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camouflage her real involvement
reference.
Throughout her entire correspondence with Ellen,



*A view of Conway Castle, from the pencil sketch
by Charlotte.*

Charlotte maintains a reserve which speaks volumes but
will always leave us with doubts. Even at the time of her
great success as Currer Bell, the author of the best-selling
Jane Eyre, Charlotte coolly affirms that she has been
engaged upon some writing, and it is not until very late
that she revealed to Ellen that she was indeed that
Currer Bell, who, incidentally, had been