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the last man ends in 2100 the last year of the world a devastating plague has wiped out humanity except for one man this novel of horror originally published in 1826 was rejected in its time and out of print from 1833 to 1963 when the first bison books edition appeared some critics now rate the last man more highly than frankenstein by the same author this bison books edition offers a new introduction by anne k mellor who writes in our era of aids and biological warfare shelley s apocalyptic vision of an incurable plague that gradually destroys the entire human species resonates with mythic power

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the last man 1826 is a dystopian novel by mary shelley dedicated to the recently deceased percy bysshe shelley and lord byron the last man was controversial upon publication and was immediately suppressed by british authorities resurrected by dedicated critics and readers the novel is now recognized as a pioneering work of science fiction and as the first work of dystopian literature to be published in english the ambitious and semi autobiographical work is set toward the end of the 21st century and follows a group of radical friends whose experiences during a period of political upheaval test the limits of their love and push them to the brink of survival after the abdication of the british monarchy the former prince adrian befriends lionel a fiercely independent and philosophical advocate of republicanism when lionel returns from two years abroad in vienna where he was conducting political business he finds that adrian has disappeared following a conflict with lord raymond who falls in love with the greek princess evadne while scheming to be named england s new king they eventually resolve their enmity however and raymond travels to greece with adrian to fight in a quickly expanding conflict with the ottomans as the war rages on a plague breaks out and spreads without warning across europe and overseas to the americas as the continent is ravaged by conflict and disease lionel and his group of friends struggle to keep one another alive in a world growing more hostile and less habitable by the day with a beautifully designed cover and professionally typeset manuscript this edition of mary shelley s the last man is a classic of english literature reimagined for modern readers

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lord byron the novel offers a vision of the future that expresses a reaction against romanticism and demonstrates the failure of the imagination and of art to redeem the doomed characters

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as an outlet for her feelings of loss and boredom following their deaths and the deaths of her children it appears that shelley found inspiration for the title of her novel in jean baptiste cousin de grainville s le dernier homme 1805 translated into english in 1806 as omegarus and syderia failure of romantic political ideals the last man not only laments the loss of shelley s friends but also questions the romantic political ideals for which they stood in a sense the plague is metaphorical since the revolutionary idyll of the élite group is corroded from within by flaws of human nature as literary scholar kari lokke writes in its refusal to place humanity at the center of the universe its questioning of our privileged position in relation to nature then the last man constitutes a profound and prophetic challenge to western humanism specifically mary shelley in making references to the failure of the french revolution and the godwinian wollstonecraftian and burkean responses to it attacks enlightenment faith in the inevitability of progress through collective efforts isolation hugh luke argues that by ending her story with the picture of the earth s solitary inhabitant she has brought nearly the whole weight of the novel to bear upon the idea that the condition of the individual being is essentially isolated and therefore ultimately tragic xvii shelley shares this theme of tragic isolation with the poetry of lord byron and william wordsworth science and medicine just as her earlier and more well known frankenstein 1818 engaged with scientific questions of electromagnetism chemistry and materialism the last man finds shelley again attempting to understand the scope of scientific inquiry unlike the earlier novel s warnings about faustian over reaching this novel s devastating apocalypse strongly suggests that medicine had become too timid and ultimately too late the ineffectual astronomer merrival for example stands in stark contrast to the frighteningly productive victor frankenstein shelley s construction of lionel verney s immunity remains a subject of significant critical debate but the novel certainly demonstrates a deep understanding of the history of medicine specifically the development of the smallpox vaccine and the various nineteenth century theories about the nature of contagion

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