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SCOTT'S MARMION.*

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OF DIFFERENT LANGUAGE, FORM AND FACE."

he enjoyed a trip to London, and was shown the places of interest in that city. Twenty-five years afterwards, when for the first time he revisited the Abbey and the Tower of London, Scott was surprised by the vividness and accuracy of his recollections of this youthful visit.

WALTER SCOTT was born in Edinburgh, August 15th, 1771. A lameness, which appeared when he was eighteen months old, made him a delicate child. His parents sent him for medical treatment to his grandfather's at Sandy-Knowe, and there most of his childhood was spent. At a very early age, little Walter showed a fondness for poetry remarkable in a child so young. When he was about four years old his aunt took him to Bath to try the effect upon him of sea-bathing. While there

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