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South Island Goose *Cnemiornis calcitrans* Owen 1865

Some anatic bones amongst a large collection of moa bones were recognised by Sir Richard Owen as belonging to an undescribed species. These had been sent from “a fissure near Timaru”.

SUB-FOSSIL SPECIES

This species is considered to have become extinct since human settlement in the 14th century.