

# United States Department of Agriculture,

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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### NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 2150.

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

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#### ADULTERATION OF PRUNES.

On June 12, 1912, the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 11 boxes of prunes remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages upon the premises of the Baltimore & Philadelphia Steamboat Co., Baltimore, Md., alleging that the product had been shipped from the State of Pennsylvania into the State of Maryland and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The product was labeled "Prunes" "To the order of Thomas Roberts & Co. Baltimore, notify Atlas Preserving Co."

Adulteration of the product was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in part of filthy, decomposed vegetable and animal substances, to wit, worms, worm excreta, decomposed and worm-eaten prunes.

On August 6, 1912, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered and it was further ordered that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

W. M. HAYS,  
*Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *December 27, 1912.*