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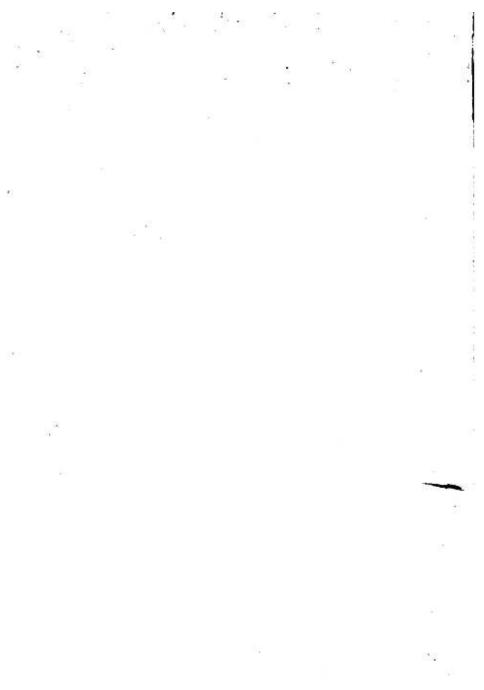
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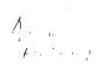


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Azron, the Builder, loving his white stones Dearly as other men love gold,—or fame,— Wrought with them wondrous things in wondrous ways.

On the broad market-place there rose in state The civic palace he had builded well, Stately indeed; not decked with traceried veins Of over-ornament to feed his pride; But dignified, with broad and tranquil lines, And fitted for its office. Farther on, The Queen's wide mansion rose in royal state, So beautiful that nature did not grudge This reign of art, but nearer came, to crowd Her roses, and her lawns of fragrant grass, Her tall straight trees, her swaying bough and breeze,

Her nightingales, her brilliant fountains, clear With delicate water singing as it fell, Around the loved and lovely building. Near,

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