umphantly, and fulfill and accomplish all
that the Lord has predicted. These utter-
ances have often been made in our hear-
ing, within the last thirty-three years,
since the death of the Prophet Joseph,
and have become household words with
those who have been alive to their call-
ing and duties, and whose eyes and ears
have been open to hear the word of the
Lord and remember it. How calm and
peaceful the spirit and feelings of Israel
on this memorable occasion, when our
beloved President, who has led the van
for the last thirty-three years, quietly
gathered up his feet and was gathered to
his fathers. How different was the spirit
and feelings of Israel on this occasion
from the other occasion I have referred
to, and from the Apostles and disciples
of Jesus when He departed! It shows to
our minds the education of the people,
and their advancement in understand-
ing and faith. It shows the stability of
our institutions and their power over the
feelings and hearts of the people. In ev-
ery department of the Priesthood, in ev-
ey branch of the Church, through all the
Stakes of Zion, and in every department
of our labor, there seems scarcely a ripple
upon the smooth surface of the waters.

Last Sabbath, when a vast congrega-
tion of the people came from the east,
west, north and south, and from this
city and its suburbs, to pay their last re-
spects to the honored dead, the quiet,
the order, the silent and discreet feel-
ing of resignation and peace that pre-
vailed, should be a lesson to the Saints
and a testimony to the world of the pu-
rity of faith that we have embraced,
and the influence that had been ex-
erted upon the hearts of the people by
our departed leader, and his brethren
who have been laboring with him. We
find no confusion, no running to and
fro, nobody dropping their tools or ne-
glecting their labors, and nobody wish-
ing to go a fishing. When we had finished
the last sad rites, and completed what
duties we owed to the honored dead, we
found every one, on Monday morning,
resuming his duties; business assumed
its wonted course in every department of
our public as well as our private labors.
The Saints everywhere, as well as our
Elders abroad, move forward in the dis-
charge of their duties with calmness and
serenity, with assurance that Brigham
is still our leader. Joseph is still our
Prophet, and Brigham is leader as much
as he was in life, but not on this side
of the veil—he has gone into another
sphere, to engage in the labors of the
Gospel with Joseph, Hyrum, and all the
holy ones that have gone before in this
dispensation, to assist them in rolling
on the work of this dispensation among
the dead, and prepare the way for the fi-
nal consummation of all things spoken of
by the Prophets, while his brethren on
this side of the veil tread softly and dili-
gently after him, as it were in his foot-
steps, to move on the cause of Israel,
and send the Gospel to the ends of the
earth. What a commentary on the stabili-
ity of the institutions of Zion! The power
of that faith that we have received, the
strength of that union, and the perfec-
tion of that organization which God has
established among us, which gives us the
reassurance that instead of the cause of
Zion weakening, it will gain additional
power and strength; and the Priesthood
that remain on this side, having lost
a tower of strength in him who has
gone, must exert themselves and their
faith, and renew their strength in the
Lord, and magnify their calling, that the
work of the Lord be not hindered. That
this may be the feelings and determina-