

1896 June 29<sup>th</sup>

Directors' Meeting held at the Brewery at 3 p.m. No.7 Water Street Yokohama  
at 3 p.m. on Monday the 29<sup>th</sup> June 1896

Present: Messrs James Dodds (Chairman), H. Baehr, W. Gordon, and

J.D. Hutchison

The Minutes of the previous meeting of 11<sup>th</sup> May were read and confirmed.

➤ Advertising

Advertising The Chairman reported that a cheque for \$100.00 had been sent to the Jiji Shimpo Fund in aid of the Sufferers from the Seismic Wave Disaster.

➤ Mr. Heckerts Recommendation Regarding Enlargement of Brewery.

Mr.Heckerts recommendation regarding enlargement of Brewery

Three estimates for different schemes made at Chemnitz and received through Carl Rhode & Co, which had already been circulated among the Directors, were submitted, as was also a written statement from Mr. Von Mann which Mr. Baehr had translated. The Chairman said that a written communication from Mr. Heckert had been expected and its absence was disappointing.

Reports showed that some machinery was very defective and required almost immediately, viz:- the Beer- Boiler and the Cooling- Vessel. Mr. Heckert recommended renewal by a new process, more compact and more useful.

Three estimates were submitted, 1<sup>st</sup> mainly for repairs about 17,000 marks; second, similarly, about 23,000 marks; and last, which would about double the capacity of the Brewery, about 35,000 marks- this last would

necessitate increase of Engine and Boiler Power &c to avail to the fullest extent of the new cellars.

Finally came the question of water. Mr. Von Mann reports plenty of Brewing Water but not enough for the pond at present. Artesian boring had been going on but the result was uncertain. A supply of water might be got from the neighborhood of the Rifle Range at a cost of from \$4000 to \$6000. A discussion followed as to whether it was advisable to go on with the enlargements at once or wait for another year.

Mr. Gordon thought it would be well to wait. Mr. Baehr thought it would be better to proceed forthwith. Mr. Baehr said he was sorry Mr. Heckert had not given the report asked of him before he started for home and remarked that the question was whether to go on with the now or wait for 18months longer taking in the meantime the risk of a breakdown- which was imminent. Mr. Von Mann now attended by invitation.

The Chairman told him (Mr. Baehr interpreting) that the estimates had been discussed. The Directors were somewhat surprised to learn that the necessary repairs were so urgent- they having been under the impression that matters might have stood over at any rate until Mr. Heckert return.

Mr. Von Mann thought that Mr. Heckert had spoken of all this to the Directors before he having mentioned it to him.

The Cooling- Vessel could by patching be made to last some time, especially by using enamel, but the condition of the Beer-Boiler was uncertain. Leaving out the Sterilizing apparatus the cost would be about 21,000 marks as per estimate,- the upper mash-tub would be done away with and a new pump would be necessary. As to whether any new foundations would be necessary

it was reported that Mr. Diack said no extra foundations had been provided but it was impossible without examination to say how much it would cost to furnish same. Mr. Von Mann being asked whether anything in Estimate No. III could be left out without impairing the new plan said the sterilizator might be omitted.

The Chairman said it was quite clear that many repairs were absolutely necessary, which made it a question of increasing the plant soon and of leaving over the idea of further increasing the cellars till afterwards. Finally it was settled to place an order for the plant under Estimate III on the best terms that could be arranged with payment either by installments or by Bills drawn at longer usance.

The Meeting then closed at 5 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman