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Tyrus Books, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 216 x 140 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Ward once again explores the alchemy of stubborn yearnings and unrealized dreams amidst the well-tended rowhouses of his native city. There s a mounting fury in Tommy Fallon s heart in the fall of 1965. He s finally found his life s calling - thanks to the inspiration of Professor Extraordinaire Sylvester Spaulding. Young Tom wants to be lifted on the wings of genius, to ascend to a clean, well-lighted place where cultured people talk about deep things. But how can this college boy learn anything about life or art while living in his family s house of pain? Pop Fallon s youthful dreams of becoming a painter were dashed by the Depression and his own internal demons; he rarely comes out of the inner sanctum of His Holy Toilet, where he s long been lost to the rituals of obsessive/compulsive behavior. Mom Fallon - beaten down by the vast resentment her husband harbors against her and all the other Baltimorons - is so starved for love that she enters the Miss Kissable Lips contest at the local radio station. Tom realizes he needs a refuge: a quiet, modest room of his own. There he won t have to see the defeat in his parents eyes. There he ll follow Dr. Spaulding s lead by living inside the books that seem to be keeping his spirit alive. The King of Cards is the story of how Tom is saved from becoming a myopic, dispassionate snob when he answers an ad for off-campus housing. In the remarkable person of Jeremy Raines - World-Class Confidence Man with a Streak of Idealism, and Pied Piper to a ragtag band of...

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