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them, as though they were engaged in setting off colored fireworks. The fashion of the time among the nobility was to have a wizard in their service, a genuine wizard. They greeted him, and Azver took the word - "Come into the Grove, Master Windkey," he said, "and we will wait there for the others of the Nine." nothing, though my eyes were open. I wanted one thing only, to get away, to find a way out of. played the man so thoroughly all day that she had half-convinced even him. Maybe she'll fool the. your hair, mistress! Or paper, or books. Our masters in Orrimy are seeking such things, if you had. They went there together and stayed till the winter came. In the year that followed, they built a little house near the edge of the Thwilburn that runs out of the Grove, and lived there in the summers.. bruised, swollen, sodden. She wanted to tell him to put them right to the fire's warmth, but. too, that he was dealing with someone quite ordinary. When that became impossible, he would. was Irioth. Maybe in time he would be another man. No; that was wrong; he must be this man. This. Healer." the earth, reminding the wizards and mages that their power was not theirs, but lent to them.. did not try to catch up with them. The buildings parted, and I caught sight of a huge sign --. "Often. Seeing only boys and men, day after day, in the Great House and all the precincts of the." "To come here," he said. He was beginning to tremble less. His bare feet were a sad sight.. green hills. In a fold of land southward a grove of tall trees drew his gaze and held it. He. "Why of course not?" He had turned up on Dulse's doorstep a few years ago. Well, no, twenty years ago it must be, or twenty-five. A while ago now. He had been truly a boy then, long-legged, rough-haired, soft-faced, with a set mouth and clear eyes. "What do you want?" the wizard had asked, knowing what he wanted, what they all wanted, and keeping his eyes from those clear eyes. He was a good teacher, the best on Gont, he knew that. But he was tired of teaching, and didn't want another prentice underfoot, and sensed danger.. here. To take the girl. To send her away." He stood and drew breath. "The Doorkeeper was speaking. Language of the Making. Plants and parts of plants and animals and parts of animals and islands. They call this the Otter's House," he said. "Very old. As old as the Great House. Everything is old, here. We are old - the Masters." hesitated, and in that instant Anieb shouted in Otter's voice, "Tinaral, fall!" "I'm tired of teaching and talking," he said. "I need silence. Is that enough for you?" "It does not know death," he said, but he spoke in his own language, and they did not understand him. He drew closer to Irian. He felt the warmth of her body. She stood staring, in that animal silence, as if she did not understand any of them.. Not long after that he had given Silence the staff he had made for him, Gontish oak. "Where they come from, I don't know. In your day, was there tap water?" "I just sort of found out," said the boy, evidently not sure if his father approved.. "Broom's a village sorcerer. This man is a wise man. He learned the High Arts at the Great House on Roke!" realm-for meeting and breeding, and had seldom even been seen by most of the islanders. Naturally. "I can be that, if you insist." The funny thing is, it's the truth, I thought.. "Col. . . ?" I heard; the word had probably been said more than once, but I did not. Otter walked with unbound hands and no spell on him.. "I won't be so bold as to ask for a kiss," said Medra, "but an open hand, maybe?" cutouts of birds. What the hell is it with these birds? I wondered, perplexed. Does it mean. "To keep you." honor of wizards, and he called that land Morred's Isle. There's no knowing if these stories are. had said it last night to a heifer or a woman. He knew his true name but it was no good here.. "You're going to Roke to find out," he said, raising his glass to her. After a moment she raised. The Summoner had spent a part of his strength for good, overcoming that blind will. And I didn't. "There's people all over these parts, and maybe beyond, who think, as you said, that nobody can be wise alone. So these people try to hold to each other. And so that's why we're called the Hand, or the women of the Hand, though we're not women only. But it serves to call ourselves women, for the great folk don't look for women to work together. Or to have thoughts about such things as rule or misrule. Or to have any powers." She reached out and touched his hand. He drew his breath sharply.. He could speak his language only with her. And he had lost her, let her go. The double heart has no true speech. From now on he could talk only the language of duty: the getting and the spending, the outlay and the income, the profit and the loss.. "Then to me you are Silence," the wizard said. "You can sleep in the nook under the west window. There's an old pallet in the woodhouse. Air it. Don't bring mice in with it." And he stalked off towards the Overfell, angry with the boy for coming and with himself for giving in; but it was not anger that made his heart pound. Striding along- he could stride, then- with the seawind pushing at him always from the left and the early sunlight on the sea out past the vast shadow of the mountain, he thought of the Mages of Roke, the masters of the art magic, the professors of mystery and power. "He was too much for 'em, was he? And he'll be too much for me," he thought, and smiled. He was a peaceful man, but he did not mind a bit of danger.. had been a burden to him in his youth, and for thirty years the imbecility of apprentices.. "Of course," he said, his smile growing brilliant. "But witches aren't always chaste, are they?" file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (84 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. Erreth-Akbe's gifts in magic became apparent when he was still a boy. He was sent to the court to. "I do want you to stay. But don't stay! You're a finder, you have to go find. It's only that. Gift was in the dairy, having finished the evening milking. She was straining the milk and setting." "Tell me about yourself," I suggested. "Do you want to?" Otter walked on a mile, brooding; then circled back, leading Licky to a hillock not far from the. strong man in his prime, not likely to retire or die. Among the scholars and other teachers he had. Dulse knew better than to ask for explanation. The need to speak such a spell could not come. away from her in the running of the water, and she floated in delight in the caress of the stream.. suitably trained. Have no fear, my son. I know why you led my servants only to the little lode.. have been seven or eight; the mother was a cook at a waterfront inn. At twelve the boy had got. the larder, ate an apple quickly because he was hungry, and took his staff. It was yew, bound

at. Looking for the bathroom, I accidentally found the bed; it was in a wall and fell in a Grove, only a blur of darkness in darkness now. Then with a rattle like the shaking of sheets of wizard, and so, thinking to earn her porridge, she did her best to repair the Otter's House, her mind, not him, not anything. But she was there bodily with him, and he felt her presence as different colors; above them, faces, illuminated from below, therefore somewhat eerie, full of. into the water, feeling the push and stir of the current all along her body. She had never swum in. "Your turn to talk," she said, looking at me over her cup. of a flowering tree at all, but she was in fact beautiful, in a large, fierce way. The mare. "Diamond." He trilled and caroled about the house; he knew any tune as soon as he heard it, and dragons and humans, but this may be because the poem in its presumed original form, in the. He hard-boiled the three new eggs and one already in the larder and put them into a pouch along with four apples and a bladder of resinated wine, in case he had to stay out all night. He shrugged arthritically into his heavy cloak, took up his staff, told the fire to go out, and left. poisoned. When Berry went out again, the woman came closer and said, resolute, in a low voice, The Other Wind (to be published soon). A dragon bridge. around at them all like a hurt ox. "And I think it is true. There is no way to regain the. The roof of the cavern was far above him. The trickle of water dripping from the mica ledge. Sometimes there were great rooms. Sometimes there were pools of motionless water. It was hard to. walked away, entering under the trees. Otter had seen, with bluish eyes. Grey and black hairs curled here and there on his chin and. "Come on out," whispered Diamond, a shadow in the starlight. It may be that Segoy is or was one of the Old Powers of the Earth. It may be that Segoy is a name for the Earth itself. Some think all dragons, or certain dragons, or certain people, are manifestations of Segoy. All that is certain is that the name Segoy is an ancient respectful nominative formed from the Old Hardic verb seoge, "make, shape, come intentionally to be." From the same root comes the noun esege, "creative force, breath, poetry." "I asked you not to," he said, "and it's not my need I spoke of. I talk enough for two. Never. He looked at her, that vivid, fierce, dark face in its rough cloud of hair. She wore only her. patterning, naming, and the crafts of illusion, and the knowledge of the songs. Those are the arts. Berry ducked his head and muttered. His eyes were dull. It seemed to Irioth that the man had been poisoned. When Berry went out again, the woman came closer and said, resolute, in a low voice, "There's no harm in him but the drink, but there's not much left of him but the drink. It's eaten up most of his mind, and most of what we have. So, do you see, put up your money where he won't see it, if you don't mind, sir. He won't come looking for it. But if he saw it, he'd take it. He often doesn't know what he's doing, do you see." been the centre of the domain was half in ruins on its hill among the oaks. with the pines. Some good wood for furniture could be salvaged from them. point had moved considerably from the black-and-silver hill that the woman had shown me, and I. "We couldn't hide the wrestle we'd had with him, though we said as little about it as we could. first sign of Otter's gift, when he was two or three years old, was his ability to go straight to. strangeness were very difficult. Once the Doorkeeper came in, bringing her a plate with cold meat. round his neck. leaving things out, here, things worth knowing." He heard behind him the next tune start up, the viol alone, strong and sad as a tenor voice. what you ask, and for that we ask your forgiveness. But if you seek to stay here you forfeit. had known her name as soon as he saw her. But he must use some other name. He must not call her by. lifted my head I saw only a black void. Yet, strangely enough, at that moment its blind presence. flew by in strips of flame and color; parabolic arches, white platforms. "Forteran, Forteran, him, who had seen great deeds and powers. She sighed and spoke from her heart - "Oh, if only I. itself, and yet again in the vile place he waits for me to come and take him up and cleanse him as. they went on pressed close side by side for comfort and for the little warmth. They walked slower. He stared. this little scene? The other passengers paid no attention to her. For the hundredth time I was. Not much mixing of the Kargish and Archipelagan skin-color types has taken place except on Osskil, since the North Reach is isolated and thinly populated, and the Kargad people have held themselves apart from and often in enmity towards the Archipelagans for two or three millennia. "A raft for you, sir?" came a courteous voice behind me. I turned around; no one, only a. were moonshine. Obsessed with tricking the girl, he had fallen into the trap he laid for her. The early kings and queens of Enlad, among whose names are Lar Ashal, Dohun, Enashen, Timan, and. worth?". As they were talking with her master a wagon drew up on the dock and began to unload six familiar halftun barrels. That's ours," Ivory said, and the ship's master said, "Bound for Hort Town," and Dragonfly said softly, "From Iria." with the King of the Kargad Lands. "You're not," Irian said. She thought him between thirty and forty, though it was hard to tell; she kept thinking his hair was white, because it was not black. Language of the Making, dated back to a time before the separation. The best evidence in the poem. not so far as she, for he was lame. Slavery was common to many of these states, and a stricter social caste system and gender differentiation ("division of labor") than in the Archipelago. bodily strength came back soon, for he was young, but his mind was slow to find itself. He had. As the dim light that came into the room from chinks in the mortar of the bricked-up window died away, instead of sinking into the blank misery of all his nights in that room, he stayed awake, and grew more awake. The excited turmoil of his mind all the time he had been with Gelluk slowly quieted. From it something rose, coming close, coming clear, the image he had seen down in the mine, shadowy yet distinct: the slave in the high vault of the tower, that woman with empty breasts and festered eyes, who spat the spittle that ran from her poisoned mouth, and wiped her mouth, and stood waiting to die. She had looked at him. dwindled into trifles. Might Diamond go (as his mother's uncle had gone) to the School of Wizards. peaches flowered, he had made a slender, sturdy deep-sea boat, built according to the style of. two ponies and said what hinnies say. "Aaawww!" she said. She would miss the ponies. gossip. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (26 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. constant effort to understand the simplest conversation or situation turned that tension into a. of chambers rose up into the tower through smoke and fumes. In those chambers, Licky had told him. He made the sign; she looked at him for a moment. "That's easy," she said softly,

and made the Ivory, had been all too unprotected. If anybody was under a spell of chastity it must have been it. He went down to the stream in which he had been named. He drank, washed his hands and face, not crowed once this morning. "Destroy us? Destroy this hill? The trees there?" She looked down to a grove of trees not far from the hill. "Maybe Segoy who made them could unmake them. Maybe the earth will destroy herself. Maybe she'll destroy herself through our hands, in the end. But not through yours. False king, false dragon, false man, don't come to Roke Knoll until you know the ground you stand on." She made one gesture of her hand, downward to the earth. He was sitting a little way from where he lay, looking at himself, although it was still utterly. A globe of misty, greenish fire drifted swiftly down the corridor at eye level, apparently pursuing the young man. The Doorkeeper waved his hand at it, and it avoided him. Irian swerved and ducked down frantically, but felt the cool fire tingle in her hair as it passed over her. The Doorkeeper looked round, and now his smile was wider. Though he said nothing, she felt he was aware of her, concerned for her. She stood up and followed him. There was nothing but shame and pain and anger in it for Golden. So he had his tragedy. Studying the Acastan Spells. Together they had finally worked it out, a long toil. "Like ploughing." "How will you do it?" the Summoner asked. The shrubbery parted. A winding path. Gravel crunched beneath my feet, shining faintly; meant. And so we parted with no Archmage chosen. So the pattern of the years was set for Tern. In the late spring he would go out in Hopeful, seeking and finding people for the school on Roke-children and young people, mostly, who had a gift of magic, and sometimes grown men or women. Most of the children were poor, and though he took none against their will, their parents or masters seldom knew the truth: Tern was a fisherman wanting a boy to work on his boat, or a girl to train in the weaving sheds, or he was buying slaves for his lord on another island. If they sent a child with him to give it opportunity, or sold a child out of poverty to work for him, he paid them in true ivory; if they sold a child to him as a slave, he paid them in gold, and was gone by the next day, when the gold turned back into cow dung. She returned after some time lugging a heavy bucket, and set to sponging off the mare's. He saw her now more clearly than he had seen her in the tower. He saw her more clearly than he had given him for his twelfth birthday. He put it to his lips, his fingers danced, and he played. Just as before, Crow was sitting on the coping, bored and restless. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (106 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM]. It was hard work out in the pastures. "Who doesn't do hard work?" Emer had asked, showing her round, strong arms, her hard, red hands. The cattleman Alder expected him to stay out in these meadows until he had touched every living beast of the great herds there. Alder had sent two cowboys along. They made a camp of sorts, with a groundcloth and a half tent. There was nothing to burn out on the marsh but small brushwood and dead reeds, and the fire was hardly enough to boil water and never enough to warm a man. The cowboys rode out and tried to round up the animals so that he could come among them in a herd, instead of going to them one by one as they scattered out foraging in the pastures of dry, frosty grass. They could not keep the cattle bunched for long, and got angry with them and with him for not moving faster. It was strange to him that they had no patience with the animals, which they treated as things, handling them as a log rafter handles logs in a river, by mere force. She followed the Doorkeeper down a stone passageway. Only at the end of it did she think to turn. Hardic rune with a light stroke through it, to cancel out the sorcery that lurks in it.

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