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desires. It would be a pretty experiment, reunion between such an Order coming to Rome yet left with as much of its older customs and autonomy as were compatible with the Faith, and an ancient religious Order of the Roman communion. Imagine such centres of active religious scattered through a country and whose dreams of reunion could be called too daring or too foolhardy? "In order to convert a church to Rome, convert one of its religious Orders and give it an active apostolate," was the medieval solution of the problem of reunion, an original idea that once at least in great measure met with success.

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THE THOUGHT

COME, lovely thought
That shakes my spirit free,
Whom I have sought
And found, unknowingly,
Whose whispered counsel guided me
When I was lost and strengthened when I fought.

VIVIENNE DAYRELL.