

5804. Adulteration of walnut meats. U. S. * * * v. 6 Barrels and 45 Cases of Walnut Meats. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Good portion ordered released on bond. Unfit portion ordered denatured. (F. & D. No. 8265. I. S. Nos. 22269-m, 22270-m, 22271-m, 22272-m, 22273-m. S. No. W-183.)

On May 22, 1917, the United States attorney for the District of Colorado, 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 and 45 cases of walnut meats, consigned during the months of February, March, and April, 1916, by J. Kutsukian & Co., and Birdsong Bros., New York, N. Y., remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Denver, Colo., alleging that the article had been shipped and transported from the State of New York into the State of Colorado, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated for the reason that it consisted in part of moldy, shriveled, and stale walnut meats and was infested with insect web and excreta.

On June 27, 1917, the Cosner Candy Co., Denver, Colo., claimant, having consented to a decree and filed bond in the sum of \$400, in conformity with section 10 of the act, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product should be released to said claimant, and that the claimant should denature the portion of the product unfit for human consumption so that it might be used for food for domestic animals, and that the Government recover of said claimant the costs of the proceedings.

CARL VROOMAN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*