

WANGANUI TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL.

DEAR SIR,—

58 Wilson Street, Wanganui, 19th June, 1906.

At a meeting of the above Council held last evening the following resolution was carried :
 " That this Council places on record its deep regret of the exceedingly great loss sustained through the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and also its high appreciation of the incalculable services rendered by him to the colony as a whole, and to the representatives of trades and labour in particular. A copy of the resolution to be forwarded to the Acting-Premier, asking him to convey the Council's deep sympathy to Mrs. Seddon and family."

The Acting-Premier, Wellington.

I am, &c.,

J. H. MOORE, Secretary.

AUSTRALASIAN FEDERATED SEAMEN'S INDUSTRIAL ASSOCIATION.

DEAR SIR,—

Dunedin, 16th June, 1906.

By direction of this union, it is my mournful duty to convey to you, as head of the Government, the last tribute we can pay to the memory of the great and good man who has gone aloft. The following resolution very imperfectly expresses the sadness we experience for the loss of so great a statesman, and so true a friend to those in humble positions, but if we fail in words our sympathy is none the less sincere : " That the Dunedin section of the Seamen's Union expresses its deep regret for the loss sustained by New Zealand and the democratic world in general through the death of the Right Hon. Mr. Seddon, and that the sympathy of the union be extended to Mrs. Seddon and family in their sad bereavement."

May I ask that these sentiments be conveyed to Mrs. Seddon, whose grief, we can quite understand, will preclude that lady from paying personal attention to the many condolences that are reaching her.

Yours, &c.,

The Hon. Mr. Hall-Jones, Premier, Wellington.

W. BELCHER, Secretary.

OTAGO SHEARERS' UNION.

DEAR SIR,—

Oamaru, 15th June, 1906.

At a special meeting of the Otago Shearers' Union, I was instructed by my union to convey to Mrs. Seddon and family our deepest sympathy in their overwhelming grief through the loss they have sustained by the death of a dear husband and father.

Yours, &c.,

W. Hall-Jones, Esq., Acting-Premier.

WM. IRVING, Secretary.

WELLINGTON TRADES AND LABOUR COUNCIL.

DEAR SIR,—

27th June, 1906.

I enclose copy of letter received from the Labourers' Protective Society, of Trades Hall, Sydney.

Yours, &c.,

W. H. WESTBROOKE, Secretary.

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Premier and Acting Minister of Labour.

THE UNITED LABOURERS' PROTECTIVE SOCIETY, SYDNEY.

DEAR SIR,—

Trades Hall, Sydney.

At a meeting of the above-named society held at the Trades Hall, Sydney, on the 11th instant, I was directed to convey to your Council for transmission to Mrs. Seddon the following resolution : " That this society places on record its profound sorrow at the lamentably sudden death of the Right Hon. Richard J. Seddon, Premier of New Zealand, and its high estimation of the splendid services rendered to uplifting the working-classes, and its admiration of the splendid deeds he has accomplished ; and, further, that the condolence and sympathy of the society be tendered to the widow and family of the deceased statesman in their bereavement."

Thanking you to give effect to the foregoing, and to accept our assurance that we realise to some little extent how deep must be the grief of trades unionists in New Zealand.

I am, &c.,

RICHARD CORCORAN, Assistant Secretary.

Mr. H. W. Westbrooke, Secretary, Wellington Trades and Labour Council.

ELTHAM TRADESMEN'S ASSOCIATION.

DEAR SIR,—

Eltham, 20th June, 1906.

At a meeting of the Eltham Tradesmen's Association held yesterday, the following resolution was passed : " That this association places on record its deep regret at the sudden death of the late Premier, the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, P.C., LL.D., and that the Hon. W. Hall-Jones be written to, requesting him to convey to Mrs. Seddon and family the association's sympathy with them in their distress, and its appreciation of the good work done by Mr. Seddon during his long and brilliant public career."

I would ask you, in accordance with the above resolution, to convey the same to Mrs. Seddon and family.

I remain, &c.,

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

F. J. CUMBERWORTH, Secretary.