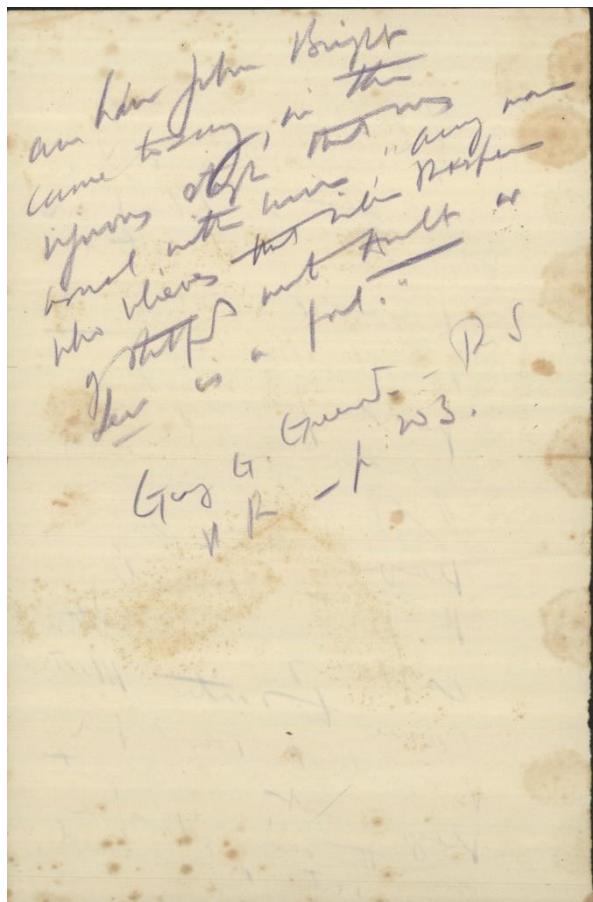


If we knew nothing,
we might imagine
anything. What we do know is
fatal to the case. It gives rise to the
strongest possible presumption against
the identity of Shakespeare the player
with Shakespeare the poet. It fully
explains how Whittier came to write
"Whether Bacon wrote the wonderful
plays or not, I am quite sure the man
Shakespeare neither did nor could,"



and how Lord John Bright
came to say, in the
vigorous style that was usual
with him, "Any man that believes that
William Shakespeare of Stratford wrote
Hamlet or *Lear* is a fool."

George Granville Greenwood - The
Shakespeare
Problem Restarted - p. 203.

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