

NEW TYPE AIR FREIGHTER

A goods-carrying plane of revolutionary design was demonstrated near Reading. The Miles M.68 eliminates loading and unloading of freight at the airfield, taking a leaf out of the book of furniture removers, for example, when dispatching by rail. Cargo is carried in a box, ten-foot by four-foot-six, which is part of the fuselage in flight. On arrival the ~~box~~^{tower} is detached in a matter of thirty-five seconds. Its ~~detachable~~ road-wheels ~~and the towing bar~~ are put ^{on} ~~into~~ place, and the ~~whole thing towed~~^{box & its 16 crates} ~~away~~^{to} its destination. ~~The box~~^{It} can be fitted inside according to the kind of freight carried. The time saved over the ordinary ~~airfield~~ delivery and collection ^{at t airfield} by lorry is considerable, an important factor in these days, when, more than ever, time means money. In practice the aircraft would take on another box for transport elsewhere. Quite an advance in air-freighting.

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