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Bibliogov, United States, 2013. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 246 x 189 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book \*\*\*\*\* Print on Demand \*\*\*\*\*.Lieutenant Commander Gregory Chapman served as the executive officer onboard the USS Ardent in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF) during 2003 and 2004. Joining the ship in April 2003, after they had been operating in support of OIF for a month, Chapman had to deal with the leadership challenge of replacing a very popular officer while figuring out the morale and operating rhythm of the Ardent. Being onboard a minesweeper, he explains at some length what the various missions of a minesweeper are and how they carry them out, including use of the SQQ-32 variable depth sonar and the SLQ-48 mine neutralization system. Also embarked aboard Ardent during his tour was a detachment from an explosive ordnance disposal mobile unit which greatly enhanced the ship's flexibility. Having them does give us more flexibility says Chapman. They're more reliable than a remote system. You get a body down there that's capable of making a decision by himself, he can get better angles on the object and better visibility on the object. For the first part...



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