THE CATHOLIC RECORD

| henit austin adams．A．M．， ON LORD GALIFAX． <br> The coneluding lecture of the course |  |
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| Henry Austin Adams，A．M．，has been giving before the Children of Mary of |  |
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| Notre Dame Convent，Berkeley street，Boston，was devoted to Lord Halifax and the latest movement for the Re－ |  |
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| Society for Church Union in England， with which he is identified，is so de． voted in prayer and work．The Ruby Parlors at <br> Mr．Adamesaid at the outset，that |  |
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| deserted andiar prejudice against a！！things act of overt reverence to the church as the House of God－were it but the act of keeping it clean and sighe a leaning towards ＂Popery．＂ |  |
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| Henod its tranforming influences on theChurch of Eng land，the difficulties alike from popular prejudice and ecelesiastical authority which the first atat |  |
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| impossible achievement，it must begranted that it changed the face ofAnglicanism．The ideas of Church |  |
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| Anglicanism，restoration which Anglican clergymenbrought back after a sojourn on thecontinent materially helped；Catholic |  |
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| self a priest in good standing at Dover， a mere laymen and excommunicate，as |  |
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| Corporate Reunton．The members had no doubt of the validity of their <br> orders ；the thing was to make other |  |
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| the validity of whose orders had never been questioned．Even Bishop＇s orders were thus obtained，and much re or－ |  |
| daining done for a little while ；but themovement was underhand，opposed tothe spirit of the English people，and it |  |
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| presently withered up．Much more characteristic of the |  |
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| English character，and much moreevidently a work of arace，is the So－ ciety for Church Union，in which lay |  |
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| men as well as clergymen are members，and of which Lord Halifax has been sozealoas a promoter． |  |
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| has sought the Dissenters on one hand，begging them to come together andascertain how much of Christianity |  |
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| ascertain how much of Christianity they agree upon；while，on the other hand，these advanced Anglicans looked to Rome for their own points of |  |
| agreement with this mother and mistress of the Churches，both in doctrine |  |
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| and practice．Lord Halifax－and beis the spokesman of a large and influ ential body－evidently found few ob |  |
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| Rome，asking only that the Pope wouldreconsider the question of the validity |  |
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| of Anglican Orders，in which the Church Union firmly believes．Lord Halifax went all the way to Rome to |  |
| present this petition．Ho was cordially received by Pope I．eo XIII．In |  |
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| animating the petition，His Holiness had the whole question reopened；but |  |
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| them，for he is not convinced，but heis not the less active in his works and |  |
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| of the Churches．His manner of ac－ cepting the Pope＇s decision，which was |  |
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| He thanked His Holiness sor the in |  |
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| and who shall say that the prayers of men like him will not be answered？albeit the Church can never sacrifice a jot or tittle of the faith which Christ confided to her keeping． <br> Mr．Adams spoke enthusiastically of the protection which his position and oxamplo onabiod him to afford to the |  |
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