And over sands interm'nable

Ne'er fled g zelle so fleet

To find what faery thing might be

Where sky and desert meet.

IX.

How many a sore and stricken heart
Might then have envied me
That soothing, virgin desert land!—
So lonely and so free!
Seclusion sweet commingled all
With sunlit liberty.

X.

And soon with scarce a motion of
My own I smiled to find
How all unstriving I did fly:—
Then reckless I resign'd
My body as a burden blithe
Unto the eager wind.

XI.

And on and on and ever on
I held my steady way;
And felt the passion of that flight
No distance might allay;
Not e'en the stars' sweet benison
At ending of the day.