

4715. Adulteration of canned pork and beans. U. S. * * * v. 229 Cases of Pork and Beans. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 7167. I. S. Nos. 2415-1, 2416-1, 2417-1. S. No. E-536.)

On January 21, 1916, the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel of information for the seizure and condemnation of 229 cases of pork and beans, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Boston, Mass., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Thomas Canning Co., Grand Rapids, Mich., and transported from the State of Michigan into the State of Massachusetts, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

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

On February 19, 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.*