

AVIATION.

Berlin, May 11.

Two military aviators, named Lieut. Kurts and Lieut. Faber, while flying an aeroplane near Stettin yesterday, fell and were killed.

London, May 11.

At Hendon on Saturday a parachutist named Newed, made a successful descent by parachute from a military biplane from a height of 2,000 feet.

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At Muenster Herr Knobel, an engineer, has invented an aeroplane which is practically invisible at a height of 3,000 feet, owing to its wings being made of transparent celluloid.

Sydney, May 10.

The daring French aviator, M. Guillaux, gave another stirring exhibition of flying and aerial acrobatics on Saturday afternoon from the Victoria Park racecourse. As on the previous Saturday, Guillaux showed his nerve and mastery over his machine by looping the loop a number of times, flying upside down, spiral volplaning, and side dropping. At the conclusion of his performance there was a mishap. Guillaux was finishing his third ascent with some swift low flying, when one wing of the machine struck a telephone wire between the grandstand and the leger stand. The wire was broken and dragged some distance, but fortunately it did not become entangled with the propeller or break the aviator's flight, although it fractured one of the main struts of the machine. There was a great gathering of spectators. Guillaux said that when aloft he found the conditions rather tricky, as strong winds were blowing from all quarters. To-day Guillaux made a further flight over the harbour and Sydney from Double Bay in Mr. Lebbeus Hordern's new imported hydro aeroplane, which was launched and flown by him for the first time. On Friday Guillaux took Mr. Hordern up as a passenger to instruct him in the working of the machine. Ascents from and descents to the water and runs on the surface to and from the landing stage were made gracefully and neatly and the flights were steady.

Sydney, May 13

The French aviator, M. Guillaux, has, since Saturday, been making several flights daily over Sydney harbour and surroundings in Lebbeus Hordern's hydro aeroplane. Several persons have been up with him as passengers, including Captain Robins, A.D.C. to the State Governor. Captain Robins was up with M. Guillaux when the latter reached, he said, an altitude of 7,000 feet, which is stated to be a record for this kind of machine.