

# The Tale of

Melek Mahommed and Ghetti Afroz  
Queen of the Peris and the First  
Transformation of the Dove.

Once on a day as Melek Mahommed a brother of mine was on his travels he came by chance to a town called Ekbalia and took up his lodging in a Caravansera when the first watch of the night was suddenly illuminated with brilliant lights and began to resound with the music of innumerable instruments Behind the lights Peris and Perizadis arrayed in garments of golden tissue advanced in troop and with wonderful tumult spread themselves over the whole face of the sky a marvellous company such as had never been heard or seen In surprise he asked some people of the place "What is this" and who are these" Somebody told him that it was Ghetti Afroz Daughten of the King of the Peris and that having quarrelled with her father she resided in this lower world and that her place was in the vicinity of the City "Can a person see her said he Better for him to fail  
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