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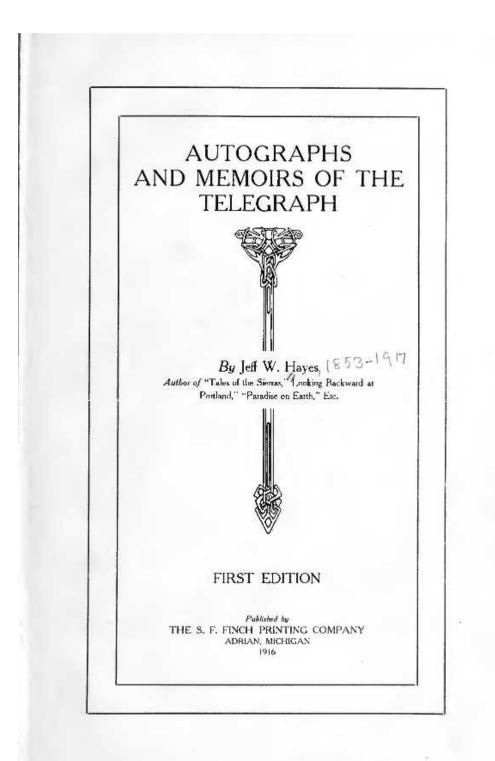
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PREFACE

The long task is completed and my labor with the "AUTOGRAPHS AND MEMOIRS OF THE TELEGRAPH" is at an end.

The work has not been irksome, and the labor has at all times been tempered with love, which lightened the burden, and ofttimes the work was one of genuine pleasure.

Of the several thousands represented in my publication, I have personally met 99 per cent, and reading their names was like shaking hands with old friends.

My grateful thanks are extended to Messrs. Walter P. Phillips, Donald McNicol, Wm. J. Maguire, Edwin W. Collins, L. K. Whitcomb and Edward F. Wach for valuable contributions.

The book will, I trust, accomplish my double object, viz.: perpetuate the beautiful penmanship of the telegraph operator and cement and bind the telegraph fraternity closer together.

If I have accomplished this much, I will feel that my labor has not been in vain.

THE AUTHOR

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Dedicatory

To Cassius Hamlin White, friend of my boyhood and companion of more mature years, patient, loyal, and considerate; and to his little wife, Henrietta, always gentle, always solicitous, this volume is affectionately dedicated

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