

4309. Adulteration of shell eggs. U. S. v. 56 Cases of Shell Eggs * * *.
Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction.
(F. & D. No. 6908. S. No. E-409.)

On October 7, 1915, the United States attorney for the District of Maryland, 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 56 cases of shell eggs, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Baltimore, Md., alleging that the product had been shipped and transported from the State of New York into the State of Maryland, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The goods were labeled: "Spots and Rots not candled."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that said shell eggs consisted in part of filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal matter, to wit, rots and spots, and of eggs of a general class unquestionably unfit for food purposes.

On October 8, 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 VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*