

1902 March 11thMinutes of a Meeting of Directors held at the Brewery offices at 3.30 p.m.on Tuesday, the 11th March, 1902

Present: Messrs Jas. Dodds (Chairman), J.D. Hutchison, O. Haynemann,
F.S. James (Managing Director).

The Minutes of Meeting held 29 Jan were read & confirmed.

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➤ Financial Statement

The Financial statement prepared for the Meeting was read.

➤ Reports of the Chief Brewer and Engineer for Jan. & Feb.

The Reports of the Chief Brewer & Engineer for January and February were read.

The Managing Director called attention to the note made in the Chief Brewer's Report for January as to the quality of 350 piculs Rice. He said that it was the regular Ise Rice which had been used, but in mixing some of it had become broken. He also noticed the remarks about the water in the Chief Brewer's Report for February. This had been analyzed by Messrs. North & Rae, Ltd., and no traces of Iron had been found. It was a soft water, but the Chief Brewer had said that all Yokohama water was more or less soft on account of the want of lime in the soil, and that the Yokohama Water-works water was suitable for brewing. Samples had been sent to the Government Laboratory for analysis, but the Report had not yet been received.

➤ Letter from Mrs. Copeland. Thanking for Financial Help to Funeral & Other Expenses

The late Mr.Copeland The Managing Director stated that the amount paid for Funeral & other expenses amounted to ¥198.05 and a letter was read from Mrs. Copeland thanking the Directors for the aid given.

➤ House Tax

House Tax It was decided not to pay this until the Authorities took steps to distrain, but to keep sufficient money in the safe to liquidate the amount at time of distraint.

➤ Tonkin Exhibition

Tonkin Exhibition The Managing Director stated that an exhibition was to be held at Hanoi commencing December this year, and the Commissioner for Japan had invited the Brewery to make an exhibit. He thought the cost would be about ¥1,000.00.

It was agreed to make the exhibit.

➤ Export Beer

Export Beer The demand having fallen off, it was decided that the Managing Director should visit Manila, Hongkong, China & Korea in order to find out the condition of the trade and endeavour to work up the Export, even if the Beer had to be sold without profit. It was agreed that he should leave as soon as possible after the yearly accounts were made up – say some time in April.

➤ Probiem of Kayser and Bad Quality of Beer Sent to Germany for Analysis

Mr.Kayser In answer to the Managing Director's letter covering the Analysis on the muddy beer, a letter from Mr. Kayser dated 24 February,

kindly translated by Mr. Haynemann, was read, but threw no further light on the subject. It was agreed to send some of the muddy beer to Germany for analysis.

A letter from Mr. Glover was read, giving his views as to the dismissal of Mr. Kayser & the getting out of a new brewer to take the place of Mr. Eichelberg.

After some desultory talking it was agreed to postpone the dismissal of Mr. Kayser till after the busy season, but in the meantime to write to Mr. Rohde at Hamburg and ask him to look out for a competent Brewer to take the place of Mr. Eichelberg, so that when the time arrived for a change to be made, a telegram could be sent ordering out the new man.

The Meeting closed at 5.10 p.m.

James Dodds

Chairman