

[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!

Chorus: Soon...

[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
When she dived down below.

Chorus: Soon...

[Verse 4]

No line was cut, no whale was freed;
The Captain's mind was not on greed
But he belonged to the whaleman's creed;
She took that ship in tow.

Chorus: Soon...

[Verse 5]

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

Chorus: Soon...

[Verse 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.

Chorus: Soon...