

5117. Adulteration of "Marco Feed." U. S. * * * v. 400 Sacks of "Marco Feed." Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product ordered released on bond. (F. & D. No. 325-c. I. S. No. 20820-m.)

On February 13, 1917, the United States attorney for the Western District of Tennessee, acting upon a report by the Commissioner of Agriculture of the State of Tennessee, authorized 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 400 sacks of "Marco Feed," alleging that the article had been shipped by the Marco Mills, Pine Bluff, Ark., and transported from the State of Arkansas into the State of Tennessee, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part: " * * * Marco Feed. * * * Ingredients: Alfalfa Meal, Molasses, Cracked Corn, Oats."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that cottonseed hulls had been mixed and packed therewith so as to lower, reduce, and injuriously affect its quality and standard and had been substituted in part for an article purporting to consist of alfalfa meal, molasses, cracked corn, and oats.

On February 23, 1917, the Saunders-Blackburn Grocery Co., Memphis, Tenn., claimant, having consented to a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be released to said claimant upon payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$250, in conformity with section 10 of the act.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*