

missing Kipling epigraph

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Jason H — 04 Jul 2011, 06:07

My copy of Book of the New Sun (the two-volume Orb edition) contains epigraphs for the first three novels, but nothing for Citadel. In Castle of Days, Wolfe says that he intends to use part of a Kipling poem for the Citadel epigraph, and I've seen this in at least one edition. It works beautifully.

Any idea what happened with the Orb edition? Is this just a bad error? It's a real shame, because the Kipling quote works as well as Shadow's epigraph did ("A thousand ages in thy sight...").

-Jason

Matthew Keeley — 04 Jul 2011, 14:15 · in reply to Jason H

I think it's just an error. The epigraph is missing in my Orb edition, but present in the more recent Gollancz "Severian of the Guild" one-volume edition.

-Matt