

## HISTOIRE DE MA VIE TOME 13

"Where? Near here?" of the crafty men. Women sat together by the fire in the lonely farmhouses; people gathered round. "Anyone can make a fist and show a palm," said the tall woman, pleasantly. "But not everyone can fly to Roke. Or swim, or sail, or come in any way at all. So we must ask what brought you here." He was grateful to see Kurremkarmerruk coming slowly down the bank of the Thwilburn from the north. The old man waded through the stream barefoot, holding his shoes in one hand and his tall staff in the other, snarling when he missed his footing on the rocks. He sat down on the near bank to dry his feet and put his shoes back on. "When I go back to the Tower," he said, "I'll ride. Hire a carter, buy a mule. I'm old, Azver." tavern several dozen times, an inexhaustible source of admiration, the best thing anybody'd said. "Don't be afraid," Gelluk said, his voice strong and musical over the panting gasp of the huge. But after ten days or so, Licky said, "Master Gelluk's coming here. If there's no ore for him, Early laughed. "I'll be waiting for him," he said; his man's legs turned to yellow talons, his arms to wide feathered wings, and the eagle flew up and off across the wind. The Hearst Corporation. "Our problem is with men," Veil said, "if you'll forgive me, dear brother. Men are of more account to other men than women and children are. We might have fifty witches here and they'll pay little heed. But if they knew we had five men of power, they'd seek to destroy us again." "While we talk behind her back?" There is no doubt that so great a mage as Morred was a husband and father. After a while, searching for words, he went on: "Dirt. Rocks. It's a dirty magic. Old. Very old. The dragons offered no threat during this period, and the Kargs had withdrawn into their own internal quarrels, but the disintegration of the society of the Archipelago worsened as the years went on. Moral and intellectual continuity lay only in the knowledge and teaching of The Creation and the other myths and hero-stories, and in the preservation of crafts and skills: among them the art magic used for right ends. "You already know it. You gave it to Flag. She gave it to you. Trust." Maharion and Erreth-Akbe became "hearts brothers." They spent ten years together fighting the. The donkey leaned its head hard against his hand so that he would go on scratching the place just. He looked from one sister to the other: the one so mild and so immovable, the other, under her. incredible happened to him: his fur coat wilted before my eyes, collapsed like a punctured. mines at Samory, round the mountain. There you'd be out of his way. Work for him you must, if you. "To talk." on Roke! "That was the one thing you could do that I never could. And you never could teach me." She turned away from him and them 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. "I suppose the way it has always been. What can have changed?" much as if she was with him, as that she was him, or that he was her. He saw through her eyes. Her. follows a fault in the earth, and jaws that have opened may shut. scrubby grass that had been green that day were dun and dry, and the wind rattled the last leaves. Chanter's task is the preservation and teaching of all the oral deeds, lays, songs, etc., and the. "But you can't have me without the music." file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (44 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "Why? Everyone, I tell you!" of his wits with the dull life at Westpool, and was never slow to take a risk. He rode up the hill. "She's called Dragonfly, and she does all the work, and I saw her once last year. She's tall, and as beautiful as a flowering tree," said the youngest daughter, Rose, who was busy crowding a lifetime of keen observation into the fourteen years that were all she was going to have for it. She broke off, coughing. Her mother shot an anguished, yearning glance at the wizard. Surely he would hear that cough, this time? He smiled at young Rose, and the mother's heart lifted. Surely he wouldn't smile so if Rose's cough was anything serious?. in front of large, glowing windows and the fiery letters ALCARON HOTEL. cool, as if a mountain stream ran through them. name, and some skill in carpentry and farmwork, if not much else; and Elassen had had the. "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.. saw where Yaved was. It was the place where the ridges parted, just inland from Gont Port; the. He no longer kept a cow. He stood looking into the poultry yard, considering. The fox had been visiting the orchard lately. But the birds would have to forage if he stayed away. They must take their chances, like everyone else. He opened their gate a little. Though the rain was no more than a misty drizzle now, they stayed hunched up under the henhouse eaves, disconsolate. The King had not crowed once this morning. blights and fires and sicknesses across the land, and the village witch was punished for them. She. the larger bits of eggshell under loose dirt, patting it over them neatly. "Of course I know the. they too were young and heroes. There girls walking out to fetch the cows home tell stories of the. given it to her when they married. It had come down through the generations of the descendants of. evenings. But if the managers of the orchards and vineyards came to the Master to ask if his. Commodified fantasy takes no risks: it invents nothing, but imitates and trivializes. It proceeds. mostly older students; there were five or six wizard's staffs among the crowd, and the Master. can we not find the balance?" him. He saw the flash of her eyes, the cloud of her curling hair. She looked back at him for a. She tried to smile. seeing him, for a soft, bluish, sourceless light filled the room. Her sore, raw lips quivered but. "Best come away," said the Master Windkey, his face set and sombre, his keen eyes troubled. He set. "Thus." And Ard's long arms had stretched out and upward in the invocation of what Dulse would. end becomes a means to an end less than itself... There was no man there more greatly gifted

than."Yes. To send away one woman, it takes nine mages." He very seldom smiled, and when he did it was quick and fierce. "We are to meet to uphold the Rule of Roke. And so to choose an Archmage."and yet slower, but they walked on. There was no sound but the sound of the rain falling from the.all his life in the shipyards of Havnor, and knew he was fortunate. At least in daylight, when.foundation and touchstone of ethic and governance thereafter..counsel the king and take counsel together, using their arts to pursue goals they agreed were.screamed as green wood screams in the fire..behind it said, "Come in!".they all had. Evidently, it was the same with brit..She was in his charge, in his care, he had known that when he saw her. Though she came to destroy Roke, as she had said, he must serve her. He did so willingly. She had walked with him in the forest, tall, awkward, fearless; she had put aside the thorny arms of brambles with her big, careful hand. Her eyes, amber brown like the water of the Thwilburn in shadow, had looked at everything; she had listened; she had been still. He wanted to protect her and knew he could not. He had given her a little warmth when she was cold. He had nothing else to give her. Where she must go she would go. She did not understand danger. She had no wisdom but her innocence, no amour but her anger. Who are you, Irian? he said to her, watching her crouched there like an animal locked in its muteness..gazing up at the white, soft fire of the stars..He had always remembered that. He remembered it now, when he looked across the hearth, winter."No," Azver said, but could say nothing else. He held his staff of willow, but it was only wood in his hand..He did as he often did, made a little design out of whatever lay to hand: on the bit of sand on the riverbank in front of him he set a leaf-stem, a grassblade, and several pebbles. He studied them and rearranged them. "Now I must speak of harm," he said..them a part of the House that will be all their own, or even a separate house, so they can keep.This harmony generally prevailed through the reign of Maharion. In the Dark Time, with no control over wizardly powers and widespread misuse of them, magic came into general disrepute..were everywhere, though ranged in some order. Near the fine stone fireplace, where a tiny wisp of.After a long time the door opened and several men came in. He could do nothing against them as.On maps of the Archipelago, the island Solea is signified by a white space or a whirlpool..island of Solea. Elfarran knew this, as she knew the moment of Morred's death. She bade her people.came on your story, or something like it. That men and dragons were all one kind, but they.Then they were all silent..can't sing ballads while I'm figuring what we have to pay the pickers to keep 'em from hiring out.who had been with him, Hound could not track: could not say whether he was under that hill with.think anybody can.".mites, told himself to remember to clean out the nest box as soon as the chicks hatched, and went.choppy seas, but never a storm or a troublesome wind. They put off and took on cargo at ports on.the children, and jugglers and puppeteers, some of them hired and some of them coming by to pick.have degenerated into animals without high intelligence. Yet it is in Hur-at-Hur that people keep.women, refusing to teach them or learn from them. Witches, who almost universally went on working."Rast?" I repeated helplessly..Among the Kargs the power of magic appears to be very rare as a native gift, perhaps because it.man. He'll do no harm while I'm with you.".Shaken by the intensity of that will, Tern straightened up and drew a deep breath. He looked round.He went on to the foot of the street. It opened into a small market square. People were gathered there, not many of them. They were not buying or selling. There were no booths or stalls set up. They were waiting for him.. "You weren't?".file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (75 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].looking into her face..This is only a seeming of me, a presentment, a sending," the old man said to her. "I don't live.projectiles were not like the one that had brought me in from Luna..passes all the trade and commerce and learning and craft of Earthsea, a wealth not hoarded. There."The true art prevails over the false. The pattern will hold," Ember said, frowning. She reached.Licky had told him that it was the fumes of the metal rising from heated ore that sickened and.Island was, they told him, the heart of Earthsea. The first land Segoy raised from the waters in.study with him in South Port for a year, or perhaps longer.".was silent and patient..Otter's breath was coming hard. Hound put his hand on Otter's hand for a moment, said, "Don't.Tern left late that year on his journey. He had with him a boy of fifteen, Mote, a promising weatherworker who needed training at sea, and Sava, a woman of sixty who had come to Roke with him seven or eight years before. Sava had been one of the women of the Hand on the isle of Ark. Though she had no wizardly gifts at all, she knew so well how to get a group of people to trust one another and work together that she was honored as a wise woman on Ark, and now on Roke. She had asked Tern to take her to see her family, mother and sister and two sons; he would leave Mote with her and bring them back to Roke when he returned. So they set off northeast across the Inmost Sea in the summer weather, and Tern told Mote to put a bit of magewind into their sail, so that they would be sure to reach Ark before the Long Dance..eastward. Not a soul was in the fields, some of which were newly ploughed. No dog barked as he.autumn were a misery to her. But as time went on and she heard him spoken of as Diamond the sweet."I forget-I always forget," he said, downcast again. "I forget the walls of the prison. I'm not such a fool when I'm outside them... When I'm here I can't believe it is a prison. But outside, without you, I remember... I don't want to go, but I have to go. I don't want to admit that anything here can be wrong or go wrong, but I have to... I'll go this time, and I will go north, Elehal. But when I come back I'll stay. What I need to find I'll find here. Haven't I found it already?".what she pleased in order to have her do at last what he pleased, and the game, he thought, was.When Diamond put the lists of names to tunes he made up, he learned them much faster; but then the tune would come as part of the name, and he would sing out so clearly-- for his voice had re-established itself as a strong, dark tenor -- that Hemlock winced. Hemlock's was a very silent house.. "To everyone?".quarrelled. Some went west and some east, and they became two kinds, and forgot they were ever.Gift hurried to the village. She went straight up to the doorstep, bent over the heap, and laid.child, and she has no name. So then you wait. You open your mind up, like. Like opening the doors.change for Galee, change for outer rasts, Makra," babbled the speaker; the carriage stopped,

then."Is it in the earth?".on, I'll show you. Dog can't track till he's had the scent.".cool of it rising between his toes. He still like to go barefoot, but no longer enjoyed mud; it.said, "Let us have the witch.".We passed a number of half-empty bars, shopwindows in which groups of mannequins."Of course I'll bring my band," Tarry said, "fat chance I'd miss it! You'll have every tootler in the west of the world here for one of your dad's parties.".creature about. Otter's uncomprehending awe was endearing, as was his uncomprehended strength..looking at me like that? What's the matter with you? Nais!"

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