

1888 June 25th

Directors' Meeting

25th June 1888 at 5 P.M. at 7 Water St. Yokohama

Present: Mr.Dodds (Chair), Mr.Talbot, Mr.Baehr

Minutes of last meeting were read and signed.

➤ Collector

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The Chairman stated that the Chinese Collector whom it was intended to employ was unable to work both at the Brewery and at the Collection of accounts, but as employing him would be an economical means of collecting the accounts with the advantage of having the Collections paid in to the office daily, it was arranged to employ him at \$30. per month. In addition to collecting he will make up the bills from the books, and he will be secured by a Chinese Compradore for a sufficient amount.

➤ Brewer's House

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Messrs. Grosser and Abbott, who had promised to get plans &c for the Brewer's House not being present, the matter was postponed till next meeting.

➤ Credit to Customers

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This question having been raised, it was considered advisable to limit the Credit to be given to small hotels and people of doubtful standing to Fifty Dollars.

➤ Increase of Brewer's Salary

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The Chairman explained in connection with the decision arrived at last meeting to increase the Brewer's salary that this step had been taken on the application of the Brewer who had found the expense of living in Yokohama more than he anticipated, and because it was thought necessary considering how dependent the Company is upon the proper performance of his duties, to have a contented rather than a discontented servant. At the suggestion of Mr. Talbot it was arranged to write to the Brewer informing him that this increase had been granted only as a gratuity and that it did not in any way affect his agreement or the remuneration to which he was entitled under the same, but that the agreement still remains intact and unaltered.

➤ Unallotted Shares

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The Chairman stated, principally for the information of Mr. Talbot who had been absent from the last meeting, that Mr. Glover and the other Directors had agreed with him that, in view of the state of the Company's finances and the necessity of having a working balance on hand, it was highly desirable to issue the remaining 82 shares, but that beyond writing to two shareholders in Shanghai and one in Singapore nothing had been done to carry out the suggestion.

Mr. Talbot said that unless it was absolutely necessary to issue these shares in order to carry on the Company's operations it would in his opinion be unpolitic to do so. The principal account at present outstanding was the balance due to Messrs. C. Rohde & Co, amounting to marks 15,274 or about

\$5000, and if there was any probability of being able to pay this off in addition to the current expenses from the receipts of the next few months, it would be better than issuing these shares.

After discussion the matter was further postponed.

➤ Water Filter at Brewery

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As there would be no brewing towards the end of the wee, it was arranged that the proposed change of materials in the large filter for the pond water should be commenced on Friday 29th inst and arrangements to be made with Mr. Diack accordingly.

➤ Supplies of yeast and malts

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Mr. Heckert here joined the meeting and answered several questions in regard to the quality of the beer. He also stated that in future it would only be necessary to have a supply of yeast by every second German Lloyd steamer or once each two months. He also stated that if a trial quantity of American Malt were procured he would give it a trial.

The meeting adjourned at 7 p.m.

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James Dodds

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Chairman