

# United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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## NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 670, FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

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### ADULTERATION OF CATSUP.

On or about July 13, 23, and 25, 1910, there were shipped from Williamstown, N. J., to Philadelphia, Pa., 9 barrels of catsup, in three consignments, the first being of 5 barrels and the other two of 2 barrels each, labeled "Extra Spiced O. K. Catsup Alart & McGuire, N.Y." Examination of samples of this product made by the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, showed it to be adulterated within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906. As it appeared from the above examination that these shipments were liable to seizure under section 10 of the act, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the facts to the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania.

In due course three libels were filed in the District Court of the United States for said district, one against the product contained in each of the shipments in question, charging the said shipments and alleging that the product so shipped was adulterated, in that it consisted in whole or in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid vegetable substance, and praying seizure and condemnation of the product.

On September 9, 1910, the cause came on for hearing and no claimant to the product having appeared and no answer having been filed to any of said libels, the court being fully informed in the premises issued its decree in each of the above three cases, condemning the said 9 barrels of catsup and forfeiting it to the use of the United States for the causes in said libels set forth, and ordering its destruction by the marshal of said district, which order was forthwith executed.

This notice is given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906.

W. M. HAYS,  
*Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *November 1, 1910.*

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