

back against it, I had asked Sverdrup to come and meet us with the *Fram*, if the soundings permitted of his doing so. We saw quantities of seal and white fish along



A DEAD BEAR ON REINDEER ISLAND (AUGUST 21, 1893)  
(From a Photograph)

the shore, but we had not time to go after them; all we wanted now was to get south, and in the first place to pick up the bear. When we came near the place where we expected to find it, we did see a large white heap resembling a bear lying on the ground, and I was sure it must be the dead one, but Henriksen maintained that it was not. We went ashore and approached it, as it lay motionless on a grassy bank. I still felt a strong sus-