

12. After a grand feast, which the Emperor held in honour of Aladdin, he told the Grand Vizier to send for the Chief Judge to write out the marriage contract between the Princess and Aladdin.

13. The Emperor wished Aladdin to stay at the palace and let the marriage take place at once; but Aladdin said, "No, sire; although I should like to accept your kindness, and I feel the honour you do me, yet I cannot stay; I wish first to build a palace of my own, fit for the Princess to live in."

14. So Aladdin went back home. Once again he went to his own room, took down the lamp, rubbed it as before, and called up the Genie. "Genie," said he, "build me a palace fit for a Princess. Let it be of the finest marble, and let the walls be covered with gold. You know the kind of palace I should like. I leave it to you, Genie, to see that my wishes are carried out."