



Ebony and Crystal: Poems in Verse and Prose

By Clark Ashton Smith

Createspace, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.From the PREFACE. Who of us care to be present at the accouchment of the immortal? I think that we so attend who are first to take this book in our hands. A bold assertion, truly, and one demonstrable only in years remote from these; and--dust wages no war with dust. But it is one of those things that I should most like to come back and see. Because he has lent himself the more innocently to the whispers of his subconscious daemon, and because he has set those murmurs to purer and harder crystal than we others, by so much the longer will the poems of Clark Ashton Smith endure. Here indeed is loot against the forays of moth and rust. Here we shall find none or little of the sentimental fat with which so much of our literature is larded. Rather shall one in Imagination's misty mid-region, see elfin rubies burn at his feet, Witch-fires glow in the nearer cypresses, and feel upon his brow a Wind from the unknown. The brave hunters of fly-specks...

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