

Finland is not content with its seaports because they are frozen up in winter but desires a port on the Murman coast, far within the Arctic Circle, but kept open by the Gulf Stream. The capital of Finland is Helsingfors.

#### Thames-Danube Water Route.

In the Peace Treaty provision was made for a water route between the Thames and the Bosphorus. The Treaty said that if a deep-draught Rhine-Danube navigable waterway were constructed, the property and flags of all nations should be equally treated on both rivers. The shipping firm of Furness-Witty & Co. has formed the River Syndicate and founded the Danube Navigation Co., with 200 steamers and 2,000 tow boats. The

river bed is to be deepened to allow small steamers to go upstream as far as Budapest.

It is now possible to go from the Danube to the Rhine by the Danube-Main Canal, but it cannot take barges greater than 15 tons, while the new Rhine-Danube canal will allow the passage of boats of from 600 to 1,000 tons. British and French capitalists are negotiating for the acquisition of shipping and transport rights. The mutual advantages of such penetration of Central Europe by the West can scarcely be calculated.

**Georgia.** The Turks, having overrun the Armenians, have ordered the Georgians to evacuate the seaport of Batum and to give them the use of the railway lines in Georgia. The Republic of Georgia should naturally look to Russia for aid; but it is hated by Lenin and Trotsky because it eschews violence and elects its rulers by a democratic suffrage. Ramsay MacDonald, and other British Socialists who visited Georgia lately at the request of its government report that country to be a Socialist Utopia, and there can be no doubt that Georgia is making an experiment in Socialism, based on the will of the majority. No so-called "capitalist" government would interfere with the Georgians, but Lenin and Mustapha Kemal seem likely to do so.

The following have loaned cuts for this issue:

The Advocate, Pictou, N. S., Dr. MacKay.  
The Tribune, Sackville, N. B., Mr. Peacock.  
The Daily Mail, Fredericton, N. B., Mr. Magee.  
The Globe, St. John, N. B., Dr. Carter.

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