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*Mrs. Joe Leiter,
Nurse at the Fire Pit.
Queen of American
Battlefields—Woman
Rules an Empire.*

Mrs. Joe Leiter—so she is called by society—wife of the Chicago millionaire, noted for her beauty and a charming woman withal, recently proved herself a humanitarian and a helpmeet to her husband when he was fighting fire in his coal mine at Zeigler, Ill. The Leiters were at home in Chicago when they got news of the disaster. Mr. Leiter took a special train to the scene. His wife went with him. When they arrived at the mine Mr. Leiter went to work with his men. Mrs. Leiter was at hand ministering to the miners who had suffered in the



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disaster by serving them with sandwiches and coffee which she helped to prepare and encouraged them by her presence and with words of praise and hope. On her order bandages, medicines and salves were taken to the mouth of the shaft, where she had erected a temporary hospital tent. Cots and warm bedding were provided, and when a famished miner was brought out from the burning pit he received quick and effective treatment. When necessary, Mrs. Leiter administered relief with her own hands. Before her marriage to Mr. Leiter she was Miss Juliette Williams of Washington. Her father is Colonel J. R. Williams of the army. His daughter was popular in the official set. Her social success in London after her wedding was instantaneous. Her popularity in Chicago remains what it was before she became the head of the Leiter house in that city. Her actions at the Zeigler coal mine fire have increased for her the admiration of her many friends.