

THE BENEFITS WHICH SOCIETY DERIVES FROM UNIVERSITIES

In all his flood of talk the only word Gelluk had spoken in the Old Tongue, the language of which wizards' spells were made, was the word tures. He had said it meant semen. Otter's own gift of magery had recognized that meaning as the true one. Gelluk had said the word also meant quicksilver, and Otter knew he was wrong..find the center. That's the question to ask. That's what to do..." As he muttered on to himself,.Making. "Come along, then, Ulla," he said, and the heifer came a step or two towards him, towards."They put something into the blood, I think."."That I'm a fool."..better, perhaps, had people ceased to do it. . . without artificial means."..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..by Halkel (finding, mending, dowsing, animal healing, etc.) and some high arts (human healing,.because they all needed what warmth there was to be got from the fire, but they did not want him.School, and Halkel discouraged wizards from teaching women anything at all. He specifically.bigger than you were," she said. "Can you still make a light, Di? I want to see you."..Translated by Barbara Marszal and Frank Simpson.might be used by enemy wizards against him; and also to inspect his warships. A ship is a fragile."Do you trust me, Dragonfly?"."I am hungry now," said the mage. He took a hardboiled egg from the basket, cracked, shelled, and.No wind stirred. The air was soft, the big sail hung slack. Only the western stars faded and.liquid. She leaned still closer. I could smell her breath. If she was drunk, it was not on alcohol..She blushed a little..the men of greed. What good can any art be used that way? It's wasted. It goes wrong, or it's.After a while the Patterner said, "That art, summoning, you know, is very . . . terrible. It is ... always danger. Here," and he looked up into the green-gold darkness of the trees, "here is no summoning. No bringing back across the wall. No wall."..faded and then darkened into grey as clouds swept again across the mountain and hid the rising.Patterner put it, "bigger inside than outside'. She sat down in a patch of sun-dappled shade and.Still it rankled him that Diamond had let him down flat, without a word of thanks or apology. So.Otak says the same back. And they lose their tempers, and they did some black spells, maybe. I.had gone out and the narrow streets had sent the marauders astray. Most of the islanders who.voice, but not a beggar's accent.. "It isn't the same kind of thing."..She had no wish to explore for herself. The peacefulness of the place called for stillness,.Grove, he told her that, with Roke Knoll, it had stood since Segoy made the islands of the world,.anger that made his heart pound. Striding along-he could stride, then-with the seawind pushing at.the flare and dazzle of the flames. "Evil spirits that work for the King become clean," he said,.eagerly imparted, had nothing to do with his power or with any true power. Mining and refining."And a good thing too!" Golden said roundly. "What's become of that daughter of hers, then? Went off with a juggler, I heard?"..file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (107 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:32 AM].professional singers. New works of any general interest are soon written down as broadsheets or.still very sore..for the common origin of dragons and humans is the archaic Hardic word in it that is commonly.who shall know surely?.as if his body became the body of earth, and he knew its arteries and organs and muscles as his."You have?".The Master of Iria of Westpool, Birch, didn't own the old house, but he did own the central and richest lands of the old domain. His father, more interested in vines and orchards than in quarrels with his relatives, had left Birch a thriving property. Birch hired men to manage the farms and wineries and cooperage and cartage and all, while he enjoyed his wealth. He married the timid daughter of the younger brother of the Lord of Wayfirth, and took infinite pleasure in thinking that his daughters were of noble blood.. "I thought it would be a spell of Change," she said..swallowed them. Nobody in Woodedge said a word about the stranger hidden in Mead's apple loft.. "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."..wouldn't it be set down on the charts?.while I work with the beasts."..The danger in trying to do good is that the mind comes to confuse the intent of goodness with the.Rush glanced from one to the other with her keen, bright eyes. "Not only a handy man," she said,.Healer."..Hound was sorry for him. "You know, if it was Gelluk questioning you, he'd have everything you."Where?" he whispered, and then said the word aloud in the language all things understand that have no other language..When he got up at last, he wondered how old he was, and looked at his hands and arms to see if he was seventy. He still looked forty, though he felt seventy and moved like it, wincing. He got his clothes on, foul as they were from days and days of travel. There was a pair of shoes under the chair, worn but good, strong shoes, and a pair of knit wool stockings to go with them. He put the stockings on his battered feet and limped into the kitchen. Emer stood at the big sink, straining something heavy in a cloth..man, distrustful of visions until they could be made acts; and she, though a dutiful, loving wife.All the way down the spinning, reeking stone stairs he talked, and Otter tried to understand.. "That I am killing? I'm supposed to picture that?"..his true name, by which he is remembered in islands far from Havnor..The girl motioned them to come in. Crow chose to wait outside. The room was high and long, with traces of former elegance, but very old and very poor. Healers' paraphernalia and drying herbs were everywhere, though ranged in some order. Near the fine stone fireplace, where a tiny wisp of sweet herbs burned, was a bedstead. The woman in it was so wasted that in the dim light she seemed nothing but bone and shadow. As Tern came close she tried to sit up and to speak. Her daughter raised her head on the pillow, and when Tern was very near he could hear her: "Wizard," she said. "Not by chance."..there. A real is artificial, but one can't tell the difference. Unless, I suppose, one got in there..say there's been snow."..brass the wide, vaned wings opened and the dragon sprang up into the air, circled Roke Knoll once,.misunderstood and nearly flattened itself out like a bed. I jumped up. This was idiotic! More.naked in the chill of the rain. All her will was aimed on walking forward; she had nothing else in.The rain had ceased, though mist still hid the peak and shreds of cloud drifted through the high

forests. Dulse was not a tireless walker like Silence, who would have spent his life wandering in the forests of Gont Mountain if he could; but he had been born in Re Albi and knew the roads and ways around it as part of himself. He took the shortcut at Rissi's well and came out before midday on Semere's high pasture, a level step on the mountainside. A mile below it, all sunlit now, the farm buildings stood in the lee of a hill, across which a flock of sheep moved like a cloud-shadow. Gont Port and its bay were hidden under the steep, knotted hills that stood above the city. He looked up into the darkness. After a while he moved his good hand a little, and the faint light flowed out of it. He listened. The name and office of archmage were invented by Halkel, and the Archmage of Roke was a tenth Master, never counted among the Nine. A vital ethical and intellectual force, the archmage also exerted considerable political power. On the whole this power was used benevolently. Maintaining Roke as a strong centralising, normalising, pacific element in Archipelagan society, the archmages sent out sorcerers and wizards trained to understand the ethical practice of magic and to protect communities from drought, plague, invaders, dragons, and the unscrupulous use of their art. "The Ring of Peace is healed," said the Herbal, in his patient, troubled voice, "the prophecy

is.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (32 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].heard of the isle or seen it on a chart? It might be accursed and deserted as they said, but Erreth-Akbe's gifts in magic became apparent when he was still a boy. He was sent to the court to be trained by the wizards there, and the Queen chose him as a companion for her son..studying the Acastan Spells. Together they had finally worked it out, a long toil. "Like ploughing.wholeness, was a gain for him. He had begun merely by trying to get her into his bed, a game he.outer courts. .. Why is it so? Are all women incapable of understanding? Or is it that the Masters.The one with a voice like a deep-toned bell looked at her too, and spoke to her with a plain, kind severity. "As I see it, the man who brought you here meant to do harm, but you do not. Yet being here, Irian, you do us and yourself harm. Everything not in its own place does harm. A note sung, however well sung, wrecks the tune it isn't part of. Women teach women. Witches learn their craft from other witches and from sorcerers, not from wizards. What we teach here is in a language not for women's tongues. The young heart rebels against such laws, calling them unjust, arbitrary. But they are true laws, founded not on what we want, but on what is. The just and the unjust, the foolish and the wise, all must obey them, or waste life and come to grief."He stood tongue-tied. After a while she looked up at him. "No," she said in a soft, quiet voice, "I don't think it's true. I think all the true powers, all the old powers, at root are one."."What's wrong?" she asked. The gentleness of her deep, husky voice unmanned him, and he hid his face in his hands, fighting against the shame of tears.."She's going there, to the wall, and I can't go with her," she said. "She's going alone and I.For Golden looked on the Art Magic with genuine humility as something quite beyond him -- not a."If you're a dowser, better dowse," said Licky, coming up alongside him and looking sidelong into.on the bank. Sheep in the field between them and the Great House blatted softly. The morning sun."Why should I do that?".centre of the world. And the leaves of the tree are carved so thin that the light shines through.or bar not set off from the street. A few people were sitting there. I wanted to go inside and ask.riddle song of which the last line has to do, maybe, with the man who was Medra, and Otter, and.who had been with him, Hound could not track: could not say whether he was under that hill with."In my judgment, you do," he said..foundation and touchstone of ethic and governance thereafter..dreaded and shunned, magic plays no recognized part in their society. This inability or refusal to.outlandish to him, it was just our past existence that was unusual. Dr. Abs, on the other hand, and.say it. And the rest is silence."..to the palace, just to hear the news, and what do I see? I see old King Pirate standing on his.Anthil had the half of the broken Ring brought by Erreth-Akbe, which had descended to her from.paying copper where he thought he might have to pay ivory." "Are the cattle he touched keeping.over that..round his neck..Tagtar, gradually increased their sway till they proclaimed themselves rulers of Earthsea. Their."She's very sick, Rush," the girl said. She looked again at Tern. "You're not a healer?" It was an accusation..Yet he spoke as a friend. Why? said Otter's look. Hound answered it..powerless.."You came over the mountain?".the wizards. Though they speak the True Speech, they are endlessly devious. Some of them clearly.Otter looked from one to the other. Clearly they had told him their own greatest secret and their hope..It was mere cowardice to keep from Havnor, now-fear for his skin, fear lest he find his people had died, fear lest he recall Anieb too vividly..To which Silence of course had said nothing, letting him hear what he had said and feel its.like Ivory's. She had got her hands clean, too, and they lay flat on her thighs, long strong.soul! But they put men where we put the world. And so they hold that a true wizard must be a man.."Not hiding at all. Went about the city, talking to people. Went to see his mother in Endlane..At first he was overwhelmed with fierce fantasies of power and revenge: he would free the slaves..Changer's great spell he would never use it but to save a life, his own or another's..Not much mixing of the Kargish and Archipelagan skin-color types has taken place except on Osskil,.of place. They were worshiped at the site and at home altars with offerings of flowers, oil, food..slightly, a shiver, a tremble..village lane up the hill, a pack of scrawny, evil-mouthed dogs came pelting and bellowing down at.aloud..full of sleep and bewilderment and pain.."Conscience caught him," said the Namer. "Conscience told him he alone could set things right. To do it, he denied his death. So he denies life."..red ridge of the mountain in the dawn..no desire to travel and meet other kinds of people, or to see the world, saying he could summon."I'm Gift," she said, a bit flustered, but liking the fellow. "All right, then, Master Hawk. Put.famous wizard."..as they said taught her teachers, became the mistress of all healing arts and the science of."Imagine that you are doing what I said to you."..something Dulse could teach him: what went deeper than mastery. What he had learned here, on Gont,they are spoken..died, eh?".the wine merchant there. He was glad to send his wizard along as bodyguard, for the wine was.Otter had been struggling with tears; he hid his face. "Yes," he said, "thanks"..She said, "Beyond the west."..one eye; pills of some kind? No. A vial? It had no cork, no stopper. What was it for? What were.However the Division

came about, from the beginning of historical time human beings have lived in the main Archipelago and the Kargad Lands east of it, while the dragons kept to the westernmost isles-and beyond. People have puzzled at their choosing the empty sea for their domain, since dragons are "creatures of wind and fire," who drown if plunged under the sea. But they have no need to touch down either on water or on earth; they live on the wing, aloft in air, sunlight, starlight. The only use a dragon has for the ground is some kind of rocky place where it can lay its eggs and rear the drakelets. The small, barren islets of the farthest West Reach suffice for this.. "Thank you," he said, opening the gate for the heifer, who went to greet her mother, while he stumbled across the dark houseyard to the door.. "How can you cure when you're sick?" she said.. "Tell us who you are," the white-haired man said, courteously enough, but without greeting or welcome. "Tell us how you came here..". The witch shook her iron-grey head once. "I can't tell you." Her 'can't' did not mean 'won't'. Dragonfly waited. "It's the power, like I said. It comes just so." Rose stopped her spinning and looked up with one eye at a cloud in the west; the other looked a little northward of the sky. "You're there in the water, together, you and the child. You take away the child-name. People may go on using that name for a use-name, but it's not her name, nor ever was. So now she's not a child, and she has no name. So then you wait. You open your mind up, like. Like opening the doors of a house to the wind. So it comes. Your tongue speaks it, the name. Your breath makes it. You give it to that child, the breath, the name. You can't think of it. You let it come to you. It must come through you to her it belongs to. That's the power, the way it works. It's all like that. It's not a thing you do. You have to know how to let it do. That's all the mastery..". "No. I have a little -- it's a . . . bonus, you understand. For all that time. When we left, it. When the city was in order again, and the ships had all come back, and the walls were being rebuilt, Ogion escaped from praise and went up into the hills above Gont Port. He found the queer little valley called Trimmer's Dell, the true name of which in the language of the Making was Yaved, as Ogion's true name was Aihal. He walked about there all one day, as if seeking something. In the evening he lay down on the ground and talked to it. "You should have told me, I could have said goodbye," he said. He wept once, and his tears fell on the dry dirt among the grass-stems and made little spots of mud, little sticky spots.. She stood with the little oil lamp in her hand, and the light of it shone red between her fingers. dominant will-the will of a mage strong enough to hold even strong wizards in his service. There. you!" She sprang up the bank, pulling herself up by the tough bunchgrass, and scrambled to her. 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.. and heavy. "When will we do it?".. it. He went down to the stream in which he had been named. He drank, washed his hands and face.. little, small spell, to send the rain on round the mountain. His bones ached. They ached for the

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