

The following is a partial list of Farms, City and Village Lots, and Real Estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing, we request that parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list.

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Long a Temperance Worker.

"Mother" Stewart, who died recently, was 92 years old. She devoted her life to the temperance cause. Mr. Stewart established the first W. C. T. U. in Ohio at Osborn in 1873. In 1876 she visited England and organized the first W. C. T. U. in that country. Following the civil war she lectured extensively in the southern states on behalf of the war sufferers.

Five years ago "Mother" Stewart became interested in the teaching of Alexander Dowie and visited Zion City where she remained one year, since which time she lived with friends at Hicksville. Until five years ago she resided at Hicksville, Ohio, where she led a womanly temperance career. Scarcely a woman in America could give of the praise from pulpit and press like "Mother" Stewart.

Sees Great Future For Siberia.

More than 500,000 persons emigrated from European Russia to Siberia in 1907. Vice-Consul Chamberlain reports that of this record-breaking number fewer than ever before returned to their homes. Every colonist arriving in Siberia receives 27 acres of land free, paying no taxes the first three years and only half the regular taxes the next three years.

Siberia imports \$10,000,000 worth of goods by caravan from China annually worth entirely the value of the exports. China only exports \$750,000 worth of articles annually, and many of these originate in Philadelphia.

Philadelphia is the city of small homes for the scarcity of cheap and well-ventilated tenements. Down in the "Back" even at this day you can rent a three-story house with marble stonemasonry sills and caps, marble door sills, caps and jambs, marble vestibules, marble fireplaces and mantels, marble wainscoting, etc. for a few dollars a month.

They can conquer who believe they can.—Virgil.

THE RULE OF THREE.

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CHRISTMAS
GLEEMAN MAN OF WAR.

ANY American, who is not awake on Christmas morn while a German, French, English, Italian, Swiss or Danish Christmas celebration was in progress in his vicinity, he would imagine himself within the exclusive confines of a home for the mentally incompetent.

—The American Christmas is a matter-of-fact festive occasion. People being busy presents a week before, they sent them Christmas morning and the next day return to work, the entire affair forgotten until the following brings the season around again.

Not so in the countries across the water. They observe every tradition in the mother land. The day for weeks and the festivities which mark the birth of Jesus Christ are carried on for a week or more. The Christmas tree in Germany is allowed to remain decorated far into the next year, extending over a period of several months.

Unique ceremonies grace the Danish, French, Swiss and Scotch Christmas celebrations and that which the Teutons foster have been passed down from ages. In Mexico one of the treated customs is the breaking of the Piñata, a tradition being connected with the little ceremony which ushered in Christmas day. A queerly-constructed effigy of a woman is hung up in a corner of a room and a child blindfolded, armed with a stick, proceeds to diadole the old woman from her position close to the ceiling. When the feat is accomplished the presents contained under the effigy are distributed.

The beauty of that little game is the uncertainty attending the possibility of a woman being diadoled and secured in the circle which draw any presents from the store beneath the skirts of the woman.

Christmas, as observed in the Christian countries, is one and the same, in fact, nearly all of them. have one day or another on which to receive and send presents to their friends and relatives who are not friends, and absolute monarchs, the rulers are sometimes upon their gift receipts for the ready-made presents which are given in fancy little bombs not marked in the invoice. Of course such undesirable persons do not have any more Christmas to celebrate, affairs being arranged in that manner.

While the Christmas idea is practically the same in most countries of the globe which observe the day, there is a great variety of presents and a certain national design made in wide variation to that which the next door neighbor believe in. Germans as a rule give the children presents which are made in their own country, while Americans are always particular about buying the babies toys marked "made in Germany."

A Frenchman told a clever little story at a Christmas banquet in Paris a year ago, which ran along on that line. He was enamored with a beautiful young lady whose home was Rue de Boulevard. She was of artistic taste, so he studied French artist might please any particular special pains to hunt out a store where he might procure one. He did not put several weeks' salary into the gift.

He had it delivered Christmas morning and received a cordial note of thanks from the young lady, who unfortunately had not thought to purchase anything for him. This of course, was embarrassing to both parties, but that evening while fondling the creation in his presence she happened to scan the back of the portrait. It said: "Made in Hoboken, N. J." She explained the reason of thanks and an embarrassing explanation of why she hadn't sent him a present, when she noticed the birthmark of the old painting. She stopped, and they haven't spoken to each other since, according to the story.

All of which goes to show that the value of a gift more than the gift which the giver wishes

tree for child models in Paris.

taken into consideration by some persons. The young man, probably was sorry that the abrupt termination of his friendship with the young lady, but perhaps it was for the best. That was his version of it, anyhow.

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