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# United States Department of Agriculture,

## OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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### NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 2232.

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

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#### MISBRANDING OF VODKA.

On September 25, 1912, the United States Attorney for the District of Massachusetts, 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 170 bottles of vodka, remaining unsold and in the original unbroken packages, at Boston, Mass., alleging that the product had been shipped by the Russian Monopole Co., New York, N. Y., and transported from the State of New York into the State of Massachusetts, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The product was labeled in Russian, and was also labeled in English as follows: "Monopole Vodka, Made and Bottled in Russian Monopole Co."

Misbranding of the product was alleged in the libel for the reason that the packages thereof bore a statement, design, or device regarding it and the ingredients and substances contained therein which was false and misleading in a certain particular, that is, words and figures in a foreign language appeared thereon, which would lead a purchaser to believe that the article was a product from a foreign country, whereas in truth and in fact it was not such a product.

On October 29, 1912, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered and it was further ordered that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

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

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 20, 1913.*

