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# my LITTLE PONY

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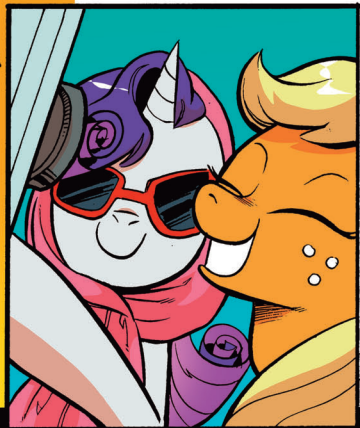
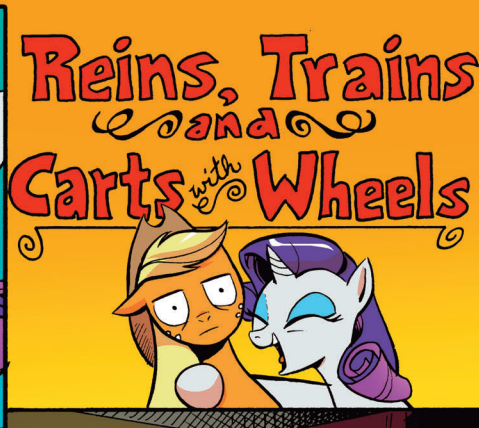
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EH?  
WHAT'S ALL  
THIS THEN?

IT'S CALLED  
"THE MAIL" GRANNY  
SMITH! I THOUGHT  
YOU KNEW THAT.



WHIPPERSNAPPERS...



"DEAR PONYVILLE APPLES,  
WE WERE JUST TALKING ABOUT YOUR  
DELICIOUS APPLES AND WE HAD AN IDEA.  
WE'D LIKE TO INCORPORATE SOME OF YOUR  
PRODUCE INTO OUR NEW LINE OF DESSERTS IN  
OUR SHOP... DO YOU HAVE TIME TO COME  
OUT FOR A VISIT AND A BUSINESS CHAT?  
WE'D LOVE TO SEE YOU!"

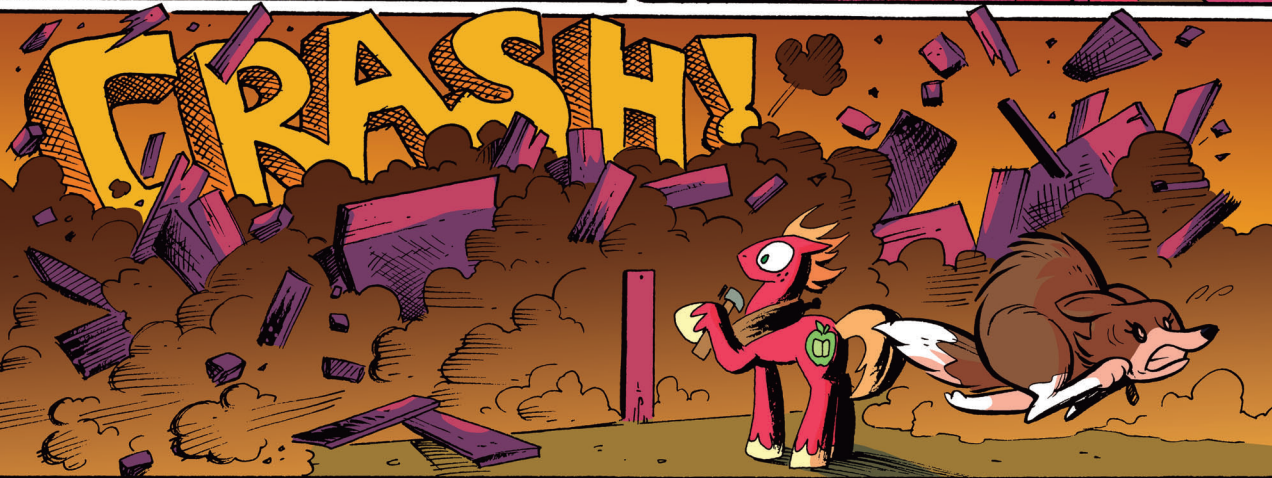
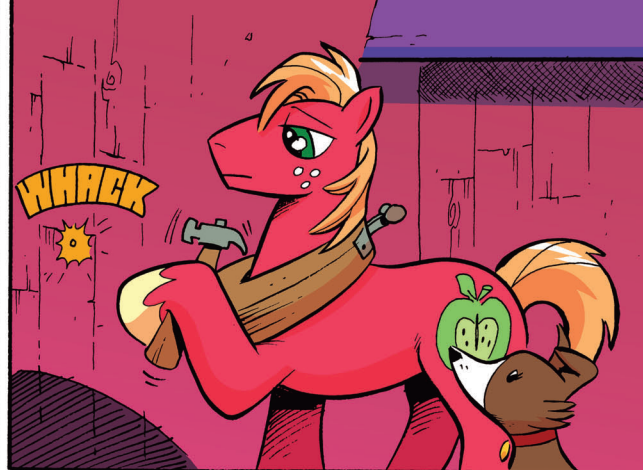
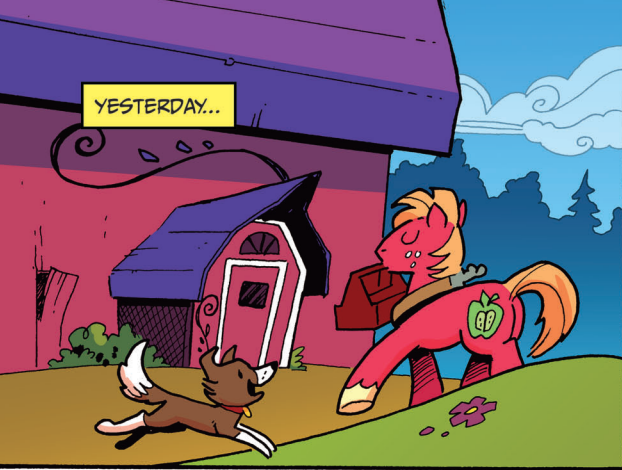
"SIGNED, THE  
WEST COAST  
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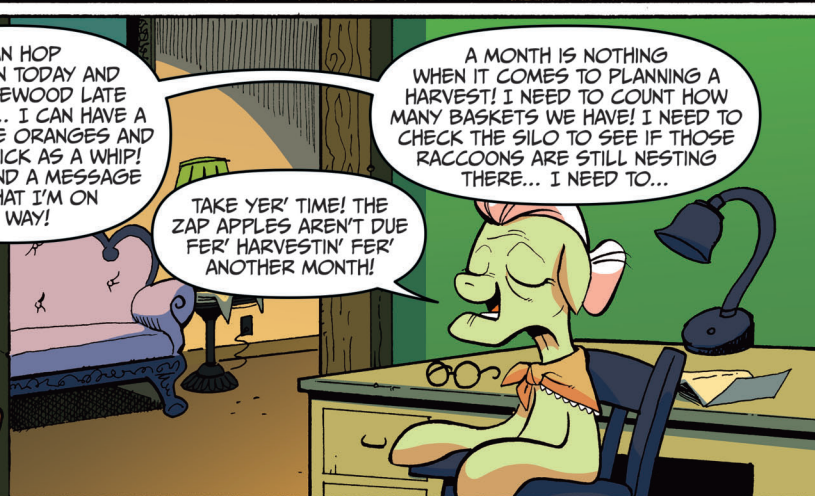
BUSINESS  
EXPANSION, HOW  
EXCITIN'! SELLING OUR  
APPLES OUT WEST... THIS  
COULD EARN US ENOUGH  
BITS TO REBUILD THE  
BARN... AGAIN...



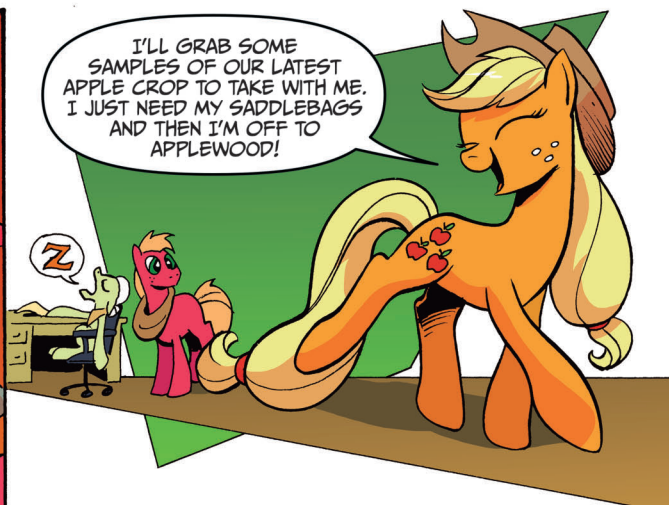




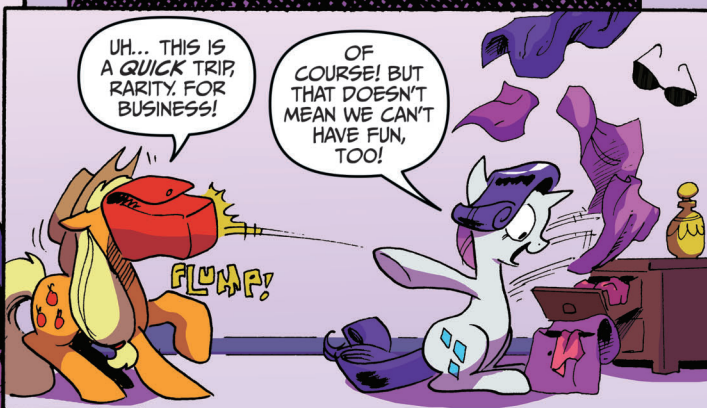
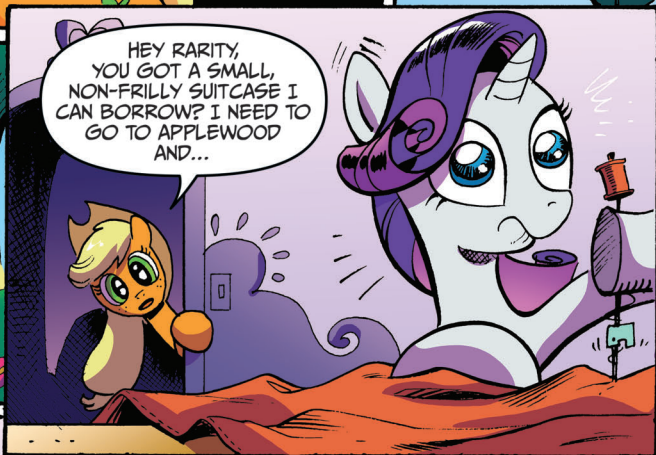
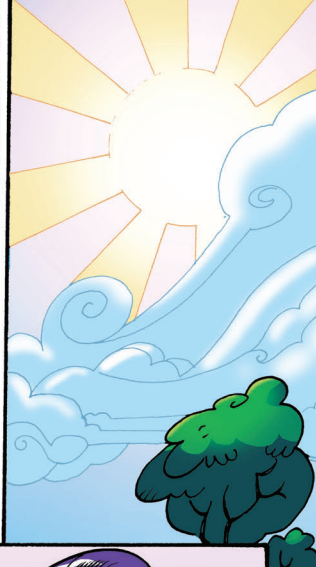
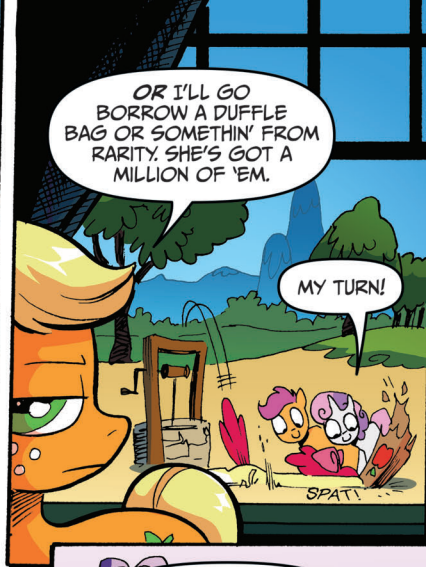
I CAN HOP ON A TRAIN TODAY AND BE IN APPLEWOOD LATE TOMORROW... I CAN HAVE A CHAT WITH THE ORANGES AND BE BACK QUICK AS A WHIP! GRANNY! SEND A MESSAGE BACK THAT I'M ON MY WAY!



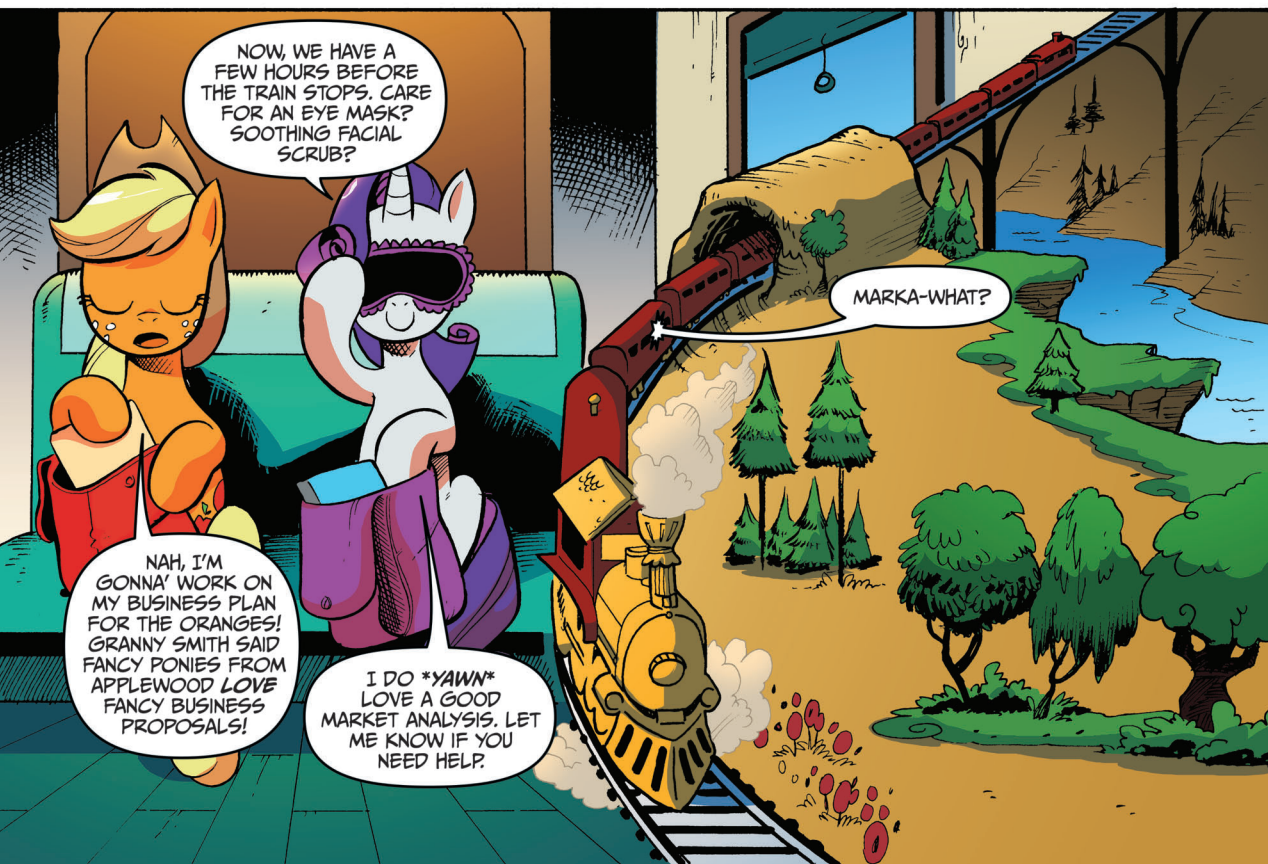
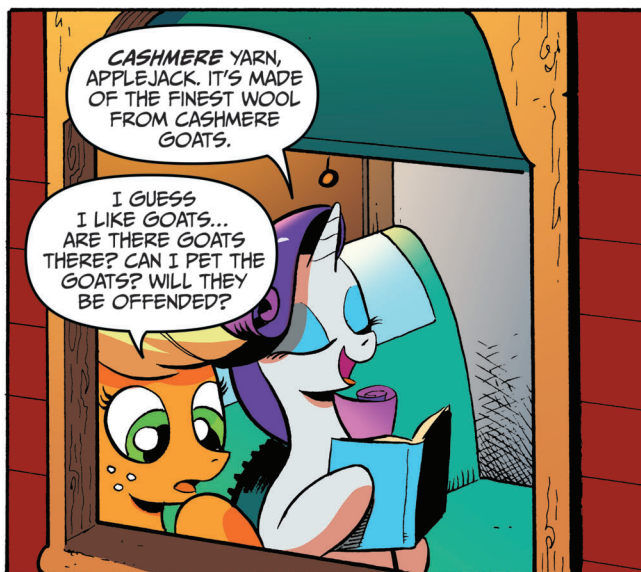
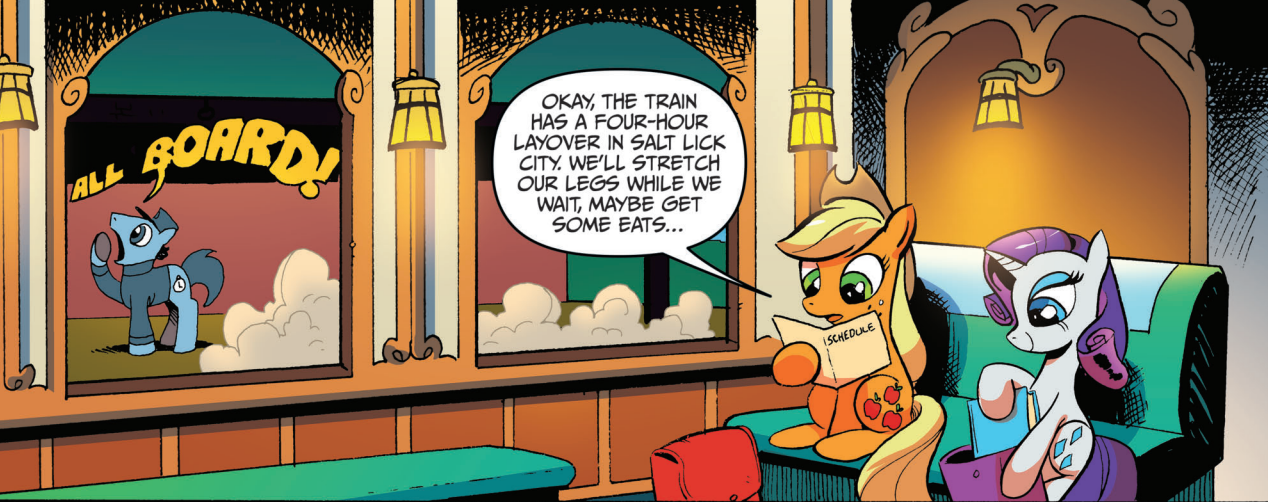
TAKE YER' TIME! THE ZAP APPLES AREN'T DUE FER' HARVESTIN' FER' ANOTHER MONTH!















A FEW HOURS LATER...

WELCOME TO SALT LICK CITY, PONIES! YOU HAVE A FEW HOURS BEFORE WE HEAD OFF AGAIN, WHY NOT GO FOR A WALK?

OKAY, WE *HAVE* TO BE BACK BEFORE THE TRAIN LEAVES. THE NEXT TRAIN DOESN'T LEAVE UNTIL *TOMORROW*, SO WE *HAVE* TO BE BACK HERE. GOT IT?

THIS'LL BE QUICK. WE CAN *SEE* THE BALL OF YARN FROM HERE, IT'S NOT FAR!

I GUESS IF YOU CAN *SEE* THE BALL OF YARN FROM HERE IT'S NOT BAD. HOW BIG CAN... IT... BE...?

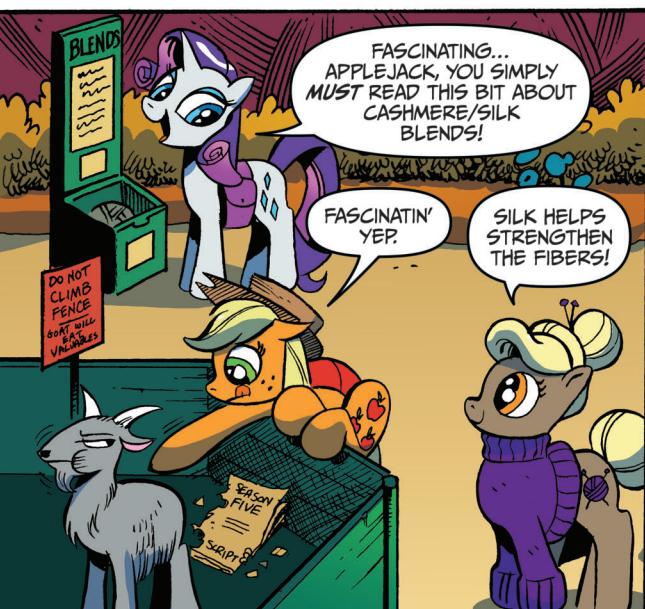


OOOOOH! THERE IT IS! LET'S GO!



JUST LOOK AT IT! THINK OF ALL THE *SWEATERS* YOU COULD KNIT OUT OF IT!

THAT *YOU* COULD KNIT. I CAN'T EVEN HOLD KNITTING NEEDLES. TELL YOU THE TRUTH, I DON'T KNOW HOW GRANNY SMITH DOES IT.



FASCINATING... APPLEJACK, YOU SIMPLY *MUST* READ THIS BIT ABOUT CASHMERE/SILK BLENDS!

FASCINATIN' YER.

SILK HELPS STRENGTHEN THE FIBERS!



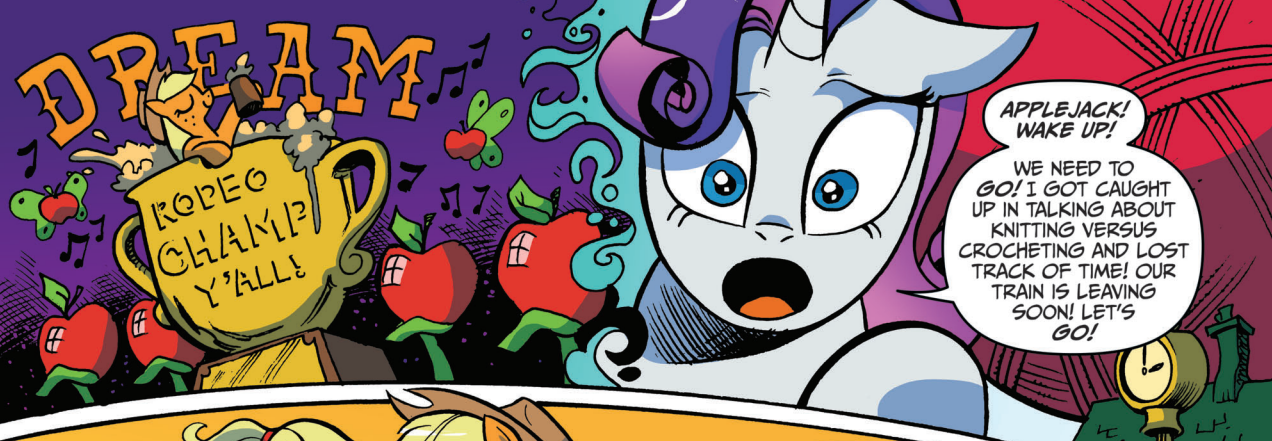
AND *OH!* IT SAYS HERE THAT THEY COULD KNIT OVER 3,000 SWEATERS FROM THE BALL. I WONDER IF THEY MEAN LIKE A PLAIN CARDIGAN OR A CABLE-KNIT...

JUST A PLAIN SWEATER, I'D SUPPOSE. I'D LOVE TO SEE THE NUMBERS FOR MORE ELABORATE SWEATERS...

I'LL JUST WAIT HERE, I'LL LET YOU *-YAWN-* KNOW WHEN IT'S TIME... TO GO...

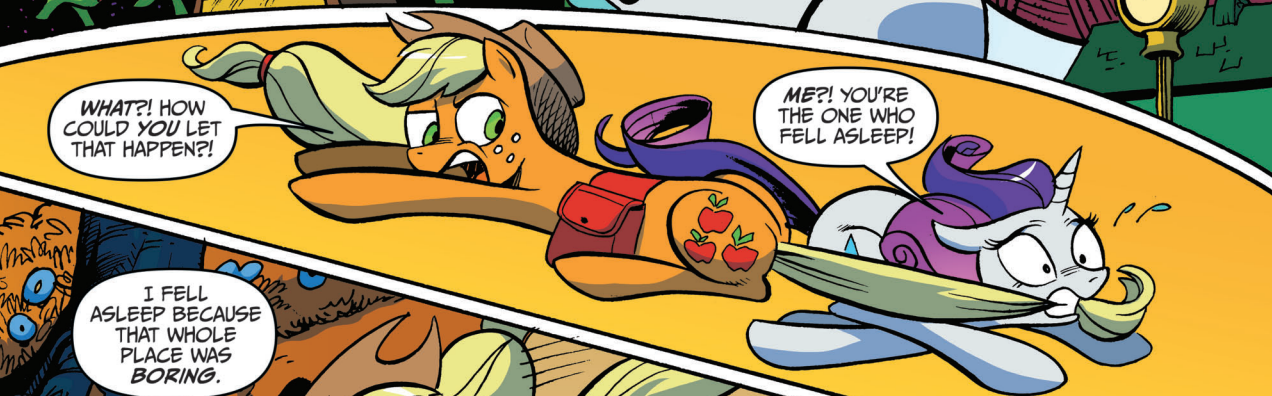
LAST KNOWN EX-AMPLE OF CRYSTAL SPUN YARN





APPLEJACK!  
WAKE UP!

WE NEED TO  
GO! I GOT CAUGHT  
UP IN TALKING ABOUT  
KNITTING VERSUS  
CROCHETING AND LOST  
TRACK OF TIME! OUR  
TRAIN IS LEAVING  
SOON! LET'S  
GO!



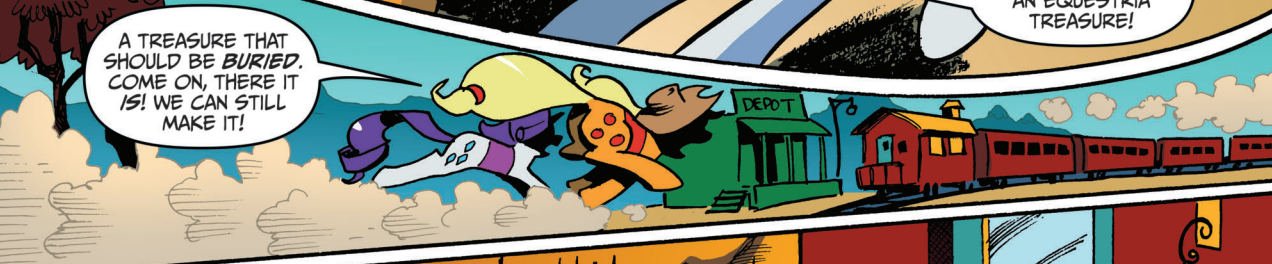
WHAT?! HOW  
COULD YOU LET  
THAT HAPPEN?!

ME?! YOU'RE  
THE ONE WHO  
FELL ASLEEP!



I FELL  
ASLEEP BECAUSE  
THAT WHOLE  
PLACE WAS  
BORING.

GASP! HOW DARE  
YOU! THAT PLACE IS  
AN EQUESTRIA  
TREASURE!



A TREASURE THAT  
SHOULD BE BURIED.  
COME ON, THERE IT  
IS! WE CAN STILL  
MAKE IT!



ARE YOU  
SURE THIS  
IS...

OF COURSE  
I'M SURE! IT'S  
THE ONE LEAVIN',  
ISN'T IT?!





WHEW!  
WE MADE  
IT!

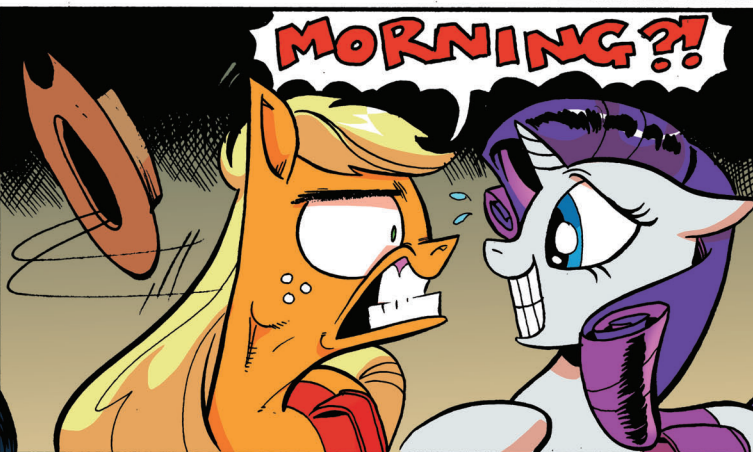


HEH! LOOKS LIKE  
YOU PONIES MADE IT  
JUST IN TIME! GOT YOUR  
TICKETS TO SEADDLE  
READY?

SEADDLE?  
WHAT?! NO!  
WE'RE GOING TO  
APPLEWOOD!



THAT TRAIN WAS  
DELAYED 15 MINUTES! LOOKS  
LIKE YOU BOARDED THE WRONG  
ONE. NO WORRIES, WE'LL GET  
YOU TO SEADDLE TONIGHT AND  
GET YOU TURNED AROUND IN  
THE MORNING ON THE  
NEXT TRAIN OUT.



MORNING?!



SEADDLE! WELL, IF  
WE'RE GOING THERE, WE  
SIMPLY CAN'T MISS OUT ON  
SEEING PONY BARTLETT'S  
WATER SKI & JUMPING BOAT  
THRILL SHOW!



IN THE MEANTIME,  
I COULD HELP YOU  
WITH YOUR BUSINESS  
PROPOSAL! CAN I TAKE  
A LOOK AT WHAT YOU  
HAVE SO FAR?

I DON'T NEED  
HELP. I HAVE APPLE  
SAMPLES AND A PLAN. I  
PLAN TO TAKE A NAP AND  
WAIT UNTIL THIS WHOLE  
DAY ENDS.



SLAM

SHE REALLY IS A  
LOVELY PONY MOST  
OF THE TIME. SHE'S  
JUST UNDER A LOT  
OF STRESS.



THE NEXT MORNING.

I CAN'T *BELIEVE* YOU TALKED ME INTO THIS. IF WE MISS OUR TRAIN *AGAIN*, I WILL PERSONALLY BALL UP EVERY STITCH OF CLOTHING YOU OWN AND ROLL THE WHOLE MESS INTO A GORGE.

PISH POSH. WE HAVE *HOURS* YET. ENJOY YOURSELF! BESIDES, I HAVE THE TAXI *WAITING* OUTSIDE FOR US. WE'LL BE FINE!



NOW I BOUGHT YOU ONE OF THOSE "HAYDOG" THINGS YOU LIKE, PUT ON THIS HAT AND ENJOY THE *BIG FINALE*!



I DON'T SEE WHY YOU'RE IN SUCH A RUSH. THE FIREWORKS AREN'T EVEN OVER. LOOK!

THIS IS A *BUSINESS TRIP*, RARITY! YOU OWN A BUSINESS, I'D THINK YOU'D UNDERSTAND!

NO PONY GETS BUSINESS MORE THAN ME! THAT DOESN'T MEAN WE CAN'T ENJOY THE SIGHTS IN OUR SPARE TIME. WE HAVE *PLENTY* OF TIME TO GET BACK TO THE...

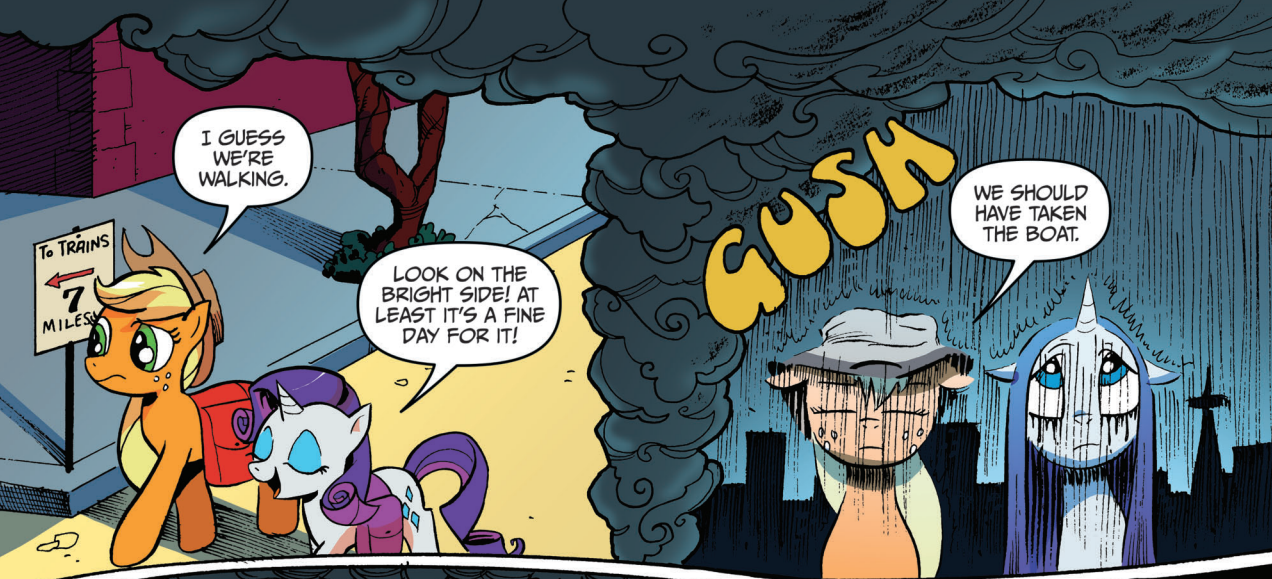
EXIT

...TRAIN.

THIS HAPPENS EVERY SHOW.





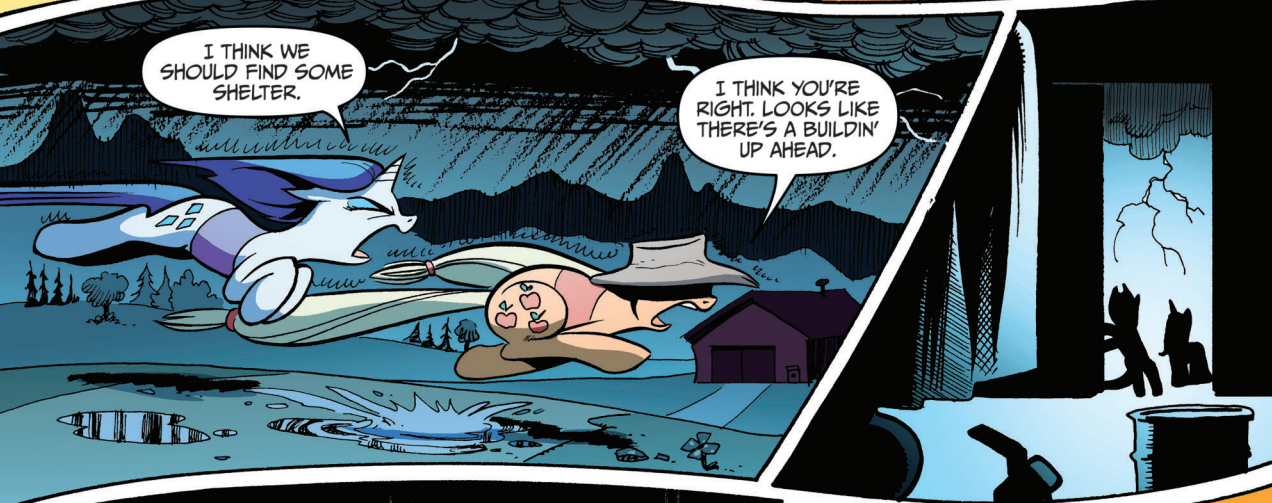


I GUESS WE'RE WALKING.

LOOK ON THE BRIGHT SIDE! AT LEAST IT'S A FINE DAY FOR IT!

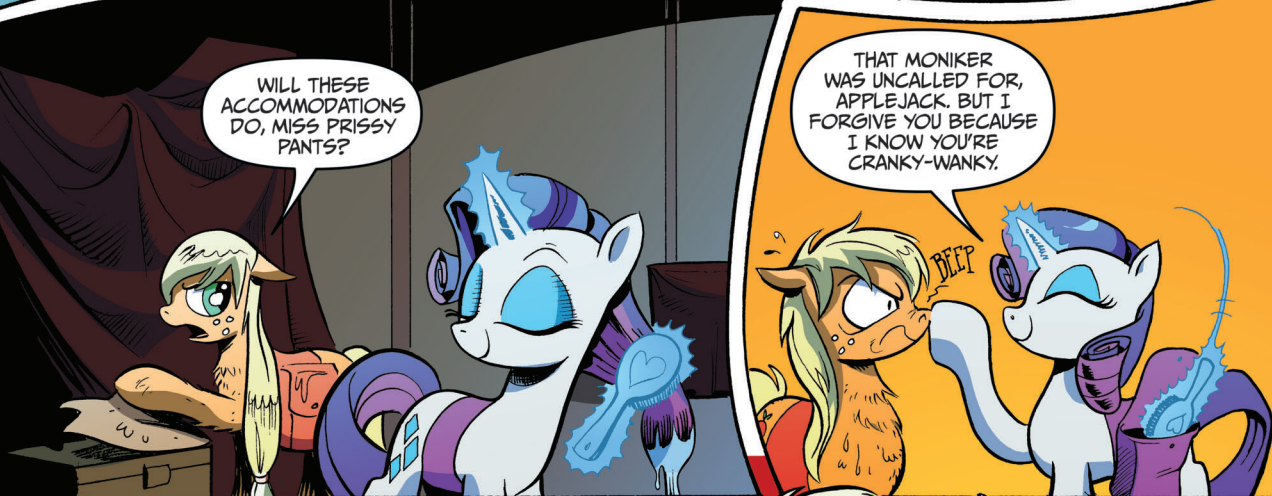
GUSH

WE SHOULD HAVE TAKEN THE BOAT.



I THINK WE SHOULD FIND SOME SHELTER.

I THINK YOU'RE RIGHT. LOOKS LIKE THERE'S A BUILDIN' UP AHEAD.



WILL THESE ACCOMMODATIONS DO, MISS PRISSEY PANTS?

THAT MONIKER WAS UNCALLED FOR, APPLEJACK. BUT I FORGIVE YOU BECAUSE I KNOW YOU'RE CRANKY-WANKY.



DOOP

VERY CRANKY-WANKY.





SIGH. WE'LL STOP FOR A BIT AND WAIT FOR THE RAIN TO STOP.

YOU CAN WORK ON YOUR BUSINESS PLAN! DO YOU HAVE SOME PROJECTION CHARTS? I HAVE SOME MARKERS PACKED IF YOU WANT TO MAKE AN EYE-CATCHING PIE-CHART!

WHAT? I DIDN'T BRING ANY PIE... JUST APPLES.



SOME TIME LATER.

HEY RARITY, WAKE UP. THE RAIN IS SLOWIN' UP.

NO, MOMMY... NOT THE ONE WITH THE SHOULDER PADS...

BUSINESS PLAN  
① SELL APPLES  
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IT'S A MUDDY MESS OUT THERE. WE BETTER GET WALKING.... WE'VE MISSED THE FIRST TRAIN BUT WE WON'T MISS THE SECOND ONE.

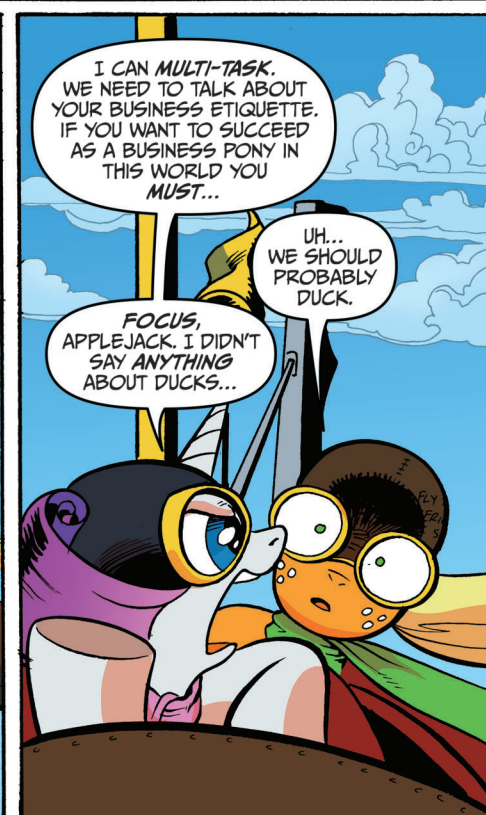
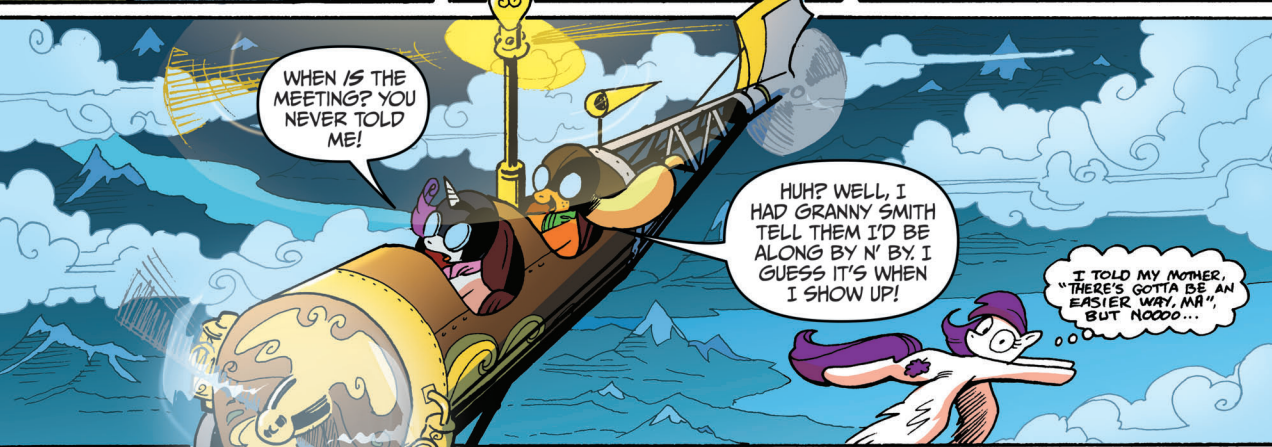
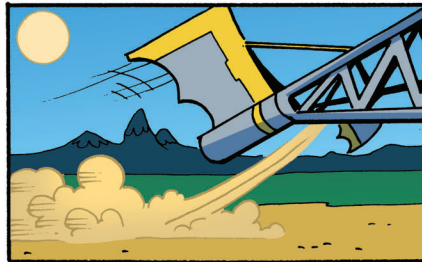
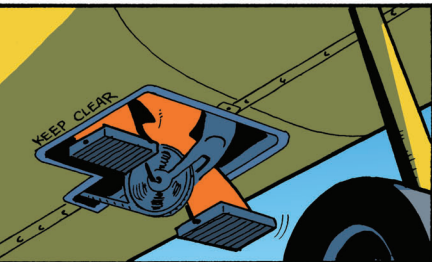
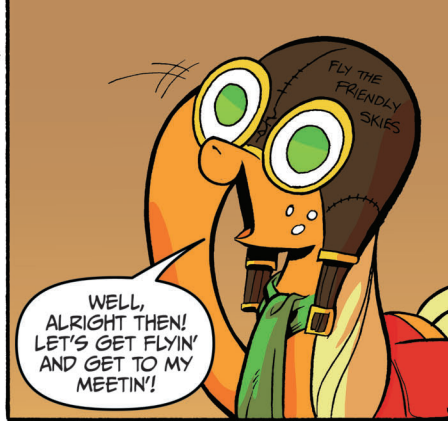
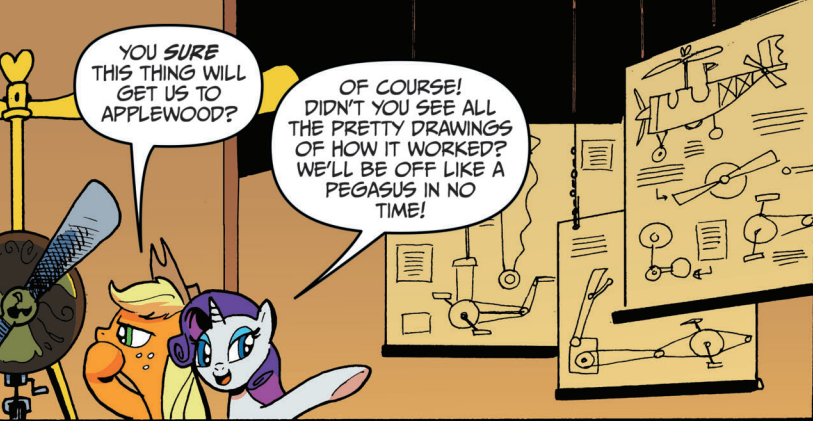
OOOOORRR...



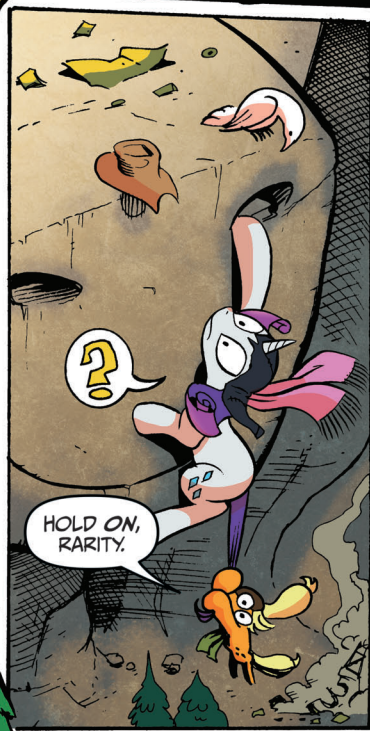
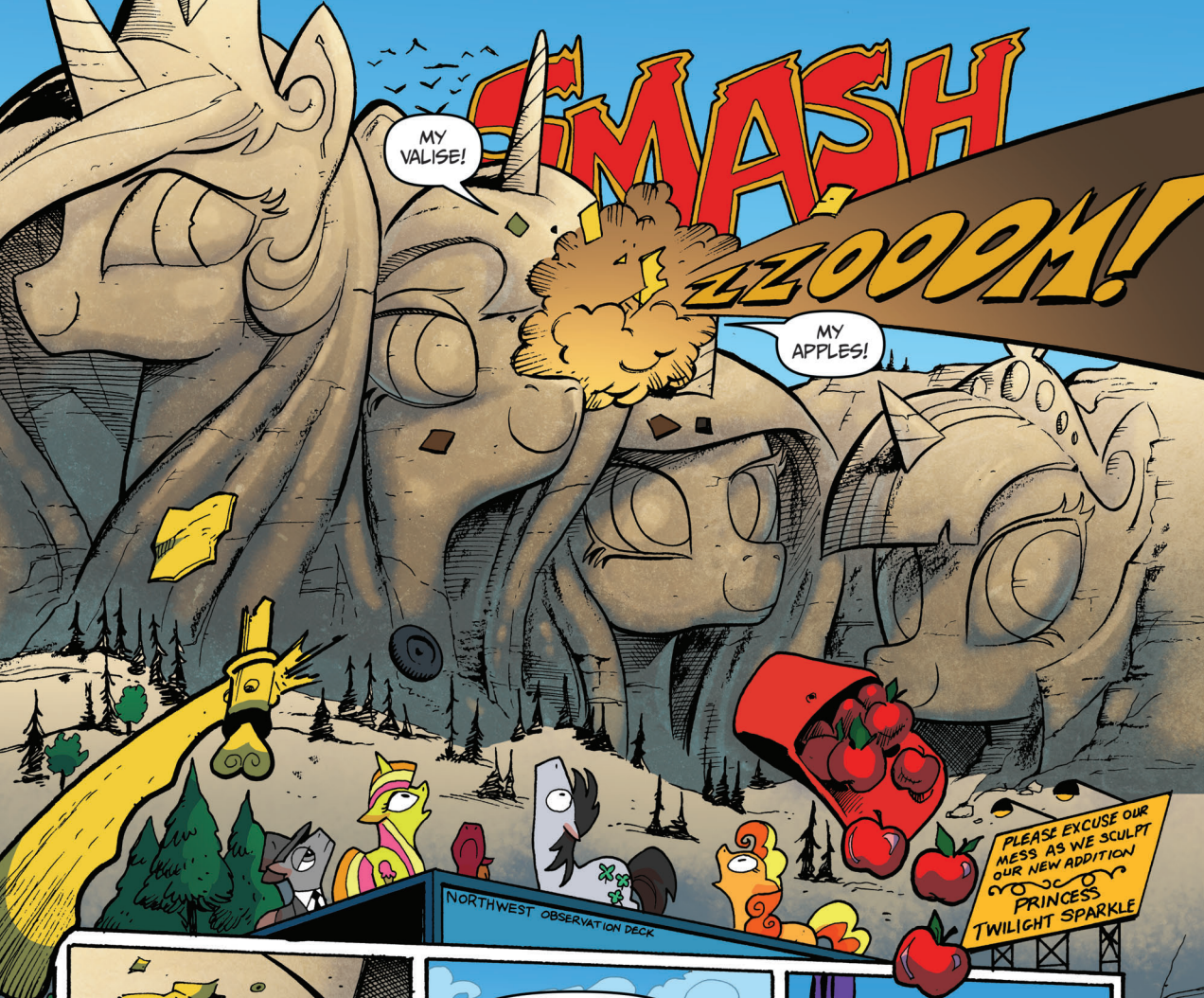
IT LOOKS LIKE THIS COULD HELP US.

COUGH! COUGH! WHAT IS THAT?!

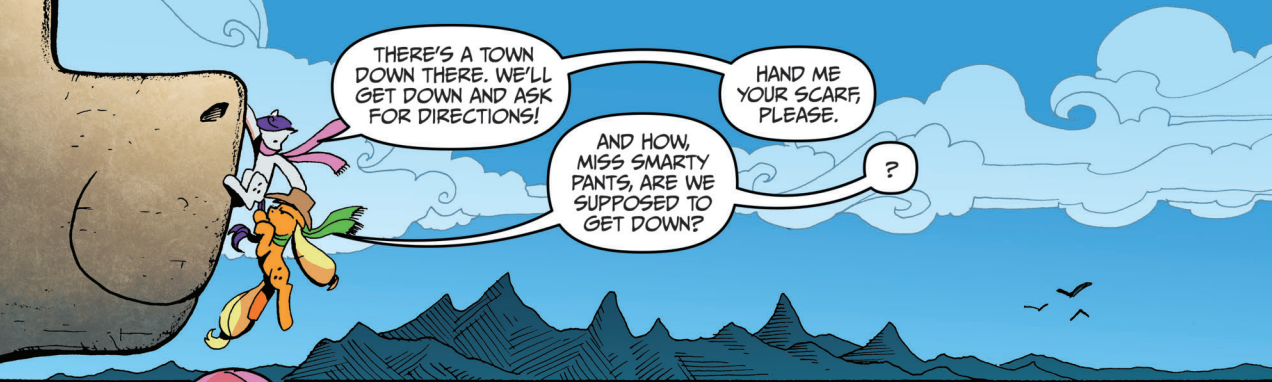










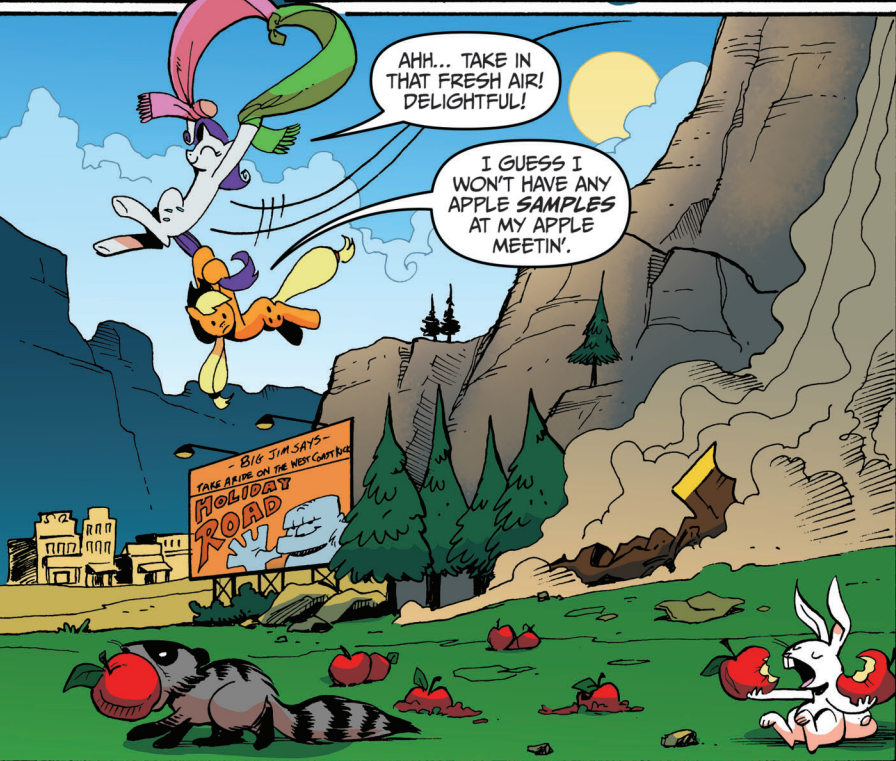


THERE'S A TOWN DOWN THERE. WE'LL GET DOWN AND ASK FOR DIRECTIONS!

HAND ME YOUR SCARF, PLEASE.

AND HOW, MISS SMARTY PANTS, ARE WE SUPPOSED TO GET DOWN?

?



AHH... TAKE IN THAT FRESH AIR! DELIGHTFUL!

I GUESS I WON'T HAVE ANY APPLE SAMPLES AT MY APPLE MEETIN'.



APPLEJACK! LOOK! WESTERN-Y TYPE THINGS! YOU LOVE THOSE THINGS!



NOW, WE'LL HIRE A PONY TO TAKE US TO THE NEXT TOWN WITH A TRAIN. WE CAN ZIP OFF TO APPLEWOOD.

FINE.

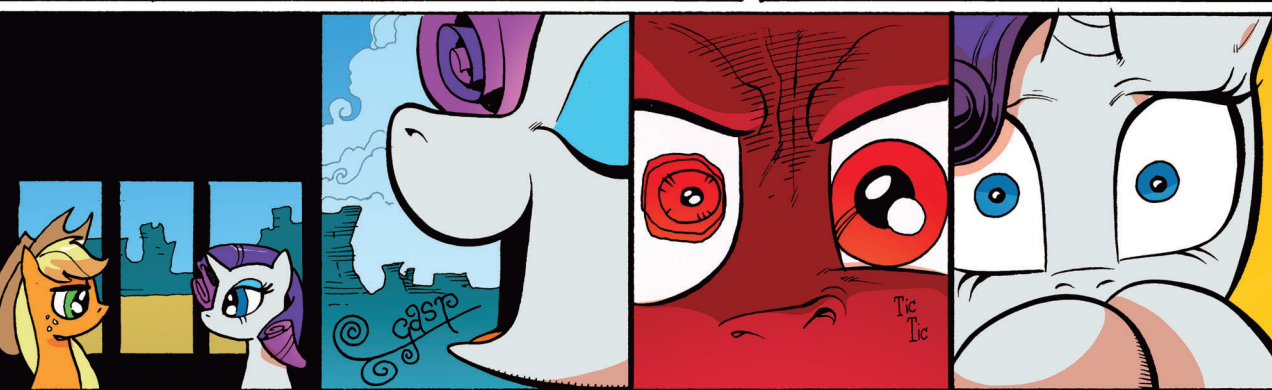
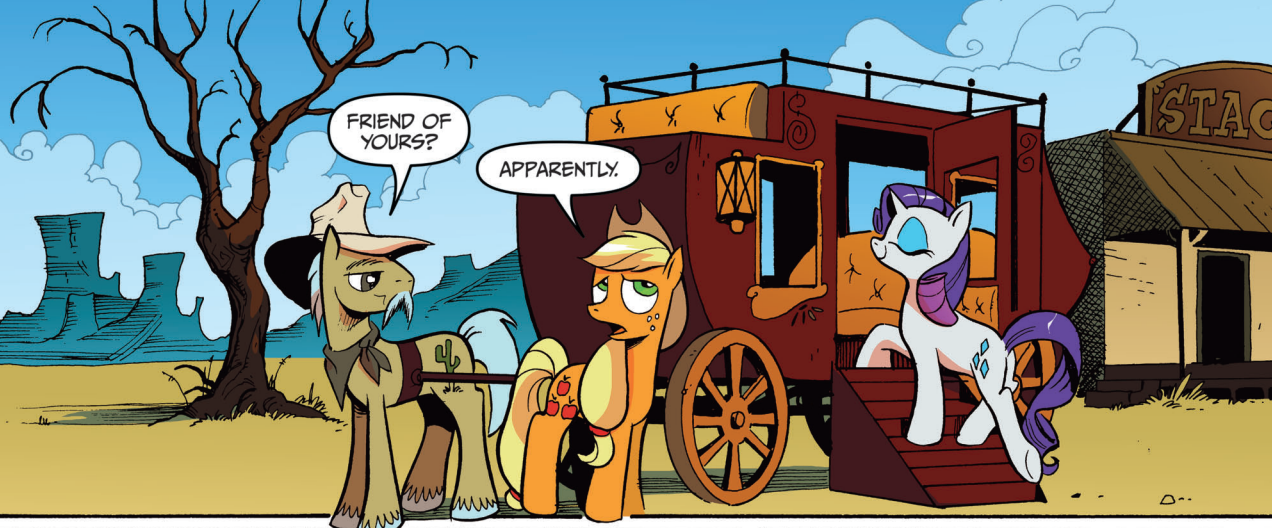


WE NEED A RIDE TO THE CLOSEST TOWN WITH A TRAIN STATION.

YOU'LL WANT SAN FRANCISCOLT! APPLEWOOD IS A QUICK JUMP FROM THERE. IF YOU CAN HELP ME HITCH UP, I'D BE GLAD TO TAKE YOU!

APPLEJACK HERE WOULD BE HAPPY TO HELP YOU! SHE KNOWS ALL ABOUT HITCHES AND CARTS AND MENIAL LABOR!









ANGUS MCSTEER

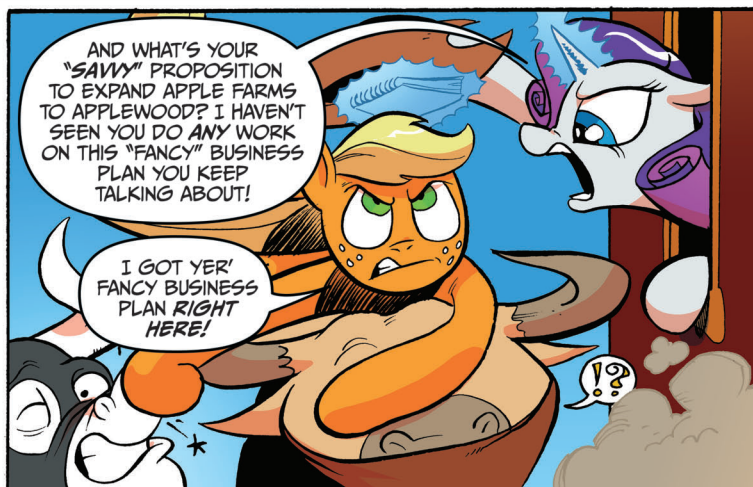
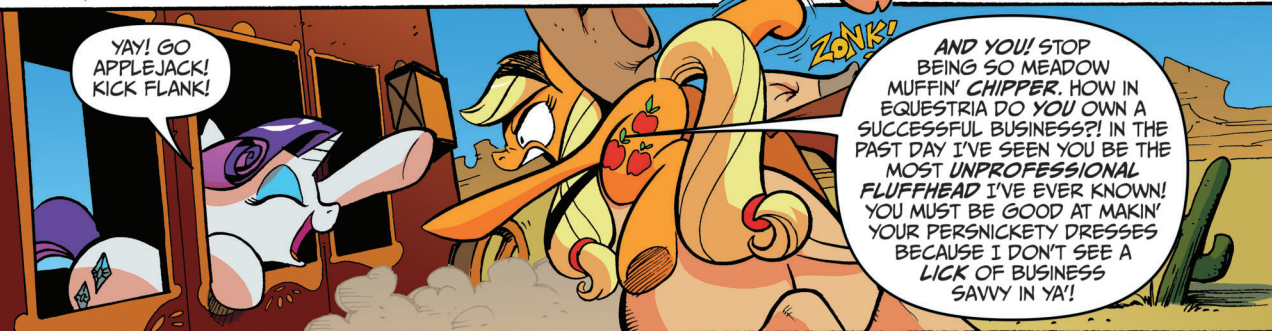
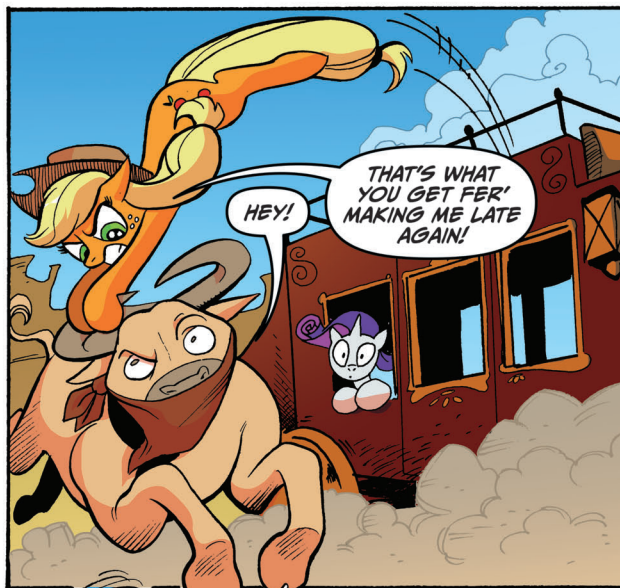
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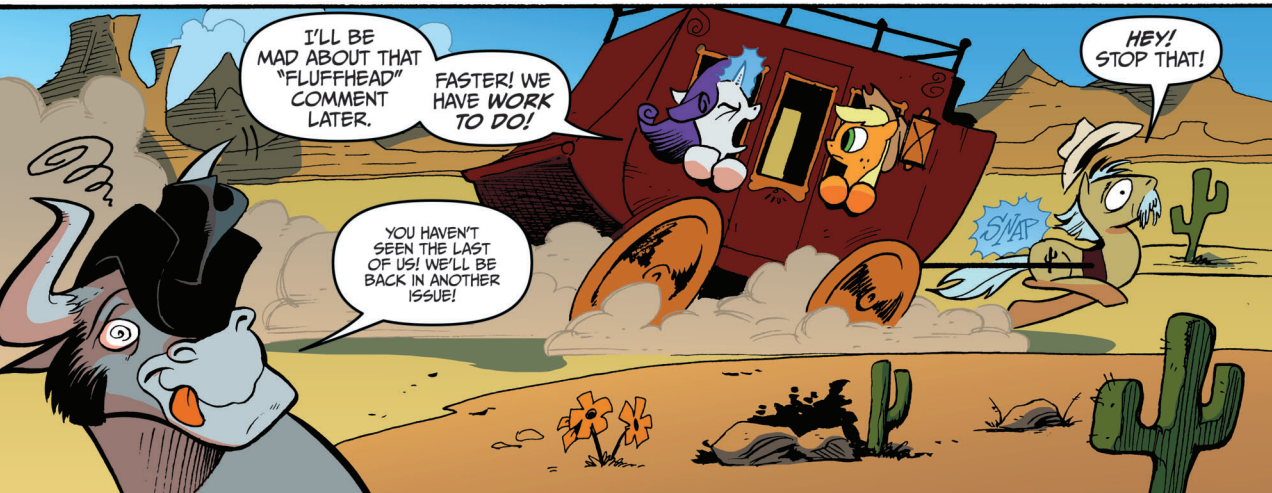
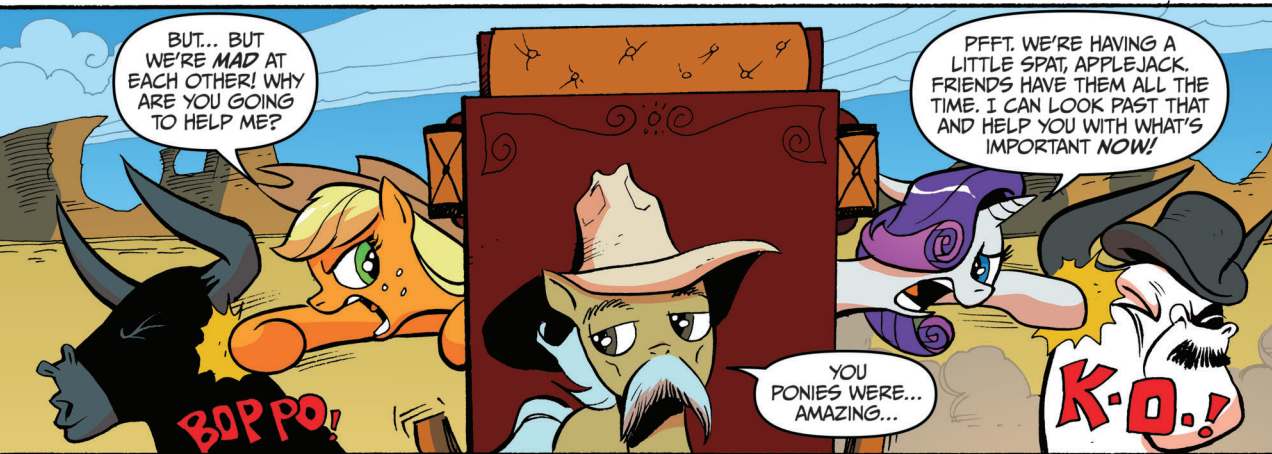
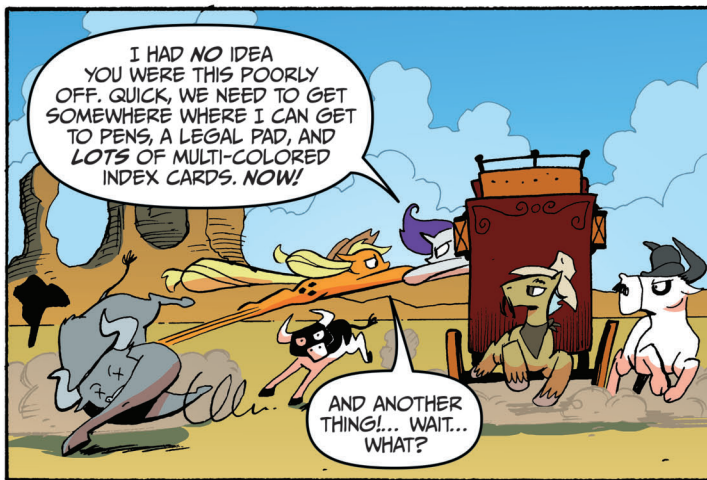
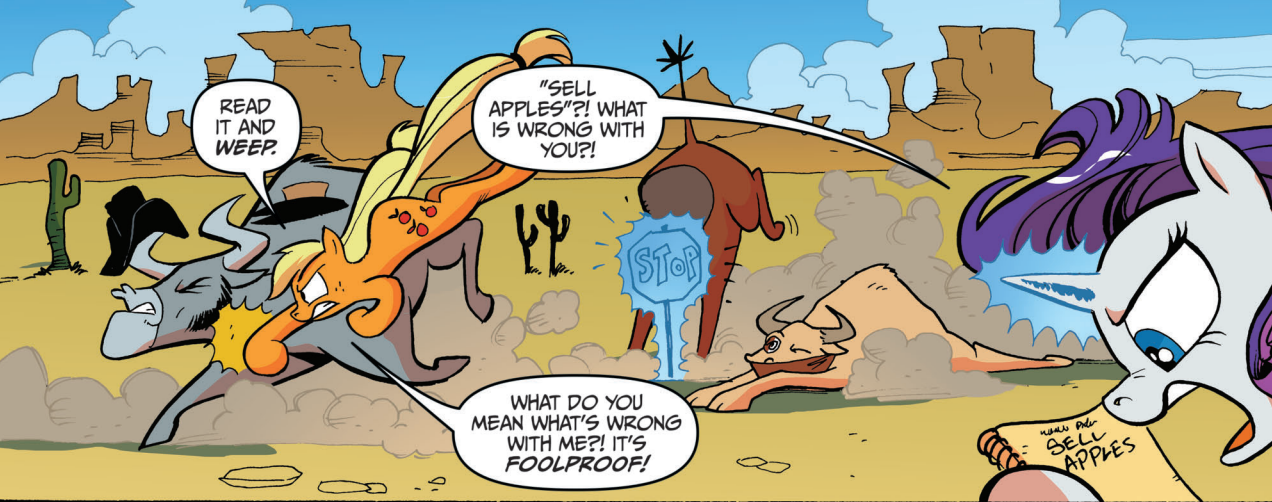
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KING LONGHORN





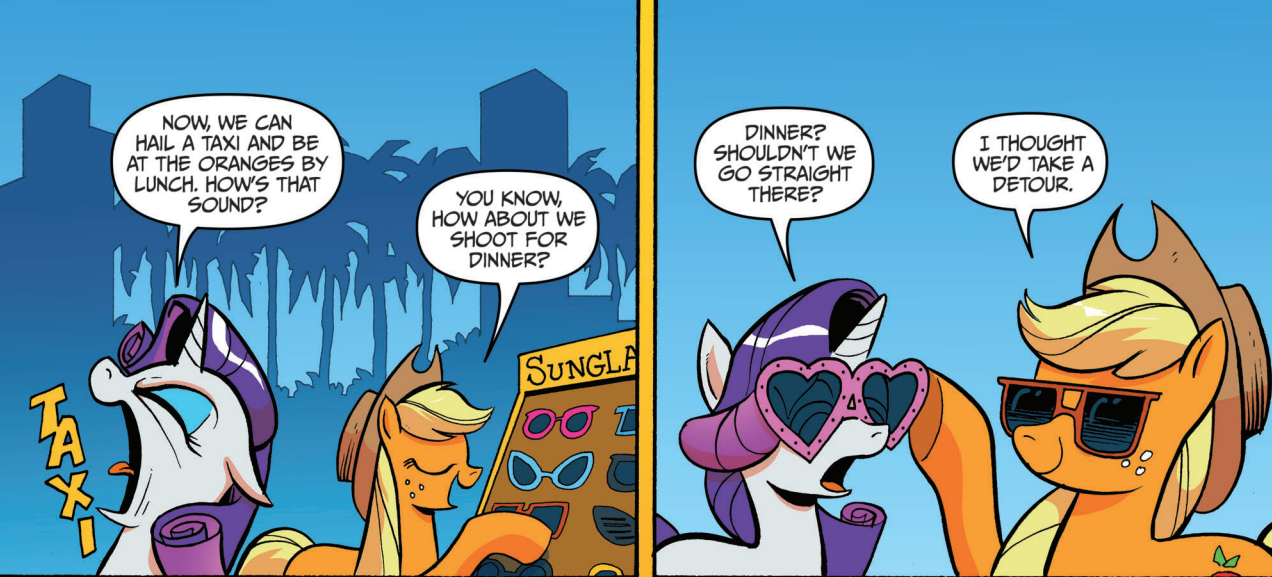












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The Haunted Stable



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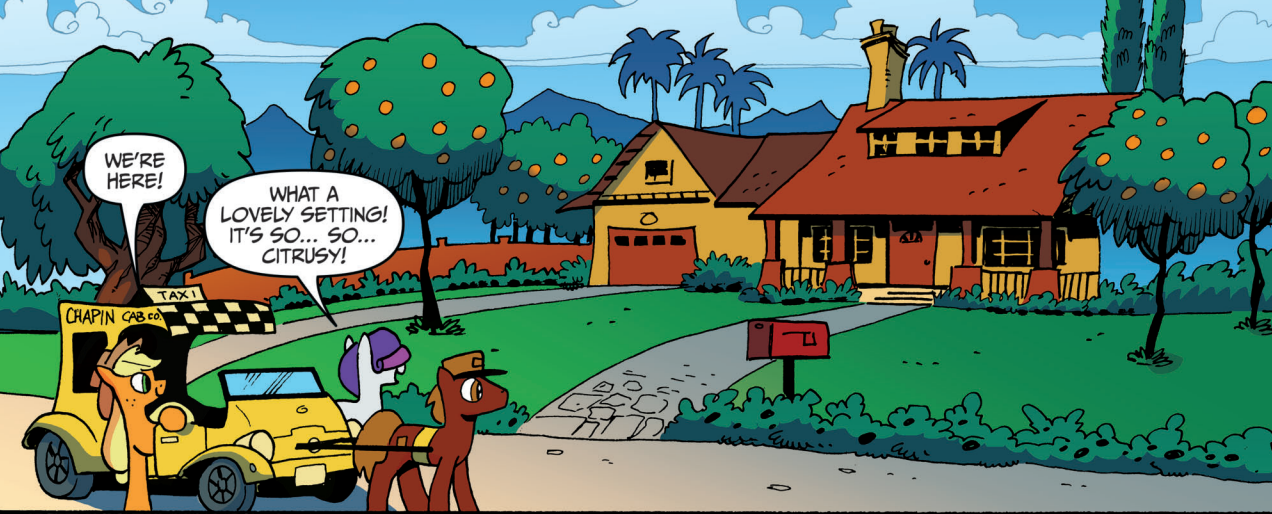
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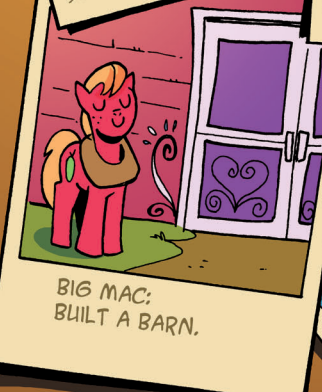




BACK IN PONYVILLE...

YOU KNOW, I THINK  
THIS SAYS "EAST COAST"  
AND NOT "WEST  
COAST."

# We... Went... **Dancin'** Across **EQUESTRIA!**





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Sweet & Fluffy  
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