

EXECUTIVE OF THE RANGITIKEI AND MANAWATU CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOUR UNION.

DEAR MADAM,—

Palmerston North, 16th June, 1906.

The Executive of the Rangitikei and Manawatu Christian Endeavour Union extend to you their heartfelt sympathy in the irreparable loss you have sustained by the death of your beloved and esteemed husband.

May the God of all, comfort and sustain you and your sorrowing family.

Yours, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon.

WALTER DIXON, Hon. Secretary.

COUNCIL OF CHRISTIAN CHURCHES.

MY DEAR MADAM,—

Dunedin, 12th June, 1906.

It is my melancholy duty to forward you the following resolution passed at a meeting of the above Council last evening: "That this Council of the Churches in Dunedin have learned with deepest sorrow of the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and assures Mrs. Seddon and family of its heartfelt prayers that they may be comforted of God and strengthened by Him to bear their exceedingly great trial."

Yours, &c.,

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

GEO. HEIGHWAY.

YOUNG MEN'S BIBLE CLASS, PORT CHALMERS.

DEAR MADAM —

Port Chalmers, 15th June, 1906.

We have been instructed on behalf of the above-named class to convey to you and family our deep sympathy with you in the sad hour of your heavy trial.

Our prayer is that God may comfort you and your family, as only He alone can do so.

You have lost a loving husband and father, New Zealand and the Empire has lost a statesman whose name will be handed down to future posterity as one who did all in his power to relieve the sufferings of mankind.

We remain, &c.,

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

W. ANDERSON, Treasurer.

W. SINCLAIR, Editor of Class Journal.

CONGREGATIONAL UNION OF NEW ZEALAND.

DEAR MADAM,—

Dunedin, 14th June, 1906.

On behalf of the Congregational Union of New Zealand I beg very respectfully to assure you in the moment of your great sorrow of the unfeigned sympathy that springs spontaneously to every heart throughout our churches. For all the strenuous service of our late Premier to increase the happiness and lessen the misery of his fellows, and so make the years more worth living, only the warmest admiration is felt.

We do pray that the God of all comfort may give to the bereaved family that strength which will enable them to bear so great a domestic affliction.

Yours, &c.,

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

GEO. HEIGHWAY, Chairman.

SALVATION ARMY, WELLINGTON.

MY DEAR MRS. SEDDON,—

Wellington, 16th June, 1906.

On behalf of the Salvation Army in New Zealand I desire to convey to you and your family our expression of deep sympathy, and to assure you of our most earnest prayers, in this your dark hour of trial and bereavement, that the consolation and blessing of our Heavenly Father may be yours.

We bow with you in your grief, but we sorrow not as those who have no hope. We shall meet again on the eternal shore. His work may not have been finished, "but God wanted him."

You have parted for a season "only" with your most precious treasure on earth, we have lost a considerate and most affectionate friend, and while we mourn in common with the nation, with you we look up and say, "Thy will be done."

May God's eternal blessing be with you and yours.

I am, &c.,

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

E. ALBISTON, Brigadier.

SALVATION ARMY, GREYMOUTH AND HOKITIKA.

(Telegram.)

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

Greymouth, 16th June, 1906.

KINDLY accept on behalf of myself and comrades our deepest sympathy and sincere prayers for yourself and family in your sad bereavement.

ADJUTANT DAVIES,

Officer in Charge, Salvation Army, Greymouth and Hokitika.