GENERAL RAILWAY NOTES.

MONTREAL, Aug. 12.—The Hon. Bradley Bartow is here. He says the tunnel under the St. Lawrence and railway to Potsdam Junction will be begun at once, and carried to completion as rapidly as possible. For the present cars will come over on the Rongueuil Company's steamers.

DANVILLE, Va., Aug. 12.—The party of civil engineers under Major J. B. Yates, of Washington City, returned here to-day on completing the experimental survey for the extension of the Virginia Midland Road through North Carolina. They report that the route is excellent, and that the people are very enthusiastic for the extension and giving the right of way all along the line.

PANAMA, Aug. 3.—A contract has been signed in Guatemala for the extension of the San José and Escuintla Railroad to the capital, a distance of about 45 miles. The contractors are William Nanne and Louis Schlessinger, who have just successfully completed the section referred to, which runs from the principal port of the Republic to Escuintla, a distance of 33 miles. The contractors represent a California company, and have abundant means to accomplish their present contract, which they can easily do in 18 months.

The Nicaragua Railway is being rapidly built, the grading being nearly completed from Corinto to Leon, the bridges, rails, &c., on the ground, and it is certain to be opened for traffic within a few months. Col. Morris, the contractor and chief engineer, has recently arrived from New-York, and is pushing matters energetically. One important feature of these two enterprises is that they are built by American capital, with American plant and rollingstock, and under American management.