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5th Nov^r 1897

Dear Madame,
Sir Dighton Probyn
has forwarded to me,
as Private Secretary
to The Princess of Wales,
your letter to him
of the 3rd Inst.

I regret I cannot
return a more favorable
answer.

I remain,
Yours faithfully
Edw. C. Clarke
Major General

To
Mrs F. Neill
of "Aoune Chat"

In reply I beg to
point out that
The Princess of Wales
neither withholds,
nor gives, permission
for the publication
of any articles
personal to herself
or her daughters.

It has been found
necessary to establish
this rule, and it
would therefore be
useless for you to
submit the article
entitled "The Princesses'
Christmas Shopping"
for perusal here,