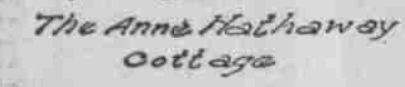
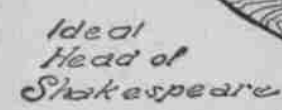
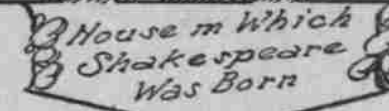
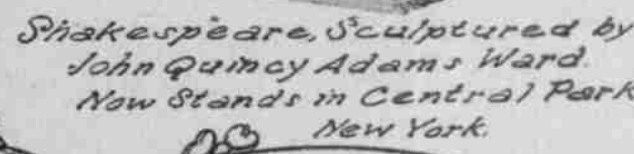
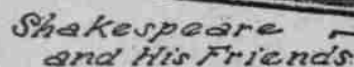


Research Work by American Throws
Light on Life of Poet. Theory That
Bard Was Also Brewer is Exploded.



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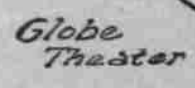
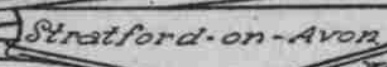
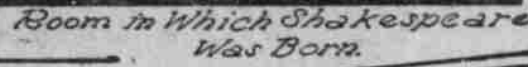
The record of this transaction, as entered on the Manor Rolle, was long ago found by Malone. Nearly a century later, about 1881, Halliwell-Phillipps published also other records relating to it from the land revenue department of the exchequer, one, of 1604, correctly



Again, at a Court held of October 7, 1628, Dr. Hall was fined 12d, thus: "Of John Hall of Stratford vpon Avenent one of the customary tenants of this Mannor at the feast of St. Michael tharchangell next ensuynge for his common fyne for respectinge his suite to the Courte—xijd."

Then, in the "Rentall of the Mannor of Rowington," 1630, is entered the annual payment of rent to the Crown—"Mr. John Hall for his coppiehold iij. vjd," as we should find it in every year if all the records were extant.

Then comes another William of Rowington. At a Court Leet and Court Baron held October 20, 1625, a fine was levied against "William Shakesper the younger for that he hath not scoured his ditchs accordinge to the paine—xlijd." Next, from the record of "the Grate Leete & Courte Baro of our Sovereigne Lord Kinge Charles for the Manor of Rowington, held October 7. 1628, we read, not only the item of the fine of 13d on Dr. H.



The Poet and the Brewers.
We turn now to the question of the brewer or maltster William Shakespeare.
There were, as every one familiar with the history of the city knows, many breweries in London in the sixteenth century. The city was a great center of the brewing industry, and the brewers were a powerful and influential class. The city was a great center of the brewing industry, and the brewers were a powerful and influential class.

The certainty that he was not, however, is not even questionable, it is absolute, and is so regarded by modern historians who have examined

ington in 1742 wrote: "The marks of William Shakespeare" another William, the eldest son of Richard and Elizabeth Shapere, Rowington, who brought with reference to the wills both his parents in 1814, for they both died in April of that year, and with his wife, Margery, was for the next six years engaged in a bitter controversy with his youngest brother, John, a weaver, in litigation that involved his other brothers, Richard

Did the William Shakespeare, who regularly sold malt at Stratford, belong to this same family of brewers? Shakespeare?

In the Court of Record at Stratford is the entry of a suit brought in Michaelmas, 1604, by "William Shexxepere" against Philip Rogers to recover

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