

# TELEGRAPHIC. WAR NOW DECLARED

China and Japan Will Settle the  
Korean Troubles.

## CHINESE WARSHIPS HARD UP.

Korea's King a Prisoner—Orders for  
Army Left With Two American  
Companies.

**MANHUAU,** July 27, 10 a. m.—A  
telegram was received yesterday  
evening from a high authority at Peking  
reporting that the prospects for  
the continuance of peace were more  
despondent.

Today, however, news was received  
that war between China and Japan has  
been declared. There have also been  
rumors that several Chinese warships  
are in trouble. The information re-  
ceived here is meager, and the exact  
state of affairs in Korea cannot be  
learned. Telegraphic communication  
with China is interrupted.

### CHINESE KING CAPTURED.

New York, July 26.—The Rev.  
William H. Brewster, president of the  
Christian Disputation Society, has  
this morning left for Korea.

War has been declared between  
Japan and China. The Japanese have  
invaded Korea and held him prisoner.

Chinese steamers are on their  
way to Korea. Most of the troops should  
be at the frontier armistice with two days.

A few Chinese steamers which have  
arrived at Korea have been prevented  
by the Japanese from landing there.  
It is reported that the Japanese ar-  
rested several of them.

### ORDERS FOR ARMS.

New Haven, Conn., July 26.—Two  
representatives of the Chinese govern-  
ment are in this city investigating arms.  
They visited the Winchester Rep-  
resentative Arms company, and the  
Marion Fire Arms company, and it  
is believed, no orders which are to be  
issued.

### THE SITUATION EXPLAINED.

Washington, July 27.—A member  
of the service, referring to the reported  
conflict, said: "Unquestionably there has  
been no declaration of war, otherwise  
we should have heard the last from  
Japan at its minister at Japan. There are  
some facts relative to the situation  
here which are not generally known  
to be perfectly understood in this country.  
The Japanese government is more progressive than  
the Chinese people are. The Japanese  
government have young men sent to  
the United States, and have made  
a rapid education and have made rapid  
advancement. Japan is the one country  
in the Orient which has assumed  
the manner of our civilization. The  
Chinese government have young men sent to  
Japan, and in Japan our men go  
to gain knowledge of the Oriental  
system and to make that country the  
advocate of civilization in the  
world."

Report that progress has been slow  
for the people. The Japanese masses  
have not been lifted up to the high  
plane of civilization which the govern-  
ment expects and to which its leaders  
look to bring the people.

It is reported that there is a  
very great deal of unrest in Japan and  
there is extreme danger of a revolt  
on the part of many Japanese, led by  
ignorant and vicious leaders, in  
view of the present dynasty. They  
take it for granted that the actions of the  
Japanese amount to an attack on  
China in the material sense. The  
Japanese government has marshaled  
its army in Korea under circum-  
stances which are well known, and  
which are the result of the rebellion  
against Japan.

Foreign newspapers are reporting  
that the Japanese are using  
the services of the British Consul  
in Korea to get the Japanese  
rebel leaders to leave Korea.

Although not assured, Smith  
declared yesterday by the release.

Arrived both China and Japan to assert  
its rights, or friendly mediation, has  
threatened conflict between the two  
countries."

### THE ANTI-AMERICAN BILL ADDED.

Peking, July 26.—In the Chamber of  
Deputies today the government's war  
policy bill was adopted by a vote of  
295 to 140.

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