

6122. Adulteration of pork and beans. U. S. * * * v. 600 Cases * * * of Pork and Beans. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product ordered released on bond. (F. & D. No. 6643. I. S. No. 16402-k. S. No. C-253.)

On June 22, 1915, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, 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 600 cases, each containing 24 cans of pork and beans, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Chicago, Ill., alleging that the article had been shipped on January 28, 1915, by the Thomas Canning Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., and transported from the State of Michigan into the State of Illinois, 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 in part of a filthy animal substance; for the further reason that it consisted in part of a filthy vegetable substance; for the further reason that it consisted in part of a decomposed animal substance; for the further reason that it consisted in part of a decomposed vegetable substance; for the further reason that it consisted in part of a putrid animal substance; for the further reason that it consisted in part of a putrid vegetable substance; and for the further reason that another substance, to wit, tomato sauce, had been mixed therewith in a manner whereby the inferiority of the article was concealed.

On August 21, 1917, the said Thomas Canning Co., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel and consented to a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be delivered to said claimant upon the payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of a bond in the sum of \$1,000, conditioned in part that the product should be sorted under the supervision of a representative of this department, the good portion to be released to said claimant and the unfit portion to be denatured or destroyed.

R. A. PEARSON, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*