

Lewis' couplet - read in Perry's Tupper - 1878 -

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Smith, Naywood and Toungee,
And they make the very worst mess of the law
That you ever saw.

Reply to the foregoing, by A. W. Toungee.

Said Lewis to his brother Fowl
One day as they sat cheek by jowl,
Dear Judge, I've got a point of law
The best, I'll swear, you ever saw:
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A trio, not, and six, they're three!"
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