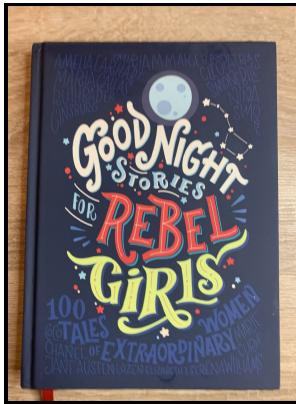


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Glover and Tsuru remained together until the latter's death in 1899. Anti-western sentiment was rife in Japan in the period due to the imposed upon the by the United States and other western powers, which included .

## Thomas Blake Glover (1838)

The same year, he was also responsible for bringing a small-scale steam and cars to Japan, which he demonstrated on a short track in the Ōura district of Nagasaki, causing a sensation and alerting Japan to the benefits of railway transportation. Did they really punch above their weight as some contemporaries thought, or was that just exaggerated rhetoric? He argues that bullshitters misrepresent themselves to their audience not as liars do, that is, by deliberately making false claims about what is true.

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Bankruptcy by the age of thirty was barely a setback for Glover, who went on to become a pivotal figure in the rapidly expanding Mitsubishi empire, founding shipyards and breweries. Their first beer went to market three years later in 1888. She had four children but only one grandchild, Ronald Bennett born 1931 , who lives in the United States.

## Thomas Blake Glover

The census record gives the birth places of his mother and the older children as Fordyce in Banffshire.

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Today, Glover is regarded as one of the founding fathers of the Japanese economic miracle. . However, no concrete evidence has been presented to support the claim.

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Glover arrived in Nagasaki in 1859, just as Japan was opening to the West. Some of the arms sales to rebellious factions in the Western regions of Japan i.

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In later years, Kirin would become both the product name and the company name of Kirin Brewery. In 1844, the family moved first to stations at , then Collieston in Aberdeenshire, then finally to the , by , Thomas senior having by this time been promoted to Chief Coastguard Officer.

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