

United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1694.

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

MISBRANDING OF STOCK FEED.

On March 20, 1912, the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Iowa, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Quaker Oats Co., a corporation, doing business at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about January 22, 1910, from the State of Iowa into the State of Pennsylvania of a quantity of stock feed which was misbranded. The product was labeled: "100 lbs. Victor Feed. The Quaker Oats Co., Manufacturers and Distributors, Address Chicago, U. S. A. Guaranteed analysis: Crude Protein 8%, Crude Fat 3.5%, Crude Fiber 9%, Carbohydrates (Sugar and Starch) 65%, made from Oat Middlings, Oat Hulls, Corn, and $\frac{1}{2}$ of 1% Salt. . . . The Quaker Oats Co., Manufacturers and Distributors, Chicago, U. S. A."

Analysis of a sample of the product made by the Bureau of Chemistry of this Department showed the following results: Moisture, 11.25 per cent; ether extract, 1.71 per cent; protein, 6.60 per cent; crude fiber, 7.75 per cent. Misbranding was alleged in the information for the reason that the product was labeled and branded and bore a statement regarding the substances contained therein which said labeling, branding, and statement was false and misleading in that the product did not contain crude protein 8 per cent and crude fat 3.5 per cent, but, on the contrary, contained a smaller amount of the ingredients stated.

On April 2, 1912, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty to the information and the court imposed a fine of \$50 and costs.

JAMES WILSON,
Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *July 30, 1912.*

