

# MEETINGHOUSES LANCASTER COUNTY OLD ORDER MENNONITES GATHER TO W

was burned, he stuck his finger in his mouth, then sucked on it absently long after he knew the truth.. "I'd rather not talk about it over the phone. Can you come over?". I moved in enough clothes for three days, some sheets and pillows, took another look at the kitchen.inquiringly as his eyes flicked down, then up..somebody. If he'd scored in the first percentile, he'd have been issued this license the same as if he'd.sounded anxious. "Matthew, can you come up?". Her hand came out of the drawer with a thin knife..some rhymes. ".I called David Fowler: "Yes, Andy had a portable typewriter, but he-hadn't mentioned being a writer. ". "The nature of the beast," he mutters, almost sadly, and smacks the palm of his gloved hand against.of the ultimate in computer games . . . "Oh, I couldn't I'm too unlucky. ". "Without CB suppression there wouldn't be time to move any of the other platoons round to back you up. You'd be on your own," Sirocco said..something else, something that could be important but kept eluding him..I picked up Janice at her apartment in Westwood early Saturday morning. She was waiting for me.steaming platter of sausages and eggs.. "As long as it's in the direction you want?" She laughed, and poked him in the ribs. "I see you as my.is?is Jain's bodyguard. Other stun stars have whole platoons of karate-trained killers for protection. Jain needs only Stella. "Stella, pick me up a fifth? Yeah, Irish. Scotch if they don't".terrace doors?".Robert F. Young has written thirty-nine stories for F&SF over the years, and we can think of only three writers who have contributed as much fiction as Mr. Young (Poul Andersen, A warn Davidson, and Ron Goulart). A Robert Young story is always a pleasure because its high quality is as predictable as its subject matter is unpredictable. Here he gives us the real story behind why a certain tower in Babylon was never finished and why all great builders, from Nebuchadnezzar to Moses (Robert), have such a rough time..123. "What's this spell he was having?".with you!".Barry felt as though he'd been had, but since the outlay was nonre-fundable, he decided to give the place the benefit of his doubt and loiter awhile..From Competition 19: SF limericks 183.Then I only half listen as I look out from the plane across the scattered cloud banks and the Rockies."Hold it," Crawford said. "I just wanted to know if you had any ideas." He was secretly pleased at."We had a back-up pilot, of course. You may be surprised to learn that it wasn't me. It was Dorothy Cantrell, and she's dead. Now I know what everything does on this board, and I can cope with most of it easily. What I don't know, I could learn. Some of the systems are computer-driven; give it the right program and it'll fly itself, hi space." She looked longingly at the controls, and Crawford realized that, like Weinstein, she didn't relish giving up the fun of flying to boss a gang of explorers. She was a former test pilot, and above all things she ioved flying. She patted an array of hand controls on her right side. There were more like them on the left.. "Thanks." Setting the tray on the table, she contrived to brush against his left foot. "I see you're.They're ready. I cut in another dozen tracks, then mute two. Things are building just a little too fast..They started forward again toward the fires. It was so dark and the cave was so big that even with.from another, and for assembly and shipping from still another company. Through a second commission.Selene went on exercising. "She won't ask. People have been taking care of Mandy all her life. She takes it for granted we know what she needs." She straightened, pink with exertion. "Oh, Fd better warn you. Next week is the Senator's birthday. Mandy will be anting.Nolan hadn't anticipated the intensity of his own reaction. But now, after the long trip back in the wheezing launch, he stood beside the crib in the spare bedroom and gazed down at his son with an overwhelming surge of pride..194. "I can see I'll be drawing on your knowledge a lot in the years to come. What do you see as the next.Tom Reamy."What'd she say?". "Oh, I'm not drunk. I discovered long ago that one needn't actually drink in order to have the satisfaction of behaving outrageously. ". "Reading's dead-on. Give me a few more tracks.".10. A poem giving an eyewitness account of something awful happening hi Arizona, in February..174. "Go see what's in the trunk," said Jack. "It's probably not so terrible after all..".stopped and turned to face me. "I'll have to ask you for a favor. Mandy doesn't know about my practice.After he left, none of us said a word for a long time. Then Ike whispered, "It was like I said all along..on watch at all times. In drills, they had come from a deep sleep to full pressure-integrity in thirty.in expansion and contraction..the small door firmly behind him..I was still angry, not ready to stop the fight yet. "She left him? It is my understanding that her."Nope. Just remembering.".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..it in their own lives; they make decisions based on indirect evidence all the time and strongly resist any.She patted him on the back. "Sure, I know. You forget, I read your dossier. It mentioned several interesting episodes that Fd like you to tell me about someday, from your 'soldier-of-fortune\* days? ". Three and a half weeks later I sang it again at the annual banquet of the Baker Street Irregulars, that.We cut and I dealt "How long have you been in Hollywood?".didn't have a prayer..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."If I might be able to-".I was so pleasantly pooped I completely forgot about Andrew Detweiler. Until Monday morning.210.He fumbled for the bottle beside the bed, gripping it with a sweaty hand. His entire body was wet and clammy, and his fingers shook as they unscrewed the cap. For a moment Nolan wondered if he was coming down with another bout of fever. Then, as the harsh heat of the rum scalded his stomach, he realized the truth..The DetwtUer Boy 47.After sixty-eight years of tussling with life, Congreve's bulldog frame still stood upright, his shoulders jutting squarely below his close-cropped head. The lines of his roughly chiseled face were still firm and solid, and his eyes twinkled good-humoredly as he surveyed the room. It seemed strange to many of those present that a man so vital, one with so much still within

him, should be about to deliver his retirement address..He smiled faintly. "I didn't know much about anything then. Too many people were already dead. If.Amanda sobbed. "I'm going to kill you, Selene. Sooner or later, I'll kill you."Ninety-five. There's only a little travel left in the console slides..the chairs switched round again. It seemed such a waste of time talking to another temp, since he could.basic permissible amenities as "How are you," "Take care," and giving out prices..stood, fidgety. "There's really not anything I can tell you. Why don't you ask David and Murray. They."My God!" I could see her feet and, by rolling onto my back, look up at her rising above me toward."Good," said Amos. "Oh, but one more thing. You say it is windy there. I shall need a good supply of..reviews (with time and training most of it becomes automatic, anyway). Besides, much critical thinking.Caution, an old habit, claimed him. He circled the clearing, never once making a sound. He.come bade." Amos jumped out of his rags and handed them to the sailor who trotted off toward the wheelhouse. Minutes later he was back with a bright costume: the sleeves were green silk with blue and purple trimming, the cape was crimson with orange design, the shirt was gold with rainbow checks, and sitting on top of it all was one white boot and one black one..He redesigned the whole device, built a prototype and tested it, tore it down, redesigned, built another. It was Christmas before he was done. Once more he locked up the device and all his plans, drawings and notes.."In the center of the swamp," said the grey man, pointing over the ship's railing, "is a luminous pool..supercritical, and designed for this atmosphere. Lou said it was like flying a bathtub, but it flew. And it's a."Everything.."general criteria are satisfied, we take on whatever seems to be pleasing our writers at the time. That's the.Jack and Amos frowned. The girl laughed, and the water bubbled..License. A score in the sixth or seventh percentile will not affect the validity of your Temporary License..time..was one leg poking over the edge of the bed. He wasn't wearing a shoe, only a faded brown-and-tan.Her voice faltered only a little but her hands began to shake. The orange in the chair's color went.slouch. Lorraine played dismally but she didn't seem to mind..and decided to eat out I took a jug of Lysol to the bathroom and crossed my fingers. Miss Tremaine.162.a rescue mission now, easier to sell. But the design will need modification, if only to include five more.our asses, that's scrubbed, too?".Darlene passed a hand before her eyes. "I guess I'm just overtired," she said. "The long trip-".Daman Knight.hobbyhorses. What was your wife interested in? Couldn't you have talked about that?".Thoroughly ridiculous.".from Competition 13" Excerpts from myopic early sf or Utopian novels.at its highest and hottest. The boat has docked two leagues short of over there, and the grey man must be.There was another twisting of the facial features. Amanda, her voice rising, said, "You can't do this, Selene. You're cheating.".No." Selene's voice came through clenched teeth. "I won't allow that, Mandy. And I won't retire. You'll just have to live with me as always.".8, whereupon she insisted she didn't have any feelings about beets whatsoever. He refused to believe her,."Can you really?" asked the grey man. He pulled a piece of green silk from his pocket, went to the.As if she had broken a spell, the man spoke at last "I am but a man," he said. "A man who has.endorsement, or preferably two, to which Michelle replied (quite seriously) that unfortunately she did not.endorsement. Fair enough?".sitting and reading. She reads quite a lot, though the promotional people downplay it?Alpertron, Ltd.. "If you say so," said Amos. He went to the trunk, walked all around it three times, then gingerly lifted.119.Nolan moved down the hall to his bedroom at the far end. He hadn't trusted himself to answer her..afterward, and it will be an extra mouth to feed. We can't afford the strain on our resources." Lang said.phenomenon. Quid pro quos were the general rule, in the form either of cash on the barrel or services.spit her rage, then snatched her garment and clambered over the sill into the darkness beyond..Corporation is twelve ingots of gold of 100-kilogram weight per week. These should be placed on the."Miss Tremaine, I'll be back in an hour or so. K any slinky blondes come in wanting me to find their kid sisters, tell 'em to wait".Each of these two cells divides again, and each of the four that results divides again and so on..Hinda could not answer. She could not even look at him. His nakedness shamed her more than his.Ed Bryant's story about stim star Jain Snow is a terrifically intense extrapolation of the communion between performer and audience. It received a Nebula nomination from the Science Fiction Writers of America for best short story of the year..He nodded. ?I'll use another name. You probably wouldn't know it either. It's not exactly a.marked. Anyway, the old woman took me in. She was a midwife, but she fancied herself a witch or.no protests. McKillian and Ralston headed for the pile of salvaged equipment, hoping to rescue enough.That brought her alter to mind. "Will Selene be signing, too?".?David T. J. Doughan."Perhaps it would," Amos admitted..ones, to provide themselves with an avenue into Heaven. The two interpretations have.The editor hereby makes grateful acknowledgment to the following authors and authors1 representatives for giving permission to reprint the material in this volume:

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