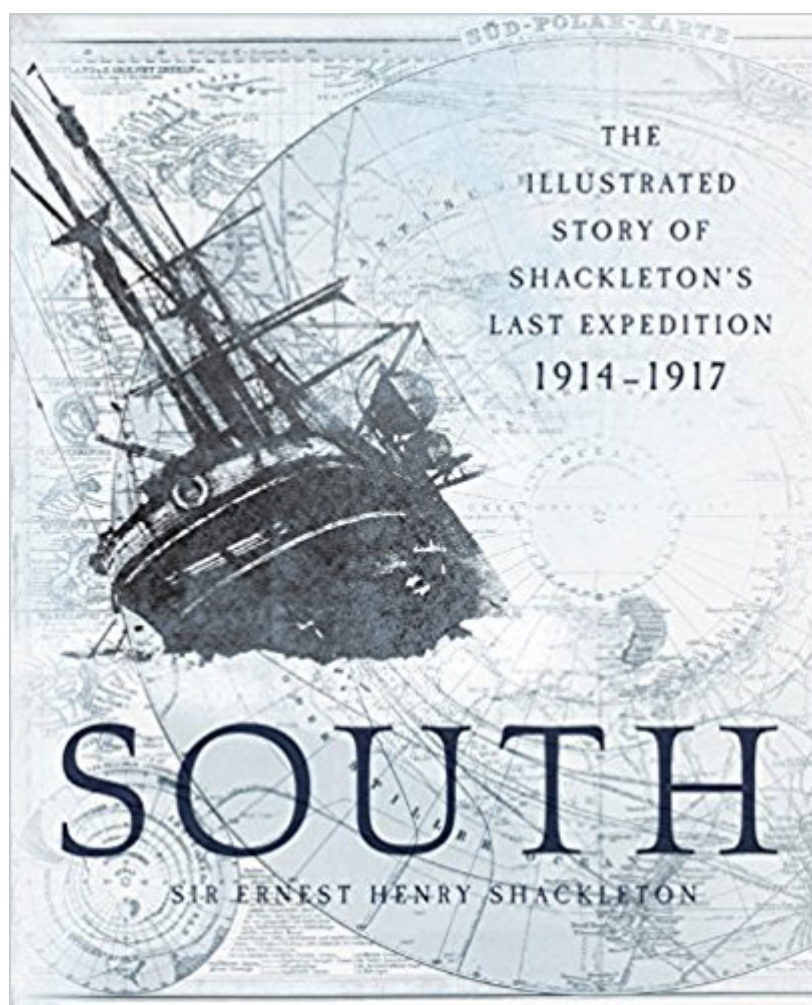


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Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton was born in Ireland in 1874 and raised mostly in London. He led three expeditions to the Antarctic. He died of a heart attack in 1922 while setting out on his fourth expedition. Frank Hurley (1885-1962) was a native Australian who served as a photographer on several Antarctic expeditions with Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton. He also worked as a war photographer with the Australian military forces during both World Wars. He was the official photographer on Shackleton's Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition and was known for his pioneering use of the early Paget color photography process.

Amazing book, amazing story. A must read for just about anybody.

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