

tion; and we respectfully desire to convey to Mrs. Seddon and her family our real sympathy with them in their time of sorrow.

ROBERT LEE, Chairman.
JOHN KEBBELL,
EDWIN FEIST,
A. W. HOGG,
T. W. McDONALD,

ARTHUR H. VILE.
WILLIAM ALLAN.
W. C. BUCHANAN.
W. H. FIELD.

AUCKLAND EDUCATION BOARD.

DEAR MRS. SEDDON,—

Auckland, 15th June, 1906.

The members of the Auckland Education Board desire to express their profound sorrow at the lamented death of your husband, and their cordial appreciation of the special services which he has rendered to the cause of education in this colony during his long and honourable term of office as Minister of Education. They wish me to convey to you and to the members of your family their sincere sympathy with you in the great and irreparable loss which you have sustained.

Believe me, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

L. J. BAGNALL, Chairman.

AUCKLAND CITY SCHOOLS COMMITTEE.

DEAR MADAM,—

Auckland, 20th June, 1906.

The Auckland City Schools Committee, representing the teachers and children belonging to the Auckland District, by unanimous vote desire to sympathize with you and your family in the deep grief at your irreparable bereavement suffered through the passing-away of your dearly beloved husband, the Right Hon. Richard John Seddon, P.C., LL.D., Premier of New Zealand.

The Committee trust that it may soften your sorrow to know that he has left behind a noble memory in the great works he has achieved for the people of New Zealand, making the laws an object-lesson to those countries which desire the uplifting of the poor and the progress and goodfellowship of all.

May the Lord comfort you and yours in your great affliction.

The Committee mourns with you.

Truly yours,

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

P. M. MACKAY, Chairman.

AUCKLAND UNIVERSITY COLLEGE.

MADAM,—

30th June, 1906.

I have been instructed to forward to you copy resolution adopted at a recent meeting of the Council of this College: "That the Council of the Auckland University College at its first meeting since the melancholy death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, Premier of New Zealand for a continuous period of thirteen years and Visitor of this College at the time of his death, desires to record its appreciation of his public services, and to tender to his widow and family the Council's sincere condolences with them in their irreparable loss."

I have, &c.,

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

D. W. RUNCIMAN, Registrar.

AUCKLAND GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

Secretary's Office, Auckland, 16th June, 1906.

(Resolution of Auckland Grammar School Board referred to in the Chairman's letter of to-day.)

"THAT the Board of Governors of the Auckland Grammar School places on record its expression of deepest sorrow for the untimely death of the Right Hon. Mr. Seddon, Prime Minister, and Minister of Education of New Zealand, and tenders its heartfelt condolence and sympathy to Mrs. Seddon and her family in their awful bereavement, which alike has rendered them widowed and fatherless, and has inflicted on the colony and the Empire an irreparable loss."

W. WALLACE KIDD, Secretary.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTE.

DEAR MADAM,—

Remuera School, Auckland, 2nd July, 1906.

I am requested to convey to you the following resolution adopted at the annual meeting of the Auckland District Educational Institute: "That this District Institute desires to place on record its appreciation of the many services rendered to the cause of education by the late Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and at the same time to express its deep sorrow at his death, and its heartfelt sympathy with Mrs. Seddon and her family in their great bereavement."

I am, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

COLIN R. MUNRO, Secretary.

HEADMASTERS' ASSOCIATION, AUCKLAND.

(Telegram.)

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

Auckland, 16th June, 1906.

THE Headmasters' Association of Auckland respectfully send you every expression of sympathy in your sad bereavement. Your late husband was the teachers' friend.

E. B. HERIOT, President.