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WHALERS SCRIMSHAW WALKING STICK

A WHALERS SCRIMSHAW WALKING STICK THE SPIRAL SHAFT CARVED TO RESEMBLE THE TUSK OF A NARWHAL, THE FINIAL CARVED FROM SPERM WHALE TOOTH IVORY AND THE NECK INLAID WITH BALEEN MID 19TH CENTURY SIZE: 89CM LONG – 35 INS LONG

LITERATURE

IN 1844 ON BOARD THE AMERICAN WHALING SHIP 'CLIFFORD WAYNE' OF FAIRHAVEN, MASS, THE BOAT STEERER WROTE IN THE SHIP'S LOG BOOK, 'NOTHING DO WE DO BUT MAKE CANES TO SUPPORT OUR DIGNITY WITH WHEN WE GET HOME'.