4291. Adulteration of butter. U. S. * * v. 340 Pounds * * * of Butter. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 6770. I. S. No. 11502-I. S. No. C-287.)

On August 5, 1915, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, 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 340 pounds of butter, remaining unsold in the original unbroken package, alleging that the product had been shipped on July 31, 1915, and transported from the State of Indiana into the State of Illinois, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in part of a decomposed animal substance; for the further reason that it consisted wholly of a decomposed animal substance; for the further reason that it consisted in part of a filthy animal substance; and for the further reason that it consisted in part of a putrid animal substance.

On September 11, 1915, 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 VECOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.