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## United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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### NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1105.

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

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#### ADULTERATION OF IMPROVED SODIC ALUMINIC SULPHATE.

On April 1, 1911, the United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, acting upon the report of the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying condemnation and forfeiture of 131 barrels of sodic aluminic sulphate found on the premises of the Hygienic Chemical Co., St. Louis, Mo.

Analysis of samples from said product by the Bureau of Chemistry of the United States Department of Agriculture showed the product to contain ten parts of metallic arsenic per million. The libel alleged that the said product, after transportation from Illinois into Missouri, remained in the original unbroken packages and was adulterated in violation of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906, because it contained an added poisonous ingredient, to wit, arsenic, which rendered said article injurious to health.

On June 8, 1911, the cause coming on to be heard, the Superior Chemical Co., by Sebastian Lager, its president, filed its claim to said property, asking that an order be made by the court for the release of the property to the claimant upon the payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution and delivery of a bond, as provided by the aforesaid act. On said date the court found the said product adulterated as alleged in the libel and that the United States was entitled to a decree of condemnation as prayed for, and accordingly entered a decree on that day condemning and forfeiting the goods to the United States and ordering the marshal to label said product "Sodic Aluminic Sulphate and Arsenic. Not to be used for food," and to sell same at public auction upon such terms and con-

ditions as will not violate the aforesaid act, with the proviso, however, that the said product be delivered to the above-mentioned claimant upon its paying the costs of the proceedings and executing a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$500, conditioned that the product be not sold or otherwise disposed of in violation of law.

JAMES WILSON,  
*Secretary of Agriculture.*

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