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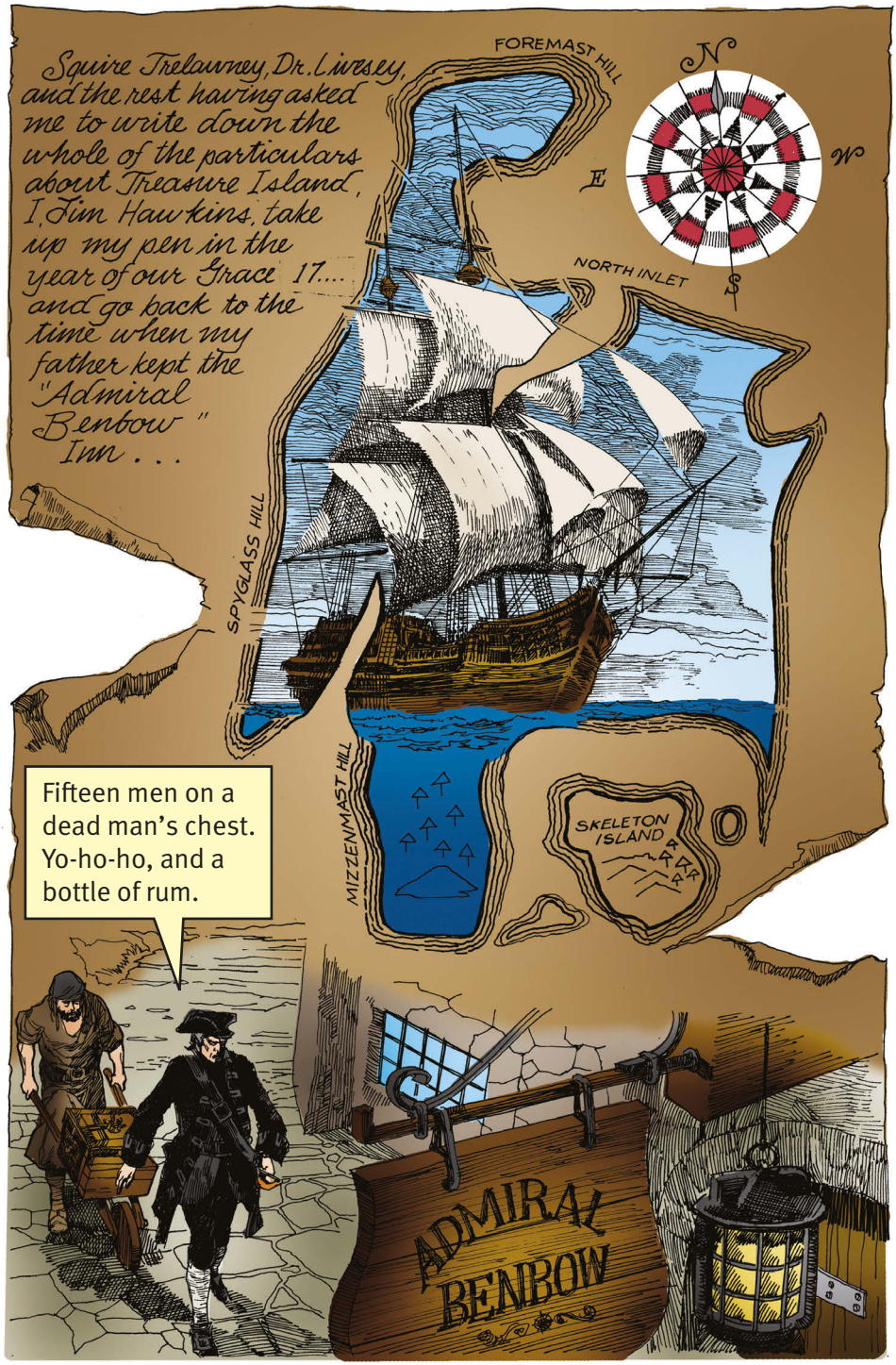
Squire Trelawney, Dr. Livesey, and the rest having asked me to write down the whole of the particulars about Treasure Island, I, Jim Hawkins, take up my pen in the year of our Grace 17.... and go back to the time when my father kept the "Admiral Benbow" Inn . . .
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NORTH INLET
SPYGLASS HILL
MIZZENMAST HILL
SKELETON ISLAND
Fifteen men on a dead man's chest. Yo-ho-ho, and a bottle of rum.
ADMIRAL BENBOW

I'll never forget the day Billy Bones came into my life. He arrived at my father's inn and asked for a glass of rum.

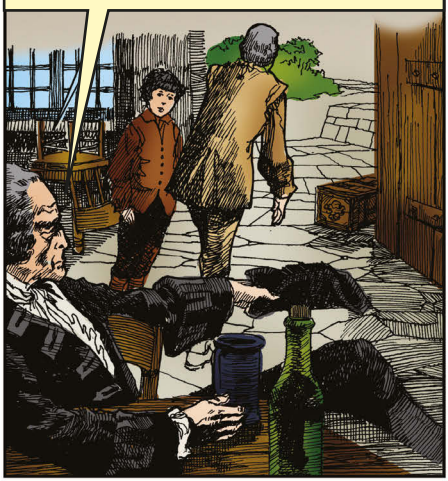
This is a pleasant spot with a nice view of the sea, sir. Do you get many people coming to stay?

No, sir. I'm sorry to say. It's very quiet here.



And so he came to stay.

Bring in my chest. I'll stay awhile and trouble you little for I'm a plain man. I just like to look at the sea.



Here is some gold. Just let me know when I owe you more.



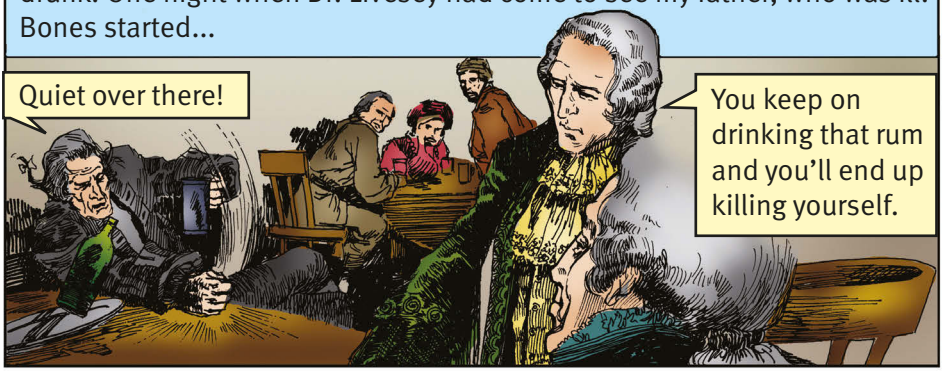
He was a quiet man, and we could see he did not want to run in to other sailors. One day he pulled me aside and said...

You, Jim, keep watch for a sailor with one leg. Do your job well and I'll pay you for it.

Yes, sir.



He stayed month after month but only talked to people when he was drunk. One night when Dr. Livesey had come to see my father, who was ill. Bones started...



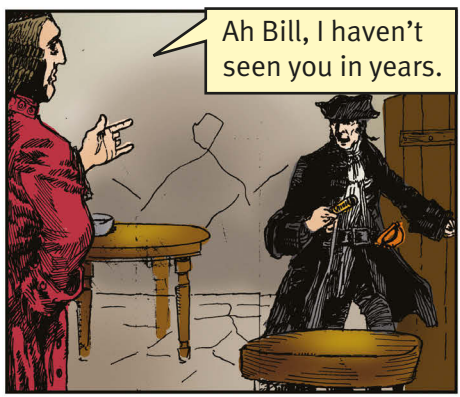
Bones got mad and came at the Doctor with a knife.

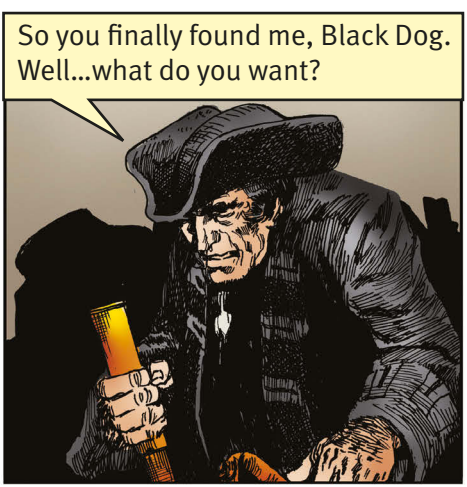
Put that knife away this minute or I'll have you hanged.



For a minute we thought there'd be trouble, but Bones gave in.

A few days later Bones was surprised by an unexpected guest...







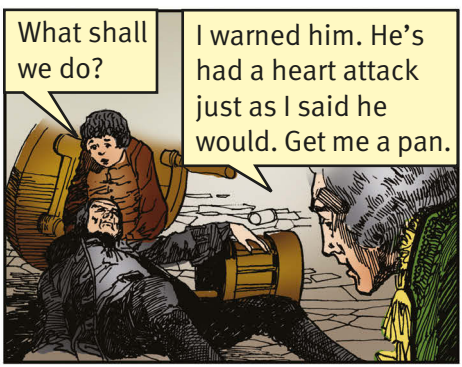
They talked quietly for awhile. All of a sudden they began to shout and Black Dog took off running.



The captain staggered inside and fell on the floor. Just then Dr. Livesey stopped to see my father.

What shall we do?

I warned him. He's had a heart attack just as I said he would. Get me a pan.



I'll bleed him just enough to keep him quiet.



When I stopped in to see him later, he was weak but worried.

Jim, it's my sea chest they'll want if they kill me. You tell the doctor to get everyone up here when they come.



They can take care of Flint's crew. I was Old Flint's first mate and the only one who knows his secret. But don't you tell anyone what I've said unless they put the Black Spot on me or you see a sailor with one leg. You hear, Jim?



That night my father died and I didn't think of anything else until the next morning.

I'm blind. Will anybody tell me where I am.

At the Admiral Benbow Inn, sir.

He asked to be taken inside but when I held out my arm...

Take me right to Captain Bones or I'll break your arm.

He gave a note to Bones and then left quickly.

Six hours to go. I'll make it yet.

UNTIL 10

But as Bones stood up, he grabbed his throat and fell to the floor—dead!

Mother!

UNTIL 10

I told my mother all I knew and we tried to get some help. No one would do anything except ride to find the doctor.

If no one will help us then we'll go back alone. Come, Jim.



We went through Bones' sea chest and my mother took what money he owed her.

I am an honest woman. I'll take only what is mine.



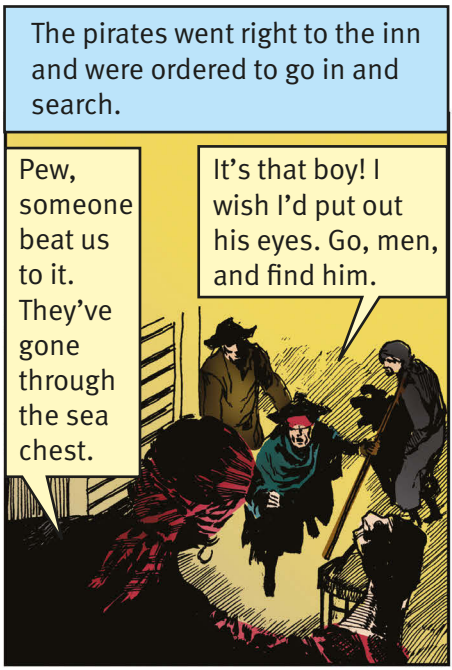
Suddenly we heard a strange whistle coming from the hill outside.

Come, Jim, I have what I need.

I'll take this too, just to be sure.



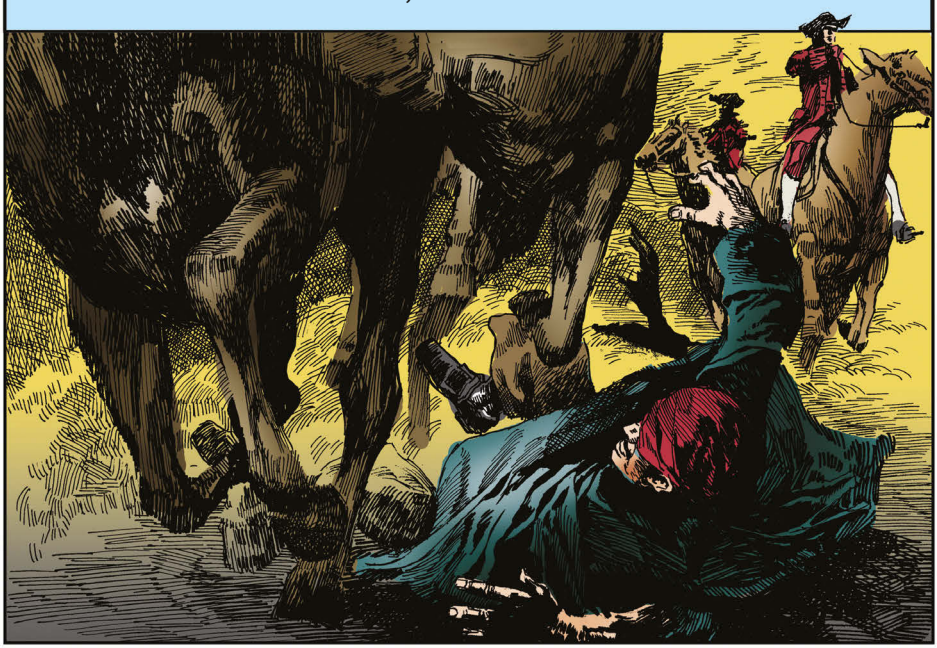



The pirates went right to the inn and were ordered to go in and search.
Pew, someone beat us to it. They've gone through the sea chest.
It's that boy! I wish I'd put out his eyes. Go, men, and find him.


A moment later the strange whistle sounded again. I had thought that it was the pirates' signal to attack, but it seemed to fill them with fear.
There's Dirk again. We have to go, men.
You're so close to getting thousands of dollars and you're going to leave?


Don't stand there talking, Pew. Let's go!

His friends left without him, and Pew ran on...to his death.



After a useless chase, the riders, who were government men sent by the doctor, came back to the inn.



You're right, son. Dogger, put the boy on the horse with you and we'll go report to Dr. Livesey.



Dr. Livesey was having dinner with Squire Trelawney.

Come in, Mr. Danse.

Good evening, friend Jim. What bring you here?

Officer Danse told them what had happened, and the two men were very surprised and interested.

Mr. Danse, you're a good man.

I'll keep Hawkins here and give him some dinner.

While I ate a big dinner Mr. Danse and the men talked. Finally Danse left.

And now, Livesey...

You've heard of this Flint, haven't you?

The evil Flint was well-known to the Squire as was the fact that he had buried treasure.

If there is a clue to his treasure here, I'll rent a ship. We'll find the treasure if it takes a year.

We'll open these papers if Jim says we can.

Treasure Island

An unforgettable high adventure story about piracy, greed, and buried treasure.

This masterfully written story of buried treasure, piracy, and swashbuckling on the high seas is an unforgettable adventure, filled with excitement for all ages. It begins in merry ol' England and entwines its way with intrigue and adventure to an exciting climax on an exotic tropical island. Robert Louis Stevenson created a host of legendary characters: the honest young adventurer Jim Hawkins, the back-stabbing Israel Hands, and most of all, the beloved scoundrel Long John Silver, the colorful, jovial, yet unscrupulous pirate whose greed for gold almost sends him to the gallows.

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