

BE NOT WISE IN YOUR OWN CONCEITS. Rom. 12. 16.

OVER THE FENCE.

BOY.

OVER the fence is a garden fair—
How I would love to be over there!
All that I lack is a mere pretence!
I could leap over the low white fence.

CONSCIENCE.

This is the way that crimes commence;
Sin and sorrow are over the fence.

BOY.

Over the fence I can toss my ball,
And then go in for it—that is all;
Picking an apple up under the tree
Would not be really a theft, you see.

CONSCIENCE.

That is a falsehood, a weak pretence;
Sin and sorrow are over the fence.

BOY.

Whose is the voice that speaks so plain?
Twice have I heard it, and not in vain;
So I'll not venture to look that way,
Lest I may do what I planned to-day.

CONSCIENCE.

Remember, thus all crimes commence,
Coveting that which is over the fence;
Remember, God from above doth view
Whatever you think, and whatever
[you do.

COME TO THE BOY'S
MEETING.

SHAFTESBURY HALL,

Every FRIDAY Evening, at 8 o'clock.

ALL WELCOME.

STONE BOOKS.



WHAT strange books they must be! I wonder what they look like? We think we hear some of our boys asking this question. We will try to answer the question by telling something about them. Probably the oldest volume is now in the British Museum. It is the lid of a mummy case covered with Hieroglyphics, or picture writing. This stone book is perhaps 4000 years old.

It was found in the Great Pyramid in Egypt, and it gives the name and some of the history of the builder of the Pyramids.

But let us look at another library of stone books. To do so, we must visit Egypt, and sail up the river Nile until we arrive at the ruins of the ancient city Thebes. Among the largest ruins is the "Temple of Karnak" Of its pillars, 134 are still standing as when put up 1600 years before Jesus was born.

These ruins are very interesting, as their vast stone pages furnish us many facts relating to Sacred History.

Suppose we try to read a page in this great stone book. The page open before us is a huge picture. It represents a King returning from battle, leading 63 prisoners and now in the act of presenting them to his god. Under the figure of the king is his name "Shishak."

BE KINDLY AFFECTIONED ONE TO ANOTHER. Rom. 12. 10.