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I proceed now to consider the evidence upon which the question in this case turns.

It appears that a convention of an association called the Reform Association, was called for the purpose of nominating a candidate in the Reform interest. To the convention each municipality in the electoral division elected eight delegates, which eight delegates were in the habit of acting (with one of their number as chairman) as local branches or committees of the Reform Association in their respective municipalities. The convention of delegates so constituted nominated the respondent as the candidate to stand in the Reform interest. The respondent had been put forward in like manner upon former occasions.

Mr. Price, Reeve of Welland, himself a member of the convention, says that the committees of the Reform Association always acted for the Reform candidate; that it had always been understood that they were to act for the Reform candidate; that Mr. Currie, the present respondent, had stood for the county in former elections, and that witness never knew him to repudiate those committees, which have always acted for the candidate, although he says that Mr. Currie never attended the committee meetings. In former elections a central committee of the Reform Association used to meet, but none met at this election; but he was not aware of any reason why there was no meeting of a central committee on this election. The custom had been on former occasions for the members of the committees of the Reform Association to act as committees for Mr. Currie to promote his election, and reports were made from the local committees to the Central Reform Committee.