

mittee obtain, or can this Meeting obtain, than is given in the voluminous correspondence that has been placed before it, added to the very lucid statement from the chair? The Chairman, I am quite sure, has given us all the information that it is in the power of any committee to obtain.

A SHAREHOLDER handed in a request that the 16th by-law should be read, declaring that no alteration should be made in any of the bye-laws without the consent of two meetings.

Mr. MAYNARD: This is not a proposition to alter a bye-law.

The CHAIRMAN: It is not proposed to do this at a single meeting. It is proposed to have an adjournment—it is only a question of time.

Mr. WHITE: I am very desirous that we should come to some arrangement. I beg to propose an adjournment for a fortnight.

A SHAREHOLDER: I beg to second that.

The CHAIRMAN: It has been proposed that this Meeting be adjourned to Thursday, the 6th of May. To that an amendment has been proposed by Mr. White, that the adjournment be to this day fortnight.

Mr. ELEY: Does this amendment get rid of the appointment of the Committee?

The CHAIRMAN: The appointment of the Committee must clearly form the subject of a separate resolution; that will be put afterwards. The first question is as to the adjournment.

A show of hands was then taken, and the Chairman declared it to be in favour of the adjournment for a fortnight.

The CHAIRMAN: (To Mr. Eley.) Do you propose to move the appointment of a committee?

Mr. ELEY: No; we cannot do our duty and send in a report in a fortnight.