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inviolate. Leaving the Park, our route lies due west along the Riccarton Road, and on the right may be observed the Riccarton Bush, the only piece of native forest which is still left standing on the Canterbury Plains. The proprietor, Mr. John Deans, whose father took up the land before the official settlement of Canterbury had commenced, has planted a wide belt of acclimatised trees around the ancient bush in order to preserve it as long as possible. The visitor will doubtless note the luxuriant growth of grass and crops on this fine estate, which from the time the history of Canterbury started has been famed for its excellent herd of short-horned cattle. Some three and a half miles from town we pass through the little township of Riccarton, with its country looking church and school, and its quiet little graveyard. Keeping to the left we reach Prebbleton, eight miles out, and here a mouthful of water for the horses is only a fair thing. Continuing our journey, another five miles brings through the township of Lincoln, and another mile and we are landed at the School of Agriculture. For the benefit of those who may wish to go over the farm and have things explained to them, it is only right and proper to give the Director notice of the visit, and this can be done per telephone. But the ordinary visitor will be amply contented with viewing the stately buildings, the prolific and well kept orchard, the scrupulously clean dairy, and such samples of well-bred stock as may be about the homestead. On the return journey we take the first road to the right after crossing the stone bridge at Lincoln, and passing through Tai Tapu follow the pretty road at the base of the hills to Lansdowne, and from thence home *via* Halswell and Lincoln Road, passing on the way the Sunnyside Lunatic Asylum, and the Magdalen Asylum a little further on. Our road has taken us through good country all the way, and we arrive home with the conviction that we have added considerably to our previous knowledge of the country.

