

Blood;" (circular) "Rheumatism. Under the word 'Rheumatism' there are included various affections of different nature:—First:—The acute affection in the articulations, known in medicine under the name of Acute Articular Rheumatism. Second:—The disease or maybe the series of diseases named Chronic Rheumatism, and Third:—Muscular Rheumatism. Acute Articular Rheumatism * * * there are possibilities that the inflammation may extend to the heart * * * chronic rheumatism * * * muscular rheumatism * * * treatment * * * The best thing that has proven to be of best value, as it is demonstrated by numerous testimonials of individuals that were almost crippled and that had lost all hope of living, is the discovery of the celebrated and famous Syrup Kofressi. This has been the savior of humanity * * * Anti Rheumatic Syrup Kofressi * * * about a year ago I was suffering from a terrible Rheumatic affection, accompanied by infarcts in the glands, specially those of the right armpit. This deprived me for a long time to attend to my business, because it was very difficult for me to do it on account of the pain. No longer being able to resist such terrible disease, and no alleviation having been felt with all the medicines I had taken * * * I noticed that the Rheumatism was ceasing, the gland disappeared and that a sensation of good feeling was announcing me the return of my health. * * * This I make public as a duty * * * I feel highly grateful for having returned to me the most precious gift, Health, with the best Anti-Rheumatic Specific that has ever been known."

On March 7, 1931, 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.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

18059. Adulteration and misbranding of ether. U. S. v. Fifty-four 1-Pound Cans of Ether. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 25832. I. S. No. 15718. S. No. 4059.)

Samples of ether from the shipment herein described having been found to contain peroxide, a decomposition product, the Secretary of Agriculture reported the matter to the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts.

On January 28, 1931, the United States attorney filed in the District Court of the United States for the district aforesaid a libel praying seizure and condemnation of fifty-four 1-pound cans of ether, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Worcester, Mass., alleging that the article had been shipped by Merck & Co., from Rahway, N. J., on or about October 17, 1930, and had been transported from the State of New Jersey into the State of Massachusetts, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: "Ether U. S. P."

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated in that it was sold under a name recognized in the United States Pharmacopoeia, and differed from the standard of strength, quality, and purity as determined by the tests laid down in the said pharmacopoeia official at the time of investigation, and its own standard was not stated upon the label.

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the statement "Ether U. S. P.," appearing on the label, was false and misleading.

On March 30, 1931, 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.

ARTHUR M. HYDE, *Secretary of Agriculture.*

18060. Adulteration and misbranding of fluid extract ergot. U. S. v. 14 Boxes of Ampoules No. 5 Ergot (Sterilized). Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 25846. I. S. No. 15816. S. No. 4076.)

Examination of samples of fluid extract ergot from the shipment herein described showed that the product had a potency per cubic centimeter equivalent to two-fifths gram of ergot, approximately two-tenths the potency declared on the label. The article was sold as a therapeutic agent for use in conditions for which fluid extract of ergot is administered, and because of low potency would have been ineffective when administered for such conditions in reliance on its declared strength. The label bore further unwarranted curative claims.

On February 3, 1931, the United States attorney, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for the Southern District of New York a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 14 boxes of ampoules No. 5 ergot (sterilized), remaining unsold in the original