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USING SUDDEN WEALTH.
 What Would You Do if You Fell Heir to Three Hundred Millions?

Some time ago a man was "knocking" Andrew Carnegie for "the crazy idea of putting up all those libraries," and finally for lack of something else to say, I asked him casually: "Well, what would you do if you had 300 millions dumped into your lap?"

He gulped once or twice, went into a sort of trance, and finally said: "Why I'd—I'd—why, blamed if I know"—and then we talked about something else.

Since then the subject has crossed my mind many times, and I am not sure that the proper solution is any nearer. If you ask the question of ten of your friends, you will at first get a funny answer from each of them:

"Buy me a yacht and travel all the time."
 "Build the finest home in the country."
 "Buy all the pork and beef in the world and throw them to the fishes," etc., these being a few of the actual answers given me. Afterward, on reflection, each one will really try to say what he would do, but the human mind finds it difficult to comprehend such an amount, or even the interest on it, which at 5 per cent would be \$15,000,000 yearly.—International Magazine.

THE FORBIDDEN FRUIT.
 Maybe It Was a Quince Eve Ate In the Garden of Eden.

Why and how it has happened that the apple has been spoken of as the fruit that was forbidden in the Garden of Eden is one of the great puzzles of biblical scholars. The fact is that in Genesis III, where the incident of the eating of this fruit of the "tree of knowledge of good and evil" is mentioned, no name whatever is given to that fruit. All that is said is: "And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat." (Verse 6)

In fact, scholars doubt very seriously whether it was the apple at all. They suggest that all evidence points to it having been the quince, the fragrance of which was held in the highest esteem by the Orientals. Another point in favor of the quince is that it is the fruit which was sacred to Venus, the goddess of love, and in a great many of the ancient writings the quince is very frequently mentioned in this manner. In Babylonia Ishtar took the place of Venus in the Roman mythology, and it should be remembered that the story of the creation originated with the Babylonians. All evidence seems to point away from the apple having been the "forbidden fruit," and toward the quince as having been that fruit of the "tree of knowledge of good and evil."—Tit-Bits.

CUTTING VENEERS.
 Three Methods Are Used—Sawing, Slicing and the Rotary Cut.

Veneer is very thin lumber. The raw material is usually purchased in logs of various lengths. Some are cut into staves and in turn sawed into thin sections called sawed veneer. In other cases the logs after being steamed, are shaved to sharp knives. This method produces sliced veneer. Neither of these processes is as extensively used as the third, the rotary cut, although for certain purposes they are of importance.

The structure of the wood, the size of the logs and the use for which the veneer is designed largely determine the process employed. Some foreign woods are very hard and, like soft domestic woods—the conifers, for instance—often produce the best veneer when sawed, while for other woods the slicing method is preferred. Where the product is for fine exterior finish and has to be selected and matched according to the figure or grain, sawing is the favorite method.

The rotary cut process is similar in principle to the slicing process. The log, after being steamed, is revolved against a fixed knife the length of the log and wide sheets are shaved off.

Veneers are cut into a number of thicknesses. The domestic woods, rotary cut, range from five-sixteenths to one-fiftieth of an inch and the imported woods from three-sixteenths to one-thirty-fourth. In the sawed and sliced products the thickest veneer is five-sixteenths.—Indianapolis News.



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Athena now has a chance to share in the benefits of the county library law, as amended by law of 1911, and which has been demonstrated as a great success in Multnomah, Hood River and Wasco counties, and has lately been established in Klamath county. Not alone Athena, but every town and community and farm house in the county may have the privilege of access to a library of 10,000 volumes, through this plan. Athena needs a library, and in no other way can it be obtained. An article in the first page of this issue contains the plan as set forth by the state librarian at a meeting held here Tuesday morning, and should be carefully read by every citizen. Petitions to the county court asking for a 1-10th mill tax levy for the library fund, have been circulated here this week and freely signed.

There will be good "pickings" in the region around Dallas for the automobile salesman this fall. That region has this year turned out an immense crop of hops of unusually high quality and for some time Dallas has been overrun with buyers who are anxious to relieve the growers of their holdings. A few sales have been made at 26 cents but many of the farmers are holding for better prices and it is thought there will be no general unloading until the price reaches 30 cents.

Although not officially confirmed, it has leaked out at Washington that the Wilson administration is projecting a plan for the government ownership and operation of telegraphs and telephones. It is said that the Commerce Commission is engaged in collecting data about the existing control of the telephone lines and that the first step will be taken in that direction.

A short time ago when the whole country was worrying about the unprecedented heat and drought in the middle west, the governor of Kansas issued a public statement saying he hoped no one would waste pity on the people of his state. With more than \$300,000,000 on deposit in her state and national banks, Kansas would weather a worse storm without hardship.

Undoubtedly Spokane can absorb more entertainment than any other city on the Pacific slope. Her interstate fair is second in fascination only to her apple show; but to keep in the fettle, ex-Ambassador Harry L. Wilson, who recently returned to his home in Spokane, has been entertaining the multitudes of the Falls City at receptions given in his august honor.

And now Argentina has joined hands with the Weston, Milton and Hudson Bay also builders, to meet the demands of meat consuming Americans. She will ship beef, properly preserved and inspected, into this country.

The slit skirt has evidently caught the eye of the editor of Collier's Weekly, for he says: "Never before in our living memory has woman's dress been more attractive than it is today."

"Act in haste and repent at leisure." England and Germany acted hastily in recognizing Huerta, and now they are sorry for it and may "reanounce" him.

What so glorious as a day in October, in Eastern Oregon? The weather of the past week has been simply ideal, and even the rain of today is not to be sneezed at.

"September Mora" seems to have been much appreciated by artistin Pendleton, although its abbreviated appearance was not made until late in October.

Perhaps Thaw says "Now is the winter of my discontent made gloriously worse by this son-of-a-gun from New York."

The Inter Ocean contains "Notes from Hades." But nothing is said about what part of Chicago Hades is located in.

Teddy wedded his big stick to make Congress come through. Wilson is using a twig of logic with greater success.

Somebody has discovered another country up in the polar regions where nothing grows but icicles and icebergs.

ELEPHANT COURTSHIP.
 Feats of Strength by Which the Lady Chooses Her Mate.

When two male elephants compete for the companionship of a female they do not forget their dignity so far as to fight for the lady. They simply face each other squarely. Then one of them pulls down a branch from a tree with his trunk and lays it at his feet. The other takes a larger branch or pulls up a big shrub by the roots and also lays it at his feet.

Number one then tackles a still bigger branch, and this strange competition goes on, turn and turn about, until at last the contestants try to pull down trees wholesale, and the one who falls to uproot his tree in turn is abandoned by the lady elephant, who has an interested spectator of the strange duel. She goes off with the possessor of the largest tree, and the vanquished elephant retires shame faced.

This trial of strength species of courtship is very remarkable when contrasted with the ordeal of battle of most other animals and shows the highly developed intelligence of these enormous creatures.—Wide World Magazine.

"Good Luck" Amulets.
 Mr. Edward Lovett, in a lecture to the members of the Folk Lore society, explained his collection of amulets for good luck used by fishermen on the coasts of the British islands. It was with no small difficulty that he secured his specimens and certified their history. Luckily here and there he met old men of the sea who had no longer any direct personal interest in the wares of Billingsgate; for it was an unwritten law among the fishermen that to communicate the nature of the charm was to destroy its efficacy for good luck. These charms were anything but charming in themselves—old dead fish, small stones with holes in them which were suspended in the bow of the boat, an old penny found in the stomach of a dogfish which, because one fish evidently liked it, would entice other fish as well, or a portion of a dried kingfisher, as this bird was believed to bring good weather.—London Standard.

Quite So.
 "There is nothing like the loneliness of a great city."
 "Especially to the man who doesn't advertise."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

His Ideal.
 Knicker—Is he deeply in love? Boker—Yes; he thinks all the girls on the magazine covers look like her.—New York Sun.

Moderation is the pleasure of those who are wise.

Notice.
 Notice is hereby given that Ross Corroyer, executor of the last will and testament of Gustavus Corroyer, deceased, will offer for sale at Athena, Oregon, at two o'clock in the afternoon on Saturday, the 25th day of October, 1913, six head of mules, which were appraised by the appraisers of the estate at one hundred (\$100.00) dollars each; four head of horses, one cow, one Bala wagon and wheat rack, one wooden harrow, one header, one gang plow, and six sets of harness. All sales for one hundred (\$100.00) dollars or less must be for cash. Sales for more than one hundred (\$100.00) dollars may be made on three months time. Promissory notes bearing interest at eight per cent evidencing time sales will be taken provided they are made by solvent and responsible persons.

Ross Corroyer,
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Peterson & Bishop,
 Attorneys for Executors.

SUMMONS.
 In the Circuit Court for the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

First National Bank of Athena, a Corporation, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 Harry Brown, Defendant.

To Harry Brown, above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Oregon, you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled court within six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons against you, and if you fail to appear and answer and plead, the plaintiff, for want thereof, will demand from the above entitled court the relief demanded in its complaint, to wit: For a judgment against you in the sum of \$825.00 with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from September 1st, 1913, together with its costs and disbursements in this action.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Honorable G. W. Phelps, judge of the above entitled court, made on the 25th day of September, 1913, and the first publication thereof is on the 3rd day of October, 1913.

Homer I. Watts,
 Attorney for Plaintiff.

DREAMING OF FALLING.
 What Happened in the One Known Case of Hitting the Ground.

Probably all of us have dreamed that we were falling down the back stairs or a high cliff, then gliding swimmingly off into space. This dream gives the same sensation as a rapidly descending elevator or a fast-swaying swing. We are worried for the instant about what will happen when we strike bottom, but we never strike. Either we are off on another dream before that disastrous event happens or we awake.

There is an old superstition that if one ever hit the ground the shock would kill the dreamer, but this is difficult of proof, for, as our Irish neighbor might remark, the only way it could be proved would be to have the dreamer wake up dead and tell us about it.

Of the thousands who wrote letters a few years ago to an Englishman who had published an essay on the subject but one correspondent had dreamed that the fall continued clear to the ground. This woman dreamed she fell off a tall rock. When she hit the ground she was broken into small bits, but a sort of second self gathered up the pieces and glued them together, making a piece of humanity as good as new. This dream, however, is unique.—Chicago Tribune.

Sarcastic.
 He had just reached the philosophical stage when he slipped into a restaurant between bars for a bit to eat. He ordered. Then he sat staring ahead, quietly thoughtful in expression, and waited.

It is admitted that he did some waiting too. What happened to his order couldn't be understood outside the peculiar convolutions of a restaurant kitchen, but he spent half an hour sitting there, staring ahead of him.

At last it came. As the waitress put the order before him he started from his deep study as if he had forgotten he had an order coming. Then, looking up at the fair transporter of edibles, he said:

"You don't look a day older!"
 Everybody's.

The Sleep of Horses.
 When the horse sleeps, it is said that one ear is directed forward, why is not known. A writer in the English Mechanic thinks this is to guard against danger, being a survival of its originally wild habits. He says: "Watch a horse asleep through the window of his stable and make a faint noise at the front. That ear will be all attention, and probably the other will fly around sharply to assist. Now let him go to sleep again and make the same noise to the left. The forward ear still will keep guard, with possibly a lightning flick round, only to resume its former position."

The Lost Dime.
 A man sent his neighbor's little boy to the drug store to buy five postage stamps. He handed him two dimes, the extra one being for himself. Some time afterward the boy came back blubbering and said he had lost one of the dimes.

"But why didn't you buy me the stamps?" asked the man.

"Because, mister," replied the boy, "it was your dime I lost."—Judge.

Poor Scheme.
 Crawford—Why don't you try jolly-ing your wife a little? It's easy to tell her she's looking younger and more beautiful every day. Crabshaw—I tried that once, and she nailed me for money to have her picture taken.—Judge.

What She Wanted.
 Dr. Buzzer the Dentist—I'm sorry, but I'll have to extract that tooth. Mrs. Tungtwist—I don't like to lose it unless you can fit me with a substitooth.—Chicago News.

Puzzling Predicament.
 "Why is Juggers always in hot water with his wife?"
 "Because they can't keep the pot boiling."—Baltimore American.

FEATS OF MEMORY.
 One Man Who Astounded Wesley by His Knowledge of the Bible.

One of the most astonishing mnemonic feats on record is recorded by John Wesley. "I knew a man about twenty years ago," writes Wesley, "who was so thoroughly acquainted with the Bible that if he was questioned as to any Hebrew word in the old, or any Greek word in the New Testament, he would tell, after a little pause, not only how often the one or the other occurred in the Bible, but also what it meant in every place. His name was Thomas Walsh. Such a master of Bible knowledge I never saw before, and never expect to see again."

Walsh had a close rival in Macaulay, who, according to James Stephen, could repeat "all Demosthenes by heart, and all Milton, as well as a great part of the Bible."

A strange instance of freak memory is recorded in the case of a servant girl in a Scottish manse. She was almost illiterate, yet when delicious in fever, surprised those around her by repeating long passages of the Bible in Hebrew. The kitchen where the girl spent her evenings adorned the minister's study. He was accustomed to read aloud. The girl had not understood or consciously taken heed of the reading, yet her mind had seized upon and stored the phrases.—London Chronicle.

The Absentminded Man.
 Two men met at a corner during a gentle shower. One had his umbrella open, the other carried his in his hand evidently oblivious of the fact that he had an umbrella.

"Hello," said the oblivious one, "what are you doing with that umbrella?"
 "Me?"
 "Yes, you. That's my umbrella."
 "Your umbrella?"
 "Yes, no doubt about it. I know it by the handle. There's not another like it in town."
 "Oh, there isn't!" said the accused one, smiling extravagantly. "What's that you have in your hand?"
 "Eh? Why, that's my umbrella," said the oblivious one. "I—I—forgot that I had it."—Indianapolis News.

Old Theories About Lightning.
 Our forefathers had many theories about lightning. According to them one could be struck by lightning while asleep, and no tree struck by lightning could be burnt. Splinters from such a tree, diligently chewed, were, of course, pleasant to the taste than the dentist's forceps. And the old time schoolboy firmly believed that if he were rash enough to mention lightning directly after a flash the important part of his remark would be immediately torn off. And many were his attempts to land his fellows in that predicament.—London Chronicle.

Bold Comparison.
 A visitor from South Africa, on being asked for his opinion of Niagara falls, inquired of the questioner in his turn: "What do you think of Victoria falls compared with Niagara?" The Yankee's reply was, "Victoria falls compared with Niagara?—a mere frontal perspiration."

A Frequent Mistake.
 "That man seems to think he is the voice of the people," said the carping observer.

"He does," replied Senator Sorghum, "when as a matter of fact he's only one of the people with a voice."—Washington Star.

A Safe Choice.
 As between taking a ride with a drunken chauffeur and being shaved by an intoxicated barber, we believe we would choose to walk and let our whiskers drag the ground.—Galveston News.

Point Not Well Taken.
 Mrs. Timkins to small daughter saying prayers—A little louder, dear. I can't hear. Daughter—Yes, but I'm not speaking to you.—New York Post.

Many men owe the grandeur of their lives to their tremendous difficulties.—Spurgeon.

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