



Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction

Annie C. Meyers

Download now

[Click here](#) if your download doesn't start automatically

Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction

Annie C. Meyers

Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction Annie C. Meyers

“To the sensitive (cocaine) is soothing, to the stupid it is enlivening, to the exhausted it gives strength and mental vigor. To the sufferers from pain it gives peace...” *Dr. T.D. Crothers, 1899*

“I never used any other drug but the clear cocaine and I believe that I am the only living person in the world to-day who ever took two hundred grains in twenty-four hours and survived.” *Annie C. Meyers*

The autobiographical *Eight Years in Cocaine Hell* (1902) recounts in shockingly straightforward style the transformation of Annie C. Meyers, affluent and well-connected Chicago widow, to junkie, thief, forger, inventor of the ‘Cocaine Dance’, and ultimately authoress of the first drug confessional written by a woman.

It was 1894. Annie Meyers had a bad cold, and her lawyer advised her to try Birney’s Catarrh Powder, in which then-legal cocaine was a principal active ingredient. She rapidly became addicted to the drug, ran through her money and travelled the USA shoplifting, house-breaking and writing forged checks to support her habit.

Arrested repeatedly, miraculously escaping a custodial sentence, Annie finally tried safe-blowing and was collared for the final time: ‘homeless and friendless, degraded and frenzied, insane, a broken-down and pitiful wreck of what I had once been.’ She had lost most of her teeth (one gold tooth she had extracted herself and sold), her upper jaw was eaten away and ulcers covered much of her body. She was down to about five and a half stones in weight. Remarkably, and happily, she recovered, with the help of her long-suffering sister and the St. Luke Society, who encouraged and originally published this concise, ground-breaking memoir.

“Her book established a literary genre, and her case helped to outlaw cocaine.” Stuart Walton, *Intoxicology*

 [Download Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a V ...pdf](#)

 [Read Online Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a ...pdf](#)

Download and Read Free Online Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction Annie C. Meyers

From reader reviews:

Edward Gilbert:

The ability that you get from Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction is the more deep you searching the information that hide inside words the more you get serious about reading it. It doesn't mean that this book is hard to understand but Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction giving you excitement feeling of reading. The article writer conveys their point in particular way that can be understood by means of anyone who read it because the author of this reserve is well-known enough. This specific book also makes your vocabulary increase well. It is therefore easy to understand then can go along with you, both in printed or e-book style are available. We recommend you for having this Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction instantly.

Mary Abrams:

Often the book Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction will bring someone to the new experience of reading a new book. The author style to elucidate the idea is very unique. If you try to find new book you just read, this book very suitable to you. The book Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction is much recommended to you you just read. You can also get the e-book through the official web site, so you can more easily to read the book.

William Stone:

Reading a book to become new life style in this calendar year; every people loves to read a book. When you examine a book you can get a lot of benefit. When you read books, you can improve your knowledge, mainly because book has a lot of information in it. The information that you will get depend on what sorts of book that you have read. If you would like get information about your study, you can read education books, but if you want to entertain yourself look for a fiction books, this sort of us novel, comics, and also soon. The Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction provide you with new experience in reading a book.

Jesus Jones:

What is your hobby? Have you heard in which question when you got learners? We believe that that concern was given by teacher to the students. Many kinds of hobby, Everybody has different hobby. Therefore you know that little person just like reading or as examining become their hobby. You should know that reading is very important as well as book as to be the factor. Book is important thing to provide you knowledge, except your personal teacher or lecturer. You will find good news or update about something by book. Different categories of books that can you take to be your object. One of them is Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction.

**Download and Read Online Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction
Annie C. Meyers #9B16XY37DZE**

Read Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction by Annie C. Meyers for online ebook

Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction by Annie C. Meyers Free PDF d0wnl0ad, audio books, books to read, good books to read, cheap books, good books, online books, books online, book reviews epub, read books online, books to read online, online library, greatbooks to read, PDF best books to read, top books to read Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction by Annie C. Meyers books to read online.

Online Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction by Annie C. Meyers ebook PDF download

Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction by Annie C. Meyers Doc

Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction by Annie C. Meyers Mobipocket

Eight Years in Cocaine Hell: The True Story of a Victorian Woman's Descent into Madness and Addiction by Annie C. Meyers EPub