

open those obstructions which virgins are liable to—best * * * for * * * the irregularities * * * for the palpitations of the heart, giddiness, loathing of food, bad digestion, pains of the stomach, heating of the arteries of the neck, short breath, * * * scurvy * * * should be taken by all women at the age of forty-five * * * to prevent those disorders that usually attend them at that time * * * sovereign remedy * * * in all hypochondriac, hysterick or vapourish disorders * * * strengthen the nerves * * * for * * * obstruction of courses * * * continue their use until the end is answered * * *,” (circular) “Female Pills * * * a safe and sovereign remedy in female complaints * * * an emmenagogue in producing menstruation * * * for the removal of irregularities * * * are used * * * except in cases of pregnancy,” which said statements were false and fraudulent for the reason that said product contained no ingredients or combination of ingredients in sufficient quantity and strength capable of producing the therapeutic effect claimed for it in said statements.

On October 18, 1920, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgments of condemnation and forfeiture were entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

E. D. BALL, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

8869. Misbranding of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills. U. S. * * * v. 142 Packages of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 13500. I. S. No. 497-t. S. No. C-2349.)

On August 23, 1920, 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 for the seizure and condemnation of 142 packages of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills, at Toledo, Ohio, alleging that the article had been shipped by the Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y., on or about April 20, 1920, and transported from the State of New York into the State of Ohio, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended. The article was labeled in part: (Label) “Builds up the System. Cures * * * Nervous Prostration * * * Nervous Headache, Female Trouble * * * Heart Failure, Dizziness & Fainting, Sleeplessness and General Weakness;” (circular) “Hysteria, Hystero-epilepsy, Epilepsy, St. Vitus dance, Paralysis, Locomotor Ataxia, Insanity * * * await * * * the chance to enter. The Cure Is alone found in Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills. A medicine rich in all the elements that go to make rich red blood and to supply the hungry nerves with proper nourishment, a medicine that supplies what is lacking, the very essence of existence, the active principle of life—Nerve Force * * * Sexual Wrecks * * * in Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills, the victim of excess finds a medicine that reaches the seat of trouble and cures * * * re-invigorates, by re-supplying the very essential of health, Nerve force. Once this health-giving force reaches the relaxed and debilitated organ in proper quantity, the organ begins to rebuild itself and takes its place as capable as ever of carrying out its work * * * Occasional Irregularity, or * * * slight and fearfully painful menstruation * * * the absence of a healthy flow * * * a complete relaxation and loss of power upon the part of the uterine organs * * * It is in such cases as these * * * that * * * Nerve Pills show their sterling qualities * * * by re-supplying the element lacking, Nerve Force * * * Sterility * * * The * * * use of * * * Nerve Pills always results in an awakening and return of power to those organs * * * Girlhood to Womanhood * * * Nerve Pills * * * By their ability to supply a world of nerve force and physical

energy, and to manufacture the richest quality of blood, makes the passage * * * easy and safe * * * Feeble little ones * * * due to * * * Diphtheria, Measles, Scarlet Fever, etc. * * * Nothing could reach * * * in a more rapid or happy manner than do * * * Nerve Pills, a preparation designed expressly to furnish to these weak and puny little ones all that is essential to their re-building and re-invigorating, * * * a true tonic * * * results once obtained are doubly certain and lasting * * * This is the only medicine that cures by rebuilding, re-invigorating, and re-supplying what is lacking—good blood and nerve force.”

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that the pills consisted essentially of strychnine, arsenic, iron carbonate, manganese, and aloes.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that the above-quoted statements appearing on the label and circular, regarding the curative and therapeutic effect thereof, were false and fraudulent since the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effects claimed.

On September 20, 1920, 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.

E. D. BALL, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

8870. Misbranding of Dr. Hoffman's Celebrated Mixture. U. S. * * * v. 2½ Dozen Bottles of Dr. Hoffman's Celebrated Mixture. Default decree entered ordering product destroyed. (F. & D. No. 10587. I. S. No. 16215-r. S. No. E-1532.)

On June 18, 1919, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Florida, 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 2½ dozen bottles of Dr. Hoffman's Celebrated Mixture, at Jacksonville, Fla., consigned by Solomons Co., Savannah, Ga., alleging that the article had been shipped on or about February 14, 1919, and transported from the State of Georgia into the State of Florida, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended. The article was labeled in part, “Dr. Hoffman's Celebrated Mixture for Gonorrhœa, Gleet, Etc. * * * Prepared by Solomons Co., Druggists, Savannah, Georgia.”

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that it consisted essentially of an alcoholic solution of copaiba and opium.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in substance in the libel for the reason that certain statements appearing on the labels of the cartons and bottles, regarding the curative and therapeutic effect thereof, to wit, “Dr. Hoffman's Celebrated Mixture for Gonorrhœa, Gleet, Etc.,” were false, fraudulent, and misleading in that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effect claimed. Misbranding was alleged for the further reason that the statements, “Guaranteed” and “Serial No. 4098,” appearing on the cartons containing the bottles, were false and misleading.

On January 6, 1921, no claimant having appeared for the property, a decree was entered by the court ordering the destruction of the product by the United States marshal.

E. D. BALL, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*