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Sommario/riassunto	The Stronger Sex studies the fictional women of Lawrence Durrell. Durrell envisioned a new woman, self-confident, free of male domination, and able to serve, direct, and protect her dependent male counterpart. Durrell's modern woman is the center of the new post-modern 'couple'- man dependent upon the centrality of woman for the essential wisdom and direction in his life. Far from being a follower of D. H. Lawrence, as so many have claimed, Durrell insists that the male must first cede to woman the personal, social, and political power and freedom which he has historically denied her.