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WILLIAM R. SWEENEY was born in Tipperary, Ireland, in 1854, being the son of Edmund Sweeney and Winifred O'Donnell. Both of his parents are dead. Since boyhood the subject of this sketch has resided in Troy. He obtained a splendid education at the Christian Brothers' Academy of this city. From a small beginning Mr. Sweeney at present is the proprietor of one of the largest bakeries in the city. He employs twenty hands and has five delivery wagons on the road every day distributing the product of his immense bakery. In addition to this Mr. Sweeney is the wholesale agent for this section of the celebrated Kennedy Cracker Co. of Cambridgeport, Mass. He has been prefect of the Young Men's Sodality of St. Joseph's Church, president of St. Joseph's Literary Association, treasurer of the J. C. Osgood Steamer Company, and is at present a member of the Byron Literary Association, a member of the Executive Committee of the Citizens' Association, representing the Twelfth Ward in that body, on the Executive Committee of the Young Men's Democratic Club, a member of the Robert Emmet Association and a trustee of the Alumni Association of St. Mary's Academy. He is married, his wife being the daughter of the Hon. James Ryan, Jr., of this city. They have six children living and two dead. As an evidence of the esteem in which he is held in this community, Mr. Sweeney has recently been unanimously elected and is now acting as clerk of the new Public Improvement Commission.