

1885 September 17<sup>th</sup>

Thursday, September 17<sup>th</sup> 3 p.m.

Directors' meeting

Present: Messrs Dodds, chair, Rohde, Abbott, Grosser & Talbot, secretary

- Memorandum and Articles of Association, Signed
- Bluff Lots
- Auditor
- Further Application for Shares
- Letter to New Oriental Bank

This was the resumption of the meeting of September 7<sup>th</sup>.

(1) Minutes of meeting of September 7<sup>th</sup> were read, approved and signed by the chairman.

(2) The memorandum and articles of association as printed and presented to the meeting were read by the directors prior to the meeting and were approved and adopted. Four sets were then signed by:-

1. James Dodds	Yokohama	Merchant	35 shares
2. Carl Rohde	Do	Do	30 "
3. Johann Friedrich			
Grosser	Do	Do	30 "
4. Edgar Abbott	Do	Broker	30 "
5. William Henry Talbot	Do	Journalist	30 "
6. Henry Baehr	Do	Merchant	5 "
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The seventh place was left for the signature of one shareholder in Hong

Kong as suggested by Mr. Caldwell, and the documents undated were despatched on the same day by post registered to Messrs. Lane, Crawford & Co., Hong Kong under advice for registration, together with notice that the only contract entered into by the company was for the acquisition of five lots of Bluff land numbered 105B, 123, 240A, 240B, & 240C from Mr. Edgar Abbott upon the terms set forth in his letter of 7<sup>th</sup> September for the sum of \$3,600.-

- (3) Mr. Abbott's letter of 7<sup>th</sup> September, offering to the company Bluff lots, 105B, 123, 240A, 240B and 240C, 5 lots in all, measuring per title 2776 tsubo and according to Mr. Diack's measurement about 3350 tsubo, together with the cellars and reservoir on the above lots ground rent on all paid to next year for the sum of three thousand six hundred dollars which sum includes all costs incurred to date except Mr. Diack's fee for survey and ground plan, was then laid on the table.

In accordance with article 98 of the articles of association, Messrs. Abbott and Talbot, being interested in the ownership of the land here mentioned, withdrew from the meeting, the remaining directors, Messrs. Dodds, Rohde and Grosser forming a quorum under rule 91 articles of association, taking the letter into consideration and finally accepting the offer and agreeing to purchase the land.

- (4) The full board resuming the post of auditor was directed by the secretary to be offered to Mr. G.W.F. Playfair and failing him to Mr. A. Winstanley.

- (5) A further application for shares being:-

No. 35 R.H. Powers      Nagasaki      3,

having been laid before the board it was resolved that the three shares

applied for by Mr. Powers be and are hereby allotted in pursuance of his application, making with the previous allotments an aggregate number of four hundred and forty-two shares.

- (6) A letter addressed to the manager of the New Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited, the company's bankers, advising the conditions for signature of cheques and acceptances was read and approved, signed by the chairman with examples of the signature of each director and ordered to be sent in.

There being no other business the meeting was dissolved at 4.40 p.m.

Carl Rohde

Vice Chairman

W.H. Talbot

Sec. p.t.