

HISTORICAL CONTROVERSIES AND HISTORIANS

one thing, you have to get them just exactly right." Gelluk was used to hearing people say the words he had put in their mouths, if they said anything at all. These were words he wanted but had not expected to hear. He took the young man's arm, putting his face very close to his, and felt him cower away. Diamond had no idea what to say. The idea of its being up to him had not occurred to him. "Do you among us, Medra. They must be settled, and they can't be settled easily. Though a little goodwill from an early age; and this was one of the reasons Diamond loved her. With her, he knew what platform and I was on the "rast" -- there was not even anyone to ask, for the area around me was. Under Roke's steadily growing influence, wizardry was shaped into a coherent body of knowledge, its use increasingly controlled by moral and political purpose. Wizards trained at the school went to other islands of the Archipelago to work against warlords, pirates, and feuding nobles, preventing raids and forays, imposing penalties and settlements, enforcing boundaries, and protecting individuals, farms, towns, cities, and shipping, until social order was re-established. In the early years they were sent to enforce peace; increasingly they were called on to maintain it. While the throne in Havnor remained empty, for over two hundred years Roke School served effectively as the central government of the Archipelago. III. Tern. immensely dangerous. Ordinary people-and dragons-keep their true name secret; wizards hide and. Forms of fiefdom, vassalage, and slavery have existed at times in some areas, but not under the. only by returning as you went could you be sure of coming out into the fields.. "You went in there, that hole, with the old wizard, didn't you? Did you find him?" "No, no. I believe you, only. . . no. You can't understand this." was weakened then. ".put her face in her hands..and sent the healing into his hands with the words of power spoken over and over. After a while. The Namer, the Doorkeeper, and the Herbal followed him with her into the Grove. There was a path. incalculable. He was amazed when, not long after, she said to him, "I'll be going to the Grove. on the island.. given him for his twelfth birthday. He put it to his lips, his fingers danced, and he played a. They came to where the miners were extending the old tunnel. There the wizard spoke with Licky in a lighter; for an instant I was seized by a blind rage; I set my jaw, narrowed my eyes, and.. might be able to. I can feel it building up, can you?" Hound was down at the door, they said. Early sent for him to come up. "Who's Tern?" he asked as soon as he saw the old man.. squeeze their way. In places the ceilings had collapsed. Ladders were shaky. The mine was a. Diamond glanced at Rose. The girl turned her head away, looking down.. "They're coming," the Doorkeeper said. Men were coming through the gardens and up the path from the Great House, all the mages, many of the students. Leading them was Thorion the Summoner, tall in his grey cloak, carrying his tall staff of bone-white wood, about which a faint gleam of werelight hovered.. So it proved. Indeed, to Golden's amazement, Master Hemlock sent back a scrupulous two-fifths of the prenticing-fee. With the packet, which was delivered by one of Golden's carters who had taken a load of spars down to South Port, was a note for Diamond. It said, "True art requires a single heart." The direction on the outside was the Hardic rune for willow. The note was signed with Hemlock's rune, which had two meanings: the hemlock tree, and suffering.. Before bright Ea was, before Segoy. about Roke and did not answer when he spoke. When he very tentatively approached her, taking her. could enchant whole populations, bringing all who heard him under his control. So he turned. "I am not ashamed," Irian said. She looked at them all. She felt that she should thank them for. She looked at him. She could not speak. She stood up and after a moment walked out of the stableyard, off across the hill, on the path that went around it halfway up. One of the dogs, her favorite, a big, ugly, heavy-headed hound, followed her. She stopped on the slope above the marshy spring where Rose had named her ten years ago. She stood there; the dog sat down beside her and looked up at her face. No thought was clear in her mind, but words repeated themselves: I could go to Roke and find out who I am.. meeting, she asked him and he told her more, though reluctantly, always partially; he shielded his. "You can? Is it allowed?" "He's matchmaking," Tuly said, dry, fond.. "Everything. When I left -- don't take this in bad part -- a girl like you would not have. more distracted by whatever it was he sensed in the earth or air, and through him Ogion felt that. Seeing I had made a mistake, although I did not know what kind of mistake, I muttered. It was hard for him to lie. He thought he was awkward at it because he had no practice. Hound knew. as if he had the power to. ". "Only in some very, very old tales. Before the gods were. Before men were. Before men were men, they were dragons." "But power - like you told me about - that . isn't the same as making people do what you want, or pay you -". steaming water into the bath. "He has ivory," she said. "Tell him ivory it has to be. Out there. deceived him; but a few days later, he saw the child float up the stairs, just a finger gliding. It was hard to be aware of her through the wizard's talk and the constant, half-conscious controlling spells that wove a darkness round him. But when Otter could do so, then it was not so much as if she was with him, as that she was him, or that he was her. He saw through her eyes. Her voice spoke in his mind, stronger and clearer than Gelluk's voice and spells. Through her eyes and mind he could see, and think. And he began to see that the wizard, completely certain of possessing him body and soul, was careless of the spells that bound Otter to his will. A bond is a connection. He-or Anieb within him-could follow the links of Gelluk's spells back into Gelluk's own mind.. Roke School was founded by both men and women, and both men and women taught and learned there during its first decades; but since during the Dark Time women, witchery, and the Old Powers had all come to be considered unclean, the belief was already widespread that men must prepare themselves to work "high magic" by scrupulously avoiding "base spells," "Earthlore," and women. A man unwilling to put himself under the iron control of a spell of chastity could never practice the high arts. He could be no more than a common sorcerer. Male wizards thus had come to avoid women, refusing to teach them or learn from them. Witches, who almost universally went on working magic without giving up their sexuality, were described by celibate men as temptresses, unclean, defiling, essentially wicked.. her a piece of money, a little Enladian crownpiece of

gold..much for good manners, he thought..PEOPLES AND LANGUAGES.widely ignored, it led in the long run to a profound, long-lasting loss of knowledge and power.now on their own began to roll up, to furl, like fleshy flowers, some faster, some a little more."Witchery," they said, "sacrilege, defilement."."The Master said that such gifts or capacities, untrained, are not only wasted, but may be dangerous. The art must be learned, and practiced, he said."..not as a statement but with intention to act, reinforced by voice and gesture-in a spell-does the.paying much attention to him unless he frightened them. He tried not to do that. He had no wish or..There was not much to be got from the people his men brought to him. The same thing again: they.his arm and hip and head. Then the darkness came around him, and then nothing.."It's him has to go."..such a fool when I'm outside them... When I'm here I can't believe it is a prison. But

outside,..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (78 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].Irioth did not say yes, or no, or thanks, but went off unspeaking. The cattleman looked after him and spat. "Avert," he said..Archipelagan scholars are aware of it, but most Kargs would deny it, since they have confused."Well, so I have to learn from him," said Dragonfly..over her face, looked closely into her glassy eyes, as though I wished to know her fear, to share it..fought against the will that would destroy us."..only transparent, as if molded in glass, even the seats were like glass, though soft. Without.all his life in the shipyards of Havnor, and knew he was fortunate. At least in daylight, when."Father, I don't want a party," Diamond said and stood up, shivering his muscles like a horse. He.thick grey hair flowed loose about his face. "I know you found that little patch for them to dig..other eye looked a little off to the side. Sometimes Dragonfly thought the cast was in Rose's left.The four Kargad islands are mostly arid in climate but fertile when watered and cultivated. The Kargs have maintained a society that appears to be little influenced, except negatively, by their far more numerous neighbors to the south and

west..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (36 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]."I would," she said.."I'm a finder," he said. "And a seeker."."No, no, no. Sul can handle it. Stay home and have your party. You've been working hard. We'll hire a band. Who's the best in the country? Tarry and his lot?"."No. I don't. Rose wouldn't teach me. She said she didn't dare. Because I had power but she didn't."What it does is make him behave, make him have to. You know. . . maybe some.what to do. It was in no tongue of man that he said, "Be quiet, be easy. There now, there. Hold.After a little silence Otter said, "Thanks." And he looked up at Hound, one brief, questioning,..Havens, Maharion spoke a prophecy: "He shall inherit my throne who has crossed the dark land.murrain. The supply of food they had brought, meager to start with, was about to run out. Instead.repute, but Semel has only cattle and sheep, forests and little towns, and the great silent.He thought what he must do, and how he must do it. He wasn't sure whether he had summoned her or she had come of her own will; he didn't know how she had spoken the word of the Old Tongue to him or through him. He didn't know what he was doing, or what she was doing, and he was almost certain that the working of any spell would rouse Gelluk. But at last, rashly, and in dread, for such spells were a mere rumor among those who had taught him his sorcery, he summoned the woman in the stone tower..Kings. No dragon had been seen over the Inmost Sea for many centuries when Kalessin, called the."Yes," I said and felt jittery, as if my words would have God knows what consequence. "I.friend the wise woman up to hex 'em away. Or aren't you friends anymore?"..Diamond sat upright and still. He had been getting some of his father's height and girth lately, and looked very much a man, though a very young one..smile to cover an upsetting incident. She was not pretending to be calm, she truly was calm..The old wizard stood there. He recollected all he knew of the names of Gont, and after a while he.that bucket now." She bathed the sore with salt water. The ewe sighed deeply and suddenly walked.her hand in his, and her cheek, warm-cool, silken-gritty, lay against his mouth. In his mind he.for dragons! But that there was some kind of scheming and gathering together of men of power on.How long can you stay?".stream had chilled him to the bone, and he was shivering..the flare of candles among jagged shadows. He touched the earth of the tunnel's end, took clods of.peaches flowered, he had made a slender, sturdy deep-sea boat, built according to the style of."I could teach you how to do that for yourself," the wizard said, smiling, watching Otter rub and flex his aching wrists and work his lips that had been smashed against his teeth for hours. "The Hound told me that you're a lad of promise and might go far with a proper guide. If you'd like to visit the Court of the King, I can take you there. But maybe you don't know the King I'm talking of?"..upside down, and soured the beer, and a student who tried to stop him got turned into a pig for a.At..The Bones."Your impression is right. How is it between men and women?"..A BOAT-SONG FROM WEST HAVNOR."I don't know," the Herbal said. "I can only tell you that when I'm with him, when I'm in the Great House, I feel that nothing can be done but what has been done. That nothing will change. Nothing will grow. That no matter what cures I use, the sickness will end in death." He looked around at them all like a hurt ox. "And I think it is true. There is no way to regain the Equilibrium but by holding still. We have gone too far. For the Archmage and Lebannen to go bodily into death, and return - it was not right. They broke a law that must not be broken. It was to restore the law that Thorion returned."..groundwork..Night had come. Gift's lamp had flickered out. Only the red glow of the fire shone on Hawk's face.."She took bird form. Osprey, they said. Didn't expect that from a girl so young. Gone before they."I'm not really good on the fife, but I'm good enough. What you didn't teach me, I can fill in with a spell, if I have to. And the band, they're all right. Labby isn't as bad as he looks. Nobody fools with me. We make a pretty good living. Winters, I go stay with Mother and help her out. So I'm all right. What about you, Di?".Then they were all gone, and he stood alone on the hill, shaken and wondering. "I have seen the queens and kings of Earthsea," he thought, "and they are only the grass that grows on this hill."..me. But don't worry. You will to them."..known to anybody but the giver and to the owner, who both keep it secret all their life. The power.he served well and honestly, deserved honor and respect. But there were also lesser lords whom.engulfingly soft, as everywhere. The back of my seat

was so high that I could barely see the other. Back Cover: wharf, when the streets ran up and down in waves, the cobbles bursting out of them, and walls of. Ember was on the dock to meet him. Lamé and very thin, he came to her and took her hands, but he could not lift his face to hers. He said, "I have too many deaths on my heart, Elehal." .with you-"dreaded and shunned, magic plays no recognized part in their society. This inability or refusal to give birth to her master. That is why, to give him birth, she must be burned alive." He asked her, rather timidly, to tell him what the Immanent Grove was, for when he had asked others they said, "Ember can tell you." She refused his question, not arrogantly but definitely, saying, "You can learn about the Grove only in it and from it." A few days later she came down to the sands of Thwil Bay, where he was repairing a fishing boat. She helped him as she could, and asked about boat-building, and he told her and showed her what he could. It was a peaceful afternoon, but after it she went off in her abrupt way. He felt some awe of her; she was incalculable. He was amazed when, not long after, she said to him, "I'll be going to the Grove after the Long Dance. Come if you like." "What I have to do, you see," the old wizard said, still talking to Silence because it was a comfort to talk to him even if he was no longer there, "is get into the mountain, right inside; but not the way a sorcerer-pro prospector does; not just slipping about between things and looking and tasting. Deeper. All the way in. Not the veins, but the bones. So," and standing there alone in the high pasture, in the noon light, Heleth opened his arms wide in the gesture of invocation that opens all the greater spells; and he spoke..for the Earth itself. Some think all dragons, or certain dragons, or certain people, are. I've heard as far as Havnor. And I can tell the quality of what you're spinning. A beautiful." "No, nothing. And if a girl visits a man, what then?" .and to the house of Iria. He cursed and cried and drank and made her drink, too, pledging to. Rose dismissed all she had taught or could teach with a flick of the fingers..on the bank. Sheep in the field between them and the Great House blatted softly. The morning sun..like diamonds..face gave way to something simpler, a look of complicity, very nearly a wink. "I see," he said..had had no one in her life to desire. When the young wizard first came riding by so slim and..result had not been the melting eagerness it had produced in girls he had used it on in Havnor and..ate it..her own will, by her own means. He could not summon her, could not even think of her, and would..to her, vivid. She thought about Ivory, thinking she would never see him again, wondering if he..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..could not find it now. Since most of the people around me were stepping onto an upward ramp, I..A good sign, thunder, Dulse thought. It would stop raining soon. He pulled up his hood and went..Then their long days in the silence of the woods and their long, starlit nights were joy to them..and your fiefdom on Hosk, the greatest navy the world has seen! I shall lead them. And the glory." "Is it a long way from where you live, sir?" she asked..The art begins and ends in naming. But that's not your gift. You have a poor memory for words. You..the Patterner..A slight, brown man sitting at the table looked up at him.

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