THE GREENLAND WHALE FISHERIES

Toonsoort: G Duur: 2.05
Voorspel: 2 laatste regels couplet
N.B. Koor zingt na ieder couplet twee (telkens andere !) regels

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Coupletten:

1. *In eighteen hundred and seventy four* *)tempo*
Of March the ei-eightee-eenth day *)tempo*
We-e hoisted our colours to the to-op of the mast *)tempo*
And, for Greenland bore a-away bra-ave boys **)tempo**
And, for Greenland bo-ore away **)vertragen**

2. *The captain stood on the quarter deck*
The-e ice was i-in hi-is eye
"Overhaul, overhaul, let your ji-ib shee-eets fall"
And go put your boats to-o sea, bra-ave boys
And go put your boats to-o sea

3. *The harpoon struck and the line paid out*
With a single florish of his tail
He-e capsized our boat and we lo-ost fi-ive men
And we did not catch tha-at whale, bra-ave boys
And we did not catch tha-at whale

4. *The losin' of them five jolly men*
It grieved our ca-apta-ain sore
But the losi-in' of tha-at spe-erm wha-ale fish
Oh, it grieved him ten ti-imes more, bra-ave boys
Oh, it grieved him ten ti-imes more

5. *"Up anchor now", our captain cried*
"For the winter sta-ars do appear
And it's time we-e left thi-is co-old cou-ountry
And for the homeland we di-id steer, bra-ave boys
And for the homeland we di-id steer

6. *Well Greenland is a barren land*
A-a land that bea-ears no-o green
Where there's ice a-and snow and the wha-alefishes blow
And the daylight's seldo-om seen, bra-ave boys
And the daylight's seldo-om seen