Beaver, Killing Of For Profit.

The killing of beaver for profit is prohibited.

August 23, 1912.

Hon. Henry G. Rodgers, County Attorney,

Dillon, Montana.

Dear Sir:

I acknowledge receipt of your letter of August 21st, 1912, relative to the right of the state to seize certain beaver skins. It appears from your statement that one, Mr. A. agreed with Mr. B. that if B. would kill certain beavers that B. should have one-half of the hides for his work The question being was this a sale of the hides.

Conceding that A. was the owner of the skins the proposition would be that A. for a consideration, to-wit, the labor of B. in killing and skinning the beavers paid B. by delivering to him as his property one-half of the hides. Under this state of facts this was certainly passing the title to property for a consideration and constitutes a sale.

I think the question should be submitted to the district court for decision, as I understand the case is now pending.

Yours very truly,

ALBERT J. GALEN,

Attorney General.