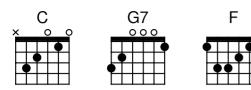
Greenland Fisheries

Traditional



Verse 1:

Oh [C] Green-[G7] -land is a [C] dreadful place, A land that's never [G7] green, Where there's [C] ice and snow, and the [F] whale-fishes [C] blow And daylight's [F] seldom [G7] seen brave boys [C] Daylight's [G7] seldom [C] seen.

Instrumental 4th line:

[C] And daylight's [F] seldom [G7] seen brave boys

Verse 2:

[C] 'Twas in eighteen [G7] hundred and [C] fifty-three Of June the thirteenth [G7] day,
That our [C] gallant ship her [F] anchor [C] weighed,
And for [C] Greenland [F] bore a-[G7]-way, brave boys,
For [C] Greenland [G7] bore a-[C]-way.

Instrumental 4th line:

[C] And daylight's [F] seldom [G7] seen brave boys

Verse 3:

[C] The lookout [G7] high in the [C] crosstrees stood With spyglass in his [G7] hand; "There's a [C] whale, there's a whale, there's a [F] whale-fish," he [C] cried.

She blows at [F] every [G7] span, brave boys She [C] blows at [G7] every [C] span.

Instrumental 4th line:

[C] And daylight's [F] seldom [G7] seen brave boys

Verse 4:

The [C] captain [G7] stood on the [C] quarter deck,

And a fine little man was [G7] he;

"Over-[C] -haul, overhaul! Let your [F] davit-tackles [C] fall,

And launch your [F] boats for the [G7] sea, brave boys

[C] Launch your [G7] boats for the [C] sea."

Instrumental 4th line:

[C] And daylight's [F] seldom [G7] seen brave boys

Verse 5:

Now the [C] boats were [G7] launched and the [C] men aboard, And the whale was full in [G7] view.

Re-[C] -sol-ved was each [F] seaman [C] bold

To steer where the [F] whale-fish [G7] blew, brave boys

To [C] steer where the [G7] whale-fish [C] blew.?

Instrumental verse:

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To [C] steer where the [G7] whale-fish [C] blew.

Verse 6:

We [C] stuck the [G7] whale and the [C] line paid out,

But she gave a flourish with her [G7] tail,

The [C] boat capsized and [F] four men were [C] drowned,

And we never [F] caught that [G7] whale, brave boys,

We [C] never [G7] caught that [C] whale.

Instrumental 4th line:

[C] And daylight's [F] seldom [G7] seen brave boys

Verse 7:

"To [C] lose those [G7] men," our [C] captain said,

It grieves my heart full [G7] sore,"

But we [C] knew that the losing

of a [F] hundred barrel [C] whale

Grieved him [F] ten times [G7] more brave boys,

[C] Grieved him [G7] ten times [C] more.

Instrumental 4th line:

[C] And daylight's [F] seldom [G7] seen brave boys

Verse 8:

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