

# United States Department of Agriculture,

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY.

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## NOTICE OF JUDGMENT NO. 1181.

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

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### MISBRANDING OF EGG NOODLES.

On July 31, 1911, the United States Attorney for the Southern District of New York, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed information in the Circuit Court of the United States for said district against the Maas Baking Co., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act of June 30, 1906, on or about February 15, 1910, from the State of New York into the State of New Jersey of a quantity of egg noodles which were misbranded. The product was labeled: "Maas Baking Co. Egg Noodles Broad (Small type): Art. Col'd-Mac' Color Veg't Compound, Saffron used."

Analysis by the Bureau of Chemistry of the United States Department of Agriculture of a sample of this product showed it to be colored with a coal-tar dye known as Naphthol Yellow S, and disclosed no evidence of any egg being contained in said product. Misbranding was alleged for the reason that said product was labeled "egg noodles" when in fact it contained no egg, and the legend used to designate the presence of artificial color is misleading in that it conveys the impression that saffron is the coloring matter used when in fact the product is colored with a coal-tar dye, and saffron, if present at all, is in a very minute quantity, and the statements on the label were therefore false and misleading.

On September 6, 1911, the defendant pleaded guilty and was fined \$25.

W. M. HAYS,  
*Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *October 28, 1911.*

