

Driscoll, Mills, solo circuits, eights, landing practice, &c. Probationary Flight Sub-Lieuts. Digby, Reed (new pupil) and Walmesley straights with Instructor Russell. Probationary Flight Sub-Lieut. Dalison afterwards going in for his *brevet* and gaining this in first-class style.

Friday, pupils at work in hangars, owing to fog no flying practice possible.

Saturday, Probationary Flight Sub-Lieuts. Driscoll circuits, Walmesley straights with Instructor Russell.

Sunday, too foggy for flying practice.

Beatty School.—Pupils out last week on "dual"-controlled two-seater machines, with Mr. E. Baumann on 50-h.p. Gnome biplane, and Mr. W. Roche-Kelly on 40 h.p. Wright biplane.

Monday, Messrs. C. Leeston-Smith (8), Anstey-Chave (9), G. Donald (6), G. Perrot (10), B. de Meza (10), J. V. Miller (8), Lieut. Bannatyne (8), and J. H. Ormsby (15). During the morning G. Virgilio took out the 40 h.p. Wright biplane and made some test flights, during which he attained the height of 1,100 ft., and made a splendid *vol plané* from that height with engine cut off.

Tuesday, Messrs. C. Leeston-Smith (12), Newberry (9), Anstey-Chave (24), G. Merton (10), G. Beard (15), G. Donald (10), J. F. Roche (8), B. de Meza (15), J. V. Miller (15), Lieut. Bannatyne (23), J. H. Ormsby (15), and A. G. Hayward (10). During the morning G. Virgilio was hard at work putting in a lot of flying at about 250 ft.

Wednesday, Messrs. C. Leeston-Smith (19), Newberry

(25), Flight Sub-Lieut. Anstey-Chave (15), G. Merton (24), G. Beard (15), G. Donald (11), G. Perrot (10), J. F. Roche (15), B. de Meza (8), J. V. Miller (15), Lieut. Bannatyne (23), J. H. Ormsby (15), and A. G. Hayward (10). G. Virgilio again out by himself putting in a lot of practice.

Thursday, Messrs. G. Merton (15), G. Perrot (16), Flight Sub-Lieut. Anstey-Chave (16), and Lieut. Bannatyne (12). Virgilio again out on 40 h.p. Wright biplane, making a number of fine flights at about 300 ft.

End of week, school closed for Christmas holidays.

London and Provincial Aviation Co.—Monday, last week, school out in morning. Test flight, M. G. Smiles, 10 mins. Messrs. Abel and Laidler straights; rolling, England Derwin.

Tuesday, school out morning and afternoon. Instructors Warren and Smiles. Messrs. Laidler and Abel straights, improving steadily.

Wednesday, school out morning. Test flight, M. G. Smiles, 15 mins. Messrs. Abel and Laidler straights, half an hour each.

Thursday and Friday, weather too wet for practice.

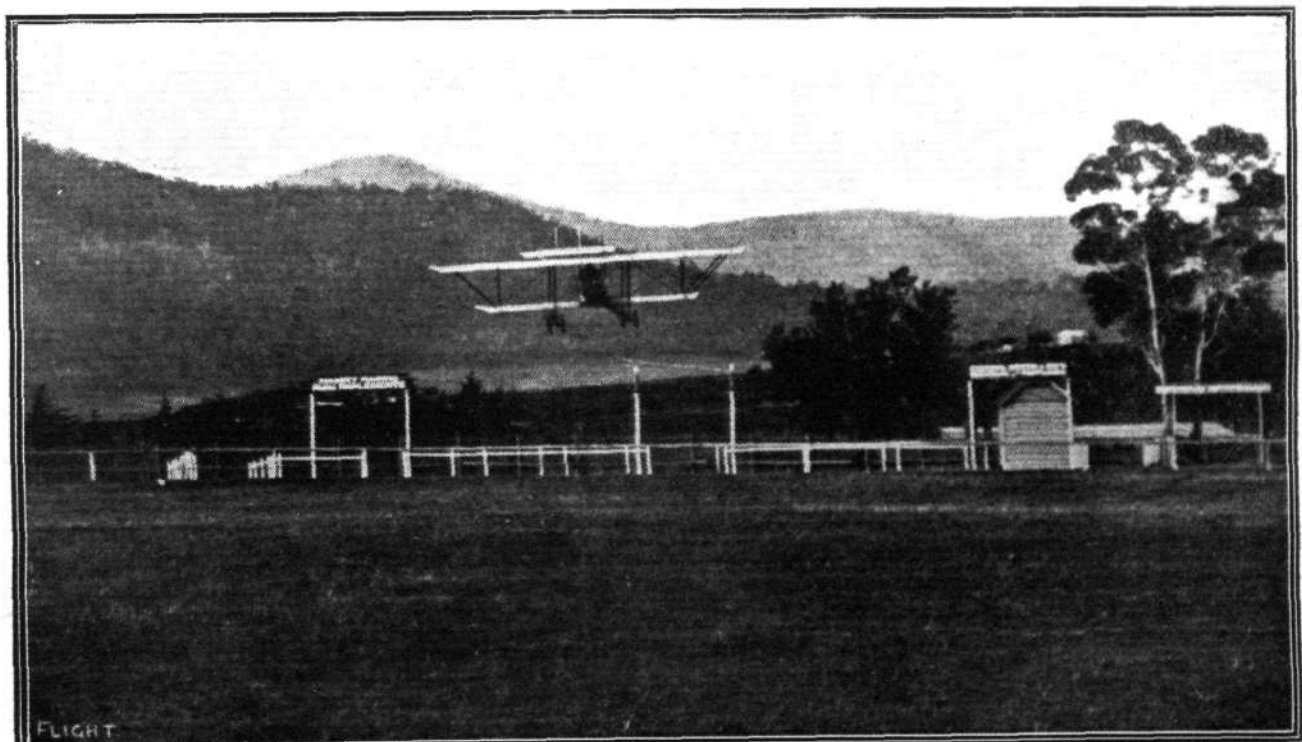
Ruffy School.—Instructors during last week: Herbert James and Howard James. Pupils receiving instruction: Messrs. Aoyang, Graham, Donald, Marriott, Lacrouts, R. Kenworthy (new pupil). Machines: 60 h.p. Gnome-Caudron, dual control, and 45 h.p. Anzani, single-seater. One 50 h.p. machine is being erected at works, and will be ready in a few days.

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EDDIES.

It is not an easy matter in these times to gather authentic news of our friends in the flying world, as reports reach us through, at times, very circuitous routes. Such information as we do manage to collect is very frequently contradictory, and it becomes a matter of some difficulty to ascertain the true facts. A case in point is the reference made in "Eddies" last week to the accidents which were reported to have happened to the two Hendon

pilots, A. E. Barrs and R. J. Lillywhite. These reports I had from conversation with several well-known men in the flying world, who are generally credited with undoubted reliability, and as all the reports agreed closely there was no reason to doubt their correctness. It would appear, however, that there has been some misunderstanding, at any rate as regards the matter of Lillywhite's accident, for a sergeant in the R.F.C.



Mr. Delfosse Badgery flying his 45 h.p. Anzani-Caudron-type biplane at Elwick Racecourse, Hobart, Tasmania.