Fire and Sword in the Sudan: A Personal Narrative of Fighting and Serving the Dervishes

By Slatin Pasha



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First published in 1896, *Fire and Sword in the Sudan* is a gripping account of the Mahdist War in Sudan, as told by a British officer who fought on both sides of the conflict.

Rudolf Carl Slatin was born in Austria in 1857. He joined the Egyptian army in 1879 and was posted to Sudan. In 1883, the Mahdist revolt broke out, and Slatin found himself trapped in the besieged city of El Obeid. After a year, he was captured by the Mahdists and taken to Omdurman, the capital of their self-proclaimed Mahdist state.

Slatin spent the next twelve years as a prisoner of the Mahdists. He was forced to convert to Islam and adopt the name Abd al-Qadir. He also served as a military adviser to the Mahdi and his successor, the Khalifa Abdullahi al-Taashi.

In 1895, Slatin escaped from Omdurman and made his way to Egypt. He then joined the Anglo-Egyptian army and fought against the Mahdists in the Battle of Omdurman. After the Mahdist defeat, Slatin was appointed governor-general of Sudan.

Fire and Sword in the Sudan is a fascinating account of a complex and bloody conflict. Slatin provides a unique perspective on the Mahdist movement, and his writing is full of vivid descriptions of life in Sudan during the war.

The book is also a valuable historical document. It provides a detailed account of the Mahdist War, and it offers insights into the political and social conditions of Sudan at the time.

Fire and Sword in the Sudan is a must-read for anyone interested in the history of Sudan, the Mahdist War, or the British Empire.

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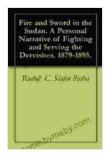
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