

**5145. Adulteration of olives. U. S. \* \* \* v. 6 Barrels of Olives. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 7456. I. S. Nos. 12916-1, 12917-1. S. No. C-528.)**

On May 22, 1916, the United States attorney for the Eastern District of Michigan, 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 6 barrels of olives, approximating 1,470 pounds, consigned on April 1, and April 8, 1916, and remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Detroit, Mich., alleging that the article had been shipped by Moscahlades Bros., New York, N. Y., and transported from the State of New York into the State of Michigan, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid vegetable substance, and was unfit and improper for use as food.

On October 20, 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.*