

Nathan Evans - Wellerman (Sea Shanty)

tom:

Cm

There once was a ship that put to sea

Fm Cm

And the name of the ship was the Billy of Tea

Cm

The winds blew hard, her bow dipped down

G Cm

O blow, my bully boys, blow

Ab Eb

Soon may the Wellerman come

Fm Cm

To bring us sugar and tea and rum

Ab Eb

One day, when the tonguin' is done

G Cm

We'll take our leave and go

Cm

She had not been two weeks from shore

Fm Cm

When down on her a right whale bore

Cm

The captain called all hands and swore

G Cm

He'd take that whale in tow

Ab Eb

Soon may the Wellerman come

Fm Cm

To bring us sugar and tea and rum

Ab Eb

One day, when the tonguin' is done

G Cm

We'll take our leave and go

(**Ab Eb Fm Cm**)
(**Ab Eb G Cm**)

Cm

Before the boat had hit the water

Fm Cm

The whale's tail came up and caught her

Cm

All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her

G Cm

When she dived down below

Ab Eb

Soon may the Wellerman come

Fm Cm

To bring us sugar and tea and rum

Ab Eb

One day, when the tonguin' is done

G Cm

We'll take our leave and go

Cm

No line was cut, no whale was freed

Fm Cm

The Captain's mind was not of greed

Cm

But he belonged to the whaleman's creed

G Cm

She took the ship in tow

Ab Eb

Soon may the Wellerman come

Fm Cm

To bring us sugar and tea and rum

Ab Eb

One day, when the tonguin' is done

G Cm

We'll take our leave and go

(**Ab Eb Fm Cm**)
(**Ab Eb G Cm**)

Cm

For forty days, or even more

Fm Cm

The line went slack, then tight once more

Cm

All boats were lost (there were only four)

G Cm

But still that whale did go

Ab Eb

Soon may the Wellerman come

Fm Cm

To bring us sugar and tea and rum

Ab Eb

One day, when the tonguin' is done

G Cm

We'll take our leave and go

Cm

As far as I've heard, the fight's still on

Fm Cm

The line's not cut and the whale's not gone

Cm

The Wellerman makes his regular call

Fm Cm

To encourage the Captain, crew, and all

Ab Eb

Soon may the Wellerman come

Fm Cm

To bring us sugar and tea and rum

Ab Eb

One day, when the tonguin' is done

G Cm

We'll take our leave and go

Ab Eb

Soon may the Wellerman come

Fm Cm

To bring us sugar and tea and rum

Ab Eb

One day, when the tonguin' is done

G Cm

We'll take our leave and go

Acordes

