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DENNIS J. CUMMINGS was born in this city December 3, 1852, the son of Thomas and Mary Cummings. After attending the public schools until he had obtained a good education he was apprenticed to learn the trade of a carpenter, at which he worked for six years. For several years past he has been in the retail liquor trade, and has been very successful. Mr. Cummings has been prominent in politics, having served in the Board of Supervisors and as coroner of the county. He is a member of the William S. Earl Boat Club, the Pilsner Democratic Club and the I. D. K. Association. He was married June 13, 1876, to Miss Mary Duffy. They have three children, two girls and a boy. Mr. Cummings is well and favorably known in this section, and his popularity with all classes of people is marked. In 1870, through the influence of the late Hon. John L. Flagg, Mr. Cummings was appointed a page in the Assembly. The following year he joined the Washington Volunteer Steamer Company and later the Charles Eddy Steamer Company, serving his term in each. For two years he filled the office of secretary of the Eddy Company and he was also a trustee for two years of the same company. He is now a prominent member of the Exempt Firemen's Association. Mr. Cummings was elected to represent the Tenth Ward in the Board of Supervisors in 1882 and was reëlected the following year. His record in the Board was so creditable that his friends easily secured his nomination for coroner, to which office he was elected, served for two terms and discharged the duties with credit to himself and satisfaction to the electors of the county.

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