

Northern Kentucky
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Robert A. Athey

THEY, HON. ROBERT A., Mayor of Covington, was born, December 19, 1825, in Lexington, Kentucky. His father, Presley Athey, was a native of Loudon County, Virginia, and by pursuit a carpenter and builder. Mayor Athey received a good education in the academical department of Transylvania University, under Bishop Bascom. He studied law under Chief-Justice Robertson, graduating in Transylvania Law School in 1845, and has since followed that profession. Represented Fayette County in the lower branch of the Legislature in 1850 and 1851; was member of the Lexington City Council in 1849; was City Attorney of Lexington for 1849 and 1850; was County Attorney, for Kenton County, in 1864 and 1865, having located in Covington in 1855; was City Attorney in 1866, 1867, and 1871; and was elected Mayor, August, 1874, for a term of four years. He is a member of the Presbyterian Church, and is one of the most active, enterprising, able, and valuable citizens of Covington. He has been twice married, his last wife being the daughter of N. B. Stephens of that city.