

Chapters from the Career of
THEODORE N. VAIL.

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THEODORE N. VAIL was one of the few great figures in our modern industrial life who succeeded in winning the complete confidence of the American people. And when you have read the romantic life story of this curiously modest man who built up one of the greatest institutions in the world and who through his genius and his faith in the future of both telephone and telegraph "made neighbors of a hundred million people," you will realize that this confidence was deserved. By a happy chance Mr. Paine was personally associated with Mr. Vail during his latter years; and as in his great biography of Mark Twain, he has here preserved for us the intimate human aspect as well as the story of achievement of this other great American.