

SMARAGD NOTIZEN (NOTIZBUCH)

But he looked up, not at Ged but at Gift, silent in the hearth corner..He stood there a long time before he went down through the high grasses and the sparkweed. At the foot of the hill he came into a lane. It led him through farmlands that looked well kept, though very lonesome. He looked for a lane or path leading to the town, but there never was one that went eastward. Not a soul was in the fields, some of which were newly ploughed. No dog barked as he went by. Only at a crossroads an old donkey grazing a stony pasture came over to the wooden fence and leaned its head out, craving company. Medra stopped to stroke the grey-brown, bony face. A city man and a saltwater man, he knew little of farms and their animals, but he thought the donkey looked at him kindly..magnified in white sweeping surfaces. I made for the edge of the geometrically perfect."Yes," he said, "but only disguised. I won't put a semblance-spell on you till we're on Roke Island."..gave the wizard immediate and ultimate power over him. Now he had no hope of resisting Gelluk in..Dulse knew better than to ask for explanation. The need to speak such a spell could not come.Gelluk caught his breath. Presently he said, very softly, "Can you read the runes?".."To reach out the Hand to Enlad and Ea. I've never gone there. We know nothing about their..The air was darkening around them. The west was only a dull red line, the eastern sky was shadowy..Where he went then, the songs don't tell. They say only that he wandered, "he wandered long from land to land." If he went along the coast of the Great Isle, in many of those villages he might have found a midwife or a wise woman or a sorcerer who knew the sign of the Hand and would help him; but with Hound on his track, most likely he left Havnor as soon as he could, shipping as a crewman on a fishing boat of the Ebavnor Straits or a trader of the Inmost Sea..Sometimes he idly made a fist and then turned his hand over opening the palm, but nobody here..which wasn't much more than a cupboard built onto the corner of the house. Her room was behind the.."Ah," said the Patterner..farewell, knowing that with the last, dying sound more than the song would end. I had not known.."Keep her quiet," said the young woman, and left him holding the mare's reins in this deserted place. She returned after some time lugging a heavy bucket, and set to sponging off the mare's leg. "Get the saddle off her," she said, and her tone held the unspoken, impatient, "you fool!" Ivory obeyed, half-annoyed by this crude giantess and half-intrigued. She did not put him in mind of a flowering tree at all, but she was in fact beautiful, in a large, fierce way. The mare submitted to her absolutely. When she said, "Move your foot!" the mare moved her foot. The woman wiped her down all over, put the saddle blanket back on her, and made sure she was standing in the sun. "She'll be all right," she said. "There's a gash, but if you'll wash it with warm salt water four or five times a day, it'll heal clean, I'm sorry." She said the last honestly, though grudgingly, as if she still wondered how he could have let his mare stand there to be assaulted, and she looked straight at him for the first time. Her eyes were clear orange-brown, like dark topaz or amber. They were strange eyes, right on a level with his own..the high arts. He could be no more than a common sorcerer. Male wizards thus had come to avoid..he must be bound, named, called. Irioth began to say the words that would bind him, and the shaken..a wide, fine net of resistance. Even now there were strands and knots of that net left. Medra had.."And how do you know it didn't?"..provided new clothes if Rose had asked for them, but she never did. Rose had looked after herself..capital of the Kargad Empire and treated with King Thoreg as its ruler..wife. When he had gone she turned to Otter..Book of Earthsea."..creatures of the Grove. As he had said, he did not try to teach her. When she asked about the.."Where?" he whispered, and then said the word aloud in the language all things understand that have no other language.."I haven't practiced ever since I left, Darkrose," he said. "But the music was always in my head, and you...." She reached out her hands to him. They knelt facing, the willow-leaves moving across their hair. They kissed each other, timidly at first.."Oh, there," cried the girl, "the rast on the vuk, your rast, you can make it, hurry!"..It would be Berry at the door, though why he knocked she didn't know. "Come in, you fool!" she..Because they were smaller than men and could move more easily in narrow places, or because they..village, hurling her father's curses at the dogs, who, crazy with excitement at his shouting..He was glad to see the sorcerer uneasy too, standing by the helmsman, keeping a watch up on the..were at home with the earth, or most likely because it was the custom, women had always worked the..and after a while she smiled a little. Turning back to Medra, she said, "We're prisoners, and so..told you. Sir."..round his neck..Ivory clapped his hand to his right leg. A dog's tooth had ripped his breeches at the calf, and a..As he walked he thought; he thought hard; he recalled. He recalled all he could of matters his..She turned away from him and them and went on up the hill in the gathering darkness. As she went..killed the people who worked in the tower. Otter had never entered it nor seen Licky enter it. He..The wizard kept the name Roke in his memory, and when he heard it again, and in the same connection, he knew Hound had been on a true track again.."He's angry," Diamond said, "but he won't do anything.".."Gully," he named himself after a pause, and she thought it was a name he had made up to call..much for good manners, he thought..said goodbye," he said. He wept once, and his tears fell on the dry dirt among the grass-stems and..The desire for power feeds off itself, growing as it devours. Early suffered from hunger. He starved. There was little satisfaction in ruling Havnor, a land of beggars and poor farmers. What was the good of possessing the Throne of Maharion if nobody sat in it but a drunken cripple? What glory was there in the palaces of the city when nobody lived in them but crawling slaves? He could have any woman he wanted, but women would drain his power, suck away his strength. He wanted no woman near him. He craved an enemy: an opponent worth destroying..deceiving his parents, he couldn't resist this knowledge, and the kindness and praise of his poor..been how long? Sixteen years, seventeen years. Nobody would know him, nobody would remember the..of riding twenty or thirty miles to restock, they wanted to cut the tongue out of a steer that had..After him Otter climbed the winding stairs, broad at first but growing tight and narrow, passing vapor chambers with red-hot ovens whose vents led up to refining rooms where the soot from the burnt ore was scraped down by

naked slaves and shoveled into ovens to be burnt again. They came to the topmost room. Gelluk said to the single slave crouching at the rim of the shaft, "Show me the King!". GOLDEN ordered the beer and food and fireworks, but Diamond saw to hiring the musicians..spring where Rose had named her ten years ago. She stood there; the dog sat down beside her and.A long shudder went through her as she stood facing him. She felt herself larger than he was, larger than she was, enormously larger. She could reach out one finger and destroy him. He stood there in his small, brave, brief humanity, his mortality, defenseless. She drew a long, long breath. She stepped back from him.."I can't," he said, and stopped, and went on, "I really don't want to have any dancing.".The trouble rose up in Irioth's mind as it had not done since he came to the High Marsh. He struggled against it. A man of power had come to heal the cattle, another man of power. But a sorcerer, Alder had said. Not a wizard, not a mage. Only a curer, a cattle healer. I do not need to fear him. I do not need to fear his power. I do not need his power. I must see him, to be sure, to be certain. If he does what I do here there is no harm. We can work together. If I do what he does here. If he uses only sorcery and means no harm. As I do..narrow, ice-coloured eyes..or through him. He didn't know what he was doing, or what she was doing, and he was almost certain.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (98 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]."You can? Is it allowed?". "She is," said Rush. "Like her mother and her mother's mother. Let us in, Dory, or me at least, to speak to her." The girl went back in for a moment, and Rush said to Medra, "It's consumption her mother's dying of. No healer could cure her. But she could heal the scrofula, and touch for pain. A wonder she was, and Dory bade fair to follow her.".At that the Summoner ran up towards her, reaching out, lunging at her as if to seize and hold her. They were both on the hill now. She towered above him impossibly, fire breaking forth between them, a flare of red flame in the dusk air, a gleam of red-gold scales, of vast wings - then that was gone, and there was nothing there but the woman standing on the hill path and the tall man bowing down before her, bowing slowly down to earth, and lying on it..The young man, called Ivory, did not actually have his staff and cloak yet; he explained that he.up the magewind when he was twelve; and sailing on he would see the towers rise up from the water,.She closed her eyes in bliss and listened.."Oh, no, you're not, Master Otak. While you were out in the east range a sorcerer curer came by, a fellow that's been here before, from the south coast, and so San hired him. You work for me and you'll be paid well. Better than copper, maybe, if the beasts fare well!".It was hard to be aware of her through the wizard's talk and the constant, half-conscious.But Heleth was shaking his head: "No," he said, "no time. Not your kind of thing." He was more and more distracted by whatever it was he sensed in the earth or air, and through him Ogion felt that gathering, intolerable tension..While Morred sought to free his people from these spells and to confront his enemy, Elfarran returned with their year-old child to her native island, Solea, where her own powers would be strongest. But there the Enemy followed her, intent to make her his prisoner and slave. She took refuge at the Springs of Ensa, where, with her knowledge of the Old Powers of the place, she could withstand the Enemy and force him off the island. "The sweet waters of the earth drove back the salt destroyer," says the poem. But as he fled, he captured her brother Salan, who was sailing from Enlad to help her. Making Salan his gebbeth or instrument, the Enemy sent him to Morred with the message that Elfarran had escaped with the baby to an islet in the Jaws of Enlad..throat as he swallowed, and they laughed and chattered, and he shivered all over like a cart horse.thunder-squall came pelting on that wind, and Ivory went down to the cabin, but Dragonfly stayed.the last high note. "I haven't got it right yet," Diamond said, vexed and embarrassed..him. She looked at him. He saw her look at him. He saw himself through her eyes..enjoy battles of wits with wizards, "splitting arguments with a forked tongue." Like human beings.. "Probably not," the wizard said, and then, appearing to notice Diamond, put down his pen and said, "Young man, I must ask you if you wish to continue studying with me.".signs glowing in the air: LOCAL CIRCUITS. I came to an escalator that held quite a few people..were old and uncanny. But in the Isles all books were old and all uncanny, what there was of them..city and all the east and south of Havnor. Exacting tribute from that rich domain, he spent it to.Erreth-Akbe's next challenger was a mage called the Firelord, whose power was so great that he.and forgot about her. When he was drunk sometimes he remembered her. If he could find her, he made.teller came to tell it.".Sorcery was practiced by men-its only real distinction from witchery. Sorcerers trained one."Everything's for gain some way, I'd say. People have to live. But what do I know? I make my.He did not ask if Otter was picking up any sign of the ore; he did not ask whether he was seeking.As he came down the last slope of the mountain, he had seen houses here and there out in the.The one with a voice like a deep-toned bell looked at her too, and spoke to her with a plain, kind severity. "As I see it, the man who brought you here meant to do harm, but you do not. Yet being here, Irian, you do us and yourself harm. Everything not in its own place does harm. A note sung, however well sung, wrecks the tune it isn't part of. Women teach women. Witches learn their craft from other witches and from sorcerers, not from wizards. What we teach here is in a language not for women's tongues. The young heart rebels against such laws, calling them unjust, arbitrary. But they are true laws, founded not on what we want, but on what is. The just and the unjust, the foolish and the wise, all must obey them, or waste life and come to grief.". "But maybe now? When you returned?".man of power is celibate.". "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..only imagination can restore the least glimmer of it. If we lie about the past, forcing it to tell.of pearly minerals surrounded the mouths of the caves; in these people sat, legs dangling; small.like a journey to the bottom, as if I had been thrown down a sterile conduit, and this colossal.moment for me really to see the size of the hall. But was it all one hall? No walls: a glittering.the boat with better wares than most householders of the Isles were used to seeing, and Tern.never seen wild swine in the wood, she saw their tracks here. For a moment she caught the scent of."Of course you do. You'd better. I'll witch you if you don't.".Ember and to whom the memory was much clearer, told it to him fully. Ember sat with them..wasting

cough, Birch's wife dared not trouble the wise young man about it, but sent humbly to Rose. He got to his knees, and thought then to whisper, "Thank you, mother." He got to his feet, and Highdrake of Pendor had taught him some of the runes of power. That was known lore. What Ember had. work for us they'll kill you," he said. "Losen can't have fellows like you on the loose. You'd. well? No, it must have been eye shadow. She lifted her head. He still stood there, and she said, "Look at the peaches! They're all ripe. We'll have to eat them right away." parking lot. For the "rasts"? I decided that it would be better for me to wait for someone to come. only transparent, as if molded in glass, even the seats were like glass, though soft. Without. pure stand like the Big Grove, the heart of his chestnut kingdom. In time, of course. Oak and. since the North Reach is isolated and thinly populated, and the Kargad people have held themselves. connection between magic and sexuality may depend on the man, the magic, and the circumstances. Dulse wandered about a bit before he found what he took to be the Dark Pond. It was small, half mud and reeds, with one vague, boggy path to the water, and no track on that but goat-hoofs. The water was dark, though it lay out under the bright sky and far above the peat soils. Dulse followed the goat-tracks, growling when his foot slipped in the mud and he wrenched his ankle to keep from falling. At the brink of the water he stood still. He stooped to rub his ankle. He listened. When Azver rejoined the other men there was something in his face that made the Herbal say, "What is it?". down the path. He had not been standing there until the other mage said 'Ah." Irian stared from. a girl, and a year younger than Diamond, and a witch's daughter. He wished his son would play with. Tern. "It's my house. Bren's house. He stays. Go or stay, it's up to you." that carried the timber and the chestnuts over the hills to be sold. He did very well from trees. She asked nothing and he said no more. Presently he got up, and she followed him to the path that always led them, sooner or later, out of the wood to the clearing by the Thwilburn and the Otter's House. When they came there, it was late afternoon. He went down to the stream and drank from it where it left the wood, above all the crossings. She did the same. Then sitting in the cool, long grass of the bank, he began to speak. "My son, there is no reason," she said, suddenly passionate, "there is no reason why you should. The summer ended too soon that year. Rain came early; snow fell in autumn even as far south as. shipping. Yevaud of Pendor was the only dragon to raid the Inward Lands after the time of the. "You don't? Where, then?". "Of all of us. Of Way, and Felkway, and Havnor, and Wathort, and Roke. All the people of the islands. He says that when King Lebannen was to be crowned, last autumn, he sent to Gont for the old Archmage to come crown him, and he wouldn't come. And there was no new Archmage. So he took the crown himself. And some say that's wrong, and he doesn't rightly hold the throne. But others say the king himself is the new Archmage. But he isn't a wizard, only a king. So others say the dark years will come again, when there was no rule of justice, and wizardry was used for evil ends."

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