



Ikom Folk Stories from Southern Nigeria (Paperback)

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Createspace, United States, 2014. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.From the Preface: These folk stories have been told to me by natives of the various countries to which they relate in the Ikom district of Southern Nigeria. In all cases they have had to be translated by an interpreter, and frequently it has been found necessary to employ two. Some of the stories are very old and have been handed down from one generation to another, but it is most difficult, almost impossible, to judge with any degree of accuracy how old they really are. The word dowry comes frequently into these tales, and is used as meaning the amount paid to the parents of the girl by the husband. In the introduction to my Folk Stories from Southern Nigeria, published in 1910, Mr. Andrew Lang suggests that the term bride-price would better express the institution, and, no doubt, he is perfectly right. I have, however, adhered to the old expression of dowry as it is in general use, and is so well known on the Coast. When a man is asked how much dowry he paid for his wife, he will...

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