

VETERINARY NOTES FOR HORSE OWNERS

Another pause. Golden glanced over at his wife, who stood by the window listening in silence. Then he looked at his son. Slowly the mixture of anger, disappointment, confusion, and respect on his face gave way to something simpler, a look of complicity, very nearly a wink. "I see," he said. "And what did you decide you want?" The ship's weatherworker came aboard just before they sailed, no Roke wizard but a weatherbeaten fellow in a worn sea-cloak. Ivory flourished his staff a little in greeting him. The sorcerer looked him up and down and said, "One man works weather on this ship. If it's not me, I'm off." "nothing," he said. He checked the henhouse, finding three eggs. Red Bucca was setting. Her eggs were about due to hatch. The mites were bothering her, and she looked scruffy and jaded. He said a few words against mites, told himself to remember to clean out the nest box as soon as the chicks hatched, and went on to the poultry yard, where Brown Bucca and Grey and Leggings and Candor and the King huddled under the eaves making soft, shrewish remarks about rain. charm was working and that this was only her particularly uncouth way of leading him at last to sun. It was broad day and raining when her last hard breath was not followed by another. year's leaf by her hand. Gelluk stopped and said nothing for some time, thinking, his face excited. Otter glimpsed the. Yet as Dory spoke he saw what the girl saw: a long hill going down into darkness, and across it, her timbers creaked a little, a slaves chain rattled, rattled again. waking up, it occurred to me: I was on Earth. I had to smile. we?" "At least have a bath!" she said. the trees was never twice the same. People in Thwil told him it was best not to go too far, since old weavers' quarter. They grew flax on Pody, and there were stone retting houses, now mostly in the west, or Osskil in the north, but they did send explorers out all over the Inmost Sea and. His old master was sitting in the grass near the pond, eating an apple. Bits of eggshell flecked. He treasured her rustic sayings of that kind. Sometimes she frightened him, and he resented it. His dreams of her were never of her yielding to him, but of himself yielding to a fierce, destroying sweetness, sinking into an annihilating embrace, dreams in which she was something beyond comprehension and he was nothing at all. He woke from those dreams shaken and shamed. In daylight, when he saw her big, dirty hands, when she talked like a yokel, a simpleton, he regained his superiority. He only wished there were someone to repeat her sayings to, one of his old friends in the Great Port who would find them amusing. "I have the cheese money," he repeated to himself, riding back to Westpool, and laughed. "I do indeed," he said aloud. The black mare nicked her ear. aboard her. My hands wouldn't do it. So I did what I could. I made her go her own way. Not his. "Then. When we quarreled. I said it all wrong. I thought..." A long pause. "I thought I could go. leaves behind when he asks questions. Listen, can you work with the wind at all?" boy. He had a sweet singing voice, a true ear, and a love of music, so that his mother, Tuly, and face twitched, her teeth chattered. He held her close against him, trying to warm her. suddenly the lion tore his rough shag from my hands, turned his enormous head toward her, and the witch "the wisewoman," but a witch was a witch and her daughter was no fit companion for. "Have you ever kept goats?" Dulse asked, in the same soft, polite voice. freedom is a thing we study. You came here through the walls of our prison. Seeking freedom, you and fifty years after Maharion's death. Perceiving the Hand as a threat to their hegemony, the. made and put against the front wall of the house. He looked upstream at her, crouching motionless. "Stop destroying your head," Rose told him. have no other language. It was then that village sorcery, and above all women's witchery, came into the ill repute that. writers. . . Lem has accomplished the difficult illusion of showing us a future world which may. out inquiries, in the ways we have of doing so, but nothing and nobody replied. So we set off. "To reach out the Hand to Enlad and Ea. I've never gone there. We know nothing about their wizardries. Enlad of the Kings, and bright Ea, eldest of isles! Surely we'll find allies there". and when his son was born, the mother said, "We could call him Chestnut, or Oak, maybe?" But the. "Why so, Tern?". Quite early on, impatient with wooing her massive physical indifference, he had worked up a charm, a sorcerer's seduction-spell of which he was contemptuous even as he made it, though he knew it was effective. He cast it on her while she was, characteristically, mending a cow's halter. The result had not been the melting eagerness it had produced in girls he had used it on in Havnor and Thwil. Dragonfly had gradually become silent and sullen. She ceased asking her endless questions about Roke and did not answer when he spoke. When he very tentatively approached her, taking her hand, she struck him away with a blow to the head that left him dizzy. He saw her stand up and stride out of the stableyard without a word, the ugly hound she favoured trotting after her. It looked back at him with a grin. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (65 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. a collateral line of the House of Enlad, inheriting the throne from a cousin; his forebears were. Although Otter had not thought the words, Anieb spoke with his voice, the same weak, dull voice: and looked very much a man, though a very young one. along beside the wall, very thin, insubstantial, bone, shadow. But she was not the dying woman in them. Maybe a child the parents are grieving for. In the witch's hut, in the darkness, they hear. Morred and Elfarran married, and the poem describes their reign as a brief golden age, the. The witch still said nothing. They walked along in the darkness side by side. At last, in a. "I won't be so bold as to ask for a kiss," said Medra, "but an open hand, maybe?". 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 for a long time, and said, "She gave me her power." Gelluk stopped and said nothing for some time, thinking, his face excited. Otter glimpsed the images in his mind: great fires blazing, burning sticks with hands and feet, burning lumps that screamed as green wood screams in the fire. from delicate veins, like the luminescence of a single giant trembling leaf. Doors opened in

all. Dragonfly found the village witch taking maggots out of an infected cut on a sheep's rump. The witch's use-name was Rose, like a great many women of Way and other islands of the Hardic Archipelago. People who have a secret name that holds their power the way a diamond holds light may well like their public name to be ordinary, common, like other people's names..important..desire..Havnor, they say. There they say the women of the Hand have kept the old arts. And they teach.intermarrying with various noble houses of the Archipelago, the royal house embraced five.them, I have the courage, if you do!".Medra."I asked you not to," he said, "and it's not my need I spoke of. I talk enough for two. Never mind. You'll know what to say when the time comes. That's the art, eh? What to say, and when to say it. And the rest is silence."..who shall know surely?.In the rage of his agony the Enemy raised up a great wave and sent it speeding to overwhelm the island of Solea. Elfarran knew this, as she knew the moment of Morred's death. She bade her people take to their boats; then, the poem says, "She took her small harp in her hands," and in the hour of waiting for the destroying wave that only Morred might have stilled, she made the song called The Lament for the White Enchanter. The island was drowned beneath the sea, and Elfarran with it. But her boat-cradle of willow wood, floating free, bore their child Serriadh to safety, wearing Morred's pledge, the ring that bore the Rune of Peace..When he was on Orrimy, Medra had learned to read the common writing of the Archipelago. Later,.Three things were that will not be: Solea's bright isle above the wave, A dragon swimming in the.marsh, in the cold, for days on end, and wore himself out.".Otter avoided them. Where they were was plain enough: the dusty pathways bent to miss them..gave the wizard immediate and ultimate power over him. Now he had no hope of resisting Gelluk in..There were only dragons, to begin with. They found the tooth on Mount Onn, in Havnor, at the."No," she said, "only me... But there's a great deal of seeking and finding to be done in the Grove. Enough to keep even you from being restless. Why north?".went on wandering about with itinerant musicians, ballad-singers and such, learning all their."Only the Master can open the door. Only the King has the key."..slightest sound reached me, apart from the sharp hiss that announced the passage, in the street, of.as ever..".Ach, it's a witch's den," Crow said, at the whiff of herbs and aromatic smoke, and he stepped..slowly, and went into his house..fell, because his left hip gave way with a pain that made him cry out aloud. After a while he..Time passed as always in the Grove, not passing at all it seemed, yet gone, the day gone quietly by in a few long breaths, a quivering of leaves, a bird singing far off and another answering it from even farther. Irian stood up slowly. She did not speak, but looked down the path, and then walked down it. The four men followed her..leaves say is change, change... Everything will change but them." He looked up into the trees."Tell me your name," she said, and he said, "Teriel,".there; a half-month to go, another to return; he would be back well before the Fallows at the..A globe of misty, greenish fire drifted swiftly down the corridor at eye level, apparently pursuing the young man. The Doorkeeper waved his hand at it, and it avoided him. Irian swerved and ducked down frantically, but felt the cool fire tingle in her hair as it passed over her. The Doorkeeper looked round, and now his smile was wider. Though he said nothing, she felt he was aware of her, concerned for her. She stood up and followed him..business and diplomacy. But Kargish priests never learn writing; and many Kargs still write every."So where is it?" Hound said..When it came to teaching what he knew, he was tireless, generous, and exacting. For the first.the Kargish king wear Morred's ring," the Queen Mother said. So, bringing it as the most generous..his grey cloak, carrying his tall staff of bone-white wood, about which a faint gleam of werelight..Curious manners, I thought. But, then, if that's what's done. . .the Masters and their toadies. And if somehow it . . .succeeded, if he could actually get a woman..That had always been his word for evil doings, spells for gain, curses, black magic: "sticky..many times. The cold and sluggish mind that had been born in him that morning down in the shallows.As he left the battlefield it began to rain, and he saw his enemy's true name written in raindrops..vanished in a silent blackness that rose slowly higher. The master looked at that. "Witchwind, you..He had half-consciously dreaded that Diamond would triumph over him, asserting his power right away -- that mysterious, dangerous, incalculable power against which Golden's wealth and mastery and dignity shrank to impotence..".Oh," she said with a full mouth, "I didn't know how hungry I was!". "I was single. They picked unmarried ones. That is -- volunteers.".He said nothing. She squatted down to find out what was in the basket. "Peaches!" she said, and..A child ran bawling to its mammy. No one else was about. But Early turned his head, still with..Priestkings, In the year 840 of the Archipelagan count, one of the two Priest-kings poisoned the..But something else was occupying me. I sat half supine, my legs stretched out..The coppers weren't decently in a bag, even. Irioth had to hold out his hand, and the cattleman laid out six copper pennies in it, one by one. "Now then! That's fair and square!" he said, expansive. "And maybe you'll be looking at my yearlings over in the Long Pond pastures, in the next day or so."..will that hurried his steps..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..".Ride back," he said. "Leave me here. There's enough food for one man for three or four days more..that had come down from the Great Mage Ennas of Perregal. They were all word of mouth. They were..looked up at her face. No thought was clear in her mind, but words repeated themselves: I could go."Well, why can't you do it all? The magic and the music, anyhow? You can always hire a bookkeeper."..".Your leaves and shadows tell you nothing?"., greens, fruit, smoked mutton - and went with him every afternoon into the grove of high trees..,was fond of children and animals. He liked all beautiful things. It was pleasant to have a young..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.. "How can you cure when you're sick?" she said.. Where he stood it was not wholly dark. The air moved against his face. Far ahead, dim, small, there was a light that was not werelight. He went forward. He had been crawling for a long time now, dragging the right leg, which would not bear his weight. He went forward. He smelled the wind of evening and saw the sky of evening through the branches and leaves of trees. An arched oak root formed the mouth of the cave, no bigger than a man or a badger needed to crawl through. He crawled through. He lay there under the root of the tree, seeing the light fade and a star or two come out among the leaves..the other sorcerer, even of the six coppers she had found scattered on the bedcover, which he must.still gangs of robbers on the roads. So Ivory left Westpool on the big wagon pulled by four big. "Why?" She was surprised..gazed at the trinkets as if they were treasures. He let them gaze and finger all they would;.She interrupted. "I thought you were from Roke..". "Worms," said the helmsman, the master's brother. "Catch fish anywhere near Roke, you'll find em thick with worms as a dead dog on a dunghill..".the stable boy back into his own shape, they tied up the child again, and gagged his mouth, and..Throughout Earthsea, various springs, caves, hills, stones, and woods were and always had been..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (19 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].but Irioth spoke..A good sign, thunder, Dulse thought. It would stop raining soon. He pulled up his hood and went out into the rain to feed the chickens..which all of them did..The witch emerged with a soapstone drop-spindle and a ball of greasy wool. She sat down on the.."But surely you can't tell?".center of pilgrimage from the earliest recorded times, and the kings of Atuan and later of Hupun..Sorcery was practiced by men-its only real distinction from witchery. Sorcerers trained one..He recognized Hound, though he could not sit up and could barely speak. The old man put his own

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