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U. S. FOOD & DRUG ADMINISTRATION,
ROOM 223 U. S. CUSTOMHOUSE BLDG.,
423 CANAL STREET,
NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA.
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United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1269.

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

ADULTERATION OF CATSUP.

On October 6, 1911, the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed information in the District Court of the United States for said district against the Atlas Preserving Co., a corporation, Baltimore, Md., alleging shipment by it, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about November 10, 1910, from the State of Maryland into the District of Columbia of 10 barrels of catsup which was adulterated. The product was labeled: "Dixie Catsup—48— $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% Benzoate Soda. * * * M. E. Horton, Wash., D. C. 48-68634-11-11."

Examination of a sample of said product by the Bureau of Chemistry of the United States Department of Agriculture showed it to contain yeasts and spores in the proportion of 55 per one-sixtieth cmm., bacteria 160,000,000 per cc., molds in 78 per cent of the microscopic fields examined, and to be practically sterile. Adulteration was alleged for the reason that said product consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid vegetable substance as shown by the afore-said analysis.

On October 6, 1911, the defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$5.

JAMES WILSON,
Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 6, 1912.*