



The Secret Diaries Of Miss Anne Lister (Paperback)

By Anne Lister

Little, Brown Book Group, United Kingdom, 2012. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book. These remarkable diaries are a piece of lost lesbian history. Anne Lister defied the role of womanhood seen in the novels of Jane Austen: she was bold, fiercely independent, a landowner, industrialist, traveller - and lesbian. She kept extensive diaries, written partly in code, of her life and loves. The diaries have been edited by Helena Whitbread, who spent years decoding and transcribing them. [Anne Lister s] sense of self, and self-awareness, is what makes her modern to us. She was a woman exercising conscious choice. She controlled her cash and her body. At a time when women had to marry, or be looked after by a male relative, and when all their property on marriage passed to their husband, Anne Lister not only dodged the traps of being female, she set up a liaison with another woman that enhanced her own wealth and left both of them free to live as they wished . . . The diaries gave me courage Jeanette Winterson Engaging, revealing, at times simply astonishing: Anne Lister s diaries are an indispensable read for anyone interested in the history...



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