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analyst41@xxxxxxxxxxx wrote:

If this is correct then OED, Haralan and Ross are guilty of misinformation. It seems that even contemporaneously with Shakespeare, there were attempts to edit this solecism out of his texts.

ROFL. Where lies the misinformation? The OED is quoting exactly what was there in the Shakespeare, and then it's quoting some transcript from decades later. It's amazing what circumstances you'll \*make up\* in your attempts to discard facts that are inconvenient to your beliefs. The \*funniest\* thing about this is that for us to take your slant on this seriously, we would have to believe that you find "fall off ON a tree" acceptable!

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