

John Bright

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By the kindness of Ernest E. Taylor we are able to present our readers with above reproduction of the carving by John Bright [1811-1889] of his initials on a form in the Meeting House at Newton-in-Bowland, in the year 1826. We are informed that many years later, about 1870, when John Bright revisited Newton, he looked at the carving and acknowledged it as his work.

When I reflect on the deep mysteries of our religion - when I remember my own doubts and my own faults, - when I think upon the awful & unknown future, - what can I that I should judge another in religious things, & condemn a fellow man to exclusion & persecution on such grounds as these?

London

April 30. 1851

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Postscript of a letter addressed to Isaac Sharp [1806-1897] at "Sydney, N.S.W." from 132, Piccadilly, London, in the possession of Isaac Sharp, nephew of the above.