

submitted list and samples of grain purchased since last meeting.

Resolved that a special meeting of the Board be held at the London Tavern at 8 p.m. 12 o'clock on Tuesday next prior to the General Meeting of Shareholders.

J. John Law

Special Board

17th March 1864

Present Mr. Law in the Chair

Messrs. Cassin, Taché, McEwen, Latham

Armano, Martelli and Laves.

Messrs. Carter and Galignat by proxies in the hands of Messrs. Taché & Cassin respectively

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Labat

complaint against

Copy of Minutes of the Officers Meeting of the French Shareholders in Paris on 9th inst. was placed on the table. The Paris Directors having explained the ground of complaint made against Mr. Labat and referred to in the concluding paragraphs of the Minutes it was Resolved that Mr. Labat be informed that the Board have heard with dissatisfaction, and expressed the want of proper courtesy displayed by him to the Shareholders and that they trust he will be careful to avoid giving occasion for any such complaint hereafter.

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Read Minutes of Meeting of the General Meeting of Shareholders at the London Tavern Bishopsgate Street on 15th inst. the same were confirmed.

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The application of Mr. Rains in behalf of Mr. J. D. Bovey (Minutes of 14th 57th of 26th ult.) was again considered, and it was Resolved that all this was no known precedent in England for the guidance of the Company

in the case of loss of shares to beared the practice adopted in Puerto companies be acted upon viz. that the claims of Mr. Court be accepted as a bar to the registration of the shares in question, by any other person, until after due notice be given to Mr. Court and opportunity afforded him to prove his claim - that if after the expiration of 5 years from the date of the declaration of the loss (1st February 1864) the shares to beareds" be not presented, a certificate of the English Company be granted upon Mr. Court giving to the Company a satisfactory guarantee against any claims that may thereafter arise against them in respect of the shares.

Read letter dated 8th inst. from M. Echevant, one of the clerks in the Paris office asking a gratuity as granted last year. The Paris Directors having given to the Board their opinion of M. Echevant's services and general character, it was resolved that a bonus of £10 each be given to Messrs. Labat and Echevant, with our intimations to M. Echevant that the Board will be glad to hear no further reference in the office to the financial embarrassment, and to elect. Labat and Echevant that the bonus given this year and on a previous occasion is not to be taken as establishing a precedent for the future.

I Received that the following to
the distribution of the Directors' allowance during
the year ending, viz. That there be a first allot-
ment to the underrmentioned gentlemen for
special services

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be divided equally among the 10 members of the Board or later may be determined at any time.

Resolved that Mr Law be re-elected Chairman of the company for the current year.

Resolved that the arrangement of the Accounts and Finance and Executive Committee be the same as during the past year, and that the five persons attending at Committee or Board under any circumstances be one guinea - Mr Stannard alone to be excused if absent on the business of the company.

J. J. Law

General Board

18th March 1864

Present Mr Law in the Chair

Mr Fullerton Mr Macosoin

" Taché

" Stannard

" Law

" Marshall

Mr Arncliffe

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Read Minutes of Meeting of 11th inst. the same were confirmed.

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Read Minutes of Meeting of Accounts and Finance Committee on 17th inst. the same were confirmed and adopted.

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Read Minutes of Meeting of Executive Committee on 17th inst. the same were confirmed and adopted.

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Read Minutes of Meeting of Special Board on 17th inst. the same were confirmed and adopted, except that the special dividend to Mr Fullerton (Minutes of 4620) be reduced from £100 to £50, and that the remaining £50 be added to the balance divisible among the