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and before the next switchover he put his chair in the LOCK position. They spent the rest of the evening. "Virtually none. Do you think I'd go around talking to myself in grocery stores if I had friends?" All in all, I didn't find anything. Except for the books and the deck of cards, there was nothing of look for some mechanism the bug could use to steal energy from the rotating gears in the whirligigs? dead. In their place was a second network of pipes which wound around the derricks and spread. I laughed. I thought you were unlucky. way a bricklayer feels sometimes. It's really great I feel sorry for brickmakers. You'd never catch me handle. She seemed to hear the heavy breathing of Brother Hart coming at her through the walls. "Come. She grimaced. "No need to panic. It's not an emergency. Fm licensed." 'me from a hundred directions. The faded photographs covered every level surface and clung to the walls. chair, watching the color change spread over the entire surface and the contours alter to a deeper, softer. "You shall not see it again, then," said Hinda. "For a man who hunts the deer can be no friend of mine." "I simulate a job that Citibank is developing for another corporation, but only on an auxiliary basis. Next year I'm supposed to start full-time." planet, without sexual reproduction. And for six months, nothing really new cropped up among the whirligigs. Song was not surprised. of encyclopedias? published in 1911. "Nightingale must have run that stinking army hospital in the Crimea. Her tenants were the losers habitating. Tin an unusual person," said Marvin Kolodny, leaning back in his swivel chair and taking a large pipe from the rack on his desk. THE BEST FROM FANTASY & SCIENCE HCTION. coming to boil, then a rapid series of clangs. A tiny white ball came through the doorway and bounced off three walls. It moved almost faster than they could follow. It hit Crawford on the arm, then fell to the floor where it gradually skittered to a stop. The hissing died away, and Crawford picked it up. It was lighter than it had been. There was a pinhole drilled in one side. The pinhole was cold when he touched it with his fingers. Startled, thinking he was burned, he stuck his finger in his mouth, then sucked on it absently long after he knew the truth. So he lay down on the bed and Hinda sat by him. She rubbed cinquefoil on his head to soothe it and sang him many songs, and soon Brother Hart was asleep. truth of a piece of fiction matters, for aesthetic reasons. To apply rigid, stupid, narrow, political standards. Prudently he didn't spring them on her all at once, but waited until she'd finished each one before. "What did Freddy say when you came in?" she asked in a conspiratorial if not downright friendly. difference if Mary Lang had tried to save him first. "When I blew the wizard here a year ago," said the North Wind from above them, "he left it right there, but the snow and ice have frozen over it." He wrote down the coordinates for the plane crash in which his daughter and her husband had died. "It turns," Lang said quietly. "That's why Song noticed it She came by here one day and it was in a. A Serious Undertaking, HAL CLEMENT. I heard the typewriter stop ticking and the scrape of a chair being scooted back. I didn't hear. When Amos woke up, he was lying on the floor of the ship's brig inside the cell, and Jack, in his underwear? for the sailors had jumped on him when he came back in the morning and given the jailor back his clothes? was trying to wake him up. "I can try," said Jack, "or perhaps die trying. But I can do no more and no less." And he took the small pickax they had used to help them climb the mountain. are you doing? The last tracks cut in. Okay, you're getting everything from the decaying food in her gut to her deepest buried childhood fears of an empty echoing house. "I suppose you'll be anxious to go to the ship," he said. "You're going to be a tremendous help. You know so much of what we were sent here to find out. And you'll be quite famous when you get back to Earth. Your back pay should add up to quite a sum." Darlene passed a hand before her eyes. "I guess I'm just overtired," she said. "The long trip-" up the walls, but as she walked from the kitchen, across the lounge area to the fireplace, and turned to. altered? a different gene in each individual perhaps. The science of genetics would then advance in. "I would certainly vote for you." 57. not lack for use. Productive work suffered as the five of them frantically ran through all the possible. 208. "Go away? get out of here." If I looked as guilty as I felt, I was glad she could not see my face. The gale blows itself out on the morning of the 26th. The sun is bright, the sea almost dead calm. species. including non-fiction material from F&SF's regular departments. The aim is to provide readers of these. to determine their impact points, and to calculate the radius of destruction of each burst. Normally such. The captain glares at me and balls his meaty hands into fists. I tense in expectation of blows which do not fall. Instead, he shakes his head emphatically and turns to the Intermediaries, "This is ridk-ulons. Thoroughly ridiculous." wind. Smith is watching the planet Mars. The clockwork which turns the Ozo to follow the planet, even when it is below the horizon, makes it possible for him to focus instantly on the surface, but he never does this. He takes up his position hundreds of thousands of miles away, then slowly approaches, in order to see the red spark grow to a disk, then to a yellow sunlit ball hanging hi darkness. Now he can make out die surface features: Syrtis Major and Thoth-Nepenthes leading in a long gooseneck to Utopia and the frostcap. "Hey, everybody!" Jain raises her voice, cutting stridently through everyone else's conversations. "Get. the woods. His animals were at his heels. Daman Knight. lift in the other, all the emeralds I can haul up from a well in a brass kettle, and a chance to see a man. 258. "If we went fast, we could make it without." Colman answered. were lost." She turned and scowled at each of them in turn. his face. It was just about die way Lorraine Nesbitt had described it If you called central casting and asked for a male angel, you'd get Andrew Detweiler in a blond wig. His body was slim and well-formed? from where I was standing I couldn't see the hump and you'd never know there was one. I had a glimpse of his bare chest as he buttoned the shirt It wasn't muscular but it was very well made. He was very healthy-looking? pink and flushed with health, though slightly pale as if he didn't get out in the sun much. His dark eyes were astounding. If you blocked out the rest of the face, leaving nothing but the eyes, you'd swear he was no more than four years old. You've seen little kids with those big, guileless, unguarded, inquiring eyes, haven't you? "They would weigh me down," said Amos, "and I could not be back for lunch. No, I need a

suit of clothes that is bright and brilliant enough to keep me from losing myself in all that grey. For HI do lose myself, you will never have your mirror." "Why did you leave?" .156.It didn't surprise them too much. The Burroughs had given then: just about everything it could hi the.sticker from the back of the license with his fingernail, and offered it to Barry.. "No threats," says the tech. "Just a suggestion." .five hours to pass through two days of real time. The 23rd is calmer, but on the 24th another storm blows.Detweiler wasn't feeling well at all. He was pale and drawn and fidgety. His eyelids were heavy and.If, after the first cell division, the two offspring cells, for any reason, should happen to fall apart, each offspring cell may then go on to develop into a complete organism of its own. The result is a pair of identical twins, each with the same genetic equipment and each of the same sex, of course. In a sense, each twin is a clone of the other..on her stern is lettered: Mary Celeste. Smith advances the time control. A flicker of darkness, light again.,Jain sways and the crowd sways; she thrusts and the crowd thrusts. It is one gigantic act It as as though a temblor shakes the Front Range.HENDERSON'S The Different People: No Flesh.Landis, not to mention enraged giant lizards and a volcanic eruption. One Million Years B.C. took the."Thank you, Matt." Congreve's voice rumbled in a gravelly baritone from the speakers all around. He glanced from side to side to take in the whole of his audience. "I, ah--I almost didn't make it here at all." He paused, and the last whispers of conversation died away. "A sign in the hall outside says that the fossil display is in twelve-oh-three upstairs." The American Archeological Society was holding its annual convention in the Hilton complex that week. Congreve shrugged "I figured that had to be where I was supposed to go. Luckily I bumped into Matt on the way, and he got me back on the right track." A ripple of laughter wavered in the darkness, punctuated by a few shouts of protest from some of the tables. He waited for silence, then continued in a less flippant voice. "The first thing I have to do is thank everybody here, and all the NASDO people who couldn't be with us tonight, for inviting me. Also, of course, I have to express my sincere appreciation for this, and even more my appreciation for the sentiments that it signifies. Thank you--all of you." As he spoke, he gestured toward the eighteen-inch-long, silver and bronze replica of the as yet unnamed, untried SP3 star probe that stood on its teak base before Congreve's place at the main table..be Prince of the Far Rainbow, for a woman worthy of a prince is trapped behind the glass, and not till."Now before you play," I said, "you must understand that we did not wish it known we were working.the costume from the grey man's cabin without being seen and then sneak off after him into the garden..When the gag came off, the story came out, and the part of the story the jailor had slept through the grey man could guess for himself. So he untied the jailor and called the sailors and made plans for Amos' and the prince's return. The last thing the grey man did was take the beautiful costume back to his cabin where die black trunk was waiting..trip. Time enough for that on later flights. We were blinded by our loyalty to the test-pilot philosophy of.I shook my head. "You've lost me. A kilo of buildings?" "Andy?" He frowned slightly. "Come on in. I'm David Fowler." He held out his hand.. "There is nobody there and they are going to do nothing," said the grey man.. "That's okay," she said. "I'm sure you'd have done just the same for me." .fine; what if nothing is going on, you son of a bitch?.Something had caused Mary Lang's eyes to look up. It was a reflex by now, a survival reflex conditioned by a lifetime of fighting her way to the top. It took root in her again and pulled her erect on the bed, then to her feet. She fought off the effects of the drug and stood there, eyes bleary but aware..I settled back in the chair, trying not to laugh. "Why does Mrs. Bushyager want me to find her little.somebody. If-he'd scored in the first percentile, he'd have been issued this license the same as if he'd.to build. Would you kill for me?" "Yes," I say..The jab left her untouched. With perfect calm and not even a pause in her movement, she said, "He.The captain, an Indian named Singh, got his crew started on erecting the permanent buildings, then climbed into a crawler with three officers for the trip to Tharsis. It was almost exactly twelve Earth-years since the departure of the Edgar Rice Burroughs.."It would be all right for a while," she recalled. "But the pressure would build until I had to go out and.Nolan blinked as he recognized her standing there and staring up at him. There was no mistaking the."Five?" the tech says..?I?m from pioneer stock. But you?" She shrugs. "Too delicate?" "Yes, I am really the North Wind," came the thunderous voice. "Now you tell me who you are before.16.babies . . . I mean, deliver babies a couple of times, but that didn't last long. The parents were afraid me.transcendent geniuses out of an Einstein or thousands of diabolical villains out of a Hitler..The MacKinnons were not in their blue settee, and neither Freddy the usher nor Madge of the green sofa could say what had become of them. He flopped into the empty settee with a sense of complete, abject surrender, but so eternally does hope spring that inside of a quarter of an hour he had adjusted to the idea of never being licensed and was daydreaming instead of a life of majestic, mysterious silence on the rim of the Grand Canyon. He rolled out the console and ordered a slice of pineapple pie and some uppers..Nolan awakened to the sound of drums. He jerked upright with a startled cry, then realized that night had come and they were once again at anchor beside the dock. Moises grinned at him in weary triumph..Scott Meredith Uterary Agency for "Nina" by Robert Bloch Joanna Russ for "In Defense of Criticism" Isaac Asimov for "Clone, Clone of My Own" John Varley for "In the Hall of the Martian Kings" Steven Utley for "Upstart" Lee Killough for "A House Divided" Baird Searles for "Multiples"; Copyright ? 1980 by Baird.To Your Broadcast Bodies, Get Yourselves, PHILIP JOSE FARMER.Gordy.,Rascal Moon, ALOIS BUDRYS.Stella Vanilla?Fve never learned exactly what her real last name.I had expected a more sympathetic reaction. I snapped, "You don't sound very sorry it happened." "Did you bring any bubblegum?" the girl asked..Now, months later, I remember it and my skin again goes warm. "Get out of here," I say to the lads..husband's ideal of conversation was very divergent from her own. He enjoyed talking about money..an example of (to my mind) profound, searching, brilliant, political criticism, see Jean-Paul Sartre's Saint.would have pulled me down and I would have never come up. Thank you, Amos." "Very good." "You have done very well," said the grey man pointing to the wall where he had hung the first two pieces of the mirror together. Now they could make out what the shape of the third would be. "And if you get the last one, you will have done very well indeed." "We like it here. It's a

good place to raise a family, not like Earth the last time I was there. And it couldn't be much better now, right after another war. And we can't leave, even if we wanted to." She flashed him a dazzling smile and patted the ground again..He had phoned me about ten after five. I had found the body at seven. "Awhile," I said. "The blood was mostly dry." "And do not disturb me till we get there,"*1 said the skinny grey man. "I have had a bad day today and my head is killing me." "If I might be able to-" the neighborhood of Alpha Centauri. I can understand how the captain feels..opinion is that they are good, interesting, minor authors. And so on. [Or oddities that entered the.the worst place, but you know better than to leave it."And which am I?" "But I can never express it. Everything I say seems to make more sense than what I can feel inside of.debated in the Arabian Desert with tactical nuclear weapons..strong. Above, there seemed no way to go any higher..My name is Robert Dennis Clary and I was born twenty-three years ago in Oil City, Pennsylvania.,air to keep it buoyant We're on the inner skin of a giant balloon. When the arena's full, the body heat.back and forth.."He does not seek you," Hinda replied.."Maurice was a philatelist. He specialized in postwar Germany-locals and zones, things like that. He'd gotten a kilo of buildings and wanted to sort them undisturbed."The Project swayed, ever so slightly. But that was all right. The engineers had allowed for the wind. I'd."Oh, I couldn't I'm too unlucky."Then the picture changed, and he was looking down a familiar, seaside, cobbled street, wet with rain. A storm had just ended and the clouds were breaking apart. Down the block the sign of the Mariner's Tavern swung in the breeze.."What?" I practically screamed..It is the year 2783. Suddenly the galaxy is invaded by a horde of alien beings, the Zorphs. They."Maurice was a philatelist. He specialized in postwar Germany-locals and zones, things like that..THE MEDIATOR: The Company Representative has informed me that considerable.and galleries of The Cavern, carved into the cliffs above the Lunamere, and the jigsaw-stacked rooms of.touch, then buried her face against my shoulder. At the station, waiting for the train to come in, she sat up.on Jack's face. He was leaning back in his chair, hands behind his head. Beside him stood Peg Spatola in

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