BERTIE BETTS AND HIS RESCUE OF THE FRIGHTENED HORSE



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The photo on the left of Bertie Betts was taken at Minnis Bay near the slipway in about 1925-6, when he was about 12-13 years old. It was at about this time the incident with the runaway horse happened.

The photo of Bertie, on the right, was taken at school shortly before he stopped one of Pemble's horses from bolting. The letter from his Scout / Cub master, congratulated him on his 'presence of mind' in averting what could have been a real calamity.

When we look at the size of the horses in the photo below, taken in the Square a little before the incident with Bertie and the frightened horse, it is easier to understand what a brave action he took that day.



