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CreateSpace Independent Publishing Platform. Paperback. Condition: New. This item is printed on demand. 166 pages. Dimensions: 8.0in. x 5.0in. x 0.4in. Sam Steeles Adventures on Land and Sea is a juvenile adventure novel written by L. Frank Baum, famous as the creator of the Land of Oz. The book was Baums first effort at writing specifically for an audience of adolescent boys, a market he would pursue in the coming years of his career. The novel was first published in 1906, under the pen name Capt. Hugh Fitzgerald, one of Baums multiple pseudonyms. Unusually for Baum, the tale of Sam Steeles Adventures on Land and Sea is told in the first person, by the title character. Sam Steele is the son of a sea captain; his father is reported killed in a shipwreck, and Sam is quickly cheated of his inheritance. Now an orphan, he meets his maternal uncle, Naboth Perkins, another sea captain and ship-owner; together the two set sail in the Pacific trade. Sam Steele is a stereotyped ideal: a capable, brave, enterprising, likable, manly sixteen-year-old American. From San Francisco, Sam and his uncle embark on Naboths ship the Flipper, carrying provisions north for the miners of the Alaska Gold Rush. A storm casts them onto a remote island, occupied by stranded and desperate miners who have struck a rich goldfield. The crew of the Flipper have to cope with thieves and the hazards of nature before they can return with ample rewards for their trouble. At home again, Sam and Naboth discover that Sams father Captain Steele has survived shipwreck (with the loss of a leg). Re-united with his father, Sam regains his lost patrimony. Baums plot was influenced by Robert Louis Stevensons Treasure Island and by H. Rider Haggards She. 3 In turn, Baum borrowed elements from...



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