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### Fishing for Men.

"When you bait your hook with your heart the fish will bite." This sentence from the writings of America's great prophet of nature struck home to my heart as I read of the first time. Dal Hurrong's meant that fish most shy of man's approach, and most suspicious of attempts to catch them, could not resist the fisherman whose heart was not only in his business, but also in his bait? Doubtless it is true of fish as of men, that when they are hardest to catch only heart-fishermen can catch them. Any land-lubber can catch fish when they run in schools, snapping at everything in sight, even bare hooks; but trout that flee at the shadow of a fisherman or rod require patience and wisdom, love's two hands in heart work of any kind. Burrough's sentence may serve to help us find a bait that will fill the Brotherhood basket with fish hardest to catch—men. — *The Brotherhood Star.*

### The Church a Help.

How often people say: "I would like to join the Church, but I am not good enough." Do they want to be? Do they mean to be? There is no place in the world that will so help them to be good. What if a plant should say, "I am not strong enough to be in the garden; I must live by the roadside a little longer"—where would it get strong to what if a child should say, "I would like to go to school, but I do not know enough"—where would it learn so well? What if a boy wanted to go to a gymnasium, but said, "I have not got enough muscle"—where else would he get muscle?

The Church is meant to help us, to build us up, to strengthen us, to equip us for living and laboring for our Master. Entering the Church is not the end but the beginning of the Christian life; not professing that we are good enough to be registered, but confessing that we are sinners, that we have found a Saviour and that we need all the help we can get. If you have joined the Lord, join the Church, not for His sake only, but for your own.— *Dr. M. D. Babcock.*

### Telling Faults.

Many were the interesting experiences belonging to the first Northfield conference called by D. L. Moody. One especially shows Mr. Moody himself in his varying phases. It was the conversation hour at noon, and about a hundred men were sitting under the tent on Round Top.

Mr. Moody, leaning sturdily against the tent-pole, led the meeting. Suddenly there came from him the plump question, "Brethren, how many of you have so grown in grace that you can bear to have your faults told?"

Many hands went up. Quick as a flash, but neither sharply nor insultingly Mr. Moody turned to a young minister, and said: "Brother, you have spoken thirteen times in twelve days here, and perhaps shut out twelve other good men from speaking."

It was true. The young man had been presuming and officious. He had held up his hand, but he could not bear to be children; and now he stoutly defended himself, only making matters worse. Then another minister broke forth, and berated Mr. Moody for his bluntness. The latter blushed, but listened until the reproof was done. Then he suggestively covered his face, and spoke through his fingers: "Brethren, I admit the fault my friend charges me with; but, brethren, I did not hold up my hand!"

A GENUINE revival means a trimming of personal lamps.— *T. L. Cuyler, D. D.*

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