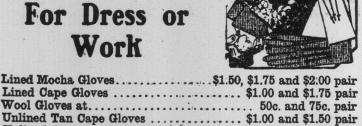
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MRS. CORNWALLIS WEST'S LETTERS

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Wanted Him Quite to Herself at R-Wounded Barrett's Reply to Prominent Society Woman Who Took an Interest

London, Jan. 17.—In the entire history of the great war few events have so pro-foundly aroused public opinion in Great

Reseattle Actiated Reply. Britain as what is now known as "the War Office Petticoat scandal," in which Mrs. Cornwallis-West, mother of a duchess and a princess and one of the lead-shows the agitated state of his mind at ing social figures in Great Britain, has played the principal part.

Reports of the findings of the official

official synopsis of the affair, but the live an honest and upright life and I real story of Lieut. Barrett and Mrs. Cornwallis-West is as dramatic and full been a common Tommic. I must speak of human interest as any play ever staged. It is the story of a society leader of dazzling position and power and a humble soldier whose one aim in life leader to Brucelyn a very sick man humble soldier whose one aim in life was to succeed in his profession. Described by those who know him as a young man of high character, gentle manners and of a reticent and retiring nature, Lieut. Barrett, who is now 27, entered the army in 1902, when only a boy, and was serving in his regiment, the Royal Welsh Fusiliers—the gallant old Twenty-third—when war broke out.

His battalion formed part of that little army which silently and secretly—in the dead of many nights—left Britain in the fateful days of August, 1914, to appear in the path of the German invaders then triumphantly marching on Paris. Barrett fought with his regiment in the retreat from Mons and took part in much of the terrible fighting at the battles of the retreat the Mormon and the Aigus I. More the retreat contact of the property of the private the way you should shall be and Mr. Birch gave me a home life for which I had always prayed. She does not have a tight rein on me and I don't know what you mean about the man speaking in me. It will be a great sorrow when I have to leave the only home I have ever had and her wonderful motherly care for me. I respect her for all the good work she is doing; and I don't like the way you speak about my letter not being safe in the post bag at Bryncelyn. She is an honorable woman and would scorn having anything to do with other people's letters, and considering how very nicely she always speaks of you to me it hurts me very much.

Interested in Wounded Soldiers

After being in hospital for some time, he was sent to Bryncelin, the house of Mr. and Mrs. Birch at St. Asaph, Denbighshire, which had been generously converted by Mr. Birch into a convalescent home for wounded soldiers. That was in February, 1915, Barrett being a sergeant. He remained at Bryncelin through the summer and autumn of 1915, and, as in other establishments for wounded soldiers, there were many visitors, included among them being Mrs. Cornwallis-West, who paid frequent visits to Bryncelin. There of course among many other soldiers, Mrs. West saw Barrett, and it was in him that she took most interest. Such interest, indeed, that eventually, some time in the autumn she suggested to Barrett that he ought to hold commissioned rank. Owing to her representation a commission was obtained, and on this matter there is no criticism, as the court of inquiry found that Mr. Barrett was in every way suitable for the promotion.

Early in February, 1916, he visited Ruthin Castle, the home of Mr. and Mrs.

able for the promotion.

Early in February, 1916, he visited
Ruthin Castle, the home of Mr. and Mrs.

Cornwallis-West, and had tea there. On

This was the letter which precipitated

Crown street about 5.30 o'clock yesterday stefter the second valid to the castle. Lieut. Barrett received the head acted in an ungentlemany state that the castle. Lieut. Barrett received the head acted in an ungentlemany state the head acted in an ungentlemany state that dear the about 5.30 o'clock yesterday and the head acted in an ungentlemany state the head acted in an ungentlemany state that dear the state of the castle. Lieut. Barrett received the head acted in an ungentlemany state that dear the state of the castle. Lieut. Barrett received the head acted in an ungentlemany state that the abacted and ungentlemany state that the abacted and an ungentlemany state that the state of t

Later, there was a second letter, which said:

"Boy, she has said some cruel, hard things to me today. I think, dear, I shall go tomorrow morning—she has been very rude—but I would tell you all. When we can sit at peace in my flower boudoir I will teach you to love really leautiful poetry. Write to me often, often; I am so weary of life sometimes. Can't you post your letters at B—; not in the bag here? It's not safe—just write as you feel, express it—spell it as you have a like. I shall understand you like; I shall understand while before the day ended Lieut-Barrett was the recipient of the follow-

ing effusion:
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Lieut. Barrett's reply to this is a r

the time. Commencing "My dear Mrs West," it was as follows: Reports of the findings of the official court of inquiry have already been cabled to New York, but the letters of Mrs. Cornwallis-West furnished further interesting details of the case.

West," it was as follows:

I expect this letter will surprise you then hight thinking over all you have said and written to me. You must not mind the mistakes, because I have not got my books with me. I have always tried to official synopsis of the affair but the

of the terrible fighting at the battles of much, the rivers, the Marne and the Aisne. In My heart is in my work and I want the battle of the Aisne he was severely wounded, being shot in the liver and the lung.

Interested in Wounded Soldiers

My near is in my work and I want to get on and make a name for myself and show you and all those that have been kind to me how I value their help. I don't think I could look Col. West in

the first of these visits Lieut. Barrett was the drama. Mrs. West resented the at-carried up stairs and down in an intitude of her protege and made represvalid chair. A few days after the second entations with a view to having him re-Crown street about 5.80 o'clock yesterday visit to the castle, Lieut. Barrett received moved to another district. She allaged

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