

Misbranding was alleged for the further reason that the article was food in package form and the quantity of the contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package.

On February 27, 1922, a plea of guilty to the information was entered on behalf of the defendant company, and the court imposed a fine of \$50.

C. W. PUGSLEY, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

10693. Misbranding of La Derma vagiseptic discs, Bick's sarsaparilla compound, Bick's nerve tonic, Bick's sextone pills, Arthur's sextone tablets, Arthur's emmenagogue pills, Leslie's emmenagogue pills, and Thomas' emmenagogue pills. U. S. * * * v. 16 Boxes of La Derma Vagiseptic Discs, et al. Default decrees of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. Nos. 15350, 15351, 15352. Inv. Nos. 24226 to 24239, incl., 24241 to 24244, incl., 27087 to 27100, incl. S. Nos. C-3177 to C-3194, incl.)

On or about September 9, 1921, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Texas, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district libels praying the seizure and condemnation of 33 boxes of La Derma vagiseptic discs, 20 boxes of Bick's sarsaparilla compound, 51 boxes of Bick's nerve tonic, 44 boxes of Bick's sextone pills, 55 boxes of Arthur's sextone tablets, 33 boxes of Arthur's emmenagogue pills, 30 boxes of Leslie's emmenagogue pills, and 48 boxes of Thomas' emmenagogue pills, remaining in the original packages in part at Bowie, Texas, and in part at Olney, Texas, alleging that the articles had been shipped by the Palestine Drug Co., St. Louis, Mo., between the dates of May 10 and September 30, 1920, and transported from the State of Missouri into the State of Texas, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended. The articles were labeled in part as follows: (La Derma vagiseptic discs) (wrapper) " * * * For amenorrhoea and other uterine and vaginal disorders," (circular) " * * * for * * * Amenorrhoea * * * Ulceration of the Uterus and Catarrh of the Uterus * * * Gonorrhoea * * *," (Bick's sarsaparilla compound) (bottle) " * * * to be taken regularly as long as impurity exists in the blood * * * one of the best remedies in existence for purposes claimed. Remember that constitutional diseases or diseases of long standing cannot be cured in a week or so by any remedy * * *," (wrapper) " * * * for the Treatment of all Diseases due to Impure Blood such as Chronic Rheumatism, Secondary Syphilis, Scrofula, Pimples, Boils, Etc. * * * is especially and specifically designed to give the greatest possible benefit in the treatment of diseases due to impure and impoverished blood * * *," (Bick's nerve tonic) " * * * Nerve Tonic * * * one of the best * * * treatments known for those nervous run-down conditions which cause so much mental worry * * * For the treatment of weak and irritated conditions of the nervous system * * * manifested * * * as poor appetite, feeling of weakness, despondency, lack of iron in the system of both sexes and lack of energy;" (Bick's sextone pills) "Sextone Pills * * * Composed of * * * Aphrodisiac Agencies * * *," (Arthur's sextone tablets) (wrapper) " * * * Designed to Correct * * * the Evil Results Following Sexual or Alcoholic Excesses, Overwork, Etc. * * * Sextone Tablets For Either Sex Composed of * * * the Most Potent and Dependable Aphrodisiac Agencies * * *," (circular) " * * * Sextone Tablets * * * cases of exhaustion of nervous energy * * * stimulate * * * the Sexual Plexes * * * nourish the nervous system and build it up * * *," (Arthur's emmenagogue pills, Leslie's emmenagogue pills, and Thomas' emmenagogue pills) "Emmenagogue Pills recommended for Amenorrhoea, Dysmenorrhoea and other Menstrual Troubles * * * beginning treatment * * * before the regular monthly period * * * continue * * * until relief is obtained."

Analyses of samples of the articles by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that the La Derma vagiseptic discs contained salt, alum, starch, milk sugar, and talc; the Bick's sarsaparilla compound contained less than 1 per cent of sodium salicylate, 0.7 per cent of potassium iodid, extracts of plant drugs, including sarsaparilla and a laxative drug, sugar, alcohol, and water; the Bick's nerve tonic consisted of two products—brown tablets containing phosphorus and compounds of zinc and iron, coated with sugar and calcium carbonate, and yellow pellets containing compounds of iron, strychnine, and phosphorus, coated with sugar and calcium carbonate; the Bick's sextone pills consisted of two products—chocolate-colored pills containing a small amount of extract of plant drugs, 50 per cent of sugar, 25 per cent of calcium carbonate, 7 per cent of iron oxid, and 7 per cent of powdered talc, and orange-

colored tablets containing 31 per cent of metallic iron, 11 per cent of calcium carbonate, extract of nux vomica, and sugar; the Arthur's sextone tablets contained iron oxid, calcium carbonate, a compound of zinc, and extract of plant drugs, coated with sugar; the Arthur's emmenagogue pills, the Leslie's emmenagogue pills, and the Thomas' emmenagogue pills contained iron sulphate, aloes, and extract of plant drugs, coated with sugar and calcium carbonate, colored pink.

Misbranding of the articles was alleged in substance in the libels for the reason that the above-quoted statements, appearing in the labeling of the said articles, were false and fraudulent in that the said articles contained no ingredients or combinations of ingredients capable of producing the said therapeutic effects.

During May, 1922, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgments of condemnation and forfeiture were entered, and it was ordered by the court that the products be destroyed by the United States marshal.

C. W. PUGSLEY, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

10694. Adulteration and misbranding of walnut meats. U. S. * * * v. 108 Cases of Walnut Meats * * *. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product ordered released on bond for reconditioning. (F. & D. No. 15760. I. S. Nos. 13828-t, 13830-t. S. No. W-1050.)

On May 8, 1912, the United States attorney for the Western District of Washington, 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 108 cases of walnut meats, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Seattle, Wash., alleging that the article had been shipped by Sam Sutton, Los Angeles, Calif., on February 6, 1922, and transported from the State of California into the State of Washington, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted wholly or in part of filthy, decomposed, and putrid vegetable substance.

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the article was in package form and the quantity of contents was not plainly and conspicuously marked on the outside of the package.

On May 31, 1922, Richardson and Holland, a corporation, Seattle, Wash., claimant, having appeared and confessed judgment, a decree of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product might be released to said claimant for reconditioning under the supervision of this department, upon payment of the costs of the proceeding and the execution of bond, in conformity with section 10 of the act.

C. W. PUGSLEY, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

10695. Adulteration of walnut meats. U. S. * * * v. 150 Cases of Walnut Meats * * *. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released on bond for reconditioning. (F. & D. No. 15772. I. S. No. 11248-t. S. No. W-1054.)

On March 14, 1922, the United States attorney for the Western District of Washington, 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 cases of walnut meats, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Seattle, Wash., alleging that the article had been shipped about February 5, 1922, by C. S. Holzman, Los Angeles, Calif., and transported from the State of California into the State of Washington, 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 wholly or in part of a filthy, decomposed vegetable substance.

On April 10, 1922, Oscar Lucks, claimant, having entered his appearance for the goods, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product might be released to said claimant for reconditioning under the supervision of this department, upon payment of the costs of the proceeding and the execution of bond, in conformity with section 10 of the act.

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10696. Alleged adulteration of oranges. U. S. * * * v. 396 Boxes * * * of Oranges. Tried to the court. Decree ordering release of product to claimant. (F. & D. No. 16107. I. S. No. 18411-t. S. No. C-3484.)

On or about March 23, 1922, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in