

Adapting to circumstances

**The human organism, however,
is remarkably tenacious of life,
and miraculously adapted to it.
In the course of adapting, it may be
forced to sacrifice a few side issues,
such as the capacity of thinking,
of feeling emotion, or of discerning
any possibilities of joy
or goodness in living:
but it lives.**

**James Agee,
Cotton Tenants: Three Families**