

**4120. Misbranding of "Johnston's Iodized Extract of Sarsaparilla." U. S.
* * * v. The Michigan Drug Co., a corporation. Plea of guilty.
Fine, \$50.¹ (F. & D. No. 6008. I. S. No. 7121-e.)**

On June 10, 1915, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, 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 Michigan Drug Co., a corporation, Detroit, Mich., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about February 3, 1913, from the State of Michigan into the State of Tennessee, of a quantity of "Johnston's Iodized Extract of Sarsaparilla" which was misbranded. The product was labeled: (On bottle) "Used all the Year Round Johnston's Iodized Extract of Sarsaparilla Percentage of Alcohol 16. Is acknowledged to be the best and most reliable preparation now prepared for Liver Complaint and for Purifying the Blood. This preparation is compounded with great care from the best selected Honduras Sarsaparilla, Yellow Dock, Stillingia, Dandelion, Wild Cherry, and other Valuable Remedies. Held in high estimation as a remedy for the following diseases Scrofula, Salt Rheum, Scald Head, Ring Worm, Scurvy, Cutaneous Eruption, Boils, Pimples, Bilious and Pulmonary Diseases, Erysipelas, Jaundice, Liver Complaint, Pain in Back or Breast, Coughs or Colds, Bronchial Affections, Asthma, Dyspepsia or Indigestion, Heartburn, Loss of Appetite, Costiveness, Nervous and Mercurial Diseases, General Debility, Etc., Etc. This valuable preparation has been in use for a number of years, and has proved itself to be one of the best preparations of Sarsaparilla ever offered to the public, and there can be no better evidence of its efficiency than its constantly increasing reputation. It combines power with mildness of action; it does not gripe or debilitate the patient. It excites the stomach, liver and bowels to a healthy action; it strengthens the digestive organs and improves the appetite; it removes obstruction from the liver, and thus cleanses and purifies the blood. This Extract is prescribed daily by our best physicians. It contains no mercury but is entirely vegetable. It is very palatable, and can be taken by delicate females and children with perfect safety. It is not designed as a secret or quack cure-all, but is a compound containing all the virtues of Sarsaparilla, the receipt of which can be seen by any physician on calling at our store. Directions: The dose for an adult is from one to two teaspoonfuls three times a day, half an hour before or an hour after eating, as may best agree with the stomach. If the patient is weak, and an unpleasant effect is produced, the dose may be diminished until it becomes agreeable. Children from one to three years, a half teaspoonful may be given three times a day as above. In all cases, enough should be taken to keep the bowels regular. Guaranteed by Michigan Drug Co. under the Food and Drugs Act, June 30, 1906. Serial No. 357. Prepared only by The Michigan Drug Co. Chemists Detroit, Mich. Entered according to Act of Congress in the year 1864, in the Clerk's Office of the District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan." (On back of bottle) "Safe for Old and Young Please Read the following: Mrs. Emeline Griffin of Fenton, Mich, says: 'Several years ago my blood was in a state of great disorder, I was terribly afflicted with boils, pimples and blotches on my skin; my flesh when cut or bruised, was very slow to heal. I grew thin in flesh, my appetite was very poor. I was greatly troubled with sleeplessness. I was very nervous all the time. My stomach troubled me a great deal. I felt worn out * * * fit for nothing. What I ate would ferment in my stomach and my tongue was coated so much that I thought nothing would ever remove it. I tried a great many doctors, and took

¹This, and the following notices of judgment, (Nos. 4120 to 4150, inclusive), were approved by the Acting Secretary of Agriculture, Washington, D. C., April 1, 1916.