

United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1658.

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

ADULTERATION OF MILK.

On March 26 and 27, 1912, Curtis W. Thomas, of Adamstown, Md., sold and delivered at the Union Station, Washington, D. C., a quantity of milk. The Health Officer of the District of Columbia, acting under authority of the Secretary of Agriculture, caused a sample from the above delivery to be procured and analyzed. As the findings of the analyst and report made indicated that the milk was adulterated within the meaning of the Food and Drugs Act, the said Curtis W. Thomas was afforded an opportunity to present to the Health Office evidence showing any fault or error in the findings of the analyst or examiner, but he failed to avail himself of the opportunity and the facts were reported to the United States Attorney for the District of Columbia.

On April 17, 1912, information was filed against the said Curtis W. Thomas in the Police Court of the District of Columbia, charging that the milk sold on March 26 was adulterated in that it had been mixed and packed with a substance, to wit, water, which reduced and lowered its quality, and charging that the milk sold on March 27 was adulterated for the reason that a certain valuable constituent of the product, to wit, butter fat, had been abstracted in part therefrom, and it was further adulterated in that a certain substance, to wit, water, had been mixed and packed with it so as to reduce and lower its quality. On the same day the defendant appeared in court and entered a plea of guilty and a fine of \$25 was imposed.

W. M. HAYS,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *July 15, 1912.*