

of the world, in contiguity with illimitable supplies of the best and most varied clays and potting materials, and having unusual attractions for skilled and ordinary labor, will soon commence the export to less favored regions. Meantime, the home market is expanding faster than the rate of supply from home sources.

Notwithstanding the gradual extension of the industry in the United States, the importation of pottery amounts to about \$6,000,000 annually, and is steadily increasing, as will be seen from the following statement furnished for the report, at my request, by Edward Young, Esq., chief of the bureau of statistics, Washington.

Statement of value of Earthen, Stone and China ware, imported into the United States during the years ended June 30, 1869 to 1873, inclusive.

1869,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	\$4,372,607
1870,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,388,771
1871,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	4,631,376
1872,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	5,270,785
1873,	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	.	6,015,945
									\$24,729,484
Aggregate in five years,									

The value of the different kinds of pottery for three years in succession, with the amount of duties paid, has been as follows:—