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SERVICE AND REGULATORY ANNOUNCEMENTS.
SUPPLEMENT.

N. J. 6501—6550.

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NOTICES OF JUDGMENT UNDER THE FOOD AND DRUGS ACT.

[Given pursuant to section 4 of the Food and Drugs Act.]

6501. Adulteration of oysters. U. S. * * * v. William S. Hatton. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$50. (F. & D. No. 8782. I. S. No. 6984-p.)

On April 15, 1918, the United States attorney for the District of Columbia, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the police court of the District aforesaid an information against William S. Hatton, Washington, D. C., alleging the sale by said defendant, on November 28, 1917, at the District aforesaid, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, of a quantity of oysters which were adulterated.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

Liquid (per cent)-----				11
Meat (per cent)-----				89
Loss on boiling on drained oysters (per cent)-----				54
	Oyster liquor.	Oyster meat.	Entire sample.	
Solids (per cent)-----	2.69	13.1	12.0	
Sodium chlorid (per cent)-----	.30	.04		

Results of analysis indicate the addition of water to the oysters.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that a certain substance, to wit, added water, had been mixed and packed with the article so as to reduce, lower, and injuriously affect its quality and strength, and had been substituted in part for oysters which the article purported to be.

On April 15, 1918, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$50.

C. F. MARVIN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*