6241. Adulteration of hay. U. S. \* \* \* v. One Carload of Hay. Default decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Good portion ordered released. Unfit portion ordered destroyed. (F. & D. No. 375-c.)

On January 11, 1916, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, acting upon a report by the dairy and food commissioner of Virginia, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of one carload of hay containing 22,810 pounds of hay remaining unloaded at Milford, Va., alleging that the article had been shipped on or about December 24, 1915, by W. A. Bunting & Co., Jackson, Mich., and transported from the State of Michigan into the State of Virginia, 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 consisted in part of a decomposed vegetable substance.

On April 15, 1916, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the good portion should be released in all ways from the force and effect of the judgment and monition as soon as the costs of the proceedings were paid, and that the unfit portion should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

G. I. Christie, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.