

14 SIZE OF ROOM NECESSARY TO ACCOMMODATE A TABLE

screw the pocket irons in their places. Then screw up the rails as tight as possible, and tack the pockets and leathers in order. In a carom table the four corner cushion bolts should be the first put in, and screwed up so as to bring the cushion rails properly together. After this is done put in the other cushion bolts. In placing the spots, a line is drawn down the centre of the table from the sight nails in the *head* and *lower* cushions; two lines are then to be drawn from the centre sights in the *side* cushions, and where these lines intersect place the spots—the extreme lower one about five inches from the lower cushion on the central line. Spots are made from court plaster. Wet and hammer them on lightly to make them stick.

THE ROOM.

AN apartment to accommodate one table should be of the dimensions following, graduated by the size of the table, and affording space for the free exercise of the cue. Where two or more tables are placed, four feet will be sufficient to allow between them.

For tables	5	x	10,	the room should be	15	x	20.	
"	4½	x	9,	"	"	14½	x	18½.
"	4	x	8,	"	"	14	x	17½.
"	3	x	6,	"	"	11	x	14.

Architects, in their plans for modern mansions, should make suitable provision for this amusement, without which no gentleman's establishment (more especially if a country one) can now be considered perfect. Even if the builder of a house has no taste for the game himself, he should look beforehand, and consider that such an accommodation might form an important item in the