

# United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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## NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 891, FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

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### MISBRANDING OF A DRUG PRODUCT—"MAKE-MAN TABLETS."

On or about August 19, 1910, there were shipped from the State of Maryland into the District of Columbia 180 packages of a drug product labeled: "A Brain, Blood and Nerve Food. Especially prepared for the treatment and cure of dyspepsia, neuralgia, kidney and liver trouble, catarrh, consumption, locomotor-ataxia, wasting diseases, nervous debility, female disorders and all kindred diseases resulting from a worn out nervous system. A certain cure. Distinctively a tonic to build up the system and contains no poison. They are nature's greatest aid to repair the nervous system giving power of endurance and capacity to enjoy every pleasure. An ideal remedy for all nervous troubles. The effect is immediate and no doubt of results exist. They make men and women strong. Directions inside—Prepared only by the Make-Man Tablet Co., Chicago, U.S. A. \* \* \* Make-Man Tablets make blood \* \* \* for \* \* \* 'overdoing,' loss of sleep, over exhaustion resulting from indiscriminate sexual intercourse. Therefore, any man that finds his health impaired, his vital force lacking as a result of 'overdoing' can replenish this lost power by the timely use of Make-Man Tablets. If you would be healthy and strong of nerve and muscle and brain, under the constant strain of over-exertion and maintain the normal supply of blood, you must assist dame nature to refill the empty blood reservoirs. It's a simple proposition: keep up the supply of blood and you'll be all right and fit for business. Take an honest health medicine that appeals to your sick nerve cells. Directions inside—Prepared only by the Make-Man Tablet Co., Chicago, U. S. A." Samples from this shipment were procured and analyzed by the Bureau of Chemistry, United States Department of Agriculture, and it was found to consist essentially of white sugar-coated tablets of aloes, arsenic, strychnine, potassium sulphate, iron carbonate and oxide

and siliceous material. As the findings of the analyst and report thereon indicated that the product was misbranded within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906, and liable to seizure under section 10 of the act, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the facts to the United States attorney for the District of Columbia.

In due course a libel was filed in the Supreme Court of said District against the said 180 packages of Make-Man Tablets, charging the above shipment and alleging the product so shipped to be misbranded, in that it was labeled as above set forth, which labels were exaggerated, false, and misleading because the product was not a brain, blood, or nerve food, because it contained poison, because it was not adapted to or suitable for the treatment of the several diseases or disorders above mentioned, or any of them, or a cure therefor, and because it was not adapted to or suitable for the purpose of making blood, or for the purpose of replenishing "lost power" in man, or for the purpose of restoring lost vitality, and praying seizure, condemnation, and forfeiture of the product.

On February 17, 1911, the cause came on for hearing and there being no claimant to the product or answer to the allegations of the above libel, the court issued its decree finding the product to be misbranded as alleged in said libel, condemning and forfeiting the same to the use of the United States, and ordering its destruction by the marshal for the said District.

This notice is given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906.

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

WASHINGTON, D. C., *May 17, 1911.*