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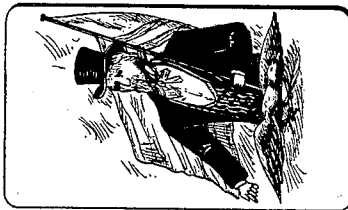
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South Carolina C ELECTORAL VOTE 9	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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LOUISIANA B ELECTORAL VOTE 9	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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GEORGIA D ELECTORAL VOTE 13	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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ARKANSAS A ELECTORAL VOTE 9	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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WISCONSIN C ELECTORAL VOTE 13	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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MARYLAND B ELECTORAL VOTE 8	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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KENTUCKY B ELECTORAL VOTE 13	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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IOWA A ELECTORAL VOTE 13	Rep. Dem. Pro. Sec. S.L. Ind. Total Vote
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Porto Rico Islands ★★★★★ Represented in Washington D.C. by one Commissioner Estimated Population 933,243	Porto Rico Islands ★★★★★ Represented in Washington D.C. by one Commissioner Estimated Population 933,243
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Hawaii Islands ★★★★★ Represented in Washington D.C. by one Delegate Estimated Population 134,001	Hawaii Islands ★★★★★ Represented in Washington D.C. by one Delegate Estimated Population 134,001
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Alaska ★ Represented in Washington D.C. by one Delegate Estimated Population 82,516	Alaska ★ Represented in Washington D.C. by one Delegate Estimated Population 82,516
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District of Columbia Joker Legislated for by Congress No vote for President	District of Columbia Joker Legislated for by Congress No vote for President
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CALIFORNIA A ELECTORAL VOTE 10	Rep. 10 Dem. 10 Spec. 10 S.L. 10 Ind. 10 Total Vote 10
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VIRGINIA D ELECTORAL VOTE 12	Rep. 12 Dem. 12 Spec. 12 S.L. 12 Ind. 12 Total Vote 12
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MASSACHUSETTS E ELECTORAL VOTE 16	Rep. 16 Dem. 16 Spec. 16 S.L. 16 Ind. 16 Total Vote 16
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NEW YORK G ELECTORAL VOTE 39	Rep. 39 Dem. 39 Spec. 39 S.L. 39 Ind. 39 Total Vote 39
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ILLINOIS I ELECTORAL VOTE 27	Rep. 27 Dem. 27 Spec. 27 S.L. 27 Ind. 27 Total Vote 27
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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, SAMUEL H. KYLE and GEORGE LAENHARDT, citizens of the United States, residing at Gilman, in the county of Iroquois and State of Illinois, have invented certain new and useful Improvements in Card Games, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to improvements in card games of the class whereby information is imparted to the players at the same time that the game is being played, and has for one of its objects to provide a simple, instructive and easily understood game which will combine instruction and amusement.

With this and other objects in view the invention consists in certain novel features of construction hereinafter described; and, then specifically pointed out in the claims, and in the drawings is illustrated the preferred embodiment of the invention.

The improved game comprises fifty two cards, with or without an additional card called a "joker", the cards representing the different States and Territories of the United States, and the joker representing the District of Columbia. In the drawings a representative number of the cards are shown sufficient to illustrate the playing of the game, and in this figure is shown a card bearing the name "District of Columbia", a card bearing the name "Alaska", a card bearing the name "Hawaii", a card bearing the name "Porto Rico Island", and another card bearing the name "Philippine Islands", and four cards representing the States and bearing the names of "Illinois", "New York", "Virginia" and "California", but it will be understood that each State will be represented by a card. The card bearing the name "District of Columbia" will also be provided with the word "Joker" in prominent type and matter printed thereon descriptive of the political status of the District, for instance, the words "Legislated for by Congress" and "No vote for President". The card having the name of the Territory of Alaska thereon is also provided with a single star, and also with data representing its political status together with other information, as for instance the population. The card bearing the word "Hawaii" is provided with two stars and with data indicating information relative to its political status, population, etc. The card having the words "Porto Rico

Island" thereon is provided with three stars and with similar data to the cards just named. The card bearing the words "Philippine Islands" is provided with four stars and similar information to the other special cards. The cards indicating the States will each be provided with the words "Electoral vote" together with the number of electoral votes for the several States. For instance the card representing the State of Illinois will be provided with the figures "27", indicating the electoral vote of that State, and the remaining State cards will be provided with similar figures representing their electoral vote. Each of the State cards will also provided with a statement of the number of votes cast at the last presidential election. It will be understood that these figures will vary as the presidential elections occur. Many of the States have the same number of electoral votes, hence the cards bearing the names of such States are further designated by different reference characters such as the letters of the alphabet, or the like, the characters being arranged in progressive order according to the total vote cast. For instance the States of Arkansas, Louisiana and South Carolina each have 9 electoral votes, but the total vote of Arkansas is greater than either the vote of Louisiana or South Carolina, while the total vote of Louisiana is greater than that of the State of South Carolina, hence the card bearing the name of the State of Arkansas, which has the highest total vote, is given the additional character "A", while the card bearing the name of the State of Louisiana, having the next highest total vote, is given the character "B", while the card bearing the name of the State of South Carolina, this State having the lowest total vote of the group, is given the character "C". This arrangement will be followed for the cards for all of the States having the same number of electoral votes. For illustration, the States of Nebraska and Maryland each have 8 electoral votes, while the States of Iowa, Kentucky, Wisconsin and Georgia each have 13 electoral votes, and the cards bearing the names of these States are shown in the drawings.

The cards may be of any required size and of any suitable material, but will preferably be of the same size as the ordinary playing cards, and may be arranged as represented in Fig. 2 with the information or

data placed at both ends of the card so that it may be read from either end, thus not requiring that the cards shall be arranged in any particular order. This arrangement
5 will facilitate the handling of the cards and the playing of the game.

The game is played with a pack of fifty-two cards and the joker, as before described, and if preferred, the joker card may be dis-
10 pensed with.

The joker card when used ranks as the highest card in the pack, and the game may be played by two or more persons. The "deal" is determined by "cutting"; the
15 player who cuts the highest card in rank is the one who deals. All of the cards in the pack are dealt out one at a time, giving to each player the same number of cards, and any cards left over are deposited upon the
20 center of the table, face down. These cards are to be counted by the person who takes the first trick. The game is preferably played toward the left. The "game" is determined by the number of points which the
25 players may choose, using preferably the total number of electoral votes of the United States as a base.

After the deal has been determined and the hands played out, then each player scores
30 the added total number of electoral votes that he has won and the tricks he has taken. Then the deal passes to the left, and so on until the required number of "points" have been made. The person first securing
35 the "points" is declared the winner.

The "joker" card when used ranks as the highest card and takes any card in the pack. The four cards having the stars rank first, second, third and fourth consecutively. The
40 value of all of the cards are represented by the electoral votes of each State that they represent, except where there are two or more States having the same number of electoral votes. Then, the value of the card or
45 cards is represented by the letters; the one predominating over the other, by the largest total vote cast at the last presidential election is designated by the letter "A", the next in rank by the letter "B", and so on
50 until the tie is exhausted. It is not the intention to have A take B or B take C, where

the predominating card can be determined by the number of votes on these cards. For example: A plays card F-Vermont, four electoral votes, B plays card A-Utah, three
55 electoral votes. In this case F-Vermont, four votes, has precedence over A-Utah, three votes, for the reason that the F card has one more vote than the A card.

The cards for the improved game can be
60 inexpensively manufactured, as the data thereon is all printed, but if preferred the cards may be lithographed or engraved, or illustrated to any required extent. Preferably the backs of the cards will be provided
65 with some distinctive design, such for instance as a representation of "Uncle Sam" or other national character.

Having thus described our invention, what is claimed as new is: 70

1. A card game comprising a deck of cards having thereon the names of the States and Territories, the cards which bear the names of the Territories being further provided in progressive order with distinctive
75 characters, the cards which bear the names of the States being further provided with numerals denoting the electoral vote thereof, and the cards which bear the same number of electoral votes being also designated by
80 distinctive characters arranged in progressive order according to the electoral vote.

2. A card game comprising a deck of cards having thereon the names of the States and Territories, and of the District of Columbia,
85 the cards which bear the names of the Territories being further provided in progressive order with distinctive characters, the cards which bear the names of the States being further provided with numerals denot-
90 ing the electoral vote thereof, and the cards which bear the same number of electoral votes being also designated by distinctive characters arranged in progressive order ac-
95 cording to the electoral vote.

In testimony whereof, we affix our signatures in presence of two witnesses.

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