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TREATY WITH CROW INDIANS.

MEMORIAL
OF THE
LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF MONTANA,

ASKING

A reconsideration of the treaty with the Crow Indians.

FEBRUARY 4, 1869.—Referred to the Committee on Indian Affairs and ordered to be printed.

MEMORIAL praying for a treaty with the Crow Indians protecting the rights of the citizens of Montana in the valley of the Yellowstone.

To the honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States in Congress assembled:

Your memorialists, the legislative assembly of the Territory of Montana, would earnestly represent, that citizens of the Territory of Montana in the Yellowstone valley have acquired rights under the laws of the United States and the Territory of Montana as pioneers of this mountain region long before a treaty was made by the government of the United States with the Crow nation of Indians, whereby said portion of Territory was set apart as a reservation for those aborigines, and therefore we, your petitioners, the legislative assembly of the Territory of Montana, in order to save bloodshed and protect the lawful rights and privileges of that portion of the citizens of this Territory, would earnestly ask of the treaty-making power of the United States that the treaty by which that portion of this Territory was assigned as a reservation to the Crow nation be revised so as to protect the rights and privileges of that portion of our inhabitants, as it is a historical fact that the portion so assigned as neutral Indian territory belonging to said Crow nation other than the territory mentioned.

A. E. MAYHEW,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.
SAM'L RUSSELL,
President of the Council.