18675. Adulteration and misbranding of pulverized oyster shell. U. S. v. 398 Bags * * *. (F. D. C. No. 32848. Sample No. 48310–L.)

LIBEL FILED: March 6, 1952, District of South Dakota.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about January 22, 1952, by the Mayo Shell Corp., from Houston, Tex.

PRODUCT: 398 50-pound bags of pulverized oyster shell at Colman, S. Dak. Analysis showed that the product contained from 93.6% to 93.8% calcium carbonate.

LABEL, IN PART: "Mayo's Cal-Bon-Ate Guaranteed 97% Calcium Carbonate."

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (b) (1), a valuable constituent, calcium carbonate, had been in part omitted or abstracted from the article.

Misbranding, Section 403 (a), the label statement "97% Calcium Carbonate" was false and misleading as applied to the article, which contained less than 97% calcium carbonate.

DISPOSITION: April 9, 1952. The sole intervener having admitted the allegations of the libel, judgment of condemnation was entered and the court ordered that the product be delivered to certain city and State agencies, to be used as feed for birds and other fowl.

FISH AND SHELLFISH

18676. Adulteration of frozen H. & G. whiting. U. S. v. 29,870 Pounds * * *. (F. D. C. No. 31899. Sample Nos. 31465–L, 33999–L.)

LIBEL FILED: October 16, 1951, Eastern District of Missouri.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about September 18, 1951, by the General Freezer & Storage Co., from New Bedford, Mass.

PRODUCT: 29,870 pounds of frozen H. & G. whiting at St. Louis, Mo.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the article consisted in whole or in part of a decomposed substance by reason of the presence of decomposed fish.

DISPOSITION: November 13, 1951. Default decree of condemnation. The court ordered that the product be sold, conditioned that the purchaser denature it so that it could not be used for human food.

18677. Adulteration of crab meat. U. S. v. 1 Barrel * * *. (F. D. C. No. 31359. Sample No. 21650–L.)

LIBEL FILED: May 25, 1951, Northern District of Illinois.

ALLEGED SHIPMENT: On or about May 21, 1951, by the Pascagoula Crab Co., from Pascagoula, Miss.

PRODUCT: 1 barrel, containing 46 1-pound cans, of crab meat at Chicago, Ill.

NATURE OF CHARGE: Adulteration, Section 402 (a) (3), the product consisted in whole or in part of a filthy substance since it was polluted with *E. coli*, a micro-organism indicating the presence of fecal contamination; and, Section 402 (a) (4), it had been prepared under insanitary conditions whereby it may have become contaminated with filth.

DISPOSITION: September 20, 1951. Default decree of condemnation and destruction.