

00:00:00:00 - 00:00:04:05

Briny Brew

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At one of the meetings at Old South, John Rowe, who was a Boston merchant,

00:00:08:15 - 00:00:10:21

Rowe's Wharf, was his wharf.

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And he had street lights coming in.

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He wanted to get the street lights off of the ships here.

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He owned one of the ships too, so he was really worried about his ship.

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And he didn't take strong political stands.

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At one of these meetings at Old South Meeting House,

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Rowe said rhetorically, "I wonder how the tea would mix with salt water."

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And there is this great cheer.

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People think, this old Tory, John Rowe is now on our side.

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He was just thinking aloud as what to do about the tea.

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Well, it can't go back to England
because the governor says no,

00:00:43:14 - 00:00:46:26
it can't be unloaded
because the town says no.

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So we'll throw it into the harbor
and destroy it.

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So that becomes what happens with the tea.