



The Smell of Battle, the Taste of Siege: A Sensory History of the Civil War (Paperback)

By Dr Mark M Smith

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