

## ILLUSTRATIONS

“ ‘Draw nigh,’ said the woman, ‘and let His  
hands rest upon thee’ ” . . . *Frontispiece*

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“ ‘Alms! alms!’ he stammered. ‘Master—  
Lord—I beg for—for her who keeps  
me’ ” . . . . . 12

“ ‘Perhaps when he is a man he will be a  
great soothsayer and reader of the  
stars’ ” . . . . . 14

“ ‘Zia’s eyes grew wide with awe and wonder-  
ing as he gazed, scarce breathing’ ” . . . 38

“ ‘How beautiful he is!’ ” . . . . . 54