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TRAINING SHIP'S 140th BIRTHDAY.

A hundred and forty years old, and still going strong - that's the record of the *Feudroyant*, the last wooden frigate afloat. Her keel was laid in Bombay in 1816, and she celebrates her anniversary with a thorough check-up. Frogmen prepare to examine her below the waterline.

Originally the 46-gun H.M.S. *Trincomelee*, she had 40 years' active service with the fleet and then 30 years as a drill ship for the Royal Navy Reserve. For more than half a century, she's been a holiday training ship - and in spite of the barnacles, the verdict is that she's as sound as ever. Thousands more boys and girls will be able to spend their holidays aboard her, absorbing the British maritime tradition in which she's played so gallant a part.