

1661 KOXINGA Z

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By the late seventeenth century, the East India Company has reached a monopolizing hand around half the globe, and left bloody fingerprints wherever it met resistance. Yet in 1661, a force comes south to the paradise island of Formosa (the Dutch name for Taiwan) that faces the Dutch imperialists, and drives them away forever.

Manga artist Li Lung-Chieh recreates the character of Frederick Coyett, last Dutch governor of Taiwan, who attempted to create a multi-ethnic community in Taiwan while maintaining control over the island's resources, yet would live to watch twenty-five thousand Chinese troops destroy his forces and drive him off the island. Facing Coyett from across battle lines is Koxinga, the young Ming loyalist and son of a pirate who would eventually found his own kingdom on Taiwan.

Tempers rise and blood is spilled as a war for resources deepens into a struggle for self-determination and freedom from oppression. Li Lung-Chieh's aggressive illustrations create the perfect energy for telling a story so charged with ferocious energy.

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Li Lung-Chieh has been wowing readers (and even judges) of his illustrated stories since he was fifteen years old. His most popular recent work, *Ichthyophobia*, won him an International Comic Award in Japan and a Golden Comic Award in Taiwan in 2016. He has represented Taiwan twice at the Angoulême International Comics Festival.



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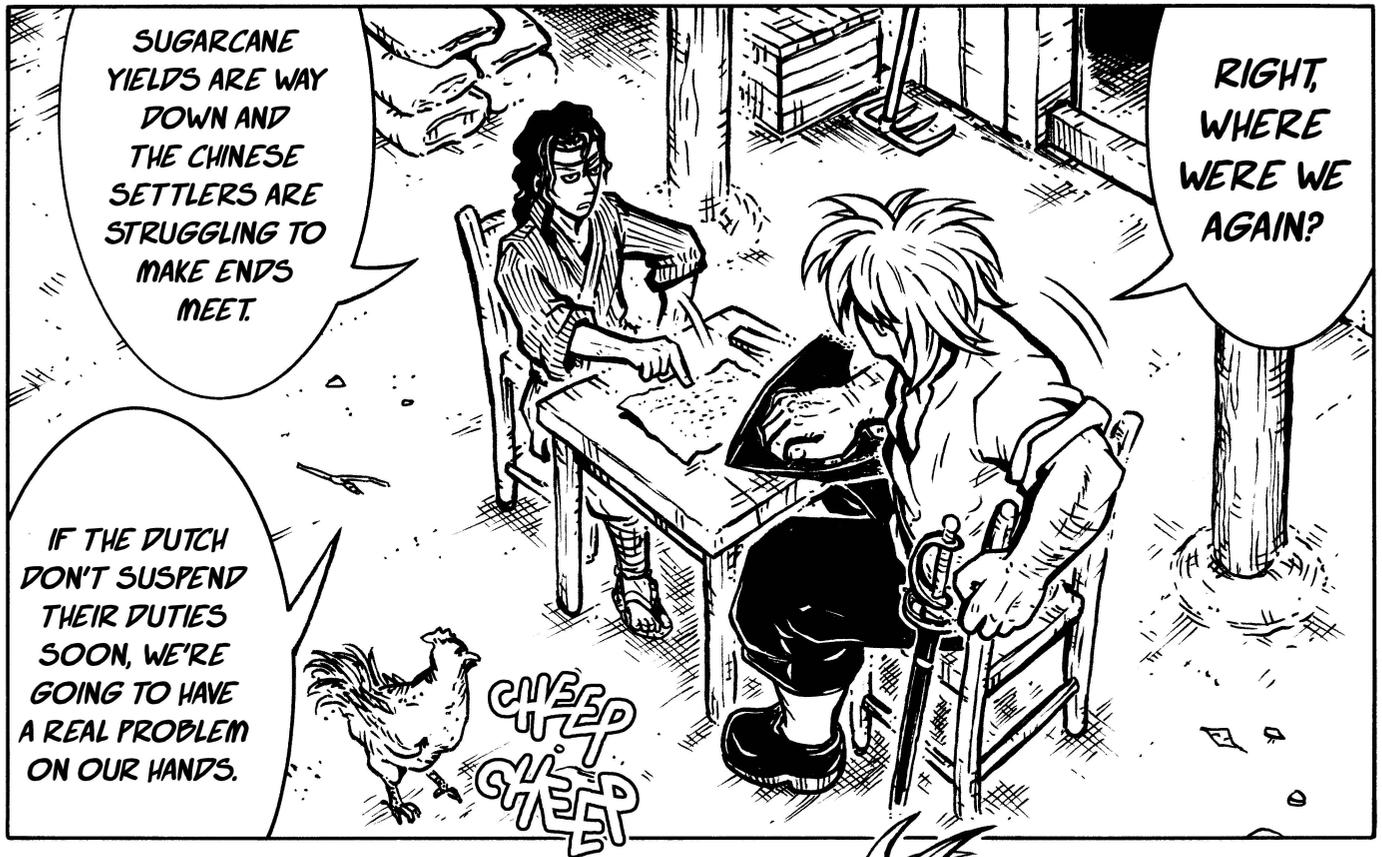
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FORMOSA...

QUIT CHANGING THE TOPIC, LET'S FINISH WHAT WE STARTED ALREADY.

'BEAUTIFUL ISLAND' ... IT REALLY IS, ISN'T IT?



SUGARCANE YIELDS ARE WAY DOWN AND THE CHINESE SETTLERS ARE STRUGGLING TO MAKE ENDS MEET.

RIGHT, WHERE WERE WE AGAIN?

IF THE DUTCH DON'T SUSPEND THEIR DUTIES SOON, WE'RE GOING TO HAVE A REAL PROBLEM ON OUR HANDS.

CHEEP
CHEEP



HRMPH. SORRY TO TROUBLE YOU!

I'M GOING BACK TO MEET WITH THEM.

RIGHT, DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT, FAJIT... I'LL MAKE SURE THE COMPANY KNOWS YOUR CONCERNS.



FAJIT...



DO YOU REALLY THINK THE CHINESE AND THE DUTCH CAN LIVE SIDE BY SIDE?



FRED...



YOU, I TRUST

I'M NOT SURE ABOUT YOUR MEN THOUGH!



...ALL CAN BE FORGIVEN, IN THE END!

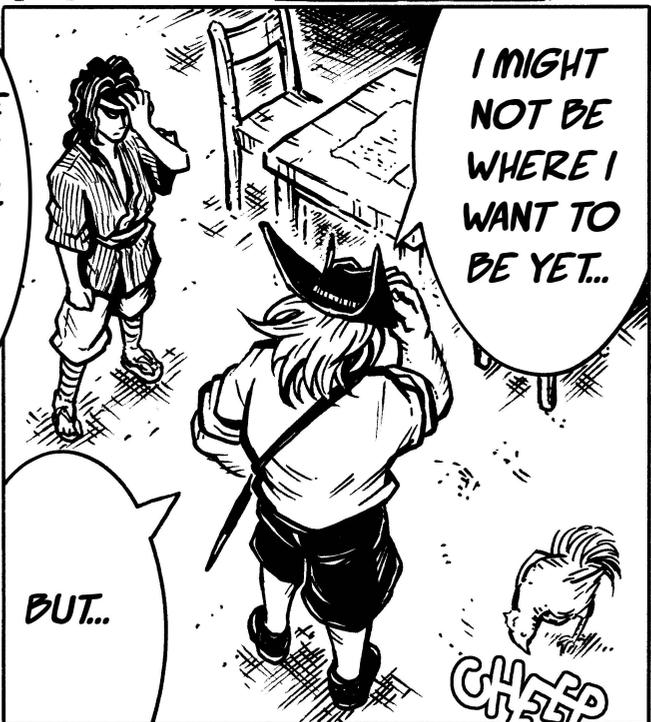


HERE ON FORMOSA...



I SWEAR I'LL BE THE NEXT GOVERNOR OF FORMOSA!

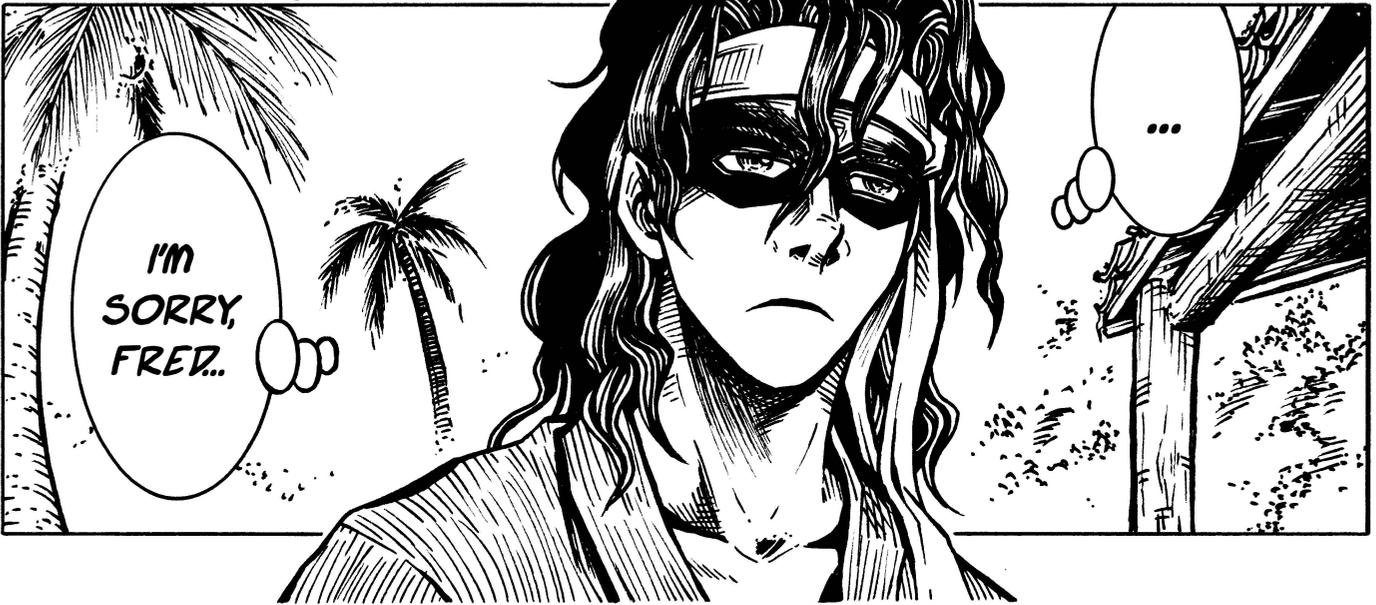
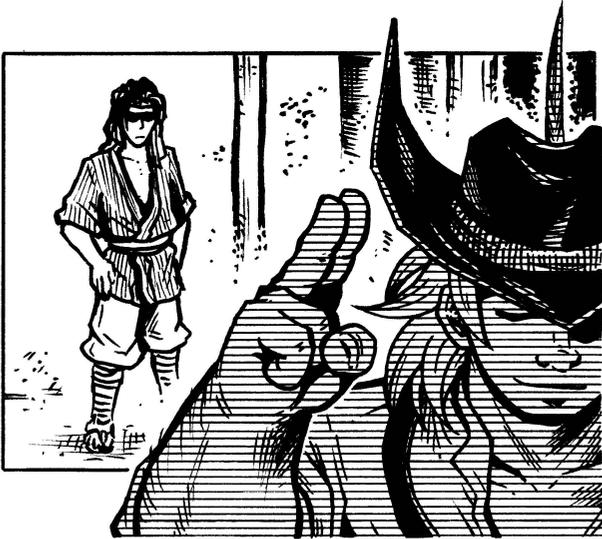
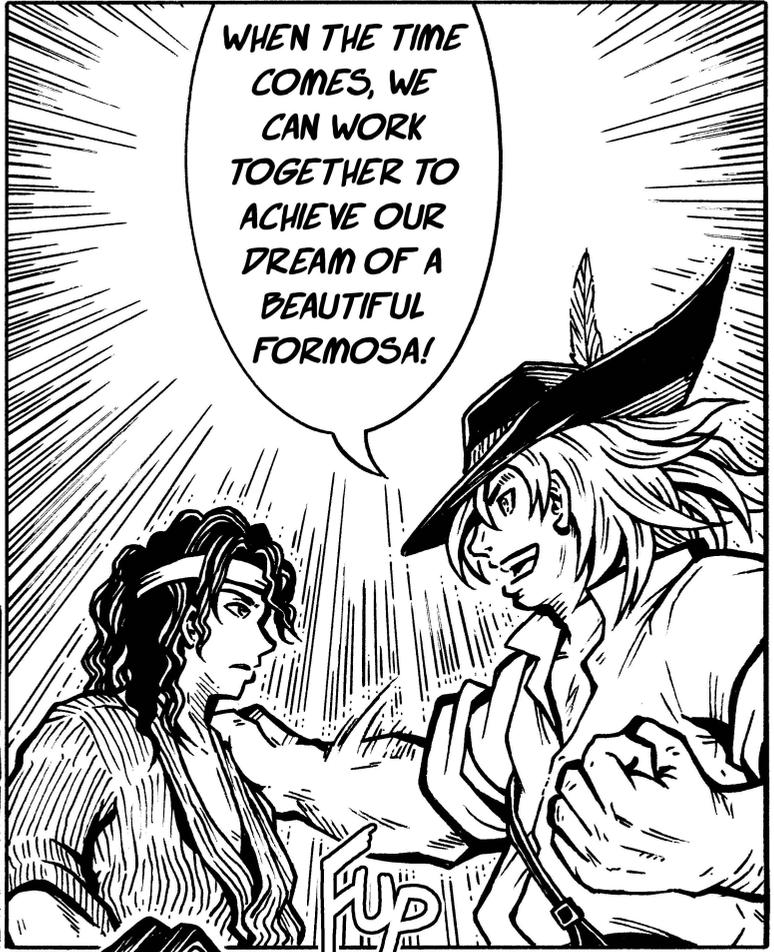
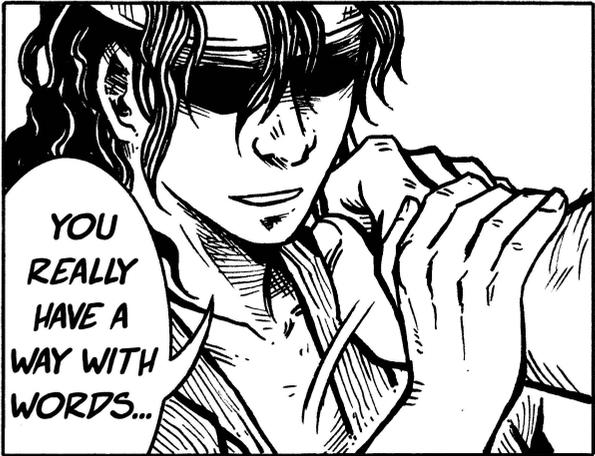
AS LONG AS I HOLD THE COURSE AND REMAIN LOYAL TO OUR PEOPLE AND OUR LAND...



I MIGHT NOT BE WHERE I WANT TO BE YET...

BUT...

CHIEF



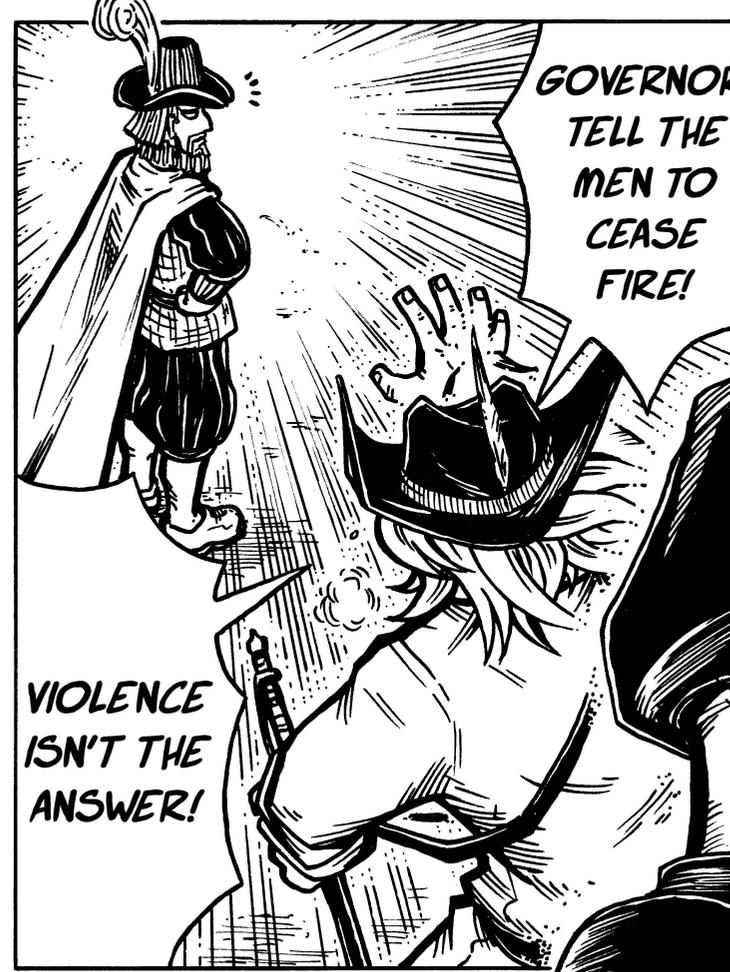


RAH

BANG

ARGH

!!!



GOVERNOR,
TELL THE
MEN TO
CEASE
FIRE!

VIOLENCE
ISN'T THE
ANSWER!

HOW...
HOW CAN
THIS BE?!



THIS ISN'T A GAME!



TESTING YOUR METTLE AGAINST ME AGAIN, ARE YOU?

MASTER COYETT

TSK