

CURRENT ITEMS

Harry G. Hawker, the Australian aviator, after weeks of waiting for favourable weather, started from Trepassey Bay, New Foundland, with flight commander Lieutenant Grieve, on Sunday afternoon, the 18th of May, in a Sopwith airplane, to fly to Britain. For several days after starting they were not heard of, but after they had been given up as lost, they were picked up by the tramp Danish steamer, Mary, 1100 miles from New Foundland and 800 miles from the coast of Ireland. The aviators were none the worse for their mishap. Their airplane was also picked up later.

The Donaldson Steamer Cassandra, on her outward trip struck an iceberg 160 miles of Cape Race on May 25th. She was able to sail into St. John's, Nfd., under her own steam, where repairs were made, after which the vessel continued her journey to Britain.

Premier Borden landed in Halifax on May 25th, on his return from overseas, where he had been for several weeks attending the Peace Conference. He proceeded at once to Ottawa.

The Quebec Legislature has been dissolved. Elections will be held on June 23rd.

The war has cost Great Britain £6,700,000,000 to March 31st last.

The Government of Greece has contracted with the Government of Canada for 12,000,000 bushels of wheat.

Great Britain paid tribute to Edith Cavell, the English nurse who was executed by the Germans at Brussels on Oct. 12th, 1915, when her body, en route from Brussels to her native village of Norwich, on the 15th of May last, was taken to Westminster Abbey for an impressive memorial service. The funeral was a public one, and the congregation of the Abbey included high officials of the government, representatives of foreign countries and men prominent in many walks of life. King George was represented by the Earl of Athlone, brother of Queen Mary. The service was conducted by the Dean of Westminster.

Lieutenant Stuart Graham, A. F. C., left Halifax at

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