



The Great Game: A Professor Moriarty Novel

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Titan. 1 Paperback(s), 2014. soft. Book Condition: New. London 1891: Professor Moriartyprominent scientist, keen analytical mind, and a dabbler in less than savory doingsis somewhat surprised when an unknown caller collapses on his doorstep, shot by a crossbow, in this third mystery in Michael Kurland's Edgar Awardwinning series (following Death by Gaslight). Meanwhile Moriarty's one-time associates, journalist Benjamin Barnett and his wife, the former Cecily Perrine, are having their own troubles on the Continent, finding themselves in the midst of an attempted assassination of a German prince. And in Vienna, the son of a British noblemanindulging in "the Great Game" of amateur espionagehas been framed for the murder of his paramour and the assassination of an Austrian Duke. Moriarty tries to connect the threads of these seemingly disparate events, while enduring the unwanted help of his sometime-foe Sherlock Holmes. "Kurland has made Moriarty more interesting than Doyle ever made Holmes," noted Isaac Asimov of this brilliant, charming, resourceful, ambitious, and determined anti-hero. And though Holmes dubbed him "the Napoleon of crime," Moriarty himself is as likely to call his more famous nemesis "the Javert of busybodies," while slipping back and forth across the line of criminality in pursuit of his...



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