



LUCY WARE WEBB HAYES, Soldier's Wife

Lucy Webb Hayes (1831-89), wife of Colonel Rutherford B. Hayes, often visited her soldier husband in camp during the war years, where she also tended to the wounded, providing aid and solace to make their suffering bearable. She later accompanied her husband on his trip home to convalesce when he was wounded in 1862. After her hus-

band's election to the presidency in 1877, the members of his old regiment presented her with a gift to commemorate her wartime kindnesses to them. Above we see Lucy Hayes comforting a wounded soldier in an emergency aid station set up in a barn behind the combat lines.