

ANTI -PARTITION LEAGUE OF IRELAND LEAGUE.

LIVERPOOL. AREA.

T.J.HICKEY Esq,
LONDON.

12th July 1939.

Dear Mr Hickey,

I am in receipt of your letter of the 5th inst, and note your observations regarding the points raised in my letter of the 3rd. I would like however, to point out that it was not intended, that the amount of the grant should be expended in any other way than that specified by Dublin.

You will I think, agree that part of an organisers work would include the arranging of public meetings, wherever it was possible to hold them. I fully appreciate that any expense in connection with such meetings would have to be borne by the appropriate Regional Executive, but I appreciate also in the event of such a meeting being organised that the required rent of a hall, may not be immediately available, In such circumstances access to the necessary finance would be of very great help, and could be refunded immediately after such a meeting. My own experience here is that such meetings more than pay for the rent of the hall.

I cannot see any difficulty in remitting, say a two monthly instalment, instead of the present instalment of one month. I hesitate to think what would be the position of the grant allocated to us if our Organiser, was using his time in visiting Belfast, the Northern areas and the Capital, I am afraid there would not be any need, for me to make the request I am now making, for the simple reason that the grant would soon be exhausted.

As Joint Hon Treasurer I think it advisable, that we should not overlook any opportunity of assisting, in the way I suggest, the financing of preliminary arrangements for such meetings, subject of course to the local Regional Executives, accepting liability in the first instance, and guaranteeing to refund the amount advanced.

I am very reluctant to trouble you with too much correspondence, but I feel that the efforts we are making warrant, the suggestions I make.

With kind regards and all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

B. J. Earley.