

The Wellerman

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There once was a ship that - put to sea, and the
had not - been two - weeks from shore - when
for the - boat had - hit the wa - ter the
line was - cut, - no whale was freed, - the

name of that ship was the Bil - ly o' Tea, - the wind blew - hard, her -
down on - her - a right - whale bore - The cap - tain - called all -
wha - le's - tail came - up - and caught her. All hands to the side, har -
cap - tain's - mind was - not - on greed! - But he be longed to the

3. Strophe

bow dipped down - - blow, me bul - ly boys, blow! HUH!!
hands and swore, he did take that whale - in tow. low. low.
Whales - men's Creed. The whale took that ship - in tow.

Soon may the Wel - ler - man come to bring us su - gar and tea and rum.

One day, when - the ton - guing is done, we'll take our leave and go!

- 2. She
- 3. Be
- 4. No
- 5. For

5. For forty days or even more (ooh)
The line went slack then tight once more
All boats were lost, there were only four
And still that whale did go

6. As far as I've heard, the fight's still on
The line's not cut, and the whale's not gone
The Wellerman makes his regular call
To encourage the captain, crew and all