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BARBARICS

1

BELOVED! along this Land of Barbary
Before all days of chronicle there dwelt,
As the tale goes, a people crude, uncouth,
And coy of trafficking, yet awe-compell'd
Toward honorable dealing with a world
Beyond their ignorance. And they — their goods
Depositing beneath the open sky
On favorable beaches by the salt,
White surge; retiring landward then aloof
Through visit of the sun-born ships — would throng
To grasp (their guests being gone) such barter strange
As men's sophistication granted them.

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