

MICROBE-CULTURE AT BUKAREST

requested to 'make a little report' on the 'success' obtained, and to communicate the results through the agency of 'Mr. K.' It is proved, in fine, that in time of peace members of the German Legation, protected by their immunities, were preparing, in complicity with the members of the Bulgarian Legation, to perpetrate, on the territory of a friendly neutral state, criminal attempts against the security of this state and against the lives of its subjects.

"The Rumanian Government feels it its duty to protest solemnly against these criminal proceedings, and especially against the employment of microbe-cultures—a dishonourable weapon, certainly worse than the employment of poison, which is forbidden in terms to belligerents by the Fourth Hague Convention. It must also protest against this unheard-of violation of the imperious duties of loyalty and correct conduct which are imposed by international law upon diplomatic representatives in return for the prerogatives and privileges which it guarantees them."