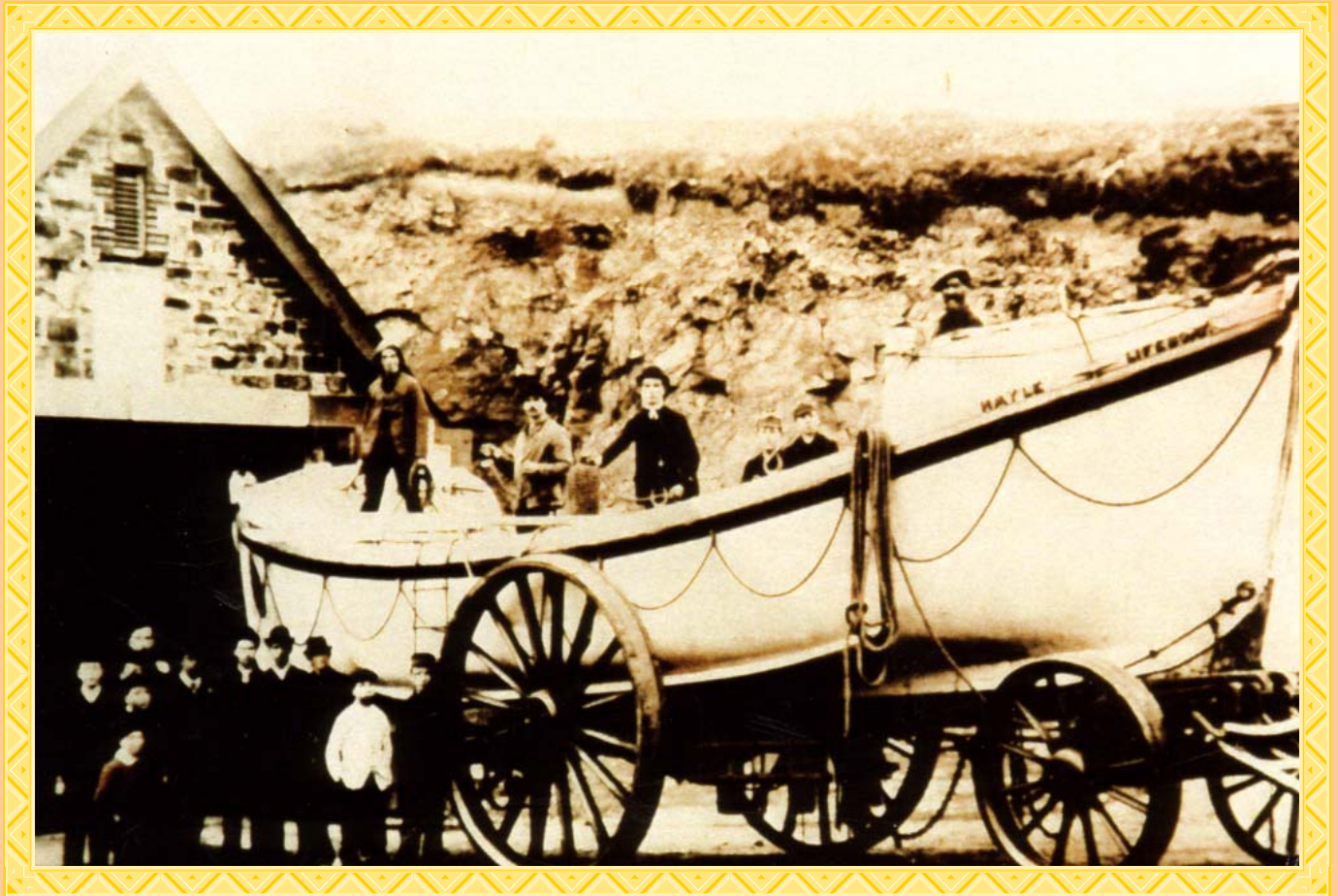


Hayle's Lifeboats



'Isis'

Hayle had its own lifeboat from 1866 until 1906. Its first boat was the 'Isis'. A self-righter, thirty-two feet in length, pulling ten oars, paid for by Oxford University. She carried out ten rescues saving fifty lives during her twenty-one years of service.

In 1887 'The New Oriental Bank' later renamed 'The F. H. Harrison' replaced 'Isis'. She was a thirty-two feet self-righter and her saddest service was to the 'S.S. Escorial', when she had to be taken overland to Portreath beach to be launched.

In spite of her best efforts only seven of the eighteen crew were rescued alive.

Hayle's last lifeboat was 'The Admiral Rodd', a thirty-six feet self-righter which carried out only three rescues before the Hayle station was closed in 1907.

Hayle's first lifeboat is commemorated by the memorial in Isis Gardens, opened in 1995 under the viaduct at Foundry Square.

