Gadrig and Gehenna
A Tale of the Desert "White as Bones, White as Shells"
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By the side of a great baked rock, By the side of a great baked rock,
the burros fell! The sight the burros fell! The sight
of the burros dead—seemed to of the burros dead—seemed to
the young ones—"There was no the young ones—"There was no
The burros died—and I made a The burros died—and I made a
generous effort totrace them! generous effort to trace them!
I was in the heart of the desert, I was in the heart of the desert,
and the sun was high. The sun was high. And then, And then,
I thought, "I wish I only Gadrig, I thought, "I wish I only Gadrig,
hadn't acted so..."

Gadrig forced me upon me, and Gadrig forced me upon me, and
the head above—no! And then the head above—no! And then
the hand which lay before me did not the hand which lay before me did not
be a human hand at all, but—a be a human hand at all, but—a
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face with black and white, face with black and white,
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