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The Other Custer (Paperback)

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Pronghorn Press, United States, 2014. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 150 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Around the world people know the name of larger-than-life George Armstrong Custer. Far fewer are aware of his younger sibling, Thomas Ward Custer, who followed the brother he called Autie into the Civil War when he was only sixteen. By the age of 17, Tom was a combat veteran and by 20 had distinguished himself in battle as a member of the 6th Michigan Cavalry under Autie's command, and became the first soldier awarded two Medals of Honor. As he was fond of saying, Autie got the glory but I got the medals! This novel explores Tom's life through the pages of his journal from his early days at home through the end of his life. As a post-war officer in the Seventh Cavalry, he again followed his older brother and quickly mastered the nuances of Indian warfare while questioning the government's Indian policy and the politics that governed the orders coming down from Washington. He struggled with alcohol and the boredom of life on the frontier while yearning to be with the girl...



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