

matter?—Mr. Leonard Harper sent a message through Mr. Slater to me, stating that he would give me £50 to quash all proceedings.

237. Did you accept that?—I did not accept it.

238. I believe that Mr. Slater advanced Mr. Ell moneys out of his own pocket?—So he claims in his account.

239. And costs up to the amount of £52?—That is so.

240. You remember Mr. Slater withdrawing from acting in the estate. Did he withdraw because there was nothing in the matter?—He did not say so.

241. Why did you put in the account for £12,000 in the first instance?—Because I embodied in the account put in on behalf of Mr. Ell—I embodied all the items which Messrs. Harper and Co. claimed against Mr. Ell, as well as all the items which Mr. Ell claimed against Messrs. Harper and Co. So that we would compel them to prove them. [Mr. Slater's bill of costs put in, and marked as "Exhibit 101." All departmental papers in Mr. Ell's matter put in, and marked as "Exhibit 102;" put in by mutual consent.]

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