

PLANS ANTARCTIC EXPEDITION.

Amundsen Creates Surprise by Announcement and Says He Will Later Give Details.

Christiania, Oct. 2.—According to a letter received here from Capt. Roald Amundsen on board the Fram at Madeira, Amundsen has decided to proceed on an Antarctic expedition. He promises to send details when he arrives at Punta Arenas.

This change of plans has occasioned surprise as it was the original intention of Amundsen to start early next year on a drifting voyage for the North Pole. The Fram was first to go to San Francisco, where it was to be fitted out, and it was calculated that the drift through the polar ice would occupy not less than seven years.
