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TWO TENTMAKERS

WHEN Saxon axe rang fast on Norman shield,
When kite and raven screamed o'er Senlac
field,

When smoke slow-drifted o'er the stifled fen,
And the slain herdsman kept his pillaged
bield,

In Eastern courts, soft-clothed and unafraid,
In scented garden and the rose-pleached shade,
Omar the Tenter hugged the sun, and
bragged

Of wine, of vintner, and the vintner's maid.