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RELIGIOUS NEWS AND NOTES.

The practice of seeding lands to grass in the fall is gaining ground in many sections, especially among the New England farmers. Arguments in favor of this custom area. The grass is not so liable to be troubled with weeds; the cool weather will incite a vigorous growth and bring the fields in better condition for withstanding the winter than that seeded in the spring, and last, but by no means least, it admits of the removal of a crep the first year.

The General Baptist assembly of England reports 24,455 members—an increase of 452, besides 994 members in the Orissa mission, India.

Hon. Thomas Hughes, M. P., author of "Tom Brown at Rugby," is to lecture before several associations of the Y. M. cooked on an adjoining chair, on the States.

Two Lutheran synods in Illinois and adjacent States have united in one sy nod, to be known as the Synod of Illinois.

"Ever in a smash-up?" asked the vet-

TAKING THE CHANCES.

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New York	1,209,000	974
Philadelphia	847,000	674
Brooklyn	554,000	39/
Chicago	500,000	298
St. Louis	378,000	310
Boston	352,000	250
Baltimore	330,000	267
Cincinnati	246,000	216
San Francisco		149
New Orleans	207,90	191
Washington	160,000	109
Cleveland	158,000	9:
Pittsburg	153,600	86
Buffalo	149,000	117
Newark	137,000	103
Louisville	126,0.0	100
Louisville	120,000	82
Milwankee	116,000	71
Detroit	115,000	79
Providence	104,000	68
Albany	88,000	76
Rochester	87,000	62
Rochester	79,000	58
Indianapolis	75,000	48

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Fashion Note

NEWS OF THE WORLD.

Terrible Tunnel Tragedy.

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The act of putting a lead pencil to the tongue, to wet it, just before writing, which we notice in so many people, is one of the oddities of which it is hard

to give any reason—unless it began in the days when lead pencils were poorer than now, and was continued by ex-ample into the next generation.

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A lead pencil should never be wet. It hardens the lead and ruins the pencil. This fact is known to newspaper men and stenographers. But nearly every one else does wet a pencil before using it. This fact was definitely settled by a newspaper clerk away down-East.

Being of a mathematical turn of mind, he ascertained by actual count that of fifty persons who came into the office to write an advertisement or church notice, forty-nine wet a pencil in their mouth before using it. Now this clerk always uses the best pencils, cherishing a good one with something of the pride a soldier feels in his gun or sword, and it hurts his feelings to have his pencils spoiled. But politeness and business considerations require him to lend his pencil scores of times every day. And often after it has been wet till it was hard and brittle and refused to mark, his feelings would overpower him.

Finally, he got some cheap pencils and sharpened them to lend. The first person who took up the stock pencil was a man whose breath smelt of onions and whisky. He held the point in his mouth and soaked it for several minutes, while he was torturing himself in the effort to write an advertisement for a missing bulldog.

Then a sweet-looking young lady came into the office, with kid gloves that buttoned half the length of her arm. She ploked up the same old pencil and pressed it to her dainty lips preparatory to writing an advertisement for a lost bracelet. The clerk would have

paratory to writing an advertisement for a lost bracelet. The clerk would have stayed her hand, even at the risk of a box of the best pencils ever Faber catered, but he was too late. catered, but he was too late.

And thus that pencil passed from mouth to mouth for a week. It was sucked by people of all ranks and stations, and all degrees of cleanliness and uncleanliness. But we forbear. Surely no one who reads this will ever again wet a lead pencil.—Minneapolis Tribune.

One of the most curious animals is the juacholote, or, as it would, perhaps, be called by zoologists, the salamandr. The animal abounds in New Mexico, is amphibious, and is generally found in wet places, the beds of creeks, or other such retreats. The creature resembles a lizard strongly, but with the legs and tail of that animal has a fish's body and head, with a tongue which popular head, with a tongue which popular superstition supposes to be capable of transformation at the will of its owner transformation at the will of its owner into a boring instrument more penetrating than a steel gimlet, and which is used to the great suffering of all wood near its habitation. Two long ear-like appendages are attached to the scaly head, the whole animal presenting as repulsive an appearance as can well be imagined. The juacholote is about a foot in length, but tough stories are told (especially to tendefeet) of the juacholotes down the Rio Grande, which grow to the size of an alligator, which undermine the foundations of which grow to the size of an alligator, which undermine the foundations of houses with the aforesaid gimlet tongue, and have been known to catacomb mines in one night, during the absence of the workmen, as if a diamond drill had been at work there. One of the most valuable ore-bodies was uncovered in a Grant county mine recently by the boring of a juncholote that has ever been exposed in New Mexico. Mr. John Murphy, of Santa Fe, some time ago had a pet juacholote which he trained to a high point of intelligence, the animal following him about like a dog, and making his meals entirely from the animal following him about like a dog, and making his meals entirely from liquorice root and the bark of cinnamon. On this diet he lived for over a year, but finally died from the effects of curiosity, and perhaps more directly, indigestion. Seeing a bottle of arsenic on the shelf, the hapless pet, while its master was behind the prescription counter, bored with its tongue a hole in the bottle and swallowed the contents.

King Green Violet Ada Moore Thomp-son, the only daughter of an aged colored man in the Natural Bridge disrict, Virginia, is included in the pr United States census.

An impecunious man generally designates a ten-dollar note as a "William," because he is not on such terms of familiarity with it as would entitle him to call it "Biil."

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A Nebraska Sunday-school was on a railroad excursion. A boy leaned out of a car window and fired a revolver at the same instant that a girl put her head out at another window, and the builet killed her.

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