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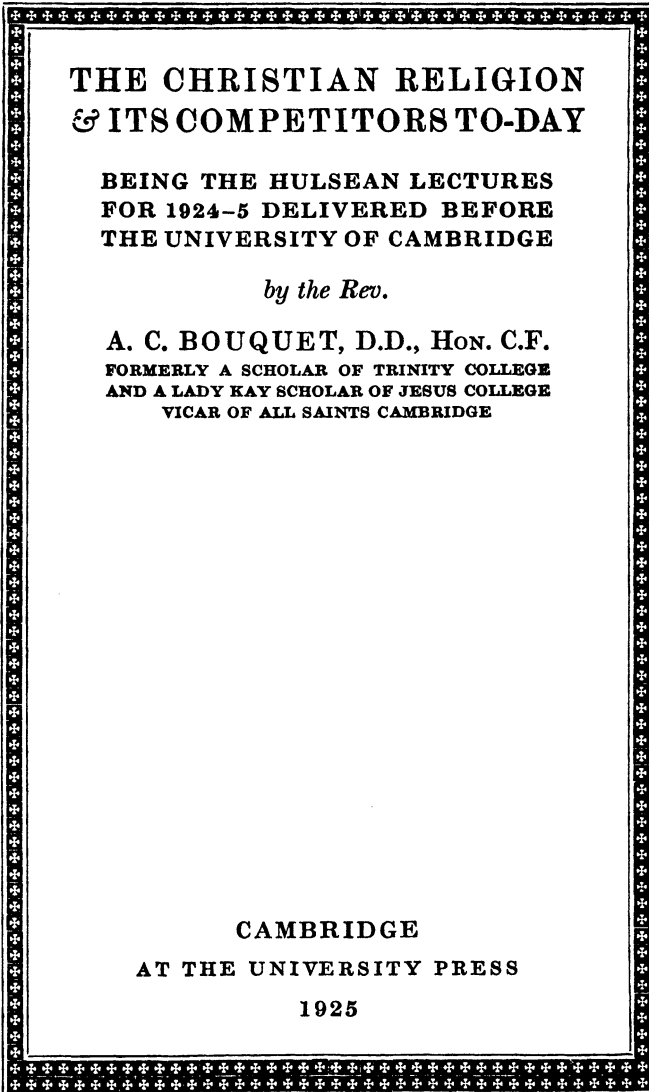
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PREFATORY NOTE

THE LECTURES are printed almost exactly as they were spoken, except for the addition of a few passages which had to be cut out in delivery in order to save time. A sermon preached in substance to undergraduates at Queens' College is appended. The news of the death of Baron Friedrich von Hügel comes just as I am revising the book for press. As he is quoted several times in the course of the lectures, the very least I can do is to add my humble tribute of respect to a great Christian whom I remember with gratitude as a kind and courteous neighbour and counsellor during the three years after the war when I was working in London. I should like to acknowledge also the great help I have received from my wife and from some of the younger members of my congregation in preparing the MS. for publication.

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O Thou Who art the everlasting Essence of things beyond space and time and yet within them; Thou Who transcendest yet pervadest all things, manifest Thyself unto us, feeling after Thee, seeking Thee in the shades of ignorance. Stretch forth Thy hand to help us who cannot without Thee come to Thee; and reveal Thyself unto us who seek nothing beside Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

JOHN SCOTUS ERIGENA