

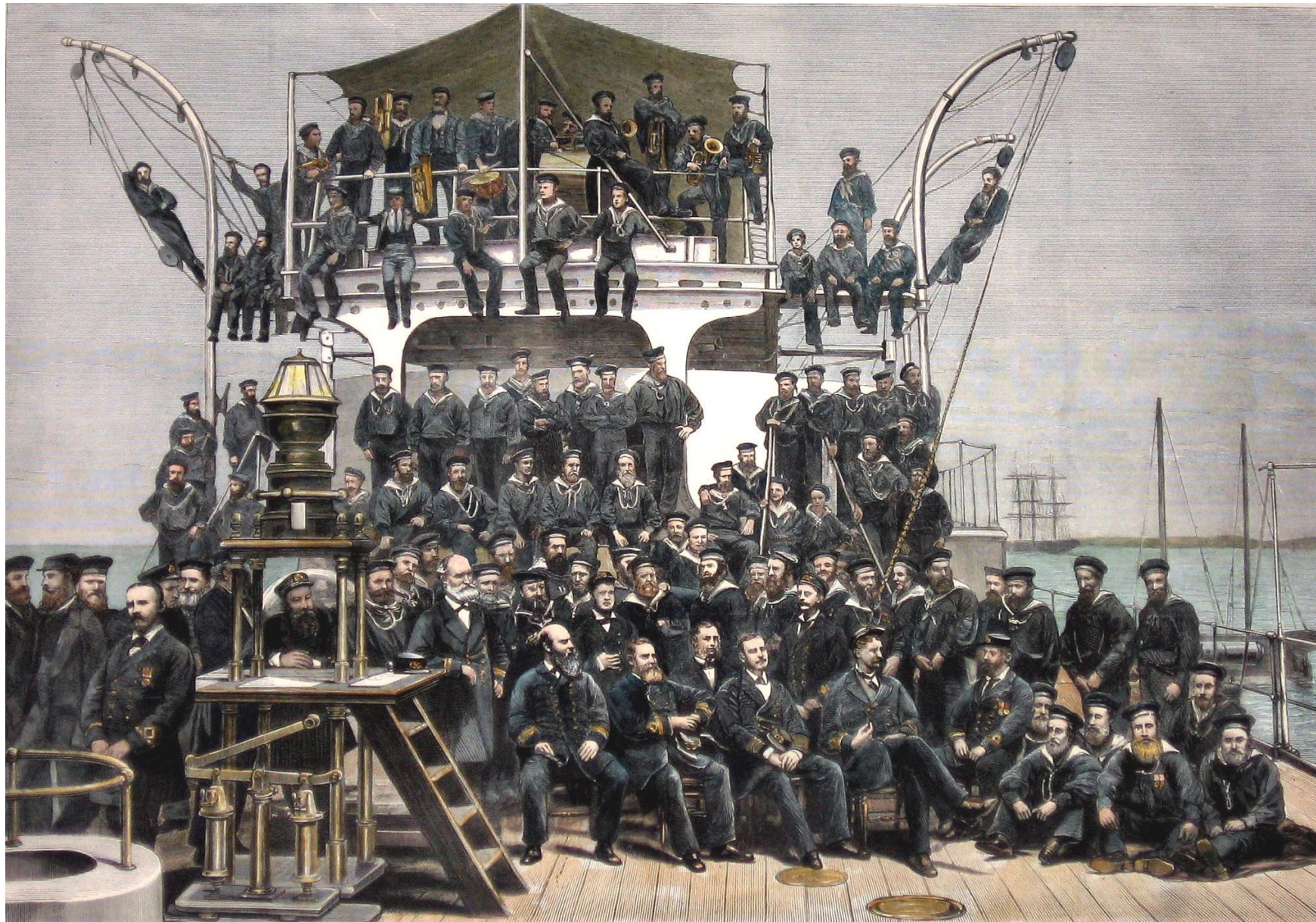
HMVS *CERBERUS*

2017



HMVS *Cerberus* & *Gordon* at the Williamstown Naval Depot.

Courtesy of Elder's Postcards.

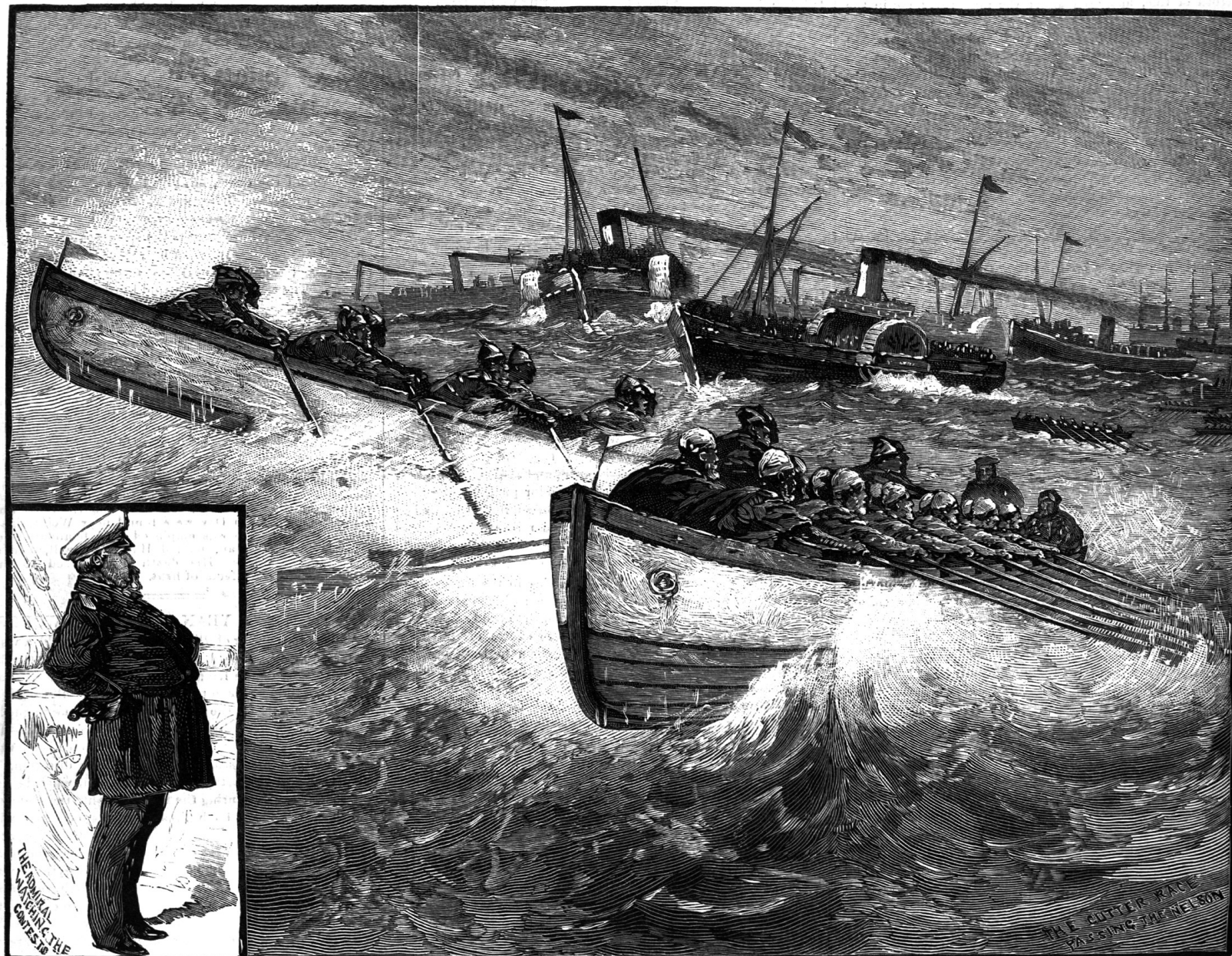


The recently appointed Captain Mandeville & the crew of HMVS *Cerberus* in January 1878.

Coloured engraving (The Graphic, 13 April 1878) courtesy of John Baragwanath.

January 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Moved to moorings 1 off Williamstown 1898.	Victorian Navy 2 reactivated 2004.	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	1 st refit complete 31 1880.	The <i>Cerberus</i> is a unique & significant historical treasure of almost iconic value... — Prof. R.A. Gould, Anthropology Dept. Brown University.			



HMVS *Cerberus* crew beating all four Russian boats in the 6 hour "Cutter Race" in Feb 1882.

Australasian Sketcher, 25 February 1882. Courtesy of State Library of Victoria.

February 2017

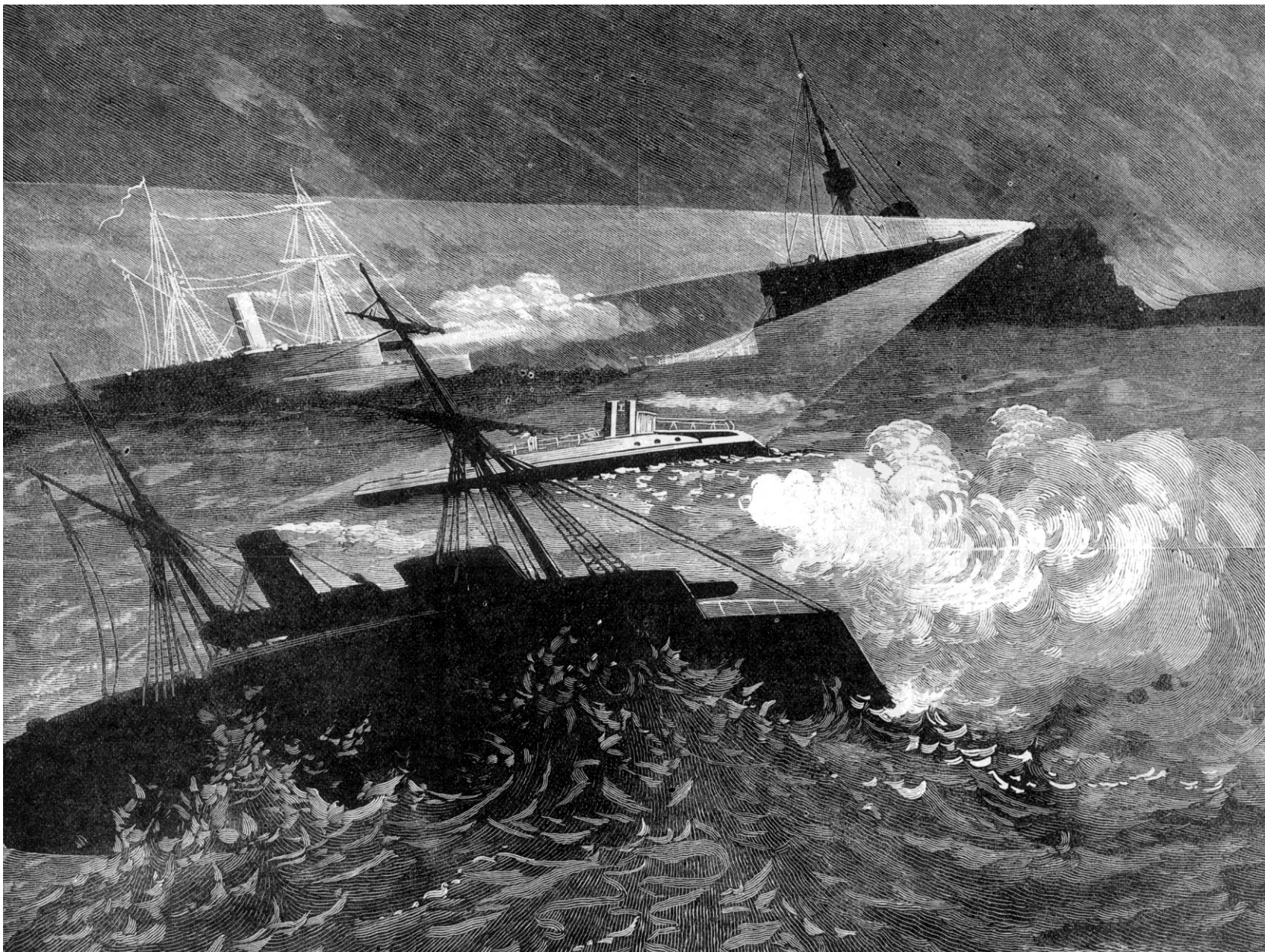
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Yoho! yoho! my merry men all, We've made the Russians stare: Not again, I mean, shall it befall The Lion, to be beaten by the Bear. — The Herald, 13 February, 1882.			Flying Deck 1 Shortened 1888.	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	Cutter race 1882. 11
1st damaged gun 12 replaced 1885.	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	Half Moon Bay 27 picnic 1877.	28	The unique character of this ship as the first warship built to mount turrets fore and aft... — National Maritime Historical Society of USA			



The Mk II, 10 inch, 18 ton gun being removed & placed on the seafloor in March 2005.

March 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
In every way the <i>Cerberus</i> was a complete break from established tradition... -- Oscar Parkes: British Battleships			Armour Plate trial. 1	2	10 inch guns removed. 3	4
Torpedo explosion 5 1881.	6	7	8	9	10	11
Flying Deck 12 shortened 1888.	13	1885 war scare. 14	15	Arrived in 16 Freemantle 1871.	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	Fires 10 inch guns 31 114 times 1872. Torpedo Nets introduced 1888.	

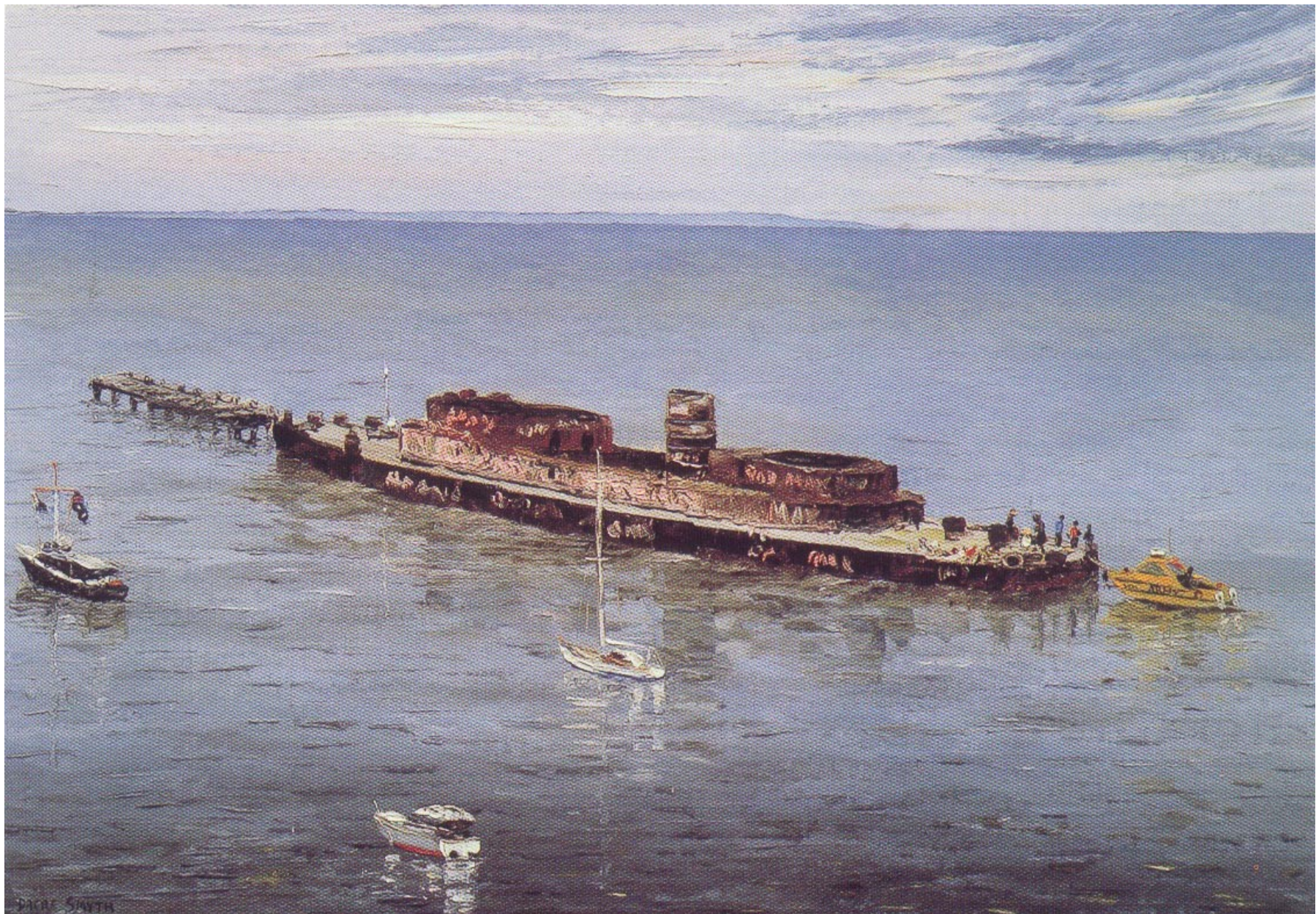


HMVS *Cerberus* exercising against HMVS *Victoria*, HMVS *Albert* and *Childers* in April 1885.

Australasian Sketcher, 4 May 1885. Courtesy of State Library of Victoria.

April 2017

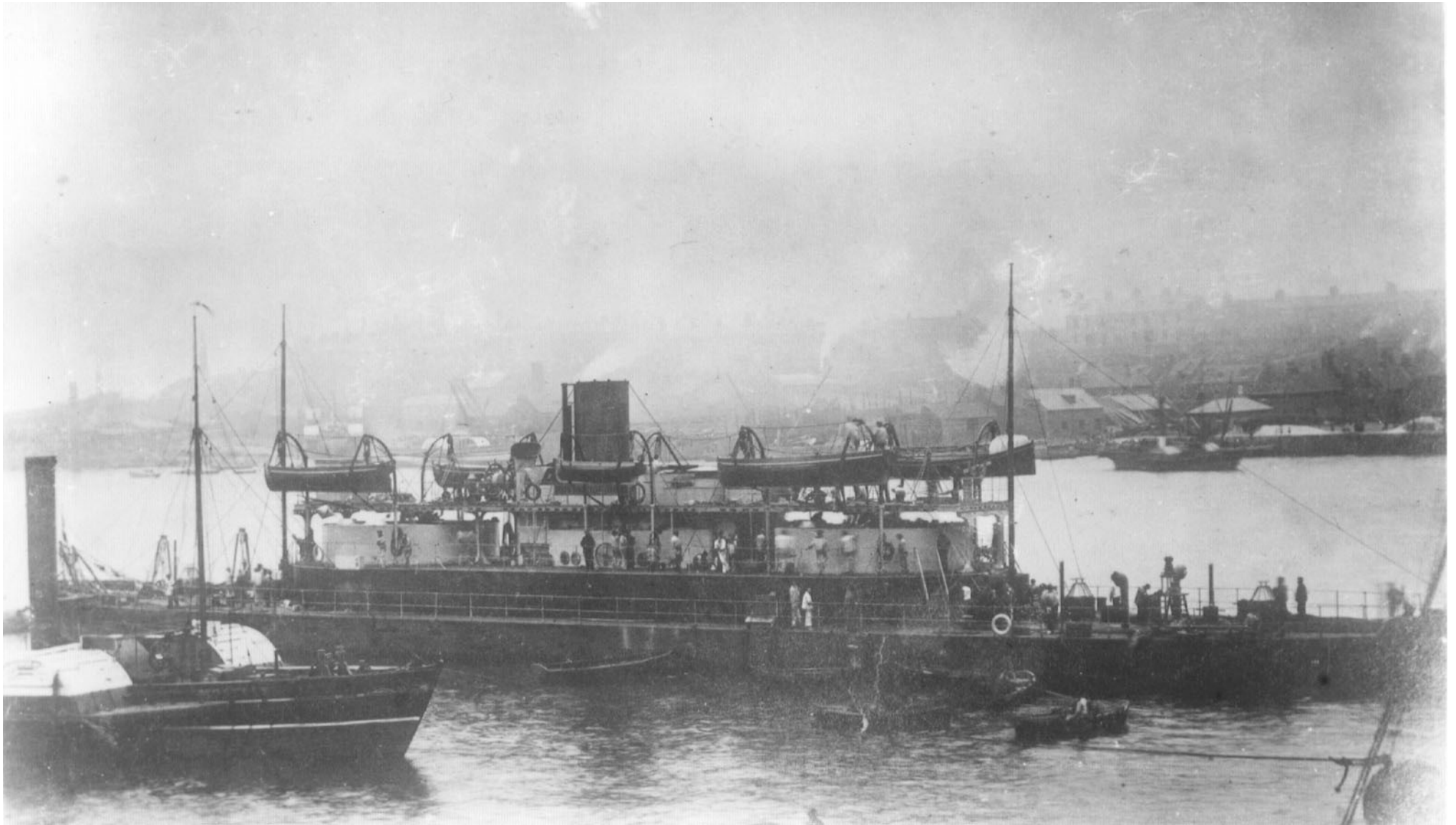
Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
30	Ships like <i>Cerberus</i> will strip naval warfare of its romance and panoply. It will no longer be a matter of dash & galantry, but of science and calculation. -- Australia through Time					Renamed Platypus II 1921 1
10 inch guns fired for last time 1907. 2	Steamed at 12.4 knots 1900. 3	Director Firing introduced 1888. 4	5	<i>Cerberus</i> "earthquake" 1875. 6	7	8
Enters Pt Phillip 1871. Towed to Queenscliff 1909. 9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	140 th arrival in Port Phillip anniversary Sunday 2011. 10	18	19	20	21	1 st time in Dry Dock 1874. 22
23	Last cruise under steam 1905. 24	25	26	27	28	29



"Ironclad-Monitor *Cerberus*" by Dacre Smyth.

May 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Internationally Significant — Heritage Victoria	Geotechnical 1 Report commissioned 2002.	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31	Pride of Victoria, star of her navy, Last iron-clad monitor left on the earth. Now just a breakwater, rusting & waiting; Waiting and hoping to have a re-birth. — Dacre Smyth		



HMVS *Cerberus* being fitted out on the river Tyne (UK) in May or June 1869.

Photo courtesy of Adrian Vicary, Maritime Photo Agency.

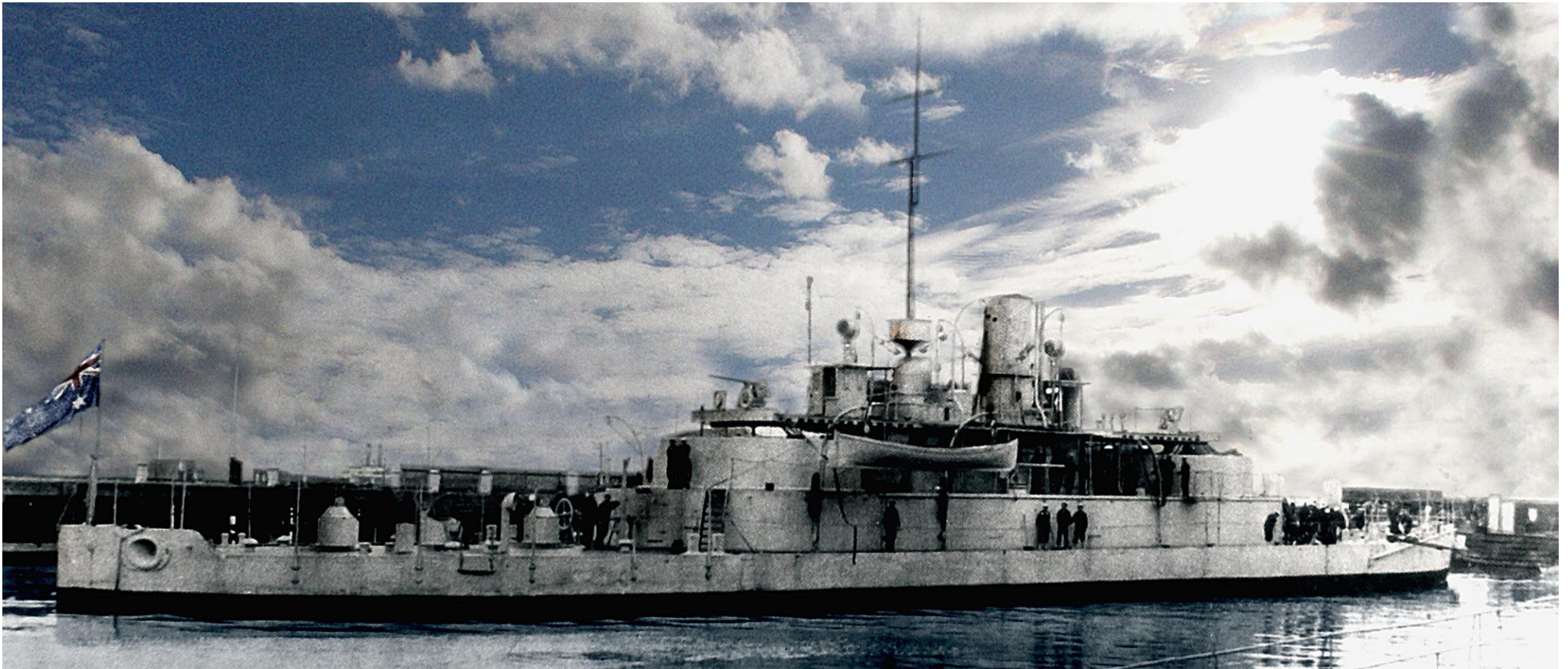
June 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
A crucial link between the period of timber line-of-battleships and the more modern battleships — Australian Heritage Commission				1	2	Towed to Geelong as <i>Platypus II</i> 1921. 3
4	Trial trip UK 1869. 5	6	7	8	9	Fitted out 1869. 10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	21	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	



July 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
30	Contingent to China 1900. 31	"The stokers are important personages on a trip of this kind. There are about 80 of them (for the fleet), & they work in shifts of four hours each, in a temperature of 160 deg., (70° C) & undergo a very trying experience when the ships are under steam." — The Argus, 31 March 1888				Design approved 1867. 1
1888 war scare. 2	34	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	Departs Britain 1870. 11	12	13	14	15
16	Taking of Cerberus Hoax 1876. 17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29



HMAS *Cerberus* flying the 2nd Australian flag c.1904
Colourised by Kade Rogers, Able Seaman RAN.

August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
One of the most historically important naval vessels in existence. — National Trust (Victoria)		Gatling Gun fitted 1882. 1	2	3	4	5
	6	7	8	9	10	11
12						
13	Speed Trial in In UK 1869. 14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	1 st trial in Bay 1871. 25	1 st gun damaged 1884. \$500,000 NHII Grant 2008. 26
27	28	Salutes US Great White Fleet 1908. 29	30	31	...in <i>Cerberus</i> we have the germ idea of the principle upon which all battleships ... were based — Oscar Parkes: British Battleships	



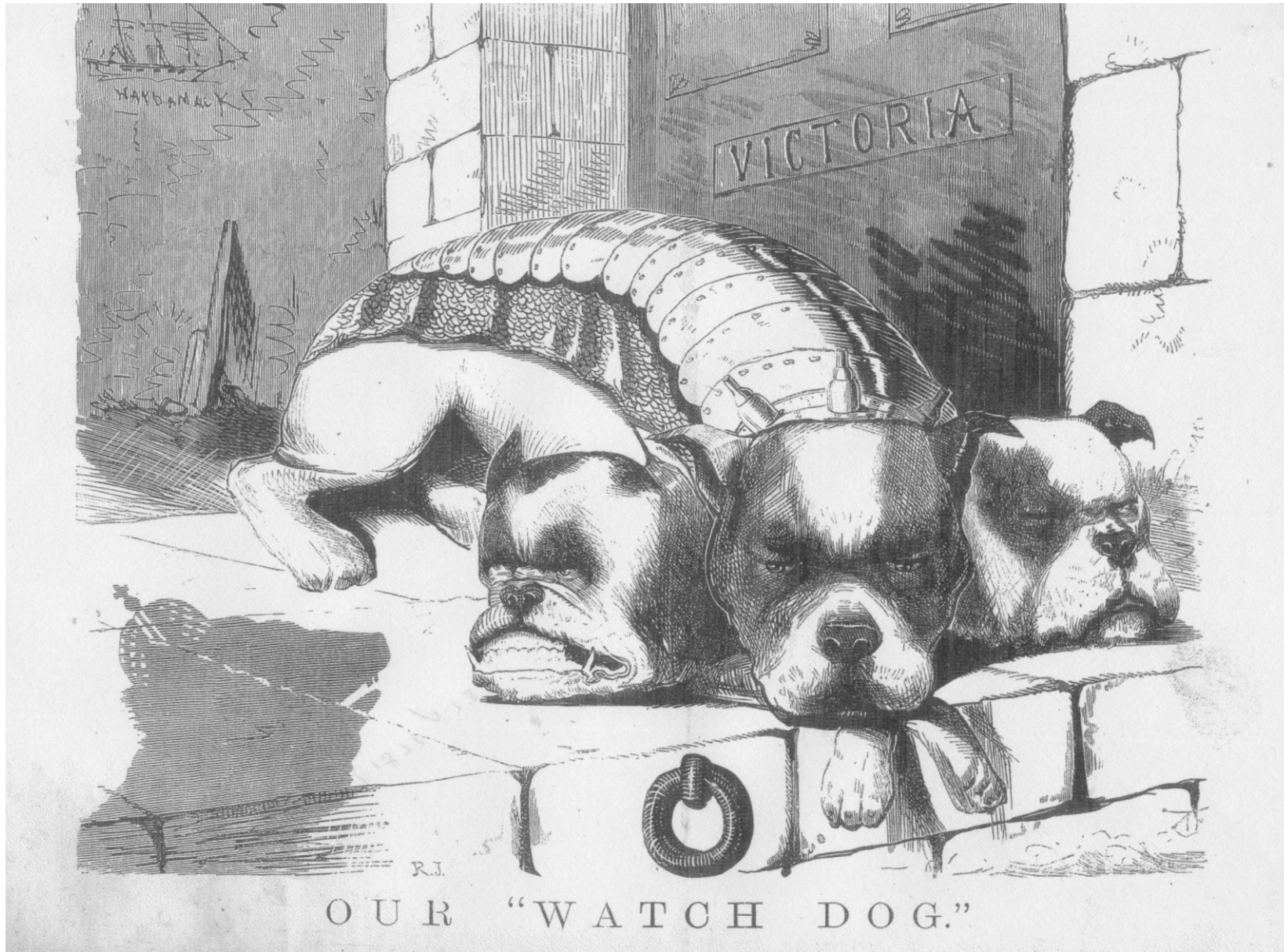
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Model of HMVS *Cerberus* in the 1880s by Peter Utber.
Photo courtesy National Trust.



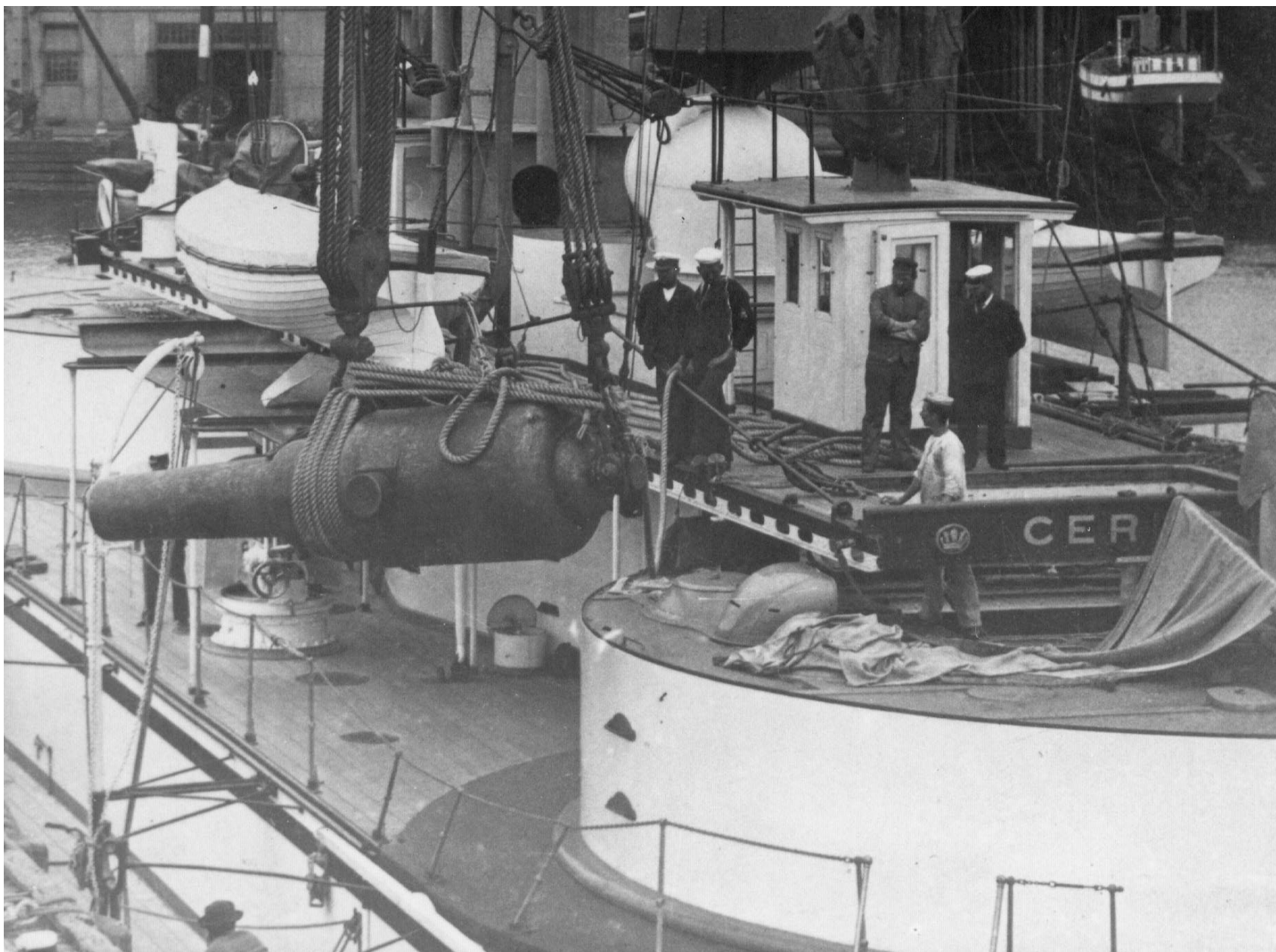
September 2017

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no contemporary opponent of their own tonnage ... would have stood much chance against them. They might be said to resemble full-armed knights riding on donkeys, easy to avoid but bad to close with. — Admiral G. A. Ballard					Keel laid 1867. 1	Scuttled 1926. 2
3	4	5	6	7	8	New boilers fitted 9 1883.
Ship ordered 10 1867.	11	Commissioned 12 1870.	13	14	15	Handed over to 16 Lieut. Panter 1870.
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Named <i>Cerberus</i> 24 1867.	1 st trial in 25 Victoria 1871.	26	27	28	29	Anti- <i>Cerberus</i> 30 church petition 1871.



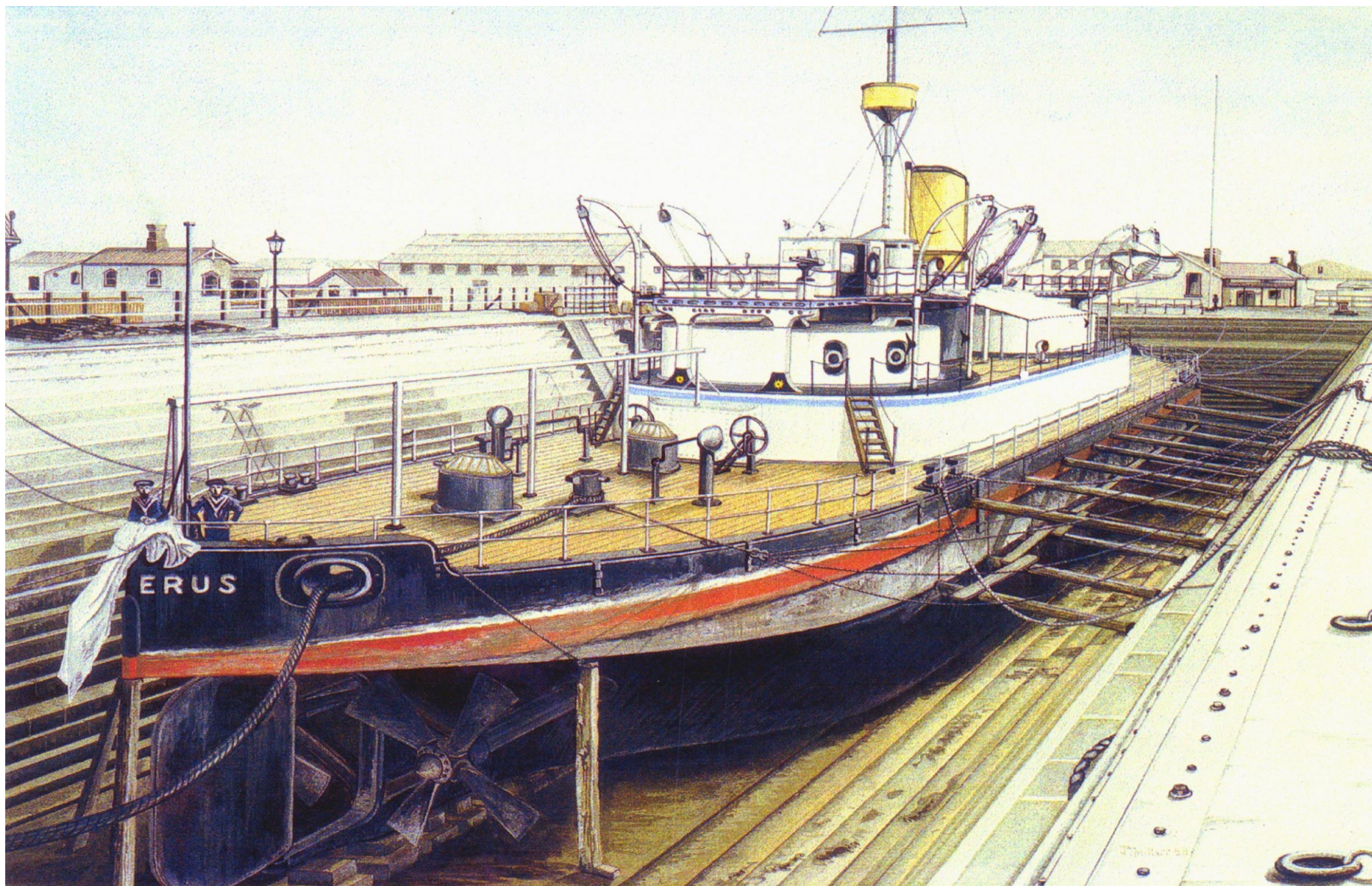
October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 <i>Cerberus</i> Art Exhibition 2009.
8	9	10	11	12	13 \$80,000 Grant announced to remove guns 2004.	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27 At 1 st moorings. 1871.	28
29 Leaves Sheerness for Victoria 1870.	30	31	Cerberus represented "one of the most powerful vessels for harbour defence in the world" — Argus newspaper			



November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
She is a particularly interesting vessel in herself, but she is also part of the state of Victoria's history. — Prince Phillip			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	<i>Nelson</i> shell lands in St Kilda 1877. 9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Geotechnical Drilling 2002. 19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	Arrives at Malta 1870. 28	29	2 nd damaged gun replaced 1898. 30	The damaged gun removed in 1898 had fired 207 rounds from <i>Cerberus</i>. — Weekly Times, 10 December 1898	



December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Last day at Port Melbourne moorings 1897. 31	in ... gunpower & protection would have proved more than a match for the combined British Squadron then on the Australian Station -- John Bastock: Australian Ships of War				1	Launched 1868. 2
3	4	5	6	7	8	Cerberus Celebration Day 2007 9
10	11	12	13	Listed on National Heritage List 2005. 14	15	16
17	18	Transits new Suez Canal 1870. 19	20	21	22	Placed on War Footing 1877. 23
24	25	26	Suffers major collapse 1993. 27	28	29	30

140th Anniversary of Arrival in Port Phillip, April 2011

Queuing for *Cerberus* cruise, Viewing displays, Patron John Wood signing autographs, Re-enactors firing six pounder Field Gun.

