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THE CITY.

The Christmas examinations of Victoria College, which commenced during the past week, will continue daily until the 18th inst.

A letter received yesterday from Mr. E. N. Bonche, Roseland, states that the "Palo Alto shaft is looking well, the ore body widening to 2 1/2 feet of solid ore in the bottom of the shaft, the vein being 6 feet wide."

REV. FATHER NICOLAYE officiated yesterday at the funeral of Mr. John Doran, the pallbearers being Messrs. John Campbell, A. C. McDonald, A. B. Cameron, George Longman, T. Astle and Henry Cook.

FRANK CARLSTROM, a Swedish carpenter, was found in his room at Chemainus yesterday with his throat cut but still living. He said that his injuries were self-inflicted, but whether accidentally or with suicidal intent is not known.

In the Sir William Wallace hall last evening the 55th drawing for an appropriation of the Victoria Building Society was conducted by a committee composed of Messrs. G. W. Anderson, R. Erasmus and N. W. Northcott.

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On the farm of the Messrs. Smith, Swan lake, the annual competitions of the Vancouver Island Plowing Association were conducted yesterday afternoon with greater success than the society has previously known in the province.

BEHRING SEA CLAIMS.

Captain Alexander McLean Subjected to a Rigid Cross-Examination by the British Side.

Yesterday being Saturday the Behring Sea Claims Commission had a short sitting, adjourning at 1 o'clock until tomorrow morning.

A good part of McLean's evidence yesterday was as to the methods of seal hunting. In 1886 he said San Francisco was the cheapest place for outfitting for a sealing cruise.

PROVINCIAL CLAIMS.

Subjects Called to Hon. Mr. Davies' Attention by the Board of Trade.

Direct Railway to Kootenay, Salmon and Sealing Industry and Other Matters Discussed.

A number of the members of the Board of Trade and other prominent business men assembled at the Board of Trade rooms yesterday forenoon under the presidency of Mr. T. B. Hall.

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COUNCIL OF WOMEN.

Events of the First Year of Active Work Reviewed—Officers Re-elected.

The Question of Compulsory Sabbath Observance Provokes an Interesting Debate.

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THE OBSERVANCE OF SUNDAY.

Interesting Debate Arises on the Resolution Looking to the Closing of All Business Establishments.

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The Honored Guest at an Interesting Banquet by the Bar Association of Victoria.

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WEST COAST WEATHER.

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A NEW COMET.

SAN JOSE, Cal., Dec. 10.—A telephone message from Lick Observatory says that a new comet was discovered at 11:30 o'clock on Tuesday night in the constellation of Pisces by C. D. Perrine. Its position is right ascension, 0 hours and 54 minutes, declination 6 degrees 30 minutes north. It is about five minutes of arc in diameter and of a short, fan-shaped tail. It is moving rapidly.

AMBASSADOR BAYARD

LONDON, Dec. 9.—United States ambassador Thomas F. Bayard has accepted the invitation of the Lord Mayor of London, Mr. George Fandel Phillips, to be present at a banquet which will be given in his honor on March 8. Princess Louise Antoinette Marie, wife of Prince Frederick August, of Saxe-Coburg has given birth to a son.