him more of that character which constitutes him God. In short, it is the more theistic view of the two.

This hypothesis has also the merit of dating the commencement of the evolutions of matter—which to some extent all must admit—back to the very point beyond which it is impossible for science to predicate any thing except to drop the universe into the hands of a First Cause. It places science in the position where, instead of suggesting a query or doubt, she naturally, and inevitably, and cheerfully pronounces the name of God.

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