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ROOT, OLIVER W., Lawyer, son of Ira and Sarah A. (Perry) Root, was born October 3, 1835, in Newport, Kentucky. He was liberally educated, graduating from Miami University, at Oxford, Ohio, in 1858. He at once began the study of the law; graduated at the Cincinnati Law School, in 1861, and immediately entered on the practice of his profession at Newport. He was elected County Attorney of Campbell County, in 1861; was elected City Solicitor of Newport, in 1865, and re-elected in 1868; ran for Congress, on the Republican ticket, in 1867, receiving two thousand votes more than any Republican who had previously made the race for the same office; was candidate for Presidential Elector on the Republican ticket, in 1869 and 1873, and, during those exciting campaigns, vigorously canvassed his own State and Ohio. Mr. Root is one of the foremost lawyers at the bar of Northern Kentucky, and is an orator of uncommon versatility and power, few men in the country being his superior before a jury, or in the assemblies of the people.

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