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HOW TO PLAY AT WHIST

'We must *speak* by the *card*'—HAMLET

'The *play's* the thing'—*Ibid.*

'Aye, there's the *rub*'—*Ibid.*

'Vous ne jouez pas au Whist, jeune homme? Hélas!
quelle triste vieillesse vous vous préparez!'—TALLEYRAND

'Age cannot wither *it*, nor custom stale
Its infinite variety'—ANTONY AND CLEOPATRA

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PREFACE to the NINTH THOUSAND.

AN APPLICATION from Messrs. Longman for my concurrence to a new edition of 'The Correct Card' affords me the opportunity of tendering my thanks to the public for the liberal patronage which they have bestowed on my little work. Its circulation has not been confined to the limits of the 'Old World,' but, following the sun, 'The Correct Card' has travelled West :—

Over the hills and far away, beyond their utmost purple rim.

In proof of this, a friend just returned from Japan informs me he saw it on sale at Yokohama; and the following letter, which I publish verbatim in no spirit of egotism, shows that the book is now a household word in America.

Monroe, Mich., Sept. 8, 1879.

Capt. Campbell-Walker.

Dear Sir,

Cavendish's rule regarding 'exposed cards' has provoked many warm discussions in our Club, and we have agreed to refer the vexed question AS TO WHETHER A CARD DROPPED ON OR ABOVE THE TABLE, FACE DOWN, IS AN EXPOSED CARD, to you, the most widely known expert in the grand game of whist. I enclose 10c. for return postage; English stamps cannot

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*be obtained here. Hoping you will pardon the liberty
I take in addressing an entire stranger,*

I am, very respectfully yours,

H. A. CONANT,

*President Campbell-Walker Whist Club,
Monroe, Mich. U.S.*

Had the President of 'The Campbell-Walker Whist Club' referred to 'The Correct Card,' page 67, he would have had little difficulty in deciding that in the case quoted the card is *not* an exposed one; but I am glad he did not do so, as it has afforded me the pleasure, in answering his letter, of expressing a hope that I may live to play a rubber at the Club which, it appears, has been called after the name of the Author of 'The Correct Card.'

A. C.-W.

ARMY AND NAVY CLUB:

Nov. 1, 1879.