

THE EVENING TIMES AND STAR, ST. JOHN, N.B., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 1915

## MAJOR MESEREAU WOUNDED

Serious, is Announcement in Casualty List—  
Captain Parks Doing Well—More Cana-  
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Last night's casualty list brought the news that Major C. J. Mesereau, of the First Expeditionary Force, has been seriously wounded, which will be learned with sincere regret.

Major Mesereau, who is well known in this city, where he was established in business as a partner in the firm of Kestrad & Mesereau, real-estate operators. He was one of the first officers in New Brunswick to volunteer for active service at the front and his efficiency as a well trained soldier was recognized by the department of militia in that he was appointed a brigade-major. Major Mesereau is a graduate of Acadia University. He was born in Doaktown and had made his home in Hampton after going into business in this city.

A brother of the wounded officer is also at the front. He is a brother-in-law of Lieut.-Colonel McLeod, of the First C. E. F. Mrs. Mesereau is now in England.

The Official List.

Ottawa, April 27.—Five officers killed, one reported killed, two wounded and missing and twenty-two wounded, are included in a casualty list issued tonight by Major-General Hughes, who received the list from the Canadian record office in London by private cable. Captain Clark Kennedy, of Montreal, who was reported killed, is now reported alive and well. No information has yet been received confirming the report from Berlin that 1,000 Canadians have been captured. The total casualties among Canadian officers in London yesterday and today were limited on all sides. Whenever they heard the news they were the subjects of approving glances or uttered admiration.

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