

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF OAMARU.

DEAR MADAM,—

Oamaru, 16th June, 1906.

This Council, as representing the citizens of Oamaru, desires to express its deep sense of regret at the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, Premier of the colony, recognises his whole-hearted devotion to the interests of the people of New Zealand, and begs to extend to Mrs. Seddon and family its sincere sympathy in the irreparable loss they have sustained.

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

ROBERT MILLIGAN, Mayor.

ONSLOW BOROUGH COUNCIL.

(Telegram.)

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

Wellington, 18th June, 1906.

ONSLOW Borough Council deeply regrets the death of the late Prime Minister, and extends to you and family sincerest sympathy in your great trial.

R. B. WILLIAMS, Mayor.

PAHIATUA BOROUGH COUNCIL.

MADAM,—

12th July, 1906.

I have the honour, by direction of this Council, to forward you a copy of a resolution passed at its last meeting: "That this Council desires to place on record its deep sense of the great loss the colony has sustained in the lamented death of the late Hon. R. J. Seddon, our beloved Premier, and that the clerk be instructed to convey to Mrs. Seddon and family this Council's heartfelt sympathy in their sad and sudden bereavement."

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

G. C. MILLER, Town Clerk.

PARNELL BOROUGH COUNCIL.

MADAM,—

Parnell, 20th June, 1906.

I have the honour, by direction of the Parnell Borough Council, to forward you the following resolution passed by it at its meeting held on the 18th instant: "*Resolved*, That the Council of the Borough of Parnell place on record the expression of its deep sorrow for the sudden death of the Right Hon. Richard John Seddon, P.C., its sense of the greatness of the man, and appreciation of the devoted work he performed as Premier of New Zealand; and that the Council offers its deepest sympathy to Mrs. Seddon and her family in her irreparable loss."

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

B. GILMER, Town Clerk.

PATEA BOROUGH COUNCIL.

DEAR MADAM,—

3rd July, 1906.

I have the honour, by direction of the Patea Borough Council, to forward you copy of the resolution passed at the meeting of the Patea Borough Council held on Monday last, with reference to the death of your late husband, the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon.

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

R. W. HAMERTON, Town Clerk.

(Resolution.)

"That the Borough of Patea place on record its sense of the great loss sustained by the colony in the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and appreciation of the value of his services to this colony; that respectful sympathy be offered the family of the deceased statesman, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Seddon."

PETONE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

DEAR MADAM,—

13th June, 1906.

I am directed by the Council to convey to yourself and family their condolence and deep sympathy with you in the loss sustained by the death of your esteemed husband.

The death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon will long mark an epoch in the history of New Zealand, and much of that history will be a record of the good services rendered by the late Premier, who has left us poorer by his loss, but richer by the good work he has finished and the example of an earnest upright life.

While many, with us, will offer you their sympathy, we ask you to remember that there are hundreds of our aged and poor fellow-colonists, who, though they may not speak of their sorrow, yet their thoughts and sympathy will be with you at the present time, for the late statesman stood their friend and made provision for the days of their want in a way that no other had dared or devised.

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

ALEX. WEBSTER, Town Clerk.