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THE FLOATING EYRIE OF THE MAN-BIRD; H.M.S. "HIBERNIA" WITH TWO HYDRO-AEROPLANES ATTACHED. The battle-ship "Hibernia" was one of the vessels fitted with a launching-platform for aeroplanes, and used as such by the naval airmen during the manœuvres at Weymouth. In the photograph one hydro-aeroplane can be seen on the launching-platform, while another is being raised from the water. On May 9, owing to the fog, the "Hibernia" was taken inside the breakwater, and Lieutenant Gregory's biplane was hoisted on board. Later, it was launched from her deck, and operated within Portland Harbour.