

RAILROAD AND COMPANY EARNINGS.

Railroad earnings for week ended August 31st:—

	1910.	1911.	Increase or decrease.
C. P. R.	\$2,965,000	\$3,329,000	+ \$364,000
G. T. R.	1,408,594	1,442,953	+ 34,359
C. N. R.	354,700	460,900	+ 106,200
T. & N. O.	44,831	62,016	+ 17,185
Halifax Electric Ry.	7,130	8,532	+ 1,401

Railroad earnings for August:—

	1910	1911.	Increase or decrease.
C. P. R.	\$8,926,000	\$10,073,000	+ \$1,147,000
G. T. R.	3,885,049	4,502,674	+ 617,625
C. N. R.	1,093,000	1,420,650	+ 327,650
T. & N. O.	126,418	173,203	+ 46,784
Halifax Elec. Ry.	22,780	25,592	+ 2,810

Earnings of the International Transit Company for the twelve months ending June 30 last have been published, and show increases over the preceding year. Gross earnings have increased 33 per cent., and operating expenses only 16 per cent, with the result that the net earnings now total \$36,966, being over two and a half times bond interest. The figures are as follows:—

Gross earnings	\$112,588
Operating expenses	75,622
Net earnings	\$36,966

WORLD'S PRODUCTION OF PIG IRON.

Messrs. James Watson & Company, of Glasgow, Middlesborough, Liverpool, and Swansea, have issued the following figures showing the world's production of pig iron in 1910:—

	1910—Tons.
United States	27,298,545
Germany	14,793,325
Great Britain	10,216,745
France	4,032,459
Russia (estimated)	2,956,000
Austria and Hungary	1,990,684
Belgium	1,803,500
Sweden	604,300
Spain	425,000
Canada	740,210
Italy	343,600
Japan (estimated)	162,000
India	35,933
China	120,000
Mexico	45,000
New South Wales	40,487
Total	65,607,788

The total for 1910 shows an increase of 5,242,008 tons as compared with 1909, and an increase of 17,433,000 tons as compared with 1908.

PERSONAL.

Mr. A. N. Molesworth, district engineer of District D of the National Transcontinental Railway, with headquarters at Cochrane, Ont., it is announced, has resigned. A successor has not yet been appointed.

Mr. Carl Allen has been appointed by City Engineer Rust as resident engineer in charge of the new intake pipe laying. Engineer Allen had charge of the construction of the water tunnel under Toronto Bay, which was completed recently.

J. C. Dufresne, M.C.M.I., A.M. Can. Soc. C.E., has resigned his position as hydrographic engineer to the water branch of the Department of Lands, Province of British Columbia, and is starting a general consulting and supervising engineering practice, dealing particularly with irrigation projects. His office and headquarters will be at Penticton, B.C.

Mr. A. T. Ker, of the Department of Railways and Canals, Ottawa, has been appointed by Judge Mabey, chairman of the Railway Commission, to the position of advisory engineer for Alberta and British Columbia. Mr. H. A. Drury, of Winnipeg, formerly covered all the region west of Lake Superior. He will continue to act in an advisory capacity to the board for Manitoba and Saskatchewan. Mr. Ker will make his headquarters in Calgary.

Mr. J. D. Evans has been appointed resident engineer for J. G. White and Company on the Canadian Light and Power Company's works, and supervising engineer and superintendent of construction for the Montreal Street Railway Company. He has had considerable experience in various branches of engineering and construction work, and has been in charge of such works in several of the South American republics as well as in the United States and Canada. Previous to coming to Montreal Mr. Evans was in charge of the engineering and construction work of the Buffalo, Lockport and Rochester Interurban Railways.

Mr. Richard F. Williams, M.E., of Montreal, has accepted the assistant management of the Pittsburg district for Manning, Maxwell and Moore, the well-known machinery supply house. For the past two and one-half years Mr. Williams has been with the Canadian Fairbanks-Morse Co., and as manager of their machine tool and woodworking machinery departments he has been very successful. For six years Mr. Williams was with the American Locomotive Co., at Schenectady, and with the Montreal Locomotive Works as chief engineer. He has had excellent experience with F. E. Reed, of Worcester, manufacturer of machine tools, and as foreman of the repair shops at the Carnegie Steel Co., at Pittsburg. He is a graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute and did post-graduate work in electrical engineering.

COMING MEETINGS.

SOCIETY OF CHEMICAL INDUSTRY, CANADIAN BRANCH.—Sept. 21, 22, 23. Toronto. Dr. A. McGill, Ottawa, President; Alfred Burton, Toronto, Secretary.

MINING AND METALLURGICAL SOCIETY.—The first meeting of the New York section for the year 1911-12 will be at the Engineers' Club, New York, Tuesday evening, Sept. 12.

INTERNATIONAL MUNICIPAL CONGRESS AND EXPOSITION.—Sept. 18-30. Chicago, Ill. Curb M. Treab, Secretary, Great Northern Building, Chicago, Ill.

FOURTH ANNUAL GOOD ROADS CONGRESS.—Sept. 18-Oct. 1. Chicago, Ill. J. A. Rountree, Secretary, Birmingham, Ala.

AMERICAN SOCIETY OF MUNICIPAL IMPROVEMENTS.—Sept. 26-29. Grand Rapids, Mich. A. Prescott Folwell, Secretary, 239 West Thirty-ninth Street, New York City.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT.—Nov. 20-24. First Annual Convention, Richmond, Va. Logan Waller Page, President, United States Office of Public Roads, Washington, D.C.

AMERICAN ELECTROCHEMICAL SOCIETY.—September 21-23. Twentieth general meeting, Toronto, Ont.

AMERICAN PEAT SOCIETY.—Sept. 21-23. Fifth annual meeting, American House, Kalamazoo, Mich. Julius Bordolli, Secretary, Kingsbridge, N.Y.