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Absolute acquiescence in the decisions of the majority, the vital principle of Republics, from which there is no appeal but to force, the vital principle and immediate parent of despotism.—JEFFERSON.
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A PSALM OF LIFE.
BY HENRY W. LONGFELLOW.
Tell me not, in mournful numbers,
Life is but an empty dream!
For the soul is dead that slumbers,
And things are not what they seem.

Another Earthquake.
As we were passing by the Court-house where an election had been going on, a "real screamer from the nobs," about six feet six inches high, sprang out of the crowd, and uttered the following harangue:

Never Fail.
The great secret of success in life is never to give up. If we were to leave a legacy to our children, and had nothing better, we should bequeath to them as their motto "persevere."

Treatment of the Dead.
While examining our English files of newspapers, received by the Great Western, we were not merely struck by their gratuitous anxiety in relation to the United States, but by the extraordinary abuses to which they submit themselves!

A Wife Worth Having.
The distinguished Wm. Wirt, within six or eight months after his first marriage became addicted to intemperance, the effect of which operated strongly on the mind and health of his wife, and a few months more she was numbered with the dead.

MRS. CAUDLE'S CURTAIN LECTURES.
Mrs. Caudle has lent an acquaintance the family umbrella. Mrs. Caudle lectures thereon.

We're all Cowards in the Dark.
A medical friend of ours, who some years since, visited Paris under circumstances most favorable to an entree to a most interesting circle—that of the survivors and ci devant supporters of the "Empire," tells a capital story as he heard it related by the celebrated General Excelsmans, one of Napoleon's paladins.

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