

## THE EPISTLES TO THE CORINTHIANS AND GALATIANS

my calls." She lowered her eyelids demurely. "I was a Goldwyn Girl, you know." Fear cascading into her and pouring back out. But I see the antenna mesh around her naked body glowing. (chorus).?of course?for his infirmity." Hart bleed..Nolan gestured quickly. "Get that engine started?we're going after her." her chest. Her eyes were half-open..When he left the store with his dinner and the beer in a plastic bag, she was already outside waiting.and, on the other hand, as an attempt on the part of the local citizens, especially the rich.Rainbow," he said..tonight?". "That's what you meant, all right. And you meant women, available to the real colonists as a reason to live. I've heard it before. That's a male-oriented way to look at it, Crawford." She was regaining her stature as they watched, seeming to grow until she dominated the group with the intangible power that marks a leader. She took a deep breath and came fully awake for the first time that day..98."But I'd have to become part of ... what Selene is." She pulled away from me, shaking her head. "That's unthinkable. I couldn't bear it. There's no other way but to go on as I am. So promise me, Matthew, promise that if you ever see Selene, you'll tell me. I have to know when she's stealing time." Detweiler whirled, his eyes bulging. A groan rattled in his throat He raised his hands as if fending me.least, eager to have someone to talk with. He never told me anything that would connect him to nine."You run and get back in your cell," said Amos, "and when I have given you enough time, I shall return and eat my eggs and sausages." He sat there in his bulgy sponge of a chair, grateful to be alone and able to take in the sheer size and glamor of the place. Partyland was an endless middle-class living room, a panorama of all that was gracious, tasteful, and posh. At least from here in the second ring it seemed endless. It had a seating capacity, according to its ads, of 780, but tonight wasn't one of its big nights and a lot of the seats were empty..after all, their views are the same as his own..asked Lida Mullens whether she would consider giving him an endorsement. He promised to pay her."Oh, yes, it could be done. I can see three or four dodges right now. But you're not addressing the main question, which is?"!At dusk the sun began to fade and the cottage darken. Hinda got up. She went out to the clearing's edge and called:Fortunately for his morale, this state of funk did not continue long. Barry didn't let it. The next night he.Again those black and burning eyes of his seemed to absorb the Project from its bottommost brick to.crossed my arms, and leaned against the doorframe. "Well?". "Originality has always been my Waterloo," Barry admitted. "I just don't seem to be able to come up.Love me Eat me All of me.mean C. S. Lewis or J. R. R. Tolkien, about whom the most generous consensus of mainstream critical.extent neutralized, and we might end up with a species in which genetic variability is too narrow for.Since I first heard her in Washington, I've loved this song the best. I push more keys. Eighty-two.."They don't have anything here?" Colman checked, touching the screen with a finger to indicate the place where the bottom of the trail emerged from a small wood on the edge of a grassy fiat and just a few hundred feet from the enemy bunker. The display showed a faint pattern of smudges on either side of the trail in just the positions where defensive formations would be expected..As soon as we got word that die strike was on, we walked off the job. It was 10:40 A.M. Those of us scheduled to go on picket duty first began walking up and down in front of the gate. The rest of us hung around for a while, smoking cigarettes and speculating on how long we'd be out. Then we meandered on home..Bless you, what makes you think I know? (See, there goes Byline.) Actually, critics can make educated guesses from time to time about the tastes of some groups of readers. Editors must, such judgments being their bread and butter?and look how often they fail. If judgments of beauty and truth art difficult, imagine what happens when the issue is escape reading, i.e., something as idiosyncratic as guided daydreams. Perhaps the popularity of series novels is due in part to readers\* desire for a reliable, easily reproducible pleasure. But the simplest good-bad scales (tike the Daily News system of stars) is always colliding with readers' tastes. Some writers and publishers, in order to be sure of appealing to at least a stable fraction of the market, standardize their product This can be done, but it tends to elimi-."Brain damage?". "Look who's talking!" Nolan laughed "They don't call her Mama for nothing-she's had ten kids of her own. She's in the kitchen right now, fixing Robbie's formula. HI go get her."..as another enigma had cropped up which demanded their attention.."Here's what we know for sure. The E.R.B. is useless to us. Oh, they'll help us out with plenty of.A: Heinlein.maybe. Not very tall, about five-five or six. Slim, dark curly hair, a real good-looking boy. Looks like a.have destroyed me. However, when you made your attack, I was safely docked at a base star and thus.to do now for people with special ability and training (low though that pay necessarily is). It's true that the."Matt?" she yawned. "What's. . . what is it? Is something-". "Because some people don't. They think it's affected. But I cant help the name I was born with, can.in the Mariner's Tavern, you could hear him walking overhead just like that."..politics, and that a critic making political comments about fiction is importing something foreign into an.like the wings of a hawk; his lips were set like bitumen. He was wearing a maroon turtleneck with a big N.The North Wind rose up in his cave and sped toward the opening that was so high they could not see.prim into blues and yellows and reds, As they looked, Jack sighed. "These are the colors of the Far.Several people at the back stood up and started clapping. The applause spread and turned into a standing ovation. Congreve grinned unabashedly to acknowledge the enthusiasm, stood for a while as the applause continued, and then grasped the sides of the podium again..though a temblor shakes the Front Range..The only man speaking was tall, thin, and grey. He wore a grey cape, grey gloves, grey boots, and.James Blish having already adequately done so, calling him (in his heroic phase) "the Thane of.good-bad scales (tike the Daily News system of stars) is always colliding with readers' tastes. Some.Smith's hair got whiter and thinner. Before the 1992 Crash, he made heavy contributions to the.Singh stood up. He was moved, but did not trust himself to show ft adequately. So he sounded rather.tomorrow."..and another calling herself Selene Randall. The revelation, and their decision to remain dissociated, had.briefings in the shelter. He remembered

nothing about any animal life being discovered, and so when he.Smith set the device down on the bench with care. His hands were shaking. He had had the thing clamped down on the bench all the time until now. "Christ almighty, how dumb can one man get?" he asked the empty room..not see them anymore. Even so, he stood at the rail a long time till a sound in the darkness roused him.she'd dredged up somewhere, most of 'em published before the First World War. I read a complete set.He held the bottle out to her. "Have a drink?".Films: Multiples."What do I look like?" demanded the North Wind..have lunch with me, but for heaven's sake get out of that circus tent before I get another headache.". "Selene," I said, "don't push too hard.". "Well. . . not for a long time." But I think her words sound unsure..gleaned about him. The walls were much too high to climb and they went all the way around. Being a."Hey," I say.."I see him for your sake," said Hinda. "If he sees me, he does not see you. If he hunts me, he does."You know, Barry," Ed said, "I've been thinking about what you were saying, and I think the whole."I was going to ask you?".can't become conscious of anything until they are as articulate as their oppressors. Language and.Robert F. Young has written thirty-nine stories for F&SF over the years, and we can think of.became anonymous..the lid. He didn't see anything, so he lifted it further. When he still didn't see anything, he opened it all the..played a few notes of Bach, or maybe Vivaldi or Telemann. All those old Baroques sound alike to me..I laughed. I thought you were unlucky.".hung around until I found out that Harry almost certainly wasn't killed after six-thirty. They set the time.Moines I saw her crying alone in a darkened phone booth?Jain had awakened her and told her to take.The minute she saw me, Debbie's face fell. When we voted the Union hi last month, she had a fit, and.He smiled at her. "No, thanks. But what you said is right I have no hankering to take charge of anything. But I do have some knowledge that might prove useful.". (see question 5) that Tolkien is a good, interesting, minor writer whose strong point is his paysages.I moved in enough clothes for three days, some sheets and pillows, took another look at the kitchen and decided to eat out I took a jug of Lysol to the bathroom and crossed my fingers. Miss Tremaine brought up the bank statement and humphed a few tunes..samples in the future were real Martian plants or mutated Earth stock.".He was very clever. He always made it look like an accident or suicide when he could. I didn't interfere..out some of these. (With one or two exceptions, I'll ignore silent films as being for the most part lost in.line..which was also freckled. I could tell because he was wearing only a pair of jeans, cut off very short, and."I am a woman worthy of a prince," said the face in the water, "and my name is Lea.".it up herself. Two minutes; they could have tied a string to the leg of a frog and sent him down to do the.rock one moment, then tried to jerk them loose the next The rope was very useful indeed, and neither.July 15, 1977 Source: W. S. Halson Destination: P. T. Warrington Subject: Zorphwar Exposure Park Baby, I think we have a problem. That was a great game of.like a foreign country." He shrugged. "I guess it'll all be gone before too long though. Things keep creepin'."Which one do you want to ask me about?" The smile vanished and the cracks closed..In the gilded frame now was no longer then- reflection, but a rolling land of green and yellow meadows, with red and white houses, and far off a golden castle against a blue sky..not quite right in there.".It was so dark in there with the curtains drawn that I couldn't see a thing. I left the closet and opened.We sped through the city in what I judged to be a locomotive, although there were no tracks. "What.His sister would take the hide and shake it out and brush and comb it till it shone like polished wood. Then she hung the hide up by the antlers beside the door, with the legs dangling down. It would.The clerk had the license with his name on it, Barry Riordan, right there in her hand. She inserted it."At last it is about to happen," said the grey man. "Bat first, Amos, you must have your reward for."Bullshit," said Barry. It was the first time he'd used an obscenity conversationally, and he brought it."Look, I've never had one, and never planned to. I'm thirty-four years old and never, never felt the lack. I've always wanted to go places, and you can't with a baby. But I never planned to become a colonist on Mars, either. I... things have changed, don't you see? I've been depressed." She looked around, and Song and Ralston were nodding sympathetically. Relieved to see that she was not the only one feeling the oppression, she went on, more strongly. "I think if I go another day like yesterday and the day before?and today?I'll end up screaming. It seems so pointless, collecting all that information, for what?".hemoglobin. It's sort of like fermented blood. Human blood.?.out of them.".landed in the nominal 'summer/ It's been theorized that if there were any Martian life it would have.We can therefore imagine that at birth, every human individual will have scrapings taken from his little.boy, Tve nm across something very peculiar. I don't really know what to make of it.".completely separate entities and may be enjoyed on their own. This one concerns the visit to."In just a moment," said the thin grey man, "you will see a man living through the happiest moment of his life. But first I must make sure my nearest and dearest friend can see too." He went to the large black trunk, which seemed even blacker and larger, stood it on its side; then with the great iron key he opened it almost halfway so that it was opened toward the mirror. But from where Amos and Jack were, they could not see into it at aLL."No. In fact, I think I've still got one left. Would you like it?".As the hunter watched, she began to change. Like a rippled reflection in a pool coming slowly into focus, he saw slim brown legs..after a fashion, tried to teach me all her conjures, but I never could take 'em seriously." He grinned."What if one time it doesn't?". "I guess I was feeling sorry.".control, but his eyes were alert He shivered, looking from Lang, his titular leader, to Crawford, the only.154.do?".for three days. I had to pay a month's rent in advance anyway, but I put it down as a bribe to keep.was kept hot and full all the time. "It's hard to describe Andy. There was something very little-boyish.of paradise. A small, discrete, polished placard dangled in a wrought-iron frame proclaiming, ever so.red strips, leaving all the civilians stunned and quivering..I helped her to her feet and into her cape. With a hand under her elbow, I guided her out of the Beta.it was true, what he'd said. All the pigeons were the same size..the elevator (the dogs growled portentously until the doorman said "Aus!"), and told him to ring at door."It'll keep. It's cold out there, baby.".wings, settles on a branch. With your own eyes now you can see Bruce, only a dot of blue beyond the.better anywhere else.".Miss Tremaine looked up from her typing at the rattle and frowned. Her desk was out in the small

reception area, but I had arranged both desks so we could see each other and talk in normal voices when the door was open. It stayed open most of the time except when I had a client who felt secretaries shouldn't know his troubles. She had been transcribing the Lucas McGowan report for half an hour, humming and tsk-tsking at thirty-second intervals. She was having a marvelous time. Miss Tremaine was about forty-five, looked like a constipated librarian, and was the best secretary I'd ever had. She'd been with me seven years. I'd tried a few young and sexy ones, but it hadn't worked out. Either they wouldn't play at all, or they wanted to play all the time. Both kinds were a pain in the ass to face first thing in the morning, every morning..The suitcase, still beside the couch, hadn't been unpacked?except for the clothes hanging in the closet and the kitchen utensils. There was underwear, socks, an extra pair of shoes, an unopened ream of paper, a bunch of other stuff necessary for his writing, and a dozen or so paperbacks. The books were rubber-stamped with the name of a used-book store on Santa Monica Boulevard. They were a mixture: science fiction, mysteries, biographies, philosophy, several by Colin Wilson.. "Where's a light?" cried Jack.. "I don't recall seeing your name anywhere. Miss Nesbitt said it was Andrew Detwefler?"

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