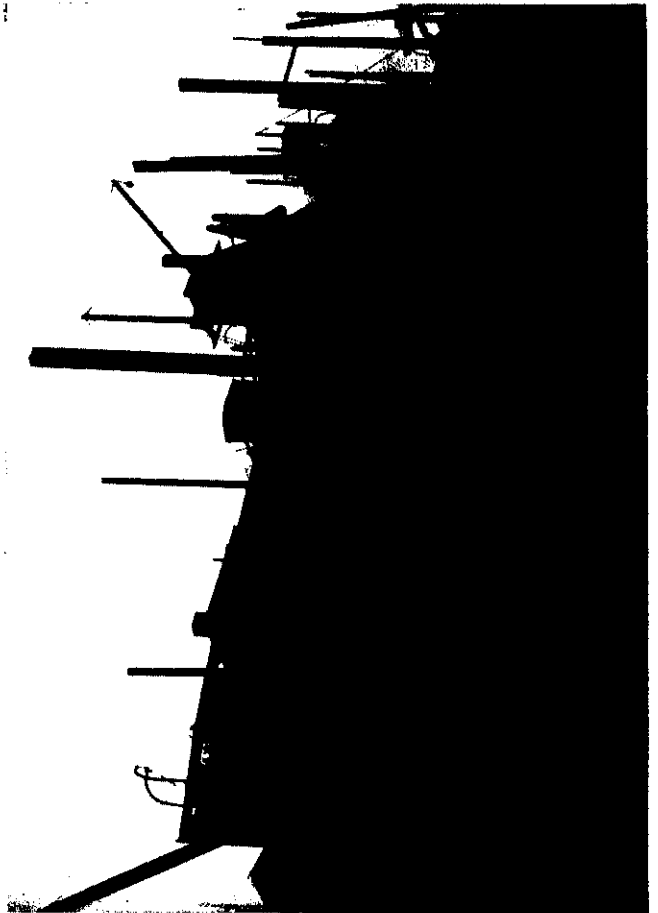


**THE LATE CAPTAIN FERRER—KILLED IN AN AEROPLANE ACCIDENT.**  
 Captain Ferrer, of the French Army, was descending after a flight at Bourlogne, when his aeroplane fell, and, the driver falling underneath his machine, was crushed to death.



**A NEW DREDDGER FOR AUCKLAND.**  
 A new twin-screw bucket hopper drolzee, built for the Auckland Harbour Board by Messrs. Fleming and Ferguson, of Palmerston North, and launched on September 30.



**THE PERILS OF THE AIR.**

**AIRSHIP DISASTER IN FRANCE—FOUR AERONAUTS KILLED.**  
 Aviation claimed its victims in wonderfully quick succession during September. M. Lefevre was killed on the 7th, Captain Fechter on the 22nd, and on the 25th the big dirigible La Republicque was dashed to pieces in its flight from La Palisse to Moulins, and two officers and two non-coms, were killed on the spot. On General Roch examining the envelope of the airship after the accident, (2) Captain Mardal, the pilot of La Republicque, who was killed in the accident. (3) The big dirigible setting out on the fatal voyage. The crew of four were all killed.