## JOHN LEDYARD.



CHAPTER I.

1. John Ledyard, about whose wonderful life I am toing to write, was born in the year 1751. His native lace was Groton, a small village in Connecticut, on the lanks of the River Thames, opposite to New-London. The place of his birth is but a short distance from Fort Griswold, in which, perhaps, my readers know, a great number of American soldiers were cruelly slain, during the war of the revolution, by order of that famous traitor, Benedict Arnold. Colonel William Ledyard, the com-

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