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richest lands of the old domain. His father, more interested in vines and orchards than in Tagtar, gradually increased their sway till they proclaimed themselves rulers of Earthsea. Their file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (36 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. When (in the year 440, by Hardic count) Erreth-Akbe came to make peace between the Archipelago and the Kargad Lands, bearing the Bond Ring as pledge of his king's sincerity, he came to Hupun as the capital of the Kargad Empire and treated with King Thoreg as its ruler. Anieb's understanding was that lamp. Each step revealed the next step he must take, but he could. "The woman with you defies the Rule of Roke," the Windkey said. "She must leave. A boat is waiting at the dock to take her, and the wind, I can tell you, will stand fair for Way." "I don't know," Dragonfly said. "To hear about the Great House is wonderful, but I thought the people there would be - I don't know. Of course they're mostly just boys when they go there. But I thought they'd be..." She gazed off at the sheep on the hill, her face troubled. "Some of them are really bad and stupid," she said in a low voice. "They get into the School because they're rich. And they study there just to get richer. Or to get power." of some white substance that foamed, turned brown, and hardened; meanwhile the plate itself. Medra knew only a hint of this story from Ember. One night Veil, who was three years older than the Kargish kingship, however, was already being manipulated by the high priests of the Twin Gods. "I'll ask them their name," Medra said. He smiled. "If they'll tell me, they can come in. And when they think they've learned everything, they can go out again. If they can tell me my name." he said, "what I'll be doing. I wish now I'd thought about it more. Passed it on to you. But it. The Windkey stood silent, but the group of men muttered, angry, and some of them moved forward. thing in a dangerous element, vulnerable to spells and hexes. As soon as Hound came aboard the new. Six to seven hundred years ago a sky-god religion began to spread across the islands, a. There he was well received by King Thoreg, who, after the shattering loss of his fleet, was ready to call a truce and withdraw from the occupied Hardic islands if Maharion would seek no reprisal. "What? What milk? That's brit. . ." did not try to catch up with them. The buildings parted, and I caught sight of a huge sign --. "This is a great thing," I muttered. After a moment, I added, "But it would have been. Ivory's spell of semblance dropped away like a cobweb. She was and looked herself. though the stays held. The sail struck the water, filled, and pulled the galley right over, the. Mountain, echoing round from north to south, dying away in the cloud-filled forests. for the Hardic language. This writing does not affect reality any more than any writing does; that. "Ah." Presently he said, "The Master Summoner is not old." And she got a sidelong look from those narrow, ice-coloured eyes. "Because there are more of us! Gather twenty or thirty people of power in a room, they'll each seek to have their way. And you put men who've always had their way together with women who've had theirs, and they'll resent one another. And then, too, there are some true and real divisions among us, Medra. They must be settled, and they can't be settled easily. Though a little goodwill would go a long way." they have to be, dealing with such powers and evils as they do. But he is a true man, and kind." circular dome that breathed light -- from pink to carmine, from carmine to pink -- we went out. High Marsh. THE DARK TIME, THE HAND, AND ROKE SCHOOL. ready to bury him. And then, by his grave, his eyes opened. He moved, and spoke. He said, "I have way, so that she began to wonder if men from foreign parts were all so much handier about the. She thought of Old Iria village, the marshy spring under Iria Hill, the old house on it. She. flames flickered between their knees, and at the bottom lay the unbroken black surface of an. "She will when the time comes. But she has no part to play in your decision, Diamond. Women know. of Havnor had been burnt to the ground. The king's wizards had spell-caught and killed several. "And who is Irian?" "Thank you for these and the shoes," he said, and thanking her for the gift, remembered her use-. The heap moved, and roused up slowly. They saw it was the curer, just as he had been, no fires or shadows, though looking very ill. "Come on," Gift said, and got him on his feet, and walked slowly up the street with him. hidden by the thicket. With my hands I pushed aside the twigs; brambles pulled at my sweater, "Does Labby want a harper?" A wizard, as Halkel defined the term, was a man who received his staff from a teacher, himself a. "You still are," Medra said. "Anieb was one of you. She and you and all of us live in the same. reached dry ground and coarse grass, and heard the buzz of midges and crickets. He sat down then. out of the yard, heading for home. She had had enough of medicine. "Bucky!" Rose shouted. A grubby. That had always been his word for evil doings, spells for gain, curses, black magic: "sticky stuff." "You went in there, that hole, with the old wizard, didn't you? Did you find him?" He said, "I lost my way. Have I come to the villager?" His voice was hoarse and harsh, a beggar's. to obey me!". water, illuminated from inside by colored floodlights? No -- vertical tunnels of glass through. "Change, change," said the Patterner. Transformation." increasingly costly temples, and controlling public ceremonies such as marriages, funerals, and. system of gigantic hotel lobbies -- teller windows, nickel pipes along the walls, recesses with. maybe not all your name. I think you have another." north. The old man waded through the stream barefoot, holding his shoes in one hand and his tall. "Once?" she said. "Or twice?" "I'm called Gift," she said. "My brother's Berry." "Close!" Otter cried, dropping to his knees, his hands on the earth, on the raw lips of the crevasse. "Close, Mother! Be healed, be whole!" He pleaded, begged, speaking in the Language of the Making words he did not know until he spoke them. "Mother, be whole!" he said, and the broken ground groaned and moved, drawing together, healing itself. "Why can't we build fishing boats, the way we used to?" he asked, and his father said, "Because." The Archmage brought the boy Arren there. Through love, respect, and trust, Dragonfly would never disregard a warning from Rose; but she was. Otter walked on a mile, brooding; then circled back, leading Licky to a hillock not far from the. From time to time in the years since then, Dulse remembered how he hadn't lost his temper when. beyond comprehension and he was nothing at all. He woke from those dreams shaken and shamed. In. When she did so,

Alder's wife Tawny and several other people agreed with her that a squabble."And I in my tower," said the Namer. "And you, Herbal, and the Doorkeeper, are in the trap, in the Great House. The walls we built to keep all evil out. Or in, as the case may be."where Otter had taken Licky the first day he was there. It was late autumn now. The shrubs and followed her, but only to the door. Nobody entered a witch's house uninvited.."If you share his power he won't harm you. To fear a power, to fight a power, is very dangerous..dead. And in that vision, Anieb had walked on this side of it, not on the side that went down into.wasting cough, Birch's wife dared not trouble the wise young man about it, but sent humbly to Rose.back into the house. "Oh, dear," she said, and burst into tears..These legends are best preserved in Hur-at-Hur, the easternmost of the Kargad Lands, where dragons.him with her snout..Women who work magic may practice periods of celibacy as well as fasting and other disciplines.smiled at Otter. "Don't you?""But why?"".There was silence. It would not be easy for me, I thought, to stomach this new world. And.I. Iria."Why did you come here, Teriel?"".bubbles, the blue set to work, angelic, modest, collected, but somehow sanctimonious, as if.She laid her head back and closed her eyes.."Put it away," she said, with another laugh, and a flurried motion of her hands. "If you can cure the cattle, the cattlemen will pay you, and you can pay me then. Call that surety, if you like. But put it away, sir! It makes me dizzy to look at it. -Berry," she said, as a nobbly, dried-up man came in the door with a gust of cold wind, "the gentleman will stay with us while he's curing the cattle-speed the work! He's given us surety of payment. So you'll sleep in the chimney corner, and him in the room. This is my brother Berry, sir.".Wordless at first, he simply shook his head. After a while he was able to laugh. "I think we've."He knows that, sister," Mead told her. "Didn't he tell us he was a ship carpenter? But it's a terrible long way down to the sea, surely. With this wizard on your scent, how are you to go there?"".hatches; it was as if monsters, chrome-plated fish, were depositing, at regular intervals, their.not so abruptly as the Namer, in the light and shadow under the trees. Irian watched till he was.Medra stayed three years with Highdrake, and when the old mage died, the Lord of Pendor asked Medra to take his place. Despite his ranting and scolding against dragon hunters, High-drake had been honored in his island, and his successor would have both honor and power. Perhaps tempted to think that he had come as near to Morred's Isle as he would ever come, Medra stayed a while longer on Pendor. He went out with the young lord in his ship, past the Toringates and far into the West Reach, to look for dragons. There was a great longing in his heart to see a dragon. But untimely storms, the evil weather of those years, drove their ship back to Ingat three times, and Medra refused to run her west again into those gales. He had learned a good deal about weatherworking since his days in a catboat on Havnor Bay.."Of all the innocence," Gift said, hissing the word. "He'll skin you." She dumped a kettleful of steaming water into the bath. "He has ivory," she said. "Tell him ivory it has to be. Out there ten days starving in the cold to cure his beasts! San's got nothing but copper, but Alder can pay you in ivory. I'm sorry if I'm meddling in your business. Sir." She flung out the door with two buckets, going to the pump. She would not use the stream water for anything at all, these days. She was wise, and kind. Why had he lived so long among those who were not kind?.of the crafty men. Women sat together by the fire in the lonely farmhouses; people gathered round.he knew all too well how Roke was guarded. He knew neither he nor the weatherworker could do.Quite early on, impatient with wooing her massive physical indifference, he had worked up a charm, a sorcerer's seduction-spell of which he was contemptuous even as he made it, though he knew it was effective. He cast it on her while she was, characteristically, mending a cow's halter. The result had not been the melting eagerness it had produced in girls he had used it on in Havnor and Thwil. Dragonfly had gradually become silent and sullen. She ceased asking her endless questions about Roke and did not answer when he spoke. When he very tentatively approached her, taking her hand, she struck him away with a blow to the head that left him dizzy. He saw her stand up and stride out of the stableyard without a word, the ugly hound she favoured trotting after her. It looked back at him with a grin.."She saved me but I couldn't save her," he said fiercely to the men and women of the mountain."How could he not want to?"".she had come of her own will; he didn't know how she had spoken the word of the Old Tongue to him.He had power to raise huge waves on the sea, and to stop the tide or bring it early; and his voice.wizards' spells were made, was the word tures. He had said it meant semen. Otter's own gift of.the other in honour of King Lebannen. "Hello, little namesakes," he told them when he was alone."I don't know. Probably not.".and deeper for a long time, till he reached the longest of those pools, and after that the way.The existence of magic as a recognized, effective power wielded by certain individuals, but not by.your hair, mistress! Or paper, or books. Our masters in Orrimy are seeking such things, if you had.had come close enough to know that it was surrounded by imprisoning spells that would sting and.parted from the donkey he took the right hand of the crossroad, though it looked as if it would.of Earthsea.After a while, searching for words, he went on: "Dirt. Rocks. It's a dirty magic. Old. Very old.."He lived here," Dory said, a glimmer of pride breaking a moment through her helpless pain. "The Mage Ath. Long ago. Before he went into the west. All my foremothers were wise women. He stayed here. With them.".toward me; they had to separate to let me through. I was buffeted. Without realizing it, I stepped.ones..him home. A wise man, said Otter's mother Rose, surely a wise man. Nothing was too good for such a."How else?" he said..The young man, called Ivory, did not actually have his staff and cloak yet; he explained that he was to be made wizard when he went back to Roke. The Masters had sent him out in the world to gain experience, for all the classes in the School cannot give a man the experience he needs to be a wizard. Birch looked a little dubious at this, and Ivory reassured him that his training on Roke had equipped him with every kind of magic that could be needed in Iria of Westpool on Way. To prove it, he made it seem that a herd of deer ran through the dining hall, followed by a flight of swans, who marvellously soared through the south wall and out through the north wall; and lastly a fountain in a silver basin sprang up in the centre of the table, and when the Master and his family cautiously imitated their wizard and filled their cups from it and tasted it, it was a sweet golden wine. "Wine of the Andrades," said the young man with a modest, complacent smile. By then the

wife and daughters were entirely won over. And Birch thought the young man was worth his fee, although his own silent preference was for the dry red Fanian of his own vineyards, which got you drunk if you drank enough, while this yellow stuff was just honeywater..future, the most likely candidate would be a Pole named Stanislaw Lem," states THE NEW."I can tell you only how it seems to me," the Herbal said, reluctant, uncomfortable..She looked at him in the starlight, and said, "Tell me your name - not your true name - only what I can call you. When I think of you."..amount to much that I can see. He did no good to my cow with the caked bag, two years ago. And his..He bowed. "Ivory, of Havnor Great Port, at your service. May I -".defeated Erreth-Akbe, who "lost his staff and amulet and power" and crept back to Havnor a broken..house by rights. But after a century of feuds and fights over it, my granddad let the place go to."Ivory," said the Doorkeeper. "A lad from Havnor Great Port, whom I let in three years ago, and..long as the lives, as deep as the roots of the trees. As long as leaves cast shadows. There were..To love power and to share it is the royal way. Look. Watch what I do." Gelluk held up the pouch..register but dark-toned, and held to an even quietness, contained, restrained. She perched on a..Triduct, level AF, AG, AC, circuit M levels twelve, sixteen, the nadir level leads to every..everything he said was true, and his voice was moved and gentle as he said, "I could have known it..must train it diligently. However, it's clear that you do have capacities, and that they need..delicate horn spoon tied to the pouch he lifted the few drops of quicksilver from the cup and..disciplines, and exert ethical control over the practices of wizardry. With the Hand as its agent

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