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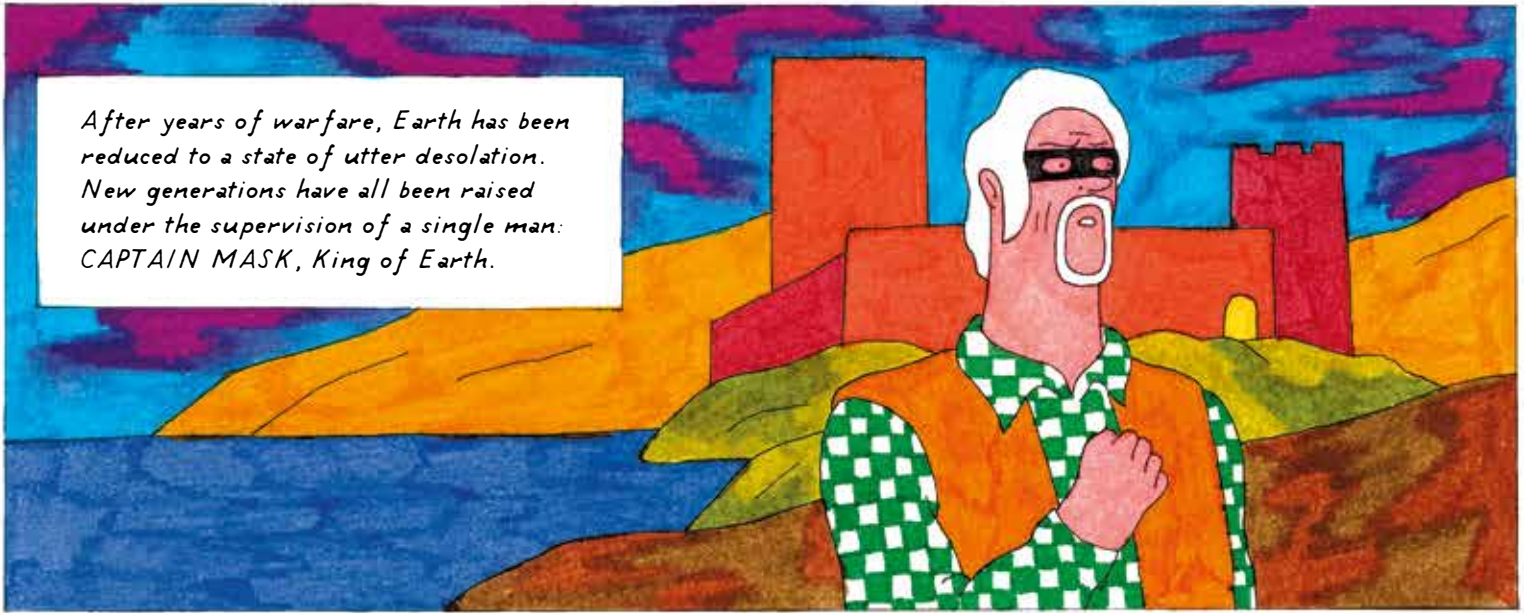


LEMON JEFFERSON

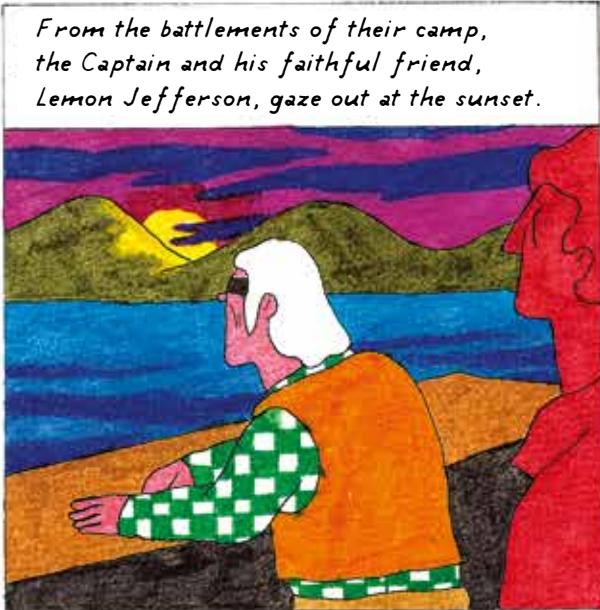
AND THE GREAT ADVENTURE



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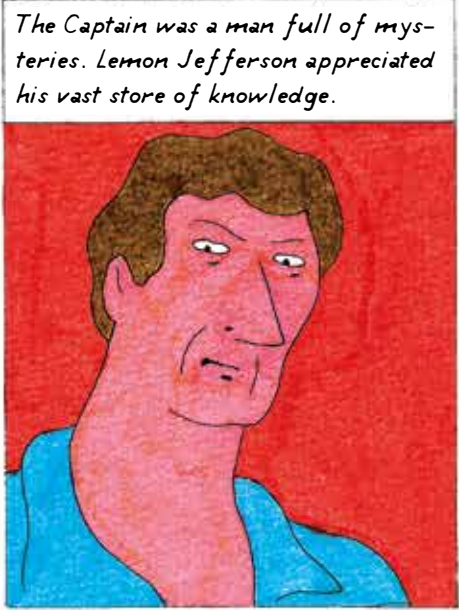
After years of warfare, Earth has been reduced to a state of utter desolation. New generations have all been raised under the supervision of a single man: CAPTAIN MASK, King of Earth.



From the battlements of their camp, the Captain and his faithful friend, Lemon Jefferson, gaze out at the sunset.



In olden days, lovers would wait for the sunset together. It was a very romantic moment. No woman could resist it.



The Captain was a man full of mysteries. Lemon Jefferson appreciated his vast store of knowledge.



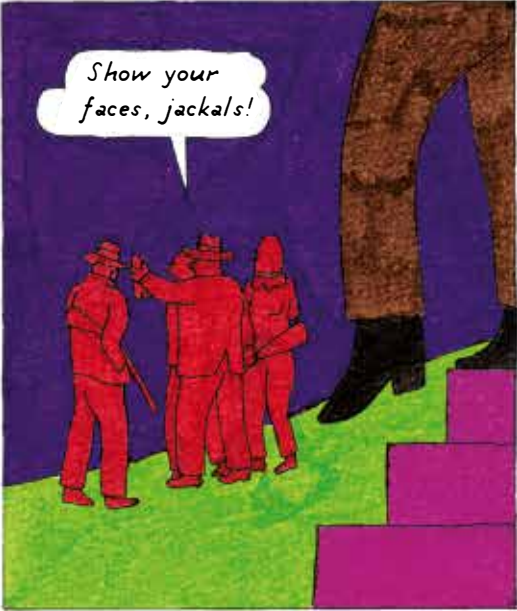
The scouts say the great conflagration will be upon us tomorrow night.



CAPTAIN!
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These two rebels were trying to sneak into the fort.



Show your faces, jackals!



Lemon looks on, suddenly dumb-founded.



The two rebels are but a poor old man and his granddaughter.



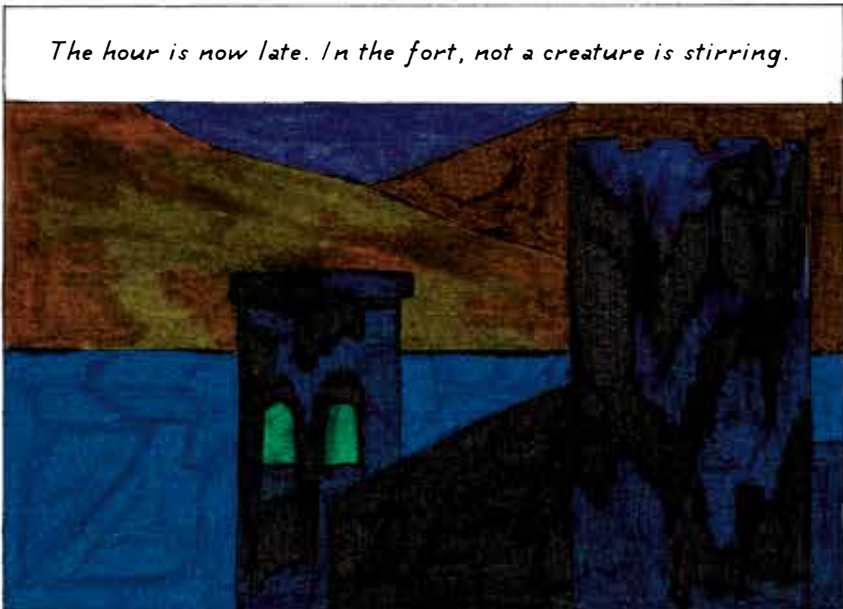
Her hair is black as the night, and Lemon Jefferson falls instantly in love.



I have many other problems to deal with. Lock them up! I care not a whit for their lives.



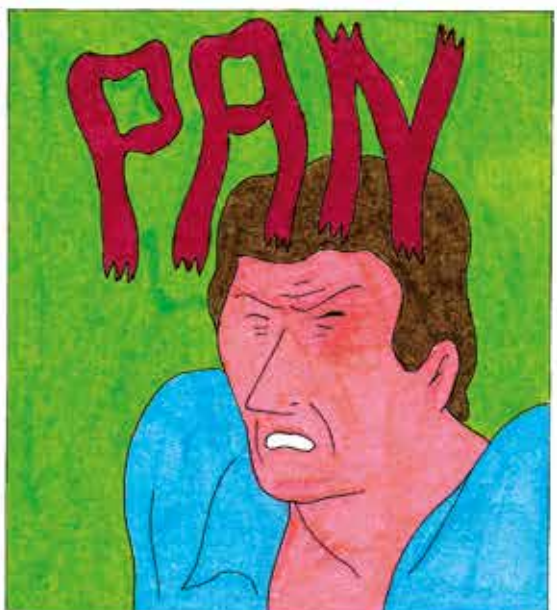
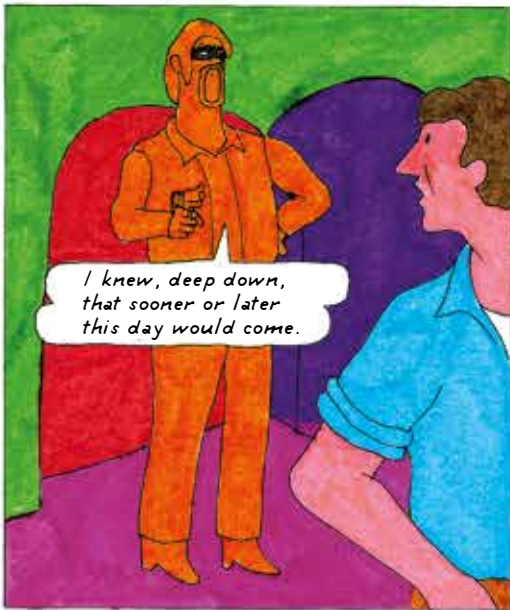
They shall be executed tomorrow at dawn.

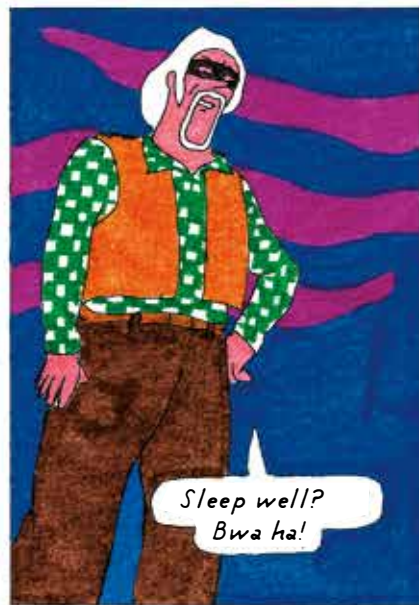
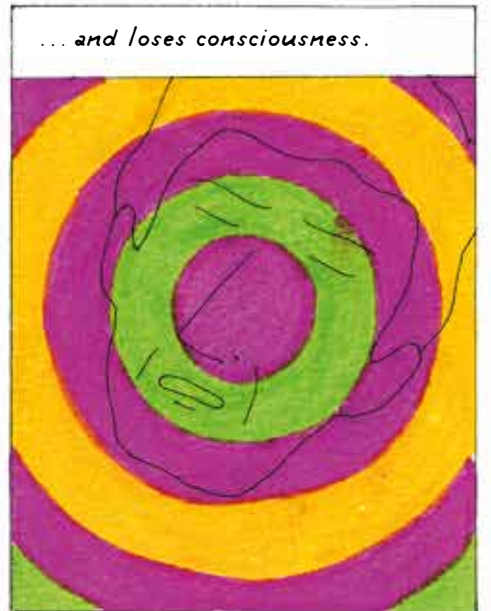


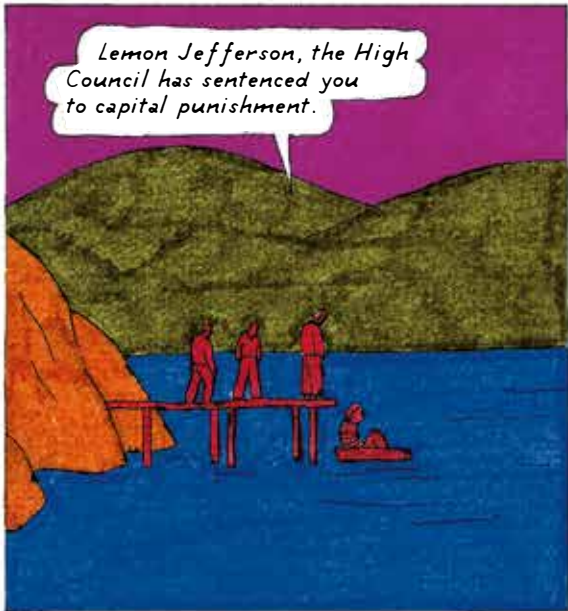
The hour is now late. In the fort, not a creature is stirring.



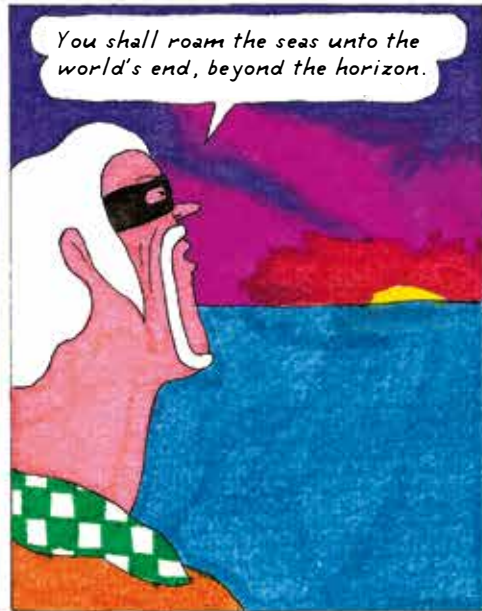
... not a single creature?







Lemon Jefferson, the High Council has sentenced you to capital punishment.



You shall roam the seas unto the world's end, beyond the horizon.



That's insane! They say that where the sun rises, the Earth end and the seas vanish into nothingness!



You're all going to die too! The conflagration will soon be here!

Farewell, my friend.

Faced with the inevitable, Lemon is suddenly stricken with panic.

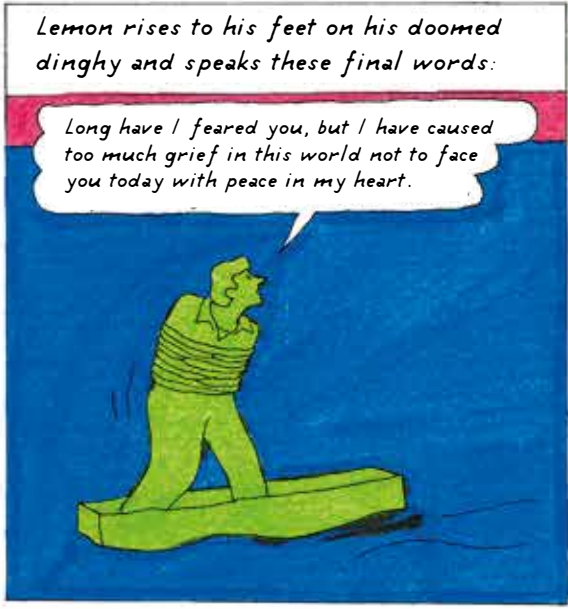


The only love I'll ever have known will be in the arms of a dying stranger!

Then, with a wrenching effort, he gets a hold of himself.



So be it! I am ready!



Lemon rises to his feet on his doomed dinghy and speaks these final words:

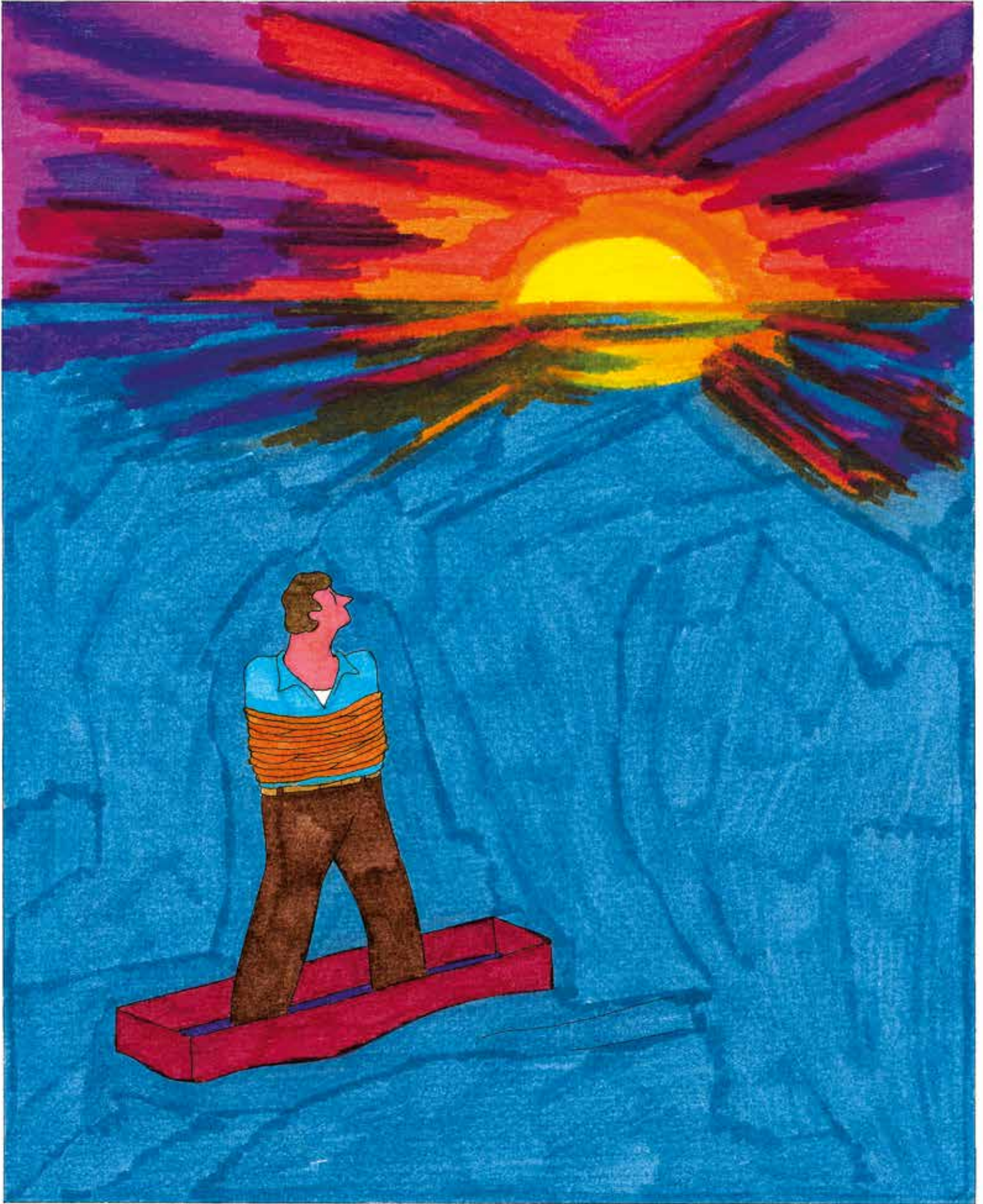
Long have I feared you, but I have caused too much grief in this world not to face you today with peace in my heart.



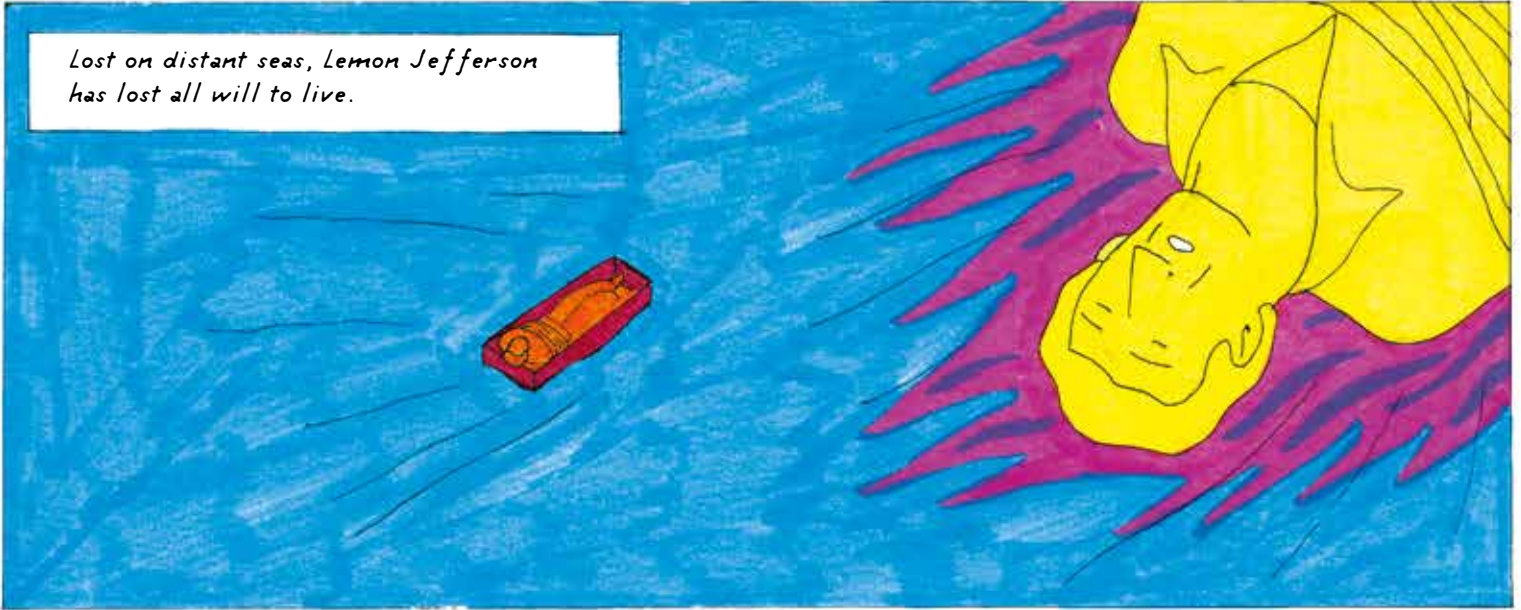
I deserve you. I know that now.



I'm coming!



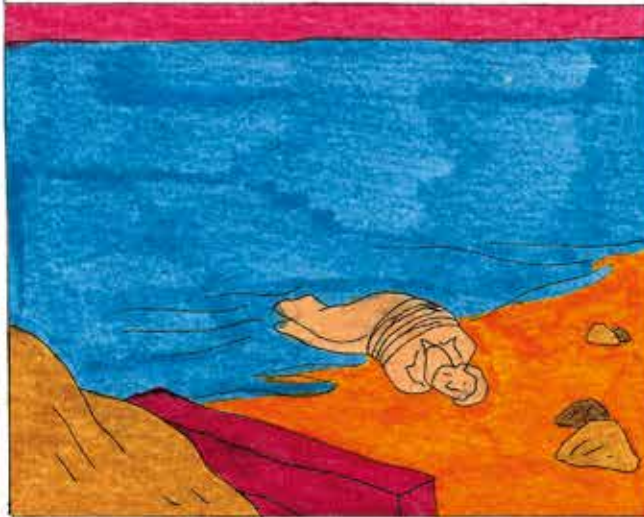
Lost on distant seas, Lemon Jefferson has lost all will to live.



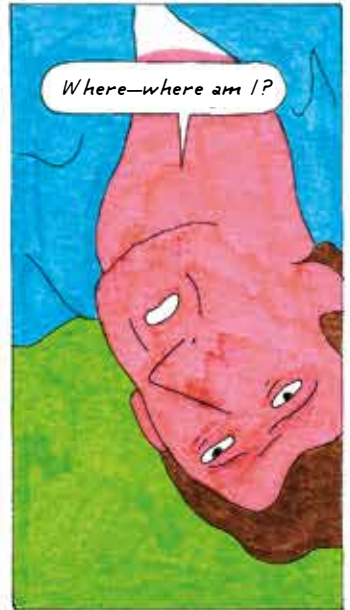
Unconscious, he lets himself be borne on the whim of the tides.



After days of drifting with neither food nor water, he finally washes up in a strange land.



Where—where am I?

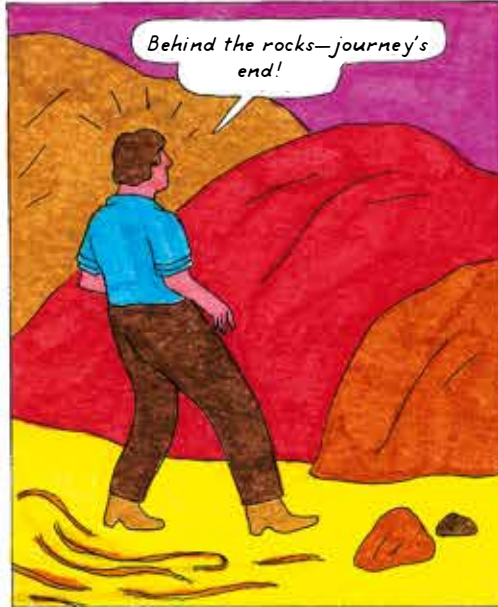


Lemon soon recovers his spirits.

First off, let me get free of these ropes!



Behind the rocks—journey's end!



WHAT?!

