

Hoist & swing my starboard boat & crew
~~Force & swing my starboard boat & crew~~
Then down to your oars boys and after her row
I know she's a sperm whale by her sporting to you
Bend hard to your oars boys & make my boat fly
I'll do my endeavors to keep from her eye

Our harpooners fastened that whale she went down
Our chief mate pulled up his line to bend on
That whale she broke ropes & to windward she flew
Haul line on that whale boys & our Capt^m did cry

That whale being galled she came to a stand
Our Capt^m stood up with the lance in his hand
That whale she perceived us & at us she flew
And in to her life the bright lance he threw

Our Capt^m being a whale man without fear or
Soon caused her to vomit & thick blood to spout
And in less than 10 minutes we rolled her overboard

That whale on the water like a log she did lay
We towed her alongside that very day
We towed her alongside with many a shout
Commenced to cut in & likewise try out

Our whale is all tried out & our work is all done
As you may suppose she's worth unto us our
Good or more
And now all we want boys as you may suppose
is to hear from the masthead the cry that she blows!

a life on the ocean wave!
a home on the rolling deep!
Where the waters spirits have,
And the water winds their revels keep!

Like an eagle caged I pine
On this dull unchanging shore;
Oh give me the flashing brine
The spray and the tempest's roar.

Once more on the deck I stand
Of my own swift gliding craft;
Set sail! farewell to the land!
The gale follows far abaft.

We shoot through the sparkling foam
Like an ocean bird set free:
Like the ocean bird, our home,
Will find far out on the sea.

The land is no longer in view,
The clouds have begun to frown,
But with a stout vessel & crew
We'll say let the storm come down!