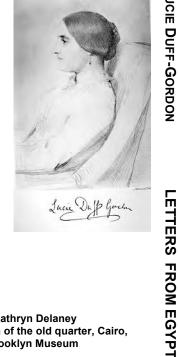


Letters from Egypt

by Lady Lucie Duff-Gordon (1821-1869)

As a girl, Lucie Duff-Gordon was noted both for her beauty and intelligence. As an author, she is most famous for this collection of letters from Egypt. Lady Duff-Gordon had tuberculosis, and went to Egypt for her health. She settled in the tiny town of Luxor where she was the only European, learned Arabic and mingled with the locals, both male and female. She seems to have been very tolerant and well-liked. Her letters home are enlivened by her humor, her outrage at the ruling Ottomans, and many personal stories gleaned from the people around her. (Wikipedia)



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