

ROMAN CATHOLICS OF NAPIER.

Mrs. R. J. Seddon.

13th June, 1906.

WE tender you and your children our sincere sympathy in your great bereavement.

May the Divine Master in His tender mercy soothe your grief.

You mourn in the late Hon. R. J. Seddon the true husband and strenuous father; we mourn with you because throughout New Zealand he was trusted as the people's friend.

Signed on behalf of the Catholics of Napier.

J. HIGGINS.
P. GLEESON.
C. O'DONOGHUE.
W. J. McGRATH.
W. D. GOGGAN.

ROMAN CATHOLIC CLERGY, WESTLAND.

(Telegram.)

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

Greymouth, 20th June, 1906.

WESTLAND Catholic clergy assembled in conference heartily sympathize with you and family in your bereavement.

DEAN CAREW.

PRESBYTERY OF WELLINGTON.

DEAR MADAM,—

Wellington South, 21st June, 1906.

I am instructed by the Presbytery of Wellington to forward a copy of resolution passed at our meeting of Tuesday the 20th June: "The Presbytery of Wellington desire to put on record their regret at the death of the Premier, the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon; their high appreciation of his great services to the colony and to the Empire; their deep sense of the loss which the nation has sustained; and their sincere sympathy with the bereaved widow and family; and they pray that the God of all comfort may comfort them in their bereavement and sorrow."

Yours, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

WILLIAM SHIRER, Clerk of Presbytery.

DEACONS' COURT OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PORT CHALMERS.

DEAR MRS. SEDDON,—

Port Chalmers, 19th June, 1906.

I am requested by the Deacons' Court of the Presbyterian Church at Port Chalmers to forward you the enclosed expression of sympathy as passed at our last meeting, which I have to ask you to please accept as a heartfelt expression from all connected with us and personally from

Yours, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

G. R. BAUDINET.

19th June, 1906.

On which day and place the Court met and was constituted, *inter alia*, it was moved by the Rev. E. Cowper Tennent, and seconded by Mr. John Tait, and carried unanimously: "That the Port Chalmers Presbyterian Deacons' Court expresses its own and the congregation's profoundest sympathy with Mrs. Seddon and family in their great loss, and prays that the very Divine consolation may be perfectly experienced by them in their sorrow. They desire, moreover, to place on record their grateful appreciation of all the high and noble work effected by the late Right Hon. Richard John Seddon, P.C., LL.D., in the truest interests of his fellow-countrymen here, and of the Empire at large."

PRESBYTERY OF CLUTHA.

MY DEAR MADAM,—

The Manse, Balclutha, 16th June, 1906.

Our Presbytery, the Presbytery of Clutha, at its meeting on Wednesday passed the following minute, short, but none the less sincere, of appreciation and sympathy, and as clerk of our court it falls to me to forward you a copy. I need not add that it speaks but very inadequately of the feeling of all with whom we are associated in the counties of Clutha, Bruce, and Tuapeka. The following is the resolution: "The Presbytery of Clutha desires to put on record its sense of the great loss the colony has received in the death of Mr. Seddon, Premier of New Zealand for the past thirteen years. The presbytery further begs to assure Mrs. Seddon and family of its deep sympathy with them in their very sudden bereavement."

With my most sincere sympathy.

I remain, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

S. WILSON CURRIE, Presbytery Clerk.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, KUMARA.

(Telegram.)

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

20th June, 1906.

KUMARA Presbyterian Church Committee desire to forward their sincere sympathy to yourself and family in your sad bereavement.

PERCY PETERS, Secretary.