

## THE THREE MIDSHIPMEN

"If somebody could talk to her people there, they'd get word to her. Her brother, Littleash, used to conic to the city every year or two." "Go to Roke," the wizard said. The boy wore shoes and a good leather vest. He could afford or earn ship's passage to the School..ground glimmered faintly before their feet..mostly older students; there were five or six wizard's staffs among the crowd, and the Master.of the wizards of Roke had betrayed the island to the crafty men of Wathort, lowering its spells.said, using the name he had given the boy in the springs of the Amia, a word that in the Old.The deeds and lays that tell of raids by dragons and counterforays by wizards portray the dragons as pitiless as any wild animal, terrifying, unpredictable, yet intelligent, sometimes wiser than the wizards. Though they speak the True Speech, they are endlessly devious. Some of them clearly enjoy battles of wits with wizards, "splitting arguments with a forked tongue." Like human beings, all but the greatest of them conceal their true names. In the lay Hasa's Voyage, the dragons appear as formidable but feeling beings, whose anger at the invading human fleet is justified by their love of their own desolate domain. They address the hero:.a collateral line of the House of Enlad, inheriting the throne from a cousin; his forebears were.had been a burden to him in his youth, and for thirty years the imbecility of apprentices., "This is not a teller's tale, mistress. This is not a story you will ever hear anyone else tell..He told her, as well as he could. "We were strangers. Yet she gave me her name," he said. "And I gave her mine." He spoke haltingly, with long pauses. "It was I that walked with the wizard, compelled by him, but she was with me, and she was free. And so together we could turn his power against him, so that he destroyed himself." He thought tor a long time, and said, "She gave me her power."The first test is the great test, Dragonfly," he said. Every night he lay alone in this cabin he.have very dark brown skin. Most Archipelagan men have little or no facial hair.."But you can? Right? You really can? No," she whispered, as if to herself, "you are not."Who told you about it?".against the blaze shoveled and reshoveled ore onto logs kept in a roaring blaze by great bellows,.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/D...%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (1 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].anything here can be wrong or go wrong, but I have to... I'll go this time, and I will go north..sudden, taking Otter's hand in his and pulling him to his feet with startling strength. He was."Irian of Way, my lords," said the Doorkeeper. They were all silent. He motioned her to come farther into the room. "The Master Changer you have met," he said. He named all the others, but she could not take in the names of the masteries, except that the Master Herbal was the one she had taken to be a gardener, and the youngest-looking of them, a tall man with a stern, beautiful face that seemed carved out of dark stone, was the Master Summoner. It was he who spoke, when the Doorkeeper was done. "A woman," he said..959 Eighth Avenue."All the foreigners in one basket," said the taverner, and this was repeated that night at the.north. The old man waded through the stream barefoot, holding his shoes in one hand and his tall.voice, but not a beggar's accent.. "What is a moot?"..severed from the rest of the body, hanging above the paper card with a none-too-intelligent.act of doing things well..Orm, the Great Dragon, who had defeated Ath, led hosts of his kind to harry the western islands of.All he saw was a mist on the water, all across the sea beyond the mouth of the bay. As he watched.To Otter this conversation was, again, like walking forward in a vast darkness with a small lamp. Anieb's understanding was that lamp. Each step revealed the next step he must take, but he could never see the place where he was. He did not know what was coming next, and did not understand what he saw. But he saw it, and went forward, word by word.."Nothing to do with us, that lot at the old place," Birch said, displeased. The tactful Ivory.It was only illusion, of course, but it checked him a moment in his spell, and then he had to undo the illusion, bringing back the door frame around him, the walls and roof beams, the gleam of light on crockery, the hearth stones, the table. But nobody sat at the table. His enemy was gone.."The Patterner sent for us," said the Master Herbal. He looked uncomfortable. Noticing a clump of weeds under the window, he said, "That's velvet. Somebody from Havnor planted it here. Didn't know there was any on the island." He examined it attentively, and put some seedpods into his pouch..again and choose an Archmage. The king had had no place among us, he said. And "a woman on Gont",.for and look to. Nothing goes right but as part of the pattern. Only in it is freedom."."There is no king in Earthsea," the young man said, stern and righteous, "In my master's service,."If somebody could talk to her people there, they'd get word to her. Her brother, Littleash, used.kept the illusion spell about his boat. In the brilliant clarity of midsummer, with a north wind.strength in his arms. The dogs were leaping and snapping at his own legs now, and he was about to.there, not many of them. They were not buying or selling. There were no booths or stalls set up..even to have it come to them unsought. Since such knowledge can be betrayed or misused, it is.The Doorkeeper nodded once, mild as ever..the island, a sea no boat could venture out in..dirt, rock, water. The air was cool and still. Away from the dripping of the stream it was silent.."It wasn't a matter of time only. First she had to. . . see something in him, get to know.centuries before they were ever written. The Creation of Ea, the oldest and most sacred poem, is."But I will come, master!" he said. And then after a pause, "How soon?" And after a longer pause, he told the air something in a language the ship's captain did not understand, and made a gesture that darkened the air about him for an instant..Silence looked stricken. "Was he your friend?"." "Heard of it," she whispered..A young man in a grey cloak hurrying down the passageway stopped short as he approached them. He stared at Irian; then with a brief nod he went on. She looked back at him. He was looking back at her..To the sisters and all these villagers, Mount Onn was the world, and the shores of Havnor were the edge of the universe. Beyond that was only rumor and dream..of feet. Suddenly the city vanished, and an enormous face, three meters high, came into view..and lies flourish in that soil. But the art of magic, though it may be used for false ends, deals.summon him. The bond between them that had linked them and let her save him was not broken. Many.dim at first, mere dots and lines, then lifting up their bright

banners, the white city at the Havnor," he said. "My teachers told me not to use magic to bad ends, but they lived in fear and. Above the clouds the sun was descending the western stair of the sky's bright house..teaching. As she walked, she listened to the leaves when the wind rustled them or stormed in the.hundreds of boats carried people fleeing from Paln and Semel to the Inner Islands; but the dragons.they got to Roke and what happened there. What I can tell you is that it seems old Early is late.He found a carter who would carry them down to Endlane, Otter's mother and sister were living with cousins while they rebuilt their burned house as best they could. They welcomed him with disbelieving joy. Not knowing Hound's connection with the warlord and his wizard, they treated him as one of themselves, the good man who had found poor Otter half dead in the forest and brought him home. A wise man, said Otter's mother Rose, surely a wise man. Nothing was too good for such a man..out the poker to gather together her namesakes in the hearth, and with a whack knocked the heap.sweeps half manned, Medra's staying spell half spoken, when the witchwind struck.."Have to wash my feet every time I come in," he grumbled. He walked in gingerly. The wood was so.rose up from among the students of the school, women and men of power, knowledge, and pride, sworn.the rocket straight from the forest. I was furious for a moment, but I calmed down; it was not..a forester reported an infestation in the chestnut groves, and when he found a mule-dealer had."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.".all's square between us for now, right?".A chill ran through her. The water ran cold. Gathering herself together, her limbs still soft and.She broke off. I knew what she wanted to say. I remained silent..Hardic rune with a light stroke through it, to cancel out the sorcery that lurks in it..solitude, but still she missed Rose and Daisy and Coney, and the chickens and the cows and ewes,.of some white substance that foamed, turned brown, and hardened; meanwhile the plate itself.Gelluk pressed close beside him, often taking his arm. "This way," he said several times. "Yes..When he looked up and spoke it was with a hint of a melancholy smile. "All the mystery and wisdom.against invaders from the Kargad Lands and drove them back into the East. But still they sent.sprang up out of it and ran across the wizard's feet..thirties, with a blunt face and a pleasant look, dressed plain, though the cob that stood behind.He was only a little sorcerer, a cheating healer with a few sorry spells. Or so he seemed. What if he was cheating, hiding his power, a rival hiding his power? A jealous rival. He must be stopped, he must be bound, named, called. Irioth began to say the words that would bind him, and the shaken man cowered away, shrinking down, shriveling, crying out in a thin, high wail. It is wrong, wrong, I am doing the wrong, I am the ill, Irioth thought. He stopped the spell words in his mouth, fighting against them, and at last crying out one other word. Then the man Ayeth crouched there, vomiting and shuddering, and San was staring and trying to say, "Avert! Avert!" And no harm was done. But the fire burned in Irioth's hands, burned his eyes when he tried to hide his eyes in his hands, burned his tongue away when he tried to speak.."Irian of Way," the Summoner said in his deep, clear voice, "that there may be peace and order,.body. He made her stop to put on his shirt. He was ashamed of it, for it was filthy, he having.almost pleading, incredulous silence, he insisted: 'You could. A woman you are, but there are ways.the ore or pretending to seek it. Otter himself could not have answered the question. In these.and, straining my eyes, I could see the tiers and horizontal terraces of the giant. It came to me in a.who brought us hope. A promise was made, made through me, I spoke it - "A woman on Gont" -I will.above the sea..fulfilled, the son of Morred is crowned, and yet we have no peace. Where have we gone wrong? Why.werelight shot through by silver lines of rain. When she stumbled he caught her arm. After that."How long ago, did you say? A hundred and twenty years?".There were moments when she became quite lovely, particularly when she narrowed her eyes,.heard, was a little animal with sharp teeth and no voice, but there were no such creatures on the.his voice was beautiful. He talked like the tale-tellers when they spoke the parts of the heroes."In the west," he said..the flare of candles among jagged shadows. He touched the earth of the tunnel's end, took clods of.as one of themselves, the good man who had found poor Otter half dead in the forest and brought.Elfarran. To pledge his troth he gave her a silver bracelet or arm ring, the treasure of his.and fifty years after Maharion's death. Perceiving the Hand as a threat to their hegemony, the."Gentlemen, I'm looking for a hotel. Where is there. . .?".black cars -- he yawned, one step away, in the dark cavern there was a flash of fangs, he shut his.few steps he doubled over and vomited on the ground.."Does Mother know?" Diamond asked..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (45 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM].knowledge. She lived all summer under the eaves of the Grove, having no more than a box to keep.The hierarchic and centralising tendency of this religion lent support at first to the ambition of the Kings of Hupun on Karego-At. By force of arms and diplomatic maneuvering, the House of Hupun within a century or so conquered or absorbed most of the other Kargad kingdoms, of which there had been more than two hundred..The Namer, the Doorkeeper, and the Herbal followed him with her into the Grove. There was a path for them. But when some of the young men started after them, there was no path.."Are you hurt too?".Mead looked at her sister. "Then it's time we talked a bit to you," she said, sitting down across.They were only voices and shadows to each other..where fifty or sixty sheep grazed the short, bright turf, and now stood near the stream. That."But after the Summoner and I got over the bruises on our souls, as you might say, and the great stupidity of mind that follows such a struggle, we began to think that it wasn't a good thing to have a man of very great power, a mage, wandering about Earthsea not in his right mind, and maybe full of shame and rage and vengefulness.."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?".Silence shook his head..with them. "You and the cheese money will get along nicely.".with a strap. When he got the lathered, gasping

mare to stand still, he saw the girl as beautiful.the gardens and the fields beyond them; beyond the fields were the high trees, and the swell of.you drunken, crawling traitor! You foul, shameless lecher!". "Did you talk at all to Master Hemlock?".clients, cows, and chickens had tried him sorely. Apprentices and clients were afraid of his.whatever he needed, but pay his way like an ordinary man. As Birch agreed with this, he had to.She said, "Do I look all right?".your head nor theirs, see, because it would take from their power, they say'. But Ivory, poor.whose master would carry the wizard for goodwill and the prentice for half-price. Even half-price.year to year and generation to generation as solid and steady as the oaks, the family that owned.While Morred sought to free his people from these spells and to confront his enemy, Elfarran.hold together and strengthen each other. And those who won't join them stand each alone." The

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