

# EDISON EXPLAINS HIS OWN AIRSHIP

Aviator Farman is Much Impressed With What Great Inventor Showed Him.

## SAILING THROUGH THE SKY

It is Coming Sure, Says the Wizard,  
And Problem is Liable to be  
Solved Any Day.

Edison had Herul Farman, the aviator, as a guest at his laboratory in New York, Sept. 16.—Thomas A. Edison explained fully the principles on which his invention is based. Those were said to be those of the aeroplane or flying fan and the foreign aeronaut was greatly impressed. He declared that they embodied far better ideas than the machine which he had seen at the recent aviation exhibitions in this country. Mr. Farman's manager, Mr. Mac Meehan, of St. Louis, was busy today looking for the funds for Mr. Farman's tour of the country. He said that he would be glad to give further exhibitions over here, but unless the funds were forthcoming shortly he would return to

"It is coming: some one is liable to solve the problem any day," he said. "Don't you think, Mr. Edison, that the problem is already solved, and that all now needed are scientific and engineering talent and money?" he was

"No, I don't think that. It is not solved yet. I don't think the inventors have been on the right track. The great difficulty of course, is the tremendous power required in the engine which at the same time must be so very light. There are lots of men working night and day on the problem and some one will do the trick."

"How about the future of the dirigible balloon?" was asked.

"It has no future, speaking commercially. It has no great future anyway you take it," was his prompt reply. "It may be utilized in some measure in war as the heavier-than-air machine that can go straight against the wind—that is the thing that must come."

"You refer to the aeroplane?" somebody suggested.

"No," he said. "I'll tell you what

"The helicopter?" he was asked.  
"Right," he answered.  
**WRIGHT MACHINE TRIAL**  
Lemans, France, Aug. 10.—The evolutions of today were carried out with ease and mastery as those of Saturday.  
The machine to swerve out of a direct line of flight and to describe two loops, like great figure eight.  
The first false start was due to the unsuitability of the assistant who held the aeroplane too long.  
Correcting his right wing to touch the ground and giving the machine such unmanageable tilt to starboard that

On the second trial Mr. Wright got away well and the machine rose to 30 ft. It had traversed 600 feet when

branches of some trees. The motor did not perform its functions properly, and Wright descended in good style. Undismayed by these failures, Mr. Wright, just at dusk, again ascended, and this time sailed up and down the hill at varying heights, and finally alighted directly in front of the grandstand, to the accompaniment of a burst of applause.

M. de Lagrange, the well known aeronaut, who was the first person to criticize Mr. Wright's hand at the exhibition, told the Associated Press that Mr. Wright certainly was a marvel. He did not consider that today's mishap indicated doubtful control of the aero-

Leon Bolles, another expert, was of opinion that the Wright machine showed the greatest perfection of any he had seen. "I consider Mr. Wright

“...,” added M. Boile, “His mistake lies in his trying to make the parts of the machine himself, with the aid of experts in their manufacture he undoubtedly will have finer and better whole.”

It is probable that the navigator will again make demonstrations tomorrow.

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### FIVE CENT CASH FARE.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 10.—At a meeting of the Democratic members of the city council today, who form a majority of a council, it was agreed that the municipal traction company, three the

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shall be gladly important matter, to port to me upon the committee will port to me upon the present condition of country life, upon what means are now available for supplying the deficiencies which exist and upon the best methods of organized permanent effort in investigation and actual working along the lines I have indicated. You will doubtless also find it necessary to suggest means for bringing about the direction or better adaptation of children to life on the farm. The national and state agricultural departments must ultimately join with the zealous farmers and agricultural or-

In view of the pressing importance of this subject I should be glad to

our report before the end of December. For that reason the Commission will doubtless find it impracticable to undertake extensive investigations, but will rather confine it to a summary of what is already known, a statement of the problem, the recommendation of measures leading toward its solution. With the single exception of the conservation of our national resources which underlies the problem of rural life there

to other question of greater importance now before the American people. I shall look forward with keenest interest to your report.

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