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After writing further articles on Stevenson over the years for the Scottish Daily Mail, Jeremy realised his interest had become an obsession which could only be cured by writing a book. The 200,000-word result is now ready for serialisation online.