

## 1897 December 16<sup>th</sup>

### Minutes of Directors' Meeting held at the Offices of Mr. Gordon (Chairman) at Noon on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> Decr. 1897

Present: Messrs W. Gordon (Chairman), J.D. Hutchison, W.A. Bennett,  
O. Haynemann.

➤ Death of Isono, Yonei, Carrying On Isono's Business

Death of Mr. Isono — Mr. Gordon gave an account of his visit to Mr. Glover at Tokyo the previous day (Wednesday) made in accordance with the decision come to at the proceeding meeting. He had ascertained that Isono's business would still be carried on, probably, by Mr. Yonei, whose name was specially mentioned, and after some discussion it was resolved that supplies be continued to Meidiya for the present in the name of Mr. Yonei – subject to guarantees from Mr. Masujima & Mr. Toyokawa stating that they would hold themselves jointly and severally responsible for the accounts. Mr. Gordon said that he met Mr. Masujima & Mr. Toyokawa immediately after his conversation with Mr. Glover and these two gentlemen verbally confirmed their willingness to hold themselves responsible for the accounts. Mr. Gordon further said that he had made them a promise to call a meeting of Directors at the earliest possible moment and would wire or write to Mr. Glover so soon as the Directors had come to a decision. It was then decided to close the December accounts with Isono on the 15<sup>th</sup>, inclusive, and that a fresh account in the name of Mr. Yonei be opened from to-day, the 16<sup>th</sup> inst., and the Chairman undertook to draft a letter to Mr. Glover informing him of the proposed arrangement and asking him to obtain for the Company the promised guarantees from Messrs. Masujima & Toyokawa.

This closing the business of the Meeting, the Directors adjourned at 12.35  
p.m.

W.Gordon

Chairman