

Samples not accounted for in the columns headed 'Adulterated' and 'Genuine' were classified as 'doubtful,' or 'sold as compound.' It is very satisfactory to observe that a great improvement in the character of this article is evidenced.

At first sight it might seem practicable, and perhaps even desirable, to fix a limit for chicory, beyond which the addition of chicory to coffee, without declaration of the fact, should be regarded as actual adulteration. Such suggestion will not bear criticism, and the only tenable procedure would seem to be the distinct declaration that chicory is present, whenever it has been added in any quantity however small.

I beg to recommend the publication of this report as Bulletin No. 216.

I have the honour to be, sir,

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