

United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 2416.

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

ADULTERATION OF MILK.

On July 9, 1912, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against William Nieman, of Mount Olive, Ill., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on July 10, 1911, from the State of Illinois into the State of Missouri of a quantity of milk which was adulterated. The product bore no label.

Bacteriological examination of samples of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this Department showed the following results: (Sample No. 1) 2,300,000 bacteria per cc, plain agar, after 2 days at 37° C.; 1,000,000 gas-producing organisms. (Sample No. 2) 28,000,000 bacteria per cc, plain agar, after 2 days at 37° C.; 1,000,000 *B. coli* group; 1,000,000 streptococci. Adulteration of the product was alleged in the information for the reason that it was composed in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substance.

On January 18, 1913, the defendant entered a plea of nolo contendere to the information and the court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs.

WILLIS L. MOORE,
Acting Secretary of Agriculture.

WASHINGTON, D. C., *March 3, 1913.*

