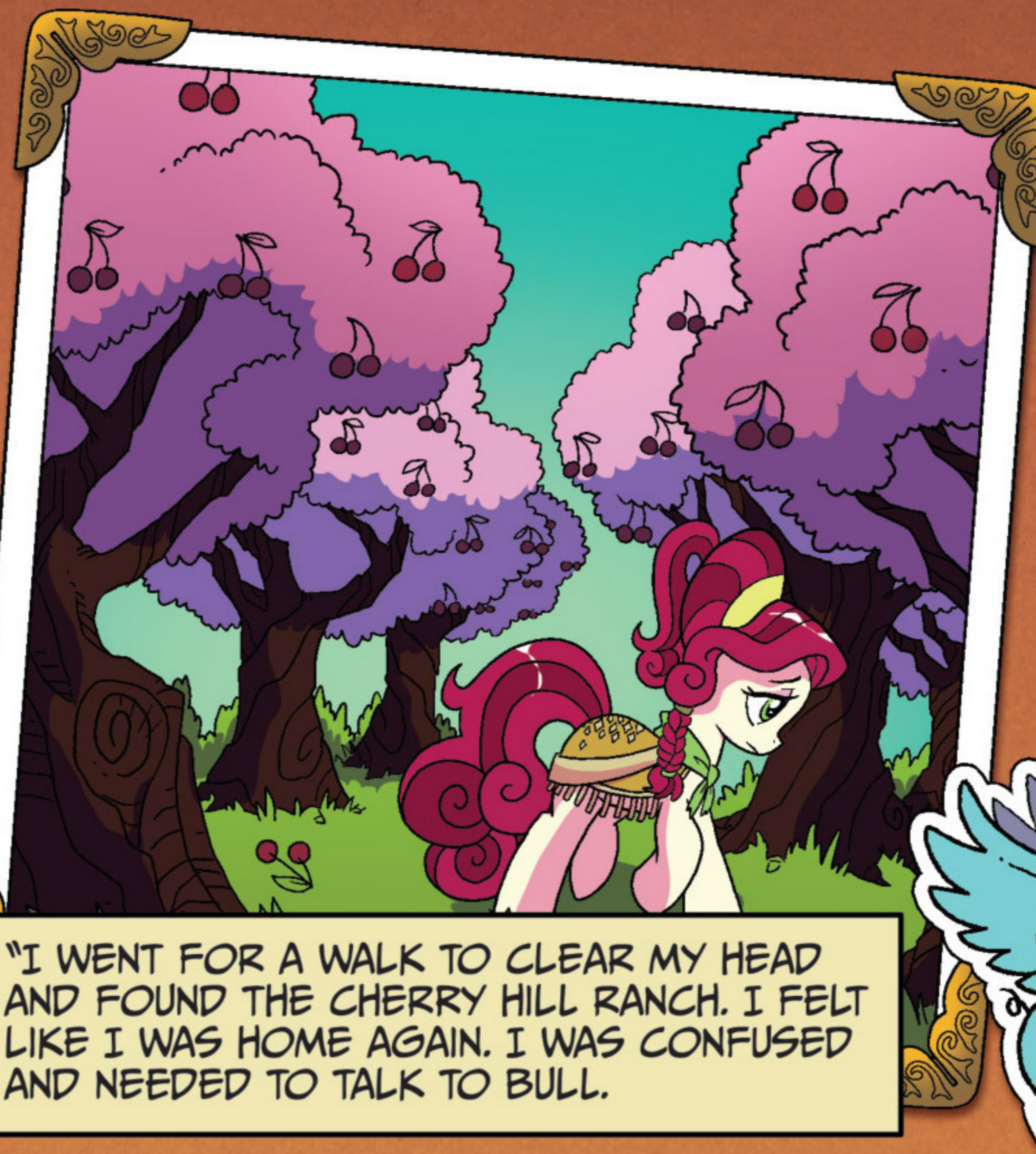


"IT WAS RIGHT HERE IN DODGE JUNCTION THAT BULL POPPED THE QUESTION. SURE, I LOVED HIM, BUT I WAS TIRED. BEING IN A TRAVELING SHOW IS NOT AN EASY LIFE.

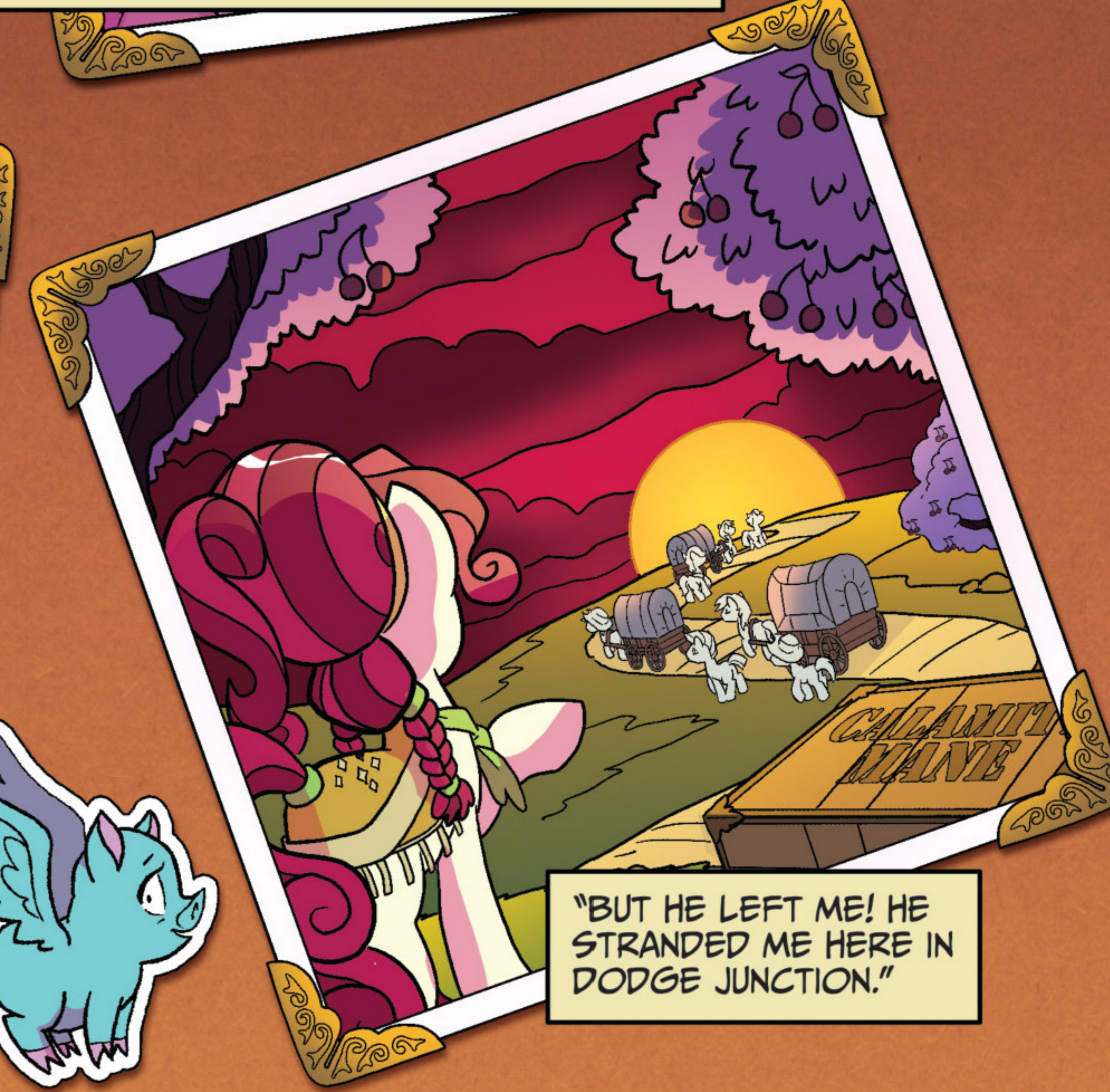


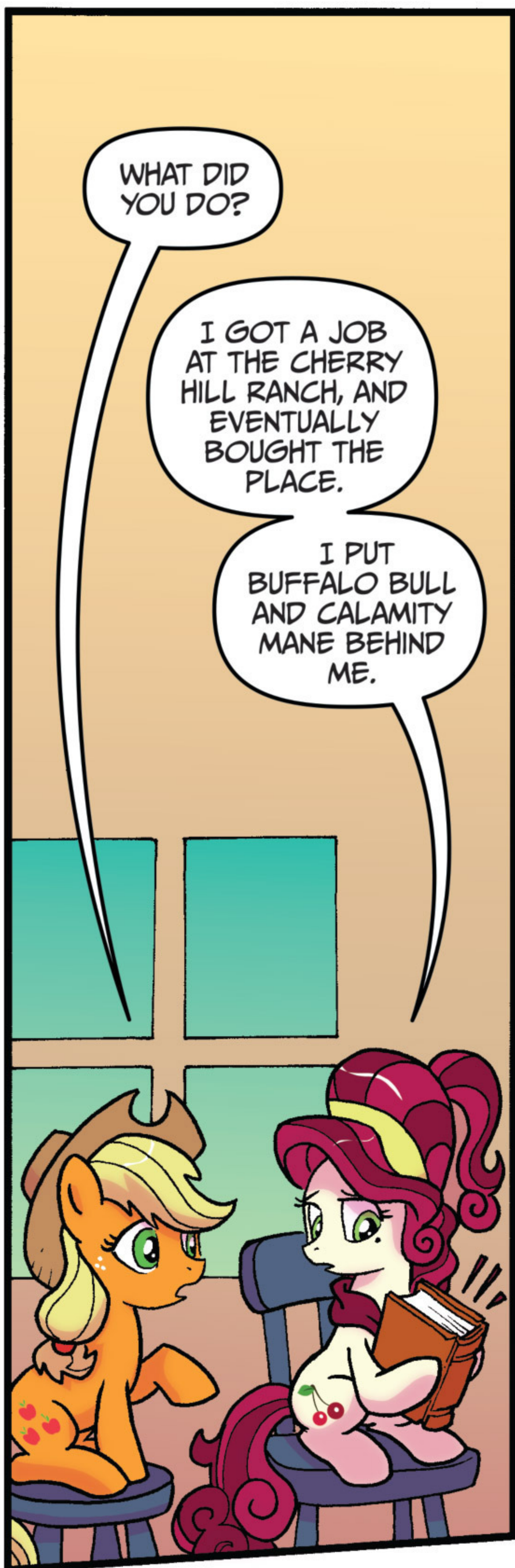
"I PANICKED AND RAN OFF.

"I WENT FOR A WALK TO CLEAR MY HEAD AND FOUND THE CHERRY HILL RANCH. I FELT LIKE I WAS HOME AGAIN. I WAS CONFUSED AND NEEDED TO TALK TO BULL.



"BUT HE LEFT ME! HE STRANDED ME HERE IN DODGE JUNCTION."





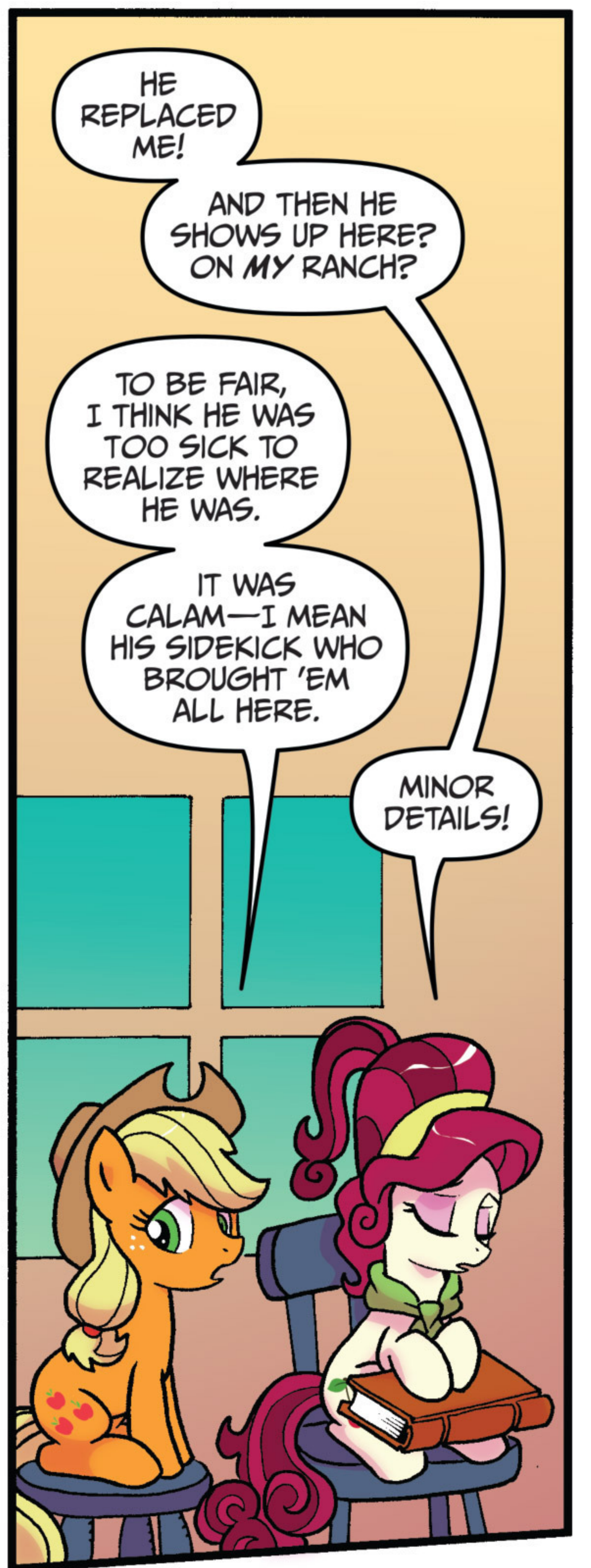
WHAT DID YOU DO?

I GOT A JOB AT THE CHERRY HILL RANCH, AND EVENTUALLY BOUGHT THE PLACE.

I PUT BUFFALO BULL AND CALAMITY MANE BEHIND ME.



BUT HE DIDN'T! HE WENT OUT AND FOUND ANOTHER CALAMITY MANE.



HE REPLACED ME!

AND THEN HE SHOWS UP HERE? ON MY RANCH?

TO BE FAIR, I THINK HE WAS TOO SICK TO REALIZE WHERE HE WAS.

IT WAS CALAM—I MEAN HIS SIDEKICK WHO BROUGHT 'EM ALL HERE.

MINOR DETAILS!



SURE, IT WAS WRONG FOR HIM TO LEAVE YOU LIKE THAT.

AND NOT EXACTLY NICE TO MAKE "CALAMITY MANE" A CHARACTER THAT COULD BE REPLACED.

BUT YOU SEEM MIGHTY HAPPY HERE IN DODGE JUNCTION.

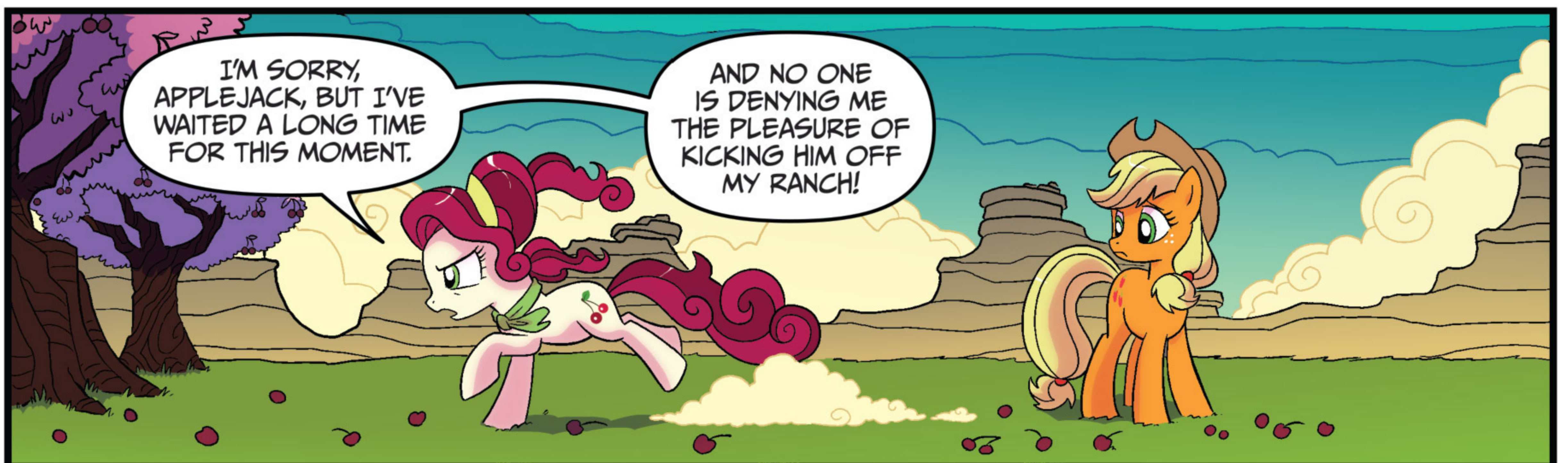
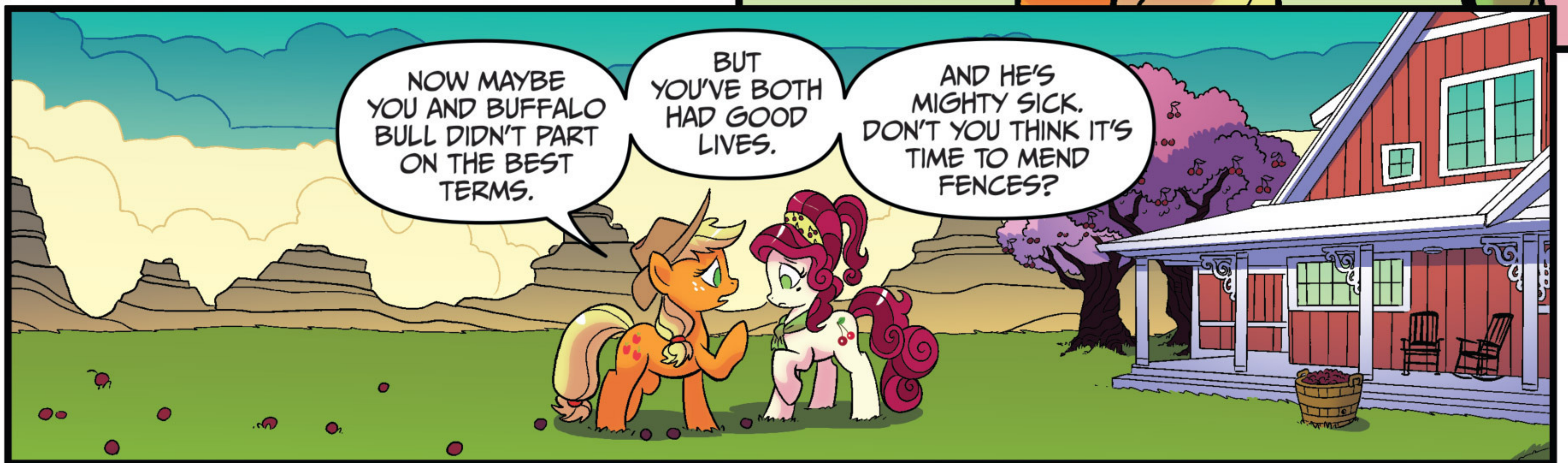
AND YOU OWN THE MOST SUCCESSFUL CHERRY RANCH IN ALL OF EQUESTRIA.

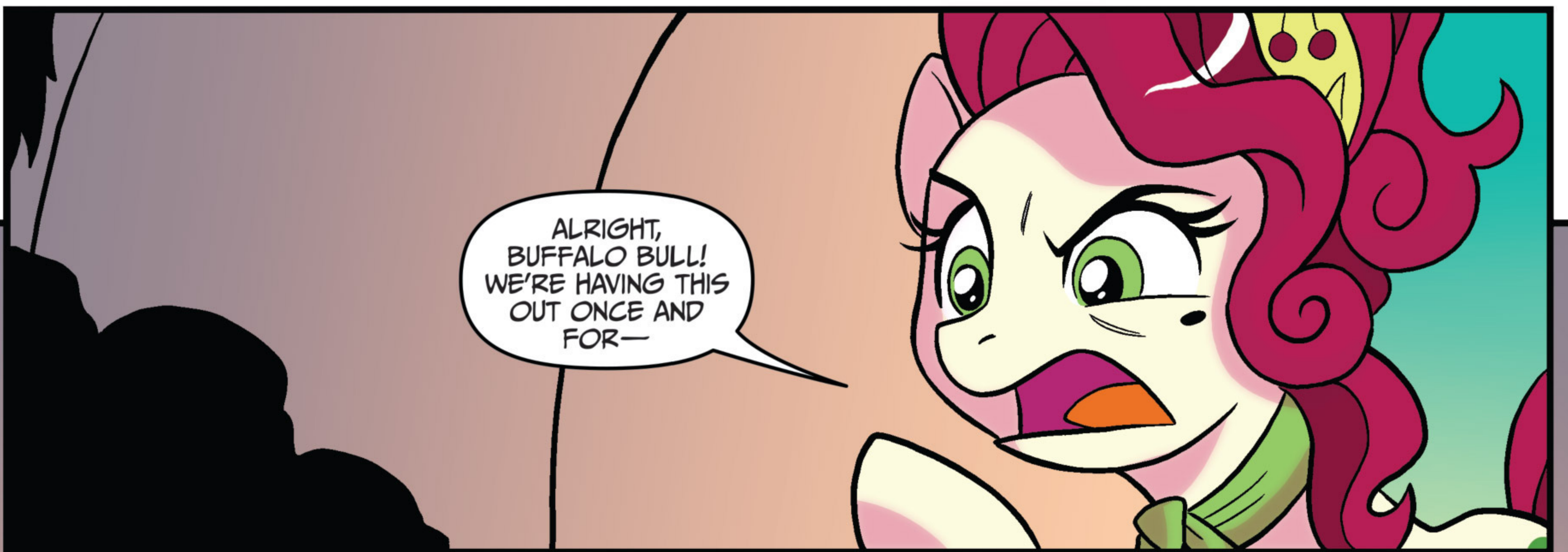
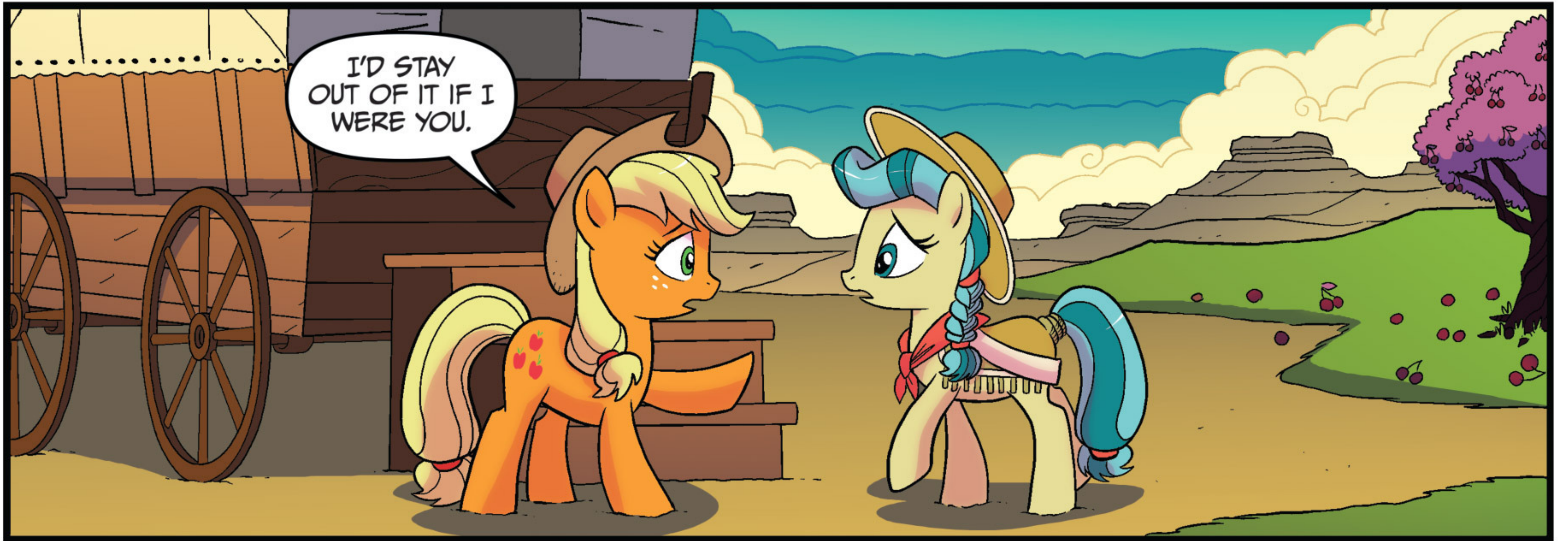


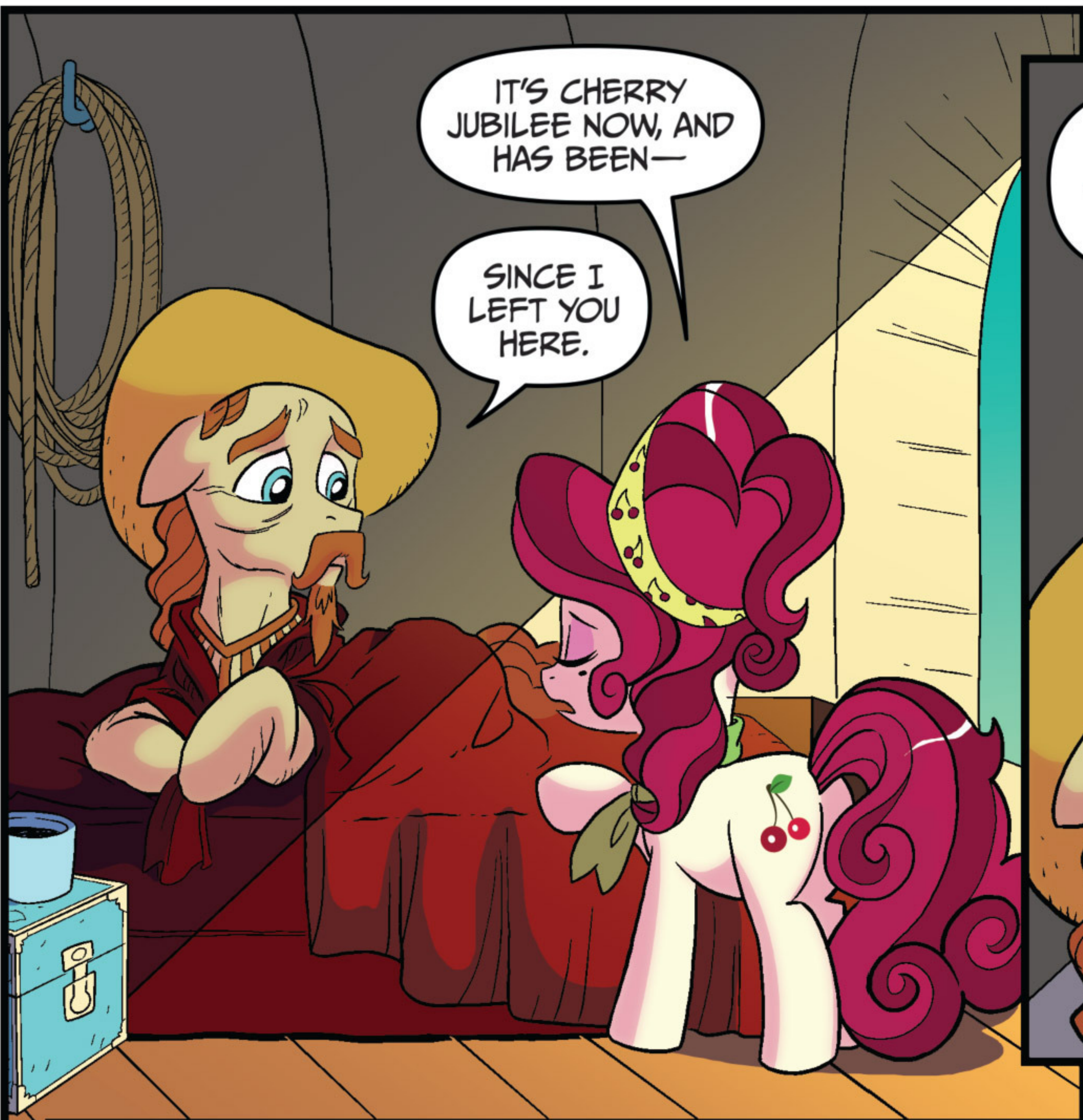
ALL THAT MAY NOT HAVE HAPPENED IF HE DIDN'T LEAVE!

AND THAT MUST HAVE BEEN HUMILIATING FOR HIM TO PROPOSE IN FRONT OF ALL THOSE PONIES AND THEN HAVE YOU RUN OFF.

GEE, APPLEJACK, I GUESS I NEVER THOUGHT OF THAT.







IT'S CHERRY JUBILEE NOW, AND HAS BEEN—

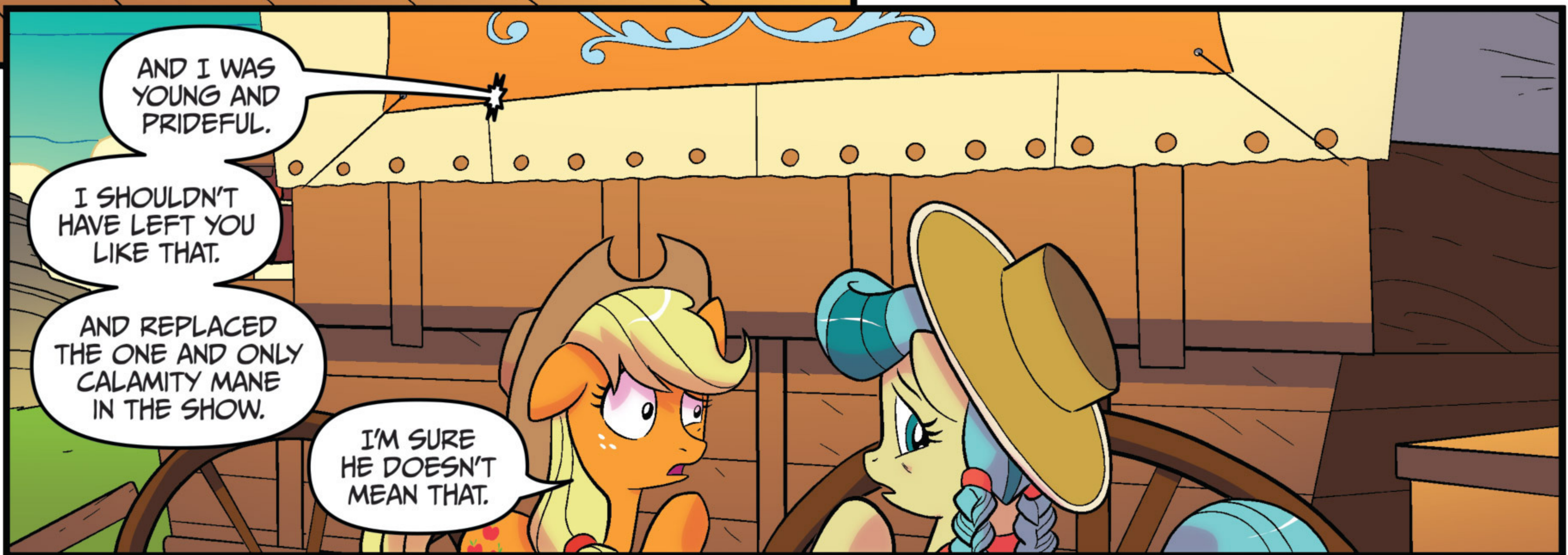
SINCE I LEFT YOU HERE.



I GUESS I REALLY HURT YOU THAT NIGHT I RAN OFF.

YEAH. AND I HURT YOU RIGHT BACK.

OH, BULL! YOU KNOW I CARE, BUT I WAS YOUNG AND CONFUSED AND—

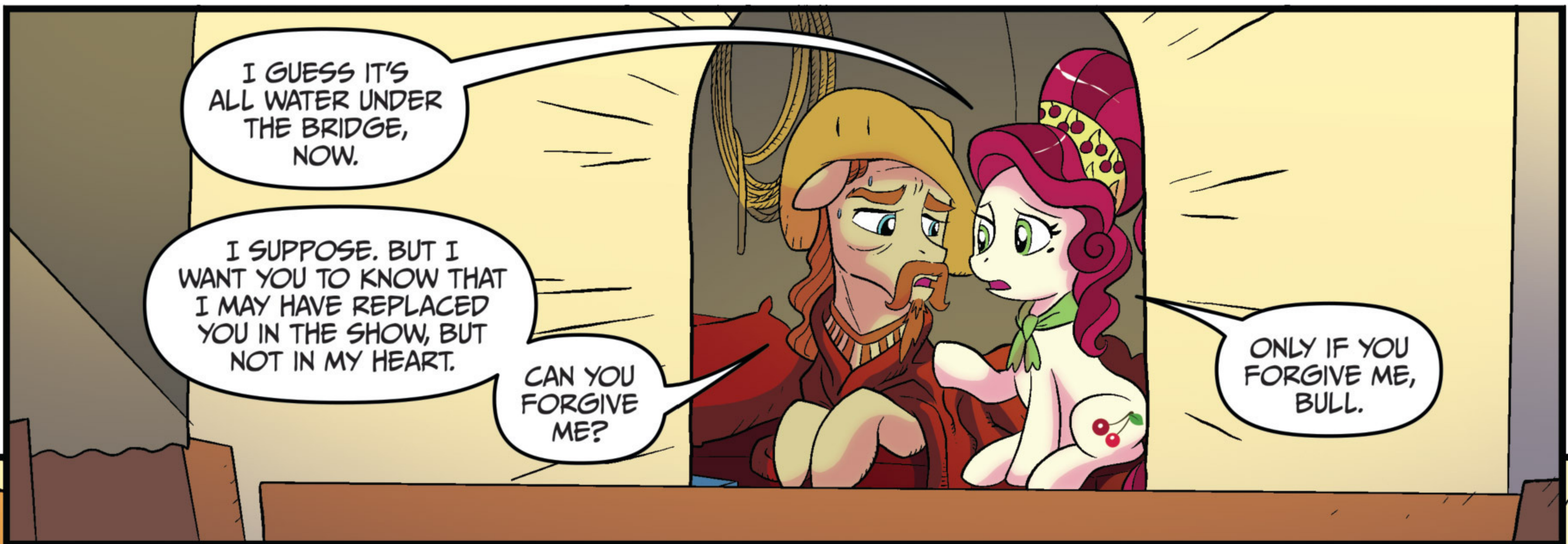


AND I WAS YOUNG AND PRIDEFUL.

I SHOULDN'T HAVE LEFT YOU LIKE THAT.

AND REPLACED THE ONE AND ONLY CALAMITY MANE IN THE SHOW.

I'M SURE HE DOESN'T MEAN THAT.

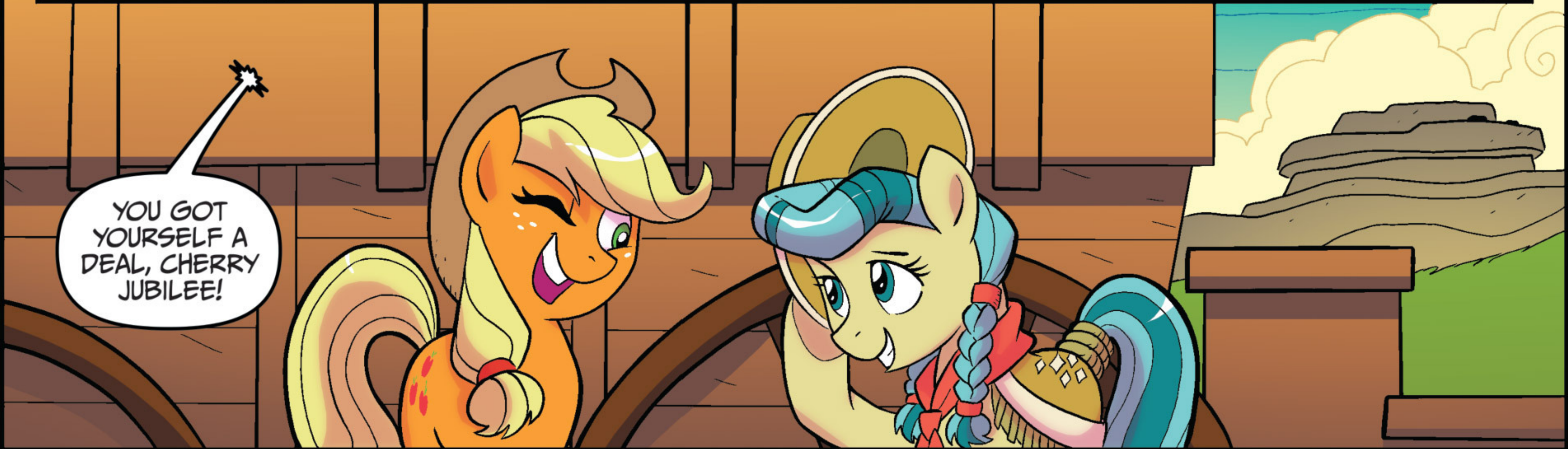


I GUESS IT'S ALL WATER UNDER THE BRIDGE, NOW.

I SUPPOSE. BUT I WANT YOU TO KNOW THAT I MAY HAVE REPLACED YOU IN THE SHOW, BUT NOT IN MY HEART.

CAN YOU FORGIVE ME?

ONLY IF YOU FORGIVE ME, BULL.



YOU GOT YOURSELF A DEAL, CHERRY JUBILEE!

ONE WEEK LATER.

HOWDY, CALAM!
LOOKS LIKE THE
TROUPE IS ON
THE MEND!

THE
BUFFALO BULL
BIG REUNION SHOW

YUP! WE'RE FINALLY OVER
THAT EQUINE FLU, THANKS
TO CHERRY, WHO'S BEEN
MIGHTY KIND TO ME.

IN FACT, WE'RE
GETTING READY FOR OUR
FIRST SHOW IN DODGE
JUNCTION IN I DON'T KNOW
HOW MANY MOONS!

SAY! SHOULDN'T
YOU BE GETTING
READY TO GO
ON?

NOPE! I'M
SITTING THIS
PART OUT!

GREETINGS, DODGE
JUNCTION! WELCOME
TO BUFFALO BULL'S
WILD WEST SHOW!

AND HAVE WE
GOT A SPECIAL
TREAT FOR
YOU!

I PRESENT
YOUR VERY
OWN—CHERRY
JUBILEE!

THANKS, BULL!
IT'S MIGHTY FINE TO
BE JOINING AN OLD
FRIEND ON STAGE
LIKE THIS.

BUT BEING
UP HERE WITH
A NEW FRIEND
WOULD BE
EVEN BETTER!
COME ON UP,
CALAMITY!

★ YEAH! YEE-HAW!
★ HOORAY!!! ★

YEEEEEEHAAWW!

AND A TIP OF
THE HAT TO OUR PAL
APPLEJACK FOR
MAKING ALL THIS
HAPPEN!

YES,
INDEED!

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WHAT'S ALL THE EXCITEMENT OVER FANS, ORANGE BLOSSOM?

I ORDERED TOO MANY! I HEARD THERE WAS GOING TO BE A HEAT WAVE.

NOTHING BUT SUNSHINE FOR WEEKS AND WEEKS!



I CAN'T RETURN THEM, AND I DON'T HAVE ENOUGH STORAGE SPACE TO PUT THEM ALL AWAY UNTIL NEXT SUMMER EITHER.

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO WITH THESE THINGS...?

I KNOW WHAT YOU SHOULD DO!



RAISIN CANE?

I DIDN'T HEAR YOU COME IN...

I KNOW! NO ONE EVER DOES.

THAT'S HOW I OVERHEAR ALL OF THE BEST STUFF.



IT'S A CLASSIC PROBLEM: TOO MUCH SUPPLY, NO DEMAND.

WHICH IS NO PROBLEM AT ALL FOR A MARKETING GENIUS—LIKE MYSELF.



HERE'S MY CARD—
CALL ME WHEN YOU'RE READY TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE!



I KIND OF LIKE YOUR LIFE LIKE IT IS.

SHE IS REALLY GOOD AT PROMOTING THINGS, LEMON.



SHE'S REALLY GOOD AT PROMOTING HERSELF.

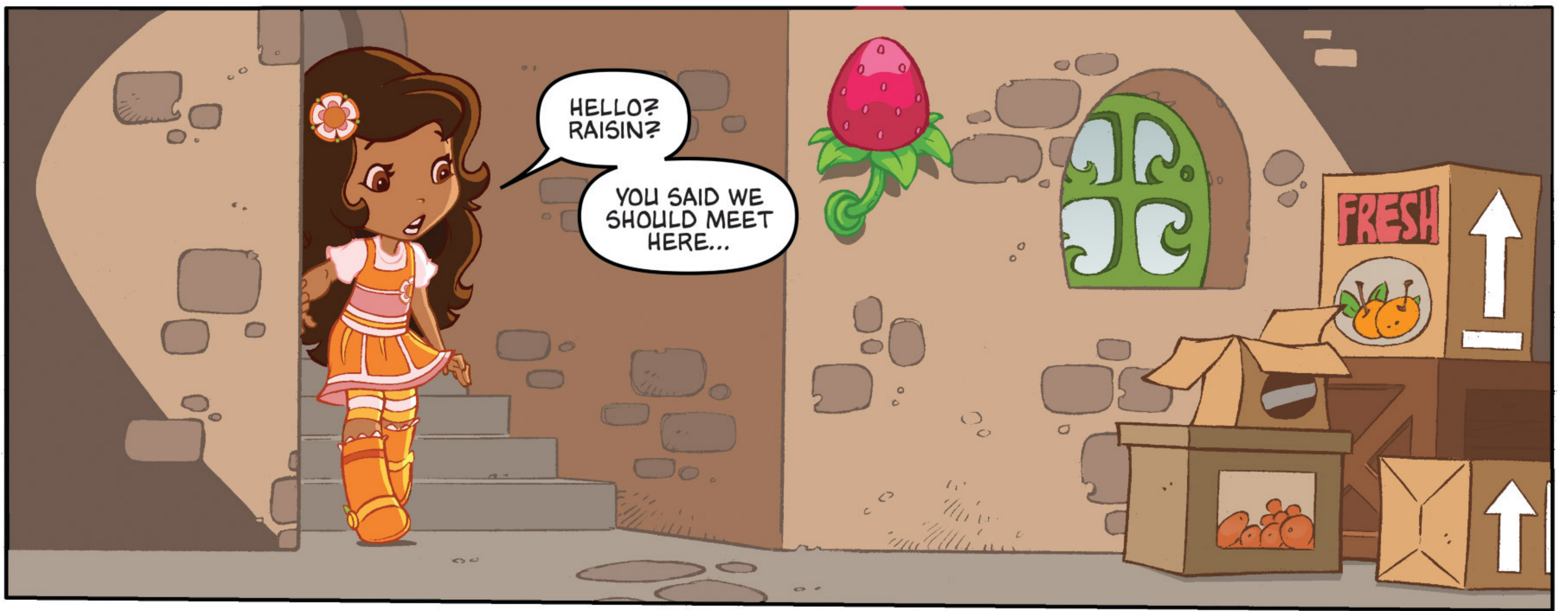
EVERYTHING RAISIN DOES BENEFITS RAISIN. DID SHE EVEN COME HERE TO GET SOMETHING?

I ALMOST FORGOT I CAME FOR JAM...



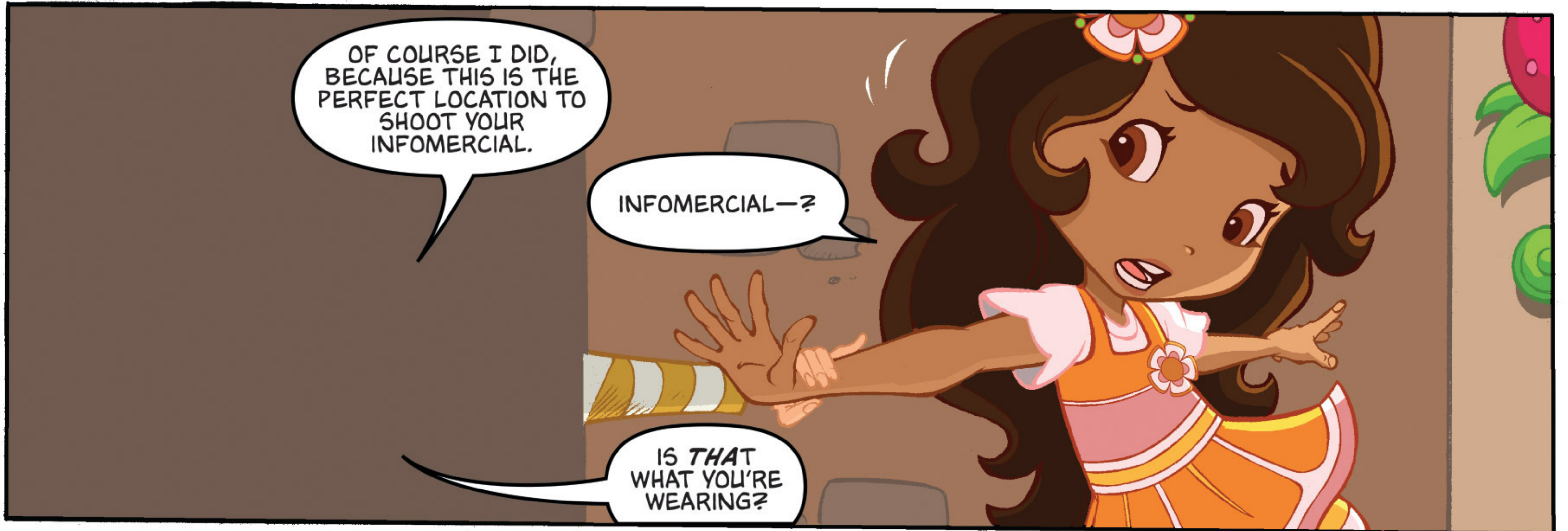
I KNOW RAISIN IS SELFISH SOMETIMES, BUT IF HER IDEAS BENEFIT BOTH OF US...

HOW BAD COULD THAT BE?



HELLO?
RAISIN?

YOU SAID WE
SHOULD MEET
HERE...



OF COURSE I DID,
BECAUSE THIS IS THE
PERFECT LOCATION TO
SHOOT YOUR
INFOMERCIAL.

INFOMERCIAL—?

IS THAT
WHAT YOU'RE
WEARING?



JUST SIT RIGHT
HERE AND LOOK AT THE
CAMERA. BUT NOT TOO
CLOSE, DON'T GIVE IT
SOME BIG CREEPY STARE
OR ANYTHING.

TALK ABOUT
THE FANS BUT NOT
TOO MUCH ABOUT
THE FANS. DON'T
BE BORING.

HAVE A
NATURAL
CONVERSATION
WITH THE
VIEWERS.

UH...

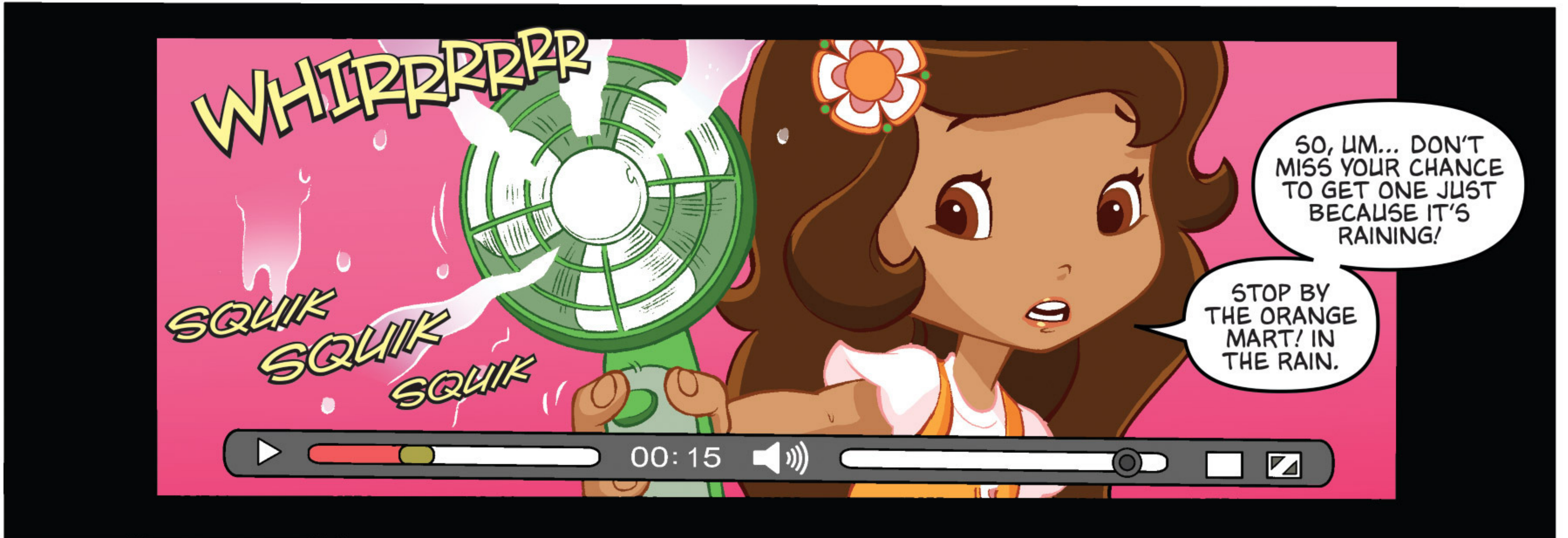
PLOP



—AAAAND
ACTION!

ORANGE
"FANS"

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