My First Book—Treasure Island

Robert Louis Stevenson

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**Description/Abstract**
This article (after a brief introduction by Mark F. Weimer of Syracuse University) first appeared in *McClure’s Magazine* in 1894. It is the now-rare preface to the classic novel *Treasure Island*, in which Robert Louis Stevenson comments on how the novel sprang from a map he painted with the assistance of an imaginative schoolboy while recuperating from an illness. A holograph manuscript of the preface is located in the Syracuse University Libraries.

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