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The Chairman—That is their own business. The Union must be financed.

Mr. P. Bourke said when the Board changed its account to the Munster and Leinster Bank they did so on the understanding that in times of depression they could call on the bank for an advance. Now there appeared to be some misgivings on that score, and they were in the same difficulty as they were when the National Bank had the custody of their accounts.

The Chairman said they had never been refused an overdraft in the Munster and Leinster Bank since they appointed them Treasurers.

Mr. P. Bourke said he understood at the time of the transaction that there was to be no limit to the extent of the Board being accommodated.

The Chairman replied that it was limited to £3,000.

Mr. Bourke—We have not reached that yet. We are overdrawn to the extent of £2,500 to-day.

Eventually the Clerk was instructed to write the County and County Borough Councils for cheques.

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HARSH TRANSACTION.

IMPORTANT DECISION.

The House of Lords on Tuesday gave judgment in a money-lending case. A London firm of money-lenders, trading as P. Saunders, lent to a Mr. Alton, of Derby, since deceased £2,000. It was to be repaid within twelve months at the rate of £250 a month. Mr. Alton died after making the first payment, and when the money-lenders claimed on his estate the executor offered to pay the balance of £1,750, plus moderate interest. Mr. Justice Kekewich gave judgment for the executor on the ground that the transaction between the appellants and Alton was harsh and unconscionable. The Appeal Court in the main affirmed, and the House of Lords to-day affirmed the judgments, holding that 104 per cent was an excessive rate of interest. The money-lenders' appeal was dismissed with costs.

THE LATE MR. JOS. HOULIHAN, MALLOW.

On Saturday last, at the comparatively early age of 58 years, the demise of Mr. J. Houlihan took place at Beechnount, Mallow, Co. Cork, and two days later, the remains, enclosed in a massive oak coffin, arrived by mid-day train at Charleville. From that the mournful procession, large and representative, speaking well of the high esteem in which he had been rightly held, wended its course to Maunister Cemetery, where, in the old family resting place, amid every manifestation of popular kindly feeling, the interment took place. A number of the rev. gentlemen who joined in the sorrowing journey were cousins of the deceased, viz.—Rev. Jeremiah Murphy, C.C., Rathkeale; Rev. Michael Murphy, C.C., Limerick; Rev. Timothy Murphy, C.C., Knockaderry. The other clergymen present were of the late Mr. Houlihan's native parish—Ballingarry and the adjoining one, Bruere, viz.—Rev. John Ryan, P.P.; Rev. Stephen Cullhane, C.C.; Rev. Michael McCoy, C.C., and Rev. Eugene Sheehy, P.P. The deceased gentleman, coming of one of the oldest and most esteemed County Limerick families, was son of the late Mr. Michael Houlihan, Kilmore, Granagh, Ballingarry.

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