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Verse 1

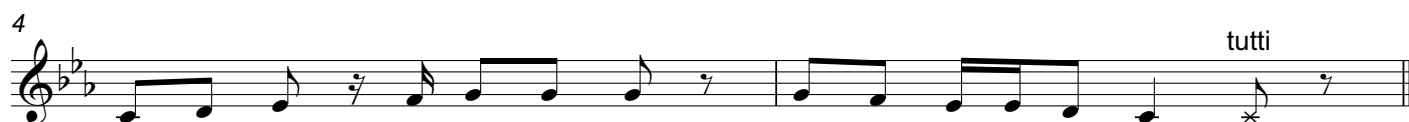
Trad. New Zealand sea shanty

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There once was a ship that put to sea, And the name of the ship was the Bil - ly of Tea, The



winds blew up, her bow dipped down, Blow me bul - ly boys blow. HUH!



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-guin' is done, We'll take our leave and go._____



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Verse 2: She had not been two weeks from shore / When down on her a right whale bore /
The Captain called all hands and swore / He'd take that whale in tow - HUH!

Verse 3: Before the boat had hit the water / The whale's tail came up and caught her /
All hands to the side, harpooned and fought her / She dived down below - HUH!

Verse 4: For forty days or even more / The line went slack then tight once more /
All boats were lost, there were only four / And still the whale did go - HUH!

Verse 5: The line was cut, the whale was freed / The Captain's mind was not of greed /
But he belonged to the whaleman's creed / And he let that whale go - HUH!