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University of Tennessee Press. Hardback. Book Condition: new. BRAND NEW, Southern Service on Land & Sea : Wartime Journal of Robert Watson CSA/CSN, Robert Watson, R Thomas Campbell, Many men distinguished themselves on either land or sea during the Civil War. Robert Watson's service to the Confederacy included stints in both the army and navy, and his story brings a vital new voice to the chronicles of the conflict. A Floridian who first served in his state s coast guard as a member of The Key West Avengers, Watson was assigned to the 7th Florida Infantry and saw action at Chickamauga, Lookout Mountain, and Missionary Ridge. Later transferred to the Confederate Navy, he served on the ironclad Savannah until it was destroyed to avoid capture; still later he participated in the battle for Fort Fisher. Watson kept a journal through all of his service, offering many fascinating glimpses of action. His account of coastal defense in Florida provides a rare look at the early part of the war in the Tampa area and includes much human-interest material on the seaman's life including use of alcohol and visits to prostitutes. Later reports on action in Tennessee convey much about the miseries...



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