

## THE HEALING NEXT TIME

him this furious before, and it frightens me. Not that I cannot appreciate and even share his anger toward. He shrugged. "Oh, nothing much. Take two aspirin, drink lots of liquids, get plenty of rest, that sort of. There was only one incident: a wealthy merchant came around in a big pink palanquin, got out and began pacing up and down. He didn't say anything? just kept looking up at that half-finished seventh stage and shaking his head. If he was aware of me, or of Zeke or Ben or Eli, the other three pickets, he gave no sign. Finally he stopped pacing, climbed back into his palanquin and closed the curtains, and his bearers bore him away..in such a way as to remove its nucleus, either by delicately cutting it out or by using some chemical. I am fortunate in that, unlike Hollywood, F&SF seems to be largely immune from trends. The. "Don't worry, there's another over behind you." Now that they were looking for them, they quickly. Hinda could see two slashes in the hide, one on each side, under the heart. The slash on the left was an old wound, crusted but clean. The slash on the right was new, and from it blood still dripped..Dukes numerous and Nine Princes. see the red spark grow to a disk, then to a yellow sunlit ball hanging hi darkness. Now he can make out. If you think about it, you'll s? the logic hi it We're going back to Earth in seven days." unique, and based on the intangibles of training, talent, and experience. But that doesn't per se make it. His first endorsement proved to have been beginner's lock. Though he went out almost every night to. three whole months?" Baird Searles for "Multiples"; Copyright ? 1980 by Baird Searles. "Well, what's in it?"..sofa could say what had become of them. He flopped into the empty settee with a sense of complete..The arm the poker had hit gave away, dropping my head and shoulders onto the carpet The shock. "But he couldn't have killed Harry," she protested..along, hoping I'd get panicky."..leaving any conspicuous trace. He made up another batch of these, typed his home address on six of. Mary Lang sighed, slapped her thighs, and stood up. Like all the others, she was nude and seemed totally at home with it None of them had worn anything but a Martian pressure suit for eight years. She ran her hand lovingly over the gossamer wall, the wall that had provided her and her fellow colonists and their children protection from the cold and the thin air for so long. He was struck by her easy familiarity with what seemed to him outlandish surroundings. She looked at home. He couldn't imagine her anywhere else..and distended like an obscene tick. Its head was flat Its jaw protruded like an ape's. It too had a scar, a. "I think a baby around here would be fun. Two should be twice as much fun. I think I'll start. Come. endorsement absolutely gratis. Would we, Jason?"..problem. He didn't have to write the poem, only propose it. It was after a Popular Concert which had included all of Bach's Suites for Unaccompanied. Moises shook his head. "This I do not know. But I am sure she has no need of another infant."..together, and it still runs. It has a high-impact polystyrene carapace, nontoxic paint on the outside?" "No, just said he was restless and wanted to be movin' on. Sure hated to see bun leave. A real nice kid."..THE COMPANY REPRESENTATIVE: I will be brief. Common people, even uncommon ones, tend to romanticize reality, often to fantastic extremes, and invariably in these days romanticism acquires religious overtones. In the present instance a perfectly practical undertaking has been interpreted, on the one hand, as an attempt on the part of the King to get high enough above the ground so he can shoot an arrow into Heaven and, on the other hand, as an attempt on the part of the local citizens, especially the rich ones, to provide themselves with an avenue into Heaven. The two interpretations have somehow intermingled and become one. The absurdity of the second is self-evident and unworthy of closer scrutiny. The absurdity of the first is also self-evident, but for the record Td like to cite a few pertinent facts..My name is Robert Dennis Clary and I was born twenty-three years ago in Oil City, Pennsylvania, which is also where I was raised. I've got a degree in electrical engineering from MIT and some grad credit at Cal Tech in electronics. "Not suitable, Mr. Clary," said the dean. "You lack the proper team spirit. Frankly speaking, you are selfish. And a cheat." "You run and get back in your cell," said Amos, "and when I have given you enough time, I shall. the last piece of the mirror. Perhaps the grey man could get that piece himself, but he will not want to, I." You mean identify the solvent these things use? Probably, if we can get some sort of work space and I can get to my equipment".."Done!"..cell can't do the work of a fertilized egg cell and produce a new organism?. I was brought op in a candy store under a father of the old school who, although he was Jewish, was the living embodiment of the Protestant ethic. My nose was kept to the grindstone until I could no longer remove it Furthermore, I was brought up during the Great Depression and had to find a way of making a living? or I would inherit the candy store, which I desperately didn't want to do. Furthermore, I lived in a time when science fiction magazines, and pulp magazines generally, were going strong, and when a young man could sell clumsily written stories because the demand was greater than the supply..He went to the half wall separating the kitchen and poured two cups from a pot that looked like h.a long, brutal war with the Palestinian Empire, and a growing conviction that the survivors of the First. gleamed about him. The walls were much too high to climb and they went all the way around. Being a. 132. and the rest of the people so informed in the first place?. The sailor leaned his chin on his mop handle awhile, then said, "If you want to avoid it, don't go down the second hatchway behind the wheelhouse."..It is the year 2783. Suddenly the galaxy is invaded by a horde of alien beings, the Zorphs. They. Q: What is Hellstrom always scratching? (Similarly from others). chipping letters painted on the glass against the wall in front of me. BERT MALLORY Confidential. of the Martian pressure-tight web, the kind of web that would have been made only by warm-blooded.., CLAUSE'S Tales White From the Hart BURROUGH'S Ant Tarzan and the Men HENDERSON'S The Different People: No Flesh LUNDWALL'S What About Science: It's All Fiction. "Why didn't you stop her?"..mirror. She had been discovered about eleven-thirty when the manager went over to ask her to turn. which is the other thing (besides pleasure) art ought to provide. Bravery, nobility, sublimity, and beauty..22, violent storms: the ship is dashed upward by waves, falls again, visible only intermittently; it takes him. never included kitchen duty. Help Mandy get a meal subscription..As the

seconds passed, he began to fear for Jack's life, and wished he had had a chance to figure some San Diego Freeway, into the Santa Monica Mountains. The pavement ends a couple of miles past the Hinda's eyes followed her down the path until she counted even ' the shadows of trees as his own. When she was certain he was gone, she opened the cottage door and went in. The cottage was suddenly close and dark, filled with the musk of deer. "I mean quit everything: running, swimming, practicing. . .?lost, doomed look. "Well, we can't live forever, can we? Are you ready to go?".we offer with some hesitation this tale of first contact between lowly Human and mighty Sreen.."Can you really?" asked the grey man. He pulled a piece of green silk from his pocket, went to the JAIN SNOW forever. No sense getting uptight; everything was going to be all right..that," I said in what I intended to be a soothing voice. "You've never met her." Q: When was this picture taken?.that was their reunion Nolan found fulfillment Of course there was none of the avid hunger of Nina's behind her. Without expression, Atropos gazes down at the woman..It was late when I finally got home. All evening I'd dreaded having to face Debbie with the bad news..In short, a sexually reproducing species evolves much more quickly than a cloning species, and such asserting there's no such thing as great art; some, that whatever moves one intensely is great art. Both are."My father could have been President but for Margot Randall. The woman was rapacious, vulgar,.MOORCOCK'S Ruins in the Breakfast."I certainly would," said Jack. "But tomorrow evening it will not be so easy, for there will be no mist to hide me if I come with you."."Not if you fat cats get there first," Ike said..problem"?her voice dropped, her eyes avoided his?"is timeless and well-known. I fell in love with the..There was a silence, then it was ripped apart by Lang's huge."Certainly. Barry, you said? You're so direct it's almost devious. Let's go to my place. It's only a couple blocks away. You see?I can be direct myself."A twig can be placed in the ground, where it may take root and grow, producing a complete organism of the kind of which it was once only a twig. Or the twig can be grafted to the branch of another tree (of a different variety even), where it can grow and flourish. In either case, it is an organism with a single parent, and sex has had nothing to do with its making. It is because human beings first encountered this asexual form of reproduction, his connection with fruit trees probably, that such a one-parent organism of non-sexual origin is called a "twig"; that is, "clone".Lang stood up and shook Song's shoulder. Song came slowly back to them and sat down, still blinded by a private vision. Crawford had a glimpse of it himself, and it scared him. And a glimpse of something else, something that could be important but kept eluding him..It was unsigned and the writing was more careful than I would have expected of Selene, but I could..like leeches. She had been quite a dish?forty years ago. She saw me looking at the photos and smiled..look for some mechanism the bug could use to steal energy from the rotating gears in the whirligigs?".want to see. This machine has dials and little windows with numbers in them, and switches and..the open catalogue on her lap..moved across the room to stand staring down at him on the bed. Then, as she sank upon his nakedness..Invasion of the Body Snatchers is the first "little" '50s s/f film to have the honor of a remake (or at..Look, I've never had one, and never planned to. I'm thirty-four years old and never, never felt the..HERBERT'S The Frank Worlds of Herbert..He turned for a moment to stare at the model of SP3 gleaming on the table beside him and then pointed to it. "Five years from now, that automated probe will leave the Sun and tour the nearby stars to search for habitable worlds... away from Earth, and away from all of Earth's troubles, problems, and perils. Eventually, if all goes well, it will arrive at same place insulated by unimaginable distance from the problems that promise to make strife an inseparable and ineradicable part of the weary story of human existence on this planet." Congreve's expression took on a distant look as he gazed at the replica, as if in his mind he were already soaring with it outward and away. "It will be a new place," he said in a faraway voice. "A new, fresh, vibrant world, unscarred by Man's struggle to elevate himself from the beasts, a place that presents what might be the only opportunity for our race to preserve an extension of itself where it would survive, and if necessary begin again, but this time with the lessons of the past to guide it."."Well, that all sounds pretty ho-hum to me up against this," Song said. "Do you ... do you realize . . . gathered on the circular bulkhead at the rear of the lifesystem, just forward of the fuel tank..Next year I'm supposed to start full-time."..from plant to plant when the wind was down by means of a freely rotating set of blades, like an autogiro..pinhole drilled in one side. The pinhole was cold when he touched it with his fingers. Startled, thinking he..Her pictures, though, did not do her justice. Not only was I surprised to find her taller than I..certain tower in Babylon was never finished and why all great builders, from Nebuchadnezzar to..body have genetic equipment in which only characteristic parts are working at characteristic rates..In the audience was my good friend of three decades?the well-known science fiction writer, booby vivand, and wit, Randall Garrett Out of the corner of my eye, I noticed a piece of paper placed on the podium as I talked about cloning. I glanced at the paper without quite halting my speech (not easy, but it can be done, given the experience of three decades of public speaking) and saw two things at once. First, it was one of Randall's superlative pieces of satiric verse,.Selene punched the three-digit emergency number and asked for an ambulance..violent colors and rich perfume where black butterflies glisten on the rims of pink marble fountains, and."Ever see a claustrophobe deliberately walk into a closet and shut the door? If I don't fight it this..have destroyed me. However, when you made your attack, I was safely docked at a base star and thus..GutS, LESTER DEL REY..almost blew them over. Water condensed out of it in their faceplates, and suddenly they couldn't see very..had shifted; they were dancing now with the faint movements of his hand. Smith stared at them without..ran her hand lovingly over the gossamer wall, the wall that had provided her and her fellow colonists and."You're right," he said. "What we need is a pilot, and that pilot is Commander Weinstein. Which presents problems legally, if nodding 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. Source: W.S. Halson. of the bricklayers and one of the brickmakers about the free foot clinic. The bricklayer said that if they. The door starts to swing back on noiseless hinges, and a breath of cold, unbelievably cold air touches. water, both hot and cold, and various other fluids. There were more of the tall variety of derrick, making the place look like a pastel oilfield.. She rolls to face me. "Huh?". across the clearing. The darkness boomed.. We only go out in the hottest part of the day, and your hands and feet tend to get cold. But we manage.. "I don't think Pm unique that way," said Ed.. "Have you considered a divorce?" Marvin Kolodny asked.

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