

hawk pounced at him and seized him in the  
air the water bird with great difficulty  
dragged him again under water and escaped  
severely wounded in the struggle Melech  
Mahommed remained in the lake till the  
Danger was over when he took flight and  
arriving at his uncles house perched on  
the roof. His uncle at that very time was  
looking at the game which had been brought  
in and expressing his regret that the water  
bird had escaped from the clutches of the  
hawk and that the hawk had been dabbled  
in the water Melech Mahommed thought  
this a fit time to make his appearance  
and dragged and stained with blood as  
he was darted into the middle of the party  
Every body was surprized at the circumstance  
and thought it ominous for a water  
fowl to venture amid a company of men.  
But when Danish Knait saw the woeful  
flight in which the bird was with his  
feathers and wings all ruffled and bespattered  
with blood he immediately divined that  
it was Melech Mahommed who had been  
wounded by the claws of the hawk and  
said "water bird if you be my nephew  
Juttle your feathers the bird complied  
and