

1899 May 19<sup>th</sup>

Minutes of Directors' Meeting held at the Brewery Offices No.123 Bluff Yokohama  
at 3.30 p.m. on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May 1899

Present: Messrs J. Dodds, Chairman, T.B. Glover, F.S. James, W.R. Bennett,  
and (by invitation) M. Kirkwood

The Minutes of the previous Meeting of 21<sup>st</sup> April were read and confirmed.

➤ The Secretary's Financial Statement

The Secretary's Financial Statement was also read, in connection with which the Chairman reported that he had arranged with the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank for such an overdraft of account as would meet the Company's probable requirements for the next few months – whereupon it was resolved not to issue further debentures at present.

➤ Engine Power for New Brewery

Engine Power for New Brewery The question as to whether it would be advisable to remove the present two old engines to the New Engine-Room, or to order a second large new engine was discussed and it was resolved to ask Consulting Engineer Munster for a report and also for his opinion as to the power, value and probabilities of sale of the old engines.

➤ Coal

Coal The price and quality of this article being referred to the Manager was directed to consult with Mr. Munster on the subject.

➤ Accounts

Accounts The Secretary was desired to complete and submit an analysis for the year as speedily as possible.

➤ Beer Cases

Beer Cases A letter from Meidiya on this subject, dated 26<sup>th</sup> April, was read and considered. The Manager was directed to promise Meidiya good cases but not to admit any claim for an allowance for breakage of bottles. He was also to urge a closer inspection of the cases when received into the Brewery.

➤ Japanese Engineer Ohara

Japanese Engineer Ohara The Chairman reported that this man had of late not been giving satisfaction to Engineer Chemnitz and on being reproved had left off duty and declared his intention not to resume. The Secretary added that he had since at his own desire been paid off.

The Meeting then closed at 5.50 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman