

JULES VERNE'S

20,000 LEAGUES UNDER THE SEA

A GRAPHIC NOVEL



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ABOUT SUBMARINES

Many people believe Alexander the Great was the first person to journey underwater in a contained vessel. Legend says the Greek leader explored the Aegean Sea inside a glass barrel around 333 BC, more than 2,000 years ago.

Artist Leonardo Da Vinci, who painted the famous *Mona Lisa*, also worked on plans to build an underwater ship during the 1500s. However, Da Vinci kept his plans a secret because he feared the invention would eventually be used for war.

Less than 300 years later, Da Vinci's prediction came true. David Bushnell built the first submarine used for battle. The *Turtle*, as it was called, was made of wood, held one person, and could stay under the water for a half hour. On September 6, 1776, the American army used the *Turtle* against a British warship. The attack was unsuccessful.

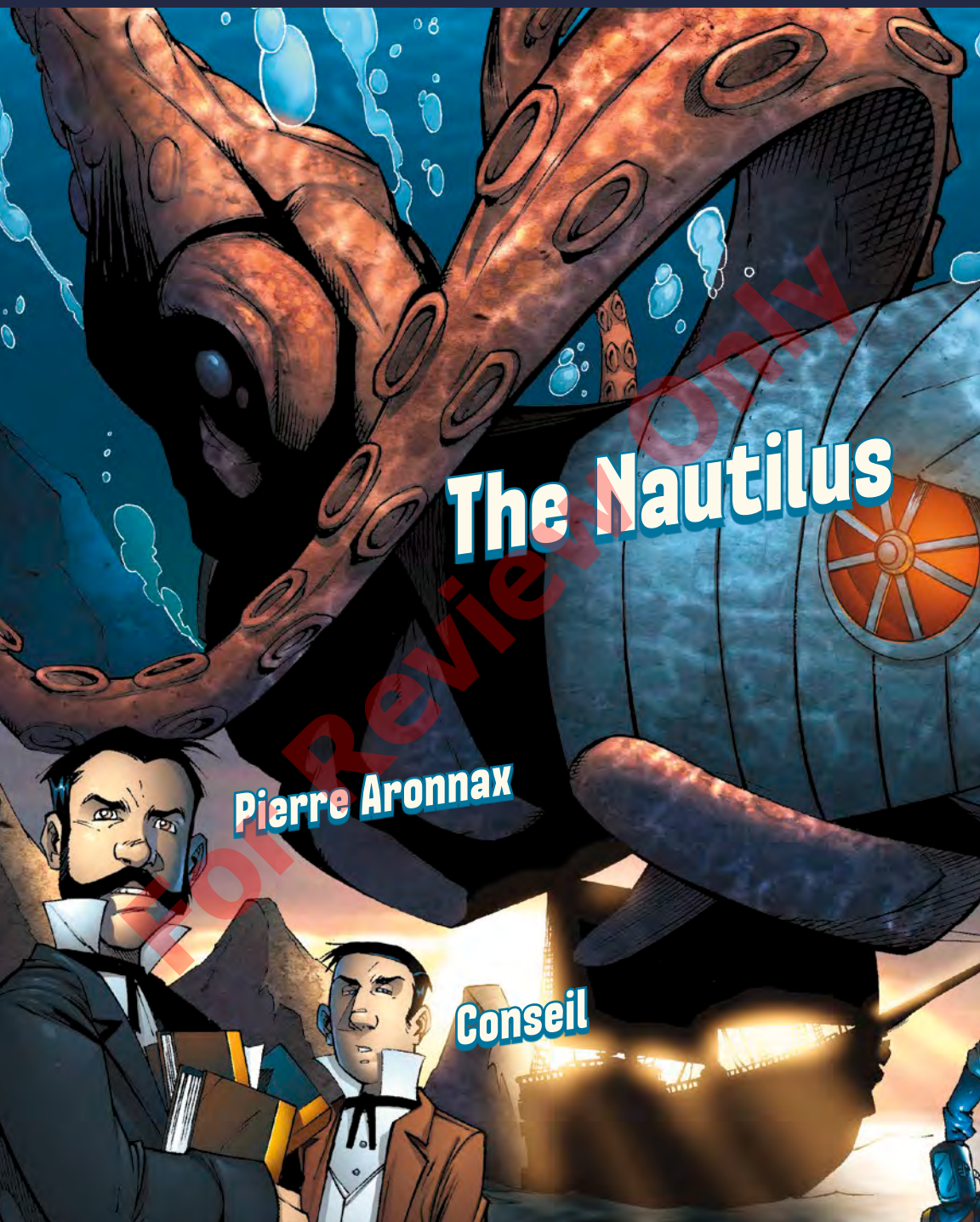
During the Civil War, the United States Navy tested their first submarine. The *Alligator* measured 47 feet long and could hold more than 14 crew members. While being towed into battle in 1863, a storm sunk the sub off the coast of North Carolina. It has never been found.

Early subs were often powered by oars or hand-cranked propellers. The United States Navy launched the first nuclear-powered submarine in 1954. It was named the *Nautilus*, the same as Captain Nemo's underwater vessel. In 1958, the *Nautilus* became the first sub to cross beneath the North Pole.

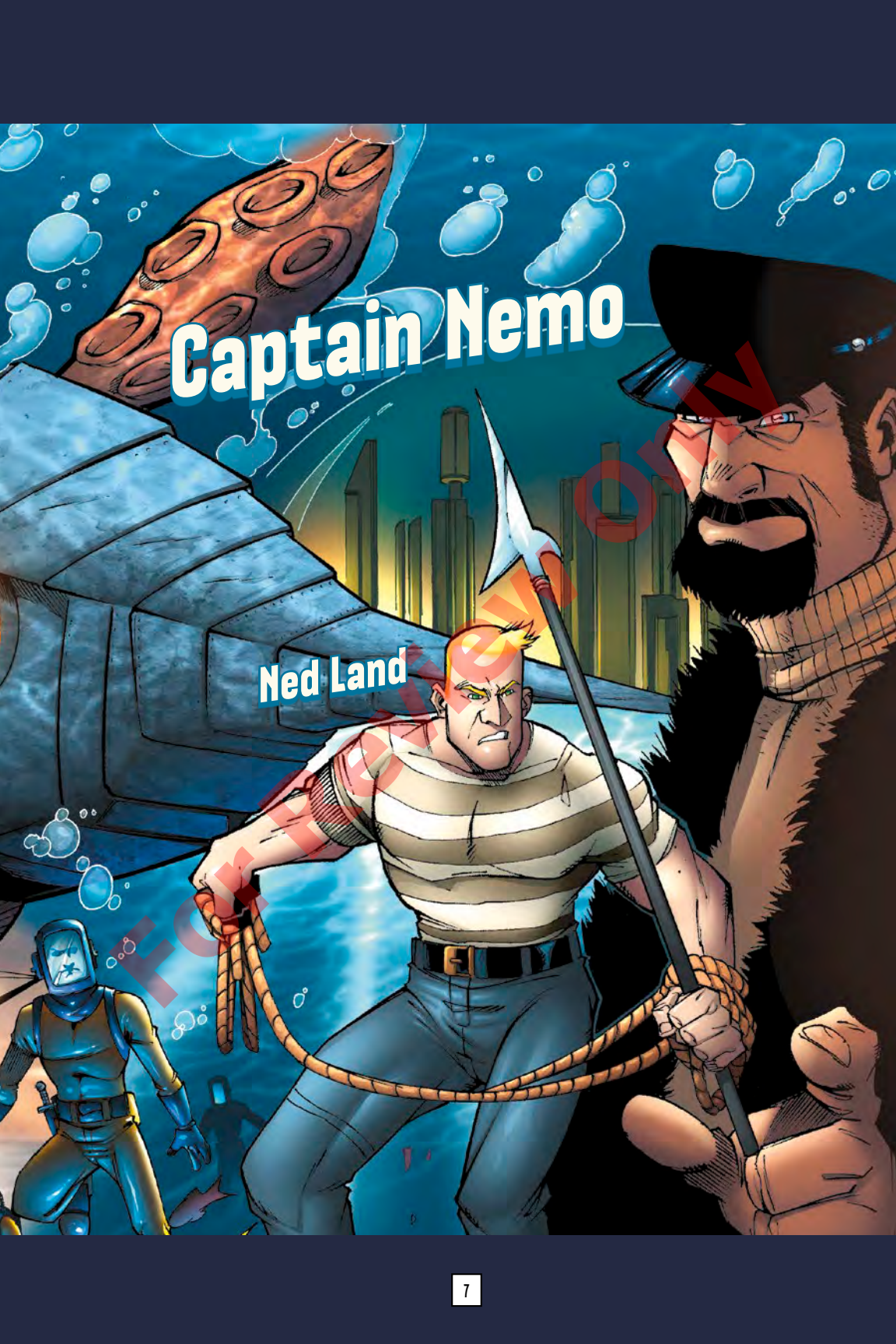
Nuclear energy has since powered some of the fastest subs ever built, including Russia's Alfa class submarines. These subs could travel nearly 300 miles per hour!

On January 23, 1960, the *Trieste* became the deepest-diving underwater vessel ever built. The *Trieste* dove nearly 38,000 feet before reaching the floor of the Pacific Ocean.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

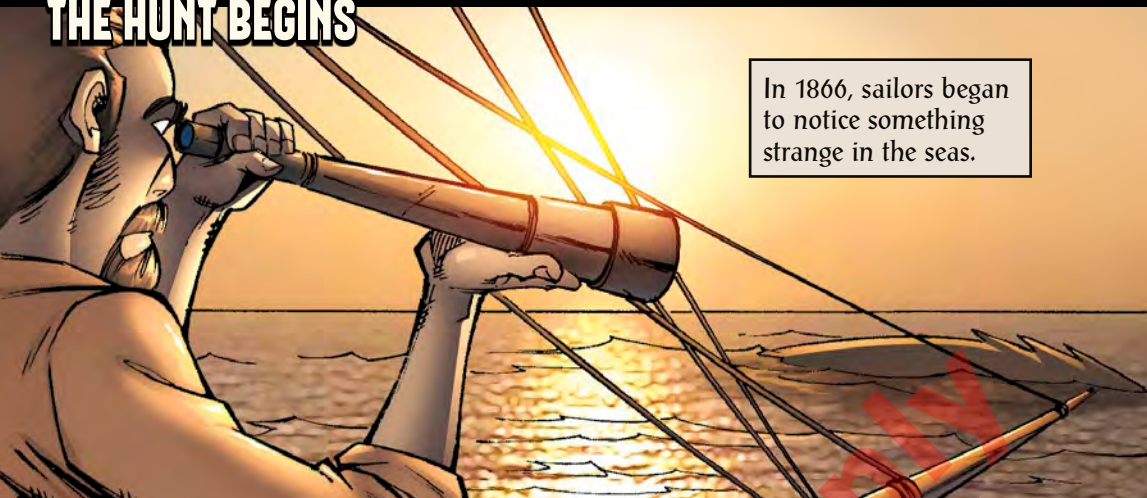


Captain Nemo



Ned Land

THE HUNT BEGINS



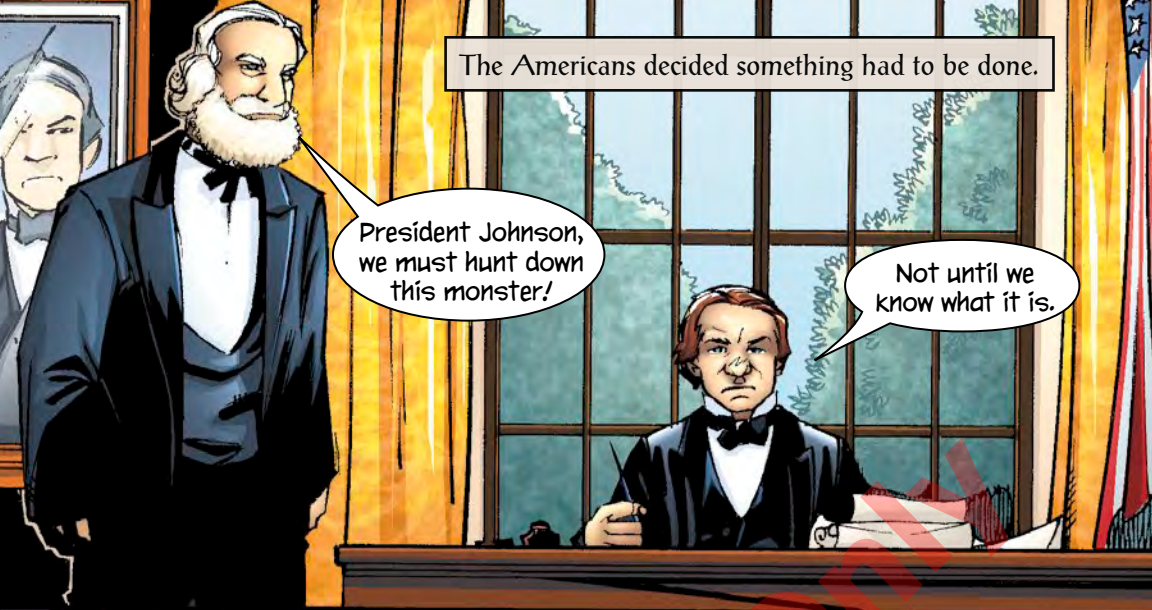
In 1866, sailors began to notice something strange in the seas.

They sighted the mysterious creature all over the world.



At first, the strange mystery was exciting. But in 1867, the creature began to attack ships.





The Americans decided something had to be done.

President Johnson,
we must hunt down
this monster!

Not until we
know what it is.

I am Pierre Aronnax, a scientist with the Paris
Museum, and I've studied the ocean all my life. In
1867, I studied all the reports of the ocean monster.

I've got it!



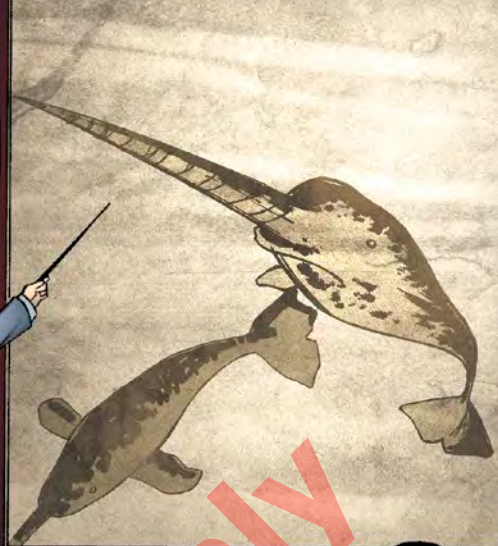
The beast had to be a giant **narwhal** – an
ocean mammal with a thick ivory tusk.

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EA!!

300 FEET!

I toured North America, explaining my theory to anyone who would listen.

A narwhal this large has never been found. But it is possible.



One day, Gideon Welles, the Secretary of the U.S. Navy, came to listen.

The Navy needs your help, sir.

The next day, I boarded the *Abraham Lincoln* to hunt down this narwhal and destroy it.

My servant Conseil came with me on this journey.

As you wish, sir!

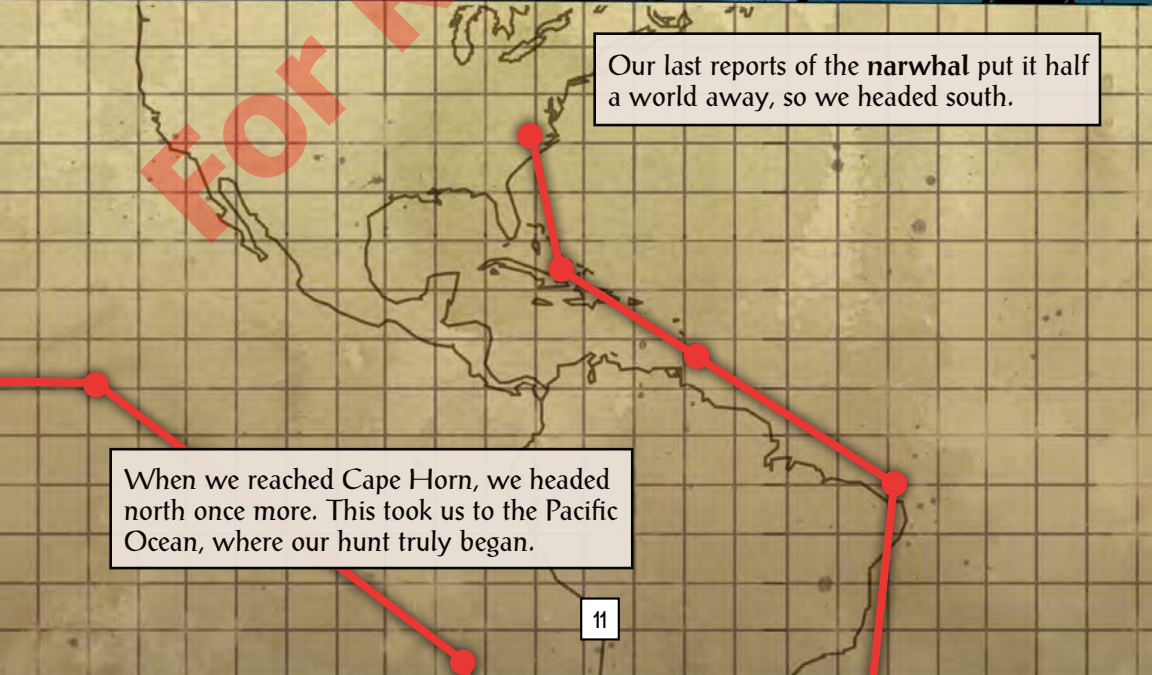
Hurry, Conseil!

I would be lost without this dear, faithful friend.



So, our adventure began at last.

We left New York as heroes.



Our last reports of the **narwhal** put it half a world away, so we headed south.

When we reached Cape Horn, we headed north once more. This took us to the Pacific Ocean, where our hunt truly began.



For months, we searched for any signs of the narwhal.

Still nothing.



For our hunt, we had harpoons, rifles, and a powerful cannon.

Plus, something even better . . .



We had Ned Land, the king of harpooners.



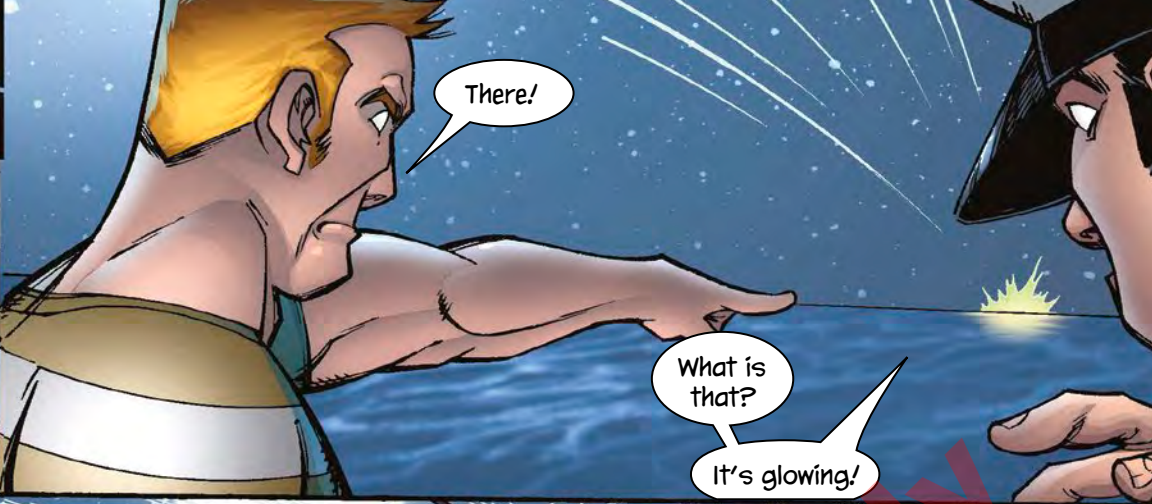
Professor, come up here.



He had a cannon for an arm and binoculars for eyes.



There it is!



There!

What is that?

It's glowing!

At first, we steered clear of the odd glow. Yet it followed us, matching our speed exactly.



The glow followed us all night, then disappeared at dawn.



It's gone!