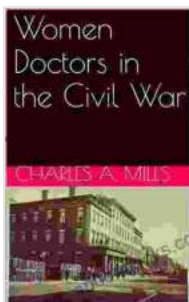


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Women doctors made significant contributions to the medical field during the Civil War. They treated wounds, performed surgeries, and introduced innovative practices. Their tireless efforts helped save countless lives and improve the overall health of the troops.

However, these women also faced immense challenges. They endured discrimination, harassment, and skepticism from both soldiers and medical colleagues. Despite these obstacles, their unwavering commitment to their patients never wavered.

Legacy and Impact: Women Doctors in Today's World

The legacy of the women doctors of the Civil War continues to inspire and empower women in the medical field today. Their courageous spirit and determination paved the way for generations of female physicians who have made significant advancements in healthcare.

Today, women doctors are an integral part of the medical workforce, representing over half of all medical school graduates. They continue to make invaluable contributions to medical research, practice, and policy, ensuring better health outcomes for all.

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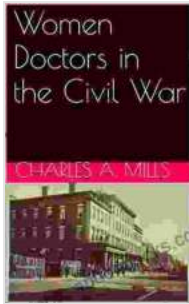
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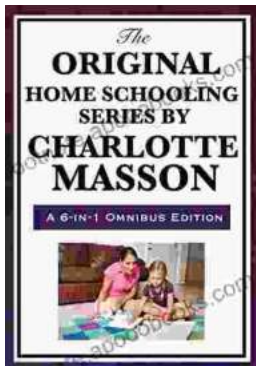
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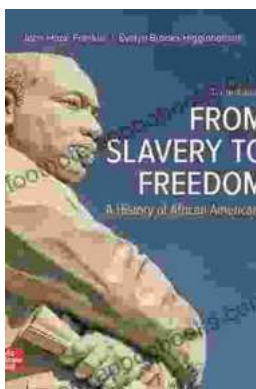


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