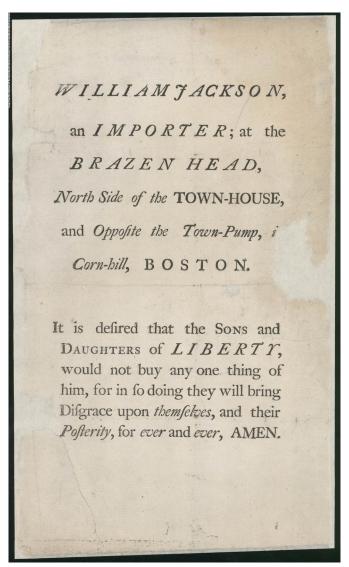
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MISSION 1: "For Crown or Colony?"

Handbill from Boston's Non-Importation Protest, c. 1768-70

Handbills were an important weapon in Boston's non-importation movement in which merchants swore not to import British goods until the Townshend Acts were repealed. Handbills, such as this one, not only exposed any "importer" who refused to join the protest, but warned townspeople not to bring "disgrace" upon themselves by shopping at certain stores.



Transcript:

WILLIAM JACKSON, an IMPORTER; at the BRAZEN HEAD, North Side of the TOWN-HOUSE, and Opposite the Town-Pump, in Cornhill, BOSTON.

It is desired that the SONS and DAUGHTERS of *LIBERTY*, would not buy any one thing of him, for in so doing they will bring Disgrace upon *themselves*, and their *Posterity*, for *ever* and *ever*, AMEN.

Source: William Jackson, an Importer; at the Brazen Head, Broadside 39.9 cm x 23.9 cm [Boston, between 1768-1770], Massachusetts Historical Society

