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## THE HUMAN QUALITY

It is not the length of a man's days that make him immortal, but the intellectual essence of his thoughts.

A soul absorbed in transitory things is itself transitory.

Nothing is eternal in its duration. Yet all things are eternal in their status, as truth is.

When a man's life is over, it remains true that he has lived: that he has been one sort of man, and not another. In the infinite mosaic of history that bit has its unfading colour and its perpetual function and effect.

A man who understands himself under the form of eternity knows the quality that eternally belongs to him, and knows that he cannot wholly die, even if he would; for when the movement of his life is over, the truth of his life remains. — *George Santayana*