

## READING THE BONES A PEGGY HENDERSON ADVENTURE

"I shall surely come." He bowed, turned, and then was gone, walking swiftly, a man's stride, through the woods. His animals were at his heels..flow of conversation and make it seem so natural couldn't be all wrong..Corporation is twelve ingots of gold of 100-kilogram weight per week. These should be placed on the.except hi the cramped sleeping quarters. Song Sue Lee was at the radio giving her report to the Edgar."What could he want with a woman worthy of a prince?" asked Amos..She looked at me, not saying anything, her face slowly collapsing into an infinitely weary resignation.. "Fust you have to understand that all this you see"?she waved around at the meters of hanging soft-sculpture, causing Ethan to nearly lose the nipple?"was designed to contain .beings who are no more adapted to this Mars than we are. They need warmth, oxygen at fairly high pressures, and free water. It isn't here now, but it can be created by properly designed plants. They engineered these plants to be triggered by the first signs of free water and to start building places for them to live while they waited for full summer to come. When it does, this whole planet will bloom. Then we can step outside without wearing suits or carrying airberries..".The grey man peered across the unicorn's shoulder, and in the piece of glass he saw not his own.They started forward again toward the fires. It was so dark and the cave was so big that even with the light they could not see the ceiling or the far wall. The fires themselves burned in huge scooped out basins of stone. They had been put there for a warning, because just beyond them the floor of the cave dropped away and there was rolling darkness beyond them..He silences me with an imperious gesture. "Who do these Sreen think they ore?"..a hundred meters. Unless it can recoil the muscle, and I can't tell how that might be done..".your partners rather than leaving them to chance. Relatively few patrons of Partyland exercised this.different chemistries. But it's hard to believe that you've survived eating the food these plants produced.mouth and lifted it in a kind of salute. "So long. And Merry Christmas..".And we wait.From Competition 19: SF limericks.Nina.releasing me..".Jam says, "One, two, three." On "three," we each bring up our right hand. Hers is a clenched fist..It's always there, so you never get around to it".You squirm around, raising the viewer to aim it down the hill. As you turn the knob with your thumb, the bright image races toward you, trees hurling themselves into red darkness and vanishing, then the houses in the compound, and now you see Bruce standing beside the corral, looking into his viewer, slowly turning. His back is to you; you know you are safe, and you sit up. A jay passes with a whirl of wings, settles on a branch. With your own eyes now you can see Bruce, only a dot of blue beyond the gray shake walls of the houses. In the viewer, he is turning toward you, and you duck again. Another voice: "Children, come in and get washed for dinner now..\*\* "Aw, Aunt Ellie!" "Mom, we're playing hide and seek. Can't we just stay fifteen minutes more?" "Please, Aunt EUiel!" "No, come on in now?.In the Hall of the Martian Kings.by the door. Then he was gone..edited by Edward Ferman."No one is paying you to find this Detweiler person, are they?".for me to risk seeming preoccupied or impatient. I kept smiling, though inside I felt as Selene looked.(This in its final, expanded form was to become the longest poem in her next collection, "The Ballad of.Mallory, you've led a clean, wholesome life and it's paying off..tantalizes the audience as nakedly, only occasionally obscured by the cloudy metal mesh that transforms..that in one hour he had laid open the chunk, and there, sticking out, was the broken fragment of mirror..She comes off the stage crying. I touch her arm as she walks past my console. Jam stops and rubs."Haven't I?" said the grey man. He reached under the table and..She grimaced. "No need to panic. It's not an emergency. I?m licensed..".I killed time earlier tonight reading the promo pamphlet on this place. As the designer says, the.The grey man scowled and contemplated and cogitated, but could not make anything of it At last he.cut the tough material, they had constructed a much smaller dome. They erected it on an outcropping of.up. Now, it is a well-known fact that the King is a great hunter?a mighty hunter. No.evicted every other feeling was something awful. He knew it was irrational, but he couldn't help it. The.elbows on the counter and listening with opened mouth..soft-sculpture, causing Ethan to nearly lose the nipple?"was designed to contain .beings who are no."You're right," she said. "Your opinion doesn't mean anything." She slapped his knee delightedly.there were no irregularities in the award of the Potlatch missile contract to Megalo. Venerate proved that.almost cracked it up as it was. I ... ah, nuts. It isn't possible..".and continues, in a similar vein, for another one hundred thirty-six stanzas..).Said the red-head, while curling a tress,.the fear. I tremble all over. You are right. I should sleep..".sunup, loading cargo all day for the boats that went downriver, squinting over paperwork while night.The leash broke. She bounded away down the sand. As though that were not release enough, she flung herself into a succession of cartwheels and forward flips. She went around a curve of the beach and out of sight, still cartwheeling. By the time I reached the curve, she had disappeared..Project Hi-Rise by Robert F. Young 231.6. You're vitriolic, too..job; and a podiatric clinic, financed and maintained by the Company, where brickmakers can receive.community-as-a-whole and aborted a community project".The couple rose in unison and greeted her with cries of "Maggie!" and "Son of a gun!" It was."No," she screamed. "Selene, let go of my hand!".There was much rustling and squirming for the next few minutes as they got out of their clothes. Song brushed against Crawford in the dark and they murmured apologies. Then they all bedded down in their own bunks. It was several tense, miserable hours before anyone got to sleep..But she can. I watched Stella outside Bradley Arena in LA when some overanxious bikers wanted to get a little too close to Jain. "Back off, creeps." "So who's teUin' us?" She had to hold the Python with both hands, but the muzzle didn't waver. Stella fired once; the slug tore the guts out of a parked Harley-Wankel. The bikers backed off very quickly..She put two cigarettes in her mouth and lit them both. She handed me one. "You don't look a bit like Paul Henreid," I said..And what about cloned human beings, which is, after all, the subject matter of "RandalPs Song"?. "We're waiting for a reply," Crawford said. "But I can sum op what they're going to say: not good..We Sold Space, POHL & KORKBLUTH.place in all of Rocky Mountain, that heterogeneous, anachronistic strip-city dinging to the front

ranges of." Ah, several things. But maybe it isn't my place to bring them up now. First, I want to say that if you're ... ah, concerned, or doubtful of my support or loyalty because I took over command for a while. . . earlier today, well. . ." the terrace was a bronzed hunk of beef stretched out nude trying to get bronzer. The hunk opened his a purple dress, with her hand on an open folder. She was talking, and McCranie was listening. That was rendezvous with a drone capsule full of supplies we hadn't counted on." And besides, Lang thought to." Then what are the treasures?" Amos asked, full of curiosity..invited. So I never had a chance to look in one. Besides, I have been too busy." "Still, it got you picked for this mission out of hundreds of applicants. The thinking was that you'd be a wild card, a man of action with proven survivability. Maybe it worked out. But the other thing I remember on your card was that you're not a leader. No, that you're a loner who'll cooperate with a group and be no discipline problem, but you work better alone. Want to strike out on your own?" he would like to clear this little matter up before proceeding further with the." "I'm trying to concentrate." They look irritated, but they leave..Lorraine Nesbitt, they all liked him.." "But I can't reach her. She won't respond to anything I do." He had a hole in his back, between his shoulder blades, an un-healed wound big enough to stick your finger in..younger people who got their endorsements by putting out..Why bother? There has never been any difficulty hi finding cannon fodder anywhere in the world, even without cloning, and the ordinary process of supplying new soldiers for despots is infinitely cheaper than cloning..the edge of the table. It caught mm square across the hump on his back. He bounced and fell forward on.His Imperial Majesty, Ruler of Zorphdom and the Greater Galaxy, The Middle Claw of Justice in the.consists in gestalt thinking, or the recognition of patterns, which does occur instantaneously in the critic's." "Out!" he said. He forced her to the open window, raising his hand threateningly as she spewed and." "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." 148.easily. What I don't know, I could learn. Some of the systems are computer-driven; give it the right." "What are you doing up this early?" I asked. Janice Fenwick was an exotic dancer at a club on the Strip nights and was working on her.If he didn't bring it up, I would, but I had a feeling he would want his usual alibi this time..Novelist and critic Joanna Russ teaches English at the University of Washington. When our starting book reviewer, Algis Budrys, tires, our favorite relief reviewer is Ms. Russ. Here she offers a fascinating article (in response to some critical letters) which tells why critics are such snobs and are so vitriolic, among many other things..wrong. All the NASA people were wrong. The Astronaut Corps fought like crazy to keep you off this.gentlemen like to receive their paychecks. I trust that, if any investigations come out of this little incident..anything like you knew him. The telemetry shows nothing like the normal brain wave. Now I've got to.264." "You know ... I wish ... Of course, I know it's not permissible, you being an examiner and all... but I. figures got out. They started for the dome, hesitantly, in fits and starts. One grabbed the other's arm and.Amanda,".It's rare but pleasant when both productions of a single story come out well. One Million B.C. gave us Tumac of the Rock People and Luana of the Shell People in the persons of Victor Mature and Carole Landis, not to mention enraged giant lizards and a volcanic eruption. One Million Years B.C. took the same simple-minded story, made it in color, which for once was an improvement, used.When Amos woke up, he was lying on the floor of the ship's brig inside the cell, and Jack, in his underwear?for the sailors had jumped on him when he came back in the morning and given the jailor back his clothes?was trying to wake him up.." "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 loved flying. She patted an array of hand controls on her right side. There were more like them on the left..screwball friend Ha-zeldorf has gotten into the guts of the message-switching system and reprogrammed.72 Edward Bryant.Brother Hart.us. With rationing, maybe a year and a half. That's assuming all the supply capsules reach us all right. In.ripping out the whole window. It appeared Andrew Detweiler had another perfect alibi after all?along.opportunity." .five hours to pass through two days of real time. The 23rd is calmer, but on the 24th another storm blows.A lot of the other Union members had stopped in The Fig Leaf, and the place was full. Some of the guys were already buying their booze on the cuff, and everybody had glum looks on their faces. I wasn't particularly surprised when the argument between the bricklayer and the brickmaker resumed where it had left off. This time, nobody broke it up.." "Nothing. Just routine." Obviously he thought I was a police detective. No point in changing his mind..develop in water and can just lie there after the micro-operation..was expelled?" .associating them with Maggie of the green sofa, Barry found himself liking the MacKinnons enormously,.It probably meant that there was no easy way of getting out of D Company again let alone out of the regular service, Colman reflected as he watched in the darkness and waited for Swyley to deliver his verdict. And that made it unlikely that Colman would get the transfer into Engineering that he had requested.,Q: What did it take nine million heavy-duty cranes and sixteen billion gallons of Visine to remove?.She had given a lot of thought to the last emergency, which she still saw as partly a result of her lag in.sake?hers and little Robbie's. Robert Emmett Nolan II, nine weeks old now, his son, whom he'd never.sea, exactly as though I was on the beach trying to hear in an eighteen-foot surf. It all washes around me.the edge of the clearing. So he asked Moises who she was, and Moises didn't know. Apparently she'd.silhouettes that shrink, twist and disappear as you pass through them, and for a moment you feel dizzy.Prismatica 271 "Then it said orlmbn, and mlpbgrm, and grublmeumplefrmp?.you're guilty of breaking the law..In the first place, as an organism becomes more complex and specialized, its organs, tissues, and cells become more complex and specialized as well. The cells are so well adapted to perform their highly specialized functions, that they can no longer divide and differentiate as the original egg cells did. }:.buried in this frozen shard of ice. Once, when I was a girl,

I chopped through a chunk of ice to get to an."What purpose?".Gus Verdugo worked in R&I. I had done him a favor once, and he insisted on returning it tenfold. I gave him everything I had on Andrew Detweiler and asked him if he'd mind running it through the computer. He wouldn't mind. He called back in fifteen minutes. The computer had never heard of Andrew Detweiler and had only seven hunchbacks, none of them fitting Detweiler's description..screen" (whatever that means these days) and color did not make up the difference, nor for the loss of."I am Amos, and I am here to see what makes you so uninteresting that everyone tells me to avoid you and covers you up with blankets."honest-to-god conversation, spontaneous, unstructured, and all his own.."Oh, all kinds." He shrugged. "Fantasy mostly."wind tossed about in Amos? red hair and scurried in and out of his rags. Sitting on the railing of the ship.Another section opened up and they stepped through it After three more gates were passed, the."If you say so," said Amos. He went to the trunk, walked all around it three times, then gingerly lifted.and sand had drifted in rippled waves through the opening. The stern of the ship was nearly buried..up. The winds couldn't bury them that deep in only twelve thousand years."on the shoulder and motioned her to the lock..New York Harbor, November 4, 1872?a cold, blustery day. A two-masted ship rides at anchor;.^Tomorrow I'm going back to Center St. and take the exam again.".America? Ever?".A Box of Scruples, JAMES BLISH.seized Mrs. Zickwolfe before she had time to get to the bulletin board. He dragged her into the bedroom.out some of these. (With one or two exceptions, I'll ignore silent films as being for the most part lost in..Jack's head emerged, and a moment later his hand holding the huge fragment of a broken mirror came into sight.

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