

began in the north with the result that a strike started there about four years ago. The strike was fought with considerable bitterness and one of the judges of the district court, Greeley Whitford, having issued an injunction restraining the strikers from certain acts, upon their failure to obey the injunction sent them to prison for contempt some of them receiving as much as a year's sentence. When Judge Whitford came up for re-election in November 1912 he was badly defeated notwithstanding that he had received the endorsement of the Bar Association and notwithstanding the further fact that all the other candidates of the Bar Association, four in number, were elected irrespective of party affiliations. After the referendum was adopted in 1910, the legislature of 1911 had under consideration a number of bills, an amendment to the fellow servant act of 1901 among others. The act was expanded and made more comprehensive and was said by law writers to be the best general damage act in the United States. In 1913 a new coal mine inspection law was proposed and carried which is one of the best laws now in existence and is said to compare favorably with the English law, the model law on the subject.

In respect of these two measures and the miners' eight hour law there is a pleasing contrast was a great deal of other legislation proposed and considered because each time these matters have come up in the legislature the line up of the two parties has been not to con-