

Mr. Schidrowitz: *Exactly.*

Mr. Hough: Did you hear Professor Remington state that the acidity of a spirit does not increase with age?

Mr. Schidrowitz: Yes.

Mr. Hough: What would you say as to that?

Mr. Schidrowitz: *I would say that Professor Remington is quite wrong.*

Mr. Hough: You have heard it stated that a substance cannot change its name by virtue of some treatment. What is your view?

Mr. Schidrowitz: I think I could produce *thousands* of examples where a substance changes its name, either by chemical treatment, or mechanical treatment, or physiological treatment. * * * You may take, say, Liebig's Extract of Meat, and add to it hot water; you find that you produce soup or bouillon.

Mr. Hough: Doctor Wiley brought out by one witness some similes. First, he brought out the olive-oil simile. Do you think *that* applies to the issue?

Mr. Schidrowitz: *I do not.* I think that the olive-oil simile, and the maple-sugar simile, and the margarine, are *all good examples of false analogies.* Take olive-oil. *It is not a change of material.* Olive-oil is obtained by purely mechanical process from the olive by separating out the oil. In the same way, maple-syrup is obtained from the maple sap by a simple process of concentration. Now, *these are,* in my opinion, *not manufactured articles in the sense that whisky is a manufactured article.* In making whisky from grain you *convert,* first of all, *the starch into sugar.* The sugar is an entirely different product from starch. Secondly, you *convert that sugar into alcohol,* which is, again, an entirely different product.¹

And I think there can be no difference of opinion in this regard; that the consumer when he asks for olive-oil, or when he asks for maple-syrup, or when he asks for butter, knows

¹Doctor Wiley said—"The addition of water to any distilled product *never changes its name* or character or classification."

²Doctor Wiley declared Whisky to be an "absolutely natural article," equally with Honey. (See Chapter III—page 21).