

**Hither Shore 6 (page/Seite 102-115)**  
**Michaël Devaux, *Dagor dagorath & Ragnarök* : Appendix/Anhang**

<p>[1] This legendarium ends with a vision of the end of the world, its breaking and remaking, and the recovery of the Silmarilli and the 'light before the Sun' – after a final battle which owes, I suppose, more to the Norse vision of Ragnarök than to anything else, though it is not much like it. (L 149)</p> <p>[2] Manwë will not descend from the Mountain until the Dagor Dagorath, and the coming of the End, when Melkor returns To the overthrow of Morgoth he sent his herald Eönwë. (UT 511)</p>	<p>[3] The 'Elder King' is obviously not going to be finally defeated or destroyed, at least not before some ultimate 'Ragnarök' – which even for us is still in the future, so he can have no real 'adventures'. But, if you keep him <i>at home</i>, the issue of any particular event (since it cannot then result in a final 'checkmate') can remain in literary suspense. Even to the final war against Morgoth it is Fionwë son of Manwë who leads out the power of the Valar. When we move out Manwë it will be the last battle, and the end of the World (or of 'Arda Marred') as the Eldar would say. (MR 399)</p>
<p><b><i>The Book of Lost Tales</i></b></p> <p>[4] For 'tis said that ere the Great End come Melko shall in some wise contrive a quarrel between Moon and Sun, and Ilinsor shall seek to follow Urwendí through the Gates, and when they are gone the Gates of both East and West will be destroyed, and Urwendí and Ilinsor shall be lost. So shall it be that Fionwë Úrion, son of Manwë, of love for Urwendí shall in the end be Melko's bane, and shall destroy the world to destroy his foe, and so shall all things then be rolled away. (LT 1 219)</p> <p>[5] Turambar indeed shall stand beside Fionwë in the Great Wrack, and Melko and his drakes shall curse the sword of Mormakil. (LT 2 116)</p> <p>[6] Melko is thus now out of the world – but one day he will find a way back, and the last great uproars will begin before the Great End... Gilfanon also prophesies concerning the Great End, and of the Wrack of Things, and of Fionwë, Tulkas, and Melko and the last fight on the Plains of Valinor. (LT 2 282-283)</p>	<p><b><i>Sketch of the Mythology (1926)</i></b></p> <p>[7] When the world is much older, and the Gods weary, Morgoth will come back through the Door, and the last battle of all will be fought. Fionwë will fight Morgoth on the plain of Valinor, and the spirit of Túrin shall be beside him; it shall be Túrin who with his black sword will slay Morgoth, and thus the children of Húrin shall be avenged. In those days the Silmarils shall be recovered from sea and earth and air, and Maidros shall break them and Belaurin with their fire rekindle the Two Trees, and the great light shall come forth again, and the Mountains of Valinor shall be levelled so that it goes out over the world, and Gods and Elves and Men shall grow young again, and all their dead awake... Eärendel's boat is drawn over Valinor to the Outer Seas, and Eärendel launches it into the outer darkness high above Sun and Moon. There he sails with the Silmaril upon his brow and Elwing at his side, the brightest of all stars, keeping watch upon Morgoth. So he shall sail until he sees the last battle gathering upon the plains of Valinor. Then he will descend. (SM 40)</p>
<p><b><i>Quenta Noldorinwa (c. 1930)</i></b></p> <p>[8] Thus spake the prophecy of Mandos, which he declared in Valmar at the judgement of the Gods, and the rumour of it was whispered among all the Elves of the West: when the world is old and the Powers grow weary, then Morgoth shall come back through the Door out of the Timeless Night; and he shall destroy the Sun and the Moon, but Eärendel shall come upon him as a white flame and drive him from the airs. Then shall the last battle be gathered on the fields of Valinor. In that day Tulkas shall strive with Melko, and on his right shall stand Fionwë and on his left Túrin Turambar, son of Húrin, Conqueror of Fate; and it shall be the black sword of Túrin that deals unto Melko his death and final end; and so shall the children of Húrin and all Men be avenged. Thereafter shall the Silmarils be recovered out of sea and earth and air; for Eärendel shall descend and yield up that flame that he hath had in keeping. Then Fëanor shall bear the Three and yield them unto Yavanna Palúrien; and she will break them and with their fire rekindle the Two Trees, and a great light shall come forth; and the Mountains of Valinor shall be levelled, so that the light goes out all over the world. In that light the Gods will again grow young, and the Elves awake and all their dead arise, and the purpose of Ilúvatar be fulfilled concerning them. But of Men in that day the prophecy speaks not, save of Túrin only, and him it names among the Gods. (SM 165)</p>	<p><b><i>Quenta Silmarillion (mid-1930 and after)</i></b></p> <p>[9] Thus spake Mandos in prophecy, when the Gods sat in judgement in Valinor, and the rumour of his words was whispered among all the Elves of the West. When the world is old and the Powers grow weary, then Morgoth, seeing that the guard sleepeth, shall come back through the Door of Night out the Timeless Void; and he shall destroy the Sun and Moon. But Eärendel shall descend upon him as a white and searing flame and drive him from the airs. Then shall the Last Battle be gathered on the fields of Valinor. In that day Tulkas shall strive with Morgoth, and on his right shall stand Fionwë, and on his left Túrin Turambar, son of Húrin, coming from the halls of Mandos;<sup>1</sup> and the black sword of Túrin shall deal unto Morgoth his death and final end; and so shall the children of Húrin and all Men be avenged. Thereafter shall Earth be broken and re-made, and the Silmarils be recovered out of Air and Earth and Sea; for Eärendel shall descend and surrender the flame which he hath had in keeping. Then Fëanor shall take the Three Jewels and bear them to Yavanna Palúrien; and she will break them and with their fire rekindle the Two Trees, and a great light shall come forth. And the Mountains of Valinor shall be levelled, so that the Light shall go out over all the world. In<sup>2</sup> that light the Gods will grow young again, and the Elves awake and all their dead arise, and the purpose of Ilúvatar be fulfilled concerning them. But of Men in that day the prophecy of Mandos doth not speak, and no Man it names, save Túrin only, and to him a place is given among the sons of the Valar. (LR 333)</p>

[10] ***Quenta Silmarillion (1958-1960)***

<sup>1</sup> > Túrin Turambar, son of Húrin, returning from the Doom of Men at the ending of the World. (In margin: and Beren Camlost).

<sup>2</sup> > Large X in the margin. (WJ 247)