

have put his papers into the hands of Daniel Defoe, for the purpose of preparing them for the press; but that man, by the help of these memoirs and a lively fancy, metamorphos'd Alexander Selkirk into Robinson Crusoe, and then returned the originals to their proprietor; by which means the real adventurer was in a great measure disregarded, while the romance-writer obtained no inconsiderable share of literary fame.

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