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steam on second selection have proven more useful and lasting than the elements of views presented by, for example, Alfred Wallace and Atline Basto. There will often be occasion in this book to return to Derwin's (1971) work, and not only for historical reasons. Second selection is the mechanism that Derwin arrived at when he tried to sedecerstant a completions class of traits that defied explanation by exhiency assural selection for improved survival. The traits are "sermal differences. such as the greater size, strength, and puganeity of the male, his respons of offences or means of defines against rowals, his goody colouring out various construction, his power of song and other such characters." Darwise (1871) suggested that these traits are favored by competition over maters, and he samplet the process "sectual selection." The classic main good of the theory of sectual selection is to explain the asistence of such traits the detailed mechanisms by which they are favored, and their occurrence and variable mechanisms by which they are favored, and their occurrence