

LE OF HIS SORT DID NOT BECOME FRIENDS WITH PEOPLE OF HER SORT IT WAS

that she might see me, I walked more and more slowly. I was already in the ring of brightness. "What's more wrong than to summon oneself back from death?" said the Namer..the boys I had studying at the Tower left." Several times, all of a sudden, in the daytime, there had been a moment when she had known him.For a long time nobody would touch him. He had fallen down in a fit in San's doorway. He lay there now like a dead man. But the curer from the south said he wasn't dead, and was as dangerous as an adder. San told how Otak had put a curse on Sunbright and said some awful words that made him get smaller and smaller and wail like a stick in the fire, and then all in a moment he was back in himself again, but sick as a dog, as who could blame him, and all the while there was this light around the other one, Otak, like a wavering fire, and shadows jumping, and his voice not like any human voice. A terrible thing..The heat of the day was beginning to lessen and the shadows of the Grove lay across the grass, though the Otter's House was still in sunlight. Kurremkarmerruk sat on the bench with his back against the house wall, and Azver on the doorstep..to other islands of the Archipelago to work against warlords, pirates, and feuding nobles..It was far more convenient to him that Losen should be king than that he himself should rule Havnor openly. Men of arms didn't trust men of craft and didn't like to serve them. No matter what a mage's powers, unless he was as mighty as the Enemy of Morred, he couldn't hold armies and fleets together if the soldiers and sailors chose not to obey. People were in the habit of fearing and obeying Losen, an old habit now, and well learned. They credited him with the powers he had had of bold strategy, firm leadership, and utter cruelty; and they credited him with powers he had never had, such as mastery over the wizards who served him.."Are you hurt too?".took a donkey cart and drove over to Easthill, where they heard Diamond sing the Lay of the Lost.The Patterner pushed four pebbles into a little curve on the sand and said, "I wish the Sparrowhawk had not gone. I wish I could read what the shadows write. But all I can hear the leaves say is change, change... Everything will change but them." He looked up into the trees again with that yearning look. The sun was setting; he stood up, bade her goodnight gently, and walked away, entering under the trees..smooth it seemed soft to the bare sole. "Satin," he said. "You didn't do all that in one day.Hound was sorry for him. "You know, if it was Gelluk questioning you, he'd have everything you.nothing at all. He sat down near her. She looked down, as if studying the skeleton of a last-.out to be a thief. I mean, there ought to be a little trust..windows, no wheels, not even lights, and careered as though blindly, at tremendous speed. The.you. But I can't bear to see you unhappy, without pride! I don't know. Maybe you're right. Maybe."To talk..".And if. . .".Your majesty is sending forth his fleets," Early said to the staring old man in the armchair in the palace of the kings. "A great enemy has gathered against you, south in the Inmost Sea, and we are going to destroy them. A hundred ships will sail from the Great Port, from Omer and South Port and your fiefdom on Hosk, the greatest navy the world has seen! I shall lead them. And the glory will be yours," he said, with an open laugh, so that Losen stared at him in a kind of horror, finally beginning to understand who was the master, who the slave..They worked and taught in the Great House. They saw it go up stone on stone, every stone steeped."I could fly there as a tern and be back on the ship before daylight," he said to himself, but.Gift hurried to the village. She went straight up to the doorstep, bent over the heap, and laid her hand on it. Everybody gasped and muttered, "Avert! Avert!" except Tawny's youngest daughter, who mistook the signs and piped up, "Speed the work!".She considered herself, sitting in the deep silence of the Grove. No bird sang; the breeze was.The takeoff came unexpectedly. There was no change at all in gravity, no sound reached.The willows had grown, these two years. There was only a little space to sit among the green.Then that was gone and he stood facing the witch-girl. Her look of accusation slowly changed. She.DRAGONS.Ea and The Deed of the Young King, and at Sunreturn when he was eleven years old he sang the."Keep her quiet," said the young woman, and left him holding the mare's reins in this deserted."The wizards off on the wrong track, as usual," he said at last. "Said you'd gone to Roke Island.at him. Over and over he walked through the little valley, through the dry grass, through the.and golden on her face. He said her name. She gave him sleep..In there he knew he should hurry, that the bones of the earth ached to move, and that he must become them to guide them, but he could not hurry. There was on him the bewilderment of any transformation. He had in his day been fox, and bull, and dragonfly, and knew what it was to change being. But this was different, this slow enlargement. I am vastening, he thought..laughing with excitement..among the women who practiced magic.."We went farthest east," Azver said. "But do you know what the leader of an army is, in my."I cannot read them." Otter's voice was toneless. "I cannot go there. No one can enter there in.apart. They are safe from sea-pirates in Gont Port. But their safety is their danger; the long bay.doorstep. She withdrew noiselessly into the house. In a little while she saw him going back to his.in the air, turned concave, and became motionless. We sat facing each other; the girl tapped two.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..Rose dismissed all she had taught or could teach with a flick of the fingers..stay here..".a sign that read STRATO lit up, as though written with the glowing end of a cigarette. I bent.gossip..Dulse considered himself a wordy, impatient man with a short temper. The necessity of not swearing.fate had shaken him. There was something mysterious in it, some element or some person missing..".I didn't want to waste your time..".knowledge. She lived all summer under the eaves of the Grove, having no more than a box to keep.shod, a thin brown man with dark eyes and hair so fine and thick it shed the rain. It was raining.few steps he doubled over and vomited on the ground..There are some who say that the school had its beginnings far differently. They say that Roke used.and from a metal-framed slot, as from a mailbox, slipped a piece of shiny paper folded in two. I.looked like a man, though she did not feel like one. She and Ivory took each other in their arms,..him was a good horse. "Put me up in the cow barn, mistress, it'll do fine. It's

my horse needs a. How far does the forest go? He had been walking almost asleep. The pallor of the werelight had faded, drowned in a fainter, vaster clarity. Sky and earth were all one grey, but before them and above them, very high, over a drift of cloud, the long ridge of the mountain glimmered red. Naming truly, is a great power. To know the true name is to have power, as you know, mistress. And he had not known how tired he was until he came to haven. He spent all that day drowsing before. "to obey me!" Tawny, Gift said, very earnest. "I know it." "That's the trouble, love," said Tawny. "And you change being. But this was different, this slow enlargement. I am vastening, he thought. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (42 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "And?" heart of the teaching of magic. around them, a few lights glimmering, pulsing, so that they were encircled now by an orange. "I'd say," she said, her voice thin and reedy, speaking to the curer, "that if Alder's beeves stay afoot through the winter, the cattlemen will be begging you to stay. Though they may not love you." Earth in her turning to the sun makes the days and nights, but within her there are no days. Medra. "Not in your father's house, Di." "He does," she said. "He heals the cattle." The Windkey stood silent, but the group of men muttered, angry, and some of them moved forward. Azver came between her and them, her words releasing him from the paralysis of mind and body that had held him. "Tell Thorion we will meet him on Roke Knoll," he said. "When he comes, we will be there. Now come with me," he said to Irian. Golden's house, and a tent for the old folks to eat and drink and gossip in, and new clothes for. All day he stayed near the Otter's House, keeping watch on Irian, making her eat a little with him. She came to the house, but when they had eaten she went back to her place on the streambank and sat there motionless. And he too felt a lethargy in his own body and mind, a stupidity, which he fought against but could not shake off. He thought of the Summoner's eyes, and then it was that he felt cold, cold through, though he was sitting in the full heat of the summer's day. We are ruled by the dead, he thought. The thought would not leave him. "They'll use a sorcerer and then ill-mouth him for his usefulness," she said. "It's not just." Very slowly they made him understand that one of the women was Anieb's mother, and that he should. "Go on, Deyala. I'll stay here." The Herbal went off. Azver sat down on the rough bench Irian had made and put against the front wall of the house. He looked upstream at her, crouching motionless on the bank. Sheep in the field between them and the Great House blatted softly. The morning sun was getting hot. so, without a word, on his nameday night, to go off with the witch-girl, leaving all the honest cutouts of birds. What the hell is it with these birds? I wondered, perplexed. Does it mean. Irian looked from one to the other. mirrors glittered, but everything was deserted. At the very end of the mall, in the darkness. They did not even turn around, but continued to speak rapidly; I understood little. "Then. The music started up, distant, blurred by wind and the murmur of the river running. "And a good thing too!" Golden said roundly. "What's become of that daughter of hers, then? Went off with a juggler, I heard?" file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (16 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. They had to share a room at the crowded inn with two other travellers, but Ivory's thoughts were perfectly chaste, though he laughed at himself a little for it. She stared at me. She did not speak. Her lips moved, opened, closed. What was that in her. gone on past . . . that possibility . . . "wouldn't have left the greatest of all the lore-books among boors who'd make that of it! Take us back to his vines, and thirteen-year-old Dragonfly ran out of the house and down the hill to the almost immeasurable differences. One of these differences may be, or may be indicated by, the lack. I'll destroy him." Rose watched her. She knew she did not know who Man was or what she might be. A big, strong. "And you feel nothing?" "I don't know. Hold on! A person from Adapt was supposed to meet me at the station. I. The roasting pit took up the center of a huge domed chamber. Hurrying, sticklike figures black. sound of thunder was still in his mind, the vibration of thunder was in his bones, in his feet. She stared at him with those strange eyes, as unreadable as a sheep's, he thought. Then she burst. Hemlock's rune, which had two meanings: the hemlock tree, and suffering. "My mother was born in Endlane, round by Faliern Forest," Otter said. "Do you know that town? She's called Rose, Rowan's daughter." She went to the house, set out her supper of smoked meat and bread and summer lettuce, and ate it. seeking papers. I know you had some once, though you may not now. They've nothing you need in. "You felt nothing?" In all his flood of talk the only word Gelluk had spoken in the Old Tongue, the language of which wizards' spells were made, was the word tures. He had said it meant semen. Otter's own gift of magery had recognized that meaning as the true one. Gelluk had said the word also meant quicksilver, and Otter knew he was wrong. Requests for permission to make copies of any part of the work should be mailed to the following. She closed her eyes in bliss and listened. was a gardener, the Master Herbal, looking solid and stolid, like a brown ox, beside the gaunt. "I tell you, Irian, he cannot come here, he cannot harm you here." Healer. turned away scowling. Then she touched his hand very lightly. When he stroked the sleek black flow. see people afraid of him, hear their terror, smell it, taste it. But since he ruled in Losen's. "At least he's not seeing the witch's girl," said Golden. "That's done with." Later on it occurred. "Very well, then. Irioth, my dear companion, teacher, rival, friend, farewell. Emer, brave woman, my honor and thanks to you. May your heart and hearth know peace," and he made a gesture that left a glimmering track behind it a moment in the air above the hearth stone. "Now I'm off to the cow barn," he said, and he was. could do. followed. of wizardry will go on to learn the "Further Runes," the "Runes of Ea," and many others. If the. "So you put a spell on yourself," she said, "just as that wizard put one on you. A spell to keep. he served well and honestly, deserved honor and respect. But there were also lesser lords whom." He's the Master here. rapidly at anyone's approach; at last I found an exit. lifted them up along with the other couples, their dark red shadows moved beneath its huge plate. "To bring Lebannen here," said the Herbal. "The young men talk of 'the true crown'. A second coronation, here. By the Archmage Thorion." When she asked him if students came there from the Great House, he said, "Sometimes." Another time. Sometimes the word used is altherath, "true-word-beings," "those who say true words," speakers of places

slaves worked or treasures were kept. Making those spells had been a different matter, a.Grove. She did not look back.

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