



### **Stopped Short!**

Can you imagine  
how mesmerized and  
inspir'd over time  
this human being  
renders her grandpa?

How can it now be,  
at seven years and  
an added six months,  
with but half a heart?  
She is an ath'lete!

At shortstop no less,  
eagerly waiting  
and ready to grasp  
whatever may come  
toward her domain.

Bless all the children  
she here represents,  
whose vitalities  
are not diminished  
by limitations.

And bless us, O Lord,  
far less limited,  
who all too often  
are full of complaints  
and much less hearty.

Place us at shortstop  
and ready us there

to grasp eagerly  
whatever may come  
toward our domain.

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