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# Desert Dawn

By ROBERT E. HOWARD

Dim seas of sand swim slowly into sight  
As if from out the silence swiftly born;  
Faint foremost herald of the coming morn,  
Red tentacles reach out into the night;  
The shadows gray, then fade to rosy white.  
The stars fade out, the greatest and the least;  
Now a red rose is blooming in the east,  
And from its widening petals comes the light.

White, fleecy clouds are fading from on high,  
The sun-god flings afar his golden brands;  
A breeze springs up and races 'mid the dunes,  
A-whisper with old tales and mystic runes;  
Now blue and gold ride rampant in the sky,  
And now full day comes marching o'er the sands.