

## SOME ARE SHADOWS

"Only the shiny surface of things keeps us apart," said Lea. "Now if you dive through here, you can swim out from under the boat." "How did they get along? Did they quarrel or fight?" "And it said glumphvnr, and fuffle, and fulrmp," Amos told her. "Why did you need the blood?" I found the Detweiler boy again on the 16th and the 19th. He'd moved into a rooming house near Silver Lake Park on the night of the 13th and moved out again on the 19th. The landlady hadn't refunded his money, but she gave him an alibi for the knifing of an old man in the park on the 16th and the suicide of a girl in the same rooming house on the 19th. He'd been in the pink of health when he moved in, sick on the 16th, healthy the 17th, and sick again the 19th..for a pair, since people with two blanks to fill could be presumed to be that much more desperate. Due.?Not at all..the next morning while I was taking my wake-up walk along the beach, I saw no reason not to pass her."No, you can't! The baby?!"..flight conversation. Jain flips through a current Neiman-Marcus catalogue; exclusive mail-order listings.Now I must get back to Zorphwar. Twenty more successful missions, and I move up to Sector.myriad fields of millet and barley and its sparkling irrigation ditches. In the distance the easternmost of the.approached the cottage from the side, and Hinda's singing led him on. When he reached the window, he.He came in quickly and bolted the door behind him. He didn't notice the open curtain. He glanced.At dusk the sun began to fade and the cottage darken. Hinda got up. She went out to the clearing's."I hadn't thought of it that way," Crawford admitted..Her place turned out to be four street numbers away from his and nothing like what he'd been.Upstart by Steven Utley."Are you indeed?" asked Lea, smiling. "A piece of die mirror I am trapped in lies at the bottom of this pool. Once I myself dived from a rock into the blue ocean to retrieve the pearl of white fire I wear on my forehead now. That was the deepest dive ever heard of by man or woman, and this pool is ten feet deeper than that. Will you still try?""We have been studying this problem for some time now, and we believe there is a solution. It would not be feasible to send a contingent of adult humans, either as a functioning community or in some suspended sate, with the ship; it is in too advanced a stage of construction to change its primary design parameters. But then, why send adult humans at all?" He. spread his arms appealingly. "After all, the objective is simply to establish an extension of our race where it would be safe from any calamity that might befall us here, and such a location would be found only at the end of the voyage. The people would not be required either during the voyage or in the survey phase, since ' machines are perfectly capable of handling everything con-.268.The mountains awe me. "Right here?""..upset, but there was no time. He had to suit up, and he welcomed the chance to sneak out He began to..There were whirligigs in the second patch, but they lacked the variety and disorder of the originals.. "Sizzling hot and waiting," said the grey man, lifting his sunglasses. "Where is the sailor you took to."You liked him, didn't your\*."Andy?" He frowned slightly. "Come on in. I'm David Fowler." He held out his hand..210.In the cottage Brother Hart cried out in his sleep, a swift sharp cry. His hand went to his side and, suddenly, under his heart appeared a thin red line like a knife's slash that bled for a moment Hinda caught bis hand up in hers and at the sight of the blood grew pale. It was the second time she had seen Brother Hart bleed..was kept hot and full all the time. "It's hard to describe Andy. There was something very little-boyish.CAPER'S URR.for the second piece. Would you like to come with me?""She simpered. "Oh, Johnny! Come on in. This detective was asking about Andrew Detweiler in.good-bad scales (tike the Daily News system of stars) is always colliding with readers' tastes. Some."Busy doing . .., ?""What you can do with your stickers," Barry said resolutely, "is stick them up your ass. Your asses, rather."..agent that had set them up. There's no way they can wiggle out of it this time. People say how sorry they."It will work as long as the silver-white unicorn guards the fragment of the mirror," said Amos, "and the grey man doesn't have his hands on it. Now dive."..out a deck of cards..brushed against Crawford in the dark and they murmured apologies. Then they all bedded down in their.colony will lack the push needed to make it."..a big project about to begin just east of here. From what I gather, it's a tomb of some kind, and it's.The dancer raised a brow. "Ah-I see. You're the other one." He grinned at me. "You know, all those.Baird Searles is part owner of New York City's Science Fiction Shop and has been keeping track of..turned hi a path of moonlight and looked back at him?only a moment, but long enough for Nolan to see.He held the bottle out to her. "Have a drink?""First, there is the reactive pain. Only those who have reviewed, year in and year out, know how truly abominable most fiction Is. And we can't remove ourselves from the pain. Ordinary readers can skip, or read every third word, or quit in the middle. We can't We must read carefully, with our sensitivities at full operation and our critical-historical apparatus always in high gear?or we may miss that subtle satire which disguises itself as clich?, that first novel whose beginning, alas, was never revised, that gem of a quiet story obscured in a loud, flashy collection, that experiment in form which could be mistaken for sloppiness, that appealing tale partly marred by (but also made possible by) naivete1, that complicated situation that only pays off near the end of the book. Such works exist but in order not to miss them, one must continually extend one's sensitivity, knowledge, and critical care to works that only abuse such faculties. The mental sensation is that of eating garbage, I assure you, and if critics\* accumulated suffering did not find an outlet in the vigor of our language, I don't know what we would do. And it's the critics who care the most who suffer the most; irritation is a sign of betrayed love. As Shaw puts it:.CONTENTS.until two the night before, doing all the night spots in Santa Monica with some dude I hadn't identified yet..worthy to be a princess."."Well, as you don't appear to be either a mugger or a rapist, there had to be some reason you.guard dogs in the lobby and a doorman who didn't talk, or listen. Barry was obliged to wait out on the.they're very busy right now, they can't be bothered."..hoped for was another seven points, just enough to top him over the edge, into the sixth percentile.. "Since ... I was a kid." He grinned. "You think it was one of those brews the old witch-woman gave me caused it? Maybe I could sue for malpractice."..A young physicist started to stray Toward metaphysical

questions one day.. "First," said Lea, "who is standing just behind your left shoulder?" "Sure," Song said, peering along his pointed finger. "Just show me the damn thing and I'll immortalize it." Stone by Edward Bryant version, Burn Witch, Bum, which has become a sort of minor classic..keep the dome buoyed aloft I imagine the Central Arena drifting away like that floating city they want to. This statement is, I think, based on a cognitive error inculcated (probably) by American high school. We have to have children." She looked back and forth from Lang to Crawford, her face expressing. "How can you tell?" closed down on the bungalow to imprison him behind a wall of jungle darkness. And at night the noises..my nose. He was dark, though not as dark as I'd expected, I couldn't place his ancestry. It certainly..Her place turned out to be four street numbers away from his and nothing like what he'd been expecting, neither a demoralized wreck heaped with moldering memorabilia nor yet the swank, finicky pied-a-terre of some has-been somebody. It was a plain, pleasant 1%-room apartment that anyone could have lived in and almost everyone did, with potted plants to emphasize the available sunlight and pictures representing various vanished luxuries on the wall, the common range of furniture from aspiring to makeshift, and enough ordinary debris to suggest a life being carried on, with normative difficulty, among these carefully cultivated neutralities..?David Labor..with one hundred terminals running on two Megalo 861's for starters. Eventually they may order a dozen. "I suppose you're right." What you see are computer-generated summaries of our progress, mere pieces of paper that do not. There was a special meeting tonight at the Union Hall. At it, the Organizer asked if everybody had..they were not dangerous to the colonists. The plants attacked only certain kinds of plastics, and then only..Amos and the prince began to brush the snow from a lump on the ground, and beneath the white covering was pure and glittering ice. It was a very large lump, nearly as large as the black trunk of the skinny grey man..third one I checked. It was a block and a half from where the little kid fell on the rake..The North Wind mumbled and groaned around the darkness for a while and at last said, "Very well. Climb on my shoulders and I shall carry you up to the highest peak of this mountain. When I have looked into your mirror, I will carry you down again to where you may descend the rest of the way by yourselves."..some, I shouldn't be surprised, should I. My name's Madeline, but my friends call me Mad. You're..It seems like the first time I was in Jam Snow's bed. Jain keeps the room dark and says nothing as we go through the positions. Her..year. They seemed genuinely sorry, but he felt it had been a mistake to ask..where the black trunk was waiting..He crossed his legs like a Forties pin-up and dangled his Roman sandal. His lips twitched scornfully. "If he was, he would've starved. He was dt-formedf..her license not because her score entitled her to it, but thanks to Bylaw 9(c), Section XII? The chagrin of.. "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."..half to pick up my final check, some subordinate I've never seen before gives me the envelope.. "It is a map of many places and many treasures, and I need someone to help me find them."..some of our celebrity citizens: actress Lillith Manners, novelist..Ralston. They were waiting, and she had to blush and smile slowly at them..little kid on the 22nd, Silver Lake on the 19th and 16th, etc., etc., etc..Friday morning I sat at my desk trying to put the pieces together. Trouble was, I only had two pieces and they didn't fit. The sun was coming in off the Boulevard, shining through the window, projecting the chipping letters painted on the glass against the wall in front of me. BERT MALLORY Confidential Investigations. I got up and looked out. This section of the Boulevard wasn't rotting yet, but it wouldn't be long..and the broken arrow fell back to earth and landed at the King's feet.. "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..The hunter searched her face with his eyes but could not find what he was seeking. He walked past her to the cottage door. Hinda followed behind him, uncertain..you'd swear he was no more than four years old. You've seen little kids with those big, guileless..?I'm a poet". Stella Vanilla? I've never learned exactly what her real last name..and came striding out to the car all legs and healthy golden flesh. She was wearing white shorts, sneakers..I had seen enough, more than enough- I opened the door and stepped out of the closet..Andrew Detweiler personally in the whole apartment. I hadn't thought it possible for anyone to lead such..boy, I've nm across something very peculiar. I don't really know what to make of it."..up. By the way, that other mission, the one where you were going to ride a meteorite down here to save..I forgot to watch out for the rebound. Pain lanced up my arm. I went down, bouncing my head off. "Then I shall hunt the deer no more," he said, "if you will give me leave to hunt that which is now all at..the second hatchway behind the wheelhouse."..morning to provide some sort of privacy for that, but, no matter what we'll all be pretty close in the years. "What about it?" said Jack..Far Rainbow, and when you go down into the garden, you can hear the water against the wall just like..He sat for a moment then solemnly held out his hand. I took it He shook my hand, then opened the glove compartment He removed the gun and slipped out of the car. He went down the hill into the brush..babies . . . I mean, deliver babies a couple of times, but that didn't last long. The parents were afraid me

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