ROYALTY FEARS DISCLOSURE

Lady Warwick's Memoirs Awaited with Trembling by Englishmen.

COUNTESS FORMERLY FAVORITE

In Role of Discarded Friend of King May Sock Revenge for His Attitude -- Consuelo's Arrival.

LONDON, Duc. 28.-(Special.)-Society is on the tip toe of expectation with regard to the forthcoming "Memoirs" of Lady Warwick. No one is more wouried con cerning what those pages may unfold than the king himself who was for years a great chum of the countess. An intimate friend of Lady Warwick tells me that there is no woman in all England who feels more bitterly the slights, and indeed deliberate mube, which have been put upon her by royalty than Lady Warwick. And by all accounts she is determined to serve royalty out, especially the king. There are women who never forgive. The countess is one of them. Her opportunity has now come to square her accounts with the royal family And what she can tell if she chooses Heaven and earth are being moved to induce her to delete certain portions of her "Memoirs," the idea being that if they appear in cold print they will unquesnably injure very greatly the popularity of King Edward. Some people go so far book will be _suppressed. As everyone knows the Warwicks are sadly in need of money and were the sale of the work to be forbidden, it would be a most serious loss to them. However, in the circumstances, the writer may decide that discretion is the better part of valor and at the last moment agree to tone down some of her recollections where they concern

Discarded Boyal Favorite.

Those who know the counters best feel very sorry for her. There is something peculiarly pathetic in the position of a discarded royal favorite, whatever her role may have been. In regard to that, W. T. Stead once said to me that Lady Warwick was "the only good influence that ever came into the life of the prince of Wales" as the king was at that time, and Mr Stead could speak on that subject with hospitable portal of the circles. But Mr. virtues and accomplishments that the desome authority for there are few men in Gomersall and his wife, who is the official sired life partner must possess. One of clever musician, excellent singer, splendid what goes on behind the scenes.

was findertaken in the hope of raising to lay out an enticing pathway leading to seems especially fitted to fulfill the require-funds which would obviate the necessity the hymeneal altar, and interspersed at ments of the original. Should success atof selling Warwick house and its contents intervals with whist, drives country walks, tend the efforts of the marrying person bridge university as a freshman. He is and if report speaks truly she was pre- dances and tete-a-tetes over cups of coffee and his wife, no extra fee is demanded, resident at Magdalen college-pronounced, pared to give certain securities. But your financiers did not see the advisability of putting out dollars for the purpose and she returned a sorely disappointed woman. The next thing she did was to place the house on the market. That did not matter so much; it is the sale of the contents. many of them historic, which hurts the pride of Lord Warwick and hie family. But whatever his wife does must be right in his estimation. He worships the very

ground she treads on. He has over and ever remarked: If my wife were the worst woman in the world-and she is not, but one of the best-it would make no difference to me. I

were married at Easton." A Nobleman's Wrath.

'Never to the day of our deaths will we forgive Lyndhurst for his marriage." Such ford. At the time he medut them, no wrath against his beir, and a Gibson girl, who to her personal charm adds tact and discretion, can accomplish much. In the case of Camille Clifford it has done great things; for the bridging of the breach is due to her rather than to her husband. Ever since her marriage she has been like Caesar's wife, above suspicion. Once when her husband was laid up with a cold Lady Aberdare came to visit her son unexpectedly and entered the sick room unannounged. There she found Camille administering beef ten to her husband. Lady Aberdare was at first inclined to "cut" the actress, but Lyndhurst Bruce turned to his mother and said. "You don't appear to have noticed my wife," whereupon the haughty lady, already touched by the picture of domestic bliss she had observed, went up to her daughter-in-law, and putting her arms around her neck, exclaimed;

"I hope you will forgive me. I am afraid we have been very hard upon you." The fair American promptly explained that "she did not think so at all," and put Lady Aberdare on good terms with herself by saying that it was quite natural that the Aberdares should not wish their son to marry an actress; that she would not like her own child to do so, knowing what she knew about the stage, etc. etc. But she wound up by saying, in effect, that there were actresses and actresses, and she

herself was one of the right sort. Now the burning desire of the Aberdares is to get all Camille Clifford's protographs out of the shop windows. Her admirers are buying up what are left, for the story goes this will be their last opportunity of securing her Riceness.

Duckess Returns Alone. There was not a soul at the station to meet the duchess of Mariborough when she arrived back in London. Although everything was in readiness for her advent at Sunderland house the servants, it appears, were ignorant of the hour at which the train was due and no motor or carriage awaited her. He maid having ascertained that this was so, the duchess left her to grapple with the luggage and promptly got into the first "four-wheeler" that could be found. The hansom possesses great terrors for her grace ever since she, as a bride with Marltorough, had a nasty spill

from one. In her luggage was included a box containing some magnificent toys for her younger son, Lord Iver Spencer Churchill; the marquis of Blandford being now somewhat beyond the toy stage had quantities of presents of a more mature kind brought him by his adoring mother.

An extraordinary story is going the rounds anent Mrs. Beatty's stoom jewels, which, as all the world knows by now, disappeared from the hunting box the Beattys are renting at Melton. It is said that a guest who was staying with there at the time knows a great deal about enhanced his reputation and added to the affair. Ever since the production of the title of managing director of the fawoman is somewhat giorified in the capac- and to dramatic art he was knighted by ity of burglar, thieving takes place con- the prince regent of Bavaria. tinually in English and Scotch country In 1866 the king of Bavaria offered him houses, though, as a rule, it rarely gets the post of manging director of the Court into the newspapers. Hoste on this side theater at Munich. This theater is the are extremely averse to having it found property of the sovereign and is run etcledy burglars under their roofs and gen- the post and for ten years continued in it. ing the matter made public.

A Society Burglary. remember rightly, I recorded in this cor-respondence—and although the ductions those of Stylock, Mephisto, Iago, Nathan. of Rogburghe was willing to have it on the local police—the duke put his foot for a period of eighteen months, beginning then and there for the worth of the miss- cess,

Work of Cupid's Understudy



REV. W. J. GOMERBALL.



MRS. W. J. GOMERSALL LONDON, Dec. 28.-(Special)-"Cupid's their incomes, their prospects and just Successor," as he has been dubbed here, about what they want in the way of a is contemplating a visit to the United wife. The women make Mrs. Gomersall the custodian of similar confidences, and as to say that if Lady Warwick persists States. He is the Rev. W. J. Gomersall, a the husband and wife exchange informain making certain disclosures that the Presbyterian clergyman of London, who tion. The course of true love is then declares that the little chap with the bow macadamized by Mrs. Gomersall, who says: and arrow has been loading lately, and "Mr. Smith, will you see Miss Snicker thereby rendered necessary some organ-home this evening?" knowing that Mr. ized scheme for promoting matrimony. A Smith has an income of \$5 a week and that while ago, accordingly, Mr. Gomersall that is just about what Miss Snicker longs founded the so-called "Eligible Social Cir- to get her hands on. But should Miss cles," of which there are now three in Snicker by any accident allow Mr. Jones hanced by the fact that his sister is queen London. And as he has read in the Amer- to take her home. Mrs. Gomersall says to of Spain and the public's interest is great ican cables that organizations modeled after her. "You must not allow Mr. Jones to because he is the particular chum and "side his are about to be started in New York go any further, Miss Snicker; he gets only and Boston, he wants to go across and \$20 a week." In this way matrimonial disgive them a start in the right direction. appointments are prevented. Besides being the originator and organizer, Mr. Gomersall is the presiding genius for the matrimonial activities of Mr. and in their boy and girl days. of the "Eligible Social Circles." Ostensibly these circles are formed to provide they call a correspondence circle at a young man, with the good looks of all the is that of his school days. There are many nationalists. Even the Orangemen are social evenings for lonely bachelors, wid- guines (5) a bead. This fee entitles one to Battenbergs of his particular branch. He owars, single women and widows. One has send in two photographs with some per- has the sturdy build and disposition of his

Mrs. Gomersall. They have formed what Prince Alexander is a tall, Warwick's recent visit to America have in view. They are doing all they can is sent to some other correspondent who lar with all whom he meets. (for Mrs. Gomersall has evolved the unique System is the strong point of the Eligi- they are married to make us a present." coming into the organization the men con- come to London and be married by the father in this. fess themselves to Mr. Gomersall, tell him Rev. W. J. Gomersall.

> ing jewels on the condition that the guest from whom they had been stelen took no further action in the matter.

Mrs. Bestty's jewels were, of course, extremely valuable, but much of the historic interest supposed to be attached to many of the gems are faked tales pure and simple. To use a volgar expression, love her today as devotedly as the day we Marshall Field was "had" right, left and center by unscrupulous dealers on the continent who had learned of his pas-Mrs. Bentty's distress is nevertheless vegetable land. were the words of Lord Aberdare when his intense, for she valued the collectionson married the Gibson girl. Camille Clif- apart altogether from its intrinsic worth

theory that coffee is-a love philter).

Dr. Ernst von Possart of Munich Will Take Charge of "American

Bayreuth." BERLIN, Dec. 28 .- (Special.)-When Dr. Ernest von Possart, the celebrated German actor and stage fnanager, goes to the United States to assume the direction of the dramatic department of Mme. Nordica's "American Bayreuth" on the shores of the Hudson, it will be by no means his first visit to America. As far back as 1887 he made a tour of the United States and was seen in many of his world-famous interpretations. He was 46 years of age then, and in the full flush of his histrionic triumph. Since that time he has considerably



DR. ERNEST POSSART.

The Thief and other plays of the mous court theater at Munich. In recognisame nature in which society man or thou of his eminent services to the drama

out that they have been harboring so- tirely at his depense. Dr. Possart accepted erally prefer pocketing their loss to hav- His knighthood was received in 1866. At Munich, both as actor and actor-manager, he added materially to his already great Sense time ago there was a society reputation. The flat of his roles is a long burglary, at Ploors castle—which, if I one and it is hard to give the palm to any

down and said on no account would he June. 1998. He has become persuaded of have a scandal connected with his house, the full worthiness of Muse. Nordica's boroughs are engaged in humble employwith the result that a check was signed project and her ability to make it a suc-

Various Members of Notorious Family Gathered in Villa in Paris.

Ashleres is on the Seine, northwest of the The city. To get there take the Clichy road- roxal marriage ever held in a simple vil- the court. -because of its association with her Clichy is half way to Asnieres and cross LADY MARY. the river. Thus one reaches the home of this family, whose fate interested the NORDICA'S DIRECTOR whole world not so very many years ago in connection with the visionary Crawford

When the Humberts left prison they disappeared. Some enterprising reporters had it that they lived on the Lake of Geneva in grand style, the great Therese driving her own automobile. Some believed this story, others doubted it. Now all know the truth.

The villa is isolated from all neighboring houses. The door remains closed to every stranger. The enterprising newspaper man entered by strategy, however. He succeeded in talking to the ever lively Romain Daurignac. He even saw Therese Humbert for a minute. She, on seeing a stranger approaching disappeared instantly. The villa of the Humberts in Asnieres

is very plainly furnished. Nothing recalls the luxury of the Palais Humbert in the Avenue de la Grande Armee. The celebrated iron safe, which helped Therese for fully twenty years to bluff the world, is here replaced by a plain sideboard filled with a chesp dinner service. The walls are decorated by pictures with and without frames, all the work of Frederic Humbert who, according to Romain, is, after all, a talented painter. He now keeps his family by earning money by painting. He works incessantly, morning, noon and night. Romain remarked that now nobody will be able to say that another does Frederic's painting for him, as was alleged at the great trial. Romain Daurignac also solemply declared that Frederic Humbert was innocent while he called the "grande Therese," his sister, a visionary, who suffers from halfucinations. Her husband, like everybody else, was deceived by the great deceiver. In the Asnieres villa, with Frederic and

Therese, lives old Mrs. Humbert, the widow of the former minister of justice and mother of Frederic Humbert.

Marle Daurignac, "the eternal fiancee," as she was ironically called during the Humbert troubles, lives in an attle in Paris and starves on a pittanee earned as plane-player in a concert room near the Porte Maillot. Eva Humbert, Therese's daughter, is a French teacher in a family in Westphalts.

What the ever happy Romain does for a living is unknown. It is only known that he has regained the affections of Maris Dulaza, known in the demi-monde as "Blondinette." Romain is surely the only member of the whole family who is not crushed by the fats that overtook them, and who remains the gay spark he always was in the palace of his wister, when their star seemed fixed in prosperity.

STOCKING MAKER IS MAYOR William Cartwright Works Half Time at Trade and Rest for

Public. LONDON, Dec. 28.-(Special.)-Even in small places in the United States, the mayor generally is a man of substance. On this side of the water, however, it is common thing for the humblest sort of toiler to be elected chief executive of his town or city. Dublin has a working printer for its present lord mayor, while a chimney-sweep, as one of the aldermen of the Irish capital, is in direct line for the office, and in different puris of England blacksmiths, cobblers and stonemasons are wearers of the official crnoine. London's lord mayor must of course, be a man of wealth, on account of the favish hospitality he has to dispense, but his authority extends throughout the so-called "city" and the mayors of many important metropolitan

Another "working" mayor is

Worship" of Loughborough, Leicestershire, who has just held his first public

facturing company's mill. mother were also "wtockingers." At 4 and died soon after arrival. His constitu years of age he was left fatheriess, the tion was delicate; it could not sland the eldest of three children, and two years fever-stricken swamps of the Gold Coast. later started working as a "winder" at home. At 8 he went into the factory, but the passage of the factory act sent him home until he was big enough to "pass for Il." Three of his six daughters now work in the factory with him and his wife, before their marriage, was employed there also.

The home of the humble mayor is neat little cottage for which he pays about \$1.25 a week rent. There are three ooms upstairs and the same number on the ground floor. In the front is a small garden which is continually kept in loom by the mayoress.

The Irish town of Limerick, however, is more kind to its mayor, for he is allowed a quarter of a ton of coal on every cargo of that mineral which enters the port His toll, thus enacted, is large enough to enable him to relieve many of the ponfamilies of the town.

PRINCE IN MARRIAGE MARKET Alexander of Battenberg Will, Like Predecessors, Marry for Love, Not Politics.

LONDON, Dec. M - (Special.) - Another prince has entered the marriage market and is on the lookout for a bride with a dowry of millions. This is his highness Alexander of Buttenberg.

The importance of the prince is much enpartner" of the former Princess Ena. She to comic songs, but he sings them like a is making good progress and there is now was much of a temboy, and though a year music hall professional and through him no doubt that the party will present an younger than Prince "Allie," was the royal friends are well acquainted with the absolutely united front when Parliament But big as London is it is too restricted leader in all manner of mischievous pranks

to be either one of these four to pass the sonal information and a statement of their Teutonic ancestry. By no means a bril-

"sithough," as Mrs. Gomersall told me, if you please. "Maudlin." The youngest I raffled it off with a signed phote you had "It is the custom for the couple when brother, Maurice, is a naval cadet with his given me and raised \$100." cousin, Prince Eddie of Wales, at Osborne bles clubes. Nothing is left to chance. Upon Also it is the custom for the couple to He is 16 and very delicate, taking after his

The father, Prince Henry, it will be remembered, died years ago in West Africa. His marriage with Queen Victoria's young-HUMBERTS LIVE SIMPLE LIFE est daughter was another romance of the

large church. Princess Beatrice wonderfully IRISH LIBELED BY lage church. Princess Beatrice wonderfully reception. He is William Cartwright, a mother of children. Here was a happy stocking-maker, and his reception was at- family. But the British public always hated tended by more than a thousand of his the German prince. On every possible oc- English Newspapers Overdo Accounts fellow workmen at the Nottingham Manu- casion be was taunted with being a pauper prince, a tin or drawing room soldier. Ten At his trade Mayor Curtwright earns from years after his marriage he could stand it assumption of his duties his earnings have Africa gave him a chance. He volunteered dropped comiderably. His father and for service, went out as an ordinary officer



PRINCE ALEXANDER OF BATTEN-

Prince Alexander takes after his mother He has her strong build. She is the most talented member of the British royal family, and her son decidedly inherits her favorite comic songs of the stage.

variations of this story, but that related breaking away from the slavish obedience short of pocket money, so he wrote to his characterized them, and are taking part grandmother asking for some. Queen Vic- with their Catholic neighbors in movements toria had her own ideas about extravagance for the extension of local self-government England who get more information as to hostess, frankly admit that the encourage- the photographs is passed around the circumstance, accomplished linguist, fair artist and wrote the boy a long letter-a sermon, and local co-operation. A new body which ment of matrimony is the chief end they cles with requests for bids, and the other and a general all-round good fellow, popubut not before.

EMPRESS RECOVERS SLOWLY Illness of Caarina Not Critical, but She May Be Months Away from Conrt.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 18 - An au-

of Disorder on Island.

\$7.50 to Elé a week, full time, but since the no longer. A little 20-cent war in West NEVER WAS MORE FEACEFUL ers at Ballsbridge this winter. The sub-

Union of Irish Factions Progresses for United Front in Coming Session of Parlinment.

DUBLIN, Dec. 28.-(Special.)-One would be inclined to think from reading the English press nowadays that all Ireland is secthing with crime and disorder, and no doubt accounts of these alleged outrages are cabled to America by the correspondents in London.

The fact is that the country has never en so peaceful and free from serious been confined to a few small districts in son is always the excuse for a good dual Roscommon and Galway. Some of the of drunkenness in Ireland, and the clergy judges have waxed semi-hysterical over the excuse for a demand from the English perance agitation which is working very unionists for the regival of the crimes act. Cartle driving has been condemned by the most thoughtful men in the Irish party and a in Ireland those who do so are diminishit is feared that it will be made the excuse by the whigs in the present government for refusing to consider the demand of the Irish people for home rule. Nothing would please these so-called liberals, who are really more tory than the tories, more than an excuse for throwing over the Gladstonian home rule policy, and it is strongly suspected that they have something to do with the campaign of slander against Ireland now being carried on in the British press.

Reunion of Irish Party.

In the meantime the movement for the genius for music. True his inclinations run | reunion of all the factions in the Irish party meets again. Even a more hopeful feature Prince Alexander has been the hero of is the growing friendship in Ulster be more than one amusing story, but the best tween the democratic unionists and the bere is the true one. The prince had run to the tory politicians which has always month's time she would send him meney. Is in practical sympathy with every plank in the home rule platform and apparently A few days later the prince replied: is only awaiting for some guarantee o "Never mind about the money, grannie, religious liberty in the event of home rule, Your letter proved a real friend in need. to throw in its lot with the national party. This development need not surprise anyone who remembers the heroism of the mer of Ulster in 1798, nor how the Ulster Protestants fought the union. It is only since the union that they have become so strongly anti-national as they have been recently.

A romance of 1796 is recalled by a claim Battenberg family. Prince Henry, as theritative announcement issued from to a Scottish peerage. The claimant is plication of the separation laws. He prehandsome a man as ever lived in his decade, Tsarskoe-Selo today confirms the informa- William Docherty and he claims that he is came to England to attend the wedding of tion given out yesterday that the condi- Viscount and Baron Gardiner of Torwoodhis brother, the admiral. It was there that tion of the empress of Russia is in no head. He says he is the descendant of still remain, and put an end to Catholic he was first seen by Princess "Trix" or sense critical, but that her convalencence Colonel James Gardiner, who was in Ire-schools. The cardinal complains that while Princess "Baby," as she was called in the has been slower than her physician had land with his regiment in 1786. Patrick a few of the faithful have been aroused PARIS. Dec. 28.- (Special.)—In a lonely family circle. On her part it was love at hoped. There has, however, been a slight Docherty, the claimant's grandfather, was to impotent indignation, the majority are fittle villa at Asnieres, near Paris, dwell first sight. The queen, on behalf of her improvement day by day since the 12th of Colonel Gardiner's coachman and he fell in wedded to their pleasures and business and the Humberts trying to live their life in homely daughter, proposed to the penni- this month. The strain of the last few love with Lady Mary Gardiner, the deceived by the newspapers, have shown peace. It is a quiet country cottage that less prince, whose only income was his years has told heavily upon the empress, colonel's daughter, and married her. It is themselves indifferent to what is happension for "historic" gems and bric-a-brac. they occupy with a small plot of flower and meager salary as an officer of the German but there is no organic weakness to arouse well known that Scottish perrages descend ing. He concludes with an appeal to Cathoalarm. It will be months before she will through the female line, but it was sup- lies to remain faithful and says: The marriage was a quiet one-the first be able to participate in the ceremonies of posed that the Gardiner poerage had be- "The svil days will pass and eventually come extinct. Decherty is trying to bring we will taste the joys of victory."

his ouse before the House of Lords, which is the tribunal to decide such claims, but he is handicusped by lark of funds.

Revival of Agriculture. A hopeful stim of the revival of Irish agriculture is contained in the call issued by the County Dublis Parmers' association for an "all-Ireland" conference of farmjects to be discussed are the encouragement of local industries, the consumption of home-grown bay and straw, railway rates, agricultural education and the organiza tion of the farmers in every county for the purpose of co-operative buying and selling. The co-operative movement is already making good progress in many districts. In some parts of the country the farmers have managed by combining to eliminate the "gombeen man" entirely and to open new markets for the produce.

I mentioned a few weeks ago the growth of the temperance movement. Another feature of the work of the clergy which is worthy of notice is the appeal which has recently been made throughout the crime as at present. It is true that there country for temperance at the Christmas has been some catile driving, but that has season. It is well known that this seaare trying to avoid this by tasuing spehe refusal of juries to convict and the cial pleages to cover the Christmas seasituation in these small areas is being made son only. Another feature of the temsuccessfully is the argument that in diminishing the consumption of spirits ing the taxes paid to England by Irishmen. It is a fact that cannot be too generally known that the revenue tax on spirits and beer is one of the greatest sources of English revenue, and a blow struck at the consumption of spirits hits John Bull where he feels it most-in Lis pocket

One of the great struggles of the 'son is recalled by the reinstatement a few days ago of the evicted tenants on the Cooline estates in County Wexford. Probably no set of tenants fought ionger or harder to retain their homes, and they were finally evicted by force in 1882 amid scenes of great brutality and their homes battered down. Four of the nine tenants are dead and only the buildings on two of the farms remain, but the setdement which has been arrived at provides for the erection of new farm buildings and dwellings. William A. Cullen, the son of the man who made the most heroic defense of his home and who only left it when it was burnt over his head has returned from America to take charge of his father's land and rebuild the old comestead. The day when the tenants definitely enter into possession again is to be made the occasion of great nationalist demonstrations all over Wexford.

CARDINAL CALLS FOR ACTION Head of Church at Lyons Asks Faith-

ful to Rouse Themselves to Conditions in France. LYONS, Dec. 28 .- Cardinal Coullie, archbishop of Lyons, has issued a pasteral

letter, in which he describes in the most vigorous language what he terms the "sacreligious robbery" of the church in which has just been made by a Derry man. France during the first year of the apdicts that the state will persist in its efforts to suppress the Catholic orders that



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