

# Wellerman

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**Intro** **Vers 1/3/5**  $\frac{3}{4}$  Dm

*Bass Drum*

1. There once was a ship that put to sea, the  
fore the boat had hit the wa - ter the  
for - ty days or ev - en more the

5 Gm Dm

name of that ship was the Bil - ly Of Tea. The winds blew hard, her  
whale's tail came up and caught her. All hands to the side har -  
line went slack, then tight once more, all boats were lost, there were

8 Dm Am Dm

bow dipped down, blow, my bul - ly boys, blow! (Huh!)  
pooned and fought her when she dived down low. (Huh!)  
on - ly four, but still that whale did go. (Huh!)

**Refrain**

11 Bb F Gm Dm

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

15 Bb F Am Dm

One day, when the tongu-in' is done, we'll take our leave and go. 4. No  
6. As

**Vers 2/4/6**

19 Dm Gm Dm

2. She'd not been two weeks from shore when down on, her a right whale bore. The  
line was cut, no whale was freed, the cap-tain's mind was not of greed! And  
far as I've heard, the fight's still on, the line's not cut, and the whale's not gone! The