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The force behind the world escapes all conception.

In the first place all our conceptions are material, are of the world. What is so to speak, outside the world, is therefore outside conception. [...]

Idea of Space is *Cause* of Space. Thus it is a force.

Our consciousness of a mystery of the world shows that we are peculiar animals.

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