

**6073. Misbranding of "Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy." U. S. \* \* \* v. 5 5/12 Dozen Packages of \* \* \* "Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy." Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 8685. I. S. No. 3276-p. S. No. E-946.)**

On December 17, 1917, the United States attorney for the District of Maryland, 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  $5\frac{1}{2}$  dozen packages of "Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy," consigned on or about October 4, 1917, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at Baltimore, Md., alleging that the article had been shipped by Person Remedy Co., Charlotte, N. C., and transported from the State of North Carolina into the State of Maryland, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended. The article was labeled in part: (on carton) "Mrs. Joe Person's Remedy Alcohol 20% For Blood Diseases A General Tonic, Alterative and a Purifier of the Blood. For Erysipelas, Muscular Rheumatism, Tetter, Eruptions and Diseases that come from Impurities of the Blood, also Indigestion and Stomach Troubles."

It was alleged in substance in the libel that the product was misbranded for the reason that, containing no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effects claimed for it on the bottle label and on the carton, the therapeutic statements above quoted were false and fraudulent.

On February 26, 1918, 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.*