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By A. LESLIE

A warrior priest in tattered cloak
Strides o'er October's hills;
He casts a gelid fettering yoke
Athwart the hastening rills.
Upon the woodland's festive dress
His disapproving frown
Falls, and, as contrite, they confess,
A somber robe of brown—
A symbol of repentance—he
With cold hands sternly spreads
O'er rainbowed vine and glowing tree;
Then gravely onward treads.