a concurring party in, such wrongful act."

It was formerly the practice in this Province for the employers of Labor on Election Days to prevent their working inen from voting by detaining them at work. To prevent this, Mr. Hawthornthwatic introduced an amendment to the Provincial Elections Act, which he succeeded in carrying through the House. It enacts as follows: and the Public Holling, and every registered elector of the Riding, who is a workman or employee by hire, shall be allowed by his employer to be free from his enaploment on that day for at least four consecutive hours between the opening and closing of the poll, and every employer who offends against this provision without reasonable justification shall be hiable to a penalty of not more than \$100, to be recovered under the "Sammary Convictions Act." He next introduced at the request of the Empineer's Association, an amend-

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J. H. Hawthorsthwaite was elected to represent Nanaimo City in 1900, and took his seat in the House on February 21st, 1901. He was elected to that her place of Ralph Smith, then Independent Labour Representative, who had resigned his seat for the purpose of entering into the contest in ine Dominion. Mr. Hawthorsthwaite was elected as a representative of the Independent Labour Party, and, upon the breaking up of that party in the Province, joined the North Charles of the Therman and the Province of the Miners a great of the William and the Province of the Miners and the Province of the Miners and the William and the Amers of the Miners and the William and the Amers of the House hetwen him and the moment of the House between him and the moment of the House hetwen h

\$1000')

The following is the vote:—
FOR—Neil, Curtiss, Houston, Hawthornthwaite.
AGAINST—Every other member of the House, including every Conserva-

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was returned to power with a narrow
majority, labour in the Province being
represented by two Socialists and one
Independent, W. Davidson. While not
having the power to defeat the Government still their strong opposition
enabled the Socialist members to introduce, and force through, much labour
legislation, a position which as a Libieral paper expressed it: "They mercilessly took advantage of."

Mr. Hawthornthwaite introduced his
Eight Hour "bank to bank" amendment to the Coal Mines Regulation
Act, which carried. He followed this
with several amendments to the Steam
Boilers Inspection Act, which were carsatisfactory shape for the Engineers'
Association.

He next took up the position of the
Farmers under the new Assessment Act,
and introduced an amendment which
exempted the farmer's stock and effects, up to \$500, and reduced the taxation upon farms of the assessed value of
\$1000 or under, some 40 per cent. Both
of these amendments carried.

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He next took up the unme Act has brought in an amendment preventing the shooting of deer for sale, which was accepted by the Government. Following this, he introduced two amendments to the Provincial Elections Act, of vast the Provincial Elections Act, of vast importance to the working class in its effort to obtain political supremery. The first was an amendment to reduce the deposit as required from candidates, from \$200 to \$100, which after a hot and long fight was finally carried through.

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His amendment allowing voters to transfer their votes from any District up to thirty days before an election was carried without much objection.

He introduced this year the Settlers' Rights Act, which was accepted by the Government and made law. This Bill has been strenuously contested by the E. & N. Railway Company in the Courts. It has successfully withstood all assaults. If has been the means of opening up some four new coal mines on the Island, and has proved of material benefit to farmers residing inside the Railway belt and owning these lands.

He introduced an amendment making it compulsory to railrond corporations to give free transportation to Judges, Assessors and members of the Legislature. This was defeated by a narrow majority, set being esticified with the

\$2500, was carried through two stages, but was finally defeated by the adjournment of the House.

He succeeded in carrying through an important amendment to the Natal Act dealing with the class of settlers which should be admitted into this Province.

During this session Mr. Richard Hall introduced his notorious amendment to the Eight Hour Bank to Bank in coal mines, endeavoring to eliminate the 'Bank to Bank' clause and thus make the eight hours from the 'face.' The fight over this amendment is historical and led to much bitterness against Mr. Hawthornthwaite by the Coal Operators in the Province. After several heated debates Mr. Hall's amendment was finally defeated by a small major the coal of the coal

In 1906, Mr. Hawthornthwaite intro-duced an Act to extend the franchise to women. This Bill was defeated by a large majority. The Conservative Party voting solid against it, Mr. McDonald, the former leader of the Liberal Party,

AGAINST—Brewster, Williams,
Hawthornthwaite—4.

At the request of the Trades and
Labor Council of the City of Vancouver, Mr. Hawthornthwaite, next introduced an Act to amend the Hours
of Labour of Telegraphers and Signalmen: the following being the enacting
clause:

"No operator shall be employed for
a longer period than eight hours in any
twenty-four; provided always that
nothing herein contained shall prevent
such employment in case of an accident, or for the purpose of saving human life."
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Mr. Hawthornthwaite next introduced the "Ambulance Act," as an amendment to the Coal Mines Regulation Act. It provides that: "A candition Act. It provides that: "A candition Act. It provides that: "A candition act. It provides that it is a manager, overman, shift boss, fireboss or shotlighter, shall produce a certificate from a duly qualified medical doctor showing that he has taken a course in ambulance work fitting him, the said candidate, to give first aid to men injured in coal mining operations." "The owner shall provide one good and sufficient ambulance box in every mine for each one hundred men employement of the second time be introduced the Shops Regulation Act amendment Act, but was obliged to let it drop owing to the lack of interest taken in it by those directly interested.

He introduced this year an extension to the Settlers Right Act, giving settlers, who had failed to flie their claim under the previous Bill, twelve months that the second time the second to the second dent, or for the purpose of saving human life."

"Twenty-four hours, for the purpose of this het, shall mean from midnight to midnight."

The urent necessity for the passage of such a Bill is well known, signalmen and telegraphers are frequently heart their posts from twelve to minteen hours at a stretch, and this is one of the most prolific causes of railrond collisions and accidents. Notwithstanding this, however, the Bill received scant courtesy and was defeated on the following vote:

FOB—King Olivas 1-2. contresy and was defeated on the lo-lowing vote:

FOR—King, Oliver, Jardine, Haw-thornthwaite, Naden, Macdonald, Brewster, McInnis, Hall, Henderson, Williams, Schofield, Kergin, Munro— 14. AGAINST—Tatlow, McPhillips, Taylor, Manson, McBride, Thomson, Garden, Hayward, Bowser, Hunter, Macgowan, McGuire, Cotton, Fulton, Gifford, Mackay, Ross, Young, Shatford,

oy ine said act, he shall be entitled to receive from the said Company a grant for same in accordance with existing regulations governing the disposal by pre-emption of Crown lands." This car-In this Session his amendment to the

Provincial Elections Act reducing the deposit required from candidates, was finally made law and he also succeeded finally made law and he also succeeded in carrying through the House an important resolution dealing with the regulation of Slaughter Houses. In the fall of this year a general Provincial Election took place and Mr. McBride was returned to power with a strong majority.

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In 1907, he succeeded, as the result of a three-years' fight, in carrying through the Eight Hour Day in Smelters, which brought relief to the seriously-exploited workers in those industries. Previous to the enacting of this measure, smeltermen were employed eleven hours per day and thirteen hours at night work. It was stated that the passage of this Act would ruin the smelter industries of this Province, but judging by the enormous profits obtained ing by the enormous profits obtained its cancillation of the second of the enormous profits obtained its smeltenent, no such disastrous results have accrued.

His Bill to amend the "Workmen's Compensation Act" by striking out the words "or serious neglect!" which had been introduced into the bill when first enacted, and which somewhat hampers the operation of the Act, was defeated on the following vote. J. A. Macdonald, Henderson, Munro, Jardine, J. A. Macdonald, Henderson, Munro, Jardine, Brewster, Williams, Hawthornthwaite, J. McInnis—16.

AGAINST—Tatlow, McBride, Fulton,

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AGAINST—Tatlow, Shatford, Taylor, McGuire, McBride, McPhillips, Garden, Mackay, Bowser, Thomson, Gifford, Parson, Cotton, Hunter, Behnsen, Davey, Ellison, Fulton, Manson, Schofield, Ross, Young—22 Davey, Ellison, Fulton, Manson, Schofield, Ross, Young—22:

He next introduced an Act entitled "An Act Relating to the Island Railway, the Graving Iock and Railway Lands of the Province, 1884' "This Bill was an attempt to amend the Settlement Act of 1884, with the object of giving all settlers in the E. & N. Railway Belt or purchasers of land from such settlers up to 1887, their coal rights. On Mr. McBride's motion this Bill was ruled out of order by the Speaker, who was sustained on the following vote:

FOR—Hall, Jardine, McPhillips, Manson, Eagleson, Tatlow, Hunter, Korston, Bowser, Young, MacKard, Korston, Bowser, Young, MacMand, Ellison, Taylor, Farson, Macdonald, Ellison, Taylor, Parson, Macdonald, Ellison, Schoffeld—31, Shatford, Behnen, Schoffeld, Sur, Shatford, Behnen, Schoffeld, Murro, Shatford, Behnen, Schoffeld—31, MacManNST—Brewster, Williams,

AGAINST-Brewster, William

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Manson, Hall, McBride, Fulton, Hayward, Eagleson, Bowser, Youg, McGuire, Eagleson, Bowser, Youg, McGuire, Eagleson, Bowser, Young, McGuire, Eagleson, Bowser, Young, McGuire, Son, Macgowan, Davey, Macdon, Yorston, Ellison, Garden, Parson, Kergin, Ross, Macgowan, Davey, Macdon, ald, Shatford, Gifford, Murro, McPhillips, Grant, Schoffeld—35.

In 1909, Mr. Hawthornthwaite introduced an Act to amend the Coal Mines Regulation Act, which contained the following provisions:

"If, in any mine, the winding apparatus is not provided with some automatic contrivance to prevent overwinding, then the cage, when men are being raised, shall not be wound up at a speed exceeding three miles an hour, after the cage has reached a point in the shaft to be fixed by special rules."

"There shall be attached to every cage when used for lowering and rais-dequate. automatic safety clutch, which will effectually prevent the falling of any cage upon the breaking of the rope or the failure of the brake to operate."

"This Act shall come into force upon the 1st day of May, 1910.

This Bill was carried after much discussion and considerable delay. As the Coal Mines Regulation Act stood, the examiners for Coal Miners applying for certificates had to be examiners for Coal Miners applying for these Certificates of Competency. Mr. Hawthortthwaite succeeded in having the words "actually working in the Colliery" struck out. This is an important advantage in certain sections of the mining communities in British Columbia.

Two further important amendments of his, however, went down to defeat. One provided that:

"Every person employed underground in any mine shall be paid at involved weeks, and no contract shall be entered into that provides for payment of wages or remuneration at longer intervals than once in two weeks."

This was defeated on the following vote:

FOR—Naden, Yorston, Jardine, Hawthornthwaite, Hall, Oliver, Brewster, J.

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FOR—Naden, Yorston, Jardine, Haw-thornthwaite, Hall, Oliver, Brewster, J. McInnis, Engleson, Henderson, Williams, Ross, Jones—13.
AGAINST—King, Ellison, Taylor, Manson, Macdonald, Shatford, Garden, Hayward, Munro, McPhillips, Macgowan, McGuire, Tatlow, Thomson, Gifford, Mackay, McBride, Hunter, Grant, Parson, Bowser, Fulton, Behnsen, Davey, Cotton—25.
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The other provided that:
"Notwithstanding anything contained in any Act to the contrary, an inquest shall be held by the Coroner, on the bodies of all persons whose death may have been caused by explosion or any have defeated on the following It was defeated on the following

vote:
FOR—King, Jones, Henderson, Williams, Naden, Yorston, Munro, Hawthornthwaite, Hall, Oliver, Jardine, Eagleson, Macdonald, Brewster, McInnis—15.

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Mr. Hawthornthwaite next succeeded in carrying the following resolution dealing with the Liquor Traffic in this Province; but the Government has not seen its way to carry it into effect much misrepresented. It is evident, however that had the government carried the resolution into effect the people of the Province would have been in possession of valuable information which would have enabled them to east an intelligent vote. ber camps, metalliferous mines, cement, works, shingle mills, sash and door factories and planing mills."

The Attorney-General admitted that this Bill was constitutional, but opposed it on the ground that it would throw a great many of the Orientals out of employment and reate a possible confusion and difficulty in the operation of the industries specified. It is well known, however, that there were some fifteen or twenty thousand white men under the confusion of the industries specified. It is well known, however, that there were some interest of the confusion and the contributing some three or four handred. These men could casily have taken the places of the dismissed Orientals, who might readily have been shipped back to the countries from which they came. Kotwithstanding these facts, however, the Bill was defeated on the following vote:

FOR—Henderson, Williams, Hawtornthwaite, Jardine, McInnis—5.

AGAINST—King, Munro, McPhillips, Grant, Naden, Brewster, Thomson, Behnsen, Hall, Tatlow, Hunter, Manson, Eagleson, McCarle, Yorston, Cotton, Taylor, Mackay, Kergin, Ellison, Garden, Parson, Oliver, Ross, Macgowan, Dovey, Macdonald, Shatford, Gifford, Schofield—36.

He next introduced an Act to Regulate the Hours of Labor in Marine and

which would have enabled them to cast an intelligent vote.
This is the motion:
"Whereas it is in the interest of the people of this Province and of humanity that some solution of evils arising out of traffic in intoxicating liquors be

out of traffic in intoxicating liquors be arrived at:
Whereas local option, which aims at robibition in given localities, of the sale of intoxicating liquors, is objectionable from certain standpoints and ineffective as a remedy:
Whereas the Government has decided to grant a plebiseite at some future date on this question:
Whereas it has been shown that the Gothenburg system of manufacturing and distributing intoxicating liquors removes many of the evils complained of:
and
Whereas it is desirable that the

moves many of the evils complained of; and
Whereas it is desirable that the people of this Province, before taking a plebiseite, be seized of full information on the question:
Be it, therefore, resolved, that an address be presented to His Honour the consideration of the interpolation of the interpolat No. Magnowan. Dovey. Macdonald, Beitheris-Holled-36.

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was reduced to six months and accepted also.

In this resume, no attempt has been made to give in full detail all the var-ious Bills, Amendments, and Motions introduced by Mr. Hawthornthwaite; sufficient has been given, however, to show the nature and volume of the work undertaken and accomplished by him.

Secretary S. P. of C

Mr. Hawthornthwaite was two years longer in the local Legislature after this record was printed and brought in many important amendments of great benefit to the working people.

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facturers' Association put up an organized fight against the passage of this Bill, and have recently moved in the direction of having its provisions amended in the interests of the employing class, or entirely superseded. It is probable, therefore, that during the next Session of the Local Legislature steps will be taken to repeal the Act and introduce some form of insurance to which the workers will be compelled to contribute. The great benefit derived from the Compensation Act i. not so much the amount received by way of compensation for injury but rather its well-recognized effect of making employers of labour more careful in their operations and hence re ducing the number of so-called accidents. An insurance scheme would not have the same effect.

Mr. Hawthornthwaite moved, during this year also, minimum wages for unskilled labour employed on railroad construction. This was defeated by a large majority.

In 1903 Col. Prior came into the House, as Premier, and was for a time sustained by a narrow majority. During his Premiership Mr. Hawthornthwaite introduced several important amendments to the "Coal Mines Regulation Act." every one of which were defeated. It is worthy of note, however, that in subsequent sessions these amendments were re-introduced until many of them were enacted.

The following are the amendments referred to:-

"No person shall be employed underground in any coal mine for more than eight hours from bank to bank in every twenty-four hours."

"Where miners or mine labourers are employed in mining or getting out coal under contract or by agreement at a given or agreed price for each ton of

in Coal Mines, which the E. & N. Railway Company was attacking in the Courts, he introduced some further amendments which were carried and made the Bill impregnable. Mr. Hawthornthwaite followed this with a Bill dealing with the manufacture and sale of explosives, which provides that "every cartridge, stick, parcel or package containing any explosive, excepting gun powder, for use in mining, quarrying, blasting, farming or other industrial occupations, shall have printed or stamped thereon in legible characters-

(a)—The month and year when such explosive was manufactured;

(b)—The percentage of explosive ma terial contained."

Heavy penalties were attached for any default of this law, which was carried.

He next took up the fight of the Matsqui Farmers in connection with the Dyking Act, and succeeded in embodying their wishes in certain amendments to that Act, receiving a hearty vote of thanks from them for his efforts.

He next amended the Assessment Act reducing the taxation upon farms of the assessed value of \$2000, or under, and was successful in having this enacted

The Eight Hour Day in Smelters-First introduced by Mr. Hawthornthwaite in this Session, was defeated on the following vote:-

FOR-McNiven, Jones, Davidsor, Henderson, Hawthornthwaite, Williams, Houston, Clifford, Fraser, Gifford, MacGowan, Shatford.

Brown, Murphy, Evans, Tanner, Oliver, Munro, Paterson, Hall, Cameron, Tatlow, McBride, Cotton, Ellison, Bowser, Ross, A. McDonald, Green, Fulton, Garden, Taylor, Wright, Young, Grant.

His amendment to the Workmen's Jones, Macdonald, Jardine, Compensation Act increasing the thornthwaite, Yorston, Henderson, amount of compensation from \$1500 to Brewster, McInnis, Kergin-13.

tempted to impeach James Dunsmuir, 5. Lieutenant-Governor of the Province, in connection with his endeavor to bring into the Province for use in his mines some five hundred Japanese miners. His effort was finally defeated after a bitter struggle in the House in which Mr. Hawthornthwaite narrowly escaped suspension or expulsion for his alleged defiance of the rules. Failing to make his impeachment good in the House he took his fight on the public platform in spite of threats of arrest. In this year he introduced a minimum wage clause of \$2.50 for the lowest form of unskilled labour for workers employed on railroad construction. The object of this Bill, of course, was for the purpose of excluding Oriental labour. It was defeated on the following vote:

FOR-Jones, Henderson, Brewster, Hawthornthwaite, Yorston, Jardine, Williams, McInnis-8.

AGAINST-King, Bowser, Hunter, Behnsen, Naden, Cotton, Fulton, Manson, Hall, Ellison, Young, Hayward, Eagleson, Ross, Taylor, Mackay, Kergin, Shatford, Garden, Parson, Munro, McPhillips, Gifford, Davey, Tatlow, Thomson, Grant, Schofield, McBride-

Three amendments introduced by bim to the Factories Act to provide for the exclusion of Child Labour, an Eight Hour Day in Laundries and an Eight Hour Day for Nurses, were defeated.

At the request of a deputation of farmers from Comox Valley, another amendment to the Vancouver Island Set-AGAINST-McInnis, Drury, King, tlers' Rights Act, 1904, provided for a further extension of time for all those settlers who had failed to get an application on the first Act. This Bill was defeated on the following vote:

FOR-Hall, Oliver, Munro, Williams,

AGAINST-K Tatlow. Thoms.