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**In the news this week...**

- "Confidence over unity sparks rise in dollar": Globe and Mail, Sept. 23.
- "Wealth, health and happiness closely linked, Statscan finds": Globe and Mail, Sept. 23; [with accompanying graphic]

**Required for next week**

- Anything that didn't get done for this week.
- Read Chapters 4 ,5 and 6 in *VDQI*. Come to class prepared to note the parts you didn't follow, and the parts you found particularly interesting.

**The Monty Hall problem**

There are three curtains, an announcer (Monty) and a player (you). One of the curtains contains a valuable prize and the other two are empty: only Monty knows where the prize is. You win the prize if you guess correctly which curtain contains the prize. Initially, you select a curtain. Then, Monty opens an empty curtain that you did not choose. Having eliminated that curtain from contention, Monty offers you the option to select the remaining third curtain as a final choice. Should you switch?