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PLAYING CARDS.

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Fig. 1.

PRESIDENT.	
UNITED STATES.	
3,572,694.	62,729,013.
HIGHEST CARD.	

Fig. 2.

VICE-PRESIDENT.	
UNITED STATES.	
3,572,694.	62,729,013.
SECOND HIGHEST CARD.	

Fig. 3.

34	New York.	2
47,000.		5,997,853.
	36	
46,000.	PA. 5,258,014.	
	36	

Fig. 4.

Arizona.	
1 DELEGATE. NO VOTE.	
113,916.	59,620.
577,390. ALASKA. 30,178.	

Fig. 5.

Alaska.	
NO DELEGATE.	
577,390.	30,178.
113,916. ARIZONA. 59,620.	

Fig. 6.

District of Columbia.	
NO DELEGATE.	
64.	230,392.
84476. UTAH. 207,905.	

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that we, EUGENE E. GADDIS and THOMAS G. LEWIS, citizens of the United States, residing in the city of Washington, District of Columbia, have invented Playing-Cards, of which the following is a specification.

This invention relates to playing-cards, which are printed with designs, names and figures, and so arranged as to afford amusement and entertainment, and to furnish information and instruction concerning the number of Representatives and Senators from each State, with the area, population, and electoral vote of such State, as shown in the accompanying drawings and hereinafter more fully explained, there being a card for each State, Territory, and the District of Columbia, and two additional cards representing, respectively, the President and Vice President of the United States, being in all fifty-three cards, which number, however, may be increased or diminished as the number of States, Territories, or Districts of the United States are increased or diminished.

In the drawings the cards figured 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 represent only one each of the number constituting the pack.

Figure 1 shows a card which represents the President of the United States, showing the area and population of the United States, and marked "Highest card." Fig. 2 shows a card which represents the Vice President of the United States, showing the area and population of the United States, and marked "Second highest card." Fig. 3 shows a card which represents the State of New York, showing its number of Representatives, Senators, area, population, and electoral vote, and also shows the State of Pennsylvania with its area and population. Fig. 4 shows a card which represents the Territory of Arizona, showing its number of Delegates, and that its Delegate has no vote, and its area and population, and also shows the Territory of Alaska with its area and population, showing its number of Delegates and that its Delegate has no vote, and its area and population, and also shows the Indian Territory with its area and population. Fig. 5 shows a card which represents the Territory of Alaska, showing that it is not represented in Congress, its area and population, and also shows the Territory of Arizona with its area and population. Fig. 6 shows a card which represents the District of Columbia, showing that it is not represented in Congress, its area and population, and also shows the Territory of Utah with its area and population.

The following are the rules for playing the game:

Key to the cards and the game to be played with them.—In explanation of statement in lines from 20 to 22, we would state that in our drawings is represented the different kinds of cards composing the pack—as, for instance, all cards representing States being similar, only one State is represented in our drawings. All cards representing Territories with Delegates being similar, only one such Territory is represented in our drawings. For the same reason in our drawings we have represented a Territory without a Delegate, a District without a Delegate, and President and Vice President cards.

First. The number of players should be from two to six.

Second. To determine the dealer each player should be given one card, and the player getting the highest card deals.

Third. The dealer shuffles the cards, player on his right cutting them, and deals to the left, giving each player five cards. This deal is then played and the cards are dealt again and played. On each deal each player is given five cards, excepting on the last deal, when each player should be given an equal number of cards, and the remaining cards, if any, should be placed in the center of the table face downward, and the player playing the highest card takes all the cards in the center of the table. The cards face downward must be shown by the player taking them, but not before.

Fourth. The value of a card is determined by the electoral vote of the State represented by it, excepting that the "President" card is the highest, and the "Vice President" card is the second highest.

Fifth. Each card takes the name of the State given at the top, showing its number of Representatives and square miles on the left,

and its number of Senators and population on the right, the electoral vote of the State being shown by the number on the four sides of the center of the card.

Sixth. After the dealer has dealt the cards the player on his left plays first, placing his card in the center of the table face upward, and is followed by each player in order. The player playing the highest card takes all the cards played and plays another card. Any player playing first at any time may repeat the name of the State or Territory, giving its square miles or population, appearing in the body of the card played, and if such "called" card is held by any other player it must then be played. Any player playing first at any time and holding the "President" or "Vice President" card, by playing it may repeat by name only any two States, and if one or both of such called cards are held by any other player they must then be played. In case both called cards are held by any one player, he must play them both and the dealer must deal him another card. If the cards have all been dealt, the player so unfortunate as to hold two called cards will lose one play, but may elect when.

Seventh. In case all the cards played are of the same value, the player playing first takes them, and if two or more players play the highest cards played, but of equal value, the player playing first takes them. The Territorial cards and the District of Columbia card are always used, but have no electoral value. The player getting the greatest number of Representatives, Delegates not included, is said to have elected the House. The player getting the greatest number of Senators is said to have elected the Senate. The player getting the greatest number of electoral votes is said to have elected the President.

Eighth. Each player at the commencement of the game chooses the political party he is to represent in the game, as Democratic, Republican, Farmers' Alliance, Prohibition, Woman's Suffrage, Union Labor, or any other national political party, and plays to get and to hold both branches of Congress and the Presidency for his party.

We claim as our invention—

A game apparatus or pack of cards consisting of fifty-three cards, the apparatus of which is made up as follows: State cards, the apparatus of which consists of the following component parts, viz: the number of Representatives from a State, name of that State, number of Senators from that State, the area in square miles of that State, the population of that State the electoral vote of that State, and also the area in square miles of the State next in size according to population, the name of such State and the population of such State, all of which parts enter into and form a part of the apparatus on which our game is based; Territorial cards and District card, the apparatus of which consists of the following component parts, viz., the name of a Territory or District, whether such Territory or District is represented in Congress, whether its Delegate has a vote in Congress, the area in square miles of such Territory or District, the population of such Territory or District, and also the area in square miles of the Territory or District next in size according to population, the name of such Territory or District, and the population of such Territory or District, all of which parts enter into and form a part of the apparatus on which our game is based; also two additional cards, denominated "President" and "Vice President" and forming a part of the apparatus on which our game is based, all of which are substantially set forth by our specification.

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