

AT THE BATTLE.

Sing banners and cannon and roll of drum! The shouting of men and the marching!

THE NEW DOCTOR.

BY TOM P. MORGAN.

"Gentlemen," said Colonel Ferguson, addressing certain other prominent citizens of New Chicago then gathered in the single room of the combined real estate, loan, insurance and collection office and bachelor residence of the speaker.

"That's so," assented Mr. Ike Fosdick. "The new doctor will have to go." Messrs. Banning and Benson wagged their heads in affirmation. "Exactly!" resumed the colonel.

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ment citizens neither knew nor cared. A new doctor was there.

"An' the new doctor must go!" said Fosdick. And the others agreed with him. The women could stay or go, as they might elect.

"I reckon," returned Mr. Hank Fanshaw, contentiously.

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"And she worked, oh, so hard!" the little mother said, with moistened eyes.

"Then, when Jean graduated, they had put their two inexperienced heads together and decided that in the West was to be found the field wherein Jean would presently win a modest measure of fame and fortune.

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THE TOP KNOT IN SIAM.

IT IS CUT WHEN A CHILD BECOMES OF AGE.

The Ceremony of Its Being Cut From a Prince's Head Described By an Eye-witness.

The Siamese have a quaint and picturesque custom which is celebrated in every family pertaining to wealth and fashion, when a child becomes of age of cutting the top knot.

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European airs at appropriate occasions.

For three days in succession the processions accompanied the king and prince to the most sacred of the palace temples only to listen to the consecrating lectures of the priests.

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He Would Be Busy.

A censor attached to the Imperial court in Peking, having suggested that the Emperor should take up the ancient practice of having the classics and other sacred writings expounded to him daily, his majesty published this decree.

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