

**5414. Adulteration of tomatoes. U. S. \* \* \* v. 20 Cases of Tomatoes. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 7959. I. S. No. 1725-m. S. No. E-789.)**

On January 9, 1917, 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 a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 20 cases, each containing 2 dozen cans of tomatoes, consigned by J. Langrall & Bro., Inc., Baltimore, Md., remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Allentown, Pa., alleging that the article had been shipped on or about November 25, 1916, and transported from the State of Maryland into the State of Pennsylvania, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act. The article was labeled in part: "Maryland Chief Tomatoes \* \* \*. Packed by J. Langrall & Bro., Incorporated, Baltimore, Md."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that added water had been mixed and packed therewith so as to reduce and lower and injuriously affect its quality and strength, and had been substituted in part for tomatoes.

On January 31, 1917, 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.*