



The Transference Engine

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DAW BOOKS, United States, 2016. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 170 x 104 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book. A fantastical steampunk novel of magic and machines set in an alternate 1830s London Madame Magdala has reinvented herself many times, trying to escape Lord Byron s revenge. She destroyed the Transference Engine Byron hoped to use to transfer his soul into a more perfect body and perpetuate his life eternally. A fanatical cult of necromancers continues Byron s mission to force Magdala and Byron s only legitimate child--Ada Lovelace--to rebuild the machine and bring Byron back. Magdala now bills herself as the bastard daughter of a Gypsy King. She runs a fashionable London coffee salon and reading room while living a flamboyant lifestyle at the edge of polite society. Behind the scenes, she and Ada Byron King, Countess of Lovelace, use the massive library stored at the Bookview Cafe to track political and mercantile activity around the world. They watch to make certain the cult of necromancy surrounding Lord Byron, the poet king who worshipped death, cannot bring him back to life. On the eve of Queen Victoria s coronation in June of 1838, rumors of an assassination attempt abound....



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