These are serious words; They are to be taken either as an approved hint from the home government, indicating a determination to prevent, if possible, such incidents as the Fashoda affair again becoming alarming, or else the whole speech is a mere display of individual power. At any rate it shows that diplomacy is undergoing a process of evolution. If it is to develop, we may expect to find the diplomat of the future something of a little government in himself and not, as heretofore, simply an agent.

## Obituary.

JOSEPH MURPHY, EX. '02. ' AGED 21 YEARS.

In spite of the oft repeated warning Memento mori we are ever unprepared for such a sad announcement as that which reached us on Sunday the 11th inst. On that day Mr. joseph Murphy, a member of last year's Third Form died at his home at Lac La Hache, B. C.

Joseph Murphy spent four years in this institution, and was a universal favorite with the students; and all who knew him will hear with deep regret the news of his untimely death. Previous to entering Ottawa University, he attended school at New-Westminster, B. C., where he contracted Bright's disease of the kidneys. At first his case was not considered serious, and on coming to Ottawa he was apparently in good health. Last year however he was confined to the hospital for the greater part of the year, and was obliged to return home before the close of the term. From that time until the final moment, death stared him constantly in the face.

Mr. Murphy was class medalist for two consecutive years, and in 1897 secured the gold medal presented for competition among class medalists.

That God may strengthen and console the afflicted family in this hour of bereavement, is our earnest prayer. He alone can heal the wounds of a bleeding heart and give comfort in trial and sorrow. For the soul of our former fellow student, we breathe likewise a most fervent prayer.—Requiescat in pace.