

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF RAILWAY SERVANTS (CANTERBURY BRANCH).

SIR,—

Addington Railway-station, 15th June, 1906.

I am instructed by the committee of the Canterbury Branch of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants to forward you the following resolution, passed at a special meeting held on the 13th instant: "That this meeting desires to express its deepest sympathy in the national loss sustained by the death of the Right Hon. the Premier, and also to express its sympathy with the members of the dead statesman's family in their sad bereavement."

Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

Yours, &c.,

A. WEIR, Secretary.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF RAILWAY SERVANTS (DARGAVILLE BRANCH).

(Telegram.)

Hon. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

Dargaville, 19th June, 1906.

THE Dargaville Branch, Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, express their deep sorrow and regret at the untimely death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and ask you to kindly convey their deepest sympathy to Mrs. Seddon and family in their sad bereavement.

G. SMITH, Secretary.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF RAILWAY SERVANTS (NEW PLYMOUTH BRANCH).

SIR,—

28th June, 1906.

I have the honour, by direction of the New Plymouth Branch of the A.S.R.S., to forward you the following resolution, which was passed at the monthly meeting held on the 27th instant, with a request that you will convey the same to Mrs. Seddon: "That the members of the New Plymouth Branch of the A.S.R.S. desire to place on record their deep regret and sorrow at the death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon; and we further desire to express to Mrs. Seddon and the members of her family our deepest and heartfelt sympathy in their sudden and irreparable loss."

I have, &c.,

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

S. G. SMITH, Branch Secretary.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF RAILWAY SERVANTS (TIMARU BRANCH).

HONOURED SIR,—

Timaru, 14th June, 1906.

Would you kindly hand the enclosed resolution, as carried by the local railway men, to Mrs. Seddon at a convenient opportunity.

Words would be idle on the lamentable occasion of a noble and loving friend's death to add more just now.

It is thought throughout the Canterbury District that a similar course to that taken on the occasion of the late Queen Victoria's death might be adopted on this occasion, by having all traffic suspended for a short interval during the hour of our dead chief's interment. Not wishing to be in the slightest respect presumptuous, I am merely voicing the sentiment of the Canterbury railway servants.

Yours, &c.,

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

C. E. HOLMES, Secretary.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF RAILWAY SERVANTS OF NEW ZEALAND (WHANGAREI BRANCH).

HONOURABLE SIR,—

Whangarei, 6th July, 1906.

At the monthly meeting of the above branch, held on the 2nd instant, I was instructed to convey to Mrs. Seddon and members of the family of our late beloved Premier, the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, our deep sympathy and heartfelt sorrow while passing through their sad bereavement. As railway men we have lost a true friend, and as a colony a great statesman. Truly we all unite in saying he was a pattern husband, a loving father, and the people's friend.

Will you kindly convey to Mrs. Seddon and family on our behalf.

I remain, &c.,

The Hon. W. Hall-Jones, Wellington.

A. E. JOHNSON, Secretary.

AMALGAMATED SOCIETY OF RAILWAY SERVANTS (UPPER HUTT BRANCH).

DEAR SIR,—

16th June, 1906.

At a meeting of the Upper Hutt Branch of the Amalgamated Society of Railway Servants, held this evening, the following resolution was carried unanimously: "That the Secretary be instructed to forward, through the Premier, to Mrs. Seddon and family a vote of sympathy and condolence in their sad bereavement."

Thanking you in anticipation.

Yours, &c.,

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

JAS. BROWN, Branch Secretary.