



McClellan from Ball s Bluff to Antietam (Classic Reprint)

By George Wilkes

Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from McClellan From Ball s Bluff to Antietam The following articles are portions of a series which appeared originally in Wilkes Spirit of the Times, and which were devoted to the review of General McClellan and his battles, from the time of the commencement of his career at Ball s Bluff, down to what Mr. Wilkes has justly characterized as the unspeakably disgraceful battle of Antietam. The campaign in Western Virginia, which at most was but a series of skirmishes (and which, notwithstanding its boasted battles, and pompous bulletins, summed up a loss of merely forty killed and two hundred wounded), was early, credited by Mr. Wilkes to Roseorans; and this judgment was all the more strikingly sustained by the subsequent proofs that, while McClellan could never be induced to venture into battle, Roseorans was always present where his soldiers were engaged, and at Murfreesboro embarked his fortunes continually in the very outer wave of action. It is worthy of observation, that Mr. Wilkes was, at the outset of the war, one of those writers who entered...

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