

10053. Misbranding of Dr. A. W. Chase's nerve pills. U. S. * * * v. 2 Dozen Boxes * * * of Dr. A. W. Chase's Nerve Pills. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 13433. I. S. No. 10314-t. S. No. W-709.)

On August 20, 1920, the United States attorney for the District of Oregon, 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 2 dozen boxes of Dr. A. W. Chase's nerve pills, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Portland, Oreg., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Dr. A. W. Chase Medicine Co., Buffalo, N. Y., December 3, 1919, and transported from the State of New York into the State of Oregon, 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 elements 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 sure [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 contained strychnine, arsenic, aloes, iron carbonate, and a manganese compound.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in substance in the libel for the reason that the above-quoted statements appearing in the said labels and circulars, regarding the curative and therapeutic effect of the said article, were false and fraudulent in that the article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the curative and remedial therapeutic effects claimed.

On November 23, 1921, 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.

C. W. PUGSLEY, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

10054. Adulteration of walnut meats. U. S. * * * v. 4 Cases, 3 Cases, and 2 Cases of * * * Walnut Meats. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. Nos. 14779, 14780, 14781. I. S. Nos. 10656-t, 10657-t, 10658-t. S. No. W-910.)

On April 15, 1921, the United States attorney for the District of Oregon, 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 9 cases of walnut meats, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Portland, Oreg., alleging that the article had been shipped by Thomas W. Simmons