

INTRODUCTION.

In the summer of 1852, the undersigned, while preparing for publication a History of St. Lawrence and Franklin counties, N. Y., applied to the Rev. Eleazer Williams, who was residing upon the Indian Reservation of St. Regis, for such facts as he might be able to furnish concerning the history of these people and of his own family, who were known to be descendants of a captive daughter of the Rev. John Williams of Deerfield.