

1898 May 23rd

Special Meeting of Directors held at 4 p.m. on Monday 23rd May 1898
at the Brewery Offices

Present: Messrs J. Dodds (Chairman), J.D. Hutchison, W.R. Bennett,
O. Haynemann, and (by invitation) H. Baehr.

➤ Special meeting of directors for the extension of the Brewery

The Chairman said this was a special Meeting for the purpose of considering the proposals for the extension of the Brewery and to consult with Mr. Baehr (whom he welcomed to the meeting) who had interviewed the Germania Companys Officials and would no doubt furnish valuable aid.

Mr. Hutchison thought it advisable to appoint a Sub-committee to consult with and direct the Architects as to what was most desirable.

The Chairman proceeded to read the estimates of Cost as summarized by Mr. Hutchison, Mr. Hutchison remarking that it would be well to postpone electing a Sub-Committee until after the General Meeting to be held on the 25th instant.

Entering into details Mr. Baehr said he thought it would be wise to take the boiler mentioned in the estimate and also a second one in reserve.

➤ Engine

Mr. Heckert was now invited to the meeting and on the question of Engines being asked whether one 90-H.P. or two 45-H.P. would be the more suitable replied that one engine was owing to possibility of breakdown, not so satisfactory as two would be; but if the two old engines were, as was intended, placed in the new Engine Room, then one 90-H.P. Engine would be the most desirable.

➤ Boilers

Boilers It was generally considered that it would be better to have three new ones rather than have only one and move the position of the existing two.

➤ Reserve Compressor

Reserve Compressor Mr. Heckert was of opinion this need not be ordered at once if the present machinery was to be availed of in the new Engine Room.

➤ Fitter from Europe

Fitter from Europe Mr. Heckert thought it very desirable to have European Fitter with the machinery.

➤ Roofing

Roofing It was decided for various reasons to have slate roofing on the new Buildings and not Iron as had been suggested.

Several matters being held over pending Mr. Diacks return from the country and Mr. Heckert having retired the Chairman stated regarding Finance that he had visited the Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank and arranged for the overdraft of account which would be necessary in consequence of the forthcoming issue of Dividend Warrants.

The meeting then closed at 5.35 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman