

Tintin?

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Alex David Groce — 08 Oct 1999, 13:10

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Nicholas Gevers — 08 Oct 1999, 11:34 · follows Alex David Groce

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the New Sun and other works

Mitchell A. Bailey — 09 Oct 1999, 13:32 · follows Nicholas Gevers

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Mitchell A. Bailey — 12 Oct 1999, 11:02 · follows Mitchell A. Bailey

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Whoops, my mistake, it WAS in the book, near the beginning, in a chapter entitled "The Eclipse", at that!

BTW, I noticed that among the protagonists initial impressions of Camelot, as he was brought as a prisoner, was a number of "windowless" houses. Shades of Thrax!