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Photo, by Frank Hurley, of Hubert Hudson at the meridian transit beacons at King Edward Cove, South Georgia, preserved in Frank Worsley's photograph album. These beacons were erected by members of Sir Ernest Shackleton's Imperial Trans-Antarctic Expedition that spent a month (5 November–5 December 1914) at South Georgia before *S/Y Endurance* headed south into the Weddell Sea. On the reverse is written 'Meridian posts erected at Cumberland Bay, Sth Georgia' and initialled 'RWJ' [Reginald W. James] (Courtesy Scott Polar Research Institute). See the note by Robert Burton in the current issue.

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