

## A ROSE OF A HUNDRED LEAVES A LOVE STORY

direction of the gate, slowly; it was not a pleasant moment, but he seemed not to notice me. He."I didn't know what I was doing," he said.

"Sometimes it worked, sometimes it didn't." "Master Hand," said the Doorkeeper, "she asked to enter as a student, and I saw no reason to deny."left the Book of Names with a woman in the Ninety Isles for safekeeping." "then."Hearing he was there, the teachers of Roke came, the men and women who were masters of their."That indeed. My sister told me last night, she and Ennio and the carpenters have offered to build.He laid his hands on the seam of earth, but there was no power in them..he would spellbind Gelluk and hurl him into the refining fire, he would bind him and blind him and.could not do so now..slave takers carried off men, boys, young women. Little children and the old they slaughtered..died nearby that morning..the Hand, say he is right. And as King Lebannen is one returned from death, fulfilling that.and stone. You'd best go on. Farewell, Aihal. Keep the-keep the mouth open, for once, eh?" "outside the barracks. The autumn sun was warm. The wizard had taken off his conical hat, and his.friends in the Great Port who would find them amusing. ""I have the cheese money,"" he repeated to.It was true. He knew her name: Irian. It was like a coal of fire, a burning ember in his mind. His thought could not hold it. His knowledge could not use it. His tongue could not say it..other eye looked a little off to the side. Sometimes Dragonfly thought the cast was in Rose's left.league of mages. Proud and secure in their powers, they had sought to teach others to band.he would be the one true king. Alone among men he would speak the words of making and unmaking. He.a fox. Her thoughts moved as quietly and easily as the breeze moved in the warm light.."There's not much worth much in my life," she said, gazing down at the pavement. "All I know how."I could fly there as a tern and be back on the ship before daylight," he said to himself, 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..The belief that a wizard must be celibate was unquestioned for so many centuries that it probably came to be a psychological fact. Without this bias of conviction, however, it appears that the connection between magic and sexuality may depend on the man, the magic, and the circumstances. There is no doubt that so great a mage as Morred was a husband and father.."Why do we quarrel?" he said rather despondently.."Got in?".After this struggle, the line of the Kargish kings continued in Hupun, nominally honored but.these years to give you to Early. The way I gave you to Gelluk. I was sorry for that. I thought.stool beside his at the high desk..In silence Dulse sought his name, and saw two things: a fir-cone, and the rune of the Closed.a tall white staff, the horn of a sea beast from the farthest North, stood in the decked prow of.who shall know surely?". "Where do you send this lady?" said the Patterner in his strange speech..roads, but here the streams ran slow among the pastures..like the cornerstone of an earlier, forgotten house down in the cellar of a mansion full of lights."Now that is interesting," said the old scholar, sitting up straighter. "I told you I was reading.to be certain. If he does what I do here there is no harm. We can work together. If I do what he.reality is entirely up to us, dependent on our energy and honesty. If we let it drop from memory,.learn an art you had no native gift for. In such discussions they worked out the names that ever.out inquiries, in the ways we have of doing so, but nothing and nobody replied. So we set off.control. I sat, finally. The pink letters of STRATO flickered and flowed into others: TERMINAL. No.smoke he saw far down the shore. Behind him were the tracks of an otter's four feet coming up from.that perhaps I was already outside the station and that this fantastic panorama of sloping glass,.sleep all his nights in Woodedge. He prayed to it. "Take me and save me," he asked it. He made the.was gone, and there was nothing there but the woman standing on the hill path and the tall

man.file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (13 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM].When she did so, Alder's wife Tawny and several other people agreed with her that a squabble.The roasting pit took up the center of a huge domed chamber. Hurrying, sticklike figures black.himself again, but sick as a dog, as who could blame him, and all the while there was this light.Silence asked about keeping goats; and each time the memory gave him a quiet satisfaction, like.The leaves of the trees spoke, she said, and the shadows could be read. "I am learning to read.rest of the winter, except the cattle dying. "Besides," Tawny said, "my man's never averse to.walked away, entering under the trees.."We all do harm by being," said the Patterner..think; he could not remember. "Stay with me," he said, and did not know who he spoke to. He was.back here, eh?" and walked off with his quick, silent step, lost almost at once in the dappled..Master Hemlock's house he was reciting lists of names, or wondering what would be for dinner, for."Yes," he said, "but only disguised. I won't put a semblance-spell on you till we're on Roke Island." "visit the Court of the King, I can take you there. But maybe you don't know the King I'm talking.chestnut don't shoot up overnight like alder and willow. But there was time. There was time, now..hinge of the headlands above the city; the place of the fault. An earthquake centered there could.right, then, though the word "change" rang and rang in his head..made and put against the front wall of the house. He looked upstream at her, crouching motionless.Under Roke's steadily growing influence, wizardry was shaped into a coherent body of knowledge,."How do you do that?" she asked.."And cast wide!" He looked from one to the other again. "I wasn't well taught, in the City of."Ard. My teacher." Heleth looked up, his face unreadable, its expression possibly sly. "You didn't."No! No!" that I slackened my grip. She practically fell. She stood against the wall, blocking out.always took her by surprise. She said nothing..clouds, filled with alternating concave and convex lenses. They must have been incredibly high;.begun to get a sense of the missing word that might fill one of the gaps, he almost had it, and-.Grove alone, as she had always done. But in these years of the building of the House and the.different poses. These were not exactly displays, for everything stood and lay in the street, on.go on using that name for a use.name, but it's not her name, nor ever was. So now she's not a.Library

of Congress Catalog Card Number: 79-3358.at him. Over and over he walked through the little valley, through the dry grass, through the. They worked and taught in the Great House. They saw it go up stone on stone, every stone steeped. "Something to drink? Prum, extran, morr, cider?" .light on crockery, the hearth stones, the table. But nobody sat at the table. His enemy was gone.. Archmage Sparrowhawk had gone among the Hoary Men and come back with that ring -.there is no doubt of that: "The womb of the Mother lies under Samory."" .He watched the staff that stood on the shining floor. In a little while he saw it quiver very. Havens, Maharion spoke a prophecy: "He shall inherit my throne who has crossed the dark land." "I didn't mean to offend you. It's just that, you see, if it is known that no one can -- you." "Keep an eye on him then, master," said the carter.. Morred's pledge, the ring that bore the Rune of Peace.. break the stillness of their surface, but he drank from them. He thought he had gone down deeper.. half open, as if she were drinking, no sign of effort on her face, nothing but a stare, as though she.. killed the people who worked in the tower. Otter had never entered it nor seen Licky enter it. He.. The early kings and queens of Enlad, among whose names are Lar Ashal, Dohun, Enashen, Timan, and.. safest? But while he was thinking about it, Losen's men, used to wizard's tricks, drugged his food.. passage.. The head of the giant rolled its eyes, reeled, looked at me as if it were having great fun.. we did not talk about it, not even when we were alone together. We only joked about our brawn.. "Everything is practice," Tangle said. She was never ill-natured. She seldom thought to do anything much for her daughter, but never hurt her, never scolded her, and gave her whatever she asked for, dinner, a toad of her own, the amethyst necklace, lessons in witchcraft. She would have provided new clothes if Rose had asked for them, but she never did. Rose had looked after herself from an early age; and this was one of the reasons Diamond loved her. With her, he knew what freedom was. Without her, he could attain it only when he was hearing and singing and playing music.. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/D...20%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (8 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:30 AM]. Old Powers, either. Nothing of that sort. Nothing sticky.. "Crow ranted, but at the mere thought that the Book of Names might still exist he was ready to set off for the Ninety Isles as soon as Tern liked.. never had, such as mastery over the wizards who served him.. famous wizard.. them now. She saw oak and willow, chestnut and ash, and tall evergreens. From the dense, sun-shot.. Master of Old Iria. He spent his youth and what remained of his inheritance in law courts and the.. growl, like a bear. A moment later a thunderclap rolled off the hidden upper slopes of Gont.. They set off along the wharves, asking for a ship bound south that might take a wizard and his.. Gelluk wore fantastic clothes, as many of his kind did in those days. A long robe of Lorbanery silk, scarlet, embroidered in gold and black with runes and symbols, and a wide-brimmed, peak-crowned hat made him seem taller than a man could be. Otter did not need to see his clothes to know him. He knew the hand that had woven his bonds and cursed his nights, the acid taste and choking grip of that power.. Here all understanding ended.. Irioth's head drooped as if in utter weariness. All tension and passion had gone out of his body.. "At least he's not seeing the witch's girl," said Golden. "That's done with." Later on it occurred to him that neither was his wife seeing the witch anymore. For years they'd been thick as thieves, against all his warnings, and now Tangle was never anywhere near the house. Women's friendships never lasted. He teased her about it. Finding her strewing pennyroyal and miller's-bane in the chests and clothes-presses against an infestation of moths, he said, "Seems like you'd have your friend the wise woman up to hex 'em away. Or aren't you friends anymore?" .darkness over a glittering roof. Under the roof is the House of the King. The roof stands high.. "When I said that. . ." . Otter was silent a while. Then he said in a low voice, "Clay, and gravel, and under that the rock.. vomited into the ashes and fell asleep on the hearth. She hauled him onto his pallet, pulled his.. Doorkeeper looked round, and now his smile was wider. Though he said nothing, she felt he was.. what Dulse said; sometimes he heard what Dulse thought. He did what Dulse wanted and what Dulse.. "We've come to the end of it," the old man said out of silence.. "If I was with you, I could use it.. ." . "So when the Windkey returned, we were nine again. But divided. For the Summoner said we must meet.. as they lost their dragon nature.. wiped her down all over, put the saddle blanket back on her, and made sure she was standing in the.. "It isn't the life I want.. ." .like diamonds.. stories from Semel. Enlad has its glorious history, and Havnor its wealth, and Paln its ill.. really bad and stupid," she said in a low voice. "They get into the School because they're rich.. apparently on contact with air. She sat down and, touching the glass with her lips, casually asked.. in the household of the Lord of Ark. Not a poor man's son, but not a child of much account. And.. "Too high and mighty these days to stop and talk," said Tarry, "though I taught him all he knows of harping. But what's that to a rich man?" .not so far as she, for he was lame.. The boy was in fact a workman of the first order, carpenter, cabinetmaker, stonelayer, roofer; he had proved that when he lived up here as Dulse's student, and his life with the rich folk of Gont Port had not softened his hands. He brought the boards from Sixth's mill in Re Albi, driving Gammer's ox-team; he laid the floor and polished it the next day, while the old wizard was up at Bog Lake gathering simples. When Dulse came home there it was, shining like a dark lake itself. "Have to wash my feet every time I come in," he grumbled. He walked in gingerly. The wood was so smooth it seemed soft to the bare sole. "Satin," he said. "You didn't do all that in one day without a spell or two. A village hut with a palace floor. Well, it'll be a sight, come winter, to see the fire shine in that! Or do I have to get me a carpet now? A fleecefell, on a golden warp?" .the beginning of the Overfell. The door of the house stood open.. He was fortunate in having met a farm heifer, not one of the roaming cattle who would only have.. She came to the door and muttered some kind of greeting. They daunted her, these Masters of Roke,

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