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Sir Walter Scott

Frontispiece of the first edition of *The Lady of the Lake*  
An engraving by Heath after a portrait by Saxon

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## PREFATORY NOTE

In preparing the biographical sketch found in the Introduction I have relied mainly on Lockhart's *Life of Scott* and *The Dictionary of National Biography*. The text of the poem is that prepared many years ago by Dr. Rolfe and commonly accepted as best. It is used by his courteous permission, granted a few weeks before his death. The map follows somewhat closely one found in Paterson's *Handguide to Scotland*. Many of the notes are Scott's, given in full or in abridged form; and no doubt I am indebted in some instances to Taylor, Rolfe, and other editors of recognized scholarship. The questions are intended to be suggestive merely, indicating in a general way certain lines of profitable study. They are added to the notes not without misgivings; for though some are very simple, others call for more thought than the immature pupil possesses. It is hoped that the instructor will select wisely, omitting all that threaten to interfere with the enjoyment of the poem; and that in some cases the paragraphs explaining the meter of the poem—purposely placed at the end of the volume—will be omitted entirely.

A. M. H.





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