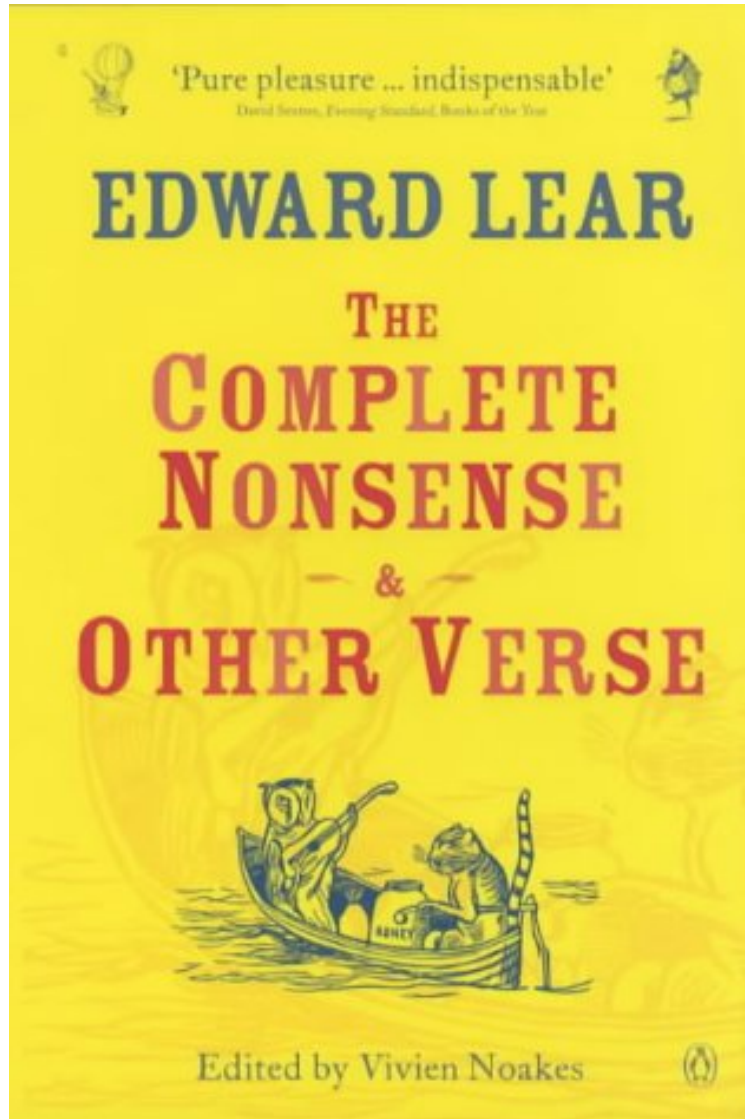


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About the Author Edward Lear (1812-88) originally earned his living as a commercial artist. A skilled landscape painter and ornithological illustrator, he was art master to Queen Victoria for a time. His nonsense writing began as a sideline to amuse himself and his friend's children but soon made him a household name. Vivien Noakes is the leading authority on Lear; editor of his *Selected Letters* (1988) and the definitive biography, she also curated the Lear exhibition at the Royal Academy in 1985.