

far to the north on the flanks of Beinn Dearg (3547 feet). Still further on the river Conon is joined by the river Orrin, and finally falls into the head of the Cromarty firth at Dingwall. The river Glass, which in its course flows through Loch Glass, rises on the flanks of Beinn nan Eun, and empties itself in the Cromarty firth at Balconie Point. The river Alness, which flows through Loch Morie, rises on the flanks of Beinn a' Chaisteil, and falls into the Cromarty firth at Alness Point.

The geology of the district is dealt with by Drs. Peach and Horne, whose notes are appended, as well as a few biological notes by Mr. James

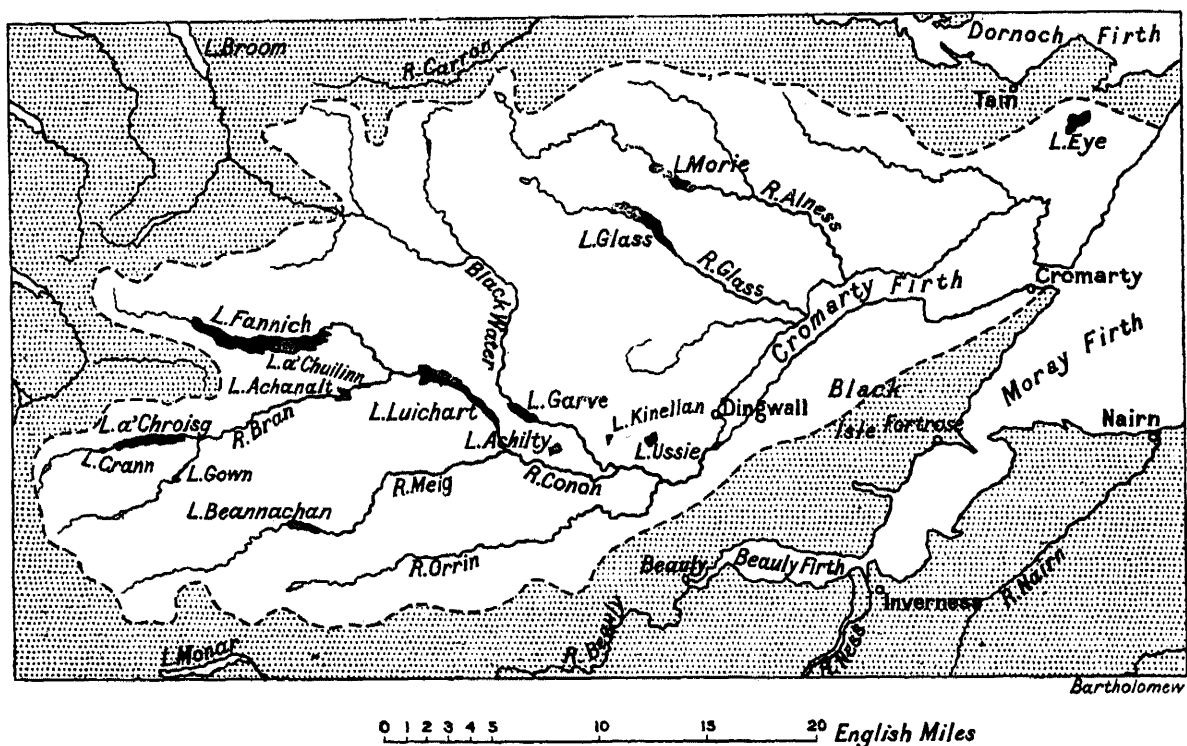


FIG. 44.—INDEX MAP OF THE CONON BASIN.

Murray. Mr. R. M. Clark, B.Sc., who took part in the survey of the lochs in the Conon basin in 1902, has supplied us with several series of temperatures taken by him the previous summer (1901) in Lochs Achilty, Garve, Achanalt, a' Chuilinn, and a' Chroisg, which are here incorporated.*

* These temperature observations, taken by Mr. Clark in the summer of 1901, are interesting, as compared with the observations taken in the same lochs in the summer of 1902, when viewed in connection with the atmospheric conditions in the two seasons. It will be observed that all the readings taken in the superficial waters of these lochs in 1901 are higher than those taken in 1902, and this is evidently related to the warmer season in the first-named year. Thus the mean temperature over Scotland for July, 1901, was $61^{\circ}8$ Fahr., or 3° above the long-period average for that month, while for July, 1902, it was $54^{\circ}4$, or $4\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ below the average; for August, 1901, the mean was $57^{\circ}5$, or 1° above the average, while for August, 1902, the mean was $53^{\circ}9$, or $2\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ below the average. The nearest station to the Conon basin lochs from which observations are available is Inverness, and the mean temperature there for July, 1901, was $61^{\circ}0$, or 4° above the long-period average, while for July, 1902, the mean temperature was $45^{\circ}4$, or $3\frac{1}{2}^{\circ}$ below the