states that the stock was about evenly divided as to numbers among the three so-called varieties: Leather, Scale, and Mirror. (Are these recognized varieties?) The increase since that time has been remarkable. The water is now fairly alive with fishes of various sizes. Mr. Broderick occasionally entertains his friends by feeding his pets with large slices of bread (without butter). This food is actively contested for by dozens of the smaller members of his fish family till the dimensions of the large pieces have been somewhat reduced, when they suddenly disappear from sight, being carried below, by a two or three pound veteran representing one of the pioneer settlers of the pond. Broderick does not claim that the carp is equal to pickerel as a table fish, but says that it is much superior to the common sucker in this respect. These fishes have not been fed regularly and long intervals occasionally clapse, when they are entirely dependent for food upon their own foraging efforts.

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## FIELD DAY AT CHELSEA.

On May 22nd the club held its first excursion of the season. Some difficulty is always experienced in selecting suitable ground for the first outing. Chelsea, on account of its elevated woods with sheltered southern exposures, offers special inducements to the botanist. It was therefore chosen for this reason and owing to the fact that it is easily reached by the Gatineau Valley Railway. This excursion, like others held by the club to Chelsea was very successful. It was attended by about 190 adults and 80 children. The President, Prof. Prince was in charge.

Among the leaders who gave short addresses before leaving the grounds were Dr. Fletcher, entomology; Mr. Kingston, ornithology; Mr. R. B. Whyte and Prof. Macoun, botany; Mr.