



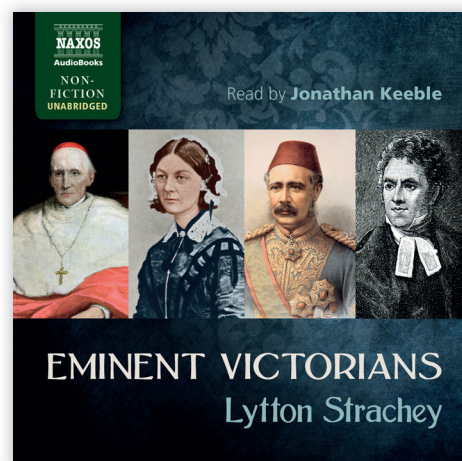
EMINENT VICTORIANS Lytton Strachey

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Eminent Victorians, Lytton Strachey's wonderfully witty and Wildean quartet of biographies, stands out as one of the most radical and groundbreaking works of its genre. With relentless precision, Strachey explores the lives of four exemplars of the Victorian age: Cardinal Manning, Florence Nightingale, Thomas Arnold and General Gordon, irreverently bringing to light the flaws, strengths, ambitions and hypocrisies of these treasured legends. The combination of thrilling and imaginative narratives with Strachey's ironic reckoning shocked many contemporary readers of the time, and even altered the course of biography, making a powerful case for its elevation to high art.



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6	III	7:37	29	All at once, word came from the Crimea that a great...	10:06
7	Among the letters of congratulation which Manning...	12:07	30	At one time, during several weeks, her vituperations...	10:53
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11	At last he became convalescent; but the spiritual...	8:56	34	Her wits began to turn, and there was no holding her.	6:48
12	At last, in the seclusion of his library, Manning turned...	13:18	35	Meanwhile, still ravenous for yet more and more work...	10:17
13	V	11:26	36	IV	6:00
14	The Archbishop of Trebizond had been for some time...	13:24	37	With statesmen and governors at her beck and call...	14:23
15	It was determined that the coalition should be ratified...	10:17	38	V	6:26
16	VI	9:17	39	Dr Arnold	9:30
17	The years that followed showed to what extent it was...	9:15	40	From two sides this system of education was...	8:56
18	Such were Newman's thoughts when an unexpected...	10:44	41	It was obvious that the primitive methods of discipline...	9:56
19	The confederates matured their plans. While Newman...	7:16	42	At the end of the evening service, the culminating...	11:48
20	VII	10:53	43	Dr Arnold waited in vain. But, he did not wait in idleness.	9:50
21	The Rome which Manning reached towards the close...	11:25	44	Once or twice he found time to visit the Continent...	8:31
22	Two main issues, it soon appeared, were before them...	12:48	45	In the earlier years of his headmastership Dr Arnold...	11:01
23	VIII	12:44	46	The End of General Gordon	12:59

47	In eighteen months, he told Li Hung Chang...	8:23	57	The original Sultans of the country had unfortunately...	9:02
48	Gordon resigned his command; and it was only with...	11:03	58	The old statesman was now entering upon the...	10:14
49	His seclusion came to an end in a distinctly providential...	8:38	59	One of the last telegrams sent by Gordon before the...	7:58
50	At the end of three years, Gordon resigned his post in...	14:14	60	On one side of him was a veering and vacillating...	13:14
51	There is an ancient tradition in the Mohammedan...	10:21	61	Lord Hartington's conscience was of a piece with the...	10:01
52	El Obeid fell in January, 1883. Meanwhile, events of...	8:50	62	When Mr Gladstone read the words, he realised that...	9:51
53	Meanwhile, not only the Government, but the public...	9:05	63	From the past, he turned to the future, and surveyed...	9:20
54	A few days later, it appeared that the conversation...	11:22	64	He spent long hours upon the palace roof, gazing...	13:07
55	How, then, are we to explain the Government's action?	8:23	65	The delay of the expedition was even more serious...	7:26
56	In Cairo, in spite of the hostilities of the past...	12:32	66	When the English force reached Metemmah...	9:32

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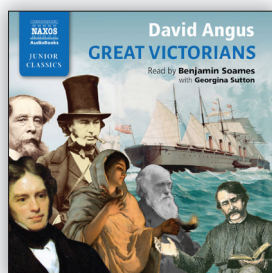
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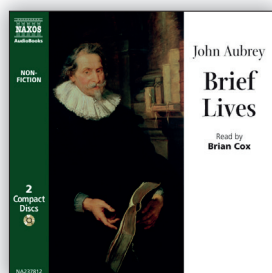
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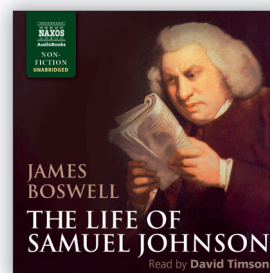
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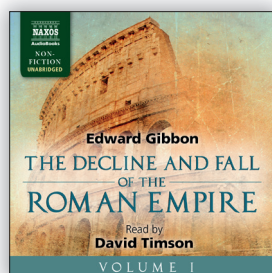
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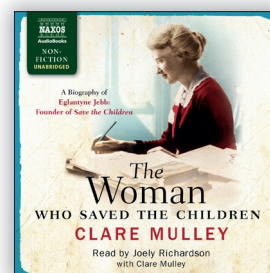
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