

strain, irregularity of habits, indiscretion of diet, etc., are much benefited by the regular use of Bliss Native Herbs, * * *," (inner carton, herb form) " * * * Treatment is the same in all cases except chills, which require three tablespoonfuls the first night, two the next, and then one each night. * * *," (circular contained in all packages) " * * * Auto-Intoxication is a new name for Chronic Intestinal stasis (constipation) that is the cause of 95% of human ailments and diseases. * * * To restrain the growth of harmful bacteria in the intestines and eliminate them, thereby preventing intestinal putrefaction and auto-intoxication we strongly recommend Bliss Native Herbs Tablets that successfully adjusts bowel troubles. Intestinal Indigestion * * * Rheumatism Bliss Native Herbs is invaluable for Sciatica, Lumbago, acute and chronic rheumatic pains, enlargement of joints. Corrects the blood, dissolving acids that accumulate in the system. * * *," which statements and claims were false and fraudulent in that the said article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the therapeutic effects claimed.

On April 6, 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.

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

9262. Misbranding of Benetol Vaginal Suppositories. U. S. * * * v. 33 Boxes of * * * Benetol Vaginal Suppositories Number 2 and 24 Boxes and 6 Boxes of * * * Benetol Vaginal Suppositories * * *. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. Nos. 11490, 11575. I. S. Nos. 3011-r, 3012-r. S. Nos. W-525, W-530.)

On November 7, 1919, the United States attorney for the Southern District of California, 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 33 boxes of Benetol Vaginal Suppositories Number 2 and 24 boxes and 6 boxes of Benetol Vaginal Suppositories, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Los Angeles, Calif., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Benetol Co., Minneapolis, Minn., between the dates May 14 and September 29, 1919, and transported from the State of Minnesota into the State of California, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that the suppositories consisted essentially of alpha- and beta-naphthol, boric acid, and traces of menthol and phenol in a cacao butter base.

It was alleged in substance in the libel that the article was misbranded for the reason that certain statements regarding the therapeutic effects of said article, appearing on the box label and in an accompanying booklet, falsely and fraudulently represented it to be effective for the treatment of the special diseases of women, to be effective when used in the vagina as a general disinfectant and local tonic, and for the treatment of leucorrhoea (whites), vaginitis, vulvitis, cervicitis, endometritis, gonorrhoea, and all diseases of the vagina, and for inflammation or irritation of the cervix (mouth of the womb), when, in fact and in truth, it was not effective for the treatment of the diseases and conditions named.

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