

1893 April 8th

Directors Meeting held on Saturday the 8th April 1893

at No.7 Water Street at 2.30 P.M.

Present: Messrs. J. Dodds (Chairman), H. Baehr, W. Gordon, and M. Kirkwood
by invitation.

The Minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

➤ Contract with Tanaka Glass Works (Mr. Okawa)

Bottle Supply The Chairman reported that a Contract had been concluded with the Tanaka Glass Works in Tokyo (Mr. Okawa) on the terms authorized at the last Meeting for a full supply of Bottles and that the Contractors had obtained the guarantee of Mr. Asano of Tokyo.

➤ Advertising Scheme 1893

Advertising Scheme 1893 In connection with further enquiries from Mr. Isono it was resolved that he should submit his Account for current expenses monthly to the Sub-Committee of Directors and that when passed by them it should be paid.

➤ Building of Storeroom and Office at the Brewery

Building of Storeroom and Office at the Brewery The Chairman reported that Mr. Diack had plans and estimate in hand and that his report thereon was expected in a few days.

➤ Management at the Brewery

Management at the Brewery The Chairman read a letter he had addressed to Mr. Heckert under date 25th March following up Mr. Heckerts interview with the Board on 13th March pointing out the necessity of a more complete system of organization at the Brewery – the issue and use of Stores

and economy generally in the Working of the Brewery.

➤ Letter from Caldbeck Macgregor & Co.

Caldbeck Macgregor & Co. Hongkong. Read letter from his firm regarding keeping qualities of our Beer water to stand over until they have had time to report on Cask of Beer recently sent.

➤ Analysis of Beer and Spring Water

Analysis of Beer and Spring Water required by Mr. Isono for information of Japanese Doctors Analysis of Water obtained from the Imperial Japanese Laboratory under date 8th April 1893 submitted. Decided that Mr. Isono had better work on old Reports on the Beer having printed copies or slips made for use on 11th inst and that before circulating fresh analysis of Water we should first submit it to Dr. Divers for his opinion.

➤ Entertainment of Japanese Congress of Doctors at Brewery

Entertainment of Japanese Congress of Doctors at the Brewery. Mr. Dodds reported arrangements made with Mr. Isono, and Mr. Isono coming in at the time, this subject was under discussion further details were fixed including the invitations of Dr. Divers, Dr. Scriba, and Mr. Mitsuhashi.

➤ Malt Cases

Malt Cases Read letter from Mr. Heckert as to insufficiency of these cases as received from Germany and it was arranged that Mr. H. Baehr should write on the subject, while Landing Agents should be warned against accepting broken cases from the Steamers bringing the goods.

➤ Beer cases from Japanese Contractors

Beer cases from Japanese Contractors The unsatisfactory character of these cases was also discussed and it was arranged that inquiries should be

made through Mr. Isono as to the possibility of getting another Contractor to supply them better and cheaper.

➤ Urui the Office Boy under Police Surveillance

Office Boy The Acting Secretary reported that he had discovered that Urui the Office boy, had embezzled various sums entrusted to him for the payment of small accounts that he had first given him into custody, and that he was now under Police surveillance.

Resolved that he should be prosecuted in view of other irregularities being discovered.

➤ General Stores

General Stores Resolved that supplies should be obtained from other sources in addition to Kasuga for the purposes of comparison and competition.

The Meeting closed at 5.45 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman