

Tenor

# Wellerman

Anon. arr. The Longest Johns  
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$\text{♩} = 96$   
*mf*

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

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name of that ship was the Bil - ly o' Tea, the  
down on her a right whale bore. The  
wha - le's tail came up and caught her. All  
cap - tain's mind was not on greed! But

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wind blew hard, her bow dipped down,  
cap - tain called all hands and swore, he'd  
hands to the side, har - pooned and fought her, when  
he be - longed to the Whale - man's Creed she

8 *sfz* *mf*  
blow, me bul - ly boys, blow! Huh! Soon may the Wel - ler - man come to  
take that whale in tow.  
she dived down be - low.  
took that ship in tow.

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bring us su - gar and tea and rum. One day, when the ton - guing is done, we'll

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take our leave and go. 2. She for - ty days or ev - en more, the  
3. Be  
4. No  
5. For

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line went slack then tight once more, all boats were lost, there were

23 *mf*  
on - ly four and still that whale did go. Soon may the

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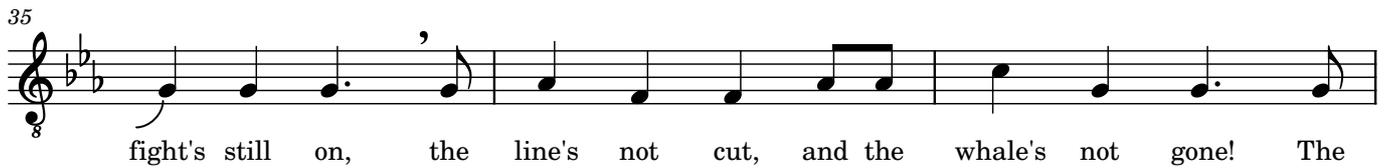
Wel-ler-man come to bring us su-gar and tea and rum. One day, when the

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ton-guing is done, we'll take our leave and go. 6. As far as I've heard, the

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fight's still on, the line's not cut, and the whale's not gone! The

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Wel-ler-man makes his a - re-gu-lar call to en - cour-age the cap - tain,

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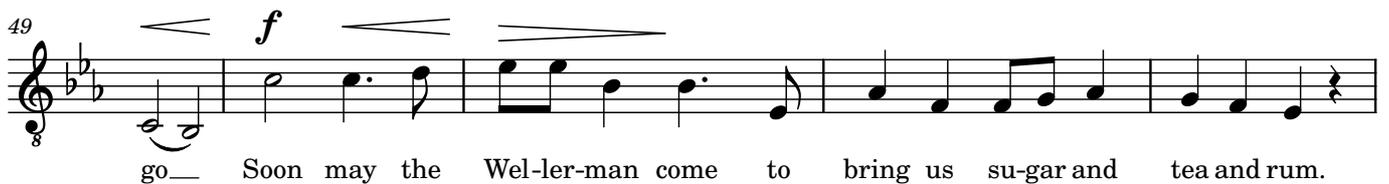
crew and all! Soon may the Wel-ler-man come to bring us su-gar and

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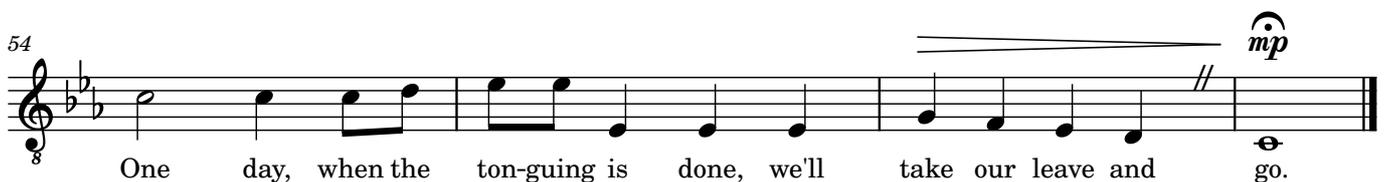
tea and rum. One day, when the ton-guing is done, we'll take our leave and

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

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