

top to bottom above a foot wide; which was so closed up ten years after by another Earthquake, that now one only sees where the breach was. This extravagant situation of the Town was occasioned by a Legend of some Miracles wrought near the Church: which prevailed so much on the Credulity of that Age, that by it the Church, and so in consequence the Buildings near it, were added to the old Town, which stood on the other Hill, where there was a Town made on the High-way from the Lake into *Switzerland*, to which the chief Priviledges of the Town, particularly the judicature of Life and Death, do still belong. Between *Geneva* and this, lies the Lake which at the one end is called the Lake of *Geneva*, and at the other the Lake of *Lausanne*. I need not mention the Dimensions of it which are so well known, only in some Places the depth has never been found, for it is more than five hundred Fathom: The banks of the Lake are the beautifullest Plots of Ground that can be imagined, for they look as if they had been laid by art: the sloping is so easie and so equal, and the Grounds are so well cultivated and peopled, that a more delighting Prospect cannot be seen any where: The Lake is well stock'd with excellent Fish; but their Numbers do sensibly decrease, and one sort is quite lost: it is not only to be ascribed to the ravenousness of the Pikes that abound in it, but to another sort of Fish that they call *Moutails*, which were never taken in the Lake untill within six years last past: they are in the Lake of *Neuf-chastel*, and some of the other Lakes of *Switzerland*, and it is likely that by some conveyance under ground they may have come into Channels that fall into the Lake: the Water of the Lake is all clear and fresh. It is not only a great Pond made by the *Rhosne* that runs into it, but does not pass through it unmix'd, as some Travellers have fondly imagined, because sometimes a soft Gale makes a curling of the Waters in some places, which runs smooth in the places over which that soft breath

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