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A LITTLE ANCIENT HISTORY.

It is reported that Wm. Reid's rail-coast railroad went up in thin air. Lamook has struck the snag of financial ruin. It is presumed that the editor of the Morning Deadbeat will offer his services to the creditors of the company as he had splendid success in collecting road from Hillsboro to Nehalem and Tillamook from Reid when his Astoria & South...

CHINESE OFFICIALS.

A Chinese mandarin is not expected to have any friendship or intimacies outside of his office, and he cannot encourage visitors within its precincts without laying himself open to a charge of favoritism or corruption. If the inhabitants of a district wish to show their appreciation of an official's administration and testify to his probity, the most effective way in which they can do so is to wait upon him at one of the city gates as he makes his farewell exit and beg the gift of the official boots, which are thenceforward preserved in some temple as public property.

WHY IS IT?

"It is a somewhat curious thing," observed a commercial traveler, "that even the most fastidious individual who will reject with indignation a tumbler that has been used by another diner at a hotel, will not hesitate to drink out of a cup or glass on a railway train, although it may have been used by thousands of persons, many of them of not over cleanly habits. The same thing applies to the persons who use the ice-water coolers in public buildings or hotels. Why then should so much fastidiousness be displayed by persons at a hotel or other table as to the use of a tumbler from which a single person had previously drank?"

HIGHWAYS.

The value of good wagon roads is not appreciated in this country says an eastern exchange. We are great railroad builders, but we sadly neglect that equally important item, good wagon roads. It frequently costs the farmer as much to get his grain to the station, a distance of a few miles, as to transport it half across the continent to market. A county will issue bonds to help build a railway which it may not need, yet considers that it has done all that is necessary when it compels the able-bodied citizens to stand in the wagon ways and talk politics a couple of days each year. The American method of "improving" a road is about as follows: A man is elected road overseer who could not tell a culvert from a Chinese pagoda—knows no more of road building than a dray horse does of trigonometry. He summons the citizens to come forth on a certain day and "work the roads." A few of them come with scrapers and shovels. They paw around in the dirt for a day or two, each man according to his own ideas, and the last state of that road is infinitely worse than the first. The result is that it requires four horses to do the work of one when the farm produce is to be hauled to market. The old Romans did these things differently. They realized that good roads were of vastly more importance to a community than fine buildings. The highways they constructed are good after twenty centuries of wear and tear. The poorest countries of Europe have

better highways than the richest state of the American union. Road building is a science with the Europeans. It is strange that in this country, where labor-saving machinery has been brought to the highest perfection—where it is the boast of the people that every edge is made to cut—we have the worst roads, the greatest labor-waster to be found in the world.

Are You Engaged?

Engaged people should remember that, after marriage, many quarrels can be avoided, by keeping their digestions in good condition with Electric Bitters. S. A. Brown of Bennettsville, S. C., says: "For years, my wife suffered intensely from dyspepsia, complicated with a torpid liver, until she lost her strength and vigor, and became a mere wreck of her former self. Then she tried Electric Bitters, which helped her at once, and finally made her entirely well. She is now strong and healthy." Chas. Rogers, druggist, sells and guarantees them, at

Colds coughs congestion and costiveness Fluids which should pass through the bowels and kidneys are secreted by the nose and throat. Hollister's Rocky Mountain Tea will positively cure. 35 cents.

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Got Off Cheap.

He may well think, he has got off cheap, who, after having contracted constipation or indigestion, is still able to perfectly restore his health. Nothing will do this but Dr. King's New Life Pills. A quick, pleasant, and certain cure for headache, constipation etc. 25c at Chas. Rogers' drug store; guaranteed.

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HOW TO FIND OUT.

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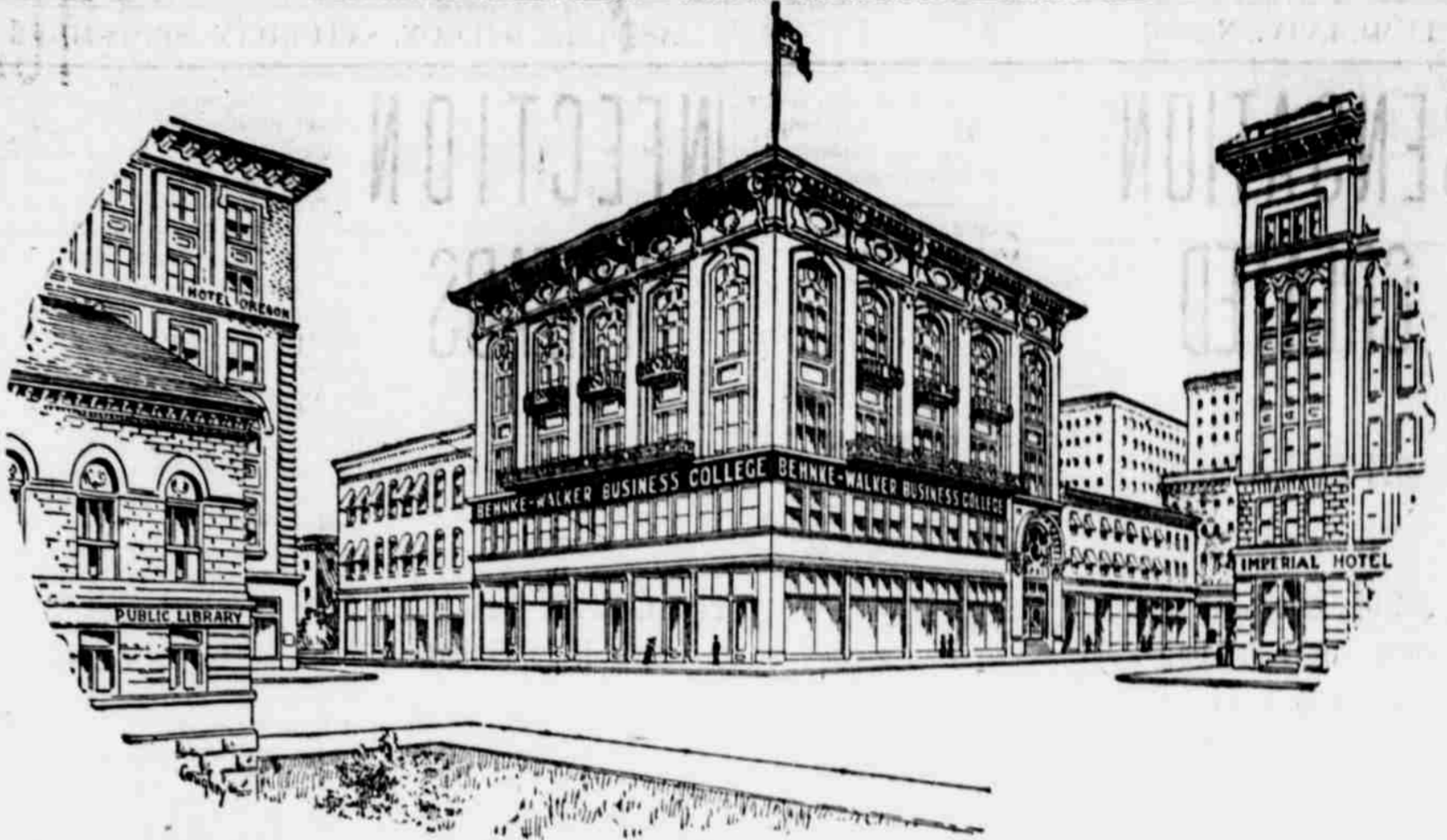
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Advertisement for SA-MU-LAH Blood Purifying Tablets, highlighting its benefits for various ailments like Eczema, Rheumatism, and Kidney Trouble. Includes a list of ailments and contact information for Powell Drug & Chemical Co.

Advertisement for Astoria Savings Bank, listing its capital, surplus, and services. Includes names of J. G. A. Bowley and Frank Patton.