

CANTERBURY TIMBER-YARDS, SAWMILLS, AND COAL-YARDS EMPLOYEES' INDUSTRIAL UNION OF WORKERS.

DEAR MADAM,—

Crescent Road, Spreydon, 7th July, 1906.

At a meeting of the above union held on Tuesday last the following resolution was carried—viz.: "That this union regret the loss sustained by the workers of New Zealand by the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and also deeply sympathize with Mrs. Seddon and family in their bereavement."

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,

J. WRIGHT, Secretary.

NEW ZEALAND TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL'S CONFERENCE EXECUTIVE.

DEAR MADAM,—

4 Hepburn Street, Auckland, 23rd June, 1906.

I am instructed by the Auckland Trades and Labour Council, which is the New Zealand Trades and Labour Council's Conference Executive for the ensuing year, to forward to you the following resolution: "That this Council, as the head of organized labour in the Northern Industrial District, and also as the New Zealand Trades and Labour Council's Conference Executive for 1906-7, deplores the loss that the workers of the colony have sustained in the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, Premier, and Minister for Labour, and expresses its profound sympathy with Mrs. Seddon and family in their sudden bereavement."

It is with hesitation that we venture upon this intrusion upon your notice at such a time as the present, but we feel that we should lay ourselves open to the charge of ingratitude did we not take the opportunity of expressing most respectfully to you on behalf of organized labour the deep debt of gratitude that the workers are under to your late husband and our revered chief; also to yourself as his helpmeet.

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Molesworth Street, Wellington.

I am, &c.,

ARTHUR ROSSER, Secretary.

CANTERBURY TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL.

DEAR MADAM,—

20th June, 1906.

On behalf of the above Trades and Labour Council I have to convey to you the deepest sympathy of the Council in the great grief which has befallen you. We recognise the great loss our movement has sustained in the death of your husband, and sincerely hope and pray that the good works he has done will help somewhat to ameliorate the sufferings of those who have been near and dear to him.

With sincere personal sympathy.

I remain, &c.,

Mrs. R. J. Seddon.

JAMES THORN, Assistant Secretary.

NELSON TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL.

(Telegram.)

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

Nelson, 16th June, 1906.

We mourn with you for this our country's loss.

T. H. LUKIN, President.

TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL OF WESTLAND.

DEAR MADAM,—

Reefton, 14th June, 1906.

On behalf of the Trades and Labour Council of Westland and all the unions affiliated thereto, I have to tender you our sincere sympathy in the great and serious loss yourself, family, and colony have sustained through the death of Mr. Seddon. Labour has indeed lost a noble leader and friend. His last words to me in leaving Wellington for the Coast in August last were, "Tell the miners I have the same kindly feeling to them as ever, and will do the best I can in their interests, and will endeavour to pass legislation that will lessen the ravages of that terrible scourge 'miners' complaint.'" "God's will be done."

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

HENRY BETTS, Secretary.

WELLINGTON TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

DEAR MADAM,—

Evening Post Office, Wellington, 14th June, 1906.

I am requested to convey to yourself and family the sincere sympathy of the members of my union in the bereavement which you have recently sustained by the death of one whom we have always looked upon as a friend of the workers. We know that nothing can atone to you for the loss you have sustained, and we can only hope that you may be comforted to some extent by the expressions of sympathy which have been showered upon you as evidence of the esteem in which your late husband was held by all classes.

With kindest regards.

I remain, &c.,

Mrs. R. J. Seddon.

J. W. HENRICHs, Secretary.