


Charles Dickens	 <p>Dombey and Son By Charles Dickens (1812-1870)</p> <p><i>Dombey and Son</i> is a novel by the Victorian author Charles Dickens. The story concerns Paul Dombey, the wealthy owner of the shipping company of the book's title, whose dream is to have a son to continue his business. The book begins when his son is born, and Dombey's wife dies shortly after giving birth.</p> <p>As with most of Dickens' work, a number of socially significant themes are to be found in this book. In particular the book deals with the then-prevalent common practice of arranged marriages for financial gain. Other themes to be detected within this work include child cruelty (particularly in Dombey's treatment of Florence), familial relationships, and as ever in Dickens, betrayal and deceit and the consequences thereof. (Wikipedia)</p> <p>Read by Cynthia Lyons; total running time: 44:35:29. Dedicated Proof-Listener/ Meta-Coordinator/Cataloging: Lucy Burgoyne</p> <p>This recording is in the public domain and may be reproduced, distributed, or modified without permission. For more information or to volunteer, visit librivox.org.</p> <p>Cover illustration by <i>H. K. Browne (1848)</i>. Author picture taken from "Great Britain and Her Queen" by <i>Anne E. Keeling (1897)</i>. Copyright expired in US, Canada, EU, and all countries with author's life +70 yrs laws. Cover design by Janette Brown. This design is in the public domain.</p>	Dombey and Son
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