

istence of pain and suffering, but on the existence of moral evil in the universe. Whether this last fact is compatible with the co-existence of omnipotence and beneficence in the Divine Being is a question entirely beyond the limited knowledge and finite powers of the human mind. We must rest in this—that so far as the utmost bound that human reason can compass there is nothing, not even the awful shadow of pain, that can militate against faith in omnipotent benevolence on the throne of the universe.

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## THE LIGHTER SIDE OF COLLEGE LIFE.

There was formerly a very mistaken idea, current among many people, that the true college life was one of incessant poring over musty volumes and of the burling of "the midnight oil." Slowly it began to dawn on the minds of these people that the college life was in reality not so different from the everyday life of the average man. They have begun to realize that the college man has his work, his politics, his petty wars and his recreation. They now appreciate that he lives in his own little world, but that that world is not so different from their own, with the exception, perhaps, that the college man has rather less responsibility and rather more good, honest enjoyment than his less fortunate fellow-men. Of this lighter side of college life we may venture to say a word.

In a recent article on "College Wit," in a leading American publication, the statement is made that "few witty sayings, and especially is this true of that class which belong distinctly to the college world, will bear transplanting from the tropical climate of a kindled and enthusiastic environment to the frigid zone of the printed page." So much of our college wit depends for its effect on the place and circumstances of its utterance, on the voice and the manner of the jester, that one hesitates to try to convey the spontaneous humor of college life by the meagre means of ink and pen.

There are, however, many college puns and stories which, even