

# United States Department of Agriculture,

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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### NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 381, FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

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#### ADULTERATION OF OATS.

On or about March 15, 1909, John Wade & Sons, of Memphis, Tenn., shipped from the State of Tennessee to the State of Georgia 300 bags of oats. Examination of samples of this product made under the direction of 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 the said shipment was liable to seizure under section 10 of the act, the facts were reported to the United States attorney for the Southern District of Georgia.

In due course a libel was filed against the said 300 bags of oats alleging adulteration of the product, in that there had been mixed and packed with it, in a manner to reduce, lower, and injuriously affect its quality and strength, a quantity of barley constituting about 17 per cent of the mixture, and further, in that said barley had been substituted in part for the genuine food product.

On April 12, 1909, John Wade & Sons entered an appearance and filed a claim to the goods, and the court rendered a decree of condemnation and forfeiture, with the proviso that the said goods be released to the claimant on payment of costs and the filing of a bond conditioned that the goods should not be disposed of contrary to the laws of the United States or the laws of the State of Georgia.

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

JAMES WILSON,  
*Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *May 19, 1910.*

