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书中所选文章的内容具有一定的思想和理论深度，突出了科学与社会这一主题，旨在激发学生对一些深层次问题的思考，从而全面提高英语的语言和文化修养。

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We may be about to rediscover that dying is not such a bad thing to do after all. Sir William Osier took this view; he disapproved of people who spoke of the agony of death, maintaining that there was no such thing. In a 19th-century memoir about an expedition in Africa, there is a story about an explorer who was caught by a lion, crushed across the chest in the animal's great jaws, and saved in the instant by a lucky shot from a friend. Later, he remembered the episode in clear detail. He was so amazed by the extraordinary sense of peace and calm, and total painlessness, associated with his partial experience of being killed, that he constructed a theory that all creatures are provided with a protective physiologic mechanism, switched on at the verge of death, carrying them through in a haze of tranquility. I have seen agony in death only once, in a patient with rabies, who remained acutely aware of every state in the process of his own disintegration over a 24-hour period, right up to his final moment. It was as though, in the special neuropathology of rabies, the switch had been prevented from turning. We will be having new opportunities to learn more about the physiology of death at first hand, from the increasing numbers of cardiac patients who have been through the whole process and then back again. ...

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