

to manufacture his flying machine. Mr. Herring says he has almost decided to accept one of these offers in which case he would return here in June to fulfil his contract with this Government.

Mr. P.W. Baldwin of the Aerial Experiment Association delivered on Feb. 27 before the University of Toronto a lecture on Aviation. The popularity of the subject chosen and of the lecturer himself was clearly shown by the fact that immediately an invitation was extended to Mr. Baldwin by the Canadian Club of Toronto to lecture before that body on the following Monday, March 1.

The Aerial Experiment Association's Drome No. 5, Bell's Cygnet II was given its initial trial over the ice on Baddeck Bay on February 22. The shearing of her propeller shaft brought this experiment to an end.

Feb. 23 marks the date of the first flight of a flying machine in Canada. Drome No. 4, McCurdy's Silver-Dart flew a distance of one-half mile at an elevation of 20-30 ft. at Baddeck. On the 24th the Silver-Dart flew a distance of $4 \frac{1}{2}$ miles circumfencing Baddeck Bay. In the afternoon of the same day Cygnet II was again tried and the results obtained were encouraging. J.A.D. McC.