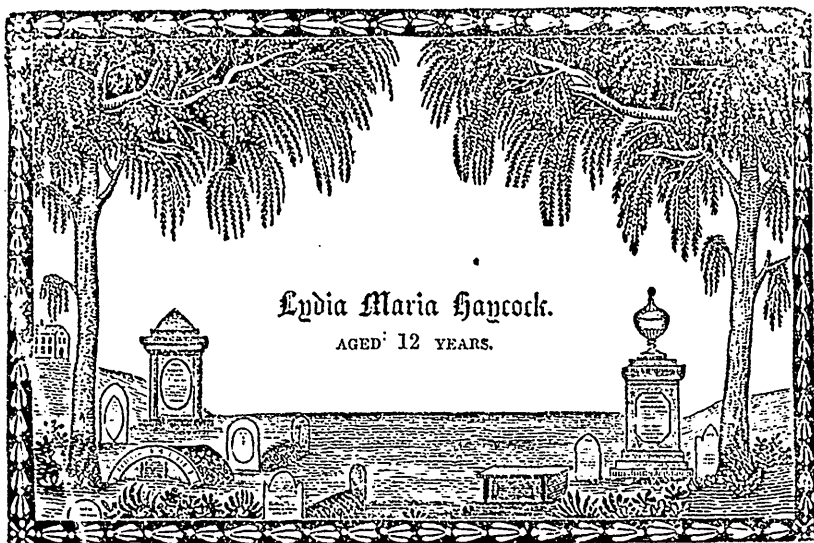


THE ARABS IN PRAYER.

I must not omit the mention of the strict and scrupulous exactness with which all the Arabs prayed in the journey. Five times a day is prescribed by the Koran. Most of them pray the five times, but not all together; some choosing their own time—a liberty allowed to travellers. It was a refreshing sight, though at the same

time a saddening one, to see the poor Arab camel-drivers pray so devoutly, laying their naked foreheads upon the sharp stones and sand of the desert; people who had so literally so few of the bounties of Providence, many of them scarcely anything to eat. And yet these travelworn, famished men supplicated the eternal God with great and earnest devotion. What a lesson for the over-fed Christian.—*Richardson's Travels in Sahara.*



Lydia Maria Haycock.

AGED 12 YEARS.

I send you a short account of one of the lambs of Christ's flock, whose early piety and happy death were very affecting and profitable to those who were near her; and I hope that this account will make her death useful to many who never saw her.

Lydia Maria was born in Kingston, March 8th, 1841, and died in

Yorkville, on the Toronto East Circuit, on Christmas day 1853. She had been a member of the Methodist Church for several years, and her conduct and conversation gave remarkable evidence that she had been with Christ. Though so young, she was very faithful, never missing class-meeting, and always striving to be a true disciple of Christ. She was much