

LIFE AND EXPERIENCE
OF
MRS. MARY BRADLEY.

CHAPTER I.

I WAS born in Gagetown, Queens County, New Brunswick, September 1, 1771. My parents came to this province from Pomfret, State of Connecticut, in the year 1763. My father's name was Edward McCoy, but being brought up by his grandfather, who dropped the Mc, it was not again resumed. My mother's maiden name was Amy Titus. They were members of the Presbyterian church, and had a large family, of eleven children — six sons and five daughters, of whom I was the fourth daughter and the eighth child. As the understanding of their children matured, they instructed them in the ways of religion, restraining them from all they conceived injurious to their best interests, and furnishing them with such education as their situation and circumstances admitted — being little more than they learned at home, excepting the two youngest.

Being among the first settlers in this new country, they labored under serious disadvantages for many years. My third sister, (as I was informed by my parents,) was the first female born of English or American parents up the