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### Mount Erebus crash: The untold story of New Zealand's worst air disaster

Exploring further south, the ship struck a submerged rock in January, 1905 and the expedition was cut short. The ice strengthened sealing and whaling vessels used in later polar expeditions were not available in such numbers at the time of the Erebus and Terror missions. Little America IV was established on the Ross Ice Shelf and mapping survey flights began.

### Watching 'The Thing' at the End of the World

Sixty-one incredulous survivors would stumble from the wreckage — though even here, they had, at first, to fend for themselves.

### Shackleton's Journey: A Lovely Illustrated Chronicle of History's Most Heroic Polar Expedition

Beginning in 1850, petroleum oil began to compete with whale oil, and by 1872 the number of whaling ships had dropped from 400 to 72. The American sealer *Hersilia* with Nathaniel Palmer as second mate sighted Smith Island on January 18, 1820 and arrived at Rugged Island to join the British a few days later. The men in Nordenskjöld's Antarctic expedition killed as many as 2000 penguins for food in 1903.

### Aviation

Though their actions once outside were largely self-centered, with personal survival predominating over other concerns, many of the escapees proved able to work together to achieve that end—preparing and deploying the heavy life rafts, for instance, or attempting to free the lifeboats, however impossible that turned out to be. Chile began tourism flights in 1956 with 74 participants 66 passengers and 8 crew. In the South Shetlands he encountered and spoke with Nathaniel Palmer, who by now was master of his own sealing ship, the *Hero*.

### Moments of Terror: the Story of Antarctic Aviation by David Burke

There are a number of sidebar articles dealing with diverse subjects such as political policy towards claiming territories on the continent. Minor accumulations, two to four years worth perhaps, built up around the campsites of the heroic era expeditions of Robert Scott, Ernest Shackleton, and others. The twentieth century brought three notable changes in Antarctic pollution.

### **Watching 'The Thing' at the End of the World**

And with a certain element of farce. The aircraft were used for maritime reconnaissance and anti-submarine work in the 1950s and 60s. Most notably, as a harbinger of what was to come, Mawson brought the first airplane to Antarctica even though it never flew and was the first to use a radio.

### **Taking it to the edge: did you know? The use of aircraft in exploration of Australia**

Cook spent a second austral winter in the tropics before continuing his eastward circumnavigation of Antarctica. This pattern began to end as competition for whale stocks heated up, and as more and more government officials began to realize the potential strategic, economic, and scientific importance of the last continent.

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