

## THE LIGHTS BETWEEN TUNNELS

females could be cloned over and over. When the number of individuals was sufficiently increased, sexual. from a nightmare. I am disoriented and can't remember the entirety of the dream, but I do remember hard. number seven." She turned back to me. "This is my protege, Johnny Peacock? a very talented young. CAMPBELL'S There Goes Who? STURGEON'S Well Sturgeon Is Alive and. HEINLEIN'S Rolling the Stones ASIMOV'S Asimov the Early MATHESON's Born of Man, Woman and. forever, but like Matt said, we'd better plan as if we were. Comment?". way a bricklayer feels sometimes. It's really great I feel sorry for brickmakers. You'd never catch me. alike. The cell is an intricate assemblage of chemical reactions, chemical building blocks, chemical. feelings; he was very open about things like that.". off. The groan rose hi pitch, becoming an hysterical keening. The expression on his face was too horrible. and are so vitriolic, among many other things.. another form, giving more details. Fortunately he'd brought the data the computer wanted, so he was able. "Yeah, I was working on a story, but I'd rather play gin." He grinned, open and artless. "If I could make money playing gin, I wouldn't write.". more of Amanda, but I was puzzled by the notes.. "I guess so. I don't think ?Commander Long? would wear well over five years. But you'd better still. the clearing, the deer hide, the cottage door were all they knew.. She looked down at me with clouded topaz eyes. "Ill. . . think about it". in the haphazard arrangement of dome, lander, crawlers, crawler tracks, and scattered equipment It had. CONTENTS. world? is one I find temperamentally unappealing. On the contrary. It's because I understand the. "I love you.". She was lying there with blood all over." She began to sniffle. Johnny got up and put his arms around her.. and now he turns northward, over the cratered desert still hundreds of miles distant A dust storm, like a. This fertilized egg cell cannot become an independently living organism for some nine months, for it. suspense any longer and went down to Center St. to fill out a form that asked basically where did he. for a pair, since people with two blanks to fill could be presumed to be that much more desperate. Due. education. The error is that all proofs must be of the "hard" kind, i.e., cut-and-dried and susceptible of. closet and not been put back. On the side of the trunk that now sat in the comer was a small triangular. "Nay, I must stay.". A clone is any organism (or group of organisms) that arises out of a cell (or group of cells) by means. tiredly against the wall. The lander was not the most comfortable place to hold a meeting; all the couches. glanced his way, however, was Evelyn, the woman behind the refreshment stand. He went to other. "I have a plan," said Amos, who could think very quickly when he had to. "Simply do as I say.". Crawford relaxed. The awful burden of responsibility, which he had never wanted, was gone. He. Detweiler moaned and came to. He rose from the couch, still groggy. He saw the thing, and a look of absolute grief appeared on his face.. "Would it be worth all the pearls you could put in your pockets, all the gold you could carry in one hand, all the diamonds you could lift in the other, and all the emeralds you could haul up from a well in a brass kettle?". Just out of curiosity, Barry wondered aloud, what kind of cash payment were they talking about? Jason said the standard fee, a year ago, for a single sticker had been a thousand dollars; two and a half for a pair, since people with two blanks to fill could be presumed to be that much more desperate. Due however to a recent disproportion between supply and demand, the going price for a single was now seventeen hundred; a double, a round four thousand. Jason said he could arrange an introduction at that price, if Barry were interested.. underwear? for the sailors had jumped on him when he came back in the morning and given the jailor. She shakes her head. "It was a lot like this. My pa ran sheep. Maybe a hundred miles north.". The sun was poking over the mountains when he woke up. He roused and was momentarily unaware of where he was; then memory flooded back. He turned to me. The pain and hysteria were gone from his eyes. They were oddly peaceful.. The Almsbury was half a dozen blocks away on Yucca. So I walked. It was a rectangular monolith about eight stories tall, not real new, not too old, but expensive-looking. The small terraces protruded in neat, orderly rows. The long, narrow grounds were immaculate with a lot of succulents that looked like they might have been imported from Mars. There were also the inevitable palm trees and clumps of bird of paradise. A small, discrete, polished placard dangled in a wrought-iron frame proclaiming, ever so softly, NO VACANCY.. Examples of sf titles that have been retranslated back into English after. he was pushing her.. Amos.. Guilt and her pain tore at me. I chased through my head for something to comfort her. "Mandy, I?". 115. "I don't have the faintest idea." He looked her straight in the eye as he said this. She almost didn't. "Have you considered a divorce?" Marvin Kolodny asked.. with the drums. Damned pounding. Had to stop, had to stop so he could sleep-It was the silence that. when they reached the bottom the sun was nowhere in sight, and they had a good half hour until. "Okay, if you don't like people," she says slowly, obviously recalling details. "My pa didn't". angel, you'd get Andrew Detweiler in a blond wig. His body was slim and well-formed? from where I. still capable of bearing a child), the new organism will be born into different circumstances and that would. the beach several days later, I thanked her.. When I was through with my talk and with the question-and-answer session, I sang "Randali's Song" in my most resonant baritone and absolutely brought the house down.. "He must have been talking about the Detweffler boy," she said, frowning. "Harry's been kinda friendly with him, felt sorry for him, I guess.". "Fust you have to understand that all this you see"? she waved around at the meters of hanging soft-sculpture, causing Ethan to nearly lose the nipple?" was designed to contain . beings who are no more adapted to this Mars than we are. They need warmth, oxygen at fairly high pressures, and free water. It isn't here now, but it can be created by properly designed plants. They engineered these plants to be triggered by the first signs of free water and to start building places for them to live while they waited for full summer to come. When it does, this whole planet will bloom. Then we can step outside without wearing suits or carrying airberries.". behind the barricade of cartons; the room is empty. He scans the nearby rooms, finds nothing. He tries. some sort of lifestyle that could support us forever. We'll have to fit into this environment where we can. "I thought you were dead too,"

said Billy Belay, "after you ran out of here with that thin grey man and his big black trunk. He told us terrible stories of the places he intended to go. And you just up and went with him without having heard anything but the reward." DICK'S The High In the Castle, Man AMIS' Hell of New Maps MOORCOCK'S Ruins in the Breakfast SILVERBERG'S Inside Dying. "Though, truly," said Amos, glancing at the ceiling, "I had a friend once named Billy Belay, an old." "Well," said Amos, "if you help get us to the top of the mountain, we will let you look into the fragment of the mirror." Then he added, "which is more than your friend the wizard did, apparently." Jack gave Amos a little kick, for it is not a good thing to insult a wizard so great and so old and so terrible as all that, even if you don't have to worry about him..flow of conversation and make it seem so natural couldn't be all wrong..Oregon, who still can't remember the blocking for Lovely to Look At, which she has been dancing since.process. In the place of the removed egg cell nucleus, you insert the nucleus of a somatic cell of the same.Number of the Beast, and all the other accoutrements of the Apocalypse. She couldn't explain: he would.bloody head broke into the light. You have seen yourself staggering about the nursery in rompers..It was painful to leave the mystery for later, but there was nothing to be done about it. They could not."I stole it from my worse and worst enemy." To give you an idea of the creativity of this young man, I have arranged for Zorphwar to be made."But I can never express it. Everything I say seems to make more sense than what I can feel inside of me." category (that, historically, is what it is) of heroic fantasy. I don't need to bad-mouth Pool Andersen,.grey as grey can be, the ship pulled up to the shore of a great, grey, dull, tangled, boggy, and baleful.It was so dark in there with the curtains drawn that I couldn't see a thing. I left the closet and opened.over Jain's shoulder. "Which?".see his face, but he lay in sleep like a man who was no stranger to the bed..doors. I slid them open and then shut again. "Did you ever think one of these was open when it was really.The trap door had been nailed firmly shot this time, and even Amos could not think of a plan..Three weeks later, the Tharsis Canyon had been transformed into a child's garden of toys. Crawford."It was a beacon. We figured that out when we saw they grew only hi the graveyard. But what was it telling us? We felt it meant that we were expected. Song felt that from the start, and we all came to agree with her. But we didn't realize just how much they had prepared for us until Marty started analyzing the fruits and nutrients here..In answer to all the requests for more positive, upbeat sf with some good old-fashioned Heros, we offer with some hesitation this tale of first contact between lowly Human and mighty Sreen..Perhaps they expected to see the mirror glittering in the weeds and pebbles at the bottom of the pool; perhaps they expected their own reflections. But they saw neither. Instead, the face of a beautiful girl looked up at them from below the surface..Then, as though they'd been waiting for these preliminaries to be concluded, tears sprang to her eyes. A tremor of heartfelt emotion colored her lovely contralto voice as she said, "Oh Jesus, what am I going to do? I can't take any more! I am just so ... so goddamned wretched! I'd like to kill myself. No, that isn't true. I'm confused, Larry. But I know one thing? I am an angry woman and Fra going to start fighting back!".Detweiler whirled, his eyes bulging. A groan rattled in his throat He raised his hands as if fending me.And he had had time to think about the problem of whom to save. He went straight to Lou Prager and finished suiting him up. But it was already too late. He didn't know if it would have made any difference if Mary Lang had tried to save him first.. "Muzak," she said dismissively..Crawford looked away from the madly whirling rotors of the windmill farm. He was with the rest of the crew, sitting in the dome with his helmet off. That was as far as Lang would permit anyone to go except hi the cramped sleeping quarters. Song Sue Lee was at the radio giving her report to the Edgar Rice Burroughs. In her hand was one of the pump modules she had dissected out of one of the plants. It consisted of a half-meter set of eight blades that turned freely on.writer" means Charles Dickens or Virginia Woolf (not to mention William Shakespeare), then it does not.I gave her a suspicious frown, got up, and walked over to the bathroom door. I turned around, crossed my arms, and leaned against the doorframe. "Well?". "I said back off! We don't want her higher than ninety." Just like, he thought, a lie.. "Very well," said Amos. "When do we start?".of pastel greens and yellows.. "I can't say I have. I always mean to, but you know how it is. It's the same with the Statue of Liberty..That afternoon I played gin with the Detweiler boy. He was genuinely glad to see me, like a friendly puppy. I was beginning to feel nice a son of a bitch..shore of the Heliomere. It was a good size for a single person, with a deck all around and steps down to the beach in back. Amanda admired the white expanse of the beach, which would have gratified the city council. They had once spent a good deal importing all those tons of santf from some distant world on the stargate system to cover the razor flint nature originally laid there..on the smooth facade of the man's compulsive natter. He got the feeling, more and more, that he was."Fine," he says. "About a minute, stand by. Ms, Snow wants to say hello"..thousand-plus kilometers. So I think we can rule that out."I will tell you," said Barry, "what you can do with your stickers." Sure enough, Amanda called shortly before noon and asked if I had time to help her today. Caro looked disapproving but had to admit the appointment book was empty..Of my own flesh and bone.It's no secret, due to an inflated publicity campaign, that a nice little movie about a nice big ape called King Kong was remade into a not-so-nice big movie which was a veritable textbook on how not, and maybe why not, to remake a movie that was close to perfect for what it was. Much of the subtler pleasure of the early King Kong comes from its period charm?the naivet?, the wonderfully .preten-tious dialogue, even the oonga-boonga black natives. All this could not in any way survive modernization; "big screen" (whatever that means these days) and color did not make up the difference, nor for the loss of other wonderfully amusing bits from a studio jungle full of dinosaurs to Fay Wray's uncovered bosom..down the volume on her television set..sticker from the back of the license with his fingernail, and offered it to Barry..sailor with the coil of rope on his shoulder stepped forward with Amos..The week following the departure of the Burroughs was one of hysterical overreaction by the New.era! rule, in the form either of cash on the barrel or services rendered. Barry said (jokingly, of course) that he wouldn't object to bartering his virtue for an endorsement, or preferably two, to which Michelle replied (quite seriously) that unfortunately she did not know anyone who might be

in the market for Barry's particular type. Generally, she observed, it was younger people who got their endorsements by putting out. Why bother? There has never been any difficulty hi finding cannon fodder anywhere in the world..I raised my brows. "That's dedication.".wonder my mother left him." She began dancing again.. "How long had Maurice and Detweiler known each other?\*" "Oh, ultimate depression!" shrieked the thin grey man, and stepped back again, for the dress beneath. "You're right," he said. "What we need is a pilot, and that pilot is Commander Weinstein. Which presents problems legally, if nodiing else. He's the captain of a ship and should not leave it. That's what kept him on the Edgar in the first place. But he did have a lot of training on the lander simulator back when he was so sure he'd be picked for the ground team. You know Winey, always the instinct to be the one-man show. So if he thought he could do it, he'd be down here in a minute to bail us out and grab the publicity. I understand they're trying to work out a heat-shield parachute system from one of the drop capsules that were supposed to ferry down supplies to us during the stay here. But it's very risky. You don't modify an aerodynamic design lightly, not one that's supposed to hit the atmosphere at ten thousand-plus kilometers. So I think we can rule that out. "What's happening on Five-E, Horace?" he asked the empty room around him..and was being studied. But it had to be classed as extremely remote..He gave me a cheerful, if slightly strained, smile. "Oh, sure. I'm all right I'll be fine in the morning." On the greyest and gloomiest island on the map is a large grey gloomy castle, and great grey stone steps lead up from the shore to the castle entrance. This was the skinny grey man's gloomy grey home. On the following grey afternoon, the ship pulled up to the bottom of the steps, and the grey man, leading two bound figures, walked up to the door..and concerned the absence of an event that up to that time had been as regular as the full moon..Jack nodded.,on, Matty." .flooding has occurred since the Inundation; in the second, it's highly unlikely that.the ground. She tried to scratch her head but was frustrated by her helmet.. "Cause if they didn't visit us, they must have prepared other spores. Spores that would analyze new proteins and be able to duplicate them. Further than that, some of the plants might have been able to copy certain genetic material if they encountered any. Take a look at that pipe behind you." Singh turned and saw a pipe about as thick as his arm. It was flexible, and had a swelling in it that continuously pulsed in expansion and contraction.. "Sir, I'll ask her, but I don't think shell come. This is still her operation, you know." He didn't give.for the second piece. Would you like to come with me?" .lowered the leg and hooked her hair behind her ears while fixing me with a speculative topaz gaze. Her.I am also enclosing the rules for Two-Person Zorphwar, a version of the system that Hazeldorf has just completed. Up until now, play of-Zorphwar has been possible only against a set of Zorph warships under the unimaginative control of the computer. With the two-person game, one player commands the Avenger while the other commands the Zorph fleet. The player terminals may be anywhere, as long as they are connected to our central computer. Thus, one player could be out there in California and the other back here in New York..When the cops finally got there, I told them all I knew-except I didn't mention the Detweiler boy. I.Prismatica.neither you nor I need worry about him." .The sailor frowned a little while, then said, "There is nothing at all interesting hi the ship's brig."

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