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# United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

## NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1677.

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

### MISBRANDING OF "WALNUT OIL."

On January 24, 1911, the United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against Henry A. Mayor, doing business under the name and style of Mayor Walnut Oil Co., Kansas City, Mo., alleging shipment by him, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about January 4, 1910, from the State of Missouri into the State of Washington of a consignment of so-called "Walnut Oil," which was misbranded. The product was labeled: "Mayor Walnut Oil Co., Kansas City, Mo." "Mayor's Walnut Oil. Henry A. Mayor. Trade Mark. Hair Color Restorer. Nature's Own Remedy. Simplest & Best on Earth. Manufactured by the Mayor Walnut Oil Co., Kansas City, U. S. A. Price \$1.00. The only hair dye on earth made from pure vegetables and oils. An absolutely harmless remedy, is easily and quickly applied, and will not stain the skin. \* \* \* It will cause hair to become soft, bright and glossy as in youth. Guaranteed under the Food and Drugs Act, June 30, 1906. \* \* \* A strictly vegetable remedy. \* \* \*"

Analysis of a sample of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this Department showed the following results:

	Per cent.
Non-volatile matter-----	6.77
Ash-----	1.49
Ammonia (NH <sub>3</sub> )-----	1.03
Silver calculated as silver nitrate-----	2.65
Unidentified oil (not walnut oil)-----	3.50

Misbranding of the product was alleged in the information for the reason that it was labeled as above set forth, when in truth and in fact it contained no walnut oil and was not made from vegetables and oils, and the brands, labels, and marks were such as to deceive and mislead the purchaser thereof.

On April 25, 1912, defendant entered a plea of nolo contendere and the court ordered the case dismissed upon the payment of the costs.

JAMES WILSON,  
*Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *July 25, 1912.*

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