

**5962. Adulteration of eggs. U. S. \* \* \* v. Benjamin F. McClellan. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$25 and costs. (F. & D. No. 8294. I. S. No. 1706-m.)**

On August 21, 1917, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Iowa, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against Benjamin F. McClellan, Carnsforth, Iowa, alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about August 5, 1916, from the State of Iowa into the State of Pennsylvania, of a quantity of shell eggs which were adulterated.

Examination of 5 one-half cases, 900 eggs, by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed 140 bad eggs, or 15.55 per cent.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substance.

On November 30, 1917, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$25 and costs.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*