

6012. Adulteration of shell eggs. U. S. * * * v. 27 Cases of Shell Eggs. Consent order finding goods adulterated. Good portion ordered released. Unfit portion ordered destroyed. (F. & D. No. 8474. I. S. No. 16505-p. S. No. W-192.)

On August 16, 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 27 cases of shell eggs, consigned by the Farmer's Mercantile Co., Long Island, Kans., remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Denver, Colo., alleging that the article had been shipped on or about July 31, 1917, and transported from the State of Kansas into the State of Colorado, 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 filthy, putrid, and decomposed matter.

On October 26, 1917, the Farmer's Cooperative Mercantile Association, claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel, the court found that the product was adulterated and that libellant was entitled to a judgment condemning and forfeiting the eggs, and the eggs having been candled, it was ordered that the good portion should be released to said claimant and the unfit portion should be destroyed by the United States marshal, and that the costs of the proceedings be taxed against the said claimant.

CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.