

MANUFACTURE OF ICE CREAM

Editor Everybody's Column: When was ice cream first made? G. H.

The history of ice cream is fragmentary, and varying statements of its introduction into America are found. We know that the ice cream wholesale business originated with Jacob Fussel, a milk dealer of Baltimore and Washington, in 1851; that it was advertised in the New York newspapers as far back as 1786, and that Dolly Madison served it at the Presidential receptions throughout President Madison's entire administration, but we do not know definitely who first introduced it in America. Thomas D. Butler, of the Ice Cream Trade Journal, traced the origin of ice cream to Italy and said that an Italian from Palermo served it first in France in his cafe in 1660.

Another account credits Augustus Jackson, a negro caterer of Philadelphia, with being the first to make ice cream in the United States. He flourished about 1832. At his death some years later the business was continued by his daughter. His place was in what was then Goodwater street, now St. James, between Seventh and Eighth streets. For several years Jackson enjoyed a monopoly on the manufacture of ice cream and sold all he could produce at \$1 a quart.