

Moss agates, that were formerly so much in demand, commanding a large price, have now no market value, being used only in the cheapest styles of jewelry.

A LARGE find of pearls has been discovered in New Zealand. They are said to be of fine quality, and far more brilliant than those found in the South seas.

MR. ROBERT WILKES, wholesale jeweler, Toronto and Montreal, has disposed of his business. Messrs. Henry Smith and Harris H. Fudger, who have been long employed at head quarters in Toronto, assume the business here, and Messrs. John H. Jones, William Liffeton and Fred Chandler assume the business in Montreal.

MESSRS. DAVIS & McCOLLOUGH, formerly with the late Mr. A. Campbell, jeweler, Hamilton, have bought the stock and good will of his business. They are very pushing and energetic young men, and practical workmen and deserve to succeed. We wish them success in their new venture.

THE value of the imports into England in the first six months of this year was £210,760,753 against £172,631,723 in the corresponding period of last year, being an increase of twenty per cent. For the year ending with June, the increase in imports was over 34 per cent. Exports for the first six months showed as great an increase as the imports, having risen from £88,826,493 to £107,633,736, an increase of over 20 per cent. The addition in the imports consisted mainly of raw materials. The Colonial trade showed an expansion; and as the United States demands fall off, other outlets are found.

THE produce of the South African mines is enormous, and the quality of the stones, which is frequently marred by a somewhat tawny complexion, is reported to be improving. Vast profits have, of course, been realized. One gentleman's claim is said to have cleared in two years £45,000. The New Rush Mine alone yields £3,000 a day. In 1875, when the diggers had been at work only four years, gems to the value of £3,500,000 had been extracted from it. The pockets of diamonds sent by post bag from Kimberly to Cape Town in 1876 weighed 773 pounds, and were worth £1,464,590. Nor does there seem to be any present prospect of the supply coming to an end.

It is said that the watchmakers and jewellers of the United States require on an average about 3,000 watches to fill the demands made upon them. Every time the sun rises and sets this number changes hands. The production per day is as follows:—The Waltham factory produces about 750; the Elgin, 500; Springfield, Ill., 80; Hampden Watch Co., 90; Howard, 20; Lancaster, 50; Rockford, 40; daily production, 1,530. The president of the Waltham Watch Company recently stated that out of 101,671 watches sold in the year ending February 18, 1874, one-third were sent abroad, the sales in London amounting to 23,043 watches. The British Government bought two hundred for the India State Railway. While the declared value of the watches exported from Geneva to the United States for the years given, was as follows:

Year ending Sept. 30, 1871..	\$700,000
" " " " 1877.....	131,596
" " " " 1878.....	106,670

It is the opinion of the Chicago *Journal of Commerce* that there is yet room for an increase of the watch-making facilities of the United States.

Business Changes for July.

Wm. Ball, hardware, Chatham, Ont., advertising his business for sale; Stobart, Eden & Co., wholesale general merchants, Winnipeg, Man., giving up the crockery and glassware part of their business; Wilson & Smith, hardware, Arnprior, burned out; J. Hale, jeweler, Brantford, attached; S. Chown & Son, hardware, Kingston, sold out to T. G. Rudd; John Benham, watches, Parkhill, dead; C. C. Snowden & Co., wholesale hardware, admitted James G. Howden as partner; N. Lefebvre, watchmaker, Montreal, stock and premises damaged by fire; G. N. Gordon, hardware and tinware, Colborne, Ont., dead; W. H. Craddock, Essex Centre, has sold out; L. Zoeger, jeweler, Hamburg, skedaddled to the U. S.; Robert Scott, stoves & tins, Teeswater, advertises business for sale; Robert Wilkes, wholesale jeweler, Toronto and Montreal, has sold out.

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