

LOYAL NELSON LODGE, No. 31, I.O.G.T.

DEAR SIR,—

16th June, 1906.

At a meeting of the Independent Order of Good Templars, held at Nelson on Friday the 15th June, the following resolution was passed: "That the Good Templars of Nelson, in lodge assembled, desire to place on record their deep regret of the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, late Premier of New Zealand. They recognise the great aid he gave to the temperance movement in assisting to give this colony woman's suffrage, likewise the local option poll. They also recognise his humane efforts in bringing into force his old-age pension scheme, the establishment of maternity homes, and his proposal for securing qualified trained nurses for the poorer districts. They desire to tender to Mrs. Seddon and family their deepest sympathy in the hour of their heavy bereavement, and respectfully request the Acting-Premier, Hon. Hall-Jones, to convey same."

Therefore I ask you, sir, to kindly convey this message to Mrs. Seddon.

Trusting all are well and in good spirits under the circumstances. This is my earnest prayer.

I remain, &c.,

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

A. T. R. DUNCAN.

STAR OF WELLINGTON LODGE, No. 12, I.O.G.T.

DEAR SIR,—

15th June, 1906.

Please kindly convey to Mrs. Seddon and family the following resolution of condolence passed at the session held on Thursday evening the 14th instant: "That this lodge deeply deplore the loss the colony has sustained by the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and beg to tender to Mrs. Seddon and family our deepest sympathy with them in their sad bereavement."

I am, &c.,

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Premier.

BRO. W. H. INGRAM, Secretary.

LOYAL NELSON LODGE, No. 31, I.O.G.T.

DEAR SIR,—

Nelson, 16th June, 1906.

At the meeting of the Loyal Nelson Lodge, No. 31 (Good Templars), the subjoined resolution was passed, the members rising to their feet and passing same in silence: "That the Good Templars of Nelson, in lodge assembled, desire to place on record their deep regret of the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, late Premier of New Zealand. They recognise the great aid he gave to the temperance movement in assisting to give this colony woman's suffrage, likewise the local option poll. They also recognise his humane efforts in bringing into force his old-age pension scheme, the establishment of maternity homes, and his proposal for securing qualified trained nurses for the poorer districts. They desire to tender to Mrs. Seddon and family their sympathy in the hour of their heavy bereavement, and respectfully request the Acting-Premier, Hon. W. Hall-Jones, to convey same."

With deep sympathy with yourself and colleagues in the loss of so able and beloved a chief.

We remain, &c.,

T. R. CARINS, Chief Templar.

Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Acting-Premier, Wellington.

ANNIE WATSON, Grand Vice Templar.

GOOD TEMPLARS OF THAMES.

(Telegram.)

Acting-Premier, Wellington.

Thames, 11th June, 1906.

THE Good Templar order expresses its profound sympathy at the colony's loss in the death of Mr. Seddon.

E. H. TAYLOR, Grand Chief Templar.

GRAND EXECUTIVE, I.O.G.T.

(Telegram.)

Hon. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

Te Aro, Wellington, 13th June, 1906.

Good Templary extends its sincere sympathy in the colony's irreparable loss.

GEORGE PETHRICK, Chairman.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL, SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF TEMPERANCE.

(Telegram.)

Hon. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

Christchurch, 20th June, 1906.

THE executive council of the national division, Sons and Daughters of Temperance, desire to express their deep sympathy with the family of the late Right Hon. R. J. Seddon in their sad bereavement.

J. H. JONES, Secretary.

STAR OF OAMARU LODGE, S.A.F.S. OF A.

SIR,—

Oamaru, 14th June, 1906.

We crave your kind favour to forward resolution of sympathy to Mrs. Seddon on account of the sudden and untimely death of her beloved husband and your honoured chief.

Yours, &c.,

The Hon. Hall-Jones.

ALEXANDER BROWN, Secretary.