

follows a winding course of about 6 miles, and pours its waters into the Moray firth. Besides these, there are many shorter streams and burns flowing directly into Loch Ness, or into the tributary rivers or lochs.

As will be seen from the summary table, the staff of the Lake Survey sounded thirty-three lochs within the Ness basin, while a number of small lochs could not be surveyed for lack of facilities. These lochs vary in size, from the little Loch nan Losganan, covering an area of only 7 acres, and containing only a million cubic feet of water, to the

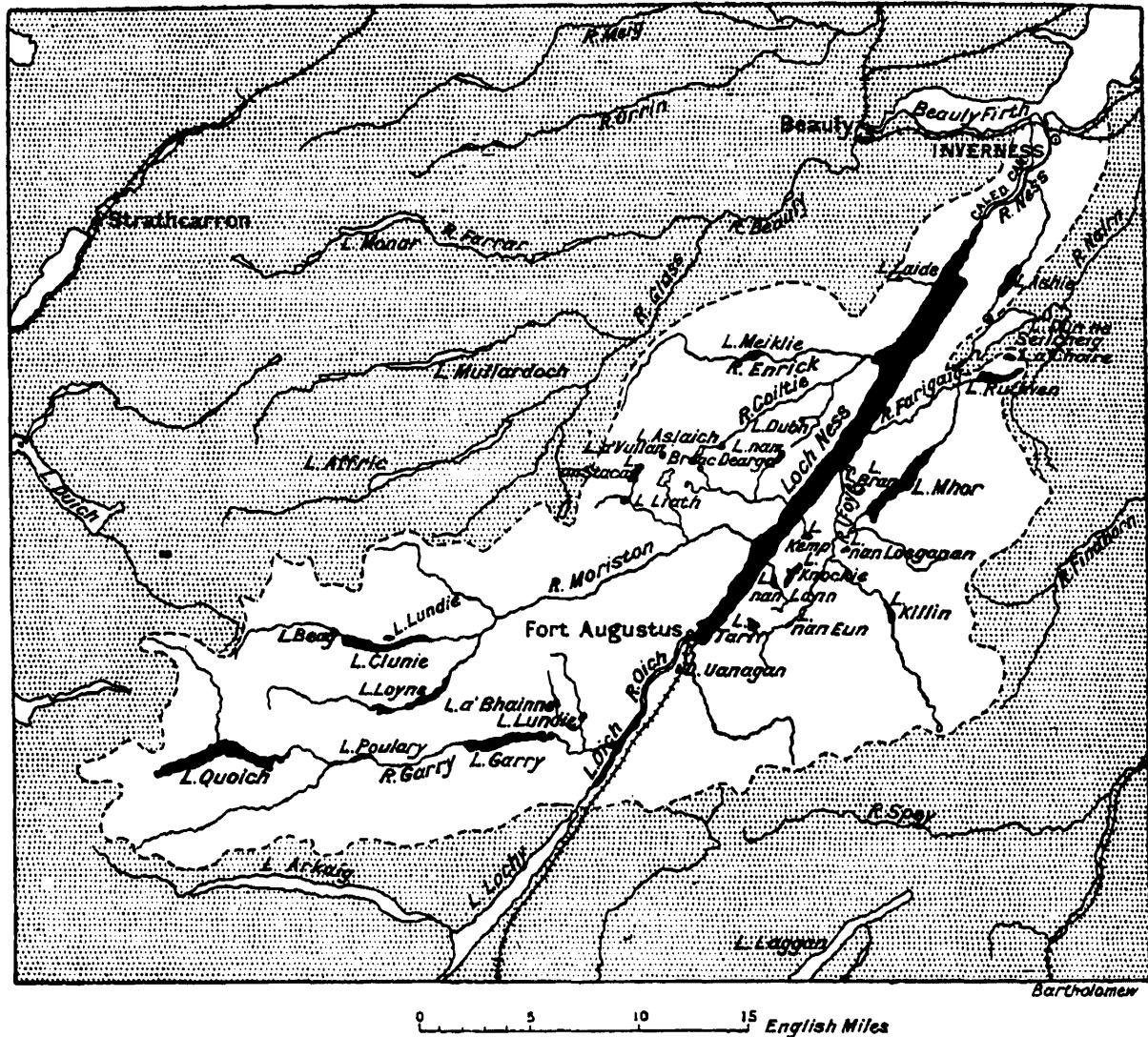


FIG. 58.—INDEX MAP OF THE NESS BASIN.

mighty Loch Ness, covering an area exceeding 20 square miles, and containing many thousands of millions of cubic feet of water. None of the other lochs in the basin can be compared with Loch Ness, neither as regards area, volume, nor depth, but still a few of the lochs are of considerable importance. For instance, Loch Quoich is 7 miles in length, while Loch Garry and Loch Mhor are nearly 5 miles in length, and Loch Clunie and Loch Oich exceed 4 miles in length. Loch Quoich, again, covers an area of nearly 3 square miles, while Lochs Garry, Mhor, and Clunie exceed a square mile in area. Two of the lochs