

**4925. Adulteration of oysters. U. S. \* \* \* v. 100 Cans of Oysters. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 7046. S. No. E-476.)**

On November 5, 1915, the United States attorney for the District of Connecticut, 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 100 cans of oysters, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at New Haven, Conn., alleging that the article had been delivered by Charles E. Hamilton, New Haven, Conn., on or about November 6, 1915, for shipment from the State of Connecticut into another State or Territory, 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 whole or in part, of a filthy, decomposed, or putrid animal substance at the time of its delivery for shipment as aforesaid.

On February 9, 1916, 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.

R. A. PEARSON, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*