EXTRACT

OF THE

LIFE

OF THE LATE.

REV. DAVID BRAINERD.

PART I.

From his birth, to the time when he began to devote himself to the study of divinity.

R. David Brainerd was born April 20, 1716, at Haddam, a town belonging to the county of Hartford, in the colony of Connecticut, New-England. His father, who died when he was about nine years of age, was the Worshipful Hezekiah Brainerd, Esq. one of his Majesty's council for that colony, and the son of Daniel Brainerd, Esq. a justice of the peace, and a deacon of the church in Haddam. His mother was Mrs. Dorothy Hobart, daughter to the Rey, Mr. Jeremial Hobart, who preached awhile at Topssield, and then removed to Hempstead on Long-island, and afterwards came and settled in the work of the ministry at Haddam; where he died in the 85th year of his age: of which it is remarkable, that he went to the public worship