

United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1109.

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

MISBRANDING OF COTTONSEED MEAL.

On February 3, 1911, the United States Attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, acting upon the report of the Secretary of Agriculture, filed information in the District Court of the United States for said district against the J. Lindsay Wells Co., a corporation, alleging shipment by it, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on February 27, 1909, from the State of Tennessee into the State of Pennsylvania, of a quantity of cottonseed meal, which was misbranded. The said product was labeled as follows: "J. Lindsay Wells Co., Memphis, Tenn., Star Brand Choice, finely-ground, Cottonseed meal. Tags: 100 lbs. each. Sold basis analysis Ammonia 8 per cent, nitrogen $6\frac{1}{2}$ per cent, protein 41 per cent, carbohydrates 25 per cent, oil and fat 9 per cent, crude fiber 7 per cent. This meal is made from decorticated cottonseed. Always twinkling for business."

Analysis of samples of said product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this Department showed the following results: Moisture 7.65 per cent, ether extract 6.58 per cent, protein 37.19 per cent, crude fiber 11.77 per cent. Micro, approximately 20 per cent hulls. Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the statements on the label as to the percentages of protein, crude fiber, and oil were false, as shown by the above analysis.

On May 24, 1911, the defendant corporation pleaded guilty and was fined \$25 and costs, which were paid.

JAMES WILSON,
Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *September 1, 1911.*

