

5587. Adulteration of evaporated apples. U. S. * * * v. 20 Boxes of Evaporated Apples. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and sale. (F. & D. No. 6161. I. S. No. 11881-k. S. No. C-138.)

On December 8, 1914, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi, 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 20 boxes of evaporated apples, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Meridian, Miss., alleging that the article had been shipped by J. W. Teasdale & Co., St. Louis, Mo., and transported from the State of Missouri into the State of Mississippi, the shipment having been received on or about September 16, 1914, 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 badly infested with worms, bugs, and worm excreta, and was old, stale, and sour.

On March 14, 1917, 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 sold at public auction by the United States marshal.

C. F. MARVIN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*