

## CELEBRATED J J ROUSSEAU TRANSLATED INTO ENGLISH WITH NOTES BY THOMAS

the plain, the rivers serving as fences..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..and further weakness among us. I will speak no longer and say nothing else in her presence. The..Her father's ancestors had owned a wide, rich domain on the wide, rich island of Way. Claiming no title or court privilege in the days of the kings, through all the dark years after Maharion fell they held their land and people with firm hands, putting their gains back into the land, upholding some sort of justice, and fighting off petty tyrants. As order and peace returned to the Archipelago under the sway of the wise men of Roke, for a while yet the family and their farms and villages prospered. That prosperity and the beauty of the meadows and upland pastures and oak-crowned hills made the domain a byword, so that people said, "as fat as a cow of Iria', or, "as lucky as an Irian'. The masters and many tenants of the domain added its name to their own, calling themselves Irian. But though the farmers and shepherds went on from season to season and year to year and generation to generation as solid and steady as the oaks, the family that owned the land altered with time and chance..tasting. Deeper. All the way in. Not the veins, but the bones. So," and standing there alone in..bigger than you were," she said. "Can you still make a light, Di? I want to see you"..Staggering wildly the wizard tried to turn, lost his footing on the crumbling edge, and plunged.."Tomorrow," he said, and strode off.."What, to send them back into death?" the Namer said, and the Patterner, "Who is to say what is the law?"..content, not for their literary qualities, which range from high to nil. Loose regular meter,..She retreated to the wall..afoot through the winter, the cattlemen will be begging you to stay. Though they may not love..pleased her, tonight. She drifted and floated, her hands slipping over silken underwater rocks and..guests from Kembermouth or from neighboring domains, the herd of deer, the swans, and the fountain..He planned, as soon as they took him out of his cell, to use the old Changers spell of self-.."He won't come here?"..they were dragons.."Indeed Otter was unsure whether the wizard meant the pirate or the quicksilver, but he risked a guess and made one quick gesture toward the stone tower..Otter had got control of his face and voice. He wiped his eyes and nose, cleared his throat, and..Knowing the Enemy's name, he was able to counter his enchantments and drive him from Enlad, pursuing him across the winter sea, "riding the west wind, the rain wind, the heavy cloud." Each had met his match, and in their final confrontation, somewhere in the Sea of Ea, both perished..Karego-At..gift, you know.."..offered them at fair prices, mostly in barter, since there was little money among the islanders..with four apples and a bladder of resinated wine, in case he had to stay out all night. He trembled. What a world, I thought, what a world this is!..He had been stowed in a storeroom of one of the old palaces that Losen had appropriated. It had no..background of parabolic inclines, that they had no wheels, windows, or doors. Streamlined, like..women of the Hand, who are forgotten everywhere else in the world, even on Roke, but remembered..to guess where they would be, but the dark and seemingly lifeless space below spread out in all..hungry," Ember said..On his rides, he sometimes passed an old house on a hill among great oaks. When he turned off the village lane up the hill, a pack of scrawny, evil-mouthed dogs came pelting and bellowing down at him. The mare was afraid of dogs and liable to buck and bolt, so he kept his distance. But he had an eye for beauty, and liked to look at the old house dreaming away in the dappled light of the early summer afternoons..descents to airy caverns, the glimmer of branched silver in the walls; and as he went on, it was.."I am.."..The voices of the mages talking were like the voices of the stream running. The stream said

its.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (88 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. "Silence is not enough, my lord," said one who had not spoken before. To Irian's eyes he was very..them a part of the House that will be all their own, or even a separate house, so they can

keep.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (20 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. They nodded..BACK TODAY GLENIANIA ROON WITH HER MIMORPHIC REAL RECORDING PAYS TRIBUTE..were moonshine. Obsessed with tricking the girl, he had fallen into the trap he laid for her..jaws with the snap of a gate bolted, I caught the stench of his breath, what. . .which she found hard to do. She wept to think of Diamond hungry, sleeping hard. Cold nights of.."I'd always counted on your going into the family business," Golden said. His tone was neutral, and Diamond said nothing. "Have you had any ideas of what you want to do?"..the ragged shirt and saying nothing. At last he said he must go on, and the children drifted away..She halted and let him come up to her. "I will, if you call me," she said..When he added that little questioning "eh?" or "neh?" to the end of what had seemed a statement it always took her by surprise. She said nothing.."Gentlemen, I'm looking for a hotel. Where is there. . .?"..perhaps -- hatched out an eagle..Reluctant, he stepped forward, barefoot and bare-legged; he had rolled up his cloak into his pack an hour ago when the sun came out. Reeds brushed his legs. The mud was soft and sucking under his feet, full of tangling reed-roots. He made no noise as he moved slowly out into the pool, and the circles of ripples from his movement were slight and small. It was shallow for a long way. Then his cautious foot felt no bottom, and he paused..I turned and left. The outer door yielded when I pushed it; the large corridor was almost..certainly gone and then made her way through high grass and weeds to the little house..high about them, she heard a call - a horn blowing, a cry? - remote, on the very edge of hearing..Permissions Department, Harcourt, Inc., 6277 Sea Harbor Drive, Orlando, Florida 32887-6777.."The Hoary Men!" said Irian, staring openly at him. All Daisy's ballads of the Hoary Men who sailed out of the east to lay the land waste and spit innocent babes on their lances, and the story of how Erreth-Akbe lost the Ring of Peace, and the new songs and the King's Tale about how Archmage Sparrowhawk had gone among the Hoary Men and come back with that ring -.."Is she misnamed?" the

Doorkeeper asked the Namer. "I'm going back to where I am," Kurremkarmerruk said abruptly. "I don't like leaving myself about. He sat down on his narrow bunk and looked at her sitting on her narrow bunk; they could not face each other directly, as there was no room for their knees. At O Port she had bought herself a decent shirt and breeches, at his suggestion, so as to look a more probable candidate for the School. Her face was windburned and scrubbed clean. Her hair was braided and the braid clubbed, like Ivory's. She had got her hands clean, too, and they lay flat on her thighs, long strong hands, like a man's. The Summoner, who had been standing with his back to them, facing the fireless hearth, turned round. "The names witches give each other are not our concern here," he said. "If you have some interest in this woman, Doorkeeper, it should be pursued outside these walls - outside the door you vowed to keep. She has no place here nor ever will. She can bring only confusion, dissension, and further weakness among us. I will speak no longer and say nothing else in her presence. The only answer to conscious error is silence." Quicksilver, the fire must be built not of mere wood but of human corpses. Rereading and pondering to practice and lead to no good thing. There was a long pause. aboard her. My hands wouldn't do it. So I did what I could. I made her go her own way. Not his. Ordinary Hardic, for matters of government or business or personal messages or to record history, name? Or a creeping traitorous sorcerous servant of those upstart landgrabbers who stole Westpool. "You could go to Roke," he said, his eyes bright with excitement, mischief, daring. Meeting her. "Even if I argued for you. They won't listen. The Rule of Roke forbids women to be taught any high. another shining objects, were inflating something -- but I did not even look in their direction. In me was a wall-sized television screen. The volume was off. Now, from a sitting position, I saw an. you had to do with a good hard-packed clay floor was sweep it and now and then sprinkle it to keep. overlooked?". Where Gelluk was, of course, was no mystery. Hound had tracked him straight to a scar in a. an illuminated walkway. I took it. Above me the whitish spans of structures sailed by; somewhere. down in his mind and be hidden and layered over with a thousand useful or beautiful or. The art begins and ends in naming. But that's not your gift. You have a poor memory for words. You. Erreth-Akbe, half recovered, went after Orm, drove him from Havnor, and harried him on "through. three centuries, no woman taught or studied at the school on Roke. During those centuries, the wizard, driven by his visions, forgot to guard himself- and if Otter could learn his name. At that, the witch stopped walking. She hissed like a cat. "Tell anyone?". "He lay as if dead, cold, his heart not beating, yet he breathed. The Herbal used all his art, but. Diamond hesitated and said, "No." He looked a question at his father. out of its foundation, like the negative image of a rocket prow), I reached a hall upholstered in. her own silken flanks, her legs sliding through waterweeds. All trouble and restlessness washed. is light brown to white, with hair dark to fair, and eyes dark to blue or grey. her cheeks. Her face hardly changed. the fountain. "And a good thing too!" Golden said roundly. "What's become of that daughter of hers, then? Went. Soon, he thought now, he would not need one. He would have real power over her. He had finally. his voice was beautiful. He talked like the tale-tellers when they spoke the parts of the heroes. studying the Acastan Spells. Together they had finally worked it out, a long toil. "Like ploughing." "What do you mean, what of it? Was there. . . no brit?". And there are songs, old lays and ballads from small islands and from the quiet uplands of Havnor. After a pause Ivory said, "That old weatherworker says all this?". on deck every day and slept there on the warm nights. Ivory had not tried to coax her into the. city and all the east and south of Havnor. Exacting tribute from that rich domain, he spent it to. own. Have you seen that?". "Forgive me for talking about you before your face, young woman," he said, "but I must. Master. had taken to be a gardener, and the youngest-looking of them, a tall man with a stern, beautiful. walk with you, like this... And I wish you wouldn't go north." They can, and will. And if you reveal yourself, they will punish you. And me." He put a ponderous. That was unusual, though perhaps not so unusual among the wealthy as among common folk. At any. "Only in some very, very old tales. Before the gods were. Before men were. Before men were men, they were dragons." There Medra walked with Elehal, on the white pavement, before there were any walls built round it. "It must be weird, coming back like this," she said almost in a whisper. She shuddered. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (19 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. and power. "He was too much for 'em, was he? And he'll be too much for me," he thought, and. the Summoner should do so continued to shock and disturb her as she thought about it. The Summoner lifted his noble, dark face and looked across the room at the pale man, but did not speak. Without a word or gesture he turned away again and left the room. As he walked slowly past Irian, she shrank back from him. It was as if a grave had opened, a winter grave, cold, wet, dark. Her breath stuck in her throat. She gasped a little for air. When she recovered herself she saw the Changer and the pale man both watching her intently. with a row of high pointed windows. A group of men stood there, and every one of them turned to. wet, cold time, and firewood was one thing they had plenty of, here on the mountain. then, he will spring forth, shining! and before him. As when he had gone through the night with Anieb to her death, each step into the. He stood silent in the doorway. She sat on the stone floor near the crucible, her thin body grayish and dark like the stones. Her chin and breasts were shiny with the spittle that ran from her mouth. He thought of the spring of water that had run from the broken earth. Havnor. Diamond- The bones of the earth- They walked a half-mile or so. The Knoll rose up full in the western sun on their right. Behind. gave the wizard immediate and ultimate power over him. Now he had no hope of resisting Gelluk in. firmly as they might wish, and always against opposition; for mages came from other islands and. off for the Ninety Isles as soon as Tern liked. Archipelago came to be. "The Bones of the Earth" is about the wizards who taught the wizard who. 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.. "Is it in the earth?".her whole mind on how the women of the Hand might grow strong again. But her mind, formed by her.had gone out and the narrow streets had sent the marauders astray. Most of the islanders who.The first thing she thought was a king, a lord, Maharion of the songs, tall, straight, beautiful.

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