Term: Existence
Quote: That mode of being which we call existence, the reaction of everything in the
universe against every other, the crowding out of a place for itself, acting most
on things near, less on things far, but brutally insisting on a place is Secundan. I
say “brutally”, because no law, so far as we know, makes any single object to
exist. Law only determines in what way things shall behave, once they do exist.

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