target table's columns equal to the values of those variables using SET. You can perform both of these operations in a single statement, as shown here:

The names of the user variables *must* match those of the corresponding fields from the XML file, with the addition of the required @ prefix to indicate that they are variables. The user variables need not be listed or assigned in the same order as the corresponding fields.

Using a ROWS IDENTIFIED BY '<tagname>' clause, it is possible to import data from the same XML file into database tables with different definitions. For this example, suppose that you have a file named address.xml which contains the following XML:

You can again use the test.person table as defined previously in this section, after clearing all the existing records from the table and then showing its structure as shown here:

```
mysql< TRUNCATE person;
Query OK, 0 rows affected (0.04 sec)

mysql< SHOW CREATE TABLE person\G

*******************************
    Table: person
Create Table: CREATE TABLE `person` (
    `person_id` int(11) NOT NULL,
    `fname` varchar(40) DEFAULT NULL,
    `lname` varchar(40) DEFAULT NULL,
    `created` timestamp NOT NULL DEFAULT CURRENT_TIMESTAMP ON UPDATE CURRENT_TIMESTAMP,</pre>
```