

## MORE BLOOD MORE SWEAT AND ANOTHER CUP OF TEA

times to clear away the skyrockets..creatures..leave town. Factories were fire-bombed, but others took their place.. "No threats," says the tech. "Just a suggestion."..overturned on its side, and the lid fell to with a snap..tbe-gnat-kader syndrome, and the heroic atmosphere Dune shares with heroic fantasy.] But the simplest.Q: When did you get that awful sunburn?.I sighed. Miss Tremaine closed the pad. "Okay. No to Mrs. Carmknael and make appointments for.GutS, LESTER DEL REY.ordinary identical twin would be. Your clone does not have your consciousness, and if you die, you are."What can you do?" he asked, figuratively.."My red hair," said Amos, "is only on the top of my head. My clothes are ragged and dirty and will."I am very anxious to see you at the happiest..moment of your life," said Amos. "But you still haven't told me what you and your nearest and dearest friend expect to find in the mirror."..But he was alone in the castle hall. Jack and Lea had already left. Amos ran to the mirror just in time to see them walking away across the green and yellow meadows to the golden castle. Lea leaned her head on Jack's shoulder, and the prince turned to kiss her raven hair, and Amos thought: "Now there are two people Jiving through the happiest moment of their lives."..it looked a hundred per cent more livable. I couldn't put my finger on what he had done to it to make it.The Detweiler Boy by Tom Reamy..our situation?"..one can bend a bow the way he can. But 4,227 cubits? Straight up?..But when he said it, it sounded false. It wasn't fan\*..sent a new wave of nausea through me and muffled my vision and hearing in black velvet..often enough to keep me feeling good, but this time it gave me a queasy sensation, like I was being.Cinderella broke one of the polyhedrons off her hat and put it on her chair. "So I'll remember which it is," she explained. Then, contritely, "I hope you don't mind."..flung herself into a succession of cartwheels and forward flips. She went around a curve of the beach and.Getting a grip on the edge of the platform, the King chinned himself and swung his body onto the narrow.Somewhere entered the room. He stood leaning against the doorframe, looking at me with sleepy eyes. He was about twenty-five, wearing tight chinos without underwear and a tee shirt. His hair was tousled and cut unfashionably short. He had a good-looking Kansas face. The haircut made me think he was new in town, but the eyes said he wasn't. I guess the old broad liked his hair that way.."Well, that all sounds pretty ho-hum to me up against this," Song said. "Do you ... do you realize . . . what are we talking about here? Evolution, or ... or engineering? Is it the plants themselves that did this, or were they made to do it by whatever built them? Do you see what I'm talking about? I've felt funny about- those wheels for a long time. I just won't believe they'd evolve naturally."..R Is for Spaceship, RAY BRADBURY."Oh, my nearest and dearest friend," said the grey man, "I had almost forgotten you. Forgive me." He took from his pocket an envelope, and from the envelope he took a large, fluttering moth. "This flew in my window last night," he said. The wings were pale blue, with brown bands on the edges, and the undersides were flecked with spots of gold. He pushed in a long metal flap at the side of the trunk, very like a mail slot, and slid the moth inside..as the discoverer?"..know anyone who might be in the market for Barry's particular type. Generally, she observed, it was."No way," she says. "He didn't and he won't. He doesn't like what I do." I can't think of anything to..appear from time to time in these pages. That is, she is a form of shorthand. When Byline rewrites story."Not long."..From somewhere there was the sound of knocking..She threw herself into the Heliomere without looking back. After a bit I undressed and followed her.."I have been Miss Georgia six nights a week for the last four years, with matinees on Sunday and."Why do you look at me like that, senor? Is it not natural for a woman to bulge when she carries a baby in her belly?"..Yahweh will again choose that particular form of chastisement should future foul-ups on.Song straightened up, moving stiffly. They had all worked hard to empty out the collapsed dome and..Then he went back upstairs. About twenty minutes later he came down with his old suitcase and checked.witch-woman did it. After that I lived with her. She was demented, but she knew medicine and healing.."How can you help me?" asked the Wind..actress Lillith Manners, novelist Forrest Jakovich, and our extraterrestrial, Gepbhal Gepbhanna. I was..first you blunder into the dark trees on either side, and once the earth surges up over you in a chaos of.Barry, of which there are great numbers..sister?" I sputtered.."You shall not see it again, then," said Hinda. "For a man who hunts the deer can be no friend of mine."..took off her helmet. She was a large woman, in her thirties, with red hair shorn off close to the scalp..He sat for a moment then solemnly held out his hand. I took it He shook my hand, then opened the.The mountains awe me. "Right here?"..an introduction service on the day they came in the mail. With his last gasp of self-confidence Barry..along both sides and he stepped out a naked man.."Hell, those were grossly overblown. I just happened to get into some scrapes and managed to get..by THOMAS M. DISCH..dispute that. It makes a palm tree look like a blade of grass and a man look like an ant. Looking at it."That's no use. The doctor says it's a miracle he's still breathing. If he wakes up at all, he won't be anything like you knew him. The telemetry shows nothing like the normal brain wave. Now I've got to talk to Commander Lang. Have her come up." The voice of Mission Commander Weinstein was accustomed to command, and about as emotional as a weather report..releasing me."..its arm and kept crawling about mindlessly, growing weaker..I turned to him. "Do you know where Detweiler was?"..once dearer to me."..had freed himself again when the sailor left, then slipped off the ship to join Amos..At noon Amanda was waiting for me out on her deck. She came down the steps toward the.The clients took the rest of the morning and a good portion of the afternoon, looking at estates all.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..I dropped in at the office for a while Friday morning and checked the first-of-the-month bills. Miss Tremaine had a list of new prospective clients. "Tell everyone I can't get to anything till Monday."..So as a public service (and to save you from the embarrassing experience of talking about the 1969..that the confusion should be cleared up..A SUDDEN CHANGE in the colors and format of one of the displays being presented around him in the monitor room of the Drive Control Subcenter caught Bernard Fallows's eye and

dismissed other thoughts from his mind. The display was one of several associated with Number 5 Group of the Primary Fuel Delivery System and related to one of the batteries of enormous hydrogen-feed boost pumps located in the tail section of the vessel, five miles from where Fallows was sitting. There is no reason to suppose that this separation of offspring cells can't happen over and over, so outside of the embryo, some on the inside; some with more of the original yolk, some with less; some. Caro rolled her eyes. Before she could express her opinion of running out of town on a working day, I left to pick up Amanda. Doris McElfresh. 196. be very happy. "But you've never been Miss America," Barry said sympathetically. "Maybe I'm way beyond it" A receptacle works only one-way. Subject: Admission to Commonwealth of Zorph. Someone opened the door of the Mariner's Tavern and called inside, "Why is everybody so glum this evening when there's a beautiful rainbow looped across the world?" I stood outside number seven suddenly feeling like a teen-ager about to pick up his first date. I could hear Detweiler's typewriter tickety-ticking away inside. Okay, Mallory, this is what you've been breaking your neck on for a week. The answer is that though all the genes are there in every cell of your body, they aren't all working. "this place isn't so grey after all. Look closely." "I will try and perhaps die trying," said Jack, "but I can do no more and no less." Then Jack filled his. "That's perfectly natural. I hated compulsory talk myself, though I must admit I was good at it. What chatter of monkeys intermingled with the screeching of a milling mindless birds. devious magic. has been defiled. bottom percentiles. bright blue. It's always brown or yellow for you. Selene has to have been sitting in it." wasn't Latin-American and I didn't think it was Slavic, His features were soft without the angularity. Suppose, then, the nucleus of a somatic cell were surrounded with the cytoplasm of an egg cell. Barry shook his head. Twenty different ideas? Impossible. permit these things to grow by ingesting sand and rock and turning it into plastic-like materials. So we. "Well, to be completely candid, Columbine, it's hard for me to imagine your feeling anything but. discussion of the morality of our involvement in Mexico, when a black woman in a white nylon jumpsuit. Something came around the end of the couch. It wasn't a cat. I thought it was a monkey, and then a. Side by side, we pause directly before the door. My teeth, I suddenly realize, are chattering with. Home? This corner of hell, where the drums dinned and the shadows leaped and capered before. She simpered. "Oh, Johnny! Come on in. This detective was asking about Andrew Detweiler in. "Then come with me," said the grey man, and the rough sailors with cutlasses rose about him and hoisted the trunk to their grimy shoulders? Onvbpmf, came the thick sound from the trunk? and the grey man flung out his cape, grabbed Amos by the hand, and ran out into the street. 43. air to keep it buoyant We're on the inner skin of a giant balloon. When the arena's full, the body heat. But he was home again at dark. 21. the rim of the Grand Canyon. He rolled out the console and ordered a slice of pineapple pie and some. doubted whether she had any left, having heard, through the grapevine, that she'd sold all three of them to. "Well. . . not for a long time." But I think her words sound unsure. Fortunately, I intercepted your little jest before anyone else saw it Now forget the fun and games and. mine. "Pipe down in there," said the jailor. "I'm trying to sleep." And he spread out his piece of grey canvas. Now one day in late spring, Brother Hart had gone as usual to the lowland meadows leaving Hinda. bother to answer, but curiosity got the best of her. techniques of forced growth (in the laboratory, of course, and not in a human womb) might make. from his eyes, and I could see his thin chest throbbing. He gave me a blank look that meant he'd never. didn't flicker. "You're kidding." Her eyebrows rose a millimeter. "Was she a slinky blonde??. And that was all there was to it- he had passed his exam with a score just five points short of the. As soon as the first salvo of smoke bombs burst at twelve hundred feet to blot out the area from hostile surveillance, the Third Platoon launched itself down the , trail toward the denser vegetation below. Moments later, optical interdiction shells began exploding just below the curtain of smoke and spewed out clouds of aluminum dust to disrupt the enemy control and communications lasers. Ahead of the attacking troops, a concentrated point barrage of shells and high-intensity pulsed beams fired from the fairing platoons rolled forward along the trail to clear the way of mines and other antipersonnel ordnance. Be. hind the barrage the , Third Platoon leapfrogged by sections to provide mutually supporting ground-fire to complete the work of the artillery. There was no opposition. The defending artillery opened up from the rear within ten seconds of the initial smoke blanket, but the enemy was firing blind and largely ineffectively. "I suppose you're right. But sometimes I get the feeling that he's using us guys for some purpose of his. In the Hall of the Martian Kings 147. "That's a good question," said Amos. "What do you keep?" "I would certainly vote for you." we saw your light. "I've tried. But the girl comes from the mountains; she doesn't. "Hey, everybody!" Jain raises her voice, cutting stridently through everyone else's conversations. "Get." Looks dead as hell down there to me," Maddock threw in without taking his eyes from the viewpiece of the intensifier. From Competition 18: Robert Bloch's latest book is a collection of scary stories published by Doubleday and titled Cold. was a sailor splicing a rope. the surface features: Syrtis Major and Thoth-Nepenthes leading in a long gooseneck to Utopia and the. red and blue lines. The only source of illumination was a single ten-watt bulb hung behind the shadow. way?" Her fingers dig into my arms. Her face is fierce. "This has got to be better than what I do on. begin costing out the proposal for a production version of Zorphwar. They are talking about a system. Here are some of the complaints that keep coming up. "What's that supposed to mean?" "Remain at ready. Out." The thing crouched on Detweiler's back and placed its lips against the wound. stalk was a perfect globe, one gray, one blue. The blue one was much larger than the gray one. "For all the pearls I can put in my pockets, all the gold I can carry in one hand, all the diamonds I can. chatter about it among themselves in autumn and rise and doff their caps to me before a winter storm." discover, the matthews simply crawled in a straight line until their power ran out If they were wound up. Tuesday, and do you suppose in all that time that the audience has ever voted for me to be Miss. Selene was already fastening her diess. I groped halfheartedly for my clothes. and some of 'em don't even know the name of the President? Most of 'em never been more than thirty miles from the place they were born, never saw an electric light? You wouldn't believe it. But it's more

than just things that're different. People are different, think different? like a foreign country." He shrugged. "I guess it'll all be gone before too long though. Things keep creepin' closer and closer. Did you know I never went to school?" he said, grinning. "Not a day of my life. I didn't wear shoes till I was ten. You wouldn't believe it." He shook his head, remembering. "Always kinda wished I coulda gone to school," he murmured softly..his dogs behind..our asses, that's scrubbed, too?".sail and lay down..The hunter whirled around to face her then. "He was your brother?" he asked..By the end of the day I still thought it had been a good idea, though my feet ached from following her through what had to be every shop in Gateside before Amanda found a gift she thought worthy of her father. I requested a window table at the Beta Cygnus, where we could get some coffee and rest while we watched cafe patrons and people in the street outside..signs of forced entry?but then, my BankAmericard hadn't left any signs either. The window was open.,From Competition 19: SF limericks 183

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