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TALLY CARD.

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Fig. 1.

7-1-8
2
7-3-8
4
5
6-0-5
7-6-8
7
8
7-9-8
10

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Fig. 2.

The winners take one coupon each from this card. This card must remain on table No. 91.		
GAME	TABLE	91
10	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
9	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
8	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
7	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
6	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
5	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
4	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
3	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
2	TABLE	91
GAME	TABLE	91
1	TABLE	91

Fig. 4.

0-6	
7-1-8	
Table No	Couple
Total Games Won	
7	8
Total	

Fig. 3.

7-1-8		
GAME	TABLE	91
2	TABLE	85
GAME	TABLE	91
3	TABLE	86
4	TABLE	8
GAME	TABLE	91
5	TABLE	87
5-0-6		
7-6-8		
7		
GAME	TABLE	91
8	TABLE	88
7-9-8		
GAME	TABLE	91
10	TABLE	89

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, EDWARD D. McKENNA, a citizen of the United States, residing at Brooklyn, in the county of Kings and State of New York, have invented new and useful Improvements in Tally-Cards, of which the following is a specification.

My invention relates to tally cards for scoring games of cards and has for its object the arrangement of a tally card such as will receive coupons which are awarded the winners of the game at each table or for each game as will be hereinafter more fully explained in the following specification set forth in the claim and illustrated in the accompanying drawings.

The same reference characters are used in the various figures of the drawing to designate identical parts.

Figure 1 is a face view of my improved tally card. Fig. 2 is a face view of the coupon card. Fig. 3 is a face view of the tally card with several of the coupons detached and inserted in their proper places. Fig. 4 is a view of the card as folded with part of its back exposed.

My improved tally card may be made of paper or card-board or any desired material but is preferably of the design and shape shown in the drawings and is adapted to be folded at its center along the rouletted line 5. It may also be provided with perforations 6 to receive a cord so that it may be attached to the person of the user to prevent its being lost.

Along the length of the card are arranged a series of slits 7 which are grouped in pairs, one set of slits being longer than their companion slits 8 as will be hereinafter more fully explained. These slits may be of any desired number but for convenience of illustration ten sets are shown although a greater or less number may be used. In the space between each pair of slits are arranged numbers running from one upward and these numbers designate the games which are to be played.

The coupons which are illustrated in Fig. 2 are originally arranged as one card and are supposed to be left on a certain table or used for one game and in case of the game of euchre these coupons are arranged in pairs to be torn off when the game is finished, each of the two winners out of the four players taking one of the coupons which is inserted in one of the sets of slits in the tally card. It will be seen that the coupons are also numbered and each card of coupons is numbered to be left at a certain table, the coupon card shown in the drawing being intended for table #91, and all players who reach that table and play there, contest for the two coupons from the card during the game which is being played and which is designated on the various sets of coupons.

In the game of euchre this tally card is used as follows: As before stated one of the coupon cards 9 is

placed on each of the tables used by the contestants, each player having one of the tally cards 10 and on the completion of the first game the two winners tear off the lower coupons labeled "Game 1" each inserting his coupon in "#1" slits in the tally card. The following players after they have contested in the second game at table #91 tear off the second set of coupons labeled "Game 2" the winners retaining them and inserting them in the slits "#2". The slits 7 in the tally card being longer than the slit 8 therein will permit the coupon card 9 to be readily inserted in the longer slit, and securely held in place by the shorter slit 8. This method is proceeded with until the ten games are played and the coupons are all used being inserted in the cards of the various players who have played at table #91. A specimen card is shown in Fig. 3 where it would be seen that the holder of this tally card has lost the first game presumably at table 85, has won the second and third games at tables 85 and 86, the fifth game at table 87, the eighth game at table 88 and the tenth game at table 89 showing at a glance that the holder of this tally card has won five out of the ten games he has played.

On the back of the card may be arranged certain space giving the number of the table and designating the player's partner also a space to record the number of games won and for the signature of the holder of the card.

This tally card is not limited to the game of euchre alone but there are other games in which it may be used and it is obvious that by slight alteration of the slits, the printing and the number of coupons the same may be used in other games.

This tally card insures a fair and just counting of the games won and renders any cheating impossible.

What I claim as new and desire to secure by Letters Patent is

A tally card comprising the holder with a series of slits formed therein in parallel pairs to provide straps between the same, one slit of each pair being longer than the other, and each strap being numbered consecutively, and a card provided with a double row of detachable coupons, each row of coupons having numbers corresponding with the numbers on the straps, said coupons being also provided with a table number, said coupons serving to be connected under the straps by inserting the coupons through the slits, said holder having a central rouletted line to permit of folding and said holder also having a perforation arranged on opposite sides of the rouletted line, substantially as specified.

In testimony whereof, I affix my signature in presence of two witnesses.

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