

11662. Misbranding of tomatoes. U. S. v. Ernest M. Shoemaker (E. M. Shoemaker). Plea of guilty. Fine, \$5 and costs. (F. & D. No. 16018. I. S. No. 2930-t.)

On May 10, 1922, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Texas, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against Ernest M. Shoemaker, trading as E. M. Shoemaker, Jacksonville, Tex., alleging shipment by said defendant, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about June 9, 1921, from the State of Texas into the State of Missouri, of a quantity of tomatoes in crates which were misbranded. Some of the crates bore no statement relative to weight, measure, or numerical count. The rest of them were marked "1/3 Bu."

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

On May 4, 1923, the defendant entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$5 and costs.

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11663. Adulteration of chloroform. U. S. v. 168 Cans of Chloroform. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 16648. S. No. C-3716.)

On July 21, 1922, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Ohio, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 168 cans of chloroform, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Cleveland, Ohio, alleging that the article had been shipped from New York, N. Y., on or about March 7, 1922, and transported from the State of New York into the State of Ohio, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part: "Chloroform * * * For Anaesthesia."

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that it was turbid and that it contained chlorinated decomposition compounds.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel 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 test laid down in said Pharmacopœia, official at the time of investigation.

On April 14, 1923, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

HOWARD M. GORE, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

11664. Adulteration and misbranding of beans. U. S. v. 210 Bags of Beans. Decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 16823. I. S. No. 13645-t. S. No. E-4067.)

On September 19, 1922, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Georgia, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 210 bags of beans, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Atlanta, Ga., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Wholesalers & Exporters Brokerage Co., from New Orleans, La., on or about May 10, 1922, and transported from the State of Louisiana into the State of Georgia, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended. The article was labeled in part: "Pink 90 Net When Packed."

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

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

On November 4, 1922, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal. On November 18, 1922, the decree providing for the destruction of the product was modified to permit its release to the H. L. Singer Co., Atlanta, Ga., upon pay-