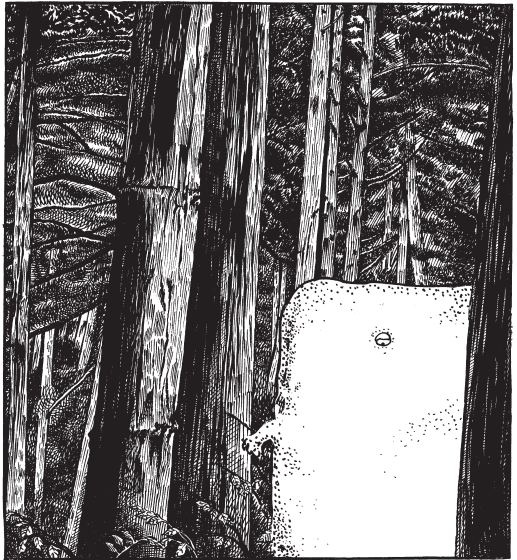
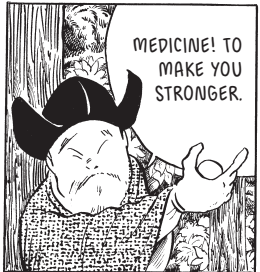
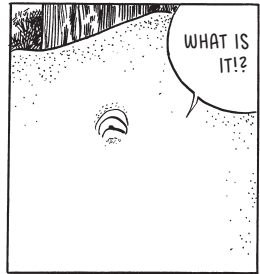
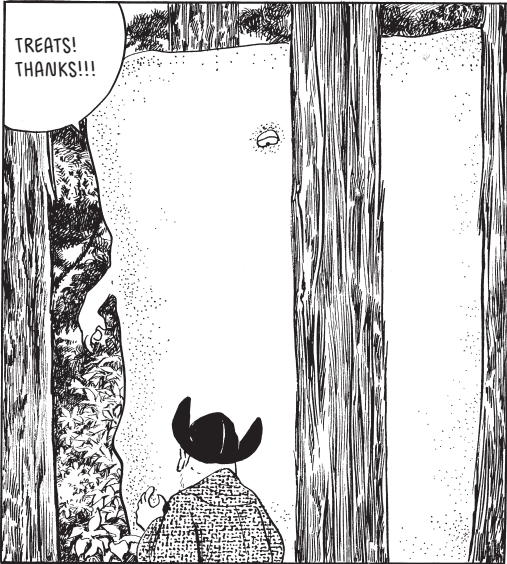
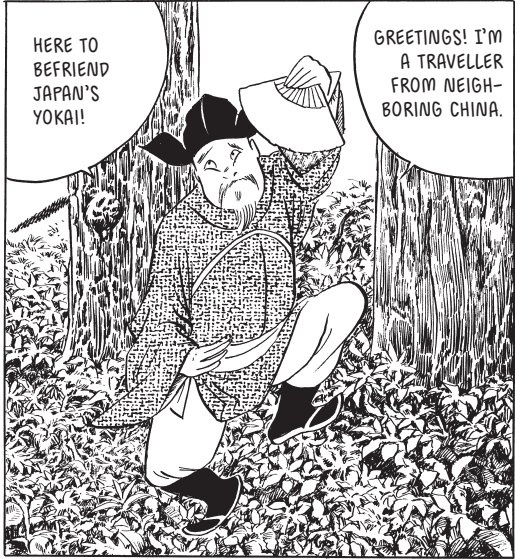
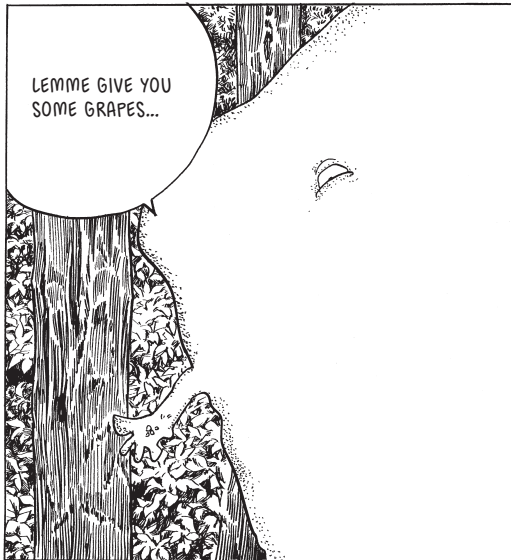




IN THE DEEP FOREST, THE
YOKAI NURIKABE HUNTS
FOR HIS FAVORITE FOOD—
WILD GRAPES. SUDDENLY,
HE HEARS A VOICE WHERE
THERE SHOULD BE
NO SOUND...



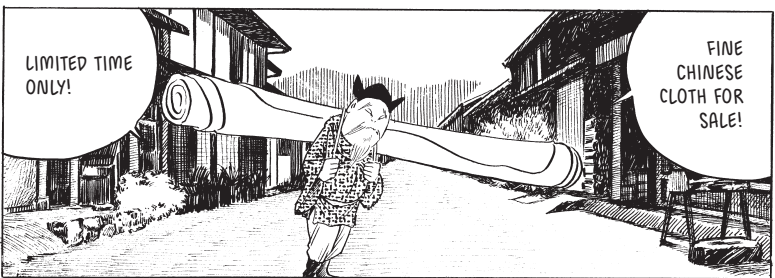
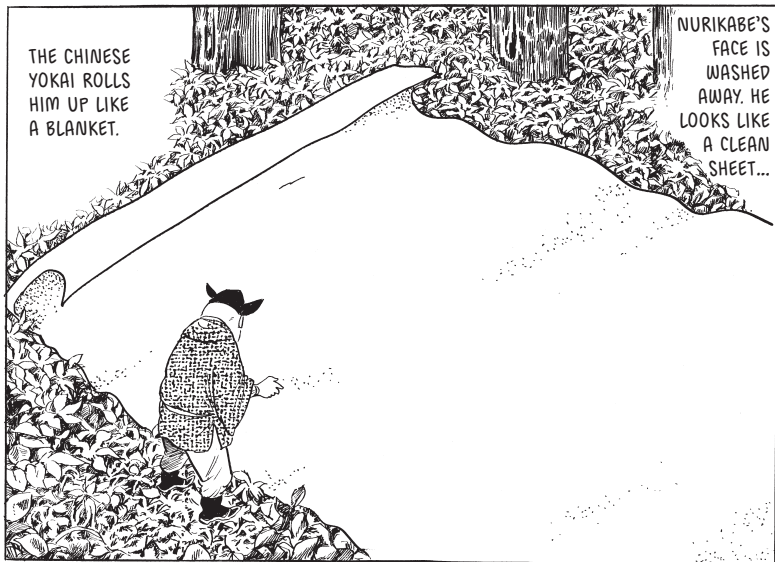


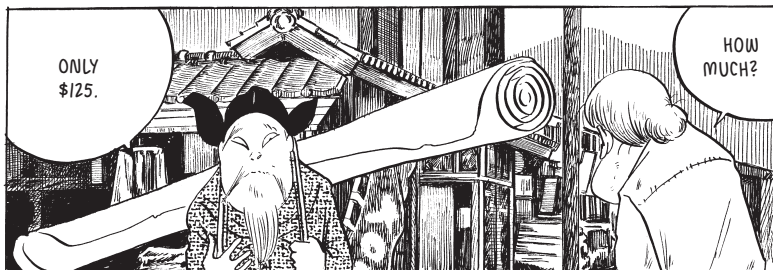


THE TRUSTING NURIKABE
POPS THE WHITE PILL
INTO HIS MOUTH...
HIS MIGHTY STRENGTH
DRAINS OUT OF HIM. HE
FLOPS ON THE GROUND,
THIN AS A CLOTH.



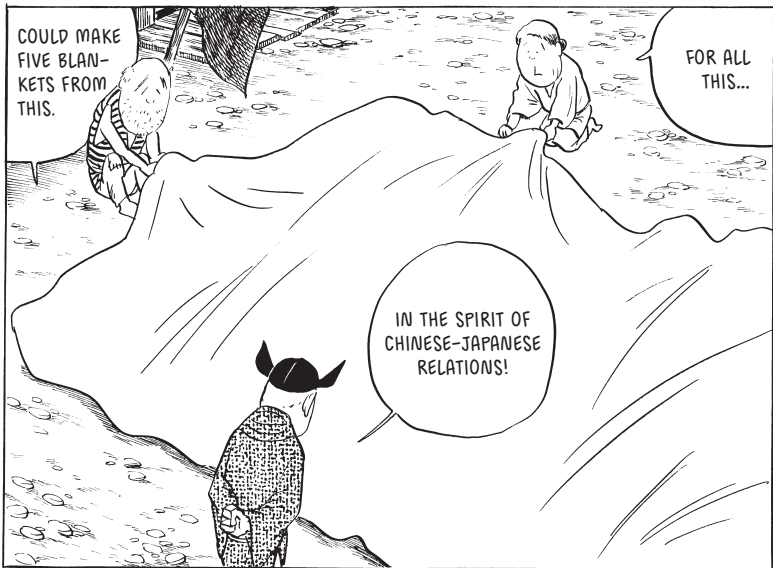
THE CHINESE YOKAI
PULLS OUT A MAGI-
CAL FABRIC CLEANER
FROM HIS PACK AND
SPRINKLES IT ON
NURIKABE.





ONLY
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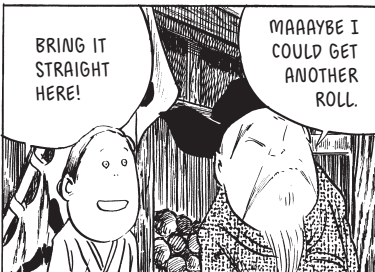
HOW
MUCH?



COULD MAKE
FIVE BLANKETS
FROM
THIS.

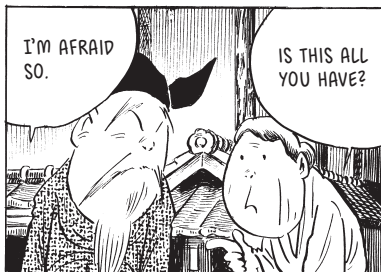
FOR ALL
THIS...

IN THE SPIRIT OF
CHINESE-JAPANESE
RELATIONS!



BRING IT
STRAIGHT
HERE!

MAAAYBE I
COULD GET
ANOTHER
ROLL.

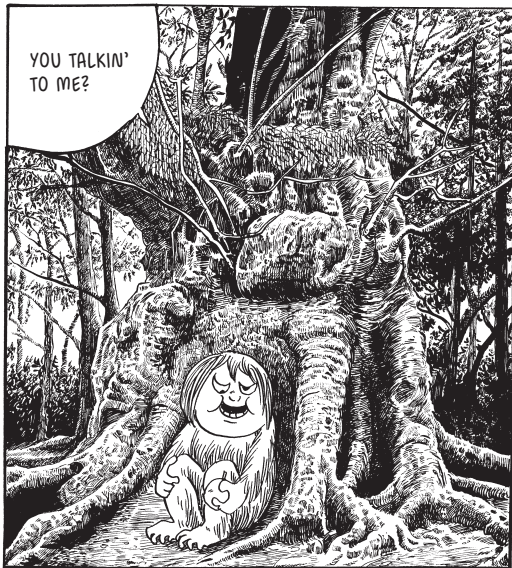


I'M AFRAID
SO.

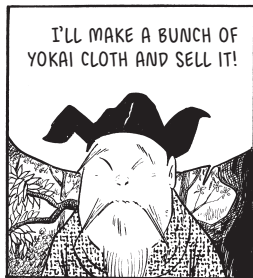
IS THIS ALL
YOU HAVE?



THAT WAS
EASIER THAN
I THOUGHT.



YOU TALKIN'
TO ME?



I'LL MAKE A BUNCH OF
YOKAI CLOTH AND SELL IT!



SIR! THIS'LL PUT
A SPRING IN
YOUR STEP.



THIS IS THE YOKAI SATORI, WHOSE SPECIAL POWER IS TO READ MINDS. SATORI SEES RIGHT THROUGH THE CHINESE YOKAI'S TRICK. HE RUNS AWAY.



HEY, QI IS BACK.



ODD FELLOW, EH?

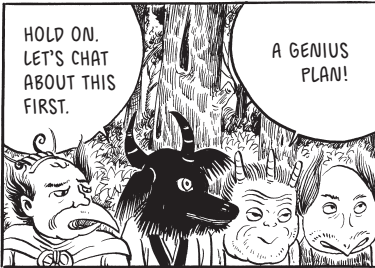


THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TODAY.



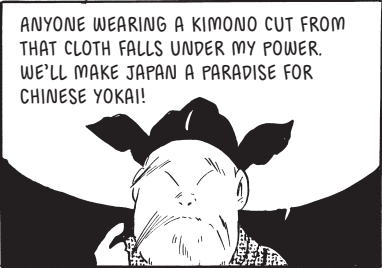
TURNED 'EM INTO CLOTH, AND SOLD 'EM BACK TO THE JAPANESE.

JAPAN'S YOKAI ARE SUCKERS.

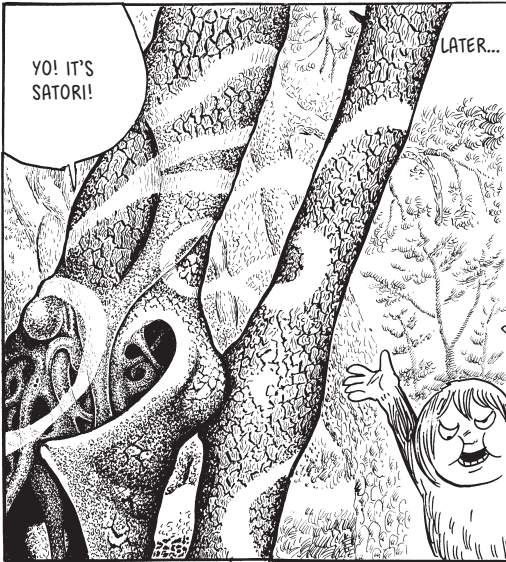


HOLD ON.
LET'S CHAT
ABOUT THIS
FIRST.

A GENIUS
PLAN!



ANYONE WEARING A KIMONO CUT FROM
THAT CLOTH FALLS UNDER MY POWER.
WE'LL MAKE JAPAN A PARADISE FOR
CHINESE YOKAI!



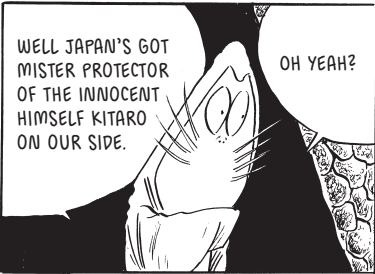
YO! IT'S
SATORI!

LATER...



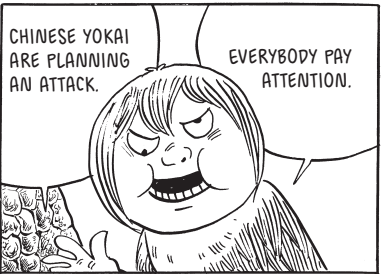
WHISPER
WHISPER

EVERYONE!
BEWARE!!



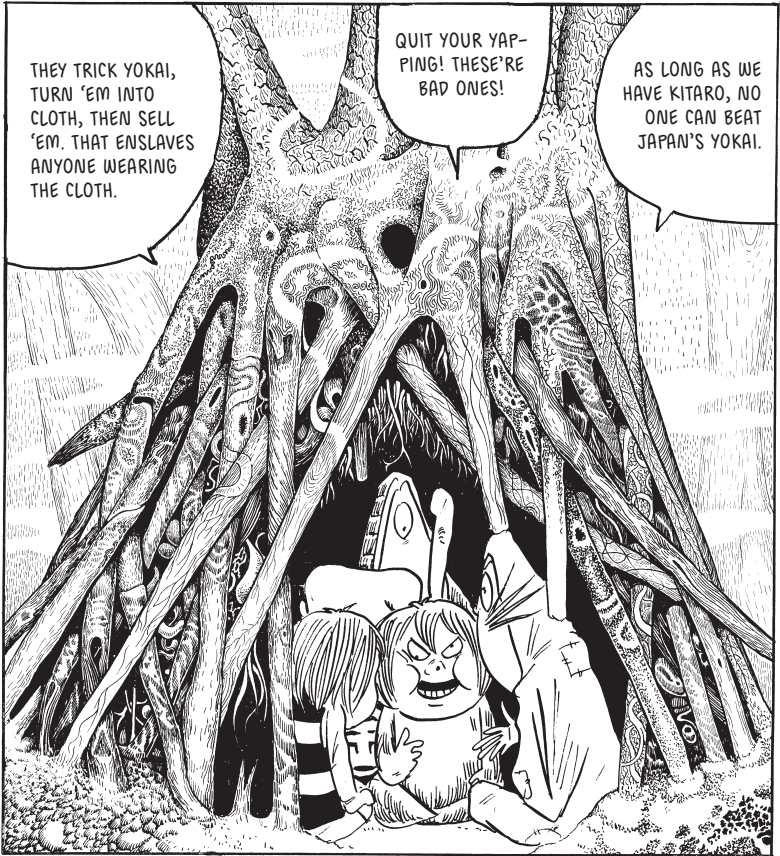
WELL JAPAN'S GOT
MISTER PROTECTOR
OF THE INNOCENT
HIMSELF KITARO
ON OUR SIDE.

OH YEAH?



CHINESE YOKAI
ARE PLANNING
AN ATTACK.

EVERYBODY PAY
ATTENTION.



THEY TRICK YOKAI, TURN 'EM INTO CLOTH, THEN SELL 'EM. THAT ENSLAVES ANYONE WEARING THE CLOTH.

QUIT YOUR YAP- PING! THESE'RE BAD ONES!

AS LONG AS WE HAVE KITARO, NO ONE CAN BEAT JAPAN'S YOKAI.

IF IT'S A CONSPIRACY OF YOKAI, WE HAVE TO BE CAREFUL. ONE'S EASY, BUT A GROUP CAN BE TRICKY. WE NEED TO WORK TOGETHER.



YOU GOTTA PLAN, BUDDY?

I'M NOT WORRIED. PRETTY SCARY, RIGHT?

