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CROMWELL BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Council Chambers, Cromwell, 15th June, 1906. Will you kindly at some time when convenient forward the enclosed letter of condolence DEAR SIR, to the widow of our late respected Prime Minister, the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon.

The Hon. the Acting-Premier, Wellington.

I have, &c., Chas. Holden, Town Clerk.

DEAR MADAM,-Council Chambers, Cromwell, 19th June, 1906. At the last meeting of the Cromwell Borough Council I was instructed to tender to yourself and family the heartfelt sympathy and condolences of the Council and the community which that Council represents at the sad and irreparable loss and bereavement which yourself and family, the colonists of New Zealand, and, I think I may venture to say, the whole British world, have sustained by the death of your loved husband, the Prime Minister, in more senses than one, of the Colony of New Zealand and its dependencies.

Trusting the said blow may in the Supreme Being's own good time be somewise tempered.

I have, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

CHAS. HOLDEN, Town Clerk.

MAYOR AND RESIDENTS OF DEVONPORT.

(Telegram.)
The Hon. Hall-Jones, Premier, Wellington. Devonport, 20th June, 1906. THE following resolution was carried by the residents of Devonport at a public meeting held last night: "That this public meeting of residents of Devonport expresses its profound sorrow at the sudden and untimely death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, Prime Minister of New Zealand, and desires to record its appreciation of the great and renowned services he has rendered to the colony during his long and distinguished career. That this meeting desires to convey its heartfelt sympathy with Mrs. Seddon and family in the bereavement which has so suddenly fallen upon them, and tenders to them its most sincere expressions of condolence in their great grief and irreparable loss."

E. W. Alison, Mayor. parable loss."

MAYOR, COUNCILLORS, AND CITIZENS OF DUNEDIN.

(Telegram.) Hon. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

On behalf of myself, Councillors, and citizens of Dunedin, I desire to express sincere sympathy with the Government of New Zealand and the colonists generally in the loss sustained by the lamentable death of the late Right Hon. R. J. Seddon. MAYOR.

EASTBOURNE BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Wellington, 14th June, 1906. SIR,-I have the honour to inform you that when the Eastbourne Borough Council met to-day the following resolution was passed: "That this Council desires to place on record its sincere regret at the great loss suffered by the colony and the Empire as a whole through the death of the Right Hon. Richard John Seddon, and also to express its deep sympathy with the members of the family in their great affliction, and that as a mark of respect to the memory of our late Prime Minister this Council is now adjourned."

I have, &c.,

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Premier of New Zealand.

J. D. AVERY, Town Clerk.

EAST INVERCARGILL BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Sir,—

I have the honour, by direction of the Council of the Borough of East Invercargill, to ask you to kindly convey to Mrs. Seddon and family the deep sympathy of the Mayor, Councillors, and inhabitants of the borough.

At the meeting of the Council held on the 12th instant, the following resolution was adopted: "That this Council desires to express its deep sense of the loss which the colony has sustained by the sudden and universally lamented death of its Premier, Mr. R. J. Seddon, and to convey to Mrs. Seddon and family the heartfelt sympathy of the inhabitants of the borough.'

I have, &c.,

The Hon. the Acting-Premier, Wellington.

W. G. MACKAY, Town Clerk.

MAYOR OF ELTHAM.

Telegram.) (Telegram.)
The Hon. Hall-Jones, Wellington. Eltham, 12th June, 1906. PLEASE accept deep sympathy on irreparable loss sustained by the colony and Mrs. Seddon and TAYLOR, Mayor. family on death of the Premier.

FOXTON BOROUGH COUNCIL.

Foxton, 12th June, 1906. SIR,-I have the honour to convey to you the following resolution which was passed by the above Council last night: "That this Council desires to place on record their sorrow and regret at the loss the colony has sustained by the sudden death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, Premier of New Zealand, and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Acting-Premier, the Hon. Mr. I have, &c., Hall-Jones.

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

ALF. FRASER, Town Clerk.