



Come all you young fellows that's bound after sperm Come all you young fellows that's rounded the Horn Our captain has told us and we hope that it's true That there's plenty of sperm whales on the coast of Peru

We have weathered the Horn, me boys, and are now on Peru We are all of one mind and endeavor to do Our boats are all rigged and our masthead all manned Our riggin' rove light and our signals all planned

The first whale we saw it was late in the day
The captain come up and these words he did say,
"Get into your hammocks and quiet there be
We will see him in the morning close under our lee"

Nex morning at daybreak about five o'clock
The man at the masthead cried, "Yonder, she spouts!"
Where away does she lay and the answer from aloft,
"Two points on our lee bow and about three miles off."

This it's call up all hands and it's be of good cheer
Put you tubs in your boats, boys, have you bow lines all clear
Sway up your boats now; jump in you boat's crew
Lower away now, oh lower away, my brave fellows do

Our waist boat got down and of course got the start Lay on Captain Bunker, I'm hell for to dart Now bend to your oars, boys, and make the boat fly But one thing we dread of, keep clear of his eye

Now the chief mate he struck him and the whale he went down And the captain pulled up and he tried to bend on But the whale began to vomit and blood for to spout And in less than ten minutes we had him fin out

We towed him alongside and with many a shout We soon cut him in and began to try out Now our whale she is tried and likewise stowed down She is better to us, me boys, than five hundred pounds

Now we're bound for ol' Tumbez in our manly power Where a man buys a whorehouse for a barrel of good flour We'll spend all our money on them pretty girls ashore An' when it's all gone, me boys, we'll go whalin' for more