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"The majority must rule" is a cry that is often heard in these days of strenuous politics. Without discussing the right or the wrong of the principle, we will note the simple fact that the power of numbers does not always prevail. The band led by the Machabees were but a handful amid the teeming population of Palestine; yet they successfully defied the strength of the reigning sovereigns of Syria. The Frankish confederation and the Saracenic tribes, in their early days, were but weak in numbers in comparison with the cities and provinces wherein they later became the predominating influence. Note some present instances of the effect exercised by minorities upon the destinies of nations. One arm of the dual monarchy is controlled by a Magyar minority. The powerful German empire is obliged to shape its policy in view of the deciding vote of the Centre party. Lord John Morley has stated that the National party at Westminster effected a revolution in the British House of Commons. Nay, their