

## Poland's New Canals.

With the reconstruction and expansion of Poland's railway service, plans for the development of a system of waterways, according to reports, are progressing simultaneously. Among the important river and canal routes for which plans have long been in preparation are those connecting Polish Silesia with Danzig by way of the Vistula River and northeastern Poland with Memel by way of the Niemen River.

The reunion of the three parts of Poland which were for many years under the Governments of Prussia, Austria and Russia has made possible a more extensive use of waterways. Formerly the frontier lines cut the nation into three parts, in no one of which large development of waterways was feasible. At the present time the most important route in use in Poland is the Vistula River from Warsaw to Danzig. It requires only further improvement to open the Vistula as far south as the Silesian coal fields. Once Silesia is connected by canal and river with the Baltic, transportation costs will be lessened sufficiently to stimulate both mining and manufacturing.

Development of the Niemen River will provide a direct water route to the Baltic for the Polish lumber industry. At present the transportation difficulties are so great that only a limited exploitation of the immense forests in northeastern Poland has been profitable. The Niemen River, which flows from Poland through southwestern Lithuania to the free city of Memel, was internationalized by the Treaty of Versailles and consequently the difficulties which have stood in the way of the development by this water route have been of an engineering rather than of a political nature.

The Vistula River, according to the terms of the Treaty of Versailles, has also been opened to the ships of all nations. As an international trade route this river is regarded as offering great opportunities. Plans for connecting the Baltic Sea with the Black Sea by a river and canal route, are based largely on the possibilities of developing the Vistula system and connecting it with the San and Dniester Rivers by canal.

The construction of canals connecting the Vistula, San, Dniester, Dnieper and Bug Rivers will not only open the greater portion of Central Europe to cheap water transportation, but will lessen the distance from Danzig to the Crimea to less than one-fifth the present water route. Even after allowances are made for canal tolls, according to the report, the transportation by this route is estimated at less than one-half of the present water route costs from the Baltic to the Black Sea.

Development of this route will mean much for Poland's cities, it is stated. With but two exceptions, the larger cities of Poland are situated on the Vistula and its tributaries. Nearest the source of the river is the old Polish capital, Cracow. Half-way to the sea is the present capital, Warsaw. Toward the north are Plock and Torun. Lodz is on the tributary of the Vistula. Poznan and Lwow are the two cities of great importance not touched by the Vistula system.

## Edward IV's Body Discovered.

Early in March, 780, while workmen were employed in paving the choir of St. George's Chapel, at Windsor they discovered a decay in the stones which closed up the entrance into the vault where the remains of Edward IV. had been deposited. Two of the canons and the surveyor entering the vault viewed the Royal body, which enclosed in a leaden and a wooden coffin, was reduced to a skeleton measuring 6 ft. 3 in.; the skull reclined to the north or left side, with a quantity of long brown hair which had fallen off it, but no trace of envelope or cerecloth, nor any rings or other insignia. A liquor covered the bottom of the inner coffin to the depth of about 4 in., which upon examination, was found to be only the moisture which had drained from the body. On the king's coffin lay another of wood, only much decayed which contained the skeleton of a woman; who from the marks of age about the skull, was supposed to be the remains of his wife Queen Elizabeth Widville, who died three years after him at Bermondsey Abbey, and was probably buried with less pomp. The body of his fifth daughter Mary, who died the year before him, and was the only person of his family buried at Windsor, was not in this vault, which from various circumstances, appears to have been opened and plundered at some former period. On the walls of the vault was written in chalk, in abbreviated characters at the time, "Edward" or "Edward IV." and several names of workmen or assistants at the funeral. Edward IV. died April 9, 1483, and was buried on the 18th of the same month in this chapel, the foundations of which he himself had laid some years previous.

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