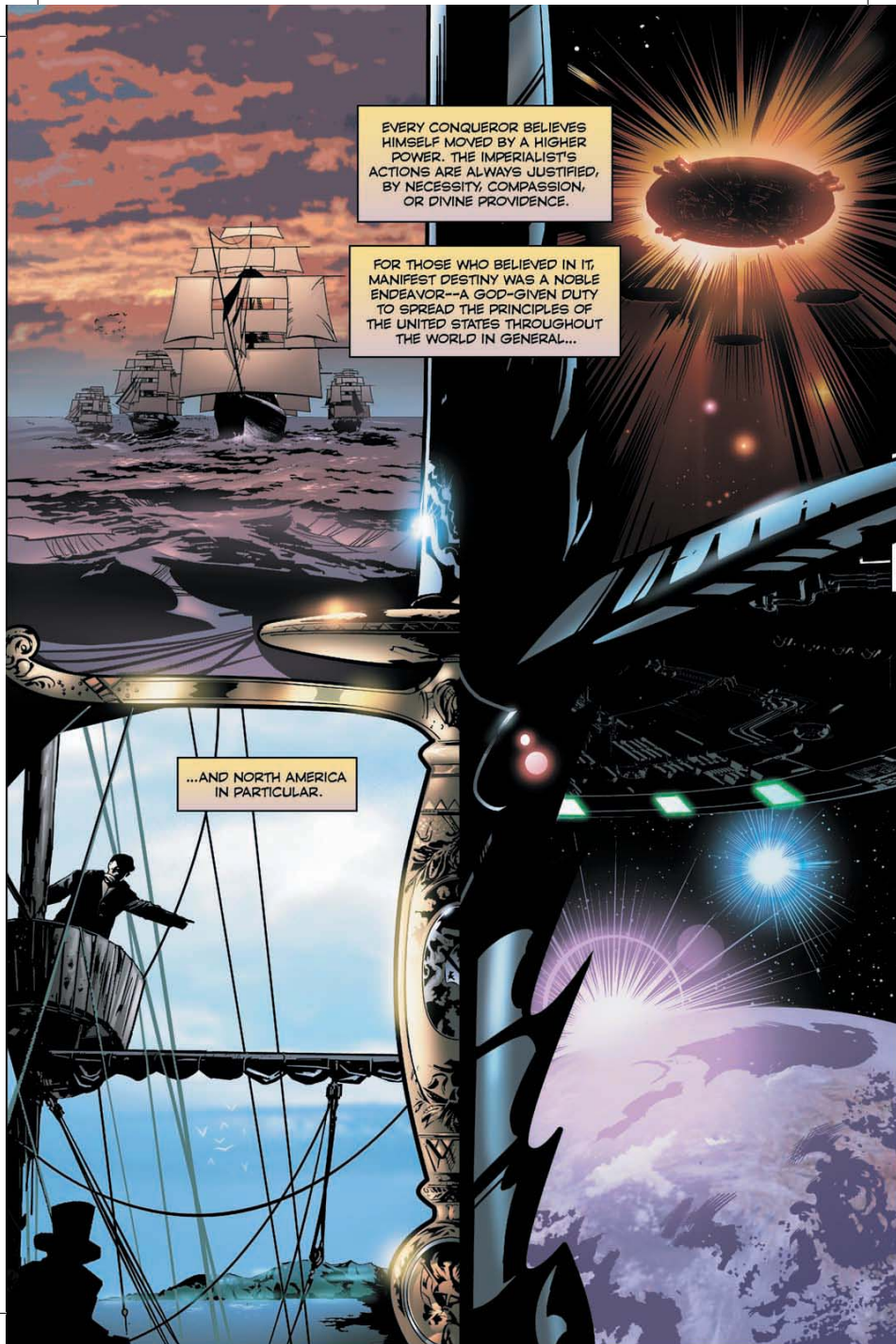




ENTIRE TRIBES
WERE WIPED
OUT...

...AND THE SURVIVORS
FORCED TO BOW TO
THE COLONISTS' WILL.

Prologue 4



EVERY CONQUEROR BELIEVES
HIMSELF MOVED BY A HIGHER
POWER. THE IMPERIALIST'S
ACTIONS ARE ALWAYS JUSTIFIED,
BY NECESSITY, COMPASSION,
OR DIVINE PROVIDENCE.

FOR THOSE WHO BELIEVED IN IT,
MANIFEST DESTINY WAS A NOBLE
ENDEAVOR--A GOD-GIVEN DUTY
TO SPREAD THE PRINCIPLES OF
THE UNITED STATES THROUGHOUT
THE WORLD IN GENERAL...

...AND NORTH AMERICA
IN PARTICULAR.



FOR THOSE WHO STOOD IN THE PATH OF THE EXPANSION OF THE TERRITORY OF THE STILL-YOUNG UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IT WAS SOMETHING ELSE ALTOGETHER.

THE EUROPEAN SETTLERS HAD SUPERIOR TECHNOLOGY, BUT EVEN MORE DANGEROUS THAN THAT...

...THEY BELIEVED THEY HAD THE RIGHT--THE DUTY, EVEN...

...TO BRING THESE "MERCILESS INDIAN SAVAGES, WHOSE KNOWN RULE OF WARFARE, IS AN UNDISTINGUISHED DESTRUCTION OF ALL AGES, SEXES AND CONDITIONS"*, TO HEEL.

*QUOTE FROM THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Prologue 2



THE AMERICAN FRONTIER WAS PUSHED EVER WESTWARD...

...WITH NO THOUGHT OF THE IMPACT THIS WOULD HAVE ON THE NATIVE POPULATION.

DISEASE, DISPLACEMENT, SLAVERY AND WARFARE KILLED MILLIONS...

Prologue 3



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WERE WIPED
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...AND THE SURVIVORS
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Prologue 4



THOSE WHO TAMED THE WEST BELIEVED
THIS WAS ALL FOR THE BEST, THE FIRST
STEP TOWARDS FULFILLING AMERICA'S
PROMISE TO THE WORLD.



AND THE COUNTLESS NUMBER WHOSE
LIVES AND LANDS WERE LOST IN THE
PROCESS? THEY WERE THE UNFORTUNATE
BUT INEVITABLE VICTIMS OF PROGRESS.



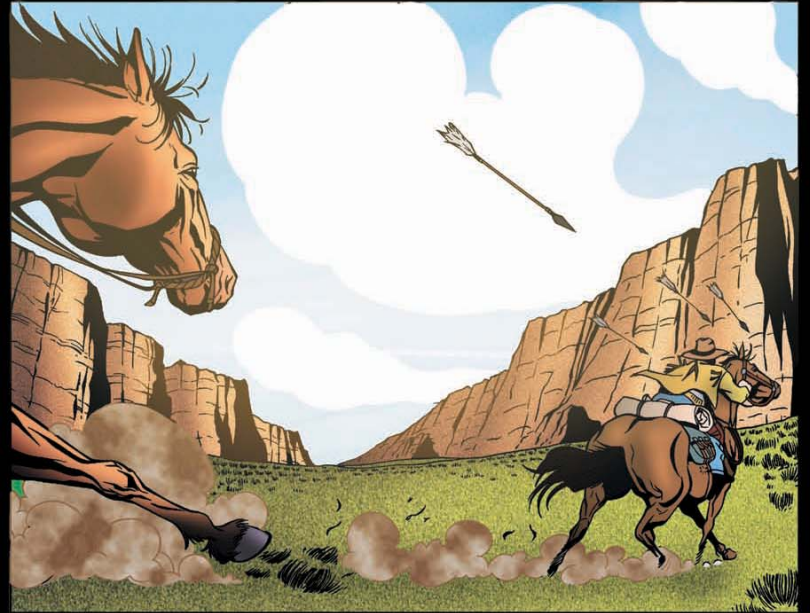
PERHAPS AMERICA WAS GUIDED BY
A HIGHER POWER. BUT THE "DIVINE
PROVIDENCE" OF CONQUERORS IS
OFTEN SHORT-LIVED. DESTINY
IS A POWERFUL THING...

...BUT, ULTIMATELY, EVEN
IT WILL BOW TO THE
HUMAN WILL.

Prologue 5



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NO SHOT, NO RECOIL,
NO HAMMER CLICK.

DAMN THING'S
BUSTED!



WHAT
THE HELL?



STOMP
STOMP!



HUH.

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LET'S SEE
WHAT IT DOES TO
THAT BOTTLE...



ALL RIGHT. THE GREEN
STUFF EXPLODES. GOTTA
REMEMBER THAT.

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