an amended libel, praying seizure and condemnation of 898 cases of nes, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Selma, Ala., alleging the article had been shipped by the Holmes Co., from Robbinston, Me., ember 22, 1924, and transported from the State of Maine into the State of bama, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act. article was labeled in part: (can) "Holmes St. Croix Brand * * * ked At Robbinston, Maine, Guaranteed By Holmes Company."

was alleged in the libel, as amended, that the article was adulterated, in it consisted wholly or in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal stance.

February 5, 1927, the product having theretofore been examined, and the portion separated from the bad and delivered to the claimant, R. H. & C. Agee Grocery Co., Selma, Ala., and the bad portion having been destroyed, ecree was entered, adjudging the product adulterated, and ordering that the d portion be released to the said claimant.

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32. Adulteration and misbranding of chocolate almonds. U. S. v. 18 Boxes of Chocolate Almonds. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 17545. I. S. No. 437-v. S. No. E-4404.)

May 29, 1923, the United States attorney for the Southern District of York, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the trict Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and demnation of 18 boxes of chocolate almonds, remaining in the original un- ken packages at New York, N. Y., alleging that the article had been shipped the American Chocolate Almond Co., from Jersey City, N. J., on or about 25, 1923, and transported from the State of New Jersey into the State New York, and charging adulteration and misbranding in violation of the and drugs act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that a sub- nce, excessive shells, had been mixed and packed therewith so as to reduce lower and injuriously affect its quality and strength and had been sub- ted in whole or in part for the said article.

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the statements "AAA Choco- Almonds * * * The American Chocolate Almond Co.," borne on the l package containing the article, and "The Best Chocolate Almonds Made the Most Sanitary Method," appearing upon an advertising card within the l package, were false and misleading and deceived and misled the pur- er. Misbranding was alleged for the further reason that the article was an ation of and was offered for sale under the distinctive name of another le.

March 28, 1927, the time of the claimants to file an answer having expired, ment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by urt that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal, and that claimants pay all costs.

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33. Adulteration of black pepper. U. S. v. Biston Coffee Co. Plea of guilty. Fine, $400. (F. & D. No. 21592. I. S. Nos. 3313-x, 3366-x, 8507-x, 12234-x, 12235-x.)

May 14, 1927, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of uri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the ct Court of the United States for said district an information against ston Coffee Co., a corporation, St. Louis, Mo., alleging shipment by said ny, in violation of the food and drugs act, in various consignments, on or October 27, 1925, March 16, May 13, and July 16, 1926, from the State of uri into the States of Indiana, Wisconsin, Kentucky, and Minnesota, tively, of quantities of black pepper which was adulterated. The article beled in part "Black Pepper." A portion of the said article was further ted "Biston Coffee Co. St. Louis, Mo."

was alleged in the information that the article was adulterated, in that nces, to wit, cayenne pepper and ground rice, had been mixed and packed with so as to reduce and lower and injuriously affect its quality, and had substituted in part for black pepper, which the said article purported to be.

June 22, 1927, a plea of guilty to the information was entered on behalf defendant company, and the court imposed a fine of $400.

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