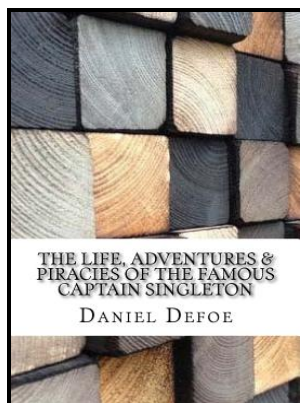


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This was by much the best Way, and accordingly he and the Captain went on Shore by themselves, and having made such a Bargain as they found for their Turn, came away again in two Hours time, and bringing only a Butt of Wine, and five Casks of Brandy with them, we all went on Board again.

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The Shot flew about his Ears as thick as may be supposed in such an Action, where the Portuguese, to give them their due, fought very briskly, believing at first they were sure of their Game, and trusting to their Superiority; but there was William, as composed, and in as perfect Tranquillity as to Danger, as if he had been over a Bowl of Punch, only very busy securing the Matter, that a Ship of Forty six Guns should not run away from a Ship of Eight and Twenty. Accordingly, putting in for the Shore early in the Morning, as we usually did once in three or four Days, for fresh Water, we sat down and considered, whether we should go on, or take up our Standing there; but upon several Considerations too long to repeat here, we did not like the Place, so we resolved to go on for a few Days longer. Out of all the prizes we took here we took their powder and bullets, their small-arms and cutlasses; and as for their men, we always took the surgeon and the carpenter, as persons who were of particular use to us upon many occasions; nor were they always unwilling to go with us.

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We asked him how he came to be so entirely abandoned of all Concern for his Safety?. This quality does render its reading tiresome for the modern reader who does not engage their intellect and imagination. Having fired a second time, I was indeed forced to command, as I may call it.

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Then he made Signs to us, that he would procure some Buffloes, or young Bulls, as I called them, to carry things for us, and made Signs too, that if we were weary, we might be carry'd too; but that we slighted, only were willing to have the Creatures, because at last, when they could serve us no farther for Carriage, we might eat them all up if we had any Occasion for them.

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