

1897 April 9<sup>th</sup>

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Director held at No.7 Water Street  
at 4 p.m. on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> April 1897

Present: Messrs James Dodds (Chairman), H. Baehr, and J.D. Hutchison

➤ Isono's Credit

The Chairman said the meeting had been called specially to consider the question of Mr. Isono's credits. He referred to the letter of 22nd March written to Mr. Isono (a copy of which had been sent to Mr. Glover) and related what Mr. Glover had informed him verbally, viz: that he had spoken to the manager of the Mitsubishi Bank and to Baron Iwasaki, and that he had hopes of good result.

Mr. Glover called on Mr. Dodds a second time together with Baron Iwasaki who enquired how relations stood between the Brewery and Mr. Isono to which Mr. Dodds replied that Mr. Isono had always been prompt in his payments and relations with him were quite satisfactory – especially latterly. Some time afterwards Mr. Isono called and suggested that Mr. Dodds might interview the manager of the Bank in Tokyo, and this Mr. Dodds did on 6th April. He explained the position of affairs to the manager fully and that gentleman replied that business such as allowing an overdraft without tangible security and for an indefinite period was out of their regular line and he could not undertake it notwithstanding Mr. Dodds's representing that Mr. Isono was already a constituent of the Bank and this would simply be an extension of facilities to him.

Mr. Dodds read Mr. Isonos letter of 8th April and remarked that he had hinted verbally that if the Brewery would not trust him to such an extent as

the figures had now risen to they might limit the amount and hold themselves free to sell to others.

Mr. Dodds however did not discuss this question but invited Mr. Isono to address the Company writing. He mentioned to Mr. Isono that the Company might be willing to aid him by paying half the interest he would have to pay to a Bank for an advance to enable him to reduce the period of credit by a month.

Resolved to write Mr. Isono that the Directors were glad to learn from his letter that he was hopeful of making a satisfactory arrangement and asking him to be good enough to replay definitely by Monday Week in view of the approaching Annual meeting.

➤ Transfer of Registration of Trade Mark from Isono to Japan Brewery

Trade Mark The Chairman related what had been done in this matter, as regards transferring the Registration to the Company's own name and read Mr. Isonos letter requesting that he be reimbursed the expenses he had incurred in protecting the Trade Mark. After discussion the question was referred to the Chairman and Secretary to make the best arrangements possible and the meeting then closed at 5 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman