MAWSON EXPEDITION.

ENCOURAGING SUBSCRIPTIONS.

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The example of the Australian Association for the Advancement of Science and the great success which was the result of the most recent of the Association's expeditions to the Antarctic has given birth to a similar venture in Sydney. Mr. Robert Barraclough Smith (South Australia), Messrs. Hugh Dixon and Henry Dixon (Sydney), and Mr. Roderick Murchison (Melbourne), had each promised to contribute £1,000 to the Sydney Expedition, and had offered generous help. The hope that the work would be conducted with the same fortitude and zeal with which the earlier ventures were conducted, is strengthened by the knowledge that the expedition will not only be led by a man of the highest scientific attainments, but will be equipped with the latest instruments and apparatus that can be provided. The project, as planned by Dr. Mawson, is to be the most comprehensive and systematic exploration of the Antarctic yet undertaken. It is expected that the expedition will leave Sydney in the autumn, and will make its way to the Antarctic by way of the Antarctic Peninsula. The expedition will include a number of specialists, including geologists, zoologists, botanists, and meteorologists, and will make use of the latest in communication technology to keep in touch with the outside world. The expedition is expected to last for at least three years, and will be based on a permanent station on the Antarctic Peninsula. The expedition is expected to make significant contributions to our understanding of the Antarctic environment, and to provide valuable information to scientists around the world.