

ceptional and lasting value, and whose loss to New Zealand will be severely felt. The Council further desires to express its deep sympathy with Mrs. Seddon and her family in their great bereavement and irreparable loss, although fully aware that in this case it can be said, "To live in the hearts of those we leave behind is not to die."

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

Believe me, &c.,
M. MURRAY, County Clerk.

WAIROA COUNTY COUNCIL.

DEAR MADAM,—

Wairoa, 16th July, 1906.

I am directed to forward you a copy of a resolution passed by the Council at a meeting held on the 13th instant, on the motion of the Chairman: "That the members of the Wairoa County Council desire to place on record their appreciation of the services rendered to New Zealand by the late Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and tender to Mrs. Seddon and her family most sincere sympathy in their terrible bereavement.

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

Yours, &c.,
W. F. SHAW, Clerk.

WAITAKI COUNTY COUNCIL.

MADAM,—

Oamaru, 28th June, 1906.

By direction of this Council I have the honour to enclose copy of resolutions passed at our meeting yesterday.

All the Councillors feel that they have lost a friend and one who took a great interest in local Government.

Personally, when, as Chairman, I would be discussing county matters with Mr. Seddon, he would be firm and stern, but so genial and kindly withal that there was a pleasure to meet such a man.

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,
DUNCAN SUTHERLAND, Chairman.

(Copy of Resolution passed on the 27th June, 1906.)

"That this Council, as representing the inhabitants of Waitaki County, express their great regret at the sudden death of the Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, Premier of New Zealand, and place on record their great appreciation of him as a statesman and of the services he so ably gave to New Zealand and the Empire; and that this Council tender their most sincere sympathy to Mrs. Seddon and family in their sad bereavement. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Mrs. Seddon and to the Hon. the Premier; and, further, that the Council do now adjourn as a mark of our respect to the memory of the late Premier."

WHANGANUI COUNTY COUNCIL.

DEAR MADAM,—

Whanganui, 18th June, 1906.

I have, by direction of the Whanganui County Council, to inform you that the following resolution has been passed by the Council: "That the Whanganui County Council expresses its deep sorrow and sympathy at the great loss the colony has sustained by the sudden death of the Right Hon. Richard John Seddon, Premier of the colony. The Council wishes to convey to Mrs. Seddon its deepest sympathy in her great and irreparable loss."

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,
ERNEST BARNES, Clerk.

WEBER COUNTY COUNCIL.

MADAM,—

Ti-tree Point, 30th June, 1906.

I have the honour, by instruction of the Weber County Council, to make you acquainted with the following resolution, which was passed by that local body on the 30th June, and it is with deep regret and sympathy that I do so: "That the members of this Council, meeting for the first time since the sudden death of the late Hon. R. J. Seddon, Premier of this colony, desire to express and place on record the deep grief and regret they feel, in common, they believe, with the mass of the people of New Zealand, at the great loss the colony has sustained. They further wish to express their sincere sympathy with Mrs. Seddon and family in their sad bereavement."

Mrs. R. J. Seddon, Wellington.

I have, &c.,
A. MORRISON, County Clerk.

WOODVILLE COUNTY COUNCIL.

DEAR MADAM,—

Woodville, 5th July, 1906.

I am instructed to forward you the following resolution, passed in Council this day: "That the Councillors of the Woodville County Council desire to place on record their appreciation of the services rendered to New Zealand by the late Right Hon. R. J. Seddon, and tender to Mrs. Seddon and family their most sincere sympathy in their bereavement."

Mrs. Seddon.

I have, &c.,
F. HUTCHINS, Clerk.

WHANGAREI COUNTY COUNCIL.

(Telegram.)

Mrs. Seddon, Wellington.

Whangarei, 11th June, 1906.

On behalf of Whangarei County Council, I beg to tender our sincere sympathy in your recent sudden sad bereavement, and our deep regret at the loss our country has sustained.

G. H. MINCHIN, County Council.