

An Airborne Stump

A man from Michigan had an idea for removing a tree stump from the yard of a friend. He decided to use a few sticks of dynamite he had stored away in his house. First, he tried six sticks of the explosive, but that didn't do the job.

Next, he tried nine sticks. That did the trick. It turned the stump into an airborne missile that traveled 163 feet downrange before crashing through a neighbor's roof. The stump opened a three-foot hole in his roof, split the rafters and pushed through the ceiling of the dining room.

We, too, have sometime used explosive power to try to solve problems. We do this when we resort to anger, which can cause worse problems than the situation that upset us in the first place. It may get some action, but it leaves much damage in its wake.

Anger, like dynamite, is explosive. Take care to handle it with wisdom and self-control.

The discretion of a man makes him slow to anger. Proverbs 19:11

--Beecher Hunter