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The courts have decided that refusing to take newspapers and periodicals from the postoffice is prima facie evidence of intentional fraud.

## A PROCLAMATION.

Gov. Toole has issued the following proclamation concerning the observance of Arbor Day:

STATE OF MONTANA,  
EXECUTIVE OFFICE,  
HELENA, MARCH 4, 1892.

Tuesday, the 19th day of April, A. D. 1892, is hereby set apart as a day for the planting of trees, beautifying homes, cemeteries, highways, public grounds, and landscapes, and those who teach in public schools are especially requested to train the thoughts of the youth in tree planting and decorating by practical observance of that day.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the great seal of the state to be affixed at the city of Helena, the capital of the said State, this fourth day of March, A. D. 1892.

By the Governor: JOS. K. TOOLE,  
L. ROTWITT, Secretary of State.

THE indications now are that the Burlington will build this way at some distant day.

The attention of mining men is called to the enormous beds of coal in the Crow's Nest Pass, and the advisability of building a railroad north from Helena through this section.

THE government wants to know why Helena may not dam the Missouri river at Stubb's Ferry, and Great Falls will try her level best to give the reason why it should not be done.

WHILE Hill was down in Mississippi talking states rights and demanding the death of the Republican party, Cleveland went gunning and bagged a fine lot of game claimed by Hill.

THE large deposits of coal in the Crow's Nest Pass, north of here, can only be brought to Montana along the eastern base of the mountains. This insures a railroad for this section and at no distant day, either.

THE attitude of the British government toward the United States in regard to the Behring Sea matter is not satisfactory to Uncle Sam as is plainly shown by what Pres-

ident Harrison says on the subject. He demands the re-establishment of last year's modus vivendi, not receiving which, he will protect the seals by force of arms. This means business, and if Johnny Bull wants a fight, he can have it.

WHILE the work of the Choteau county grand jury in exposing the bounty frauds and bringing the perpetrators to justice is highly appreciated, considerable wonder is expressed that the burning of the court house and county records, and the entry of town lots on the old military reservation some years ago, was not looked into.

River Press: The people of Choteau are in a fair way, from present appearances, to get a railroad through that section much sooner than at first anticipated. It now appears that the intention of the projectors of the Burlington is not to stop at Great Falls, but to go on past Choteau right up through the rich and fertile west end of the county, to the Great Northern, which it will intersect at a point just east of the Marias Pass. Crossing the Great Northern, the Burlington will go on to Fort Macleod, N. W. T. A branch of the Canadian Pacific from Calgary will pass by Fort Macleod westward, and with the Burlington, go through the Crow's Nest pass to the coast. This is the plan of operations upon which the Burlington has about decided, and our Choteau friends are jubilant in consequence.

## WILL PROTECT THE SEALS

Even Though it Takes the Entire Military and Naval Force of The U. S.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—The president's message transmitting Lord Salisbury's reply to the last note from this government relative to the modus vivendi was laid before the senate in executive session at 12 o'clock. Lord Salisbury's reply, as already stated, is a virtual reiteration of his declination to renew the modus vivendi on the same terms as insisted on last year. His refusal to consent to a renewal of the modus vivendi is accompanied with several counter-propositions, the reading of which was received with ill suppressed irritation by the senate.

The president's rejoinder was also transmitted to the senate. It is a pungent communication in which the president broadly but in diplomatic language hints that Lord Salisbury has not met his overtures in a straitforward, business-like manner. The president insists upon a renewal of the modus vivendi without reference to insignificant or irrelevant conditions and closes his note with the stirring assertion that if the government of Great Britain declines to assist in the protection of seals during the arbitration of the claims of the United States he will proceed to enforce the laws and exclude poachers from Behring sea if the military force of the United States is required to accomplish it. The note created a sensation in the senate.

There was no expression of opinion by the president in his letter of transmittal, but this was not needed in view of the clearly defined position assumed by him

in his rejoinder to Lord Salisbury, which appeared to meet with the unanimous approval of the senators.

## AN OFFER.

The undersigned hereby agrees to lease a mill site adjoining the town of Choteau, free, to any reliable party or parties who will build and operate a 75-barrell flouring mill thereon. Said lease to hold good as long as said mill is operated. J. G. HOPKINSON.

## A FINE COPPER EXHIBIT

A huge piece of ore weighing nearly five tons was recently shipped from the "Mountain Con" to Baltimore. The ore was solid copper glance and had been mined for over a year. For nearly that time it had laid near the Mountain Con hoist. A few days ago Marcus Daly ordered it to be packed in sawdust and placed in an iron bound box and sent to Baltimore. From there it is said it will be shipped to France, where it will be exhibited as a huge advertisement of the greatness of Butte's mines. From France it will probably be shipped back to America, and will be given a prominent place in the Montana mining exhibit at the World's Fair. It is a very rich piece of ore, and it is almost pure metal.—Butte Inter-Mountain.

## WEATHER REPORT.

FEBRUARY.	1892.	1891.
Mean temperature,	21.3	8.3
" Max. "	39.4	17.4
" Min. "	9.8	-5.3
Highest "	65.8	41.0
Lowest "	-19.0	-26.0
8 a. m. "	19.6	10.6
8 p. m. "	22.8	8.8
Greatest range, day	57.4	31.0
" " 24 hours	60.2	38.0
Snow fell, days	4	7
" " inches	7.25	20.5

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