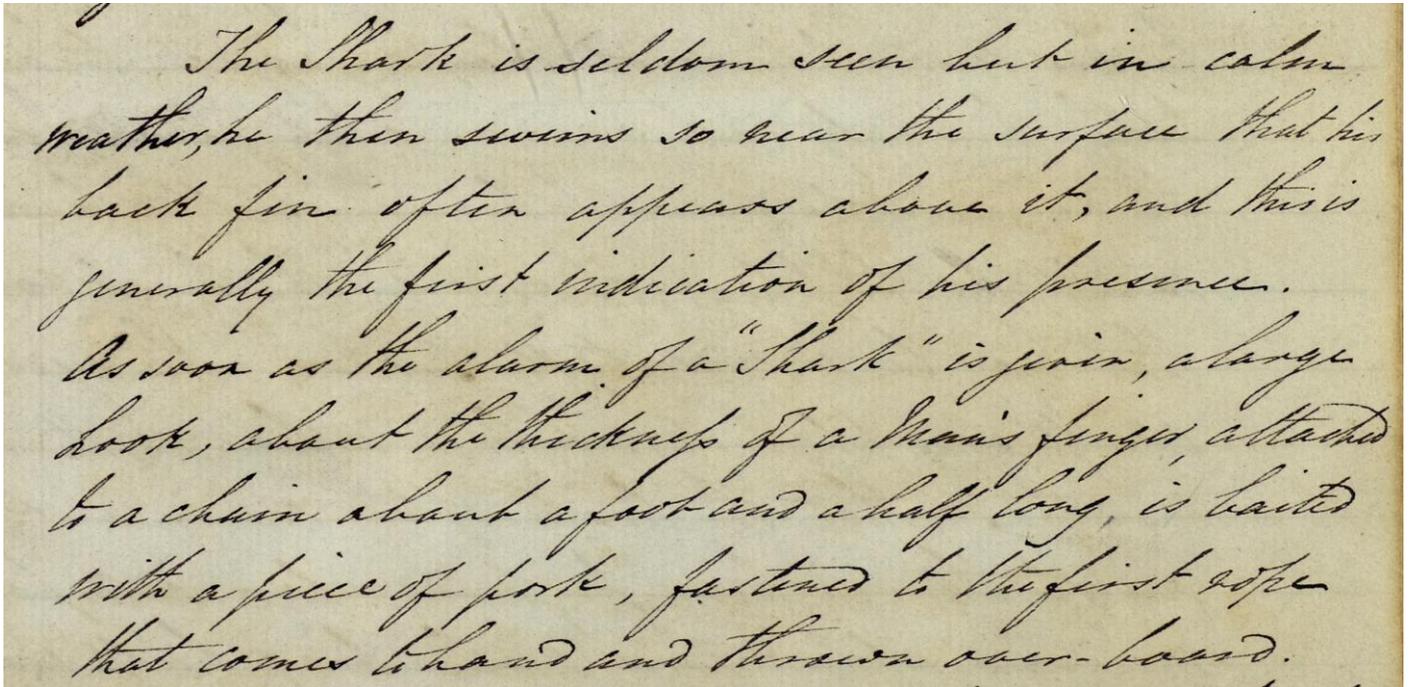


Shark attack!

How to catch a shark.



The Shark is seldom seen but in calm weather, he then swims so near the surface that his back fin often appears above it, and this is generally the first indication of his presence. As soon as the alarm of a "Shark" is given, a large hook, about the thickness of a man's finger, attached to a chain about a foot and a half long, is baited with a piece of pork, fastened to the first rope that comes to hand and thrown over-board.

Captain Oakley saw sharks from the ship when the weather was calm not stormy.

The sharks he saw swam near the surface or top of the sea so that he could see their back fin above the water. When the alarm 'Shark!' was shouted a large hook on a chain with a piece of pork was thrown over the side of the ship.

The shark would try to eat the pork and get caught on the hook.

The people on the ship would cook and eat the shark.

A shark is caught from the ship.

Caught a Shark this afternoon (the second taken during the voyage) measuring about seven feet in length. The largest I ever saw was $10\frac{1}{2}$ feet, taken at St Helena, but I saw

On April 10th a shark was caught in the afternoon. It was 7 feet long which is about 2 metres. The biggest shark Captain Oakley ever saw was $10\frac{1}{2}$ feet long or about $3\frac{1}{2}$ metres.

Captain Oakley's drawing of a shark

