



A TRIBUTE OF PRAISE

"They're six fine sons ye have, Casey," said Denis.

"They are," replied Casey.

"Do you have any trouble with them?" inquired Denis.

"Trouble?" repeated Casey. "I've never had to raise my hand to one of them, except in self-defense."—
Top-Notch.

HER SURPRISE

A young lady entered the fur shop and the polite salesman came forward.

"I wish to get a muff," she said.

"Yes'm," said the salesman, "what fur?"

The young lady looked surprised. "Why," she said, "to keep my hands warm, of course."

PAY AS YOU GO

Customer—I want this suit by the 30th. Can I have it on time?

Tailor—No, sir; we do a strictly cash business.—Baltimore News,

Johnny writes as follows

new york—a feller by the name of briggs living over in brooklin went over to see a frend of his named jones a cuppel of nites ago and maby play a few games of penuckle

no sooner had he got onto mr. joneses front poarch than he begun sniffin and snortin and gaspin

he dident wait to nock on the dore, but busted rite into the house and begun hollering fire, fire, fire, as loud as he could yell

mr. jones was in the setting room, and he got up and he looked around and he says, what in the sam hill is the matter with you anyway

gee whiz, hollers mr. briggs, can't you smell it, there must be a fire in a closet full of old rubber boots, or fethers, or sumthing

oh shucks, says mr. jones, fire nothing, i am just smoking one of them segars my wife gave me last Christmas

what! yells mr. briggs; have you gone nutty, or are you trying to comit suaside

nothing of the sort, ansers mr. jones, these segars is just what i need right now, i am trying to leave off smoking, and if they don't make me, nothing will

JIM'S LOSS

"Here," said the proprietor of the place, "is a little gift for you and Jim. Each bottle is finest old Scotch whisky. You drop in at Jim's on your way and give him this, will you?"

"Certainly," replied the grateful one. On his way he fell and broke one bottle.

"Poor Jim!" he murmured, picking himself up.—N. Y. World,