

Wen-Nefer Rabbit Has Fallen



On the tree lined path,
an early morning discovery:
a small furry form
lying besides an upward pointing rock.
Had he been ruler of his rabbit realm?
His small arms crossed like ancient pharaoh,
although crook and flail are missing.
He will no longer encircle his domain,
ensuring all of his strength.
He has chased his last she-rabbit.
His progeny will remember,
King rabbit shall live in memory.

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Wen-nefer (Unn-Nefer) is one of the titles of Osirus, the Egyptian god of the dead. A rabbit forms the 'wen' hieroglyph.