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TODAY'S AQUARIST

Dave Hopp and Paul Harvey

This magazine was started by Don S. Johnson who also published Aquarium Hobbyist. The first issue and the two following are dated 1974 while Volume One, Number Four, was published in 1975. The same issue contained the index to the first volume on page forty-four.

Contributing editors were Ross Socolof, Martin Moe, Jack Freiberg, and Dr. Geoffrey Fryer. The issues featured articles on recently imported cichlids and was popular among all cichlid enthusiasts. The next two issues, both from Volume Two, were published in 1975. Volume Two, Number Three, was issued in 1976 and the last issue came out in 1977. Dave had difficulty obtaining Volume One, Number Two, while I found the last two issues of Volume Two were the hardest to obtain. Don Johnson claimed a distribution of 15,000 issues on page 44 of Volume Two, Number Four. During the last five years, we have heard rumors that one or two more issues were published.

The articles in Today's Aquarist introduced aquarists to many new species. Dave and I agree that both the printing and photographs were high quality. Unfortunately, like all good things, Today's Aquarist came to an untimely end after only publishing eight issues.

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"Enjoyed reading your review of AQUARIUM HOBBYIST in CAL. The AH print run was approximately 18,000 per issue. The reason Aquarium Hobbyist ceased publication was this. AH was published by Forge Publications, Riverside, CT. Forge published trade magazines in various fields and started AH at my suggestion as I was convinced the hobby needed a credible alternative to TFH, and The Aquarium (which Metaframe originally hired me to edit) was being treated as an unwelcome stepchild by Mattel.

Forge was sold to a trade magazine publisher in South Carolina which had no interest in pursuing AH. I offered to buy the magazine from Forge's principals but their asking price was on the order of the GNP of Nepal. Feeling a Responsibility to our readers, my beautiful wife (now ex but that's another story) and I started TODAY'S AQUARIST out of our own pockets. Unfortunately, the ad revenue vs production costs ratio did not let us continue. The fact that a few of our "friends" in the industry never paid their bills was also a factor."

"As for TODAY'S AQUARIST, each issue was 44,000 copies, sent to individual subscribers worldwide and to bulk subscribers (stores). Subscribers were a mix of hobbyists and professional ichthyologists. Editorial slant was towards the advanced aquarist, both freshwater and marine. The magazine was published quarterly and survived for two years. Reasons for the failure included lack of sufficient advertising revenues (again) and Warner-Lambert's purchase of Kordon which sank our agreement with Kordon for it to act as sole U.S. distributor for our book division products. Which is why my Mbuna book never received the distribution it deserved."

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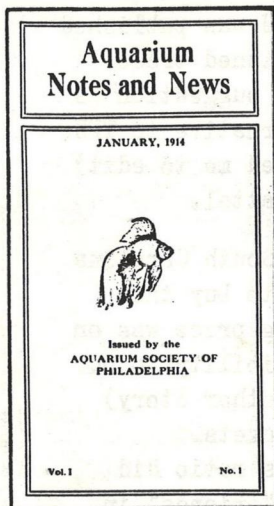
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AQUARIUM NOTES AND NEWS

by Frank Fuqua



Aquarium Notes and News was one of the more obscure publications produced in the early days of the aquarium hobby. Published by the Aquarium Society of Philadelphia, the first issue appeared in January of 1914.

It was a small publication, measuring approximately 6 x 3 1/4 inches and normally containing eight pages. It was issued ten times per year (monthly except July and August).

The purpose of Aquarium Notes and News was to communicate the Society's activities to the many corresponding members and to those local members who may have missed meetings. It is unlikely that many issues came into the hands of those who were not associated with the Society.

At the time, Philadelphia was the center of goldfish activity in the country and most of the members of the Aquarium Society of Philadelphia concentrated on matters related to goldfish. The early issues of Aquarium Notes and News were full of discussions of the establishment of official goldfish judging standards and such "innovations" as the aeration of aquariums and the use of thermostatically controlled, gas fired aquarium heaters.

As time passed, numerous references were published regarding the need to expand the group's activity to include the new "tropical" phase of the hobby. This apparently did not happen, however, since published articles continued to concentrate almost exclusively on goldfish, native fish of the Philadelphia area, live foods and aquarium or pond management.

The last issue known to this author was dated October 1917 and labeled Vol IV, No. 10 (this should have been Vol IV, No. 8). If this was in fact the last issue, the reason for the discontinuance of the publication is unknown.

It may be noteworthy that in September 1917 a new slate of officers was elected. The October publication carried a list of the new officers on the masthead. It did not include the traditional reference to a publication committee or to an editor. It was also decided in September to move the meeting place of the October and subsequent meetings.

Clearly it was a time of change for the Society. Although it is pure speculation, one might conclude from the limited indications available that the new officers either discontinued Aquarium Notes and News or changed it to some other format which was not retained by collectors of such literature.

If anyone has information related to when and why Aquarium Notes and News was discontinued, this author would like very much to receive it in order to complete the story.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'F. Fuqua', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Today's Aquarium

by Keith E. Taylor

For those collecting aquarium literature there is a new quarterly journal by the name of "Today's Aquarium". However, a few may be more familiar with the name "Aquarium Heute" as its the German magazine from which "Today's Aquarium" is translated into English four months later. This translation is provided by Mr. Eberhard Schulze and those familiar with "Aquarist and Pondkeeper" or "Practical Fishkeeping" know that he's owner of the London aquarium shop "The Highgate Aquarist".

"Today's Aquarium" refers to itself as "The international Magazine for the optimum aquarium and a glance at its contents seems to confirm this. Topics are many and include: editorial news, fresh and saltwater fish, plants, diseases, chemistry and technology just to name a few. One column called "We Present" is devoted to a potpourri of new ideas from hobbyists and readers plus biographies on those who are making the news in the hobby. Of particular interest to "CAL" readers is the "From the Aquarium Museum" section, a column given over to aquarium history, antiquated management techniques, old books and journals.

The physical layout is similar to "Aquarium Digest International". Though slightly smaller in size, this is compensated by having a greater number of pages, averaging about forty-six. There are color photographs on almost every page which are of an exceptionally high quality. Plans may be in the making for a two ring binder as the spine staples are looped for mounting.

Subscriptions to "Today's Aquarium" can be obtained through: AQUADOCUMENTA LONDON, 70 Wood Vale, London N103DN. Rates are 7.50 surface mail or 9.50 airmail in pound sterling. International money order or checks drawn on a London bank is required for payment. As of this writing the premier March issue is still available. Though expensive for four issues, I highly recommend this magazine for those who are looking for a publication with a "European" point of view. I know of no U.S. distributor but will keep you informed if one becomes available.



THE FIRST AQUARIUM ARTICLE IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE

by Dale Speirs

A brief note in the February issue of CAL mentions the first English language article on keeping fish in a glass container. The January 1746 issue of Philosophical Transactions is not a common item, so herewith is the article as it was published. The citation for this article is as follows: Arderon, Wm. (1746) On keeping of small fish in glass jars: And of an easy method of catching fish. PHIL. TRANS. (LONDON) 44:23-27.

At the time this article was published, the English language had more or less stabilized as far as grammar and inflection were concerned. In this article, you will see that most nouns are capitalized. The letter 'f' does double duty, as in the 1700s it was also used for the lower case letter 's'. For example, the word 'glass' was spelled 'glafs' but pronounced the same as it is today.

Despite being published 240 years ago, the article is surprisingly up-to-date in content. Arderon emphasizes the importance of regular water changes for aquaria. He suggests that predatory fish are more easily tamed. A very relevant comment is that people will look down on native fish but prefer exotic species.

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held near a Quart. I kept it till the latter End of May following; in which time it grew full half an Inch in Length, but very little in Breadth.

I began my Observations with this Kind of Fish, because I took it to be the most difficult (having formerly made some few Attempts this Way); supposing, if I but tolerably succeeded in this, my other Attempts might be more fortunate.

All this while it seldom or never eat any thing, excepting the small *Animacula* which happened to be in the Water I gave it; which I found necessary to do once every Day in Winter, and twice or thrice in the Spring, as the Weather grew warmer.

When the Water was fresh, it would come up to the Top about once in an Hour, to blow out some small Bubbles of Air; then, putting its Nose near the Surface, it would take in a fresh Supply; and when it had taken in a sufficient Quantity, it would retire to the Bottom again.

But, as the Water became more and more adulterated by its Ufe, its Returns to the Surface were more frequent, till, at last, it would remain there continually, till I gave it a fresh Quantity.

Thus, I believe, I might have kept this Fish for Years; but a Multitude of Business one Day prevented me from giving it clean Water in due Time; which unfortunately put a Period to the Life of my little Companion.

However, such Care I had taken before of this beautiful little Animal, that, to the Moment it died, it had not so much as lost one single Scale.

At first when I catch'd this silver-colour'd Fish, it would not suffer me to come nigh the Glass which included

included it, without the utmost Confusion and Surprise; but at last, by gentle Usage, and a little Art, it grew so tame, that if I came but in Sight, I would be sure to be of the same Side of the Glass I was on, and there lie gazing at me until I was weary of observing of it.

I very often took the Opportunity of looking upon this Fish by Candle-light, which I always thought it took great Pleasure in.

In the before-mention'd Month of September 1744. I likewise put a *Ruff*, about three Inches in Length, into another Glass, which held about three Quarts. This Fish at first appeared mighty reserved, and would not eat any thing, or suffer me to come nigh it, for several Days; but, in a very short time, all-powerful Hunger assisted me to make it so tame, as is scarce believable.

Tho' my Dace found, amongst the minute *Animacula*, the little Inhabitants of our River-Water, enough to subsist upon, this *Ruff* found nothing by which it could satisfy the Calls of Nature; so, of consequence, was compell'd to take what I provided for it, and in what particular Manner I was pleas'd to give it.

After this Method did I bring it to be so tame, that it would not only eat small Worms I threw into the Glass for it, but would also take them out of my Hands, or of a Quill, just as I thought proper to give it them: Nay it would even rise out above the Water for its Prey: Which is quite contrary to the Way this kind of Fish takes its Food. And, at last, it would come to my Hand whenever I put it into the Glass, and suffer me to handle it.

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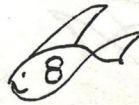


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4. In morbis infantum, quorum natura videtur reconditor, ex accurata partium externarum contem- platione, indagans, fortassis aliquid lucis elici queat: ideoque nequaquam pretermittendum.

5. Quotiescunque tubercula, pustulae exanthemata, singularem aliquam corporis regionem occupant, ibi fubus, in vicinia, malum fomitem latere suspi- candum.

Ita tandem casum, nulla arte sanabilem, et forte nimia diligentia exposui; id vero egre te latrum- haud quidem exiftimo: nolent enim necire cor- dationes in arte viri, quibus ex causis prematura mors superveniat, quotiescunque cadavera Infrandi copia conceditur: ipsos etenim medentes non solum rerum gnatos peritoseque reddit, verum etiam tam orbatos dolorem minuit, quam dædectus auferit arti, palam per- spectum habere, nullis remediis, nulla ope, ne qui- dem tua, supremam fortem potuisse protrahi.

Valc, vir candidè, diuque felix orbi interis, bona- rum artium patronus, medicæque juvenutis pater atque princeps.

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Read Jan. 16. **I**N the Beginning of September 1744-1745-6. **I**I procured a small *Dace*, about an Inch in Length, which I put into a glass Jar, that held

But, to ease me of my Care, when I had made all the Observations I thought necessary, and in Pity to its Confinement, when I had kept it about seven or eight Months, I gave it its Liberty.

Out of the various Sorts of Fish I have made Trial of, I never could bring any to be so tame as this above-mention'd: From which I infer, that Fish of Prey, as Pikes, Perch, Ruffs, &c. are the properst Objects for this kind of Amusement; and did but our *English Virtuosi* know how easily these sort of Fish are tamed, and kept in Glasses, it might be a means to lessen their Esteem for those brought from *China*; unless it chiefly rise from their coming four or five Thousand Miles off.

Of all the Kinds of Fish I have view'd the Circulation of the Blood in, there's none shew it in a finer manner than Ruffs, whose Fins are exceedingly transparent: Besides, it's a Fish that's vastly tenacious of Life, and will live twenty or thirty Minutes out of Water, and not receive much Damage.

AS WHAT can any ways conduce to the Service of Mankind, however trifling it may appear to some, will never prove disagreeable to an ingenious and humane Mind, I shall add hereto a short Account how small Fish are catch'd in some Parts of *Norfolk*.

At a Country Town about five or six Miles from *Norwich*, the poor Sort of People have a very cheap and expeditious Method of catching small Fish, such as Dace, Roach, &c. out of a little Rivulet which runs close by.

The Method is thus.

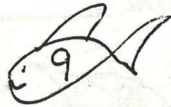
They procure a Bough of White-thorn, which abounds with Numbers of Thorns; one of which they cut off, and fashion into the Form represented by *A. TAB. I. Fig. 2.*

To this they tie a Piece of Thread, as pictured at *B.*

Then they take a Worm, and slip it on the Thorn and Thread together, as is shewn at *C.* The other End of the Thread they fasten to some small Twig that hangs over the Rivulet, as *D.*

Thus they do by some Hundreds at a time; by which means they seldom fail of catching a great many Fishes: For no sooner does a Fish take the Worm into its Mouth, and endeavour to be gone, than its Mouth is gagged quite open, and it is presently drowned.

Jan. 16. 1745-6.



CAL SEZ

Recently, I have not had the time to spend on my collection that it deserves due to a new house and sixty hour work weeks. As a result, I ended up with a pile of letters, magazines and books. Finally, I could not find my airline ticket for the ACA Convention in the pile, so I decided to clean up my act. First, I checked and catalogued all books and magazines. This reduced the pile by over fifty percent! Next, I wrote five letters that answered questions and finalized trades. I then sent five parcels through the mail in exchange for material received. The result, after fifteen hours of hard work over the Fourth of July weekend is a two inch pile of letters to be answered! Here are my suggestions to prevent this pile and resulting long hours of work to reduce it:

1. Check and file books and magazines upon arrival. If they are unsatisfactory, return them immediately, this enables the sender to correct the situation.
2. Answer correspondence the same week it arrives. This enables others to quickly do business with you.
3. I have started a schedule of one hour every other night to keep up.

Give it a try and hope it works for you!

I saw recently the English translation of Aquarium Heute which is called Today's Aquarium and understand a second issue is due out shortly. A friend in Australia has sent me a newspaper publication called The Australian Aquarist's Digest which has published at least a dozen issues. Also, he sent me a slick publication called Aquarium Life Australia. The best of the three is Today's Aquarium with both high quality photography and articles. Of interest to me was the article on Biotodoma cupido.

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The ACA convention was great. It was my first . I enjoyed everything about it. What I enjoyed most was talking with members of CAL. The first one I meet was Jare Sauseman from Pa. who came up with Paul Harvey to the airport. I also met Tom Tilles from CT., Mike Borsom from Wis., Dan Martin from Tx., Wayne Leibel from Pa., Lee Finley from RI., Ross Socolof from Fla., Sty Wheeler from Ohio, Paul Loiselle from Wi., Marcia Repanes from N.Y., Dan Thompson & wife from Va., Mike Wise & wife from Colo., Gerald Hoffman from Va., Fontaine Weyman from Ga., Steve Stewart from N.Y., who I only spoke to for a second and could not find later, sorry Steve. Also met Dick Strever from Ca.. These are all the names I can remember.

There was no meeting of CAL per say just people getting together in halls, rooms or the bar. Everybody I talked (CAL) with enjoyed that part of the convention. Jare S. took a few people over to his house to see his collection. Thank You, Jare. Hopefully the next ACA convention we will do more. There is talk about it already.

Dave

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Hobby Publications and Communications

DAVE KNELSON

... in Holland

INTRODUCTION

The geographical confines of any nation often dictate the ways in which members of our hobby communicate and perhaps even, to some extent, how our Federations are operated. It is perhaps no surprise to readers to discover that even in Europe the methods and procedures are not too different than those to which we in North America have accepted as workable for us. The following is an account of the vital matters of communications in a country which would appear most insignificant in size when placed onto a map of North America, but the obvious similarities in this context will readily be seen.

Holland, although geographically quite small, has some 250 aquarium societies which represent about 23,000 aquarists. This compares favorably with the figures of North America which has an estimated 300 local societies representing some 28,000 aquarists. A large discrepancy appears when total population figures are seen, with North America in excess of 225,000,000 and Holland with a population of just about 15,000,000. With such a concentration of aquarists with the ability to communicate face-to-face and to also maintain a close liaison with their counterparts in other European countries it only follows that Holland should be able to boast as being the native home of some of the world's leading tropical fish authorities as well as being a cornerstone in the organized hobby in Europe. Underlying this prestigious status is the fact that it was accomplished only through communication. Indeed, our entire hobby all over the world has advanced simply due to abundant communication at all levels.

COMMUNICATIONS IN HOLLAND

Starting at the bottom of the organizational chart we see the local society communicating with the general public. This is primarily carried out through public shows and expositions. In Holland, shows are judged, but only in three N.B.A.T. recognized display classes, while expositions are not. The most current exposition is planned to last four months, from December 20, 1984 to April, 1985. The event is to be held in and in conjunction with the Rotterdam public aquarium and along with representatives from industry. The public exposure obtained through such events is perhaps the hobby's most useful resource in public relations promotions and membership solicitation.

Local club in Holland meet, as do most North American clubs, once each month. Their meeting format and activities closely resemble our in all respects. However, this is where the similarity ends.

Holland is divided geographically into 15 districts. Each local club within a district's area is represented at district level. The districts each have an administrative body which is headed by a chairman. District administrative meetings are held once each month and at these meetings information is passed both upwards and downwards. This gathering is for the purpose of conducting business and is in addition to the business meetings of the local society.

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Every second month the District Chairmen meet with the N.B.A.T.'s National level Board to again pass information both ways. In this manner, the Dutch organized hobby communicates from the bottom to top and top to bottom through face-to-face meetings on a regular basis.

Because of the above ability there is no need to hold a Convention such as we know it for business matters. N.B.A.T. sponsors two activities at national level each year. The main one of these is the Bondsdag, or Club Day, which is designed to be entertaining rather than educational. The second is an educational workshop with speakers' topics dedicated to a common educational subject such as, Water Quality or the cultivation of aquatic plants, etc.

On the International level, N.B.A.T. is a founding member of A.T.I. (Aqua-Terra International), a group consisting of the 12 European Federations and of which F.A.A.S. is an observer member. The operations of A.T.I. are also originated from Holland with the two officers of A.T.I. the Secretariat and the Treasurer both being Dutch.

AQUARIUM PUBLICATIONS IN HOLLAND

Equally as important to the organized hobby as face-to-face meetings is the written word, and again the Dutch aquarists have an excellent system for this. Starting at the lowest level and working up we have the local society publication. Most local clubs do publish a small magazine on a regular basis.

The sample used for this account is that of the Aquarium Club Rods Rio (named after the Red Rio, or von Rio tetra). Their monthly publication is surprisingly similar to the majority of those in North America. It is printed on paper just over the standard 8 1/2 X 11" size similar to that of the former Minot Fin & Gill Society of Minot, ND. The print is reduced size and a multilith method is used for printing.

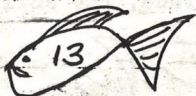
A total of 39 ads ranging in size from business card to full page appear within the 28 pages of the publication. These ads are varied in nature from pet shops to bakeries, bike shops, wine shops and cigars.

The inside first page is typically a listing of club officers and editorial staff. Club, District and N.B.A.T. announcements follow as do minutes, etc. The September issue contains just four educational articles written by club members and a puzzle. Indeed, quite similar to our own.

There is no publication at District level due to the fact that required communication is by letter form from District to local societies.

The main means of publication on the administrative side is a newsletter issued monthly to Districts and local clubs from the National Federation containing news of activities and mainly business matters. Two copies are sent to each society.

And now for the item which I feel is the most important difference between us and the N.B.A.T.



HET AQUARIUM

Every single member of every Dutch aquarium society is obliged to subscribe to a publication published by N.B.A.T. This is a professionally prepared publication similar in size to the old TFH format. The production is done by N.B.A.T. members and involves a group of four co-editors, a coordinator over the editors, and twelve Technical Advisors. The publication is prepared in a single weekend as for content and material. All materials for publication are submitted three months in advance and copy to the professional publisher is submitted six weeks before mailing date.

The dues of an Aquarium Club Rode Rio member are about \$22.00 for adults and \$14.00 for young members per year. This covers the receipt of each monthly issue of Het Aquarium, a copy of the monthly local publication and other usual benefits of membership. The society in turn must provide N.B.A.T. a set amount to pay for the subscription for the member as a member of N.B.A.T. Therefore, local clubs surrender a part of their dues to N.B.A.T. for N.B.A.T. operational expenditures.

A typical copy of Het Aquarium contains 46 pages. The majority of photographs are black & white but several color prints also appear. The front cover is also in fantastic color. Indeed, a very professional publication. A recent issue contains 27 ads, again ranging in size from calling card to full page. The publication size is exactly that of ADI and the print is very similar, as well being reduced from standard type. This issue contains six feature articles of varying content, a column for announcements of shows and conventions plus one on the N.B.A.T. Convention, as well as an Items for Sale section very similar to the FAMA format. All in all, an exceptional publication produced by a hobbyist organization. Having met and spoken with three of the four co-editors, I can really appreciate the contribution their efforts and the resulting publication make to the Dutch hobby.

Het Aquarium is also available to non-club members on subscription for about \$16.00 (US) foreign and \$14.50 (US) in Holland.

The final publication is the Dutch translation of ADI, known here as TI'H. This magazine is published in the Dutch language, as well as the language of all major European nations, and is available on a regular basis either by the single copy or on a subscription basis at prices comparable to those in North America. The content varies from what we get only because this publication has been available here in Europe for a lot longer than it has been at home. The style, printing, and format are identical to our ADI.

SUMMARY

Like all hobbyists dedicated to their interests, the Dutch aquarists are keenly interested in news from other countries and foreign publications. Should you feel inclined to communicate with a Dutch aquarist, you can be almost positively assured that he will be able to correspond in English.

Due to the nature of the Dutch economy the training in languages in schools of Holland is extremely important. Dutch students receive instructional courses in English, German, French and Spanish as well as other languages, which are optional. Being primarily an industrial country, which relies a great deal upon international trade, the ability to be linguistically versatile is most obvious.

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These three pages are from the catalog of Antiquariaat Junk b.v. in Holland. Each of the following two pages shows two books for sale on ichthyology with a plate and description of the book.

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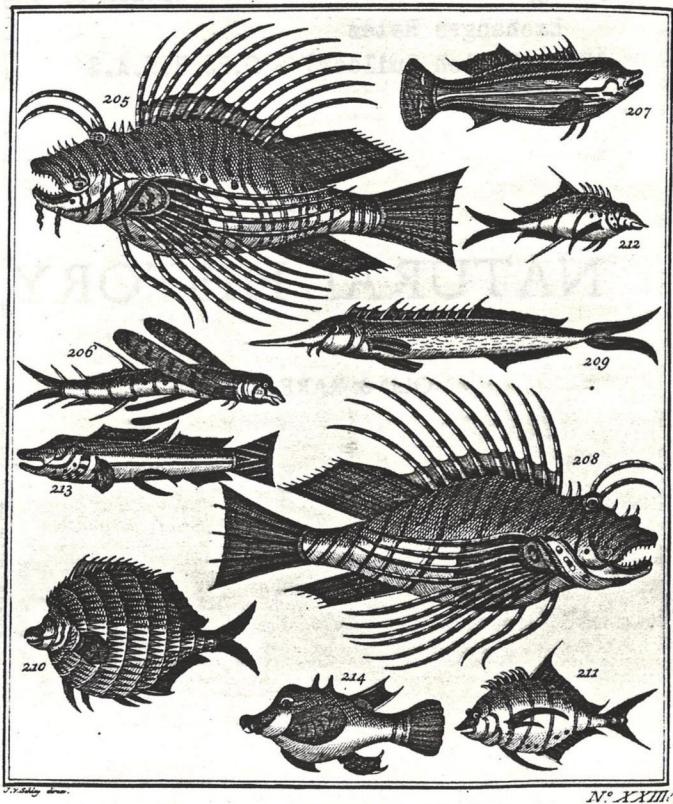
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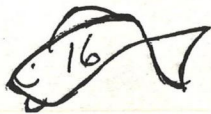




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