

# Winch and Windlass



Two pieces of machinery used for hauling dirt from the underground Opal Mining workings. The Windlass in the background was hand operated, whereas the Winch in the foreground designed and built by the Adelaide company York and originally used for hoisting building materials on work sites. Known as a York hoist, the hoist was powered by a Villiers two stroke engine and quickly became popular on the Opal Fields of South Australia.