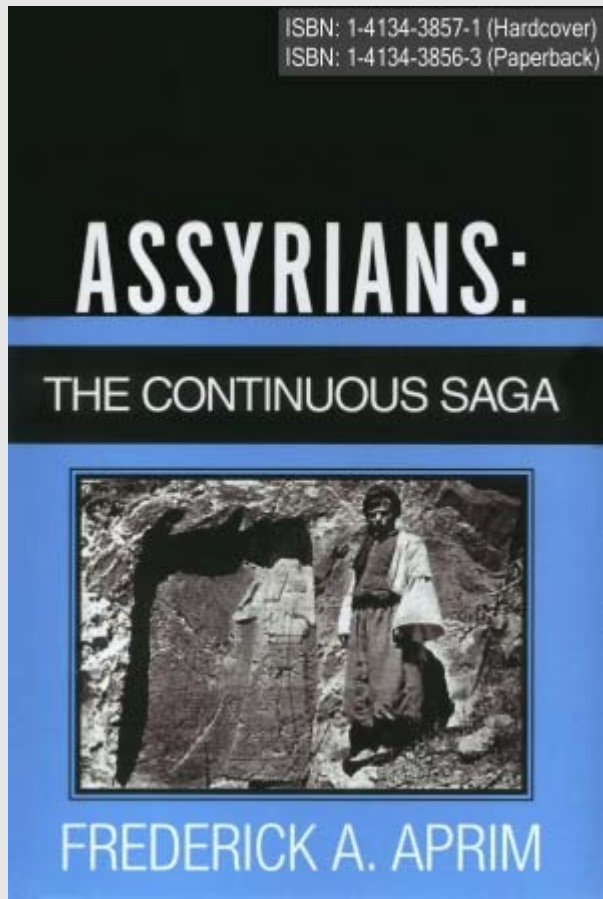


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Assyrians have been deprived of their rich heritage in their ancestral homelands in Mesopotamia.

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## BOOK REVIEW

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