

CHILDRENS' CARD GAMES

OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTS

Repository:	Crandall Public Library. Folklife Center Glens Falls, NY.
Creator:	various
Title:	Childrens' Card Games
Dates:	1899 - 1955
Quantity:	Three boxed card games (ca. 24 cubic inches).
Identification:	Art & Artifacts: Artifacts

HISTORICAL NOTE

The Game of Birds: copyright 1899 by the Fireside Game Co., (successor to The Cincinnati Game Co.), Cincinnati, OH. The fifty-two cards are divided into four series of thirteen each, with the Eagles' series outranking all other series. The game is played by each player playing a card from their hand, the highest card taking the "play." It can also be played with the same rules as "Authors." Instructions included.

Touring: "The famous automobile card game." This game was patented in 1906 by Wallie Dorr Co. It was taken over by Parker Brothers in 1925, and has appeared in many editions. It is credited with being the original from which the more modern French card game "Milles Bornes" was derived. Instructions included. This is the 1926 "Improved Edition."

Jeu des sept familles [French language]. Translation: "The game of seven families." The cards are cardboard, not laminated. They depict seven families, with their occupations: farmer, shoemaker, pork butcher, butcher, chimney sweep, pharmacist, and bistro owner. Each family consists of a grandfather, a grandmother, a father, a mother, a son and a daughter. The object of the game is to assemble the most whole families, by picking up a card, or by asking for a particular card from another player. There are no instructions or manufacturing information with this game, and this particular game of this name could not be found in an internet search in January of 2019. This game has been in the donor's possession since ca. 1955, and was probably brought as a gift by a friend of the family returning from a trip to France.

INDEX TERMS

Topics: games, card

Places: Salem, MA
New York, NY
London, UK
Cincinnati, OH
France

Important Companies: Parker Brothers, Inc.
Wallie Dorr Co.
Cincinnati Game Co.
Fireside Game Co.

Form/Genre: Playing cards

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