



## ***Dombey and Son***

by **Charles Dickens (1812-1870)**

Charles Dickens originally wrote *Dombey and Son* in installments which were published from October 1846 to April 1848 under the title *Dealings with the Firm of Dombey and Son: Wholesale, Retail and for Exportation*.



The story centers around Paul Dombey, the stern owner of the Firm. He is totally immersed in having his newly born son continue the business, and entirely neglects his daughter Florence. Tragedy occurs, and Florence's plight worsens. As the years go by, Mr. Dombey sees to it that the man she loves, his employee, is sent far away. Mr. Dombey remarries, but his marriage is eventually destroyed, his fortune gone, and he becomes destitute. Finally he accepts help from his daughter, and life changes for him. Many wonderful characters interweave the tale, as in all Dickens literary masterpieces.



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