

IN an interview Sir Henry Tyler is reported to have said that without doubt the Grand Trunk would construct a second tunnel under the St. Clair river, and that the work on it would commence as soon as the present one at Sarnia, which opened on Sept. 19th, is in full operation.

GROSS earnings of American railroads in August show a smaller gain over that month, 1890, than do those for July. Grain carrying roads have done best, Southern and Pacific road earnings not being so favorable. The total for 134 roads for August is \$40,821,954, an excess over August last year of 7 per cent. The trunk lines make the best exhibit. For eight months gross earnings are \$29,459,199, a gain of 5.2 per cent. over 8 months last year.

IN an interview with R. S. Jenkins, Superintendent of the western division of Canadian Pacific telegraphs, a *Winnipeg Free Press* representative learned that the company will construct over four hundred miles of new lines in this division during the present season. Wires will be strung along the line of the Calgary & Edmonton, north of the main line, for about two hundred miles, and along the Souris branch to the end of the extension beyond Melita. It is likely the line will be extended through to the Souris from the present terminus of the Glenboro branch of railway. Further facilities will be provided in Southern Manitoba in view of the enormous crop. Certain important improvements are being made on the main line of railway between Port Arthur and Donald. The extensive equipment at Port Arthur has been moved to splendid new quarters at Fort William. The latter point is now an important repeater station in the transcontinental system.

The earnings of the Canadian Pacific Railway for the month of July, 1891, were as follows:—

Gross earnings.....	\$1,680,592 13
Working expenses.....	1,018,170 79
Net profits.....	\$ 662,421 34
Net profits, July, 1890.....	640,361 67
Increase, 1891.....	\$ 22,059 67