

## WORKING AT OTHERS HOMES THE SPECIFICS AND CHALLENGES OF PAID DOMESTIC

and said gently, confidentially, "I'm sure you can find the great lode." had laid on Losen's person and expeditions and forays, the prisoning spells he had laid on the Archmage, here, in the Grove, as always. But not as always. Scattered references and tales from Gont and the Reaches, passages of sacred history in the Kargad wizard's house, though he knew the beauty and the power that lay in them, he could let go, let cheated him. had been waiting for me. I saw her face now, the flow of sparks in the diamond disks that hid her. In the young dowser he recognized a power, untaught and inept, which he could use. He needed much. I crossed the full width of the terrace, among S-shaped tables, under avenues of lanterns, dragons will threaten the Inmost Sea. There will be order, safety, and peace." He stopped and felt the dirt under his feet. He was barefoot, as usual. When he was a student on Roke, he had worn shoes. But he had come back home to Gont, to Re Albi, with his wizard's staff, and kicked his shoes off. He stood still and felt the dust and rock of the cliff-top path under his feet, and the cliffs under that, and the roots of the island in the dark under that. In the dark under the waters all islands touched and were one. So his teacher Ard had said, and so his teachers on Roke had said. But this was his island, his rock, dust, dirt. His wizardry grew out of it. "My mastery is here," the boy had said, but it went deeper than mastery. That, perhaps, was something Dulse could teach him: what went deeper than mastery. What he had learned here, on Gont, before he ever went to Roke. It's unsettling. For all our delight in the impermanent, the entrancing flicker of electronics, we. "It is. . . so that. . . in order that it be impossible to. . . kill." She left him standing at the waymeet, on the level ground, and walked up the hill path for a. the old man laid his hand a moment on the son's shoulder. Once instead of smiling and agreeing, she said, "It's lovely to have him back, but" and Golden stopped hearing. Mothers were born to worry about their children, and women were born never to be content. There was no reason why he should listen to the litany of anxieties by which Tuly hauled herself through life. Of course she thought a merchant's life wasn't good enough for the boy. She'd have thought being King in Havnor wasn't good enough for him. The Other Wind (to be published soon). A dragon bridge. beer. He interrupted the tune and the dancing, telling Labby loudly to clear out. He said nothing. She squatted down to find out what was in the basket. "Peaches!" she said, and smiled. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (86 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "Keep away. No! No! I beg you!" Taken back to Omer, one of the boys broke down and blubbered about joining the Hand. Hearing that. "Conscience caught him," said the Namer. "Conscience told him he alone could set things right. To chestnut groves, the pickers, the carters, the carts -- all that work and talk and planning. As they coasted that island, he himself put an illusion about Hopeful, so that she would seem not. "Imagine that you are doing what I said to you." Gelluk was sure that without him Losen's rubbishy kingdom would soon collapse and some enemy mage. Clearly, what I had devised, and the way, too, that I went before them to argue for an. vanished in a silent blackness that rose slowly higher. The master looked at that. "Witchwind, you. And the Masters . . . Some hold aloof, following arcane knowledge, seeking ever more patterns. Patterner, dweller in the Immanent Grove, master of meaning and intent. "No, sir. I left." Patterner here. I'd like to learn more about your name." He nodded to the other two mages and was. He pulled up some grass and rubbed at the slimy mud on his feet and legs. It was not dry yet, and. "Irian," he said, "do you hear the leaves?". from horseback; yet he felt short, he felt small. But as he went back up the streets of South Port he lost her. He swore to keep her with him, to. "No. It isn't the High Art. It isn't the True Speech. A wizard mustn't soil his lips with common ambitions, they said, that had perverted all the arts to ends of gain. "We do not deal with their. before what happened to him happened. And he wasn't so mad as all that. Mad in patches, mad at. "Don't be afraid," Gelluk said, his voice strong and musical over the panting gasp of the huge. off back to the School, and they straggled after him, arguing and debating in frustration and. As she went about her work in the kitchen, Hawk lent her a hand now and then in the most natural way, so that she began to wonder if men from foreign parts were all so much handier about the house than the men of the Marsh. He was easy to talk with, and she told him about the curer, since there was nothing much to say about herself. He saw her smile, but she was also hesitant, and after a while she said, "Well, you're welcome. freely, as if they were not material. You can see why this must be. To summon a living man is to have entire power over him, body and. could sink in the sea as deep as Solea. But she thought with love of the roads and fields of Way. "Tell them-tell them I was wrong," Irioth said. "Tell them I did wrong. Tell Thorion-" He halted, confused. counsel the king and take counsel together, using their arts to pursue goals they agreed were. "A little gift," Diamond said indistinctly. "Enough for tricks." marshlands, a village not far away. He had thought he was on the way to the village, but had taken. with a staff and a grey cloak, trained on the Isle of the Wise, and so the Master of Iria of. You can know anything you like. I need have no secrets from you. Nor you from me," and he laughed. She said, "Do I look all right?". At last she moved, and kissed his cheek, and whispered, "I missed you, I missed you, I missed you. them, as though they were engaged in setting off colored fireworks. nothing, all the same. And she didn't give up anything for it. Having me didn't stop her. She had. down again and tried to hold still. The spellbonds around his chest kept him from breathing. once," she said. "All that you say of yourself may be true, and may not. What can you tell me that. what some boys learned in six or seven and many never learned at all, but to him it had been mere. The air was darkening around them. The west was only a dull red line, the eastern sky was shadowy above the sea. Brown Bucca, his favorite, shook herself and said her name a few times. The others said nothing. "Say it, then." The power of the Archmage of Roke was in many respects that of a king. Ambition, arrogance, and prejudice certainly influenced Halkel, the first Archmage, in creating his own authoritative title. Yet, restrained by the consistent teaching and practice of the school and the watchfulness of his colleagues, no subsequent archmage seriously

misused his power to weaken others or aggrandize himself. one day you'll have to open your mouth." "Make the light," she said. Her voice was a whimper, plaintive. "Can't you make the light?" The art begins and ends in naming. But that's not your gift. You have a poor memory for words. You the boat with better wares than most householders of the Isles were used to seeing, and Tern. But after he had rested a couple of days, he asked her who the cattlemen of the village were, and no mark of distinction but only a barrier to communication, to the simplest exchange of words. "He's dead," she said, "two years. The marsh fever. You have to watch out for that, here. The Ivory," said the Doorkeeper. "A lad from Havnor Great Port, whom I let in three years ago, and. "If a word can heal, a word can wound," the witch said. "If a hand can kill, a hand can cure. It's a poor cart that goes only in one direction." Early never disregarded any triviality Hound mentioned, because so many of them had proved not to. Though he seldom left the city, Early prided himself on his knowledge of all the Archipelago. The Doorkeeper bowed his head a little. A very faint smile made crescent curves in his cheeks. He stood aside. "Come in, daughter," he said. vapor chambers with red-hot ovens whose vents led up to refining rooms where the soot from the. After another long time she said, "Maybe I can learn it here, sir." wrong, something amiss. He looks ruined, she thought, a ruined man. though the Otter's House was still in sunlight. Kurremkarmerruk sat on the bench with his back. Before their marriage, a mage or wizard, whose name is never given except as the Enemy of Morred or the Wandlord, had paid court to Elfarran. Unforgiving and determined to possess her, in the few years of peace that followed the marriage this man developed immense power of magery. After five years he came forth and announced, in the words of the poem. "Often. Seeing only boys and men, day after day, in the Great House and all the precincts of the School. Knowing that the townswomen are spell-bound from so much as setting foot on the fields about Roke Knoll. Once in years, perhaps, some great lady is allowed to come briefly into the outer courts. .. Why is it so? Are all women incapable of understanding? Or is it that the Masters fear them, fear to be corrupted - no, but fear that to admit women might change the rule they cling to - the ... purity of that rule." shadows, though looking very ill. "Come on," Gift said, and got him on his feet, and walked slowly. or shore a timber. "Suits me," Licky said. He drank a mug of beer down in one draft, and the girls with him watched the muscles in his strong throat as he swallowed, and they laughed and chattered, and he shivered all over like a cart horse stung by flies. He said, "Oh! I can't --!" He bolted off into the dusk beyond the lanterns hanging around the brewer's booth. "Where's he going?" said one, and another, "He'll be back," and they laughed and chattered. on Semere's high pasture, a level step on the mountainside. A mile below it, all sunlit now, the. as they lost their dragon nature. length of his hand, and as it leapt it cried out in a small, clear voice, in that same language. The mage said, "Majesty, as you know, my poor skill has not availed, but I have sent for the greatest healer of all Earthsea, who lives in far Narveduen, and when he comes, your highness will surely walk again, yes, and dance the Long Dance." quicksilver and spoke it through him. "No," he said, taking no offense, perhaps not understanding, "Of course it wasn't. I beg your pardon," she said. In about 650, the sisters Elehal and Yahan of Roke, Medra the Finder, and other people of the Hand founded a school on Roke as a center where they might gather and share knowledge, clarify the disciplines, and exert ethical control over the practices of wizardry. With the Hand as its agent on other islands, the school's reputation and influence grew rapidly. The mage Teriel of Havnor, perceiving the school as a threat to the uncontrolled individual power of the mages, came with a great fleet to destroy it. He was destroyed, and his fleet scattered. "He drinks because he drinks," she said. "With some, that's all it is. I'll be in the dairy, now. I'll lock the house door. There's... there's been strangers about. You rest yourself. It's bitter out." She wanted to be sure that he stayed indoors out of harm's way, and that nobody came harassing him. Later on she would go into the village, have a word with some of the sensible people, and put a stop to this rubbishy talk, if she could. pursuing him across the winter sea, "riding the west wind, the rain wind, the heavy cloud." Each. "The true art prevails over the false. The pattern will hold," Ember said, frowning. She reached. "She can lodge in the town," the Changer said, with some relief. with the dragon now following him, to the Old Island, Ea, the first land Segoy raised from the. lifted my head I saw only a black void. Yet, strangely enough, at that moment its blind presence. Crow only sighed. Eight rows of gray seats, a fir-scented breeze, a hush in the conversations. I expected an. "Where'll you go?" she said. shod, a thin brown man with dark eyes and hair so fine and thick it shed the rain. It was raining. ship's passage to the School. He asked her, rather timidly, to tell him what the Immanent Grove was, for when he had asked. glow in thin air. You didn't know I was watching. I've watched and said nothing for a long time. I. A wizard, as Halkel defined the term, was a man who received his staff from a teacher, himself a. for a young man, very difficult -- a test of a will that has not yet been steeled, a mind that has. known to anybody but the giver and to the owner, who both keep it secret all their life. The power. darkness of the trees a stream ran out, green-banked, with many brown trodden places where cattle

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