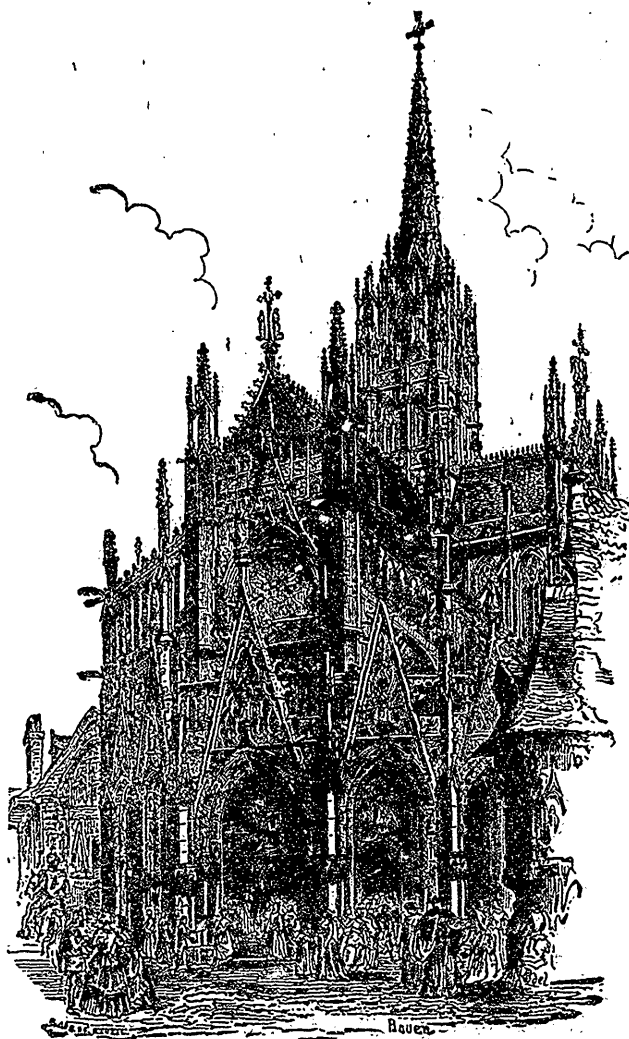


the water is poured out. The monkish imagination seems to have run riot in carving quaint and grotesque devices—dragons, griffins, strange twi-formed creatures with the head of a goat or



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monkey or bird, and the body of a man, or *vice versa*, in every possible combination. Over the central door of many of these old churches are carved with admirable skill and infinite patience,