

United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1240.

(Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.)

MISBRANDING OF SYRUP.

At a stated term of the District Court of the United States for the Northern District of California, begun on the second Monday of July, 1911, the grand jurors of the United States within and for said district returned an indictment against the Gordon Syrup & Pickle Co., a corporation, charging shipment by it, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about February 11, 1909, from the State of California into the Territory of Arizona, of a quantity of syrup which was misbranded. The product was labeled: "Rose Bud Drips. Gordon Syrup and P. Co. Oakland, San Francisco, California. OUR GUARANTEE. We fully guarantee the quality of this syrup in every particular. Money back if not satisfactory. Gordon Syrup & Pickle Co., General Offices, San Francisco, U. S. A. Syrup Refinery Oakland, California, Compound of Pure Cane and Corn Syrup."

An analysis of a sample of said product by the Bureau of Chemistry of the United States Department of Agriculture showed the following results:

	Per cent.
Total solids	70.90
Nonsugar solids	25.46
Sucrose, Clerget	21.80
Sucrose, by copper	20.10
Reducing sugars as invert	23.64
Commercial glucose (factor 163)	56.10
Polarization direct, temperature 20° C	118.6
Polarization invert, temperature 20° C	89.6
Polarization invert, 87° C	91.6
Ash	1.76

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the label was false and misleading, in that the word "Drips" appearing thereon, in

connection with sugar products, means a product obtained by allowing the drippings from sugar that had been boiled down to a grain for the production of sugar to drain from the sugar crystals, this product being termed "Drips," whereas the product called "Rosebud Drips" was a product composed of over 50 per cent commercial glucose, and was not what is commercially known as "Drips."

On December 17, 1910, defendant company pleaded guilty and was fined \$10.

JAMES WILSON,
Secretary of Agriculture.

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