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Christmas  
1928

To Eleanor F. Cary

With all best wishes

Frank Mackie Johnson



In Quiet Waters

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## INTRODUCTION

Fishes are the oldest of the vertebrate animals, the first to be evolved in the scheme of creation; and Angling is as old as the eternal hills. The fish-hook is mentioned in several books of the Old Testament, and fish-hooks of bone, shell, stone, and bronze are found in the deposits of prehistoric ages.

The first book on Angling was written by an English woman of noble birth, Dame Juliana Berners, whose father was beheaded in 1388. She was Prioress of Sopwell Nunnery, near St. Albans, England. She was author of treatises on Hunting, Hawking, and Angling. The latter treatise was entitled "Fisshynge With An Angle," and was printed, a folio edition, in London, in 1496. This, it will be remembered, is more than four hundred years ago, and a dozen generations of Anglers have since risen up to call her blessed.

In her treatise on Angling she gave explicit directions for making rods, lines, hooks, sinkers, and floats, and gave the formulas