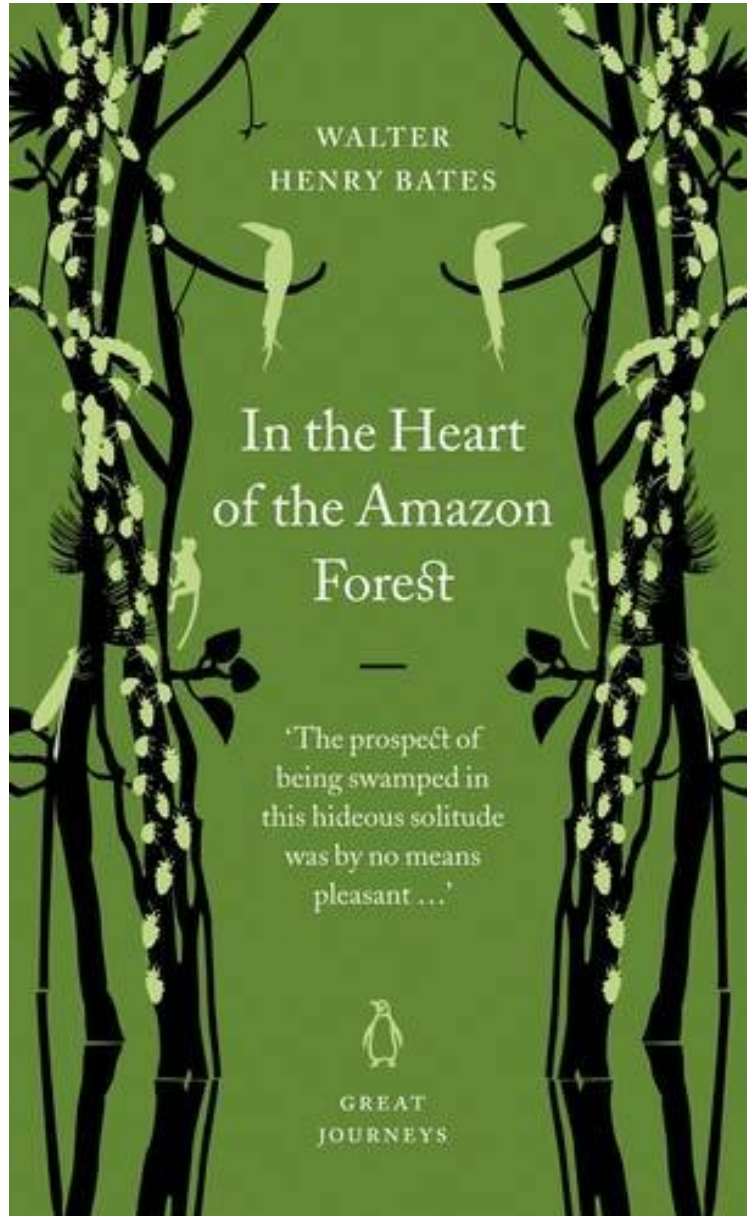


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About the Author Walter Henry Bates was born in 1825 and died in 1892. His extraordinary eleven year residence on the resulted in a haul of some 15,00 specimens, principally insects, well over half previously unknown to science.