

5868. Adulteration and misbranding of chloroform liniment. U. S. * * *
v. Robert T. Petzold (Harvard Pharmacy). Plea of guilty. Fine,
\$20. (F. & D. No. 8435. I. S. No. 4541-m.)

On October 2, 1917, the United States attorney for the District of Columbia, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the police court of said District an information against Robert T. Petzold, trading as the Harvard Pharmacy, Washington, D. C., alleging that said defendant did offer for sale and sell at the District aforesaid, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on February 9, 1917, a quantity of chloroform liniment which was adulterated and misbranded.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

Camphor (grams per 1,000 mils)-----	37.58
Chloroform (mils per 1,000 mils)-----	110.7
Alcohol (per cent by volume)-----	55.75

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it was sold under and by a name recognized in the United States Pharmacopœia, and differed from the standard of strength, quality, and purity as determined by the tests laid down in the said Pharmacopœia official at the time of investigation of the article, in that in 1,000 mils of the article there were 110.7 mils of chloroform, whereas the said United States Pharmacopœia provides that in 1,000 mils of the article there shall be 300 mils of chloroform; and the standard of strength, quality, and purity of the article was not declared on the container thereof.

Misbranding of the article was alleged for the reason that it contained alcohol and chloroform, and the label failed to bear a statement of the quantity or proportion of alcohol and chloroform contained therein.

On October 2, 1917, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$20.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*