

1901 July 5th

Minutes of an Directors Meeting held at the Brewery Offices at 3.30 p.m. on Friday the 5th July 1901

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

The Minutes of the previous Meetings of the 9th May & 12th June were read and confirmed.

➤ Financial Statement & Chief Brewer's Report

The Financial Statement prepared for the Meeting, and also the Chief Brewers Reports were read.

➤ Spurious Kirin Labels

The Managing Director reported that in Company with Meidiyas' Yokohama Agent, he had consulted with Mr. Ideura as to the best plan to be adopted for finding out the person or persons in Tokyo, selling counterfeit Kirin labels, and that it had been decided in the first plan to employ detectives – which was now being done – and to take further steps as soon as something more definite was known.

➤ Freight Returns

Freight Returns A letter was read from Mr. Carl Rohde advising a return on Freight paid up to 31 December 1899, of marks 5276.40, also a letter in reply from the Managing Director, dated 4th July 1901.

➤ Renewal of Eichelberg's Agreement

Renewal of Mr.Eichelbergs Agreement A letter was read from Mr. Eichelberg, asking for a renewal of his engagement at a higher salary.

On the motion of Mr. Hutchison it was decided to leave the matter in the

hands of Mr. Dodds & Mr. James for settlement, but the expression of the Meeting was, to renew the agreement at a reasonable increase of salary.

➤ New Casks & Vats

New Casks & Vats A recommendation from the Chief Brewer was read, for New Vats, Storage Cask & Cask turn-over Machine.

At this point Mr. Kayser was in attendance, and stated that he was anxious to have the new vats &c before November next, so that the present ones could be re-varnished and pitched without stopping brewing operations. It would take at least 3 weeks to do the necessary work.

After some discussion, it was decided with the approval of Mr. Kayser to order at once, New Vats for the Fermentation Cellars, & to defer ordering the Storage Casks, & Cask turn-over Machine till later.

➤ Shimidsu Kaisha's Plans and Estimates for New Cellar

The Managing Director submitted plans and estimates for New Cellar accommodation, drawn up by the Shimidsz Kwaisha, Tokio. The scheme, if carried out would practically double the present cellarage at a cost of about yen 125,000.

It was decided to await further developments before taking any steps in the matter.

The Meeting closed at 5.20 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman