A Little Game.

Bold Nathan made the ante
(Twas a dollar limit game)
For fifteen calls a quarter,
And his spouse (facetious name
For his roommate, placid Timmy)
Made it fifty cents to play;
Our dark-complexioned Southerner
Declared he'd have to stay.

As for me, my luck was with me,
I was bound I'd have my draw,
Though at least you'd say 'twas foolish,
Considering my paw,
In which the three club honors
Were all on which to build
My slender expectations
For the flush I hoped to fill.

I dealt three cards to Nathan,
While Timmny asked for one;
One paper went to Albert,
And I took two, for fun.

I carefully discarded
The two I didn't need,
Then pulled myself together
And did a mighty deed.
I had drawn that ten and ace.

We cast the festive chiplets
In piles across the board,
For Nathan has three aces
On which to back his hoard;
His spouse is calmly happy,
And sits behind four eights;
A full comes in to Albert,
Who sweetly smiles and waits.

Five times I raised the limit,
And five times Tim raised me;
The others seemed contented
Those raises five to see.
But on the sixth erection
Bold Nathan dropped his hand,
And Albert, sadly sighing,
Withdrew for lack of sand.

Again I raised the limit,
And once more Tim raised that;
I answered for a dollar,—
My heart went pit-a-pat.
Then Timmy, after thinking,
Decided he should call.
'Twas a pot of twenty dollars,
And I'd won it on my gall.

We clip from the Amherst Student: The Wellesley girls have been measured and the average waist measure of the 1,100 students was found to be 24.2 inches.—Ex. Exactly 1,100 Amherst men have been measured and the average length of arm was computed to be precisely 28.2 inches.

A book has just been published by Lieutenant Totten, Professor of Military Science and Tactics in the Sheffield Scientific School, which will be of interest, both on account of its subject and its dedication to all college men. It is called "The Laws of Athletics and General Rules," and it is dedicated to Yale, Harvard, Princeton, West Point, and Annapolis. Lieutenant Totten says that there are two sides to athletics, and the main object of the book is to bring into prominence the practical and military side. After giving the rules of track athletics and hygiene, he comes to football, which is his main subject. The introductory chapter to this book is written by Mr. Walter C. Camp, and it gives briefly the history and development of the game. Lieutenant Totten then takes up the subject, and after giving instances of plays in a football game, he cites similar cases that occur in the art of war. Thus, by placing like cases side by side, he proves that football and the art of war are very closely related, and that an able football strategist would make an abler general. At the end of the book he also gives a list of some of the best athletic performances on record, both amateur and professional.