

1901 September 6th

Minutes of an Directors' Meeting held at the Brewery Offices at 3 p.m. on Friday 6th September 1901

Present: Messrs James Dodds (Chairman), C.B. Bernard, T.B. Glover, and
F.S. James (Managing Director)

Letters from Messrs Hutchison and Haynemann regretting inability to attend, were read.

The Minutes of the previous two meetings were read and confirmed.

➤ Imitation Beer

Imitation Beer The Managing Director reported that detectives were on the track of the suspected persons.

➤ Assistant Brewer Eichelberg's Contract

Assistant Brewer Eichelberg's Contract The Chairman and the Managing Director reported it had been arranged to renew Mr. Eichelberg's contract for 12 months as from the 1st October at a salary of yen 250.00 per month. If continued for a further 12 months the salary to be yen 275.00 per month.

Mr. Eichelberg is to have the option of a free second class passage to Germany either by German steamer or via America.

➤ The Financial Statement and the Engineer's Reports for July and August

The Financial Statement prepared for the Meeting was read, as were also the chief Brewer's and the Engineer's Reports for July and August.

➤ Managing Director's Report about Muddy Beer and Corks

The Managing Directors Report was read, in which reference was made to numerous complaints which had been received of muddy beer and of corks being driven out of the bottles; and also, in connection with investigations

made regarding this, to the discovery of an apparent shortage of the stock of Beer in cellars to a very considerable extent – the discrepancy having arisen through the stock having been reckoned according to the size of the storage casks as originally ordered, which size had in course of time decreased through shrinkage of the wood, and it was impossible now to say what the actual capacity of the casks is.

It was resolved to have all the vessels in the brewery gauged as soon as possible, and it was looked upon as rather a neglect on the part of the Chief Brewer that this had not been done when he took over his post. It was also decided to continue efforts to ascertain the precise stock as soon as might be.

Mr. Kayser having at this point attended the above remarks were repeated to him.

➤ Defective Beer

Defective Beer Mr. Kayser said he thought the faults were due partly to bad corks and partly to the recent great heat of the weather. He was convinced they were not caused by any inferiority in the quality of the beer.

➤ Crown (Seal) Corks

Crown (Seal) Corks Mr. Kayser said he thought that if the special bottles were well made this style of cork would be an advantage.

It was decided to make a trial of them although the Managing Director reported that Hodogaya Brewery had given up their use.

The Meeting then closed at 5 p.m.

Jamas Dodds

Chairman