6544. Adulteration of corn meal. U. S. * * * v. 150 Sacks * * * of Corn Meal. Decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product ordered released on bond. (F. & D. No. 8964. I. S. No. 2891-p. S. No. E-1019.)

On April 12, 1918, the United States attorney for the Western District of South Carolina, 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 150 sacks, each containing 96 pounds of corn meal, consigned by the Town Creek Milling Co., Lenoir City, Tenn., remaining unsold in the original, unbroken packages at Spartanburg, S. C., alleging that the article had been shipped on February 9, 1918, and transported from the State of Tennessee into the State of South Carolina, 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 and had a musty odor and sour taste.

On May 30, 1918, the case having come on for hearing before the court and a jury and the jury having returned a verdict for the Government, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be released to the Spartan Grain & Mill Co., Spartanburg, S. C., claimant, upon the payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$200, in conformity with section 10 of the act, conditioned in part that the product be used for the purpose of hog feed only.

C. F. MARVIN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.