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JOHN E. KELLY was born in this city Feb. 11, 1863, his parents being Edward and Catherine Kelly. In Troy Mr. Kelly has always made his home. He received his education at the Christian Brothers' Academy and at the Troy High School. In the latter institution he was a student for two years and a half. Mr. Kelly is one of the best stenographers in the country, and for several years has been doing the Court reporting in Rensselaer, Columbia and the other counties of this judicial district. He has been doing stenographic work since 1882, and officially since Jan. 1, 1888. Mr. Kelly is also a practicing lawyer. He is the official stenographer of the Rensselaer County Court, having been appointed by Judge Fursman, and is also the official stenographer of the Columbia County Court, under the appointment of Judge McClellan. He is a member of the Bachelors' Club, the W. S. Earl Boat Club, and the J. C. Osgood Steamer Company. Mr. Kelly has the distinction of having been appointed stenographer of the Columbia County Court when he was only 21 years old, making him the youngest official stenographer in the State of New York.