

chemical, as it were, goes before, and imperiously determines what molecules shall be combined or separated; while the other, the *cohesive*, silent and unobtrusive, follows in its train; and industriously assorting and arranging its predecessors' labours, here, perhaps, forms a diamond; or there, superintends the integrity of the atmosphere!

Such are molecular forces as they obviously appear to us; and such the arguments deducible from them. But when we attempt to go further, and inquire into the intimate nature of these forces; we not only find much, that is unknown to us; but much, that apparently surpasses our utmost conception! And what a still more sublime idea is this calculated to convey to us, of the wisdom and power of that Being, who contrived and made the whole! When, or where, do we naturally exclaim, did this Being exist? whence His wisdom? whence His power? There is, there can be, but one answer to these enquiries. The Being who contrived and made all these things, must have pre-existed from eternity—must have been omniscient—must have been omnipotent—**MUST HAVE BEEN GOD!**