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Card sharks and would-be players beware - the contents of this book are irresistible. Over 20 card games, ranging from the popular to the more unusual, are described with diagrams, colorful illustrations, and instructions relayed in delightful period language.