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ON RELIGIOUS VOCATION.

IT chanced upon a time that a certain cleric, a man of evil disposition, who, under cloak of religion, was accustomed to commit robberies, came to Clairvaulx. He did not come for any good purpose, but after his wonted fashion, to steal. He was made a Novice, and for a whole year sought opportunity to lay hands on the Church ornaments. They were, however, kept with such care, that the desired opportunity never came. This man, in the wickedness of his bad heart, said, "When I am made a Monk, and am allowed to serve at the altar, then, without being remarked, I shall easily take away the chalices and get me away." With this intention he put forth the vows of his profession, promised obedience, and had the Cowle given to him.

But the pitiful Lord, who willeth not the death