

Hints in Dressmaking.

Jackets are in the open fronted style, with coat sleeves set very full at the top, and all fit very closely into the waist at the back, and have broad revers, frills or collars.

Avoid for stout figures trimmings that run round and round, sleeves that are too full, large revers and unduly large skirts.

Black gowns may be quite altered and brought up to date by the Victorian frill brought to a point as if defining a yoke, the latter filled in with open gimp or jet.

Baby boys and girls are dressed the same, no difference whatever being made in any of the clothing until they are two years old.

For the little girls of 2 and 3 years there is no prettier style than the Mother Hubbard, and this develops fully as well in woolen material as in cotton.

Make school dresses for girls of serviceable all wool material. As the sleeves wear out first, retain sufficient material for a new pair.

A New Tadpole.

Some tadpoles recently born at the London Zoo have not the black and forbidding aspect of the tadpole which is one of the common objects of a country walk in March. These tadpoles are largely colorless, and have an engaging way of balancing themselves on their heads, instead of wiggling up to each other like our familiar acquaintances. The chief merit, however, is the fact that they are the offspring of their parents. They come from eggs deposited by an African frog, which has the rather doubtful distinction of being more like a newt than any other frog. This frog, known technically as *Xenopus levis*, has never before condescended to breed at the Zoo, or in captivity, so its young were very imperfectly known.

Whale Fishing Figures.

The whale is destined to disappear from the North Pacific much more speedily than he was driven from the eastern approaches to the Arctic. The whale fleet sailing out of the western ports last year caught in the Arctic regions no less than 353 whales. The product of the season's catch would have been represented by about \$2,000,000 had prices remained as they were about three years ago. When one small steamer takes 62 whales in a single season, and a still smaller one kills 64, there is a striking illustration of what steam is doing for the extermination of the whale in the Pacific. There will be no restriction. The whale fishery by sailing vessels has for some time been unprofitable. What the sailing craft could not do in a lifetime of years the steam whaler will pretty effectually accomplish in a very few years.



Vancouver Island.

ALL placer claims and leaseholds in Vancouver Island and adjacent islands legally held may be laid over from the 15th day of November, 1893, until the 1st day of June, 1894.

F. G. VERNON,
Gold Commissioner.

Victoria, B. C., 6th December, 1893.



Legislative Electorates and Election Act, 1894.

Victoria City Electoral District.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons claiming to be registered as Voters under the provisions of the above Act, in order to have their names inserted in the Register of Voters for the Victoria City Electoral District, must apply forthwith to the Collector of Voters at his Office in the Court House, Victoria, where forms of application may be filled up.

British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, having resided in the Province of British Columbia for twelve months and in the said Electoral District for two months immediately previous to the date of application, and not being disqualified by any law in force in this Province are qualified to be registered.

Forms of application may be obtained at the office of the Collector, Court House, Victoria.

Where the correct address of the residence is not given on the Voters List, or in the applications for enrollment filed prior to 21st March last, Voters are requested to send to the Collector a written order to change the same, or to call at the office of the Collector and have the necessary change made, as it is desirable to have the revised list as correct as possible. Victoria, 31st March, 1894.

J. B. McKILLIGAN,
Collector of Voters.



"Fire Insurance Policy Act, 1893."

NOTICE is hereby given that his Honour the Lieutenant-Governor in Council has further postponed the commencement of "An Act to secure Uniform Conditions in Policies of Fire Insurance," from the 1st day of April, 1894, until the 1st day of April, 1895.

JAMES BAKER,
Provincial Secretary.

Provincial Secretary's Office,
29th March, 1894.



REWARD.

A reward of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) will be paid by the Provincial Government for such information as will lead to the arrest and conviction of the person or persons, who, on or about the morning of the 13th instant, placed or caused to be placed or exploded, a bomb or other dangerous explosive on or near the premises of Alexander Sharp, at Wellington, in the County of Nanaimo.

By Command.

F. S. HUSSEY,
Superintendent of Provincial Police.
Victoria, B. C., March 14th, 1894.



NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

SEALED TENDERS, properly endorsed, will be received by the Honourable the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works up to noon of Monday, 30th instant, for the erection of a Court House, at Chilliwack.

Plans and specifications can be seen and forms for tender obtained at the office of S. Mellard, Chilliwack, at the Government Office, New Westminster, and at the office of the undersigned.

The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted.

W. S. GORE,
Deputy Commissioner of Lands & Works,
Lands and Works Department,
Victoria, B. C., 10th April, 1894.



Legislative Electorates and Election Act, 1894.

Esquimalt Electoral District.

NOTICE is hereby given that all persons claiming to be registered as Voters under the provisions of the above Act, in order to have their names inserted in the Register of Voters for the Esquimalt Electoral District, must apply forthwith to the Collector of Voters at his office, Howard's Hotel, Esquimalt, where forms of application may be filled up.

British subjects of the full age of twenty-one years, having resided in the Province of British Columbia for twelve months and in the said Electoral District for two months immediately previous to the date of application, and not being disqualified by any law in force in this Province are qualified to be registered.

Forms of application may be obtained at the office of the Collector, Howard's Hotel, Esquimalt.

Victoria, 5th April, 1894.

W. S. RANT,
Collector of Voters.



Legislative Electorates and Election Act, 1894.

Victoria City Electoral District.

The office of the Collector of Voters for the Victoria Electoral District will be open daily (Sunday excepted) between the hours of 9:30 a. m. and 4 p. m.

For the convenience of those who cannot attend during the day for the purpose of registration, the office will be open between seven and nine o'clock on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Entrance to office by rear door of Court House on Bastion street.

J. B. McKILLIGAN,
Collector of Voters.

April 11th, 1894.