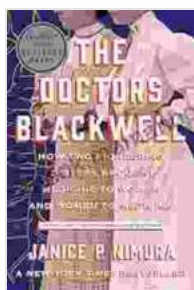


How Two Pioneering Sisters Brought Medicine To Women And Women To Medicine

The story of Elizabeth Blackwell and Emily Blackwell is one of determination, courage, and resilience. These two sisters were pioneers in the field of medicine, and their work helped to pave the way for women to become doctors and nurses.



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Elizabeth was born in England in 1821. Her father was a sugar planter, and her mother was a devout Quaker. Elizabeth was a bright and inquisitive child, and she loved to read. She was particularly interested in science and medicine.

Emily was born in 1826. She was a sickly child, and she often had to stay home from school. Elizabeth would often read to Emily, and she would tell

her stories about the women who had made a difference in the world.

In 1849, Elizabeth and Emily decided to move to the United States. They settled in New York City, and they both began to work as teachers.

Elizabeth also began to study medicine on her own. She would often visit the library, and she would read everything she could find about anatomy, physiology, and surgery.

In 1850, Elizabeth applied to the Geneva Medical College in New York. She was the first woman to ever apply to the school, and she was initially rejected. However, she did not give up. She wrote a letter to the dean of the school, and she eventually convinced him to let her enroll.

Elizabeth was a brilliant student, and she quickly became one of the top students in her class. She graduated from medical school in 1854, and she became the first woman in the United States to receive a medical degree.

After graduating from medical school, Elizabeth opened her own practice in New York City. She specialized in treating women and children, and she quickly became known for her skill and compassion.

Emily followed in her sister's footsteps, and she also became a doctor. She graduated from medical school in 1858, and she joined Elizabeth in her practice.

In 1857, Elizabeth and Emily founded the New York Infirmary for Women and Children. The infirmary was the first hospital in the United States that was staffed entirely by women. The infirmary provided a safe and welcoming place for women to receive medical care, and it also gave women the opportunity to train as doctors and nurses.

Elizabeth and Emily Blackwell were pioneers in the field of medicine. They faced many challenges, but they never gave up on their dreams. Their work helped to pave the way for women to become doctors and nurses, and it had a profound impact on the health of women and children in the United States.

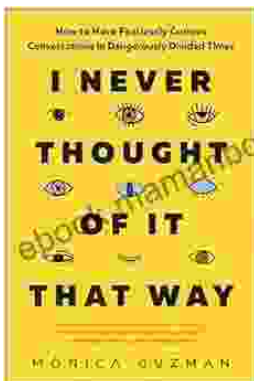


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