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Abstract On 25 January 1928, President Heber J. Grant wrote a letter to a young woman in which he shares his love for the Book of Mormon and his testimony of its divinity.

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER DAY SAINTS
HEBER J. GRANT, PRESIDENT
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH

January 25, 1928.

Miss Ruth Jones
L. D. S. College.

Dear Sister Jones:

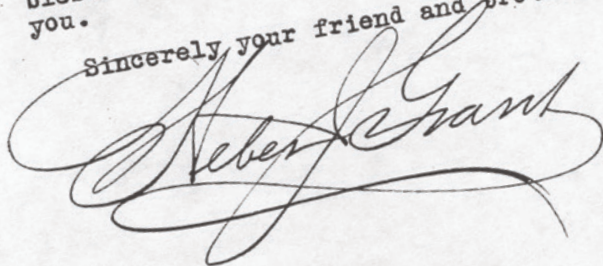
In recognition of your success in the oratorical contest on "The Book of Mormon in the Life of a Latter-day Saint", I take pleasure in presenting you this copy of the Book of Mormon.

As a boy of fifteen, I read carefully and prayerfully the Book of Mormon and there came into my heart an abiding and firm testimony of its divinity. From that day to this its wonderful teachings have been a comfort, a blessing, and a guide to me.

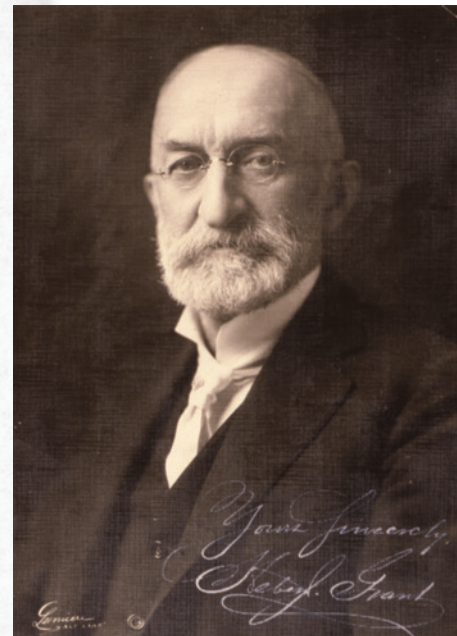
I thank God from the bottom of my heart that I read the life of Nephi in my youth. I fell in love with him then, and his life has influenced mine for good more than that of any other character in ancient history, sacred or profane--save only the Redeemer of the world.

I feel sure that your study of the Book of Mormon has been very profitable and has brought you joy and satisfaction. The earnest prayer of my heart is that the teachings of this book may bring the same comfort and guidance to your life that they have brought to mine, and that the blessings of the Lord may ever attend you.

Sincerely your friend and brother,



Ruth Merrell Jones (1908-56).



Heber J. Grant (1856-1945).
Courtesy Church History Library.

FROM THE EDITOR:

In congratulating a young woman on her success in a Book of Mormon oratorical contest, President Heber J. Grant presents her a copy of the book and shares in the accompanying letter his love for the Book of Mormon and his testimony of its divinity, a testimony that he gained as a youth.