

But even if the meanings of the words wholesale and retail are taken from the dictionary it is still a question of fact as to the minimum quantity of whisky, or of any other fluid, or of anything made entire, as nails, pins and needles which constitutes a whole package as originally put up. With respect to such matters it seems clear that the condition in which the wholesale dealer chooses, for safety or convenience, to keep his stock is unimportant. A dealer in grain may keep a hundred thousand bushels in an elevator; a dealer in liquors may keep them in casks of immense capacity, but it could not be said that the sale of fifty thousand bushels of the grain out of one elevator or the sale of one thousand gallons of wine out of one cask would therefore be a retail dealing. What constitutes a wholesale dealer in a given commodity, and what constitutes a wholesale transaction, if made by a wholesale dealer, are questions of fact to be proved by evidence and found by the jury. It is "the usual course of trade" which determines the answers. It may be that only a minimum quantity is considered in deciding whether a dealer is wholesale or retail, and it may be that the question as to the purpose of the purchaser, as whether buying for personal use or for resale, may be an element. But we do not think it can be assumed as a matter of law, that the sale of no quantity, however great, is a wholesale transaction unless the purchaser buys as a dealer to resell. —*Braidstreet*.

Citizens Convention.

Conventions are not gatherings in which men of commerce usually take a leading part, but the Board of Trade of Winnipeg, at the earnest solicitation of hundreds of citizens outside of their membership, organized the convention of Wednesday and Thursday last for the nomination of candidates for Mayor and Aldermen for 1885. The Board were careful not to put forward any candidates of their own selection, but merely prepared the machinery, and collect together a gathering of representation ratepayers to whom they entrusted the right of selecting candidates. The consequence was that on Wednesday some 400 of the most prominent ratepayers of the city assembled in Trinity Hall at the call of the Board.

The chair was occupied by S. O. Shorey, Vice-President of the Board while the Secretary of the Board acted in the same capacity for the convention. Every ratepayer on entering the hall was furnished with a printed copy of the order of procedure, as prepared by the Board, which we give in full.

FIRST SESSION.

(1.) Opening remarks by chairman, (President or Vice-President of the Board of Trade.)

(2.) RESOLUTION.—Whereas the municipal affairs of the city of Winnipeg are in a most unsatisfactory condition, it is desirable that all good citizens co-operate for the election of a Council for the year 1885 that shall consist of responsible, honest and capable men; and with this end in view this convention will endeavor to nominate such men, regardless of all political or other considerations, for Mayor and Aldermen as a CITIZENS' TICKET, and will

individually and collectively accept such nominations as unanimous nominations, and use every legitimate means within our power to secure the return of such TICKET at the ensuing civil elections.

(3.) Five-minute speeches to the resolution.

(4.) Resolution to be put to the meeting.

(5.) Nomination of persons for the position of Mayor. Any two persons, present (mover and seconder), electors in the city, may nominate any person legally qualified.

(6.) Nomination of persons for Aldermen in the different wards, in order of their number. Any two electors present (mover and seconder) in the ward for which the nomination is made, may nominate any person legally qualified.

The Secretary will record all nominations, together with names of the persons making them.

(7.) Adjournment until 2 p.m. on Thursday.

SECOND SESSION.

(1.) Persons who have made nominations will report upon their nominees that they will accept the nomination of the convention if made, or contrary, as the case may be, in the order in which they are called by the Secretary.

All nominees not guaranteed to accept will be struck from the list.

(2.) Further nominations will be received under the same conditions as at previous session, though on this occasion no nominations will be accepted unless the persons making them guarantee acceptance.

(3.) The Chairman shall appoint a committee of scrutineers consisting of five persons.

(4.) Ballot for the final nomination of a candidate for the Mayoralty from amongst the nominees before the convention.

Ballots shall be taken till one person receives a majority of the votes cast, the person receiving the least number of votes at each voting till that is attained to be dropped. The person first receiving a majority of the total votes cast to be the nominee of the convention.

(5.) Ballot for the final nomination of candidates for Aldermen in the order of the numbers of the wards. Only persons who are electors in the ward for which the nomination is being made shall vote, and each such elector may cast two ballots (two aldermen having to be elected.) The same mode of procedure to be observed as in the nomination for Mayor. The first two persons receiving majorities of the total votes cast to be the nominees of the convention.

(6.) RESOLUTION.—This convention declares all the nominations made unanimous nominations.

(7.) Volunteer motions and dissolution.

JAS. E. STEEN, Secretary.

The Chairman in calling the meeting to order stated, that the Board had no intention of dictating to the ratepayers as to who they should nominate or elect to civic offices, but being satisfied that our civic affairs were so unsatisfactory, they, as representing the commercial interests of the city had called this convention for the purpose of nominating mayoralty and aldermanic candidates for 1885, such as would look after the city's interests, and en-

deavor to lift the city out of its present unenviable condition of having ruin staring ratepayers in the face.

Mr. R. J. Whitla moved the adoption of the resolution No. 2 in the order of procedure of the first day, and in so doing asked that unanimity be the feeling of the convention.

Mr. A. Killam seconded the resolution and spoke strongly in favor of united action on the part of all present.

Mr. C. E. Hamilton, Mr. G. Towler, Dr. Phillips, Mr. W. F. Luxton and Mr. S. C. Biggs also spoke in support of the resolution, which on being put to the meeting was unanimously carried amid considerable enthusiasm.

The Chairman called for nomination for mayor when the following names were proposed: Mr. Duncan MacArthur, Mr. C. E. Hamilton, Mr. Robert Strang, Mr. Joseph Mulbolland, Mayor Logan, Mr. H. S. Westbrook, Mr. J. H. Ashdown, Mr. C. J. Brydges, Ex-Mayor McMicken, Mr. R. J. Whitla, Capt. D. H. McMillan.

Following were the nominations for aldermen.

Ward 1—A. C. Killam, Ald. G. H. Ham, Ald. Stewart Mulvey, Thomas Nixon, C. S. Drummond, G. W. Girdlestone, J. B. MacArthur, and F. H. Mathewson.

Ward 2—J. D. McVicar, Mark Fortune, G. B. Spencer, H. S. Westbrook, R. J. Whitla, Alfred Pearson, Thos. Nixon, A. P. Cameron, S. O. Shorey, T. J. Lyskey, Alex McDonald, C. E. Hamilton.

Ward 3—Stewart McDonald, John Hargrave, E. C. Goulding, A. F. Eden, Dr. Phillips.

Ward 4—Geo. Young, Robert Strang, R. W. Jamieson, Mr. Brock, H. S. Westbrook, L. M. Jones, C. E. Hamilton, Geo. D. McVicar, W. L. Hutton, Alfred McKean, Alex. McIntyre, Thos. Ryan, P. C. McIntyre, Ald. Bawlf, John McDonald, Wm. Bathgate, Chas. Whart, Allen McDonald, A. McNee, J. H. Ashdown, G. F. Carruthers.

Ward 5—W. W. Banning, Alexander Brown, Alexander Woods, J. R. Crowe, H. S. Crotty, Geo. H. Campbell, J. B. More, J. A. Wright, W. G. Fonseca, R. T. Riley, John Hoasser, Robert McGee.

Ward 6—Ald. McCreary, Ald. Carruthers, Ald. Drewry, W. G. Fonseca.

The convention then adjourned till 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon.

On Thursday the convention was again opened by the chairman.

The list of nominees were called over by the secretary, and their names and seconders asked if the candidates agreed to accept the nomination of the convention. When this was concluded the list of candidates was ordered to be the following.

FOR MAYOR.

C. E. Hamilton and Robert Strang.

FOR ALDERMEN.

Ward 1—Stewart Mulvey and D. S. Drummond.

Ward 2—Mark Fortune, Alfred Pearson, Thos. Nixon, A. P. Cameron and T. J. Lyskey.

Ward 3—Stewart McDonald and Dr. Phillips.