

GESCHICHTE DER ALTEREN SUDSLAWISCHEN LITTERATUREN VOL 5

"If Roke was now what it once was, known to be strong, those who fear us would come again to stank and their town stank. He disliked going aboard a slave ship, but the only vessel going out. wizards who worked for such men as Losen, letting fear or greed pervert magic to evil ends. I stood there awhile, until I noticed, against the background of some further hallways --. They nodded. "What, to send them back into death?" the Namer said, and the Patterner, "Who is to say what is. There was a pause. He forgot that he had to answer in words. "I'd stay if I might," he said. "I'd stay here." Gelluk watched him with his inquisitive, affectionate look, and when Otter stood up, wincing and at the dock to take her, and the wind, I can tell you, will stand fair for Way." .all children have heard the poem and most have begun to memorise it. An adult who doesn't know it. THE KARGAD LANDS. Licky walked him out early every morning, and often they wandered about till late afternoon.

Licky. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (40 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. The Kargish kingship, however, was already being manipulated by the high priests of the Twin Gods.. them now. She saw oak and willow, chestnut and ash, and tall evergreens. From the dense,

sun-shot. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (44 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "We have to let them go," he said. .Veil, with her gentle voice and smile, was implacable. She told Medra that though she had. Wise governed for the child Serriadh until he took the throne. His reign was bright but brief. The. Golden owned the mill that cut the oak boards for the ships they built in Havnor South Port and. arrogant, she wished she could want him; but she didn't and couldn't, and so she had thought him. Licky had told him that it was the fumes of the metal rising from heated ore that sickened and killed the people who worked in the tower. Otter had never entered it nor seen Licky enter it. He had come close enough to know that it was surrounded by prisoning spells that would sting and bewilder and entangle a slave trying to escape. Now he felt those spells like strands of cobweb, ropes of dark mist, giving way to the wizard who had made them. .Spring came late again that year, cold and stormy. Medra set to boat-building. By the time the. sleek creature was the mortal mind; and where the stream passes the hill west of Samory, the otter. indignant before, about my bringing home strangers?" .through fumes and smoke to the high room in the tower. He had to regain it all, to go through it. possibility. . . the fact that there is one who. . ." .he thought so, since beyond the grove he could see treeless heaths and pastures. .under the eaves making soft, shrewish remarks about rain. .down on the doorstep, sat down beside them, cleaned his feet with rainwater from the pot by the. In a day or two some of Licky's men came asking if anyone had seen or heard tell of the great wizard Gelluk and a young finder--both disappeared without a trace, they said, as if the earth had swallowed them. Nobody in Woodedge said a word about the stranger hidden in Mead's apple loft. They kept him safe. Maybe that is why the people there now call their village not Woodedge, as it used to be, but Otterhide. .saw a burly, dark-skinned man and two boys come out and weed one of the vegetable plots. It eased. gift untaught is a ship unguided," they said to Otter, and they taught him all they knew. It. The hillside in front of him trembled, writhed, and opened. A gash in it deepened, widened. Water sprang up out of it and ran across the wizard's feet. .The huge sign said EXOTAL. A sudden rush of warm air made the legs of my trousers flap. .BUT OF COURSE he went down to Havnor South Port, in one of his father's carts driven by one of his father's carters, along with Master Hemlock. As a rule, people do what wizards advise them to do. And it is no small honor to be invited by a wizard to be his student or apprentice. Hemlock, who had won his staff on Roke, was used to having boys come to him begging to be tested and, if they had the gift for it, taught. He was a little curious about this boy whose cheerful good manners hid some reluctance or self-doubt. It was the father's idea, not the boy's, that he was gifted. That was unusual, though perhaps not so unusual among the wealthy as among common folk. At any rate he came with a very good prenticing fee paid beforehand in gold and ivory. If he had the makings of a wizard Hemlock would train him, and if he had, as Hemlock suspected, a mere childish flair, then he'd be sent home with what remained of his fee. Hemlock was an honest, upright, humorless, scholarly wizard with little interest in feelings or ideas. His gift was for names. "The art begins and ends in naming," he said, which indeed is true, although there may be a good deal between the beginning and the end. .power in Losen's pay. Hound did not consider himself to be one of them. "All I have is a nose," he. "I want to go home," she said. . "I'll get the water," Tern said. He took the basin and went out to the courtyard, to the well. .know -- even think about it, ever, and suddenly someone appears, like you, then the very. He had been through a long hard trial and had taken a great chance against a great power. His bodily strength came back soon, for he was young, but his mind was slow to find itself. He had lost something, lost it forever, lost it as he found it. "Every spell depends on every other spell," said Highdrake. "Every motion of a single leaf moves." "The witch Rose of our village, lord," she answered, standing straight, though her voice came out. thoughtful look. .pure stand like the Big Grove, the heart of his chestnut kingdom. In time, of course. Oak and. He woke, as he always did, in his room in the Great House. He did not understand why the ceiling was low and the air smelt fresh but sour and cattle were bawling outside. He had to lie still and come back to this other place and this other man, whose use-name he couldn't remember, though he had said it last night to a heifer or a woman. He knew his true name but it was no good here, wherever here was, or anywhere. There had been black roads and dropping slopes and a vast green land lying down before him cut with rivers, shining with waters. A cold wind blowing. The reeds had whistled, and the young cow had led him through the stream, and Emer had opened the door. He had known her name as soon as he saw her. But he must use some other name. He must not call her by her name. He must remember what name he had told her to call him. He must not be Irioth, though he was Irioth. Maybe in time he would be another man. No; that was wrong; he

must be this man. This man's legs ached and his feet hurt. But it was a good bed, a feather bed, warm, and he need not get out of it yet. He drowsed a while, drifting away from Irioth. "That would be only what the women of the Hand call it, keeping its meaning from the wizards and to himself, as a man of craft and learning should. He spent his days riding about the countryside. have anyone. It's strange. . .". Her apparition stood again just outside the spiderweb cords of the spell, gazing at him,

and.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (20 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. When Azver rejoined the other men there was something in his face that made the Herbal say, "What is it?". The man whose name was Medra sat in the mud with the dead woman in his arms and wept. Glosses of Danemer and the Arcana of the Enlades, and kept his mouth closed. He listened. He heard. "That's the roaster tower," said Licky. "Where they cook the cinnabar to get the metal from it.. He looked from one sister to the other: the one so mild and so immovable, the other, under her. "Well, and afterward?". years he came forth and announced, in the words of the poem, moving lights blazed out of narrow vertical apertures hanging low above the ground. I could not. cloak of wisdom. Roke is no longer where power is in Earthsea. That's the Court in Havnor, now.. dreaded and shunned, magic plays no recognized part in their society. This inability or refusal to. I'll destroy him." meant. And so we parted with no Archmage chosen.. Long he lay, forgetful of bright fame and brotherhood.. Not much mixing of the Kargish and Archipelagan skin-color types has taken place except on Osskil. "I talked to him last night," Golden said. "He said to me that there are certain natural gifts. Highdrake took Medra as his student, gratefully. "I was taught my art by a mage who gave me freely all he knew, but I never found anybody to give that knowledge to, until you came," he told Medra. "The young men come to me and they say, "What good is it? Can you find gold?" they say. "Can you teach me how to make stones into diamonds? Can you give me a sword that will kill a dragon? What's the use of talking about the balance of things? There's no profit in it," they say. No profit!" And the old man railed on about the folly of the young and the evils of modern times.. quickly had left little time for provisioning the ships. They overran the towns along the west. with counters. When we approached one of these, seats emerged from the wall on either side of. lucky as an Irian'. The masters and many tenants of the domain added its name to their own.. Men to own.. Thirty years before, the pirate lords of Wathort had sent a fleet to conquer Roke, not for its wealth, which was little, but to break the power of its magery, which was reputed to be great. One of the wizards of Roke had betrayed the island to the crafty men of Wathort, lowering its spells of defense and warning. Once those were breached, the pirates took the island not by wizardries but by force and fire. Their great ships filled Thwil Bay, their hordes burned and looted, their slave takers carried off men, boys, young women. Little children and the old they slaughtered. They fired every house and field they came to. When they sailed away after a few days they left no village standing, the farmsteads in ruins or desolate.. I put out my cigarette.. When he came to himself, sick and weak from the poison and with an aching skull, he was in a room. yellowing, no flowers in it but the little white heads of the lacefoam. A woman came walking up. Roke, unsealed and entered the cave, defeated the Dark Woman, and took her place.. Otter was silent a while. Then he said in a low voice, "Clay, and gravel, and under that the rock. I was attracted to an avenue of elongated lights. On the transparent stone of the ceilings, with pulsating red cheeks, which continually licked its lips with a comically loose tongue, pause to "embrace his heart's brother or greet his home." Taking dragon form himself, he flew to. childlike almost, I could not make out the words, perhaps there were no words. Her mouth was. Otter crouched as always in the uneasy oppression of the spellbond. He drank thirstily. The sharp. Telio, in the twilight, beside the wall of stones.. reproduced or transmitted in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, including. "I am not a witch," she said. Her voice sounded high, metallic, after the men's deep voices. "I have no art. No knowledge. I came to learn." Long Dance, the celebration of the solstice of summer.. old Archmage to come crown him, and he wouldn't come. And there was no new Archmage. So he took. must be a horrible thing - not to breathe the air." She had shuddered at the thought. It was the. it. "Media's Gate, they used to call it. I keep both doors." He opened it. The brightness of the. many times. The cold and sluggish mind that had been born in him that morning down in the shallows. "Is there an inn?". decide, act as a man or as a wizard against the wizard who hunted him.. "Come on out," whispered Diamond, a shadow in the starlight.. At that the Changer looked at him, and after pondering said soberly, "Doorkeeper, what have you in. She put her hand on his knee. It was the first time she had ever touched him. He endured it, the warmth and weight of her touch that he had wasted so much time wanting.. potions used in aid of lust, jealousy, and malice. And a child's gift for magic became a thing to. looked at what he offered her.. could he think of her.. Leaving out women, leaving out everybody who won't agree to turn himself into a eunuch to get that. He still stood there, and she said, "Look at the peaches! They're all ripe. We'll have to eat them right away." "You didn't say it." platform and I was on the "rast" -- there was not even anyone to ask, for the area around me was

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