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- Anxious Drummer:** ... attempts to calm a nervous noncombatant.
- Arrow Escape:** ... helps a fugitive slave toward a better life.
- Beloved Animal:** ... has a brief conversation on the nature of adoration.
- Best Dish:** ... plumbs the mystery of the Perfect Comestible.
- Brokedown Palate:** ... is helped by an enigmatic visitor through a profoundly bad day.
- Caveat Bibitor:** ... battles a cursed skillet.
- Chopped Roots:** ... reflects on the mentor who helped him become “The Cook For Any Price.”
- Circus Bread:** ... has his moment in the Arena of Martial Virtuosity.
- Cook’s Honor:** ... aims to turn a midnight robber into a ‘prentice cook.
- Day of the Life:** ... lives sunrise to sunset in the City of Gourmands.
- Disconsolate Wineherd:** ... helps a beset grape-grower sell his ruined harvest.
- Double Reflection:** ... listens as a wizard’s fable brightens an otherwise odd banquet.
- Escorter of the Dead:** ... thanks a kind woman near Pormaris’ greedy funeral pyres.
- Exilic Lands:* ... *shares his world’s mise en place.*
- Familiar Spirit:** ... resolves a stormy paternal relationship.
- Fellow Seeker** ... serves an appropriate meal to a man in search of an absent friend.
- Final Kindness:** ... does his best for an unknown decedent.
- Golden Moment:* ... *is introduced to the Patient Reader.*
- Gustibus Interruptus:** ... weathers supernatural shenanigans from a dishonest meat-seller.
- Holy Terror:** ... joins two adventurers on a quest for a cryptic howler’s treasure.
- Iron Dray-Beast:** ... races his buopoth’s mechanical counterpart.
- Last Meal:** ... prepares a long-lost family recipe for a man with terminal vectors.
- Leisurely Eggs:** ... cooks a giant’s breakfast to save his buopoth’s life.
- Love Famine:** ... evades the advances of a too-eager culinary student.
- Mapping Lesson:** ... expands his horizons on the Rimless Sea.
- Mayor of Ixtachet:** ... discovers that not all honor is worth the effort.
- Passing Notes:** ... meets and loses the love of his life.
- Perfect Ingredient:** ... enters into a near-mêlée over a coveted jar of preserved lemons.
- Pernicious Wishes:** ... gains and spends a classic godly beneficence.
- Profound Breakfast:** ... soothes the soul of a perplexed gods-seeker.
- Road Bound:** ... encounters for the first time his faithful dray-beast.
- Royal Fete:** ... faces an apparently cannibalistic quandary.
- Saucemaker’s Tale:** ... ponders an associate’s account of the exorcising of divine fear.
- Shunned Fragment:** ... learns that there are some recipes cooks are not meant to know..
- Small Packages:** ... considers a shopkeeper’s legend of culinary mysteries and secret deities.
- Soul Food:** ... translates for a spiritual meeting of minds, and discovers a universal truth.
- Sovereign Cure:** ... cooks up a remedy for an ailing village.
- Starving Survivor:** ... receives a dying man’s tale of a village overcome by distraction.
- Twice-cooked Eggs:** ... swaps methods for making the simplest of meals.
- Uninvited Guest:** ... solves an existential problem for a passing ghost.
- Visitor from the Sands:** ... listens to a traveler’s warning against divine familiarity.
- War Prints:** ... follows the passage of combat through men’s eyes, and does what he can.