

AVIATION.

The Possibilities of Aircraft In Newfoundland.

ARTICLE III.

(Specially Written for the Telegram.)

Newfoundland is eminently suited to the use of aircraft. One of the most important industries in this country is undoubtedly the sealfishery. The boats go out, and in many cases become jammed in the ice and days of valuable time and cause the owners much financial loss. Upon arriving at the icefields it is simply a matter of luck. Were the sealers of the sealing boats to possess the purchase of a small airplane and obtain the services of a good pilot, this wastage in both time and money would be reduced to a minimum, if not altogether eliminated. The machine could leave here at daylight in the morning, and return in five or six hours, giving the sealers a map of the channels through the ice, with the position of the seals and the quantity seen at each place. When the sealing steamer had cleaned up one area, another trip could be made by the airplane, and the information repeated. The loss of time would be experienced, as a modern aeroplane can easily be kept with wireless at a very small expense, and constant communication between the pilot of the machine and the skippers of the different boats would be made.

Were this scheme to be tried both by the sealers and whalers, the machine would undoubtedly pay for itself on the first voyage. In the winter months of this Island many outposts are completely isolated. Mails, a most important item, could be delivered without fail on 90 per cent of the days throughout the year. In the case of sickness the speedy arrival of a doctor would save many a valuable life to the country. The most suitable machine for island work would be of an amphibious type. Dotted throughout the water, in the form of ponds and deeply penetrating, bays the land, as it would be ideal for the successful operation of these services. During the winter months the machine could be fitted with skis. Those who could fly the plane to land on any moderately sized sheet of ice. During the summer, the skis could be replaced by an under-carriage combining both wheels and wheels. This arrangement would make it possible to alight on either land or water.

In Memoriam.

MRS JOSEPH MILLER.

It is with deepest regret we learn the passing of one widely known and very dearly loved, in the person of Mrs. Joseph Miller of Topsail, which occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. W. H. Strong, 93 Springdale St., St. John's, on March 28th. The circumstances were peculiarly and owing to the fact that the deceased lady had only been at her daughter's home for three days, when she was stricken with the severe heart trouble which ended so fatally. Since the death of her only son, eleven years ago, those who loved her saw that, in spite of her apparent cheerfulness, the blight of sorrow never lifted from her heart, and this so greatly impaired her health that she was a semi-invalid for some years past. Recently a growing tendency to blindness caused her to go to London for special treatment, with the result as stated above. At Topsail her death has caused a great blank in many hearts, particularly in the home that was to her sweet and sacred as a shrine. Here her home-keeping soul dwelt and moved and had its being, and the duties of wifehood and motherhood were deemed her greatest privilege. Though she rarely moved outside, friends and strangers alike came to her home, and were greeted with the grace of welcoming which made her hospitality almost proverbial throughout the land. She possessed to a marked degree the faculty of sympathy. Hers was the deeply sympathetic soul; the mother-heart; the open hand. As one stood beside theasket it was hard to realize that the warm heart was still there, and her secret charities were tenderly recalled by many who came to look upon her for the last time. The funeral, which was conducted by the Rev. James Nurse, took place at Topsail on Saturday afternoon, when covered with beautiful floral tributes, the handsome casket which cradled her sleeping was borne to the little churchyard on the hill, followed by a great throng of those who knew and loved her in her life. There, we hope, will arise on the Day of Resurrection "fresh as God and beautiful as morning."

Mrs. Miller was the youngest daughter of the late James Allen for many years the beloved village schoolmaster of Topsail. Of her eleven children, two others now survive, viz. Mrs. Mable of St. John's, and Mrs. Smith of Topsail. The church and the community will miss her easily, for although not active in the world outside the home, her sympathy and ready help were always assured in

To-day, no very explicit maps of the country are to be obtained. By means of an aeroplane any portion of the country could be brought within two or three hours' distance of St. John's. Much valuable information in regard to its resources, now lacking, could without doubt be easily obtained. Many districts now unknown might be found to be eminently suitable for settlers. To-day that country lies practically waste.

The distance from Sydney to St. John's is about 650 miles by rail and less by water. This could be covered by means of an aeroplane, in a few hours. An average machine could, without difficulty, transport from 3,000 to 3,500 letters from Sydney to here and return with an equal quantity the next day. To business men the reliability and the constant communication, now so frequently interrupted, would largely appeal. Much money spent on elaborate cables could be saved. That, together with the advantage of being able to write a full and explicit letter, alone would make an assured success of such a project. Carrying a full load, an extra charge of ten cents per ounce over the regular postal rates would show an excellent working profit.

These few items will show to your readers the improvements that could be made and the conveniences which would exist, had some small company started a service of this nature on this Island. Commercialism of the air must come. It has already come to a very large extent in other countries, and Newfoundland must not refuse to be left behind in the matter. The first people to take it up to-day will reap to-morrow's benefits. Much in opposition has been said of commercial aviation. Much in opposition was said of aviation itself in its infancy. Those people who foresaw years ago, the possibilities of aviation are to-day reaping the benefits of their foresight. The same will apply to commercial work.

Cannot our Island help itself to some of the great benefits to be derived? To-day you are the centre of the aviation world. Your business men could retain Newfoundland in that position, if they so desired. Are they willing to try and do it?

every good cause. But to her husband, Mr. Joseph Miller of the Anglo American Tel. Co., and to her four daughters—Alice, Florence and Jennie at home, and Mrs. W. H. Strong, of St. John's, whose lives were so closely centred in her, the sudden blow has come as a severe shock, and much sympathy will go out to them in their hour of bereavement. Out of the lightnings, Out of all the loneliness, Out of the dread of sightlessness—Into the All-Calm, Onto the Ever-Presence, And Eternal Light—Amen. —Com.

Wretched Mail Service.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir:—Will you kindly allow me space in your paper to say that the inhabitants of here and Otter's Point have every reason to feel proud of the magnificent mail and freight service we now get from the S.S. Glencoe. We are now about three weeks without any mail and freight, as this is the only boat calling there, and not only are we compelled to tolerate this service but we also have to put up with the wretched system of her calling alternately and then cannot rely on that. This, I consider, is a great injustice. When we know that several less important places have the Portia, and Glencoe calling regularly while we had to put up with this system of alternate calling. When the Glencoe used to make the trip every 7 days in Capt. Drake's time, it was then very inconvenient, but now we would rather expect the blue hills of Grand Brail to topple from their base than expect the Glencoe to make that time.

I may say that while the S.S. Fogata was on the same route for eight months, Capt. Dalton called regularly both ways, which was greatly appreciated by the public, and he could make the round trip in from 9 to 10 days, but as soon as the great palatial liner Glencoe is put on the route we have to put up with the old rot of alternately calling.

Also I understand while the Fogata called regularly, the mail courier service from La Poile was stopped and also the couriers pay, consequently we have now to wait return of the Glencoe from west before getting our mails. We have no telegraph office here and passengers are obliged to be bundled into a being bundled into boats in the middle of the night and put ashore in one remote place La Poile, and in all kinds of weather. However, the inhabitants of here and vicinity are aware that the next polling day is drawing near, and the hand shaking time, but that bluff

will not take now—neither will promises. We have been fed on them quite long enough. Mr. Coaker's underdogs have got wise to that. We notice our request to have the Glencoe call regularly both ways, has been ignored by Reid and the Govt. and we shall certainly resent this at the next election. 145 votes may mean quite a lot to a candidate.

Thanking you for space.
Yours truly,
OBSERVER.

Grand Brail, Mar. 24, 1919.

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If you want to prove how pretty and soft your hair really is, moisten a cloth with a little Danderine and carefully draw it through your hair—taking one small strand at a time. Your hair will be soft, glossy and beautiful in just a few moments—a delightful surprise awaits everyone who tries this.

A Voice From the Interior.

Editor Evening Telegram.

Dear Sir:—Re an item appearing in your paper bearing date March 25th signed "Mayvold," in reference to the latest imposition by the Imperial Tobacco Trust or Combine of 25 per cent. on tobacco the evening solace of and sundry as it reaches preacher or poet, sailor and clerk—so if all will join and apply the remedy, which to my mind would stop this kind of thing, viz. Buy no Imperial Tobacco for a month. The Imperial Tobacco Co. could not afford to let this go on very long. I always contend that remedies for such actions as the above by an firm, trust or combine are always in the hands of the people who have shown that they can do without strong liquor. It would be a grand thing to prove that they can do without tobacco for a month. "Use Substitutes." The Imperial Tobacco Co. or Trust, wouldn't make very large dividends while the people kept this up. Prevention is better than cure. Bolshevism is getting busy on the quiet. Unionism does the trick. Remember men are not dead, but sleepeth. No roads to rush troops in this country. Yours truly,

CORN COB.

Grand Falls Station, Mar. 28th, 1919.

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Curious Eye Facts.

A curious fact has been revealed by Eugenics: that when both parents have brown eyes, generally one of four children will have blue eyes, one other three brown eyes. Eyes do not blend in heredity. When both parents have blue eyes, all the children will, generally speaking, of course, have blue eyes. When one parent has blue eyes and the other has black or brown eyes, one-half will generally have blue eyes. White eyes—albinos, as we call them—come from all pigment being lost from the eyes; its transmission is generally avoided by a marriage to a person with eyes of a very pronounced colour. There are also known persons with pink eyes.

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The Royal Stores Ltd.

Indian Island Notes.

No little excitement was caused here last week when one of our young men coming from the lumber camps and rushing into the first house he came to told the occupants that he had been chased all the way from Gander Bay by a fox or wolf, and that the fox or wolf was just then a little distance off on the ice. A cry was soon raised, and quite a number of men, armed with guns, made after it, and chased the poor animal all the way across the harbor and Eastern Cove marsh until it took shelter in a grove of trees, when lo and behold they found out that it was a dog. So the supposed valuable chase was abandoned.

Mr. L. Sheppard fell from his store gallery last week and cut himself quite a bit about the head and hands. The wonder is that the man was not killed, the distance of the fall being ten feet.

Messrs. Abbott and West are visiting this place in the interest of the Fishermen's Union. Several meetings have been held, but it remains to be seen whether the fishermen will invest or not in the Union Stores.

Mr. Arch Holmes, a returned soldier, is spending a few days with his friends here, and is looking well after his experience at the front.

On March 18th, the Methodists held their annual missionary meeting in Perry's Island Church, the deputation consisting of Revs. Wilkinson, Cotton and Clark. Although the weather was all that could be desired, the gathering was small. The discourses were helpful and inspiring.

and our men folk missed much by not being present.

CORRESPONDENT.
Indian Islands, March 17, 1919.

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