

This fish is apt to mix its milt with the roe of other fish; whence is produced a spurious breed, as has been observed in the offspring of the carp and tench, which bore the greatest resemblance to the first. The same has also been observed of the carp and bream.

Mr. J. Rheinhold Forster, in the *Philosophical Transactions* for 1771, Art 37, gives us the following observations on the subject of Carp:—

“ In Polish Prussia,” says he, “ and many
“ other parts of Germany, the sale of carp
“ constitutes a part of the revenue of the no-
“ bility and gentry; so that the proper ma-
“ nagement of that fish is reduced to a kind of
“ system, founded on the experience of several
“ generations. The author here communi-
“ cates all the particulars which he has been
“ able to collect from the practice of these ex-
“ periented breeders and feeders of carp, and
“ from his own observation. He recollects to
“ have seen some of these fish, thus treated and
“ maintained, above a yard long, and 25
“ pounds weight; but had no opportunity of
“ ascertaining their age. In the pond, how-
“ ever, at Charlottenburg, he adds, a palace
“ belonging to the king of Prussia, I saw more