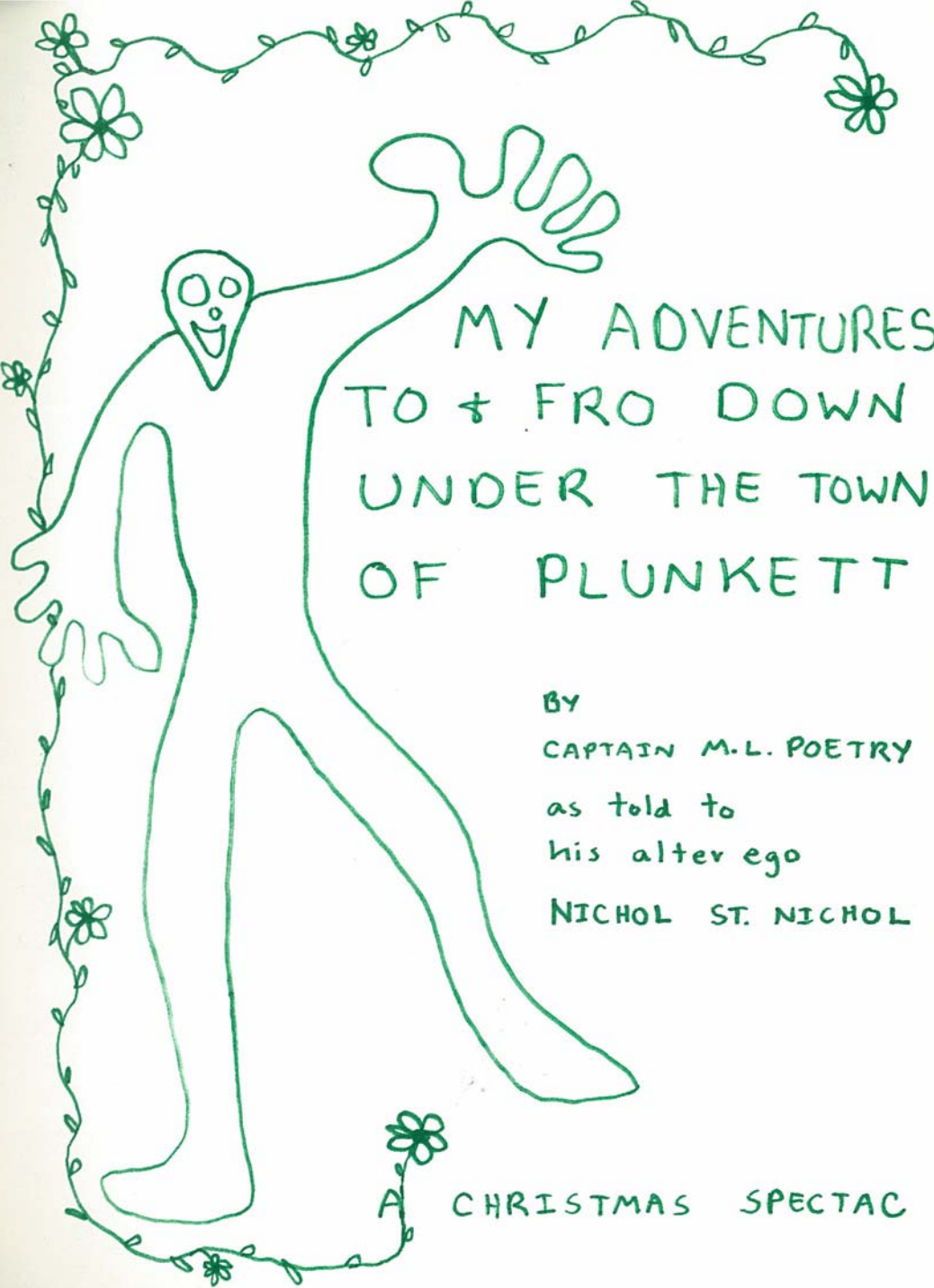




CAPTAIN
POETRY



MY ADVENTURES
TO & FRO DOWN
UNDER THE TOWN
OF PLUNKETT

BY

CAPTAIN M.L. POETRY

as told to

his alter ego

NICHOL ST. NICHOL

A CHRISTMAS SPECTAC



hand-writ

Christ's Mass

1968

for MAL

+ for JUDY

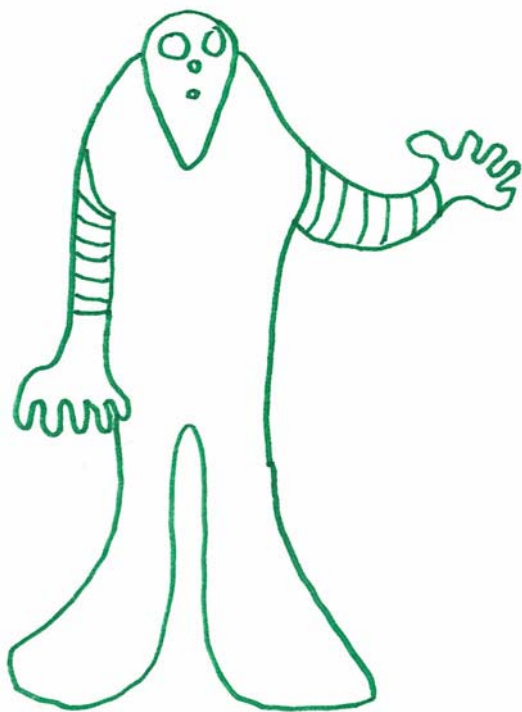
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a
MINNIE-MOO-HA-HA
special 

ONCE



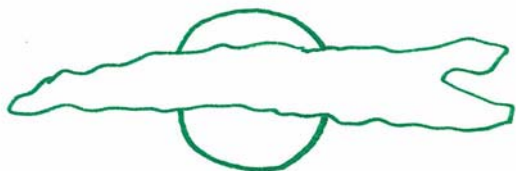
ONE DARK NIGHT



i was walking down the main street of this town - Plunkett by name - just minding my own business, when the ground suddenly opened beneath me.

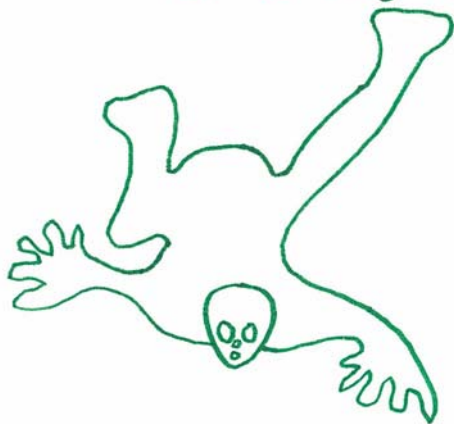


SYMETRY



WOTTAHELL??

i musta fell
for a long long time



i remem brrr

i musta fell
for a long time

Coz



THUD

COZ WHEN I HIT BOTTOM

IT SURE HURT

ANYWAY -
I GOT
UP AND
LOOKED
AROUND



it sure was dark

boy was it dark

WHO THE
HELL ARE
YOU?

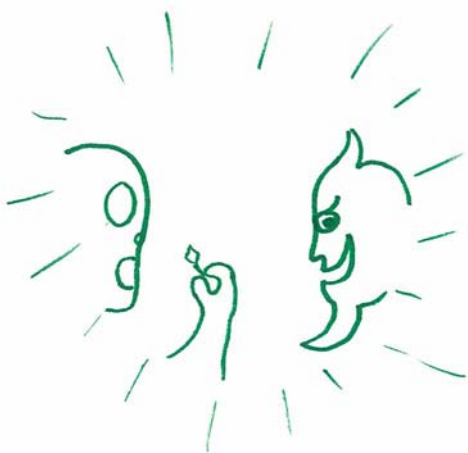
JUST
CALL ME
DEV!!

DARE I
SAY "DEV
WHO?" ?

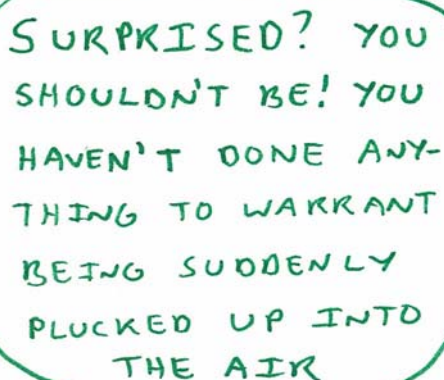
DEVIATE!!
WAHAHA!!!

GEEZUS!!

I struck a match



Now you know
I have your
average wondering
eye - but wow!!



SURPRISED? YOU
SHOULDN'T BE! YOU
HAVEN'T DONE ANY-
THING TO WARRANT
BEING SUDDENLY
PLUCKED UP INTO
THE AIR





SO I STARTED RUNNING

NOW RUNNING IN THE DARK
IS TO SAY THE LEAST A
HAZARDOUS BUSINESS. MY LEGS
WERE BENT BROKEN BRUISED
AND BLOODY BEFORE I'D GONE
THREE FEET. BUT DEV WASN'T
LOOKING TOO GOOD EITHER,
WHEN I'D PICKED HIS HORNS
OUT OF MY KNEES I WENT ON.

† ON

† ON

† ON

† ON

† ON

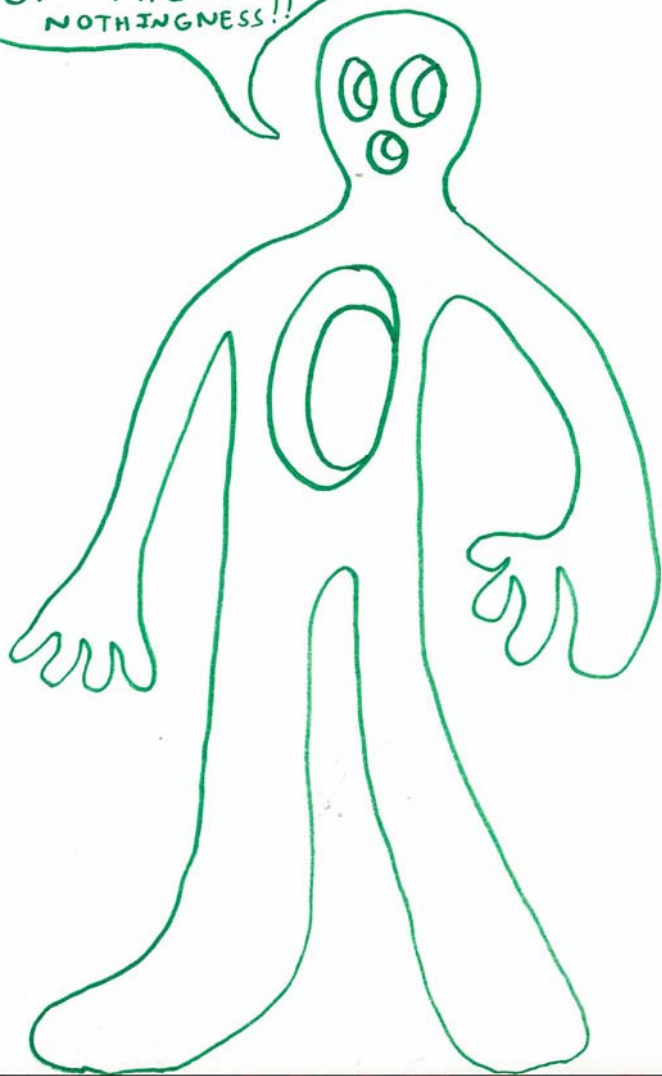
† ON

SUDDENLY IT STARTED TO GET
LIGHTER



AND WITH THE LIGHT CAME

HIS HOLINESS!!
ARCH THEORETICIAN
OF THE
NOTHINGNESS!!



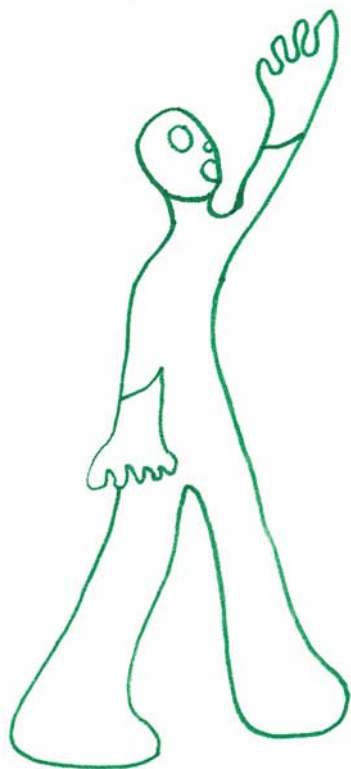
I HOLD WITH
THOSE WHO FAVOR
HOLES AS THE HOLY
EXISTENCE! TO BE AT
ONE WITH THE
EMPTINESS
WITHIN
+ WITHOUT



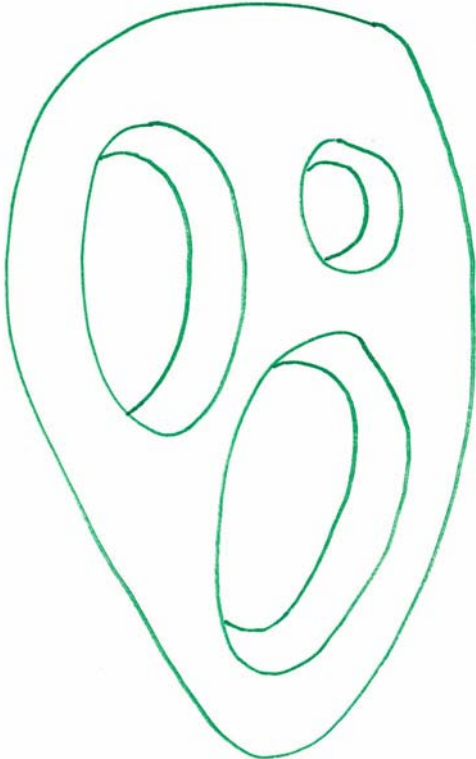
BUT HOLINESS CHANGES!
NOTHING IS FIXED!



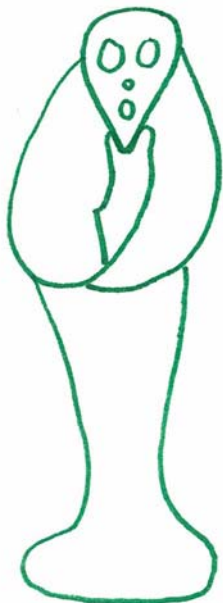
WOULD YOU MIND TERRIBLY
IF I ASKED YOU A
QUESTION!!



YOU JUST ASKED IT!!



THIS IS TRUE!



WELL

i sure knew

i was up against it

THIS TIME.

not since

my battle with

the notorious

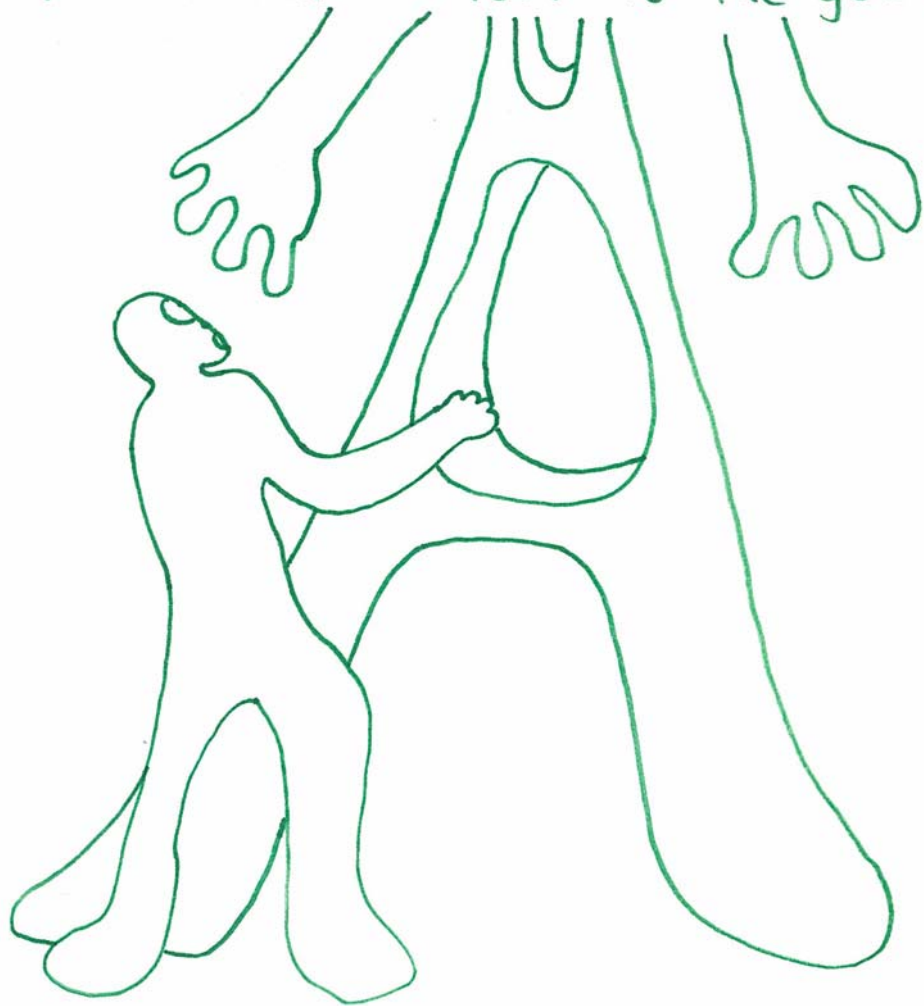
MADAME X

had i had

so worthy

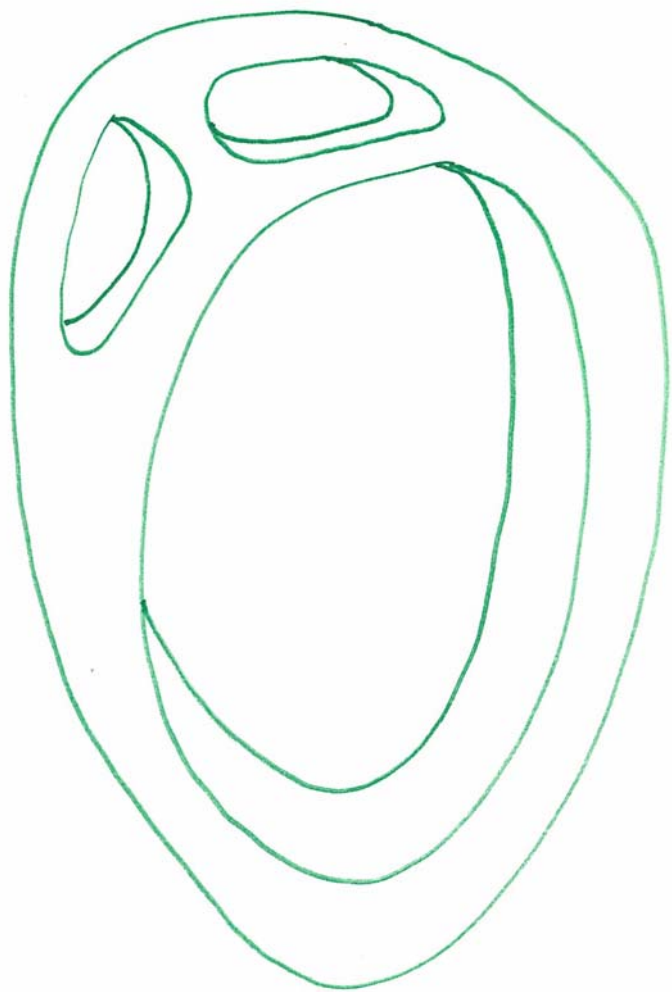
an opponent.

I threw him a left to the gut..



..... but to no avail....

he simply laughed





... I exploded.

↳ suddenly, so suddenly, I had no
chance to even collect my thots

the lights went out

+ a voice spoke (as voices are
wont to do)



I BEG YOUR
PARDON!!

I SAID
"WHO CALLS?!"



JESUS!!!



YOU'RE KIDDING?
WHAT AN HONOR!

NO! NO!!!
LOOK - WHO
EXACTLY
ARE YOU?

MOTHER
JUMPER!!
WHO ELSE?

+ he (or was it she) turned around

+ walked away

wait! I cried, & throwing caution to
the omnipresent wind, raced after her
(him)

boy! dark?!!!

WAIT!!
WAIT!!

I WISH
YOU'D MAKE
UP YOUR
MIND!

+ I struck another match



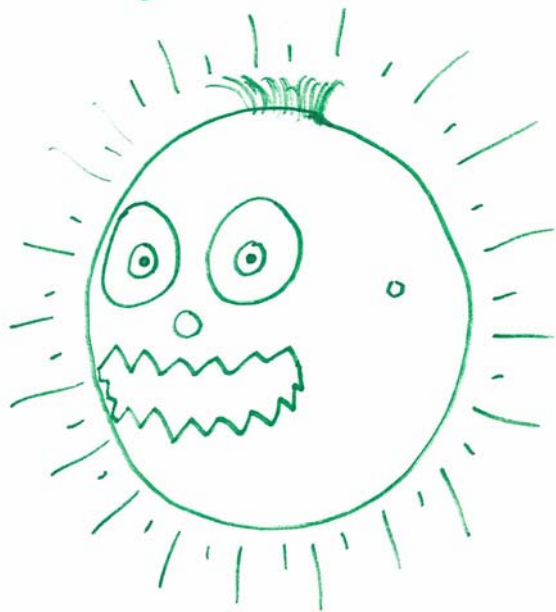


WHAT IS THIS? SOME
SCHULZ SCHIZOID
FANTASY? WHAT WERE
YOU EXPECTING A
MOTHERJUMPER TO
LOOK LIKE? I'M
THE END PRODUCT
OF A DELICATE
EVOLUTIONARY
PROCESS!!

IT'S TRUE WE REACHED
AN EVOLUTIONARY DEAD
END - BUT WHAT THE
HELL! IT'S A FULL
LIFE. I'VE HAD
MY SHARE OF
GIGGLES!!

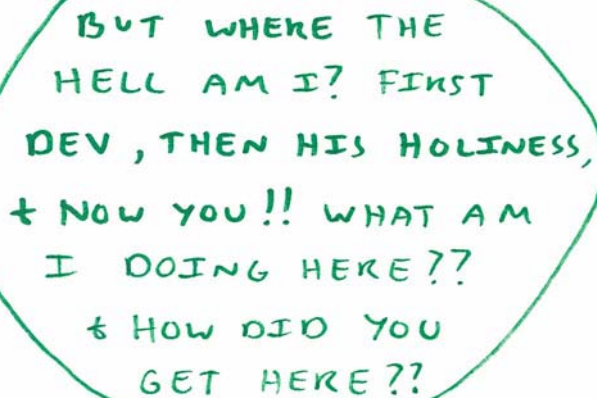


LIKE THE TIME I VISITED
PLUNKETT DISGUISED AS
A SWAN. SHOULD'VE SEEN
THOSE MOTHERS RUN!



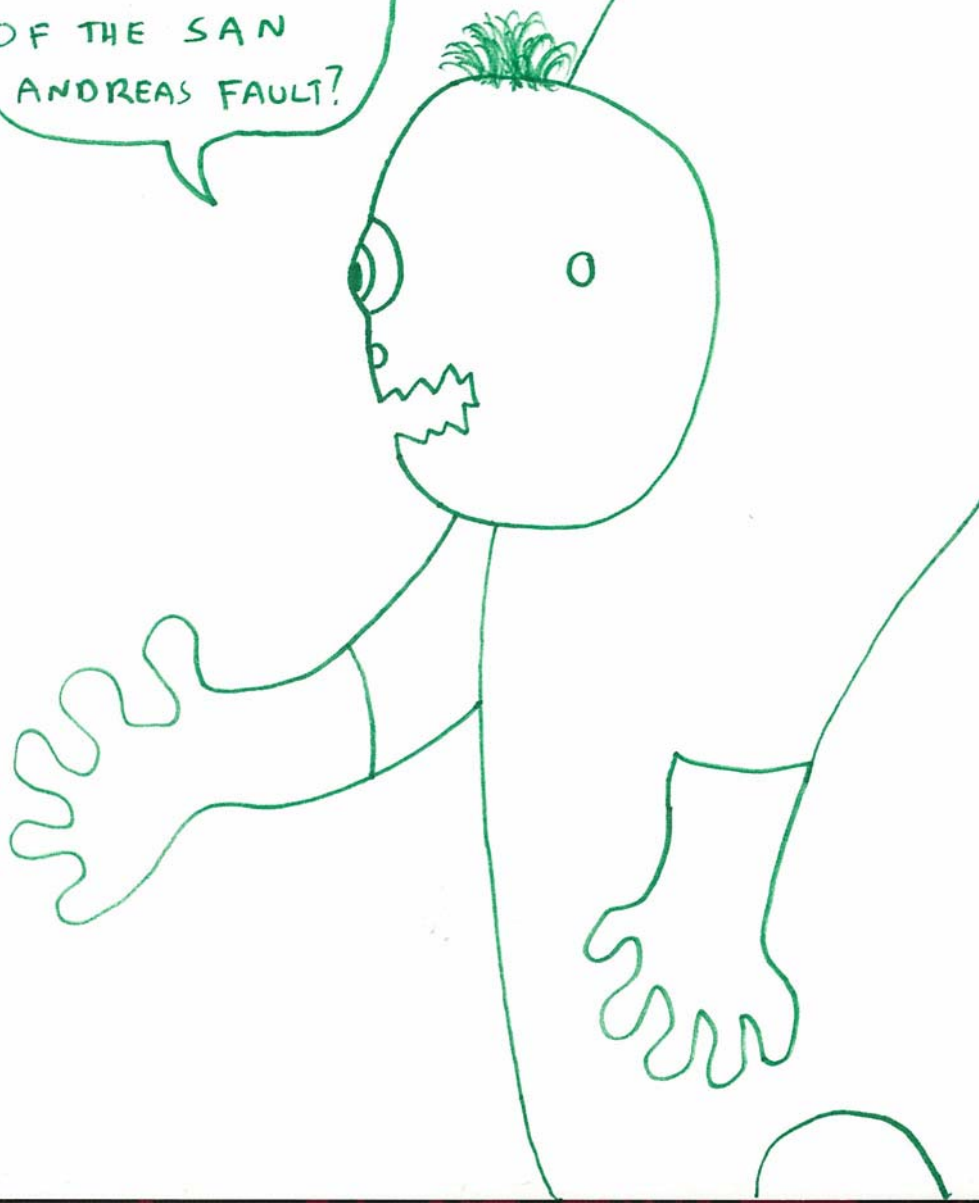
BUT...!!

BUT NOTHING!!
THEY GOT WHAT THEY
WANTED + I FULFILLED
MY EVOLUTIONARY
FUNCTION! WHERE
DO YOU THINK
ALL THE STORK
JAZZ STARTED?



BUT WHERE THE
HELL AM I? FIRST
DEV, THEN HIS HOLINESS,
+ NOW YOU!! WHAT AM
I DOING HERE??
+ HOW DID YOU
GET HERE??

WELL THIS IS
A LONG STORY!
YOU'VE HEARD
OF THE SAN
ANDREAS FAULT?



OF COURSE YOU HAVE!

WELL - YEARS AGO, SO MANY
I'VE LOST TRACK, BUT IT'S
AT LEAST A FEW THOUSAND,
ANYWAYS, YEARS AGO THE FAULT
OPENED UP. NOW AT THE TIME
DEV, + HIS HOLINESS + I
WERE STANDING AROUND
RAPPING ABOUT THE GOOD
OLD DAYS IN ATLANTIS,
LEMURIA + MU BEFORE
THEY ALL DISAPPEARED
BENEATH THE WATER!!

WELL YOU CAN IMAGINE OUR
SURPRISE!! BUT WE WERE ALL
BASICALLY OPTIMISTS. DEV
KIND OF LIKED IT! HE GOT
BUSY BUILDING SULPHUR PITS
& THINGS & GOT A LICENCE
FROM G.O.D.S. INCORPORATED
TO HANDLE THE SINNER TRADE.
HE'S A GREAT PRACTICAL JOKER!
HIS HOLINESS FELT HE'D FINALLY
FOUND HEAVEN SINCE HE WAS
ABLE TO ENTER INTO THE
ACTUAL EMPTINESS WITHIN
THE EARTH. OF COURSE FOR
A MOTHERJUMPER MOTHER
EARTH REPRESENTS THE
BIGGEST CHALLENGE OF
ALL!!!



BUT WHAT
ABOUT ME?

AH!

† the motherjumper shook his head



+ he heaved a great sigh!!

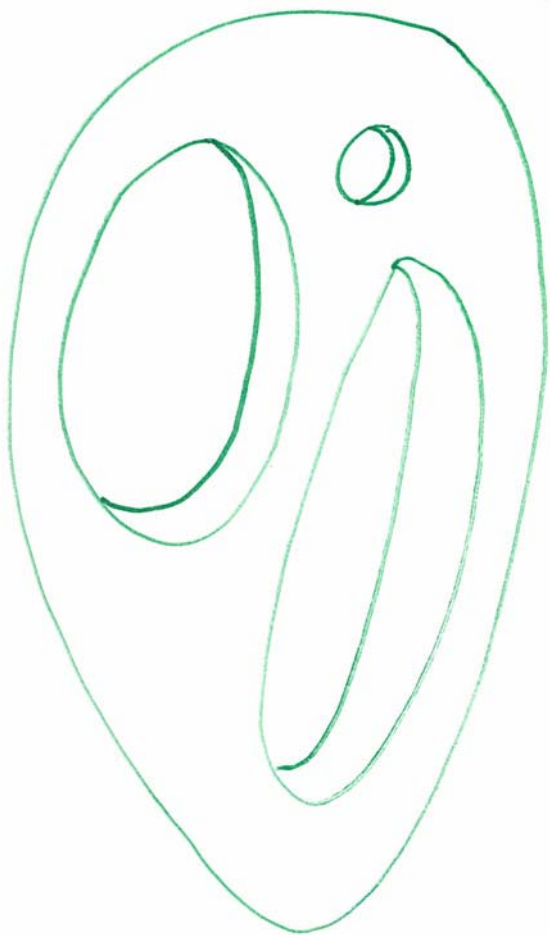
as though at a pre-arranged signal
DEV & HIS HOLINESS APPEARED
& the cavern became lighter...



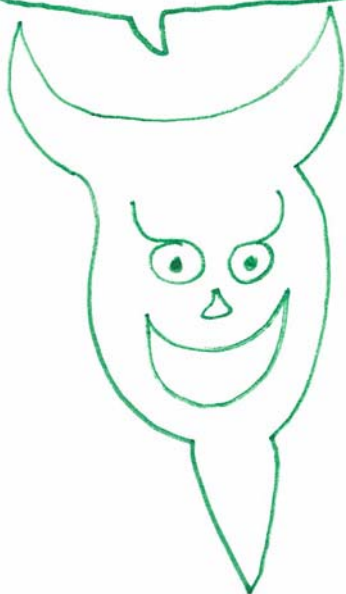
WE'VE BEEN TALKING
TO OUR LANDLORD,
GURUS, ORACLES,
DEITIES & SEERS
INCORPORATED!!



WE'RE AFRAID IT'S A NO-NO!

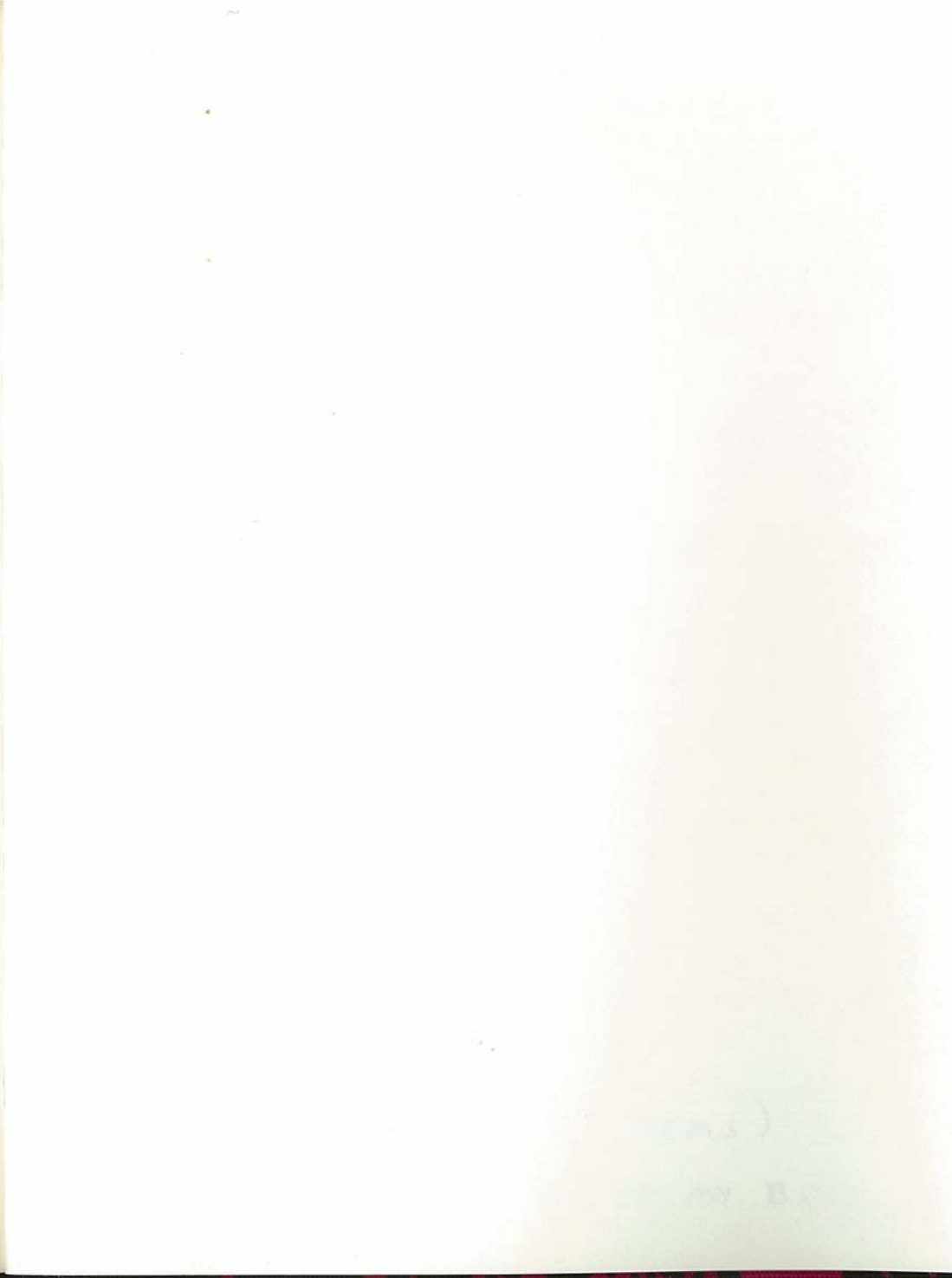


SINCE IT WAS SAN
ANDREAS RATHER THAN
G.O.D.S. WORKING THRU
SAN ANDREAS. YOU'VE
GOT TO GO!



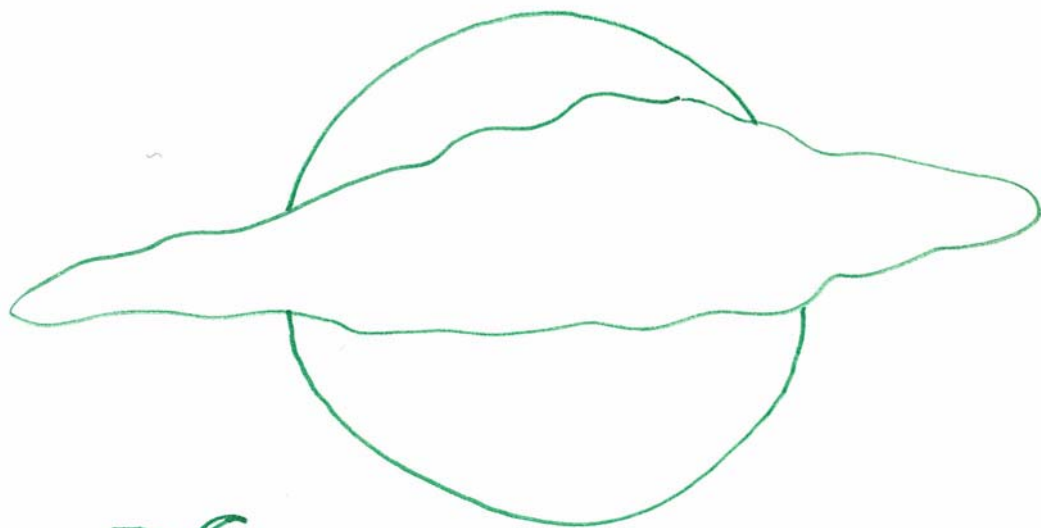
+ the darkness returned

+ I blacked out!!





MUCH LATER (IT SEEMS)
I REAWOKE, FLAT ON MY BACK!!



I was above ground again!!

that was a long time ago

now

NOW

it seems

OH

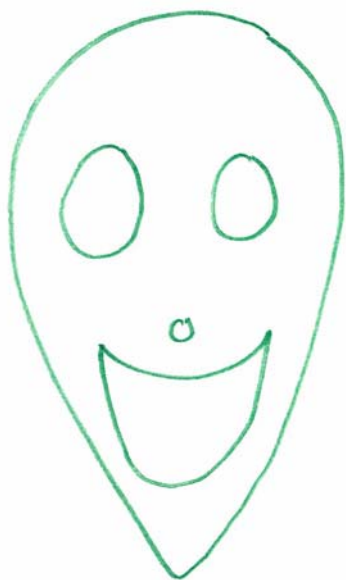
i don't know

a little melodramatic

but it's true!

IT IS!

I KNOW -



it happened to me!

It was
CHRISTMAS EVE

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