

# The Great Railway Bazaar

*Paul Theroux*

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eye, focusing on the extremely varied characters with whom he shares his club and sleeping cars.