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The trout average about 6 lbs., though occasionally a 20 lb. fish is to be met with, but these occasions are rare. Eight miles further South we come to the Winchester Railway Station, from whence a coach conveys passengers to the Winchester Hotel. Lovers of dry and wet fly-fishing will find splendid sport among small fish in this stream, and baskets from 30 to 70 trout are common, the fish averaging from $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. downwards. From here the Orari River is within easy reach, the lower waters of which afford fair sport with fly. Some six miles further South is the Opihi River, in which at the right time the largest trout so far caught in New Zealand by the fly have been landed. One angler last season grassed 41 trout weighing 87 lbs., on the Blue Dun, in one evening. The fish ranged from 1 lb. to 14 lbs. The favourite resort of anglers in Temuka is the Crown Hotel, in which every angler's requisite can be obtained. Good fly-fishing can always be got in the Sans River. Going further South for another 22 miles the Pareora River is reached. This river is mainly fished in the upper waters in the early part of the season, after which the river becomes low and the fish get poor. The angler may here obtain a variety of fish, including a number of fontinalis, and occasionally a Rainbow trout. The same flies are used as in other rivers, and baskets of from 20 to 60 fish may be obtained by an ordinary expert. These fish will average about $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. apiece. Eighteen miles further South is the Waihao River, which is easily reached from the Waimate Township. The upper waters afford good fly-fishing, and lower down there is both good perch and trout fishing, of course with the minnow or live bait. Some twelve miles further South is the Waitaki, the largest of our Canterbury Rivers, and the dividing line between the provinces of Canterbury and Otago. Here the best fishing is to be obtained between the Railway bridge and the mouth of the river, and the fish are large, averaging about 7 lbs., and are caught mostly with the Silver and Gold Devons and White-bait Phantom, and owing to the strength of the current, very heavy salmon gut and traces are required. Speaking generally about Canterbury fishing, it may be said that it is at least equal to that to be obtained in any other part of the world, and anglers who have had world-wide experience declare it second to none.