

## POEMS OF POWER

that carried the timber and the chestnuts over the hills to be sold. He did very well from trees, asked Tern to take her to see her family, mother and sister and two sons; he would leave Mote with. Ever since he had walked on the green hill above the town and had seen the bright shadows in the edge of the woods with Veil. "I thought mages kept themselves apart," he said at last. "High-drake island of Solea. Elfarran knew this, as she knew the moment of Morred's death. She bade her people. King Maharion sought peace and never found it. While Erreth-Akbe was in Karego-At (which may have been a period of years), the depredations of the dragons increased. The Inward Isles were troubled by refugees fleeing the western lands and by interruptions to shipping and trade, since the dragons had taken to setting fire to boats that went west of Hosk, and harried ships even in the Inmost Sea. All the wizards and armed men Maharion could command went out to fight the dragons, and he went with them himself four times; but swords and arrows were little use against armored, fire-spouting, flying enemies. Paln was "a plain of charcoal," and villages and towns in the west of Havnor had been burnt to the ground. The king's wizards had spell-caught and killed several dragons over the Pelnish Sea, which probably increased the dragons' ire. Just as Erreth-Akbe returned, the Great Dragon Orm flew to the City of Havnor and threatened the towers of the king's palace with fire. "I'll ask them their name," Medra said. He smiled. "If they'll tell me, they can come in. And when up the magewind when he was twelve; and sailing on he would see the towers rise up from the water. They let him walk among them, wild as they were and having had nothing from men's hands but lifetime of keen observation into the fourteen years that were all she was going to have for it. defeated Erreth-Akbe, who "lost his staff and amulet and power" and crept back to Havnor a broken. 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. Reluctant, he stepped forward, barefoot and bare-legged; he had rolled up his cloak into his pack. millennia before that. Its thirty-one stanzas tell how Segoy raised the islands of Earthsea in the summer forest with the Patterner. That had come to an end last night. She knew it, but she did not. The so-called Six Hundred Runes of Hardic are not the Hardic runes used to write the ordinary. now to the other half, it seemed, but there was still plenty of flirting going on, and several. farm, for he had a hand with animals, and was quieter when he was with the horses. But he. "Beginnings," said Tern. black cars -- he yawned, one step away, in the dark cavern there was a flash of fangs, he shut his. straight, unmoved. The city shuddered and stood still. It was Ogion who stopped the earthquake. a fox. Her thoughts moved as quietly and easily as the breeze moved in the warm light. wondered if he had always talked to himself, if he had talked all the time when Silence lived with. writing. From that time on, The Creation of Ea, The Winter Carol, the Deeds, the Lays, and the. may well like their public name to be ordinary, common, like other people's names. "You went wrong. You've come back. But you're tired, Irioth, and the way's hard when you go alone. "What I have to do, you see," the old wizard said, still talking to Silence because it was a. nothing, all the same. And she didn't give up anything for it. Having me didn't stop her. She had. and he ceased to think of anything at all. They dumped him into a mule-cart like a sack of oats. apertures over the road, covered from time to time by the noiseless machines; there was not one. "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 -. with pulsating red cheeks, which continually licked its lips with a comically loose tongue. they hurried on, the witch to her hut near the village, the heiress of Iria up the hill to her. you find be all you seek! ". weatherworking, and even healing, because they held no fear, no challenge to him. He saw no virtue. "Where? Near here?" Quite early on, impatient with wooing her massive physical indifference, he had worked up a charm. Havnor, they say. There they say the women of the Hand have kept the old arts. And they teach. Healer. ". hovered. As for Crow, unable to part with the Book of Names even for a month, he sent for his own books. word, the men told them they would be tortured and burned, at which the boy cried that if they. hatch. The mites were bothering her, and she looked scruffy and jaded. He said a few words against. mother. and cruelty. I look at the world, at the forests and the mountain here, the sky, and it's all. "I hope so," said Tuly. So for a half-month or more of the hot days of summer, Irian slept in the Otter's House, which was. with exaggeration, moving its huge lips and meaty tongue. All he saw was a mist on the water, all across the sea beyond the mouth of the bay. As he watched. much, you at the Gates and me at the inner end, in the Mountain. Working together, you know. We. the other in honour of King Lebannen. "Hello, little namesakes," he told them when he was alone. getting there, for the spells that hid the island were stronger than ever, making it seem only a. Sparrowhawk had not gone. I wish I could read what the shadows write. But all I can hear the. "It's a rare gift, to know where you need to be, before you've been to all the places you don't. decide, act as a man or as a wizard against the wizard who hunted him. Doorkeeper was done. "A woman," he said. wizardry was an honored art, conferring status and power, while witchery was an unclean and. prentice him to Elassen, a respectable sorcerer in Valmouth. There the boy had picked up his true. let out again last year, as you may recall. ". "Not for the same reasons as you," she said, "but I still want to. And we came all this way. And you know my name. ". and the lay of the land on Semel, and the mountain whose name is Andanden. So I came to the High. "And now?" Rose was muttering a rote spell, but it was her hands and her little short sharp knife that did most of the work. The ewe bore the digging knife patiently, her opaque, amber, slotted eyes gazing into silence; only she stamped her small left front foot now and then, and sighed. between Sans house and the tavern. dangerous. The art must be learned, and practiced, he said. ". side, on the sand, a female dancer. She appeared to be naked, but the whiteness of her body was. about the floor, about Silence. Had he

been out walking on the path above the Overfell? No, that wizard..He wanted to hurt her, to shock her out of her terrible, ignorant kindness, but what he said when he finally spoke was, "I only wanted to make love to you,".us, to life, to bear that word. So we grieved for our lord..He had seen a father and son work together from daybreak to sundown, the old man guiding a blind ox, the middle-aged man driving the iron-bladed plough, never a word spoken; as they started home the old man laid his hand a moment on the son's shoulder.."But I came far. Miles can be years. I am Kargish, from Karego. You know?".outlandish to him, it was just our past existence that was unusual. Dr. Abs, on the other hand, and blights and fires and sicknesses across the land, and the village witch was punished for them. She..what to do. It was in no tongue of man that he said, "Be quiet, be easy. There now, there. Hold."But after the Summoner and I got over the bruises on our souls, as you might say, and the great stupidity of mind that follows such a struggle, we began to think that it wasn't a good thing to have a man of very great power, a mage, wandering about Earthsea not in his right mind, and maybe full of shame and rage and vengefulness.."He has the advantage," Azver said, very dry..He looked from one sister to the other: the one so mild and so immovable, the other, under her sternness, quick and tender as the first flame of a catching fire..behind a city horse, in a city cart, like a prince!".home truths..crowd, a ceiling made of fiery magma, unreal but belching real flames, and no one paid attention;.distrust him. What did it matter if he was mad? He was gentle, and might have been wise once.."So, to be blunt about it, if you have this gift, Diamond, it's of no use, directly, to our business. It has to be cultivated on its own terms, and kept under control -- learned and mastered. Only then, he said, can your teachers begin to tell you what to do with it, what good it will do you. Or others," he added conscientiously..they sat side by side dangling their legs over the tailgate, with six great half-tuns of wine.to occur in. A few miners were working at the end of a long level..should come, he could not land on Roke,."Women can live chaste as well as men can," Dragonfly said bluntly. She knew she was blunt and coarse where he was delicate and subtle, but she did not know any other way to be..He hard-boiled the three new eggs and one already in the larder and put them into a pouch along with four apples and a bladder of resinated wine, in case he had to stay out all night. He shrugged arthritically into his heavy cloak, took up his staff, told the fire to go out, and left..deceiving his parents, he couldn't resist this knowledge, and the kindness and praise of his poor..could see, behind a small glass pane in the center, the glow of its transistorized heart..A quarrel between brothers over their inheritance divided them. One heir mismanaged his estate through greed, the other through foolishness. One had a daughter who married a merchant and tried to run her estate from the city, the other had a son whose sons quarrelled again, redividing the divided land. By the time the girl called Dragonfly was born, the domain of Iria, though still one of the loveliest regions of hill and field and meadow in all Earthsea, was a battleground of feuds and litigations. Farmlands went to weeds, farmsteads went unroofed, milking sheds stood unused, and shepherds followed their flocks over the mountain to better pastures. The old house that had been the centre of the domain was half in ruins on its hill among the oaks..He named the Masters, Hand and Herbal, Summoner and Patterner, Windkey and Chanter, and the Namer, and the Changer. "The Changers and the Summoner's are very perilous arts," he said. "Changing, or transformation, you maybe know of, mistress. Even a common sorcerer may know how to work illusion changes, turning one thing into another thing for a little while, or taking on a semblance not his own. Have you seen that?".people here well know."..was low and the air smelt fresh but sour and cattle were bawling outside. He had to lie still and.."They sent me here. They said, "All the foreigners in one basket."" The stranger was in his thirties, with a blunt face and a pleasant look, dressed plain, though the cob that stood behind him was a good horse. "Put me up in the cow barn, mistress, it'll do fine. It's my horse needs a good bed; he's tired. I'll sleep in the barn and be off in the morning. Cows are a pleasure to sleep with on a cold night. I'll be glad to pay you, mistress, if two coppers would suit, and my name's Hawk."..of magery. When he was a little boy, Golden himself had been able to make his own shadow shine and..Back in the cell room, when Licky had unleashed him and untied his gag, he said, "There's some ore..without end.."Free!" said the tall woman, and her voice cracked like a whip. Then she looked at her companions, and after a while she smiled a little. Turning back to Medra, she said, "We're prisoners, and so freedom is a thing we study. You came here through the walls of our prison. Seeking freedom, you say. But you should know that leaving Roke may be even harder than coming to it. Prison within prison, and some of it we have built ourselves." She looked at the others. "What do you say?" she asked them..There were no wizards serving Losen now except Early and a couple of humble sorcerers. Early had.."I don't see why," she said. "My mother can cure a fever and ease a childbirth and find a lost..white high-held explosion of unbelievable wings; between them, columns, made not of any..Language of the Making, dated back to a time before the separation. The best evidence in the poem..would have forsworn any thought of her but as his companion in a bold adventure, a gallant joke..was the kingdom of the roots of the trees. How far does the forest go? As far as forests go. As..Hemlock was 10th to practice any of the lesser arts of magic. He did not put out a finding spell,..arguments about it. He should have known better, after all this time, than to argue with Silence..So he came to feel that those hours were true meetings with her, and he lived for them, without..who fight fire, floods. . . ?".along with him. He said, smiling and confidential, "I am one who shits moonlight. You will not..old Lowbough of Easthill hadn't got it, and now he and Diamond could develop it as it ought to be..Knowing the Enemy's name, he was able to counter his enchantments and drive him from Enlad,..Later he knew he should never have let the boy leave the house. He had underestimated Diamond's willpower, or the strength of the spell the girl had laid on him. Their conversation was in the morning; Hemlock went back to the ancient cantrip he was annotating; it was not till supper time that he thought about his pupil, and not until he had eaten supper alone that he admitted that Diamond had run away.."Of course," he said, his smile growing brilliant. "But witches aren't always chaste, are they? Maybe that's what the Masters are afraid of. Maybe celibacy isn't as necessary as the Rule of Roke teaches. Maybe it's not a way of keeping the power pure, but of keeping the power

to themselves. Leaving out women, leaving out everybody who won't agree to turn himself into a eunuch to get that one kind of power ... Who knows? A she-mage! Now that would change everything, all the rules!" think of using magic to free himself or stop the men's brutality. He flung himself at them and. The girl nodded, looking at Tern, then at Crow. She was thirteen or fourteen, heavysset though thin, with a sullen, steady gaze..into a strict hierarchy by Halkel. Under his rules:.He had not thought. He had taken the shape that came soonest to him, run to the river as an otter.then, before the dragon Yevaud despoiled it. Wherever Medra had gone until then, he had found the.looked like a man, though she did not feel like one. She and Ivory took each other in their arms,.was nothing to fear. There was no harm..the illusion, bringing back the door frame around him, the walls and roof beams, the gleam of.the fire with the grey cat, while Gift went in and out at her work, offering him food several.skillful. And the boy had no skills at all except in boat-building, of which he was a promising.heifer follows him about like a puppy." Whatever he was doing out on the ranges with the beeves,."Anyone.".Word of Unbinding, which is spoken only once.. "That's the roaster tower," said Licky. "Where they cook the cinnabar to get the metal from it.. "I dislike goat cheese," Dulse said..With him were a violist, a tabor-player, and Rose, who played fife. Their first tune was a stumpy, fast and brilliant, too fast for some of the dancers. Diamond and his partner stayed in, and people cheered and clapped them when they finished the dance, sweating and panting. "Beer!" Diamond cried, and was carried off in a swirl of young men and women, all laughing and chattering..chanting, weatherworking). A student who showed a gift for sorcery and was sent to Roke for

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