

DISPOSITION: March 19, 1952. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.

3688. Adulteration of psyllium husks (*Plantago*). U. S. v. 113 Bags, etc. (F. D. C. No. 31166. Sample Nos. 23106-L, 23107-L.)

LABEL FILED: June 1, 1951, Eastern District of New York.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 23 and October 20, 1950, from Sidhpur, India.

PRODUCT: 232 bags of *psyllium husks* (*Plantago*) at Brooklyn, N. Y.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 501 (a) (1), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance by reason of the presence of insects. The product was adulterated while held for sale after shipment in interstate commerce.

DISPOSITION: June 22, 1951. Prentiss Drug & Chemical Co., Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y., having appeared as claimant, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be released under bond to be brought into compliance with the law, by fumigating, cutting, sifting or blowing, and destruction of the unfit portion, under the supervision of the Food and Drug Administration. Salvage operations resulted in the release of 18,883 pounds of the product. The remaining 2,200 pounds were denatured and destroyed.

#### DRUGS ACTIONABLE BECAUSE OF DEVIATION FROM OFFICIAL OR OWN STANDARDS

3689. Adulteration and misbranding of belladonna tincture and paregoric. U. S. v. Ormont Drug & Chemical Co., Inc. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$525. (F. D. C. No. 31267. Sample Nos. 74838-K, 91904-K, 91919-K, 92268-K, 22798-L to 22800-L, incl.)

INFORMATION FILED: January 7, 1952, Eastern District of New York, against Ormont Drug & Chemical Co., Inc., Long Island City, N. Y.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about June 21, September 8, October 13 and 19, November 9 and 16, and December 20, 1950, from the State of New York into the States of New Jersey and Connecticut.

LABEL, IN PART: "Ormont \* \* \* Belladonna Tincture U. S. P. (Tinctura Belladonnae)" and "Ormont \* \* \* Paregoric U. S. P. Tinctura Opii Camphorata."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 501 (b), both products were represented to be drugs, the names of which are recognized in the United States Pharmacopeia, an official compendium, and their strength differed from the standards set forth in such compendium; and their differences in strength from the official standards were not stated on their labels. The *belladonna tincture* yielded more than 33 milligrams of the alkaloids of belladonna leaf per 100 cc., and the *paregoric* yielded more than 45 milligrams of anhydrous morphine per 100 cc.

Misbranding, Section 502 (a) the statements "Belladonna Tincture U. S. P." and "Paregoric U. S. P." borne on the labels of the respective products were false and misleading since the statements represented and suggested that the drugs were of the strength established in the United States Pharmacopeia, whereas they were not of such strength in that the *belladonna tincture*