

1901 March 22nd

Minutes of Directors Meeting held at the Brewery offices at 3 p.m. on Friday 22nd March 1901

Present: J. Dodds (Chairman), T.B. Glover, J.D. Hutchison, F.S. James.

C.B. Bernard.

The Minutes of the meeting of 18th March of which the present was an adjournment were read and confirmed.

➤ Beer of Rival Breweries

Beer of Rival Breweries The Directors ordered that samples of these should be obtained and submitted at each Board Meeting.

➤ Brick Wall between Coal Bunker and Brewery proper

Brick Wall between Coal Bunker and Brewery proper The Managing Director reported that it would be very difficult, and also undesirable on account of consequent loss of space in the malt loft, to carry the present wall up through the roof as had been suggested but he was considering whether the object aimed at could be attained by some other method.

➤ Water Supply

Water Supply Mr. Bernard reported that Mr. de Becker was ill and that he would make enquiries as to whether he could depute some one to act for him.

➤ Breweries Association

Breweries Association The Managing Director reported that he had attended a meeting of the Committee in Tokyo on the 19th instant, when it had been decided, in view of the imposition of the tax on beer from 1st October next, to raise the selling price of beer by 1 yen per 4 dozen quarts as from the 15th

May 1901 but to refrain from making this increase known until the 1st May, when it was to be announced. The funds which had been subscribed to cover expenditure in connection with the business of the Committee had been sufficient, and a balance of yen 764 remaining would be handed over to the Yebise Brewery Company to meet some disbursements still to be made and the Committee had now been dissolved.

➤ Further Brewery Extension

Further Brewery Extension The Chairman said it had all along been admitted generally that a second steam-engine with compressors was desirable and the Managing Director added that a second ice-generator was also recommended to provide against possible break-down – the whole costing probably about yen 40,000. In the course of the discussion which followed Mr. Glover suggested that in view of the present efficient condition of the machinery, which was practically new, it might suffice for the meantime and until more funds were available to order from Germany only such parts of the machinery as were specially vulnerable and keep them in hand to meet emergencies. It was ultimately resolved to postpone a decision until next meeting when Engineer Thomson was to be desired to attend.

The meeting then closed at 4.45 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman