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INGRAM.—On September 20, 1913, Rev. Hugh M. Ingram, of Star, N. C., received the summons from the angel of death, which there is no denying, and passed to the realms above to join those of his loved ones gone on before.

He was born May 4, 1854, and was fifty nine years, four months, and sixteen days old. His failing health the past two years prevented his preaching regularly, but as health permitted, he preached occasionally. He preached at West End Friday night, September 19, and had an appointment to preach near pinehurst at 11 o'clock Sunday, September 21. He was spending Saturday night with Mr. Jerome McDonald. About midnight he awoke Mr. McDonald, telling him that he was not feeling well, but soon felt better, after which Mr. McDonald retired again, thinking he was all right. Sunday morning about 7 o'clock Mr. McDonald went to his room to call him for breakfast and found him dead in bed, with eyes closed and a sweet smile resting on his face. No doubt death came while he was asleep, and God said: "It is enough, my son, come up higher."

The writer feels a personal loss in his death, for he was one of my dearest friends. It was my pleasure to be associated with him four years in the Montgomery Baptist Association. I can, therefore, speak of him from personal experience, and from knowledge gained from intimate association. He was a man who possessed a happy spirit, genial nature, and strong personality. He was a true, faithful and sincere friend, reliable and trustworthy; in my judgment, a Christian gentleman. As father and husband, he was gentle, firm, affectionate and corrective, desiring, above all else, that his family be true Christians and walk worthy as such before the world.

Last, but by no means least, as a preacher he was a diamond in the rough. His education was limited as to literary training, having had but very little educational advantages, yet he possessed much valuable information from reading and study and from contact with others. He was true to his church and denomination, always ready to uphold the truth and tear down the false. He was a pioneer preacher, breaking up new ground, preaching a good deal in destitute places, going out into the "highway and hedges", so that he received comparatively very little financial remuneration for his services.

Why God took him so suddenly and unexpectedly we cannot tell. "Now we see through a glass dimly", but after awhile we shall see clearly and understand.

"Behind the dim unknown
Standeth God within the darkness
Keeping watch above his own".
His funeral service was conducted in Star Baptist Church, of which he was a member, Monday evening, September 22, by Evangelist B. F. Green, of New Smyrna, Florida, after which his mortal remains were consigned to their last resting place in Star cemetery to await the summons from the dead on the morning of the resurrection. We commend the bereaved ones to God, the Comforter and Healer of hearts. --K. C. Horner, Bonlee, N. C.

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