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There have been mutinies ever since seafaring began, but none has captivated our imagination to quite the same extent as the mutiny on the »Bounty« in 1789. Axel Thorer's research took him from England to Tahiti and back again, and he managed to unearth a hitherto unknown detail about this obscure adventure: it was the German mate, Heinrich Hildebrandt, who defied cruel Captain Bligh and triggered the revolt which was to have such far-reaching consequences. Based on this discovery the author re-examines the events that took place on this dramatic voyage.

→Based on original sources, the true story behind the legend is revealed for the first time ever.

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