

## ROUGH TRADE EXPANSION ACT OF 1994 BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC POLICY TRADE AND ENVIRONMENT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AFFAIRS

She looked westward over the reed beds and willows and the farther hills. The whole western sky was empty, clear. She stood still and her soul seemed to go into that sky and be gone, gone out of her. "Another?" I asked, when she had finished hers. She smiled, shaking her head. On the forests that were or might yet be. "And sometimes the Grove is in this place," he said, "and." "Wait here a little, if you please, Irian," the Doorkeeper said, and went into the room, leaving oldest and greatest ones, a mystery. them, as though they were engaged in setting off colored fireworks. The guesswork of a wizard is close to knowledge, though he may not know what it is he knows. The showed 'em again, I'd have taught them their lesson! "But you can't undo this!" he said aloud. dragon hunters, but they withdrew from their encroachments on peopled islands and peaceful either side of the raised walkway that ran down the middle. Several times I mistook the figures. Irian was studying the Namer covertly but equally attentively, trying to see if she could tell if. "Conscience caught him," said the Namer. "Conscience told him he alone could set things right. To. without front walls. Approaching them, I found low, dimly lit cubicles, in which stood rows of. They went there together and stayed till the winter came. In the year that followed, they built a. Windkey led them. His thin, keen old face looked strained and weary, but he greeted the four mages. goats. ". summer nights, She asked him where the food they ate came from; what the School did not supply for. 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. I looked at her. She was quite serious. Well, yes, how was she to know? I shrugged. They came out again among the ploughlands and pastures in the warm evening. As they walked back to. with her sister Veil. Ember and Veil had been little children on a farm near Thwil when the. really bad and stupid," she said in a low voice. "They get into the School because they're rich." "It was only a beast healer's manual," Crow admitted, when they were sailing on and he had calmed down. "Spavined," I saw, and something about ewes' udders. But the ignorance! the brute ignorance! To roof his house with it! ". peddlers working their way from one islet to the next among the mazy channels. Crow had stocked. come. ". back, penitent, to school. slaves for his lord on another island. If they sent a child with him to give it opportunity, or. During the voyage, however, he talked several times with Dragonfly, which made Ivory a bit uneasy. Her ignorance and trustfulness could endanger her and therefore him. What did she and the bagman talk about? he asked, and she answered, "What is to become of us. ". years before?. all. Not sneaking about at night and no one knowing... ". much, you at the Gates and me at the inner end, in the Mountain. Working together, you know. We. a wrong turning somewhere. Tall reeds rose up close beside the paths, so that if a light shone. "Suits me," said Licky. ". Excuse me, Master," he said. "I have to think. ". me; a flat tabletop had begun to descend, making a kind of desk, but it was a bed that I wanted. I. came cooler air. I turned. The stewardess was standing by the partition wall, not touching it with. a young man, thin, not as tall as she had thought. It was a fine face, but there was something. haste. . indignant, speaking more bluntly even than usual. The tall woman smiled a little. "My sister has never taught a man before" she said. She glanced at. to him, "Did you ever hear of Roke Island?". We walked on. Still no houses in sight, and the wind that came rushing out of the. He said nothing. In fact he was at a loss. If he had known it would be this easy, he could have. gathering, intolerable tension. A chill ran through her. The water ran cold. Gathering herself together, her limbs still soft and loose, she looked up and saw on the bank above her the black figure of a man. But put it away, sir! It makes me dizzy to look at it. -Berry," she said, as a nobbly, dried-up. speaking lands. his power was gone, he was not a mage. So presently the Masters of Roke met to choose a new. came to him he could cure. He laid his hands on them, on the stiff-haired, hot flanks and neck. Three things were that will not be: Solea's bright isle above the wave, A dragon swimming in the. He swept out the dust and leaves that had blown in the open door across the polished wood. He set Heleth's mattress and blanket in the sun to air. "I'll stay here a while," he thought. "It's a good house." After a while he thought, "I might keep some goats. ". that. It's not a thing you do. You have to know how to let it do. That's all the mastery. ". long as the lives, as deep as the roots of the trees. As long as leaves cast shadows. There were. the loose violet coat in front of me had done; a key with a small depression for the fingertip, I. The sense of huge strength was draining out of her. She turned her head a little and looked down. order, and to keep contradictions and discrepancies at a minimum while I was writing these. That would be unwise," he said, with a good imitation of the Master Changer's terse solemnity. "If. falling. Then he walked forward, stiff and awkward, trying not to resist the coercive, passionate. learn an art you had no native gift for. In such discussions they worked out the names that ever. "Because of children," I explained. "You can't raise children on such ships, and even if. but never by the name giver. of Ard's was no son of his, had nursed his rage and died unforgiving. ". "Thank you, mistress," he muttered, crouching at the fire. She brought him a bowl of broth. He drank from it eagerly yet warily, as if long unaccustomed to hot soup. ". They know the Rule doesn't allow them. ". She looked him up and down. "Marks on it, sir," she said. And then, to Tern, in a different tone, "I doubt the Doorkeeper would defy it lightly," said one of them Irian had not noticed till he spoke, though he was a big man, white-haired, aw-boned, and crag-faced. Unlike the others, he looked at her as he spoke. "I am Kurremkarmerruk," he said to her. "As the Master Namer here, I make free with names, my own included. Who named you, Irian?". into death, and return - it was not right. They broke a law that must not be broken. It was to. understood as "people" or "human beings," alath. This word is by etymology (from the True Runes. He came through the halls and stone corridors to the inmost place, the marble-paved courtyard of. Spiro, Atale, Blekk, Frosom"; the entire carriage seemed to

melt, pierced by shafts of light; walls. She retreated to the wall. far end of the old workings. There he nodded downward and stamped his foot. file:///D:/Documents%20and%20Settings/harry/...0%20LeGuin%20-%20Tales%20From%20Earthsea.txt (56 of 111) [2/5/2004 12:33:31 AM]. apart. They are safe from sea-pirates in Gont Port. But their safety is their danger; the long bay. "Do you sew things?" break the stillness of their surface, but he drank from them. He thought he had gone down deeper. only -- a side effect. . . . Betritization has to do with something else." She was pale. Her lips. never came to Roke Island, never saw it, sailed right through where the sea charts said was an. "It does not know death," he said, but he spoke in his own language, and they did not understand him. He drew closer to Irian. He felt the warmth of her body. She stood staring, in that animal silence, as if she did not understand any of them. disciplines, and exert ethical control over the practices of wizardry. With the Hand as its agent. "Whatever for?" was nominally in charge although she was older, larger, better fed, and probably wiser than he. Silence apparently did not notice the pause or the extreme softness of Dulse's voice. "Milk. He shivered like a horse as he stood there, too tall for the herb-festooned rafters. He was very. that was a true joy, which may be enough to ask for, after all. punched-out projections; others walked over these shreds. I wanted to leave; by mistake I went. South of Andanden lies a land where the ashes fell a hundred feet deep when last the volcano spoke. Rivers and streams cut their way seaward through that high plain, winding and pooling, spreading and wandering, making a marsh of it, a big, desolate, waterland with a far horizon, few trees, not many people. The ashy soil grows a rich, bright grass, and the people there keep cattle, fattening beef for the populous southern coast, letting the animals stray for miles across the plain, the rivers serving as fences. The music started up, distant, blurred by wind and the murmur of the river running. time he must waste teaching the boy what he was good for. And after that the ore must still be dug. sought. And they found no one, nothing. So Lebannen judged it to be a prophecy yet to be. "The witch Rose of our village, lord," she answered, standing straight, though her voice came out high-pitched and rough. appreciation. Living with the pirate king, he was sick of boasts and threats, of boasters and. He knew he was no match for Early. To stop that first binding spell he had used all the strength of resistance he had. The illusion and the shape-change were all the tricks he had to play. If he faced the wizard again he would be destroyed. And Roke with him. Roke and its children, and Elehal his love, and Veil, Crow, Dory, all of them, the fountain in the white courtyard, the tree by the fountain. Only the Grove would stand. Only the green hill, silent, immovable. He heard Elehal say to him, Havnor lies between us. He heard her say, Al! the true powers, all the old powers, at root are one. of Old Iria, asking her to come in by the back door and maybe make a poultice or sing a chant to. chests and clothes-presses against an infestation of moths, he said, "Seems like you'd have your. moment for me really to see the size of the hall. But was it all one hall? No walls: a glittering. separated into two kinds of being, incompatible in their habits and desires. Perhaps a long. and you. ...." She reached out her hands to him. They knelt facing, the willow-leaves moving across. He told Birch that he had received a sending from his teacher on Roke, the Master Hand, and must go at once, on what business he could not say, of course, but it should not take long once he was there; a half-month to go, another to return; he would be back well before the Fallows at the latest. He must ask Master Birch to provide him an advance on his salary to pay for ship-passage and lodging, for a wizard of Roke should not take advantage of people's willingness to give him whatever he needed, but pay his way like an ordinary man. As Birch agreed with this, he had to give Ivory a purse for his journey. It was the first real money he had had in his pocket for years: ten ivory counters carved with the Otter of Shelieth on one side and the Rune of Peace on the other in honour of King Lebannen. "Hello, little namesakes," he told them when he was alone with them. "You and the cheese money will get along nicely." "I cannot read them." Otter's voice was toneless. "I cannot go there. No one can enter there in the body but only the King. Only he can read what is written." west of Ensmar, Ath confronted the great dragon Orm. Accounts of this meeting vary; but though. "The great lode?" Gelluk looked straight at him, their faces not a hand's breadth apart. The light in his bluish eyes was like the soft, crazy shift of quicksilver. "The womb?" mines of Earthsea. These miners were free women, not slaves like the workers in the roaster tower. Dragonfly said softly, "From Iria." care! To misuse a gift, or to refuse to use it, may cause great loss, great harm." been a period of years), the depredations of the dragons increased. The Inward Isles were troubled. He had always remembered that. He remembered it now, when he looked across the hearth, winter evenings, at the dark face bent above a lore-book or a shirt that needed mending. The eyes cast down, the mouth closed, the spirit listening. could not find it now. Since most of the people around me were stepping onto an upward ramp, I. "One can do a heap of things," she said. "One can travel, actually or by moot. One can. certain. He turned to another passage and compared the two, and brooded over the book late into. "Crafty men need to stick together," he said. "Men who have no art at all, nothing but wealth-they. The gift for magic is empowered mainly by the use of the True Speech, the Language of the Making, in which the name of a thing is the thing. Ard nodded. "It is irrevocable" ..and incredulous at his obstinacy-"Master, I would stay, but my work is on Gont-I wish it was here. Morred, and Morred's first year on the throne. The capital city of these rulers was Berila, on the. "I can tell you only how it seems to me," the Herbal said, reluctant, uncomfortable. there, be nice," I said. He couldn't be real -- a phantom, like the singer, like the ones down by the. foraging in the pastures of dry, frosty grass. They could not keep the cattle bunched for long. way, so that she began to wonder if men from foreign parts were all so much handier about the. makings of a wizard Hemlock would train him, and if he had, as Hemlock suspected, a mere childish. "Where's he hiding?" farms and wineries and cooperage and cartage and all, while he enjoyed his wealth. He married the. nothing of these matters and have nothing to do with them. Doorkeeper for a moment. All his notions of humiliating the Masters as they had humiliated him. stared at Irian; then with a brief nod he went on. She looked back at him. He was looking back at. Money was a problem. The girl thought, of course, that he as a great wizard would snap his fingers. The food of dragons is said to be light, or fire; they kill in rage, to defend their young, or for sport, but

never eat their kill. Since time immemorial, until the reign of Heru, they had used only the outmost isles of the West Reach-which may have been the easternmost borders of their own realm-for meeting and breeding, and had seldom even been seen by most of the islanders. Naturally irritable and arrogant, the dragons may have felt threatened by the increasing population and prosperity of the Inner Lands, which brought constant boat traffic even out in the West Reach. For whatever the reason, in those years they made increasing raids, sudden and random, on flocks and herds and villagers of the lonely western isles.-- I felt a number of amused stares, or so it seemed to me. I quickly turned away and walked."It's dangerous," Crow said, "it's pointless," but he made no further objection. The modest, naive young man whom he had taught to read had become his unfathomable guide.."Why did you come here, Teriel?".Dragonfly peered close at Rose's work. Rose brought out a maggot, dropped it, spat on it, and.Havnor..the flare of candles among jagged shadows. He touched the earth of the tunnel's end, took clods of.She came to the door and muttered some kind of greeting. They daunted her, these Masters of Roke, and also their presence meant that the peaceful time was over, the days of walking in the silent summer forest with the Patterner. That had come to an end last night. She knew it, but she did not want to know it.."Medra," she said. Her sore mouth could not speak clearly. He knelt down and took her hands, looking into her face..He watched the staff that stood on the shining floor. In a little while he saw it quiver very slightly, a shiver, a tremble..Grove they were all of one kind, which grew nowhere else, yet had no name in Hardic but "tree" In.Terrenon Stone in Osskil), the Old Powers were inherently sacral and pre-ethical. During and after.Otter nodded..silent. I could be very bored by this woman, Ivory thought, if once I'd had her underneath me..Sunreturn and the Long Dance, in the speaking and singing of the traditional songs and epics at

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