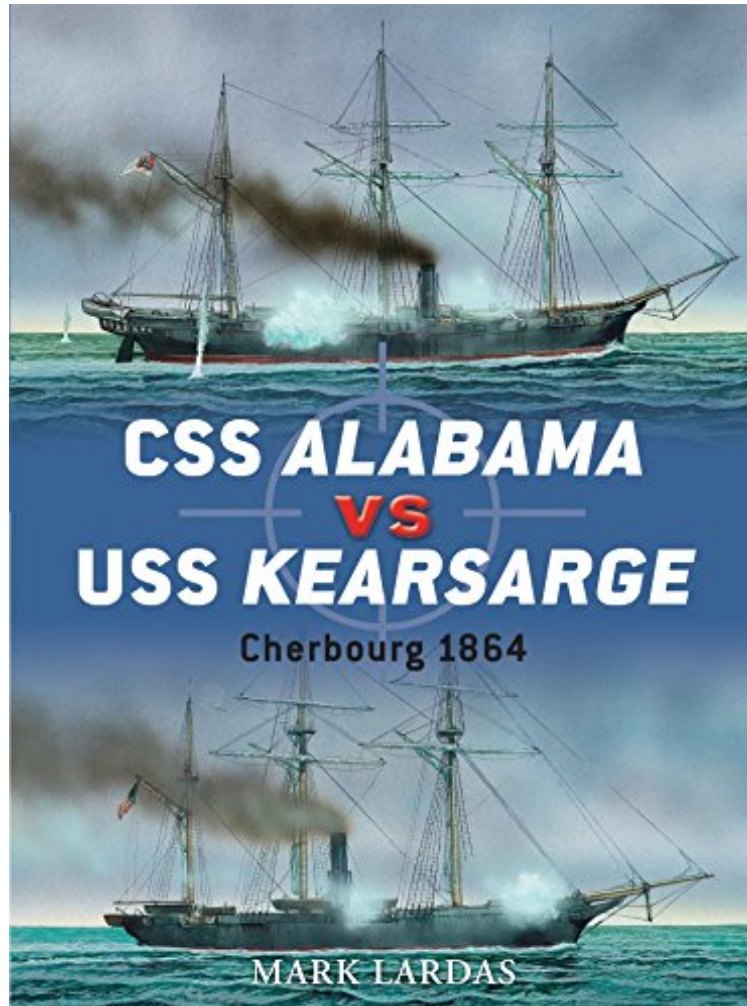


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idea of what you are looking at. The pastel colors are too close together in the original to have enough differentiation in a 3G Kindle. They are all blurry shades of gray, and too small to see, let alone read. It's an either or situation. Either you can read the legend and can't see the battle path, or you can see the battle path, and can't read the legend. It's extremely frustrating. Yes, it is "optimized" for larger Kindles, but many of us do not have 3D Fires. I tried deleting it and downloading it again as suggested, and I still have uncaptioned illustrations and consecutive blank pages. I suggested the Kindle Mac App, and that helped some with the battle maps, and some of the captions appeared as well. It's not only confusing to have 4 or even 5 consecutive blank pages, it's irritating. I don't think blank pages necessarily need to be reproduced, at least not 4 or 5 in a row. I'd recommend the actual book, from what I can see of it online.

By the time of American Civil War things had changed from the Age of Fighting Sail - steam power and explosive shells were transforming naval warfare. Iron was beginning to supplant wood. Britain had just finished HMS Warrior, an iron-hulled warship and coastal ironclads dominated the waters off the United States. The changes meant that ships sank, during battles instead of afterwards. The fights were no less bloody, but in addition to flying splinters, a host of other dangers were added - burst steam boilers, fire due to exploding shells, and the burst from the shells themselves. But, just as in the age of sail, warship captains that won one-on-one battles with another warship became as famous as modern sports stars. During the course of the American Civil War, three single ship actions were fought between Union cruisers and Confederate raiders: CSS Florida vs. USS Wachusett, CSS Alabama vs. USS Hatteras, and CSS Alabama vs. USS Kearsarge. This book will present those, with an emphasis on the most famous battle: Alabama's fight with Kearsarge. Next to the battle between USS Monitor and CSS Virginia, no other naval duel of the American Civil War drew as much interest. That story is told from the eyes of the participants filtered through the lens of historical analysis available since the battles were fought. This includes archeological studies of wrecks of some of these ships, making this book an indispensable guide for anyone interested in Civil War and naval history.

“The Alabama/Kearsarge engagement was the last time that wooden ships fought against each other on the open water. It makes for an outstanding read for ship enthusiast and land-lubber alike. A fascinating read that I very much enjoyed and I am positive you will as well.” ?Scott Van Aken, Modeling Madness
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