

**5316. Adulteration of grapefruit. U. S. \* \* \* v. 169 Boxes of Grapefruit. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Good portion ordered released. Unfit portion destroyed. (F. & D. No. 7770. S. No. E-709.)**

On October 16, 1916, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of New York, 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 169 boxes of grapefruit, alleging that the article had been shipped on or about October 12, 1916, by R. D. Day, San Juan, P. R., and transported from the Island of Porto Rico into the State of New York, 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 was sweated to color it in a manner to simulate mature fruit; and for the further reason that it was colored in a manner whereby inferiority was concealed.

On October 19, 1916, Curran, Robertson & Co., New York, N. Y., claimant, having consented to a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be sorted under the supervision of this department and that the good portion should be released to said claimant. On October 27, 1916, it was further ordered that the unfit portion should be destroyed.

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