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Antonin Scriabin — 17 Mar 2014, 19:26

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Fernando Gouvea — 17 Mar 2014, 20:05 · in reply to Antonin Scriabin

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Dan'I Danehy-Oakes — 17 Mar 2014, 20:15 · in reply to Antonin Scriabin

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Marc Aramini — 17 Mar 2014, 20:53 · in reply to Fernando Gouvea

I am pretty sure I have everything save some of his essays. Certainly everything listed as fiction. Bibliomen isn't earth shattering but it's good fun. The version published later is cheaper and had a few additional entries so get that one if you feel compelled.

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**Darth Ed — 27 Mar 2014, 18:42 · in reply to Antonin Scriabin**

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Later,  
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**Fernando Gouvea — 27 Mar 2014, 20:21 · in reply to Darth Ed**

I once suggested someone should put together a book called /The Wolfe of Cheap Street/ and collect all of the pieces that they put out in their special deluxe formats. But apparently there

were too many copyright restrictions. Most of them have now appeared in one or another of the collections, of course. But I'd still by the book if someone made it.

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