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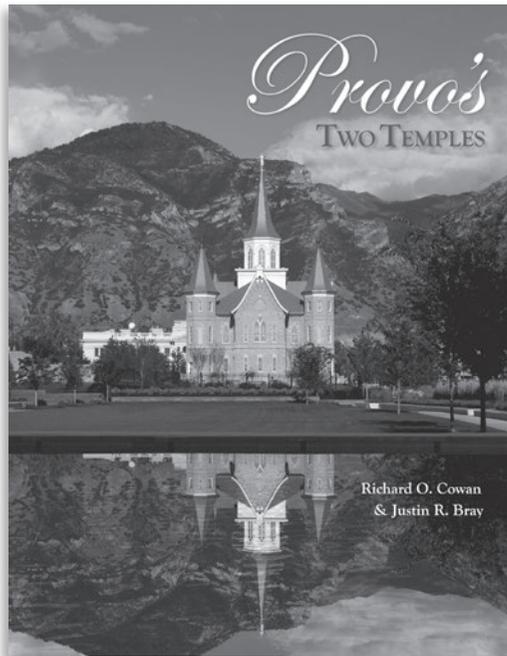
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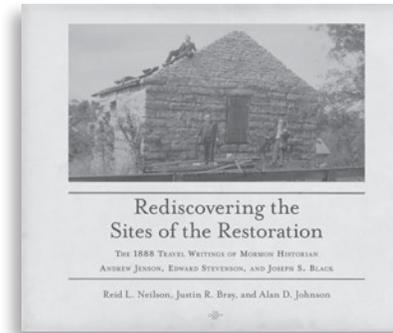
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Richard O. Cowan and  
Justin R. Bray

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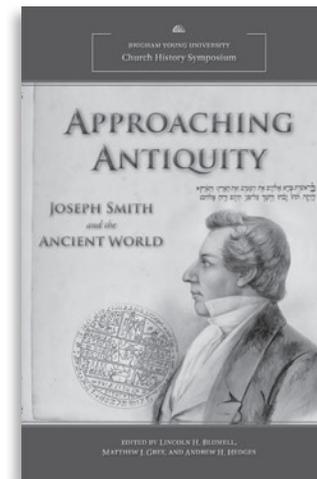
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On September 6, 1888, three Church history missionaries—Andrew Jenson, Edward Stevenson, and Joseph

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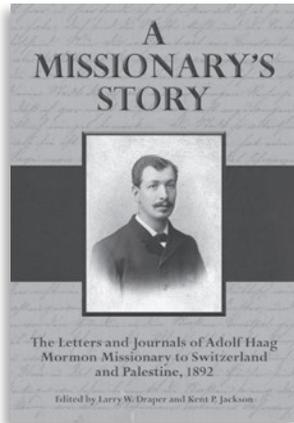
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This volume is a collection of essays by prominent LDS scholars—including Richard Bushman and David Holland—who discuss the interest in the ancient world shared by Joseph Smith and the early Latter-day Saints. Topics include Joseph Smith's fascination with the ancient Americas, his interaction with the Bible, his study of Hebrew and Greek, his reading of Jewish and Christian apocryphal writings, and his work

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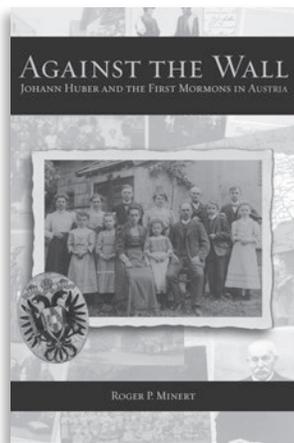
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Edited by Larry W. Draper and Kent P. Jackson

This personal narrative of missionary Adolf Haag, a German immigrant living in the small community of Payson, Utah, when he was called to be a missionary in Switzerland and Germany. This book contains the journals Haag kept during his mission, letters he sent in preparation for it, and all the known letters he

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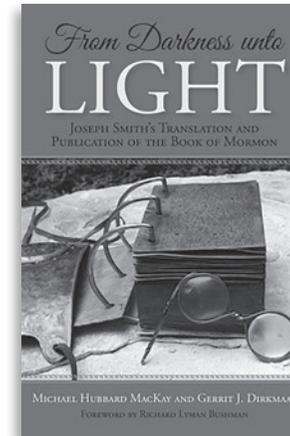
**Against the Wall: Johann Huber and the First Mormons in Austria**

Roger P. Minert

This is the fascinating and inspiring story of Johann Huber, one of Austria's earliest LDS converts. Huber was a controversial political figure in Haag but soon went from the frying pan into the fire when he informed his neighbors of his LDS baptism in Munich in 1900. For the next decade, he weathered relentless persecution from friends, neighbors, Catholic clerics, the local public school, and government officials. Despite

attacks from determined opponents, Huber was extraordinarily loyal to his adoptive faith and played a lead role in laying the foundation of the Church in Austria and its ongoing legacy.

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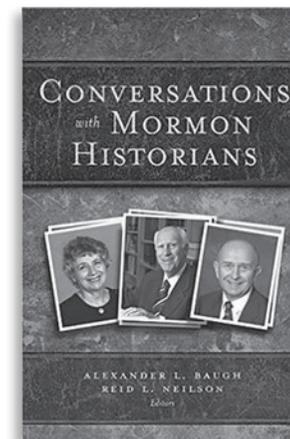
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Michael Hubbard MacKay and Gerrit Dirkmaat

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**Conversations with Mormon Historians**

Edited by Alexander L. Baugh and Reid L. Neilson

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sense that many of these historians feel that they were prepared or given a definite sense of mission and professional calling that stretches well back in time.

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*Friday and Saturday, October 21–24, 2015*

The 44th Annual BYU Sperry Symposium will start in the Joseph Smith Building (JSB) auditorium on BYU campus. The title of this year's symposium is "The Coming Forth of the Book of Mormon: A Marvelous Work and a Wonder." Presentations will cover the Book of Mormon's role in restoring doctrinal truths, the translation process, the witnesses, and the printing of the book.

### Religious Education Student Symposium

*Friday, February 19, 2016*

This event is held in the Wilkinson Student Center from 9:00 to noon. The annual student symposium provides a forum for students to research, write, and present papers about religious subjects from a faithful perspective. For more information, visit <http://rsc.byu.edu/studentsymposium>.

### 2016 Church History Symposium

*Thursday and Friday, March 3–4, 2016*

The 2016 theme is "Beyond Biography: Sources in Context for Mormon Women's History." Scholars of Mormon women's history have long demonstrated a commitment to and an interest in biography. The resulting narratives have helped to recover and preserve voices that would have otherwise been lost to modern awareness.

*These events are free of charge, and registration is not required. Some event details are subject to change. For more details, please visit us online at [rsc.byu.edu/conferences](http://rsc.byu.edu/conferences) or contact Brent Nordgren at 801-422-3293. RE*

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