

## L E T T E R V.

*From W. F. P. to A. B.*

SIR,

BEING about to publish the work, agreeably to your request, I shall close our correspondence with the following remarks, relating to the Pig of Knowledge. I observed, in a former Letter on this subject, that I was unable to discover the cause of his singular sagacity in comprehending my meaning without the signal. Notwithstanding, I will now further elucidate the subject.

You recollect that the cards are laid down in a circular direction, within which you stand, keeping the Pig by your side. Now we will suppose you wish him to fetch A: Step the opposite side of the circle, and the Pig, according to the nature of swine, being opposed to proceed in a direct course, will fetch you the letter; you observing to step back, the moment he takes it in his mouth, and he will naturally follow. But should he chance to take a letter to the right, keep your station, and by inclining your body a little to the right, he will drop the card he has then got, and take the one you intend. Proceed in this manner,

manner, being careful that whatever direction you intend the Pig to take, your course and motion must be opposite.

*By what manner the Pig is thought to know the card drawn.*—Take a pack of cards; place the clubs and hearts, and spades and diamonds according to their several suits: This done, begin with the eight of clubs; on that place the king of hearts, on the king of hearts the tray of clubs, on the tray of clubs the ten of hearts, on the ten of hearts the deuce of clubs, on the deuce of clubs the seven of hearts, on the seven of hearts the nine of clubs, on the nine of clubs the five of hearts; on the five of hearts the queen of clubs, on the queen of clubs the four of hearts, on the four of hearts the ace of clubs, on the ace of clubs the six of hearts, on the six of hearts the jack of clubs. So much for the first assortment.—Then take the eight of hearts, and on that place the king of clubs; and so proceed with the second assortment.—Then take the eight of spades, and on that place the king of diamonds; and so proceed with the third assortment.—Then take the eight of diamonds, and on that place the king of hearts; and thus proceed with the fourth assortment. This being done, put them together, and the cards are prepared.

Commit

Commit the manner in which the cards are placed, to memory, by learning the following words :—

*Eight Kings tried to save nine fine Ladies for one sick Jack.*

Which are thus explained :—

*eight is eight.*

*Kings are Kings.*

*tried is tray.*

*ten remember as coming between the  
to is deuce. [tray and deuce.*

*save is seven.*

*nine is nine.*

*fine is five.*

*Ladies are Queens.*

*for is four.*

*one is ace.*

*sick is six.*

*Jack is Jack or Knave.*

Now recollect that clubs and hearts, and hearts and clubs are together; likewise that spades and diamonds, and diamonds and spades are together: In the same order, now present them thus packed to the Company to choose a card: When a choice is thus made, shift the cards above the one drawn, with a slight, to the bottom, and by looking at this, the cards