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Sir Walter Scott by John Buchan

And we never needed him more than we need him in this hour when we show a tendency to neglect him. The selection has been made with patient, loving skill, and the book is physically beautiful. Yet I am myself a good pacifist, and I do love the man this side idolatry, as much as any.

Pamphlets

Nevertheless, Scott's importance as an innovator continued to be recognised. He was admitted to the Faculty of Advocates in 1792. Scott's embarkation on his new career as a novelist in 1814 did not mean that he abandoned poetry.

Sir Walter Scott

Scott was able to draw on his unrivalled familiarity with Border history and legend acquired from oral and written sources beginning in his childhood to present an energetic and highly coloured picture of sixteenth-century Scotland which both captivated the general public and, with its voluminous notes, also addressed itself to the antiquarian student. He clean forgot all the little rubs and digs of the evening.

Walter Scott Sir Baronet (1771

His familiarity with Elizabethan and 17th-century English literature, partly resulting from his editorial work on pamphlets and other minor publications, meant that four of his works set in the England of that period—1821, and 1826—are able to present rich pictures of their societies. He was by then well able to walk and explore the city and the surrounding countryside.

For Walter Scott

Even if we haven't read Ivanhoe, we've heard of it and of that great and well-named Scotsman - Sir Walter Scott. He owed the distinctive irregular accentual four-beat metre to 's, which he had heard recited by it was not to be published until 1816.

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