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greens, fruit, smoked mutton - and went with him every afternoon into the grove of high trees. They greeted him, and Azver took the word - "Come into the Grove, Master Windkey," he said, "and a young man, thin, not as tall as she had thought. It was a fine face, but there was something." "Dirt's easier to keep clean," he said, knowing the struggle already lost. It was true that all. "A raft for you, sir?" came a courteous voice behind me. I turned around; no one, only a. Gont Port lies at the inner end of a long narrow bay between steep shores. Its entrance from the. He asked Birch about the place. "That's Iria," Birch said - "Old Iria, I mean to say. I own the." "Come on then, my love," the young woman said, not to him. The mare followed her trustfully. They set off up the rough path round the hillside to an old stone and brick stableyard, empty of horses, inhabited only by nesting swallows that swooped about over the roofs calling their quick gossip. So it was. For the rest of his life, Medra kept the doors of the Great House on Roke. The garden door that opened out upon the Knoll was long called Medra's Gate, even after much else had changed in that house as the centuries passed through it. And still the ninth Master of Roke is the Doorkeeper. "Who's to lay this floor?" he said, now merely querulous. there; could she have been dancing? I maintained a tactful silence. "Oh, pretty man," said one of them with a smile, "don't even show us what you have in your pack. end becomes a means to an end less than itself... There was no man there more greatly gifted than. Was this still architecture, or mountain-building? They must have understood that in. knowledge. Then Rose feared her, and feared for her. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (77 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "Thank you, mistress," he muttered, crouching at the fire. She brought him a bowl of broth. He drank from it eagerly yet warily, as if long unaccustomed to hot soup. up whatever they could in the way of coppers and free beer. Any festivity drew itinerant. Then that was gone and he stood facing the witch-girl. Her look of accusation slowly changed. She. west, showing a golden sky behind the high dark curve of a hill. His mind wandered. "Eyelash" in the True Speech is siasa, he read, and he felt eyelashes brush his. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (99 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM]. changes, turning one thing into another thing for a little while, or taking on a semblance not his. and the bush-beans. She looked at the Doorkeeper; he smiled a little. She followed the pale-haired. without knowing him, right away. . . ". Golden did not praise the boy, not wanting to making him self-conscious or vain about what might. Medra did not answer at once. "Chance," he said at last, "favoring long desire. Not art. Not. fly to Roke. Or swim, or sail, or come in any way at all. So we must ask what brought you here." "I said you have a strength in you, a great one," the witch said from the darkness. "And you know. Down in their tiny cabin Dragonfly sat waiting for him, solemn as ever but her eyes blazing with. Dulse knew no transformation that was irrevocable, no spell that could not be unsaid, except the Word of Unbinding, which is spoken only once. Havnor like an arrow of fire." (Dragons are generally referred to both in Hardic and Kargish as. By the beginning of autumn, Losen was hanging by a rope round his feet from a window of the New Palace, rotting, while six warlords quarreled over his kingdom, and the ships of the great fleet chased and fought one another across the Straits and the wizard-troubled sea. Knowledge of these places and powers was the heart of religion in the Kargad Realm. In the Archipelago, the lore of the Old Powers was still part of the profound, common basis of thought and reverence. On all the islands, the arts mostly practiced by witches, such as midwifery, healing, animal husbandry, dousing, mining and metallurgy, planting and growing spells, love spells, and so on, often invoked or drew upon the Old Powers. But the learned wizards of Roke had generally come to distrust the ancient practices and made no appeal to the "Powers of the Mother." Only in Paln did wizards combine the two practices, in the arcane, esoteric, and reputedly dangerous Pelnish Lore. underground. I went on, now in a sea of moving lights, of displays without glass fronts, among. "Do you?" asked the man in the red tunic, smiling a little. but her anger. Who are you, Irian? he said to her, watching her crouched there like an animal. She turned away from him and then and went on up the hill in the gathering darkness. As she went farther from them they saw her then, all of them, the great gold-mailed flanks, the spiked, coiling tail, the talons, and the breath that was bright fire. On the crest of the Knoll she paused a while, her long head turning to look slowly round the Isle of Roke, gazing longest at the Grove, only a blur of darkness in darkness now. Then with a rattle like the shaking of sheets of brass the wide, vaned wings opened and the dragon sprang up into the air, circled Roke Knoll once, and flew. He walked down the straggling street of Purewells to Sans house, which was about midway, opposite the tavern. San, a hardbitten man in his thirties, was talking to a man on his doorstep, a stranger. When they saw Irioth they looked uneasy. San went into his house and the stranger followed. Diamond sat upright and still. He had been getting some of his father's height and girth lately. "I have a neighbor," said the black-braided woman, "who might have some paper, if you're after. new clothes, a shirt or skirt or shift for every child, which was an old custom in the West of Hemlock's rune, which had two meanings: the hemlock tree, and suffering. The coppers weren't decently in a bag, even. Irioth had to hold out his hand, and the cattleman laid out six copper pennies in it, one by one. "Now then! That's fair and square!" he said, expansive. "And maybe you'll be looking at my yearlings over in the Long Pond pastures, in the next day or so." milk. Her eyes grew wide in surprise. Something like a mocking smile touched her lips. She. I was attracted to an avenue of elongated lights. On the transparent stone of the ceilings. He did as he often did, made a little design out of whatever lay to hand: on the bit of sand on. He took the word with a visible shock, but did not deny it. such things. But his father raged at him for his "shortcuts," even struck him once on the mouth. said nothing, a non-rhetorical answer. the sun a couple of fingers' width above the horizon. Looking under the sun he saw the roofs of a. hands as a burning, and a queasiness if it was much advanced. Approaching one steer that

was lying of the Masters, when it's out in the daylight, doesn't amount to so much, you know. Tricks of the Hemlock might have known then what he was up against; but having told the boy he would not be his west of Ensmere, Ath confronted the great dragon Orm. Accounts of this meeting vary; but though touched the metallic blue of her dress, Irioth's head drooped as if in utter weariness. All tension and passion had gone out of his body. But he looked up, not at Ged but at Gift, silent in the hearth corner. Among the Hardic-speaking people of the Archipelago, the ability to do magic is an inborn talent. "Take your shoes off," she said, "they're soaking. Come in then." She stood aside and said, "Come word, the men told them they would be tortured and burned, at which the boy cried that if they Irian stood silent too, but her hope sank down, replaced by a sense of shame and utter insignificance. These were brave, wise men, seeking to save what they loved, but they did not know how to do it. And she had no share in their wisdom, no part in their decisions. She drew away from them, and they did not notice. She walked on, going towards the Thwillburn where it ran out of the wood over a little fall of boulders. The water was bright in the morning sunlight and made a happy noise. She wanted to cry but she had never been good at crying. She stood and watched the water, and her shame turned slowly into anger of her neck. It was as if she was with him in the room. It was as if she was in him, as if she was chicken and fried eggs, as she was often paid in poultry. The yard of their two-room house was a. "They don't need a weatherworker on a night like this, and they haven't paid me yet," Medra said. ears, the white -- in the shadow, silvery -- dress. This was not possible. A dream? I was still a few. And beyond that, nothing. There had been illusions, little spells, pebbles that turned to butterflies, wooden birds that flew on living wings for a minute or two. There had never been a choice, really. There was only one way for him to go. and face twitched, her teeth chattered. He held her close against him, trying to warm her. him as a slave, he paid them in gold, and was gone by the next day, when the gold turned back into. All the way down the spinning, reeking stone stairs he talked, and Otter tried to understand, because this was a man of power telling him what power was. but had not understood that he loved her beyond anyone and anything. When he was with her, even hands; they put this into their pockets and walked on. For some reason I did exactly as the man in. of pearly minerals surrounded the mouths of the caves; in these people sat, legs dangling; small. but a great passion for what was written, for books of lore and history. It was Crow who had, as toward me; they had to separate to let me through. I was buffeted. Without realizing it, I stepped. of those arts. His talk of the Allking and the Red Mother was mere words. And not the right words. "The key," Gelluk said. that way you dip your head, so. And when you know there's ore underfoot, you stamp on the place. could he think of her. of any kind of institutionalised religion. Superstition is as common as it is anywhere, but there. She looked him up and down. "Marks on it, sir," she said. And then, to Tern, in a different tone, "If you'd like to come with me, she lives this way. And though she's only a girl, and poor, I'll tell you, peddler, she has an open hand. Though perhaps not all of us do." to do, to learn? What is she, that you ask this for her?" "A nose, now, is a useful thing, a salable thing," Hound went on. "Not that I'm looking for. And the Lord of Gont Port had tried once again to get Dulse to come down to do what needed doing in Gont Port, and Dulse had sent Silence down instead, and there he had stayed. The sorcerer came out from behind San. His name was Ayeth. The power in him was small, tainted, corrupted by ignorance and misuse and lying. But the jealousy in him was like a stinging fire. "I've been coming doing business here some ten years," he said, looking Irioth up and down. "A man walks in from somewhere north, takes my business, some people would quarrel with that. A quarrel of sorcerers is a bad thing. If you're a sorcerer, a man of power, that is. I am. As the good people here well know." there?" Diamond had no idea what to say. The idea of its being up to him had not occurred to him. "Do you. After some time, Rose nodded once. "Stand!" he said to it in its language, and let go of it. It stood as if he had driven it into a bestiary in the barn loft... But there's nothing much to look for here. Nothing of importance. Ath. Spring came late again that year, cold and stormy. Medra set to boat-building. By the time the peaches flowered, he had made a slender, sturdy deep-sea boat, built according to the style of Havnor. He called her Hopeful. Not long after that he sailed her out of Thwil Bay, taking no companion with him. "Look for me at the end of summer," he said to Ember. It seemed that from Roke Knoll the whole extent of the Grove could be seen, yet if you walked in it you did not always come out into the fields again. You walked on under the trees. In the inner Grove they were all of one kind, which grew nowhere else, yet had no name in Hardic but "tree" In the Old Speech, Ember said, each of those trees had its own name. You walked on, and after a time you were walking again among familiar trees, oak and beech and ash, chestnut and walnut and willow, green in spring and bare in winter; there were dark firs, and cedar, and a tall evergreen Medra did not know, with soft reddish bark and layered foliage. You walked on, and the way through the trees was never twice the same. People in Thwil told him it was best not to go too far, since only by returning as you went could you be sure of coming out into the fields. grew darker. The girl then folded it -- it was not a plate at all -- into the shape of a pancake and done. But the fire burned in Irioth's hands, burned his eyes when he tried to hide his eyes in his. a sorcerer's seduction-spell of which he was contemptuous even as he made it, though he knew it. places slaves worked or treasures were kept. Making those spells had been a different matter, a. "I gave it up, Darkrose. I had to either do it and nothing else, or not do it. You have to have a single heart." that such a thing was possible. She fell silent, and still I heard her voice; suddenly light footsteps. "I couldn't. They'd know. I couldn't even get in. There's the Doorkeeper, you said. I don't know the word to say to him." "Indeed, for the sailors feared him too, and kept him bound that way all the voyage. When the Doorkeeper of the Great House of Roke saw him, he loosed his hands and freed his tongue. And the first thing the boy did in the Great House, they say, he turned the Long Table of the dining hall upside down, and soured the beer, and a student who tried to stop him got turned into a pig for a bit... But the boy had met his match in the Masters. to other islands of the Archipelago to work against warlords, pirates, and feuding nobles, he said. "And send the ships out of the bay. What is it you feel? How do you feel it?" through fumes and smoke to the high room in the tower. He had to regain it all, to go through it. 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..can take him. He had seen our lord and the young king there, in that country across the wall of."I said I'd see to his beasts at... at the pasture between the rivers, was it?" he said, getting

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