

5207. Adulteration of pork and beans. U. S. * * * v. 83 Cases * * * of * * * Pork and Beans. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 7571. I. S. No. 497-1. S. No. E-667.)

On July 12, 1916, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, 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 83 cases of pork and beans, consigned by Hart Bros., Saginaw, Mich., and remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Reading, Pa., alleging that the article had been shipped and transported from the State of Michigan into the State of Pennsylvania, the shipment having been received on or about March 4, 1916, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled: "White Elk Brand with tomato sauce pork and beans."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in part of a filthy and decomposed vegetable substance.

On July 31, 1916, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be destroyed by the United States marshal.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*