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The Acton Free Press

THURSDAY, JANUARY 18, 1917.

BRIEF LOCAL ITEMS

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NEWS OF LOCAL IMPORT

Right Arm Broken in Two Places
Hugh Brown, the foster son of Mr. John D. Brown, of the first line, fell while attempting to jump on one of the farm houses on Friday forenoon and had his right arm fractured in two places.

Knot Anniversary—January 28th.

The anniversary services of Knox Church will be held on Sunday, January 28th. Rev. R. P. McKey, D. D., foreign mission secretary for the Church in Canada, will be the preacher of the day.

Lights out on Many Streets

Some transformer trouble at the Hydro station put the street lighting of the section covering the south eastly and north westerly parts of the town out of commission, on Sunday evening and the lights are still out now. The central part of the town is illuminated as usual.

Liquor Poured into Sewer

Chief Randall, Guelph, emptied the contents of 10 bottles of whiskey, 10 bottles of rum and 3 bottles of beer, into the sewer on Friday. It was conducted liquor. The police will require to go some way before they can account for the record breaking loss of 100 gallons in one lot into the sewer.

A Significant Resolution

At the 10th meeting of Georgetown Council, the Herald reports that "A representative of the Bell Telephone Co. asked the privilege of trimming shade trees. The Council were unanimous in their decision that the request be not granted." In some places we know telephone, telegraph and hydro men slash shade trees with impunity.

The Junior League Officers

The officers of the Junior Epworth League of the Methodist Church were elected as follows, on Tuesday afternoon:

Superintendent—Mrs. N. F. Moore, Asst. Superintendent—Miss Margaret Stewart.

President—Margaret Moore.

Secretary—Mary Stewart.

Birthday Secretary—Hazel James.

Georgetown's Municipal Salaries

Georgetown's Municipal Officers appointed at last meeting with their salaries were as follows: Town Clerk, Wm. Pitt, \$25; Solicitor, L. Roy Dale, retaining fee \$16; Fire Chief, Neil Hunter \$35; Deputy, \$15; Carpenter town hall, John Taylor \$10; Medical Officer of Health, Dr. McAndrew, \$75; Sanitary Inspector, Wm. Ward 20 cents per hour.

Address by Lady Missionary

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SOCIAL AND PERSONAL

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Mr. and Mrs. Wallace McDonald, of Millburg, visited Acton friends last week.

Miss Elizabeth Gray is slowly improving and her friends hope she will shortly be again.

Mrs. George Statham and Miss Stone have returned from their visit to friends at Shephurton.

Mr. Isaiah Coss, who moved recently to Guelph with his family, is very well in the past week.

Mr. Hugh H. McDonald, of Masswood, spent last week in Acton. He celebrated his eighth birthday on Monday.

Mr. Levi Lambert, of Highgate, arrived here last week to nurse his sister, Miss Ruby Ritchie, who has been very ill.

Miss Nellie Toronto, who has just returned from Vancouver B. C., visited Mrs. Goss Edwards and other friends here this week.

Hon. David Henderson, of Toronto, on Tuesday, to attend the session of the House of Commons.

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