

distinctly lost ground in membership, congregations and financial strength; the Church has decidedly lost ground during the past twelve months. Kincardine claims and must have our special attention. A good pastor must be secured and very largely supported by the Board or we must assume responsibilities for closed doors and abandoned effort in that town. Walkerton was pastorless for over a year, and suffered loss in congregation and membership, but early in the calendar year they were fortunate in securing the services of a pastor of recognized ability and experience, and both the Church and Board feel assured that the progress which has marked the past few months will continue to be maintained in the future.

OWEN SOUND ASSOCIATION.

In the Owen Sound Association we have had thirteen missionaries, ten pastors and three students. Of this district we are again able to report very encouragingly. No portion of our wide territory is better cared for than that embraced within the limits of this Association. The churches, as well as the pastors, are hopeful, wide awake and aggressive. Special services have had a large place in the "Forward Movement" which for some years has characterized our work in the Georgian Bay district. Sydenham has just closed a series of meetings of great power and blessing. Meaford is busily engaged in reaping the second harvest in the year, while North Bruce rejoices over still more signal revival influence and power. A large number has been added to the Church and the prospect is most inviting for the future. Cape Rich, Bayview, Keady, Wiarton and Elderslie report conversions and baptisms as well as increase in spiritual life and christian activity. Fort Elgin, Woodford and two or three other points have a promise of help, God willing, from Evangelist Palmer, and are prayerfully looking and working for large blessing. Chesley continues to make slow but solid growth. Tara, Burgoyne, Daywood, Morley, Glenelg and Durham are holding their own, while Priceville, Flesherton, Glenelg Centre and Bentinck report increase in interest and attendance, more efficient organization and quickened desire for the salvation of the unsaved in their midst. Churches have been organized and recognized at Mar and Sauble Falls, a chapel erected at Tobermory, and several new stations opened and supplied with preaching during the summer months.

NORTHERN ASSOCIATION.

Still more gratifying are the tidings that come from the Northern Association. For years the Woman's Board has expend-