

(3). TITLE.:- CATAPULTING A PLANE.

Picture.:- This monster 'plane is going to be flung into the air by means of --

--a wonderful new catapulting device, which has been designed and constructed by the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Farnborough...

The great tail of the 'plane is supported on a trolley during the launch.

Motive power is compressed air - the catapult engine developing 4,000 Horse Power.

All's ready ! The pilot raises his hand as a signal - and is thrown forward at a speed of --

--sixty miles an hour ! The great plane is off the ground before you can realize it, and sailing away under her own power. She is taken for a short flight over the aerodrome, before --

coming to earth, with as perfect a "landing", as could be wished for.

Neither of the pilots received the slightest shock from their catapult launch, --

--which will be repeated in public at the Royal Air Force Display at Hendon in June.

They are certainly expert at "throwing things about" down Farnborough way.