

**5123. Misbranding of "Elastic Capsules." U. S. \* \* \* v. Hance Bros. & White, a corporation. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$25. (F. & D. No. 7411. I. S. No. 17343-k.)**

On July 10, 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 an information against Hance Bros. & White, a corporation, Philadelphia, Pa., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended, on or about March 11, 1915, from the State of Pennsylvania into the State of Washington, of a quantity of an article labeled in part, "Crownall Elastic Capsules C. C. C.," which was misbranded.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed it to be a gelatin capsule containing essentially oil of cubeb and balsam of copaiba.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in substance in the information for the reason that certain statements appearing on its label falsely and fraudulently represented it as effective for the relief and cure of gonorrhoea, gleet, and all discharges resulting from an inflamed condition of the urinary passages, when, in truth and in fact, it was not.

On September 12, 1916, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$25.

*CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*