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FINELY CARVED AND TURNED SAILORS SCRIMSHAW WALKING STICK

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WITH A SPIRAL AND CROSS HATCHED PATTERN ON A WHALEBONE STEM, A SPERM WHALE IVORY FINIAL WITH A BALEEN
INLAID COLLAR
CIRCA 1840 – 50
SIZE: 93CM LONG – 36½ INS LONG

LITERATURE

THESE WALKING STICKS WERE NEVER USED ON BOARD A WHALE SHIP BUT THEY WERE A POPULAR ITEM FOR THE SCRIMSHANDERS TO MAKE. BOTH USEFUL AND ORNAMENTAL THEY WERE MADE AS KEEPSAKES FOR FAMILY MEMBERS AT HOME OR TO SELL TO QUAY SIDE TRADERS ON THE WHALERS RETURN TO PORT.