

$$\therefore 3x + 2x = 60$$

$$5x = 60$$

$$x = 12$$

$$\text{and } \frac{2x}{3} = 8$$

Therefore 12 and 8 are the numbers.

(2)

I spend every year nine-tenths of my income all but \$40; what I save is just \$20 less than one-fourth of my income. How much do I receive per annum?

Let $x = \text{my income.}$

Then by the question $\frac{9x}{10} - 40 = \text{what I spend.}$

and $x - (\frac{9x}{10} - 40) = \text{what I save.}$

But by the question $\frac{x}{4} - 20 = \text{what I save.}$

$$\therefore \frac{x}{4} - 20 = x - \left(\frac{9x}{10} - 40\right)$$

$$\frac{x}{4} - 20 = x - \frac{9x}{10} + 40$$

$$\text{Multiplying by 20, } 5x - 400 = 20x - 18x + 800$$

$$5x - 20x + 18x = 800 + 400$$

$$8x = 1200$$

$$x = \$400, \text{ which is my income.}$$

(3)

I gave away to a poor person half the money I had in my pocket, and meeting another gave him four-fifths of the remainder; I had then but one dollar left. What sum had I originally?