

4943. Misbranding of "Andrews' Wine of Life Root or Female Regulator" and "Andrews' Wine of Life Root Annex Powders." U. S. * * * v. Ernest L. Andrews, trading as Andrews Manufacturing Co. Submitted to information. Fine, \$50 and costs. (F. & D. No. 7151. I. S. No. 15053-h.)

At the March, 1916, term of the District Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Tennessee, the United States attorney for said district, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in said court an information against Ernest L. Andrews, trading as Andrews Manufacturing Co., Bristol, Tenn., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about July 14, 1914, from the State of Tennessee into the State of Georgia, of a misbranded article of drug labeled in part, "Andrews' Wine of Life Root or Female Regulator," with which was packed another misbranded article of drug labeled in part, "Andrews' Wine of Life Root Annex Powders."

Analysis of a sample of "Andrews' Wine of Life Root" by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

Alcohol (per cent by volume).....	14.8
Nonvolatile matter (grams per 100 cc).....	19.9
Sugar (grams per 100 cc).....	16.8
Methyl salicylate: Present.	
Tannin: Present.	

Analysis of a sample of "Andrews' Wine of Life Root Annex Powders" showed the following results:

Sodium bicarbonate (per cent).....	49.06
Sodium carbonate (per cent).....	2.12
Sodium chlorid (per cent).....	47.94

It was charged, in substance, in the information that the "Wine of Life Root" was misbranded in that certain statements appearing on the label of the article and included in the pamphlet accompanying it falsely and fraudulently represented it as a remedy for all diseases peculiar to the female sex, as a female regulator, for diseases peculiar to the female sex, such as leucorrhœa or whites, or painful or unnatural suppression of the monthly menstruation, for all female diseases, for flooding of the womb, for regulating all derangements of the menstrual organs, and as a remedy for all diseases originating and depending upon an abnormal condition of the womb, for suppressed menstruation and painful menstruation, as a panacea for woman's ills, for profuse menstruation in preventing too great loss of blood, in clearing the blood of wives and expectant mothers from all impurities, in strengthening the entire uterine system, relieving pain and congestion, and strengthening relaxed ligaments, in assisting the uterus to a natural position, as a remedy for sterility, and as a cure for all diseases from which women suffer, and for all forms of female weakness, and, when used in connection with "Andrews' Wine of Life Root Annex Powders," as a remedy for leucorrhœa or whites, when, in truth and in fact, it was not.

On March 20, 1916, the defendant entered his submission to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$50 and costs.

R. A. PEARSON, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*