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Ecstasy

By Louis Couperus, Alexander Teixeira de Mattos, John Gray, Duncan Ward

Pushkin Press. Paperback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Ecstasy, Louis Couperus, Alexander Teixeira de Mattos, John Gray, Duncan Ward, Ecstasy is a novel of burning passion and agonising restraint. In turn-of the-century Holland, Cecile, a beautiful high-society widow, falls in love with a notorious womanizer, but her desire must remain unspoken. This is one of Couperus's most powerful novels. A brilliant observer of fin-de-siecle Dutch society, his works are characterised by perfect characterisation, exquisite description and a mordant wit, which brought comparisons to Oscar Wilde. 'Couperus binds both irony and spiritual redemption.' - The Daily Telegraph 'Couperus' sympathy for the hybrid, the impure and the ambiguous gave him a peculiarly modern voice. It is extraordinary that this Dutch dandy, writing in the flowery language of fin-de-siecle decadence, should still sound so fresh.' - Ian Buruma, The New York Times Review of Books Louis Couperus (1863-1923), regarded as one of the foremost figures in Dutch literature, was a leading member of the Tachtigers movement. Born in the Hague, Couperus was taken by his family to the Dutch East Indies as a child, where he remained until his father's death. His other novels include Eline Vere (1889), Ecstasy (Extaze: Een boek...


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