How does a bastard, orphan, son of a whore, and a Scotsman, dropped in the middle of a forgotten spot in the Caribbean, by providence impoverished in squalor, grow up to be a hero and a scholar?

The ten-dollar founding father without a father got a lot farther by working a lot harder, by being a lot smarter, by being a self-starter; by fourteen, they placed him in charge of a trading charter.