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"Hoary?" said the Patterner. She said nothing, but breathed very warm in his ear, and he moaned. His hands clenched hers. He. "I will," said Ivory, with a wink at Dragonfly. She, well disguised in dirt and a farmhand's old smock and leggings and a loathsome felt hat, did not wink back. She played her part even while they sat side by side dangling their legs over the tailgate, with six great half-tuns of wine jolting between them and the drowsy carter, and the drowsy summer hills and fields slipping slowly, slowly past. Ivory tried to tease her, but she only shook her head. Maybe she was scared by this wild scheme, now she was embarked on it. There was no telling. She was solemnly, heavily silent. I could be very bored by this woman, Ivory thought, if once I'd had her underneath me. That thought stirred him almost unbearably, but when he looked back at her, his thoughts died away before her massive, actual presence. . . some kind. This happened so suddenly that I froze. "Gentlemen, I'm looking for a hotel. Where is there. . . ?" his hand, and rule with his guidance, as Morred ruled. No witches will defile sacred ground. No. He groaned and scoured his scalp with his knuckles. He was sitting on the dirt in their old play-place, a kind of bower deep in the willows, where they could hear the stream running over the stones nearby and the clang-clang of the smithy further off. The girl sat down facing him. . . and dark eyes under dark brows, eyes that held his, held him, brought the truth out of his mouth. . . gigantic letters that flew above the sea of heads like rows of burning tightrope-walkers, the young man whom he had taught to read had become his unfathomable guide. "The hinny will bring me back." "Somebody's been coming around," he said, incredulous that she could turn against him. "Who's been. The Patterner never came to her much before noon, so she had the mornings free. She was used to. "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." "Obviously," he replied with a certain caution. . . warmth and weight of her touch that he had wasted so much time wanting. . . will do you. Or others," he added conscientiously. . . clearly know its meaning. Great spells are made wholly in the Old Speech, and are understood as. "I swear that. . . ." "So," he said, "now he makes you his reason for our meeting. But I will not go to the Great House. . . her smiling, exhausted face, then, suddenly, as if something had got in the way, her outline. "It's nothing," he said. In fact, rather to his annoyance, the cut had stopped bleeding. The. "So when the Windkey returned, we were nine again. But divided. For the Summoner said we must meet. long ago. But I chose not to use those arts. I wanted you to trust me enough to tell me your name. He went on to the foot of the street. It opened into a small market square. People were gathered. Medra woke in pain, in darkness. For a long time that was all there was. The pain came and went. . . Forms of fiefdom, vassalage, and slavery have existed at times in some areas, but not under the. blue that clung to her like a liquid congealed; her arms and breasts were hidden in a navy-blue. raiders came from Wathort. Their mother hid them in a root cellar of the farm and then used her. "I'll take those names from you, Irioth, but not your own." file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (46 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. As for Crow, unable to part with the Book of Names even for a month, he sent for his own books from Orrimy and settled down with them in Thwil. He allowed people of the school to study them, so long as they showed them, and him, due respect. . . he had transformed brick into butterfly. She could not dance with him, she could not play with. miserable men dispossessed of their living, driven by hunger to raid and rob. "afoot through the winter, the cattlemen will be begging you to stay. Though they may not love. up ten feet tall and struck Sunbright into a lump of coal with lightning, before foaming at the. "Moo," said his guide, softly, and he saw the dim, small square of yellow light just a little to. had found a ship to take him back to Havnor. He had told her he'd never go back to Westpool; the. matter of Roke, There was some strength in him or with him. Yet it was hard for Early to fear a. Nobody fools with me. We make a pretty good living. Winters, I go stay with Mother and help her. point had moved considerably from the black-and-silver hill that the woman had shown me, and I. the firstborn child of a family in Osskilian, akhad, and in Kargish, gadda, are derived from the. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (23 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. grew immensely wealthy. . . Growing old, Elehal wearied of the passions and questions of the school and was drawn more and more to the trees, where she went alone, as far as the mind can go. Medra walked there too, but not so far as she, for he was lame. "Don't come near me!" file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (72 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. teach children to do so. This ancient spiritual practice has continued, unofficially and sometimes. her hand in his, and her cheek, warm-cool, silken-gritty, lay against his mouth. In his mind he. light, "" she said. . . circulating fires; beneath the window, at my approach, a chair emerged from nothing, slid under. "When I said that. . . ". there, intensely gathered, suffering; drew breath: looked straight into the wizard's eyes. "They didn't punish him, but kept his wild powers bound with spells until they could make him. Small islands and villages are generally governed by a more or less democratic council or Parley. . . So he came to feel that those hours were true meetings with her, and he lived for them, without. They call this the Otter's House," he said. "Very old. As old as the Great House. Everything is. There was no warmth and no light. . . As he walked he thought; he thought hard; he recalled. He recalled all he could of matters his. the children, and jugglers and puppeteers, some of them hired and some of them coming by to pick. Was this still architecture, or mountain-building? They must have understood that in. He smiled again. "You're a beautiful woman," he said, but plainly, not in the flattering way he had used with her at first, before she showed him she hated it. "Why would you be a man?" But few could pass through Medra's Gate. . . and warm in the late dusk, only the largest stars burning through a milky overcast. She slipped. in something that shone like phosphorized metal. The fabric clung to her: she was as if naked. . . of wizardry must do lest the spell operate. Dulse knew the trick of hearing them aright and. size and prosperity. . . times better than he ever did. "man of power is celibate." laughed, but the old people said,

"Look out. Take care. Keep hidden." "Just for the food and the fire, you know, the peat costs so much now," she was saying, and then looked at what he offered her. "The Hoary Men!" said Irian, staring openly at him. All Daisy's ballads of the Hoary Men who. He looked about, curious and wary. All over the hill spark-weed was in flower, its long petals. When he was Gelluk's prentice and assistant, he had encouraged his master in the study of the lore. U. S. Copyright Law. For information address Harcourt Brace. 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. all darkness. But in his body, not in his mind, burned a knowledge he could not name any more, a. All we know of ancient times in Earthsea is to be found in poems and songs, passed down orally for centuries before they were ever written. The Creation of Ea, the oldest and most sacred poem, is at least two thousand years old in the Hardic language; its original version may have existed millennia before that. Its thirty-one stanzas tell how Segoy raised the islands of Earthsea in the beginning of time and made all beings by naming them in the Language of the Making-the language in which the poem was first spoken. "There was no place for him among the Masters, since a new Master Summoner had been chosen, a. here is of any account. And one day the dragon will come into its strength. If it takes a thousand. since the North Reach is isolated and thinly populated, and the Kargad people have held themselves. She was silent. I forced myself to look away from her. Inside that other room, the. the bed. She was Anieb. feel like calling him sir, as she always did the curer. This one had nothing of that lordly way. "Come to the fire," she said. Irioth came and sat down on the settle. his appetite. He thought hopefully for a while that he was sick and could miss the party. But the. when he was down on the docks thinking of her, he was alive. He never felt entirely alive in. "She's going there, to the wall, and I can't go with her," she said. "She's going alone and I can't go with her. Can't you go there?" She broke away from Rush, looking again at Tern. "You can go there!" and before him. As when he had gone through the night with Anieb to her death, each step into the. "I have work here," he said. was confined, as thousands of human voices and sounds -- meaningless to me, meaningful to. "I said I'd see to his beasts at... at the pasture between the rivers, was it?" he said, getting anxious, the hunted look coming back into him, and he got up from the settle. "Ah," said the Patterner. out again in haste; they threw torn ribbons on the floor, not telegraph tapes, something else, with. and power. "He was too much for 'em, was he? And he'll be too much for me," he thought, and. long rows and beds of vegetables, greens, and herbs, with berry canes and fruit trees beyond. She. high-pitched and rough. "Shall we go?" he said to the cowboy, who set off at once with a wave to Gift and a snort from his. balm's just pig fat, I'd swear. Well, so, he says to Otak, you're taking my business. And maybe. Diamond had no idea what to say. The idea of its being up to him had not occurred to him. "Do you. "I said you have a strength in you, a great one," the witch said from the darkness. "And you know it too. What you are to do I don't know, nor do you. That's to find. But there's no such power as to name yourself." Dragonfly stopped too. She said after a moment, "I'm sorry. But I feel like - I feel like you betrayed me." lost something, lost it forever, lost it as he found it. the novels. now like a dead man. But the curer from the south said he wasn't dead, and was as dangerous as an. It didn't seem to him to amount to much. It was such an easy matter to him to make a silvery light. "No need," he said in that distant way, as if he hardly knew what she was talking about; but then. "Ah, ah, ah," said the old wizard. Azver frowned. "The Doorkeeper admitted you because you asked," he said. "I brought you to the. then suddenly you come out under the sky. In the Court of the Fountain, in the very deepest inside. "I can tell you only how it seems to me," the Herbal said, reluctant, uncomfortable. "And what did you decide you want?". The Hardic language of the Archipelago, the Osskili tongue of Osskil, and the Kargish tongue, are. He sat down on his narrow bunk and looked at her sitting on her narrow bunk; they could not face each other directly, as there was no room for their knees. At O Port she had bought herself a decent shirt and breeches, at his suggestion, so as to look a more probable candidate for the School. Her face was windburned and scrubbed clean. Her hair was braided and the braid clubbed, like Ivory's. She had got her hands clean, too, and they lay flat on her thighs, long strong hands, like a man's. "I am not ashamed," Irian said. She looked at them all. She felt that she should thank them for. Crow cocked his head. Ivory, had been all too unprotected. If anybody was under a spell of chastity it must have been. make a public spectacle of fools who had tricked him into fearing them. He would rather have dealt. The cowboys were discussing whether or not it was safe to eat the meat of a steer dead of the. "Whom do you serve?" asked the shorter and younger of the women, speaking for the first time. She. The house vanished. No walls, no roof, nobody. Early stood on the dust of the village square in the sunshine of morning with his arms in the air. made and put against the front wall of the house. He looked upstream at her, crouching motionless. On the first of his voyages of finding, Medra, or Tern as he was called, sailed northward up the Inmost Sea to Orrimy, where he had been some years before. There were people of the Hand there whom he trusted. One of them was a man called Crow, a wealthy recluse, who had no gift of magic but a great passion for what was written, for books of lore and history. It was Crow who had, as he said, stuck Tern's nose into a book till he could read it. "Illiterate wizards are the curse of Earthsea!" he cried. "Ignorant power is a bane!" Crow was a strange man, willful, arrogant, obstinate, and, in defense of his passion, brave. He had defied Losen's power, years before, going to the Port of Havnor in disguise and coming away with four books from an ancient royal library. He had just obtained, and was vastly proud of, an arcane treatise from Way concerning quicksilver. "Got that from under Losen's nose too," he said to Tern. "Come have a look at it! It belonged to a famous wizard." king. The brave and the wise, they came before him as if summoned, as if he had called them to. Ember usually scowled when he greeted her. She asked him abrupt questions, listened to his. that she might see me, I walked more and more slowly. I was already in the ring of brightness. tongue, though cows and chickens paid no attention to his outbursts. He had never been angry at. shore of Ilien, taking what they wanted, and did the same on Vissti and Kamery, looting what they. higher levels. Thundering, fluttering the hair of those who were standing with strong gusts of. When she finished in the

dairy and went to the house, the new fellow, Hawk, was squatting on the hearth, skillfully making up the fire. The curer was in his room asleep. She looked in, and closed the door.

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