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Cree stories, i.e., old stories, more modern stories, personal stories, humorous stories, and legends. The book is one of my resource materials. I highly recommend it. These stories are delightful to read.

I know this is a very short review, but the book speaks for itself. It is a treasure that should be in the hands of every student of Indian ancestry. I guarantee that they will enjoy reading and digesting it and have fun extracting the teachings of these stories.

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Stories of the House People. Told by Peter Vandall and Joe Douquette. In Cree syllabics, transliteration, and English. Edited, translated, and with a glossary by Freda Ahenakew. Manitoba: University of Manitoba Press, 1987. Preface, map, appendices. xiv + 240 pp. \$24.95.

These stories are told from the heart. Both elders have much historic background—as a matter of fact both are direct descendants of the House People.

The stories contain much philosophy and teaching, for storytelling was the traditional technique of teaching by our ancestors. But one really would have to be an Indian, brought up in the Indian culture, or at least have a competent knowledge of Indian culture, in order to appreciate fully the philosophy and teaching that these stories convey.

The book also utilizes the different types of