

POLAR RESEARCH.

Dr. Mawson's Plans.

Wireless Messages Daily.

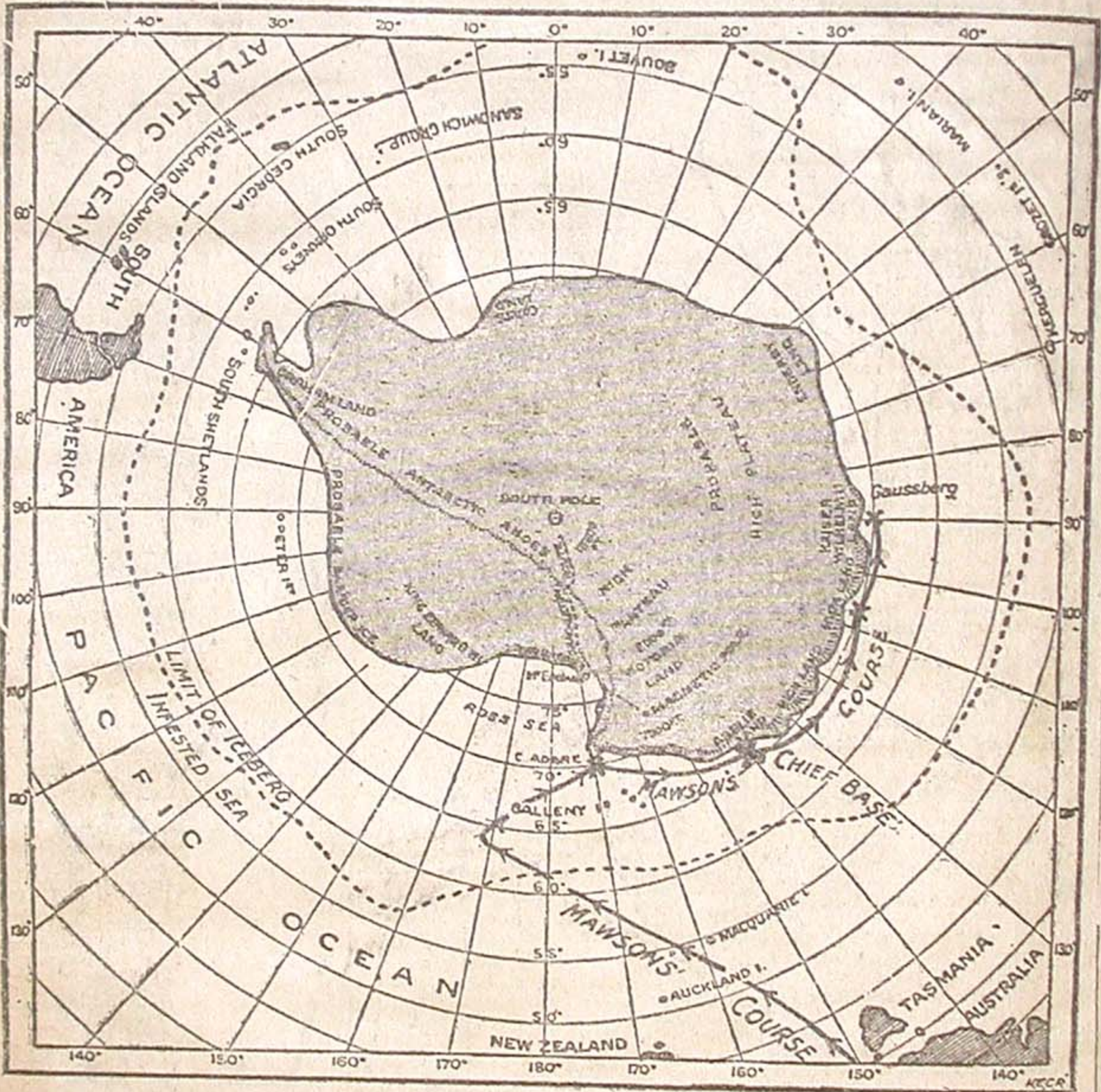
If the Mawson expedition to the south polar regions eventuates, and the expectations, promising enough at this stage are realized, the doings of the little party away down in the icebound latitudes are calculated to awaken and enlist public interest to an extent unparalleled in previous exploration.

tudes; but the wireless will enable us to correct our chronometers daily with the Australian observatories. Another obvious advantage is that in exploring unknown areas the exact course to be pursued cannot be laid down beforehand.

map. Bouvet Island was eventually re-discovered and restored to the charts; so perhaps we will be able to clear up the uncertainty regarding the Royal Companies' Islands.

—Forty Patriots at £1,000.—

"The Science Association unanimously voted £1,000 towards this enterprise, and appointed a committee, consisting of 25 leading scientists in Australia to further the project, both financially and in the conduct of scientific work.



ANTARCTICA SHOWING THE ROUTE PROPOSED TO BE FOLLOWED BY DR. MAWSON.

THE CROSSES INDICATE WHERE DR. MAWSON PROPOSES TO ESTABLISH BASES FOR SLEDGE PARTIES.

absent. Science has come to the aid of science. Wireless telegraphy will perform the miracle.

Daily Reports to the Press.

"It is a feature entirely new to polar exploration," said Dr. Mawson in the course of an interview on Thursday. "We intend to have the wireless equipment at any cost, because so much can be done with the aid of such plant, which otherwise would be impossible.

Advantages of "Wireless."

"To instance the advantages of wireless communication, we will be able to send advices regarding the weather conditions in the antarctic, and so assist the Commonwealth meteorological staff in the preparation of their predictions.

Work of the Expedition.

"My idea at present is to leave in November or December next. We would call at Melbourne and Sydney, and finally at Hobart to replenish bunkers. Then, taking advantage of the prevailing westerlies, we would make a long log down the roaring 40's and screeching 50's towards Cape Adare, and, with the change of wind there, head towards Kaiser Wilhelm II. Land, establishing our stations en route.

Australia On Its Mettle.

"I will proceed to London in about a week's time. If, shortly after my arrival there, the £40,000 is not guaranteed, the Australian expedition will have to be abandoned, and I shall go south in charge of a British expedition, money for which has already been promised.