

RESPONSIBILITY A NOVEL

which, he said, was his nearest and dearest friend. He said if I would work for him and carry his trunk, he or that, but the whole mixed bag. The greater the variety of genes available to a species, the more secure the plants, like bees, and the plants either donate or are robbed of the power to wind the spring. Did you. ROAD TO LASTING. "No, no, you must go," Hinda said again. "I cannot have you here at night. If you love me, go." Then the usher continued to hover, smiling, over his chair. Finally Barry realized he was waiting for a tip. "Oh, now," said Michelle placatingly. "We're still your friends, Mr. Riordan, but business is business. If it were our own personal stickers we were discussing, we wouldn't hesitate to give you an endorsement absolutely gratis. Would we, Jason?" As the man started to go, Amos said, "It seems a shame to take someone's clothes away, especially since I might not come back anyway. Give my rags to whoever owns this suit to keep for me until I.8. A poem analyzing her feelings about bees. / Of the great Sherlock Holmes / With their Y chromosome*-) and brought the house down again. But you may, by now, be asking yourself, "What's a clone?" It's been in the news a great deal lately, but recognizing a word and knowing what it represents can be two different things. So let's go into the matter. The word "clone" is Greek, exactly as it stands, provided you spell it in Greek letters, and it means "twig." He turned to Westland. "How come you dunderheads didn't show me this right off?" he demanded, an influence on the development of the organism. Andrew Detweiler personally in the whole apartment. I hadn't thought it possible for anyone to lead such working for that they mean business when they say they want more money. Sure, I know the Project's butterflies glisten on the rims of pink marble fountains, and the only thing white in it is a silver-white. rasped in his ears. 159. Driscoll tapped into the finger panel of the compact, and from a spike pushed into the ground, ultrasonic vibrations spread outward through the soil, carrying the call sign of the Laser Cannon Post. "LCP reading," a muted voice acknowledged from the compact. "I guess I was feeling sorry." "Well. . . not for a long time." But I think her words sound unsure. "I have been Miss Georgia six nights a week for the last four years, with matinees on Sunday and Tuesday, and do you suppose in all that time that the audience has ever voted for me to be Miss America? Ever?" through the narrow streets. It dominates the whole city. The whole Plain, for that matter. It had sort of a. and loving care. I may have been mistaken about his not moving. "An Irish name: that explains it then." In general, though, complex animals and, in particular, vertebrates do not clone but engage in sexual. As for schedules, I have discussed the matter with JX. and demonstrated Zorphwar to him. Both of. "I guess so. I don't think "Commander Long* would wear well over five years. But you'd better still think commander." place this is! I can see we're going to be busy." He walked along the edge of the dense growth, which jabbering seriously. "It's a big gate tonight Can you do it?" away, and they scrambled toward it, pebbles and bits of ice rolling under their hands. Behind the wall. "I have a plan," said Amos, who could think very quickly when he had to. "Simply do as I say." Amos began to whisper through the bars. Behind them the jailor snored on his piece of canvas. "Do you mean it?" Barry asked, marveling over Marvin's tattoo as they shook hands. He managed to. "So what about the crude?" Ralston asked. He didn't completely believe that part of the model they had evolved. He was a laboratory chemist, specializing in inorganic compounds. The way these plants produced plastics without high heat, through purely catalytic interactions, had him confused and defensive. He wished the crazy windmills would go away. "Because if you do I'll kill you. If you want a divorce, OK, get a divorce. But don't lay a hand on her or I'll find you the farthest place you can go." "What about it?" said Jack. "I feel . . . free. If that doesn't seem too ridiculous. Whenever I'm driving my car." "If you don't mind, I prefer some formality. As my father says, this modern rush to intimacy promotes sex but prevents conversation and understanding." therefore, of the person from whom the somatic cell was taken? If so, the new organism would be a. thought of that. "For another, a good part of our suits. Song, watch it, don't step on that thing. We don't. black buck thought an old fat lady with one eye would be easy pickings. The cops found him three days. 241. "You're not going to meet anyone there but temps and various people who are out to fleece temps. With rare exceptions." Cinderella, however, considered the question from a literal standpoint. "Well," she said, "we haven't ever really talked together, not seriously, but you certainly ought to have a license." The grey man turned and raised grey eyebrows. "There is my friend, my nearest and dearest." He. A good theory, but meanwhile he had the immediate problem of what in particular to talk about. "Have you heard about the giant department store in Japan?" he asked her. "It covers sixteen acres." or were they made to do it by whatever built them? Do you see what I'm talking about? I've felt funny. "Wait a moment," Song broke in. "Why can't they ... I mean they have plenty of time, don't they? They have to leave in six months, as I understand it, because of the orbital elements, but in that time..." Subject: Doom of Warship Avenger. 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. never felt intimidated and ashamed of his selections at the check-out counter. He hated to cook, but was. In his bedroom something rustled. The waitress who brought his order was Cinderella Johnson. She was wearing levis and a T-shirt. "It turns," Lang said quietly. "That's why Song noticed it She came by here one day and it was in a different position than it had been." Q: What's this red, gritty stuff in my egg salad sandwich? I shook my head. "You've lost me. A kfo of buildings?" 97. coming in hi a few minutes to pick up the poop on his wandering wife. the way it did. "If I didn't mean it," said Marvin Kolodny, "do you think I'd have had it tattooed on my arm?" chemically inert as any plastic yet devised. But Lang had learned her lesson. And she had a talent for. daughter, sister. That

afternoon, when he returned to the bungalow, he caught her staring at him again at. The dawning sun splashed the snow and ice with silver. From their expressions, it was plain that neither Song nor McKillian had thought of it. "Don't rub it in." Selene and that portrayed by the columnists. They made it sound like kinky fun. Over the past several against me. She met my mouth hungrily, but when I started pulling her toward the fake animal pelt in front. Aubade was confident he could have gone out and got three more a day if he'd needed to. He was off the hook. Outside of the embryo, some on the inside; some with more of the original yolk, some with less; some. "An aubade is a traditional verse-form that a lover addresses to his (or her) beloved at dawn, when one of them is leaving for work." with him without having heard anything but the reward. "I see him; he's in the brook, going upstream." trip. Time enough for that on later flights. We were blinded by our loyalty to the test-pilot philosophy of. "I'm not sure. Marty thinks there's a chemical metabolism in the upper part of the shell, which I walking past the pink marble fountains where the black butterflies glisten on their rims?" asked Jack. than cloning. "Don't you know anything about spaceships?" McKillian shouted. Song went on, unperturbed. "Alas," sighed the North Wind, "mirrors are always kept inside people's houses where I am never invited. So I never had a chance to look in one. Besides, I have been too busy." "Are these treasures the pearls and gold and diamonds and emeralds you told me about?" "I was going to ask you?" A few of the outlets which received the cartons opened them the same day, tried the devices out, and put them on sale at prices rang. And he had had time to think about the problem of whom to save. He went straight to Lou Prager. Things did settle down, as Lang had known they would. They entered their second week alone in. The next moment it was Selene, wholly Selene, who stood there. She hurried across the room and knelt beside me. "Are you all right? You've got blood all over your head." readers) of mainstream as well as science fiction. He wrote six fine stories for F&SF in the 1960s. "It all amounts to the same thing, doesn't it?" I shrugged. "Oh, well," she sighed, "vampires are program and it'll fly itself, hi space." She looked longingly at the controls, and Crawford realized that, like now. I was never genius enough that I could have got a really good job with, say, Bell Futures or one of the big space firms. But I've got one marketable talent? what the interviewer called a peculiarly coo-ordinative affinity for multiplex circuitry. He looked a little stunned after I finished with the stim console. "Christ, kid, you really get into it, don't you?" questions which are ten times as hard, and if you answer them correctly, you may pick up the mirror." She smiled. "You're very gallant. Oh, look." Wilmington, Delaware. Their marital difficulties were complex, but the chief one was a simple shortage of. My name is Robert Dennis Clary and I was born twenty-three years ago in Oil City, Pennsylvania. 245. Nina by Robert Block 91. Aren't you part of the U. S. Government yourself?" Far Rainbow, and when you go down into the garden, you can hear the water against the wall just like. Mary H. Schaub. "Ever see a claustrophobe deliberately walk into a closet and shut the door? If I don't fight it this way?" Her fingers dig into my arms. Her face is fierce. "This has got to be better than what I do on stage." She swings away from me. "Shit!" she says. "Damn it all to hell." She stands immovable, staring down the mountain for several minutes. When she turns back toward me, her eyes are softer and there's a fey tone in her voice. "If I die?" She laughs. "When I die. I want my ashes here." "Hell, those were grossly overblown. I just happened to get into some scrapes and managed to get out of them." art difficult, imagine what happens when the issue is escape reading, i.e., something as idiosyncratic as have to choose. "I know, I know. But I don't know where else to go." I could do was confront him with what Td found out. And then what, Mallory, a big guilty confession? 10 Damon Knight romismg or ludicrous activities wen widely distributed in the. "Done!" runabout and proceeded to demonstrate what I meant. The sultan's palaces, Greek temples, antebellum. 180 Lee Killough. J.L. was down this morning bitching about your performance. The PERT printout indicates you have. "Right here on the mountain?" I say. I was so pleasantly pooped I completely forgot about Andrew Detweiler. Until Monday morning. mirror. Detweiler stepped toward it, ignoring me, tears pouring down his face. The thing's struggles grew weaker, the scream became a breathless rasping. I couldn't stand it any longer. I picked up a chair and smashed it down on the thing. I dropped the chair and leaned against the wall and heaved. 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." number seven." She turned back to me. "This is my protege, Johnny Peacock? a very talented young. We'll have to find a way to conserve it a lot more than we're doing. Offhand, I don't know how. asked. rough pads made of insulating material. The toilet facilities were behind a flimsy barrier against one wall, to keep up. "But we might see it a lot more clearly from the top of this mountain," But as he said it, the pictures clearly. When he succeeded, the image on the screen was instantly recognizable. It was a view. That made sense but didn't answer his question. "When do you write them?" She shakes her head. "It was a lot like this. My pa ran sheep. Maybe a hundred miles north." Singh and everyone else was silent for a while. He found he realty was beginning to believe in the Martians. The theory seemed to cover a lot of otherwise inexplicable facts. through with a bigger one. You are five, hiding in a place only you know. You are covered with bark dust, scratched by twigs, shut?" I stood outside number seven suddenly feeling like a teen-ager about to pick up his first date. I could. Detweiler's breathing grew slower and quieter, more relaxed. He lay with his eyes closed and an expression of almost sexual pleasure on his face. The thing's body got smaller and smaller, the skin on its beDy growing wrinkled and flaccid. A trickle of blood crawled from the wound, making an erratic line across the Detweiler boy's back. The thing reached out its hand and wiped the drop back with a. 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