

THE NEW DAILY MAIL PRIZES.

ONCE more the proprietors of the *Daily Mail* have come forward and offered two generous prizes with the object of stimulating progress in the development of aviation, with which we deal elsewhere editorially.

The first prize is the sum of £5,000 to the first person who shall pilot a waterplane of entirely British invention and construction round England, Scotland, and Wales—and, so far as Ireland is concerned, within one mile of Kingstown Harbour—in seventy-two continuous hours, starting and finishing at a point to be agreed upon near the mouth of the Thames. The full regulations which will be drawn up with the assistance of the Royal Aero Club have not yet been decided upon, but it will be specified that certain parts of the machine shall be marked and that the machine must not descend on land at any point, although it may, of course, stop in harbours for the replenishment of its fuel supplies, &c.

The second prize is £10,000 to the first person who crosses the Atlantic from any point in the United States, Canada, or Newfoundland to any point in Great Britain or Ireland in seventy-two continuous hours. The flight may be made, of course, either way across the Atlantic. This prize is open to pilots of any nationality, and machines of foreign or British construction.

The *Daily Mail* announces that the first entries for both prizes are those of Messrs. Blériot, Ltd., and Col. Cody, while Mr. Gordon England and Herr Rumpler have also entered for the Atlantic prize, and Mr. J. Radley and Mr. G. L. Temple for the Round Britain prize.

Previous Daily Mail Prizes.

In this connection the following summary of the prizes offered by the *Daily Mail* is not without interest:—

£10,000 for flight by aeroplane from London to Manchester in twenty-four hours with not more than two stoppages *en route*. Offered November 17th, 1906. Won by M. Paulhan on April 28th, 1910, with one stop *en route* at Lichfield. 183 miles covered in 242 minutes.

£1,000 for flight across the channel between England and France, to be accomplished in daylight without touching the sea. Offered on October 5th, 1908. Won by M. Blériot, July 25th, 1909, in 46 minutes of flight.

£1,000 for first circular flight of one mile in an aeroplane by a British subject in the British Isles on an all-British built machine. Won by Mr. J. T. C. Moore-Brabazon in a Short aeroplane on October 30th, 1909, in 2 mins. 36 secs.

£10,000 for circuit of Britain covering a distance of 1,000 miles in one day with eleven compulsory stops at fixed controls. Offered on May 22nd, 1910. Won by M. Beaumont on July 26th, 1911, in 22 hrs. 28 mins., at 45 miles an hour, defeating M. Védrières.

£1,000 for greatest aggregate cross-county flight in the year ending August 15th, 1910. Won by M. Paulhan with 855 miles, defeating Mr. Grahame-White with 842 miles.

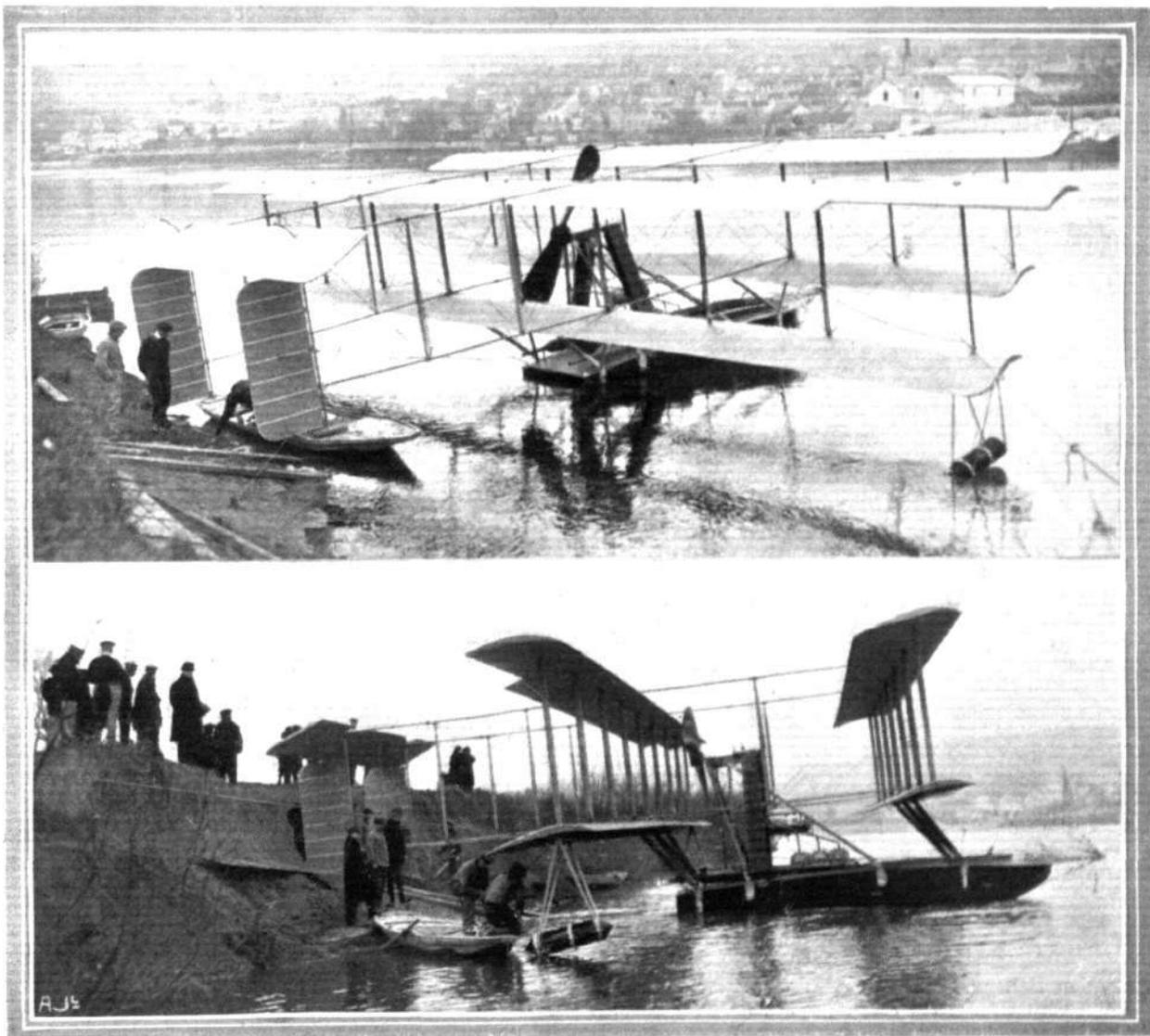
£150, £75, and £25 for aeroplane models awarded after exhibition at the Agricultural Hall, April, 1907.

£100 for half-mile flight (quarter-mile out and return), won by M. Henry Farman, January 14th, 1908.

£100 cup for second cross-Channel flight. Won by Count Jacques de Lesseps, May 21st, 1910.

£50 cup to John B. Moisant for flight from Paris to London, and smaller cup to his mechanic and passenger, Fileux. Won September 6th, 1910.

£250 and gold cup for flight of 81 miles round London. Won by Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith on June 8th, 1912, in 90 minutes.



HYDRO-AEROPLANES FOR MONACO.—The enormous double biplane built by Jeansson and Colléx. The span is 24 metres, length 16 metres. It is mounted upon a 7-metre Despujols hull, and in flying order weighs 4,300 kilograms. Two 6-cyl. 230-h.p. Chenu motors are fitted, giving a speed of over 100 k.p.h.