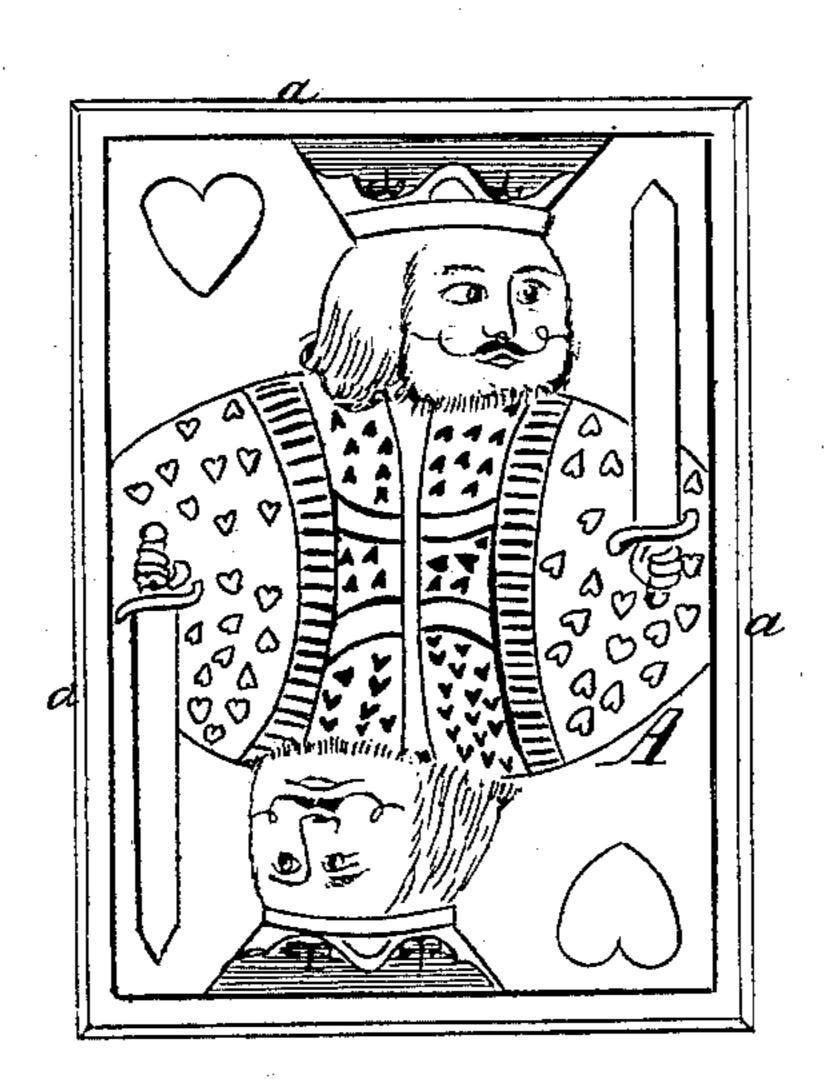
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Fig: 1



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## IMPROVEMENT IN PLAYING-CARDS.

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To all whom it may concern:

Be it known that I, John J. Levy, of the city, county, and State of New York, have invented a new and useful Improvement in Playing-Cards; and I do hereby declare that the following is a full, clear, and exact description thereof, which will enable others skilled in the art to make and use the same, reference being had to the accompanying drawings, forming a part of this specification.

Figure 1 represents a face view of my improved playing-card. Figs. 2 and 3 are edge

views of the same.

Similar letters of reference indicate corre-

sponding parts.

This invention relates to a new manner of forming the edges of playing-cards, for the purpose of facilitating the shuffling of the same, and to prevent them from splitting.

The invention consists in providing the cards with beveled edges, either double beveled or single, so that they are narrower at the edge than in the middle.

The cards are thus made sharp-edged and will be more readily wedged between each

other while being shuffled, the edges are not so apt to split, and the cards consequently last longer than those with square edges.

A in the drawing represents a playing-card provided with a single-beveled edge, a, as in Fig. 2, or with a double-beveled edge, b, as in Fig. 3.

The beveling can be produced by suitable mechanism, either by means of shears or otherwise, and I do not claim anything in the manner of producing the beveled edge.

Having thus described my invention, what I claim as new, and desire to secure by Letters

| Patent, is—

As new articles of manufacture, playingcards provided with beveled edges, substantially as herein shown and described, and for the purpose set forth.

The above specification of my invention signed by me this 17th day of June, 1868.

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