

3532. Adulteration of desiccated eggs. U. S. v. 1 Barrel of Desiccated Eggs. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 5476. I S. No. 5287-h. S. No. 2048)

On or about December 12, 1913, the United States attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 1 barrel containing 200 pounds of desiccated eggs, remaining unsold in the original unbroken package at Memphis, Tenn., alleging that the product had been transported from the State of Texas into the State of Tennessee, the shipment being delivered on or about December 2, 1913, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

It was alleged in the libel that the product was adulterated in that it was composed of an excessive number of organisms, including organisms of a gas-producing type; acidity of fat and ammonia nitrogen [were] excessive for good dried eggs; the appearance and color were poor; the odor was sour and very offensive; and that the product consisted of impure, decomposed, and deleterious animal matter.

On May 27, 1914, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

WASHINGTON, D. C., *January 13, 1915.*