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$\mathbf{A}_{\text {broken forth in a half }}^{\text {GAIN }}$ column of deep solicitude for the
wood block. "Wood Block in History" is the theme. The
space is devoted to a demonstration given various sorts of pav-
ing in the city of Baltimore some fifteen years ago and that were given a six year test. Of course
the test was complete some years ago and there is every
reason to believe the history of the affair was known to engi-
neers the country over for a de cade. There is no reason to
doubt that it was as fully known right here in Portland last April as it is today and yet there was
nothing said about it at the time in the Telegram, or any other of there something said about it? Did the mere fact that the son-in-law of the editor of the Tele-
gram happened to be one of the contractors bidding on bitulithic, sway the able pen of the editor?
And yet it would be almost sacreligious to sugkest it. The
same pen has been foremost in promoting matters of public ininstances that it would seem imhand selfishness should deflect it to wield its influence to the
support of a proved inferior pav-
ing material when wood blocks were so plentiful as they are in
Oregon. But "blood is thicker than water" they say, and family ties frequently explain some strange mental gymnastics. If
there had been no contractors in the family we may safely say
that wood blocks would have had the
So much for the Telegram proachable in the matter of public welfare and veracity. Is it
true that the present support the Telegram is giving Mr. Lightner Lightner gave the bitulithic contractors last spring? I takes a
long time to pay up family debts some time, as well as politica离 There are several aspirants for they are extremely reticent
about explaining their positions. Why not come right out and say just what they stand for. Of ner stands for. He stands for Lightner on
and all the tir

Congressman Rainey has introduced a bill to provide for
permanent tariff Commission of six members, to serve 12 years
each, at $\$ 10.00$ per year, with
secretaries, clerks, and incidentals not to exceed $\$ 300,000$ a it seems that it is going to come pretty high.

## Astoria has the prose. Perhaps the

 child may develop into a fullgrown naval station, if Astoria not too anxious for its devel parent and pampering kills many an infant.

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