

5770. Adulteration of tomato pulp. U. S. * * * v. 400 Cases * * * of Tomato Pulp. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 8156. I. S. No. 11748-m. S. No. C-676.)

On March 7, 1917, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, 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 400 cases of tomato pulp, alleging that the article had been shipped on December 1, 1916, by the Mantik Packing Co., Baltimore, Md., and transported from the State of Maryland into the State of Illinois, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part, "Ruxton Brand Tomato Pulp."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in part of a decomposed vegetable substance.

On April 17, 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 destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*