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After Princess Celestia mysteriously disappears into a mirror, Luna calls on Twilight Sparkle and friends to find answers in the long lost library of Star Swirl the Bearded. After finding out information about Celestia's past, the Princess herself emerges from the mirror injured!

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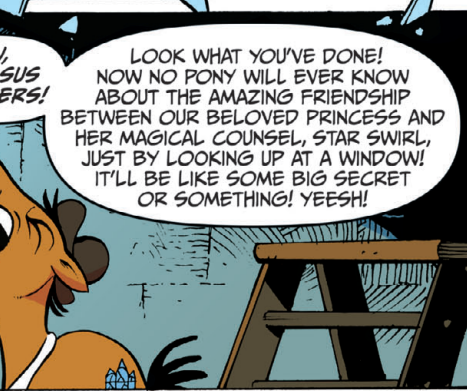
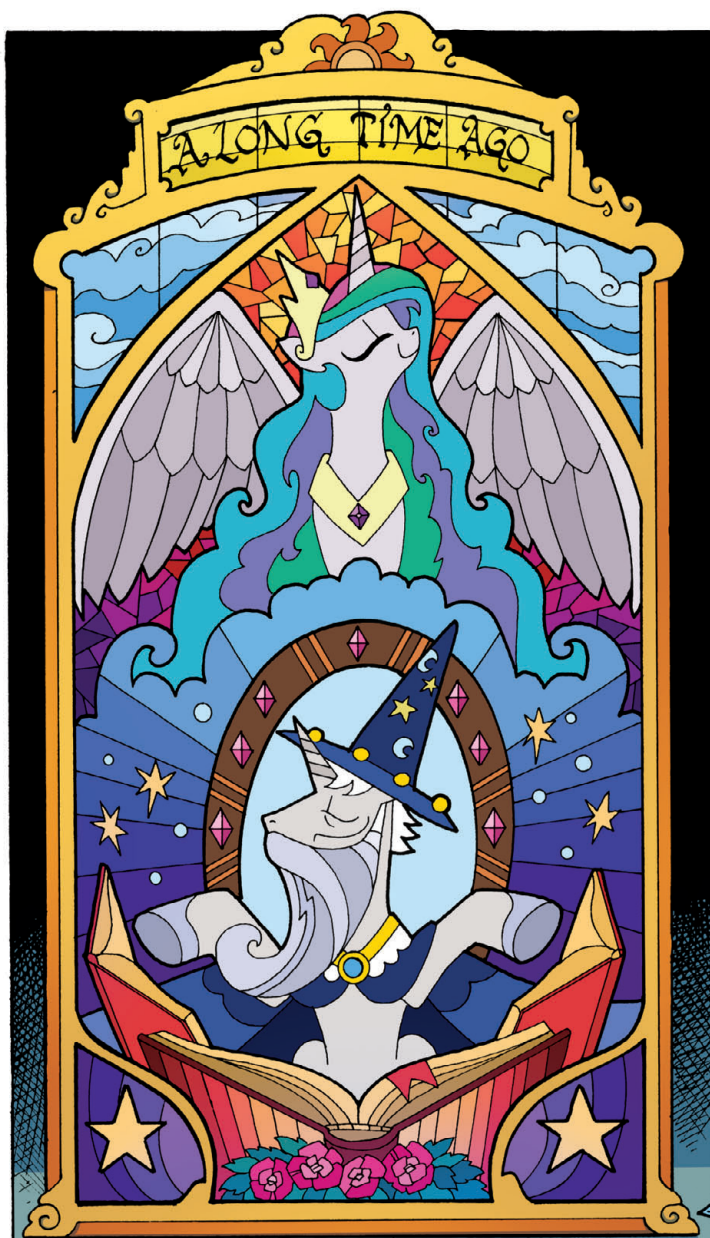
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NOT SO LONG AGO...

SISTER,
HOW ARE YOU
FEELING?

YOU LOOK
RATHER PECKISH...
AND YOUR HAIR IS A
BIT OF A MESS.

PRINCESS
CELESTIA, CAN I
GET YOU ANYTHING?
TEA? A COLD
COMPRESS?

WHERE
DOES SHE
GET THESE?

I'VE
STOPPED
ASKING.

CAKE?

GLAD YOU AREN'T
MANGLED
OR ANYTHING...

I'M FINE,
THANK YOU,
EVERYPONY.

REFLECTIONS

Part 2

Back to Where You've
Never Been Before



FINE? YOU TUMBLE OUT OF A MAGICAL MIRROR INTO A LIFELESS HEAP AND YOU'RE FINE? WHERE HAVE YOU BEEN? WHAT HAPPENED?



I WAS... IN ANOTHER WORLD. I WAS ATTACKED.

WE SAW KING SOMBRA IN THE MIRROR! IS HE THE ONE WHO ATTACKED YOU?

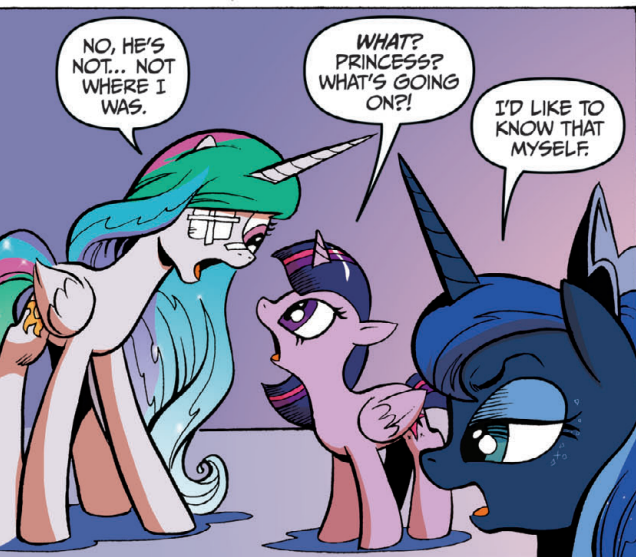


WHAT? NO! OF COURSE HE DIDN'T!

HE'D NEVER... I MEAN...

UH... PRINCESS? HE'D NEVER WHAT?

OF COURSE HE WOULD, HE'S A VILLAIN!



NO, HE'S NOT... NOT WHERE I WAS.

WHAT? PRINCESS? WHAT'S GOING ON?!

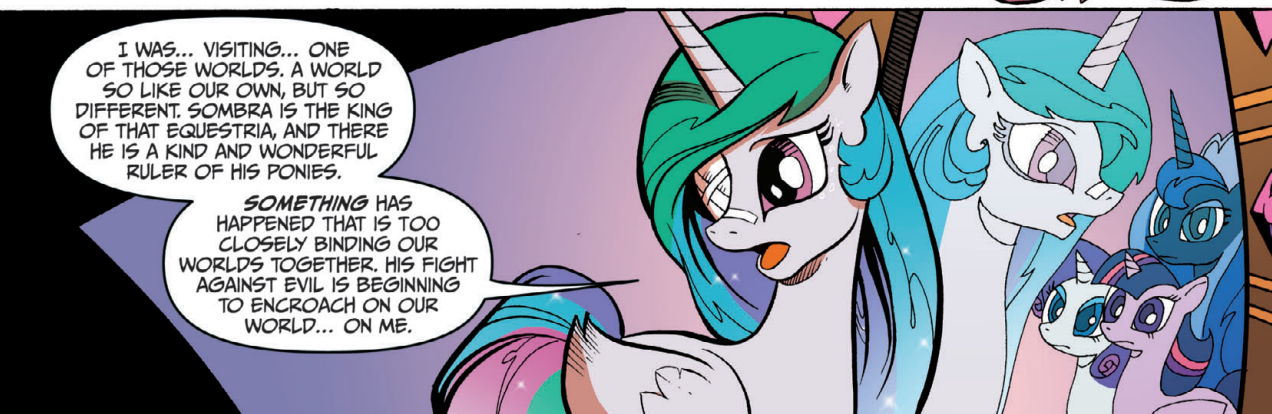
I'D LIKE TO KNOW THAT MYSELF.



YOU'RE ALL AWARE OF THE MIRROR THAT LEADS TO THE WORLD WHERE SUNSET SHIMMER HAS MADE HER HOME?

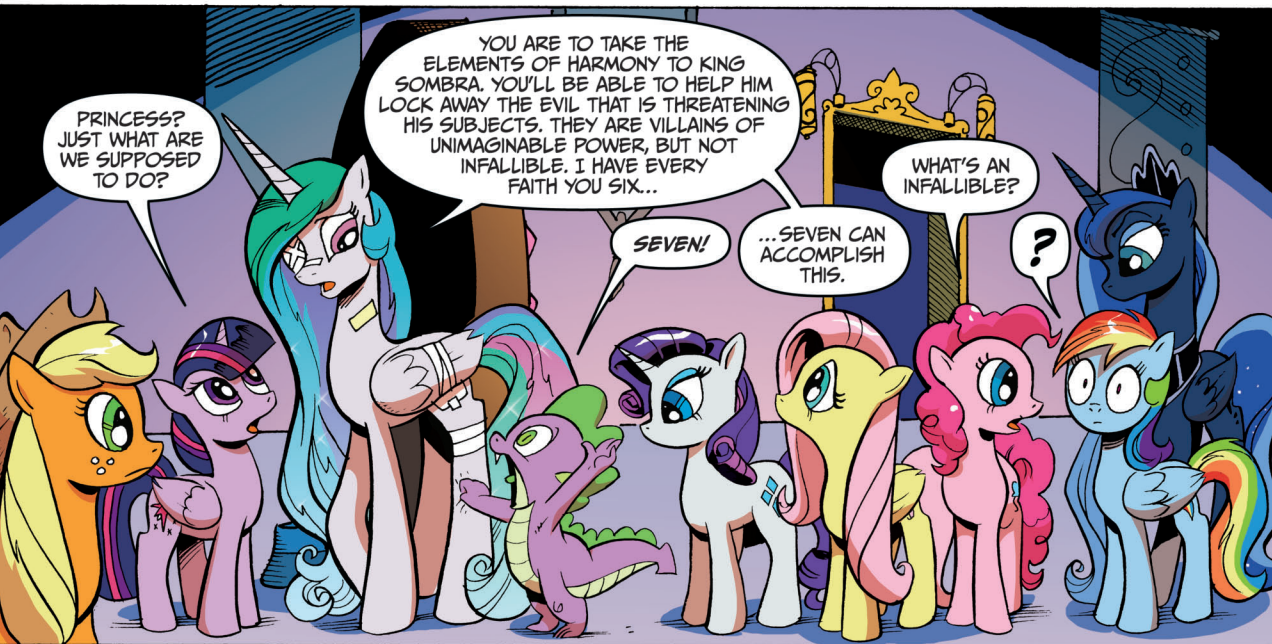
SURE! I WAS A DOG THERE... IT WAS... AWKWARD.

THE MIRROR THAT I POURED OUT OF EARLIER IS A VERY DIFFERENT MIRROR. A PROTOTYPE, IF YOU WILL. IT LEADS TO ANOTHER WORLD.



I WAS... VISITING... ONE OF THOSE WORLDS. A WORLD SO LIKE OUR OWN, BUT SO DIFFERENT. SOMBRA IS THE KING OF THAT EQUESTRIA, AND THERE HE IS A KIND AND WONDERFUL RULER OF HIS PONIES.

SOMETHING HAS HAPPENED THAT IS TOO CLOSELY BINDING OUR WORLDS TOGETHER. HIS FIGHT AGAINST EVIL IS BEGINNING TO ENCRATCH ON OUR WORLD... ON ME.





LUNA, WE CANNOT GO BECAUSE WE ARE THE EVIL THAT IS ENCROACHING UPON THAT LAND. WE... WE'RE THE VILLAINS.

PFFT! PRINCESS LUNA HAS BEEN THERE, DONE THAT. WHAT'S THE BIG DEAL?

A-HEM?



NOT TO QUOTE THE RAINBOW-HAIRED ONE, BUT *YES, I HAVE* BEEN THERE, DONE THAT. I WILL GLADLY TAKE UP THE MANTLE AND FIGHT THIS BATTLE... AGAINST ME... AND EVIL YOU.

ACTUALLY, THE IMAGE OF AN EVIL YOU MAKES ME QUITE GIDDY. I'D RATHER LIKE TO SEE IT.



LUNA, I SAID "NO." THERE'S BEEN A SHIFT IN BOTH WORLDS THAT HAS LINKED US TOO CLOSELY. I DARE NOT RETURN SO SOON AFTER THIS PAST VISIT AND DEEPEN THAT BOND... AND I THINK IT BEST TO KEEP YOU HERE AS WELL.

HMPF. VERY WELL.



WHAT DIFFERENCE ARE WE GOING TO HAVE? ARE WE NOT BOUND TO BOTH WORLDS AS WELL?

AFTER MUCH THOUGHT, I DON'T THINK SO. THE ELEMENTS OF HARMONY DO NOT EXIST IN THIS SOMBRA'S UNIVERSE... YOU SHOULD ALL BE ABLE TO GO AND HELP WITHOUT ADDING TO THE RIFT.



PRINCESS... YOU'RE ASKING US TO FIGHT *YOU*. I... I DON'T THINK I CAN DO THAT. I DON'T THINK I COULD HURT YOU, GOOD OR BAD.

MY DEAR TWILIGHT, I'M NOT EXPECTING YOU TO HURT ME, I'M EXPECTING YOU TO *HELP* ME.

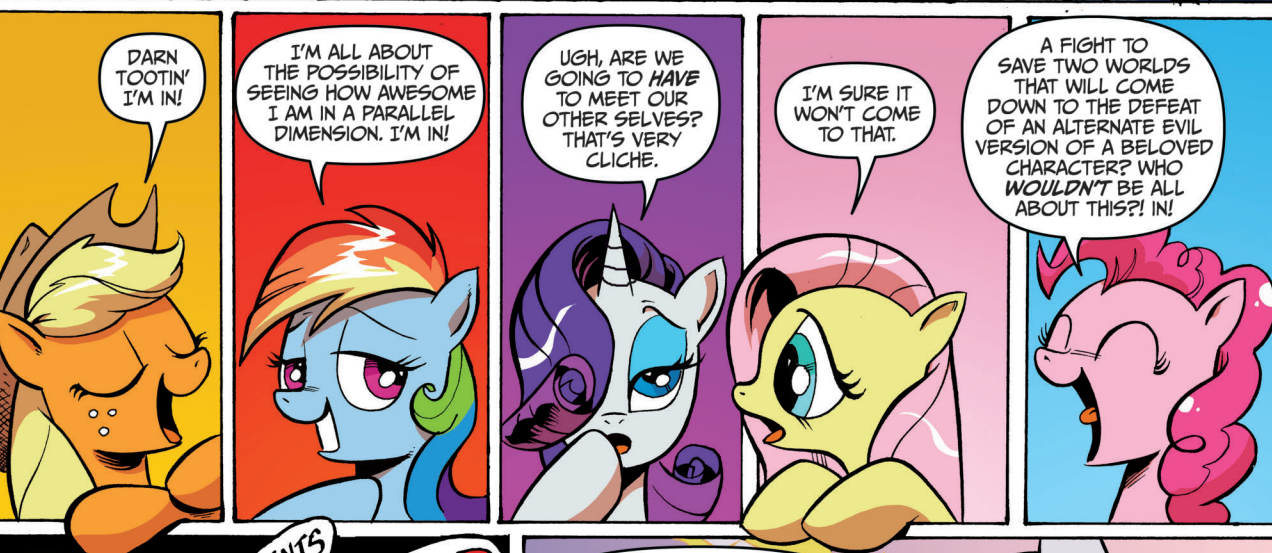
THAT WAS NEEDLESSLY CRYPTIC.



I'M AFRAID THE TIME FOR TALKING IS OVER, WE MUST HURRY. DO YOU ACCEPT THIS TASK?

OF COURSE. SPIKE, GO RETRIEVE THE ELEMENTS AND BRING THEM HERE, PLEASE.

RIGHT!



DARN TOOTIN' I'M IN!

I'M ALL ABOUT THE POSSIBILITY OF SEEING HOW AWESOME I AM IN A PARALLEL DIMENSION. I'M IN!

UGH, ARE WE GOING TO HAVE TO MEET OUR OTHER SELVES? THAT'S VERY CLICHE.

I'M SURE IT WON'T COME TO THAT.

A FIGHT TO SAVE TWO WORLDS THAT WILL COME DOWN TO THE DEFEAT OF AN ALTERNATE EVIL VERSION OF A BELOVED CHARACTER? WHO WOULDN'T BE ALL ABOUT THIS?! IN!



PACKING UP THE ELEMENTS
GONNA SAVE THE **WOOORLD**



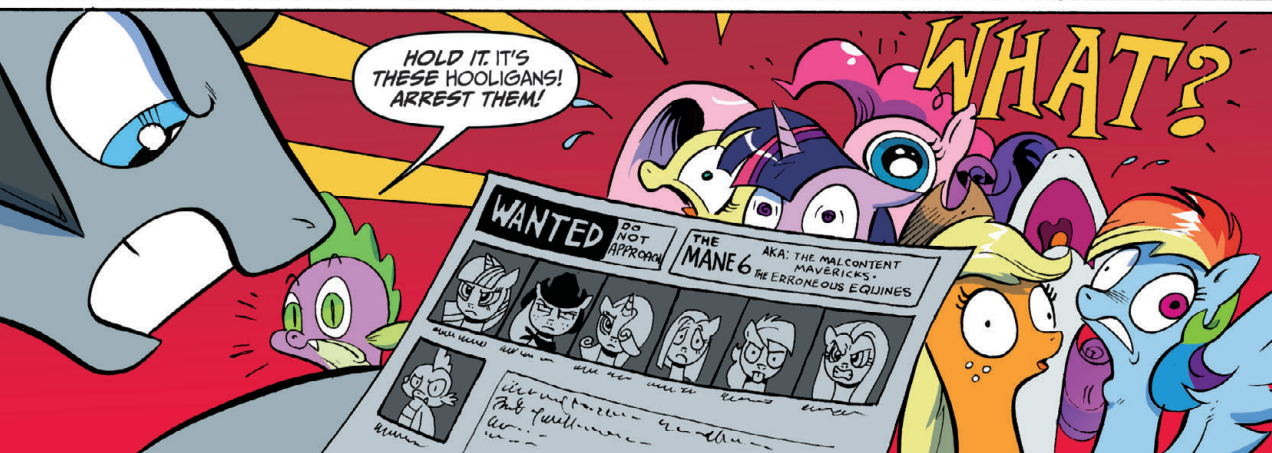
GOING THROUGH THE MIRROR BY MEANS OF MAGIC IS MUCH DIFFERENT THAN WHEN YOU WENT THROUGH VIA THE PHASE OF THE MOON.

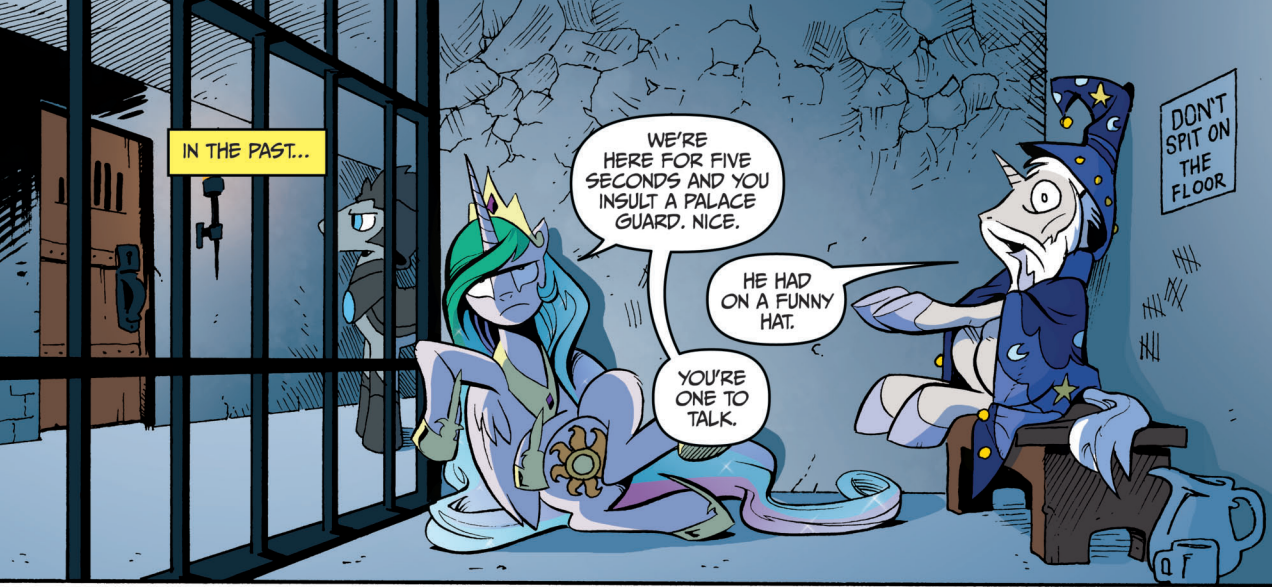
YOU'LL BE ABLE TO RETURN AT ANY TIME VIA THE SPELL ON THIS PAGE. READ IT, REMEMBER IT. DON'T FORGET IT.

I'VE ALREADY CREATED A FUN MNEMONIC DEVICE TO REMEMBER IT! THERE'S NO WAY I'LL FORGET IT!









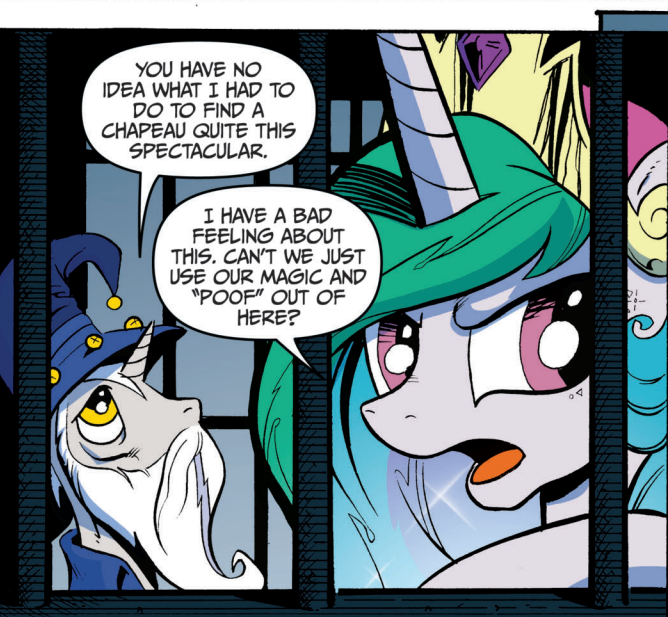
IN THE PAST...

WE'RE HERE FOR FIVE SECONDS AND YOU INSULT A PALACE GUARD. NICE.

HE HAD ON A FUNNY HAT.

YOU'RE ONE TO TALK.

DON'T SPIT ON THE FLOOR



YOU HAVE NO IDEA WHAT I HAD TO DO TO FIND A CHAPEAU QUITE THIS SPECTACULAR.

I HAVE A BAD FEELING ABOUT THIS. CAN'T WE JUST USE OUR MAGIC AND "POOF" OUT OF HERE?



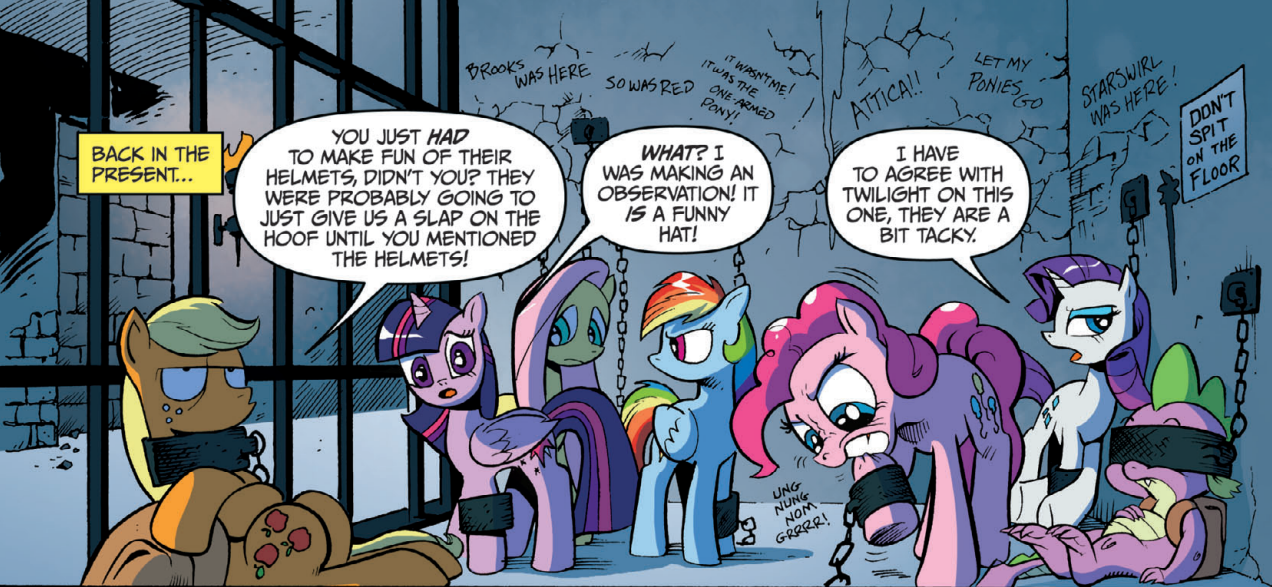
BEST NOT. WE DON'T WANT TO CAUSE A RUCKUS WHILE WE'RE HERE. ESCAPING IS A RUCKUS. THIS WORLD IS SO LIKE OUR OWN... WE DON'T WANT TO RISK CREATING PARADOXES. WE'LL WAIT FOR OUR AUDIENCE WITH THE KING. WE'LL MEET HIM AND STRAIGHTEN THIS OUT.

HMPH.



AH! AND THERE HE IS.

GOOD MORROW, NEWCOMERS. WELCOME TO CANTERLOT.



BACK IN THE PRESENT...

YOU JUST HAD TO MAKE FUN OF THEIR HELMETS, DIDN'T YOU? THEY WERE PROBABLY GOING TO JUST GIVE US A SLAP ON THE HOOF UNTIL YOU MENTIONED THE HELMETS!

WHAT? I WAS MAKING AN OBSERVATION! IT IS A FUNNY HAT!

I HAVE TO AGREE WITH TWILIGHT ON THIS ONE, THEY ARE A BIT TACKY.

PROOKS WAS HERE
SO WAS RED
IT WASN'T ME!
IT WAS THE ONE ARMED PONY!

ATTICA!!

LET MY PONIES GO

STARSWIRL WAS HERE!

DON'T SPIT ON THE FLOOR

UNG NUNG NOM GRRRR!



HOW ARE WE GOING TO GET OUT OF HERE TO FIND KING SOMBRA?

I DON'T KNOW...



WHAT?



TWANG

OH! RIGHT!



LET'S GO! MAYBE THIS PLACE HAS CUPCAKES!

DISMAL CUPCAKES...

YOU KNOW... SOMETIMES I THINK SHE'S THE SMARTEST ONE OF US ALL.

SCARY, ISN'T IT?



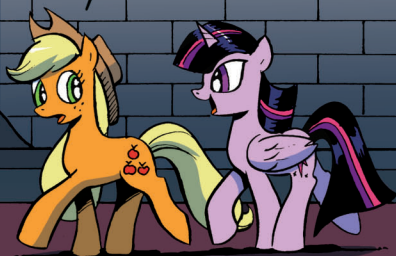
THE ROUTE TO THE THRONE ROOM SEEMS TO BE THE SAME AS THE OTHER CANTERLOT.

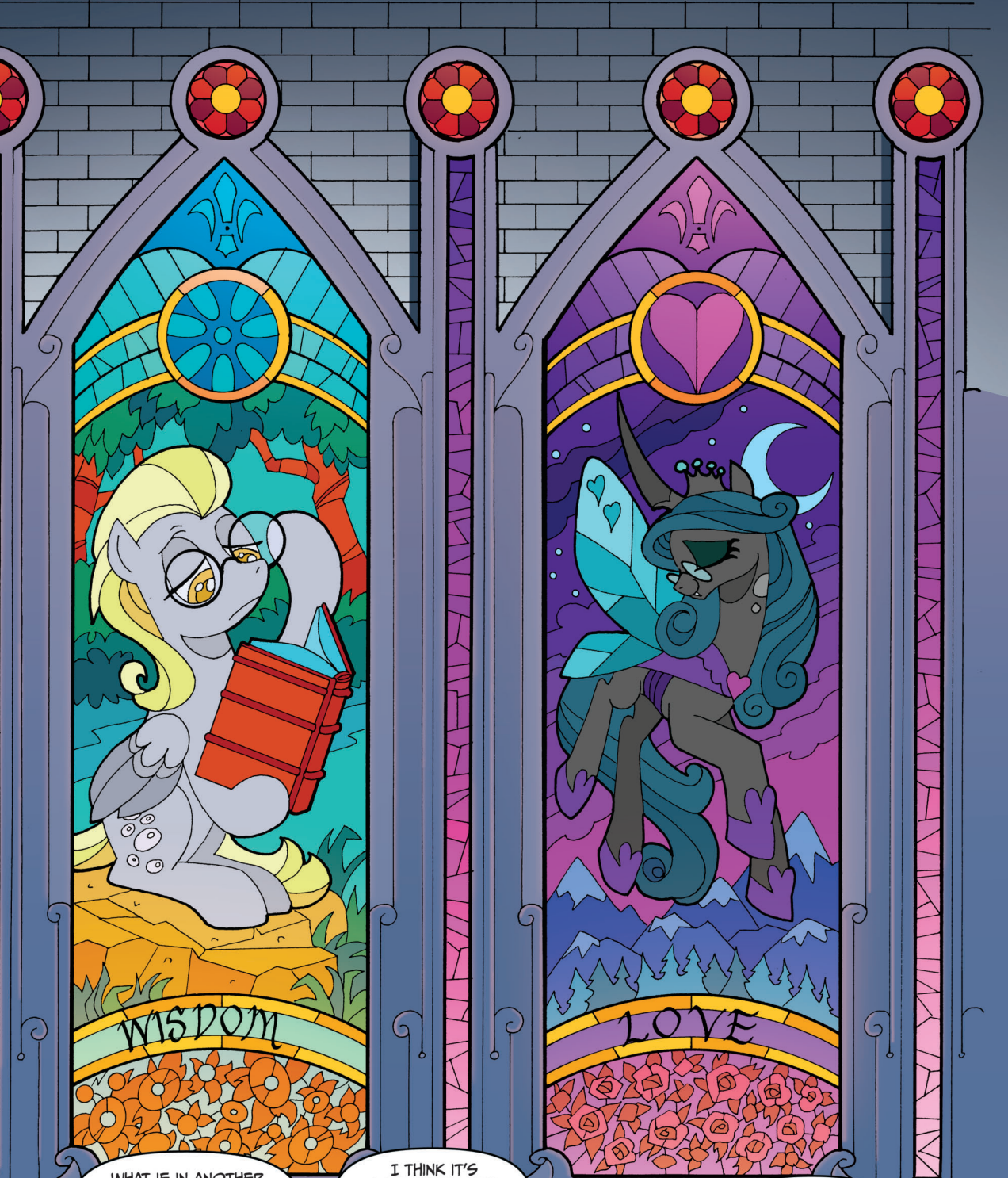
COULD THERE BE MORE ALTERNATE UNIVERSES OUT THERE?



WHO ARE WE IN EACH ONE OF THEM? THERE'S AN INFINITE NUMBER OF POSSIBLE SELVES! AND OF THOSE SELVES, WHO IS THE REAL YOU? IT'S FASCINATING. TRULY A LIFETIME OF RESEARCH IS TO BE HAD IN THE SIMPLE IDEA OF TRAVERSING THE INTERDIMENSIONAL COSMOS! EEE!

SIMPLE?





WHAT IF, IN ANOTHER DIMENSION, WE'RE ALL **DESSERTS**? I BET I'D BE A LAYER CAKE... AND I BET ALL OF YOU WOULD BE **DELICIOUS**.

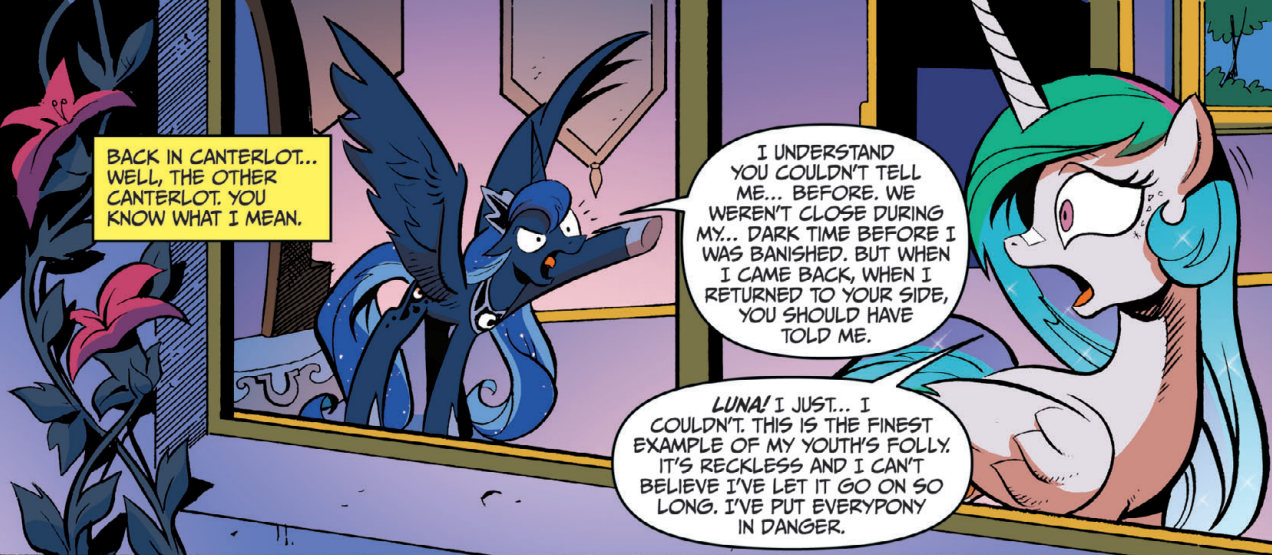
I THINK IT'S A BIT EARLY FOR EXISTENTIALIST TALK, ISN'T IT? CAN WE DISCUSS SOMETHING ELSE?

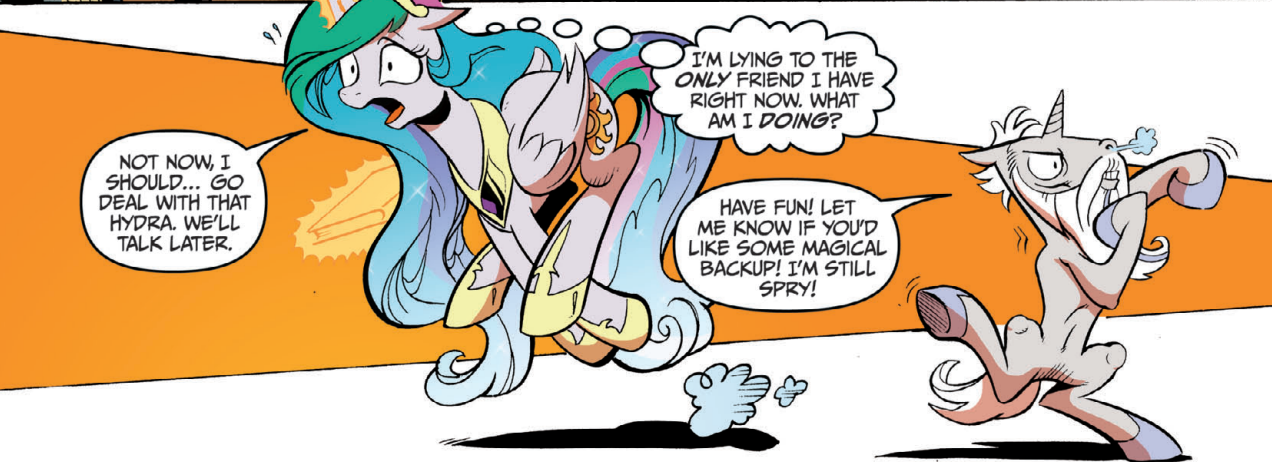
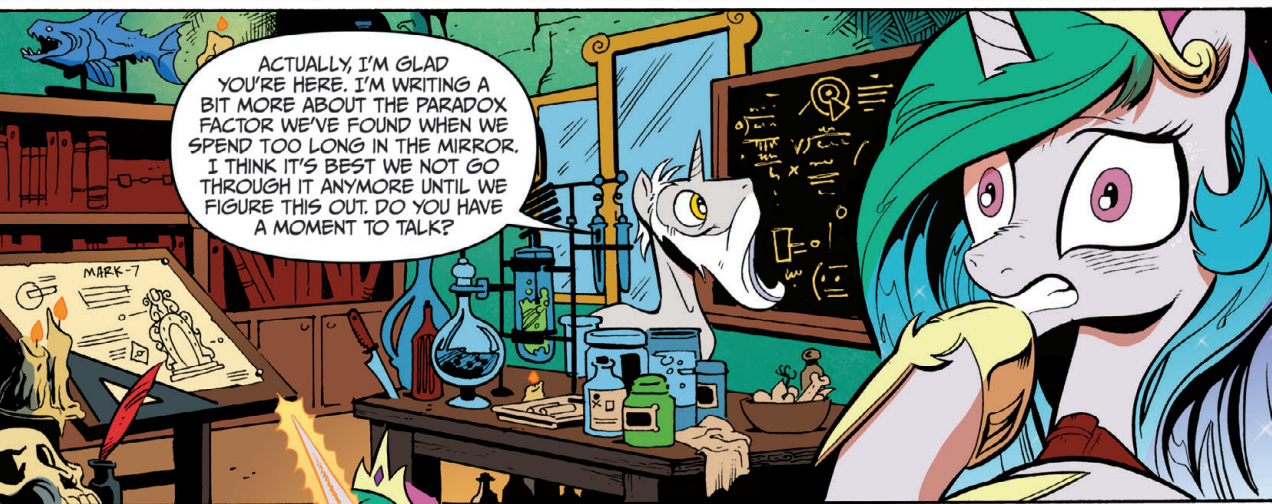
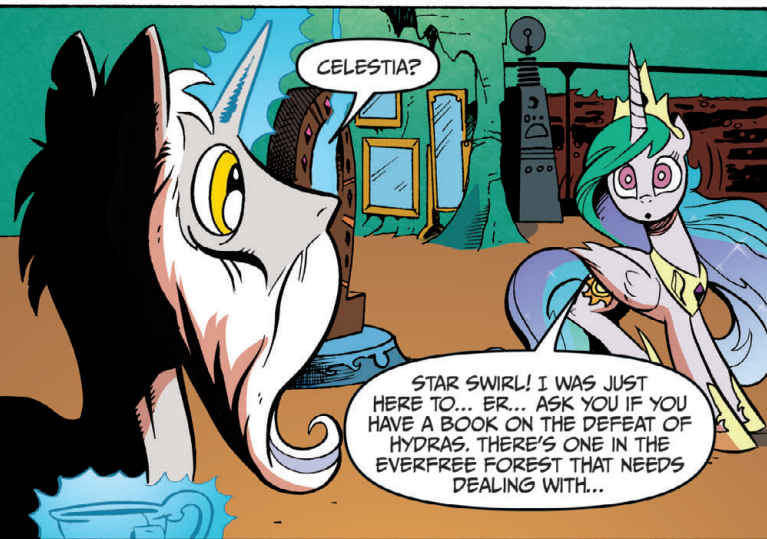
THE GLASS HERE IS LOVELY.

GASP CAN WE SLOW DOWN? SOME OF US ***HUFF*** ARE CARRYING ALL ***PUFF*** YOUR STUFF!



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BACK TO THE FUTURE...
PRESENT... SOMETHING.

HELLO?

COME IN.

Knock
Knock

HE'S RATHER
DASHING HERE,
ISN'T HE?

King Sombra!

BIG
DEAL...

HELLO,
EVERYPONY.
CELESTIA TOLD ME
SHE'D BE SENDING YOU
TO HELP. I'VE BEEN
EXPECTING YOU.

EXPECTING US?
REALLY? BECAUSE
WE WERE ARRESTED
THE MOMENT WE
GOT HERE!

THAT'S ODD...
I GAVE ALL THE
GUARDS A COPY OF
THIS POSTER
SO THEY'D KNOW
TO LOOK FOR
YOU.

EXPECTED

THE MANE 6
AKA THE ELEMENTS
OF HARMONY



Compare
with
actual
ponies
you
know
you
can



WELL, WELL, SOMBRA! WHO ARE YOUR NEW LITTLE FRIENDS?

HEH... WHERE'S THAT *PRETTY* LADY FRIEND OF YOURS? I WASN'T DONE PLAYING WITH HER WHEN SHE LEFT.

WHAT ARE YOU TWO DOING HERE? ANOTHER ROUND OF VICIOUS TAUNTING?



TAUNTING? I'M JUST HERE FOR A FRIENDLY "HELLO"! HAVE YOU RECONSIDERED MY OFFER, HMM?

YOU AND YOUR "OFFER" CAN GO...

HEY, EVIL CELESTIA!

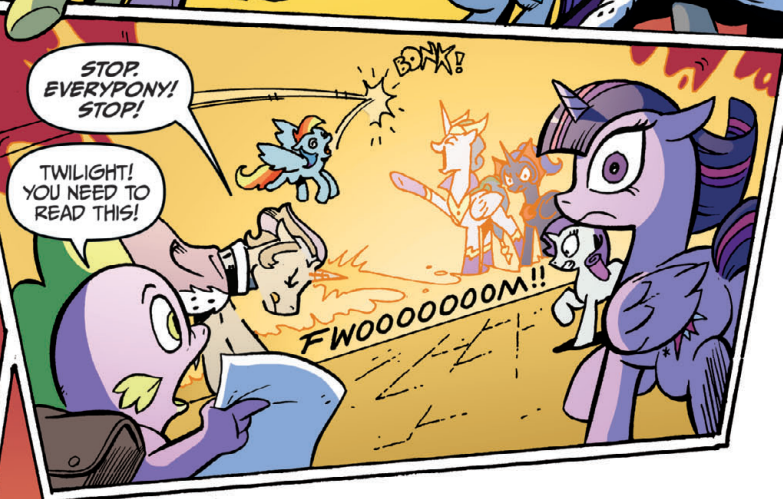


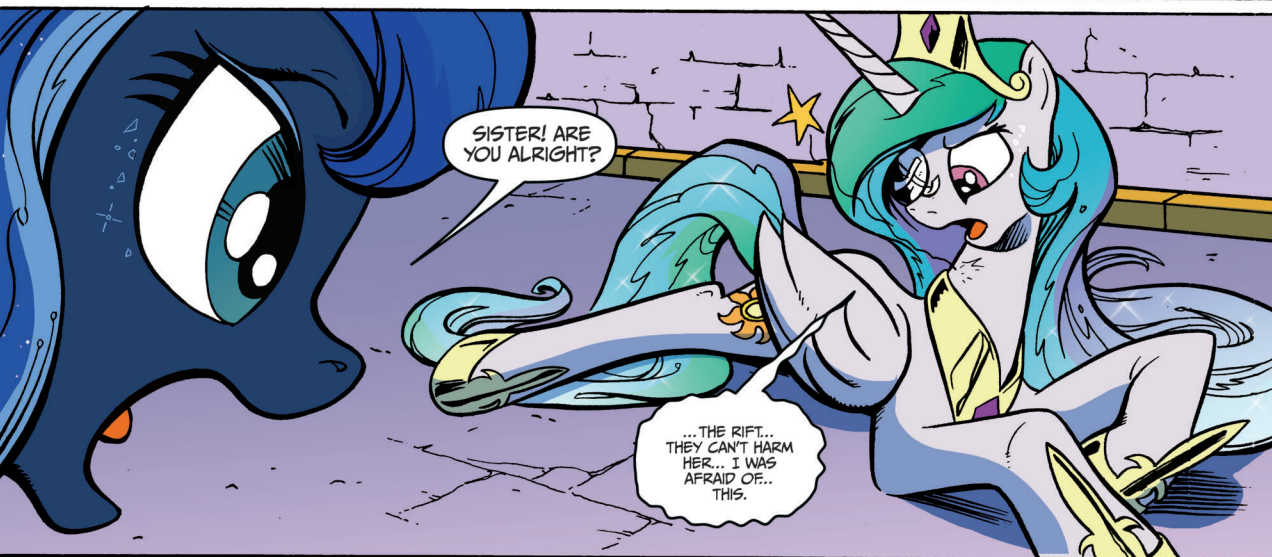
A NEW LITTLE ALICORN PRINCESS! SOMBRA! WHEREVER DID YOU FIND HER? LUNA! ISN'T SHE JUST DARLING?

WHAT MAGIC ARE YOU GOING TO DO WITH *THAT*, SMALL ONE? A CARD TRICK?

SHAMLESTIA?
FAUXLESTIA?

DUPLUNA?
TWONA?







NO HARM
MAY COME
TO HER...

I LOVE
HER.

TELL THEM
THEY HAVE TO
SAVE HIM...

I LOVE
HIM.

Though Nothing, Will Keep Us Together
We Could Steal Time, Just For One Day

TO BE CONTINUED



SPLOOSH!

