

demnation and forfeiture were entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be released to the said claimant upon payment of the costs of the proceedings and the execution of bonds in the sum of \$1,325, in conformity with section 10 of the act, conditioned in part that it be made to conform with the provisions of the said act, under the supervision of this department.

C. W. PUGSLEY, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*

**10990. Misbranding of Woods V. tabules. U. S. v. 22 Boxes of Woods V. Tabules. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 14129. S. No. C-2658.)**

On January 1, 1921, the United States attorney for the Western District of Louisiana, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel, and on January 8, 1922, an amended libel, praying the seizure and condemnation of 22 boxes of Woods V. tabules, at Shreveport, La., alleging that the article had been shipped by Edward J. Woods, New York, N. Y., on or about March 5, 1919, and transported from the State of New York into the State of Louisiana, and charging misbranding in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, as amended.

Analysis of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that the tablets contained zinc phosphid, strychnine, and extract of plant drugs, including a laxative drug, coated with sugar and calcium carbonate and an outer covering of silver.

Misbranding of the article was alleged in substance in the libel as amended for the reason that the following statements appearing in the labeling of the said article, regarding its curative and therapeutic effects, (carton) "V \* \* \* Invigorant Stimulant \* \* \* Sustainer \* \* \*" (box) "Extra Potency \* \* \* V Tabules \* \* \* Stimulant \* \* \* Strengthener \* \* \* Add Joy To Your Life \* \* \*" (yellow circular) "Wonderful Strengthener \* \* \* V Tabules The V stands for Vigor. 'Woods Vigor Tabules.' 'Worth Their Weight In Gold,'" (circular headed "See What a Few Boxes of Woods V Tabules May Do") "Woods V Tabules \* \* \* are what a man of manly nature wants to make him mentally and physically vigorous. They are what an ambitious woman wants to aid in making her vivacious and attractive. *They make life worth living!* \* \* \* Overcome lethargy, acquire physical and mental efficiency. *Enjoy life*—every minute of it. \* \* \* Away with Melancholy! \* \* \* The person who ignores the laws of Nature \* \* \* might have been saved all the misery of bad health and melancholia if he had used Woods V Tabules and relied upon \* \* \* them," (green circular) "An Extremely Efficacious Reconstructive Remedy \* \* \* When there is inability to think clearly \* \* \* use Woods V Tabules. For nervous debility \* \* \* lack of enthusiasm \* \* \* inability to look others in the eyes, feeling of being conspired against or followed and hounded by enemies, enervation of mind or body, inability to conduct oneself cleverly enough to gain and maintain the affection of one of the opposite sex \* \* \* for these or any other mental or physical condition where real stimulation and energy are required—try Woods V Tabules. For \* \* \* cheerfulness, new vitality, virility and all-round manly (or womanly) strength—try Woods V Tabules. \* \* \* Vitality Is Needed \* \* \* Wonderful results are attributed to Woods V Tabules. \* \* \* An effective aphrodisiac and general stimulant \* \* \* overcoming weakness, particularly when due to excesses of liquor and tobacco, failure of mental power, weakening due to personal indiscretions, melancholia, sexual exhaustion, nervous debility, neurasthenia and other disorders of similar class. \* \* \* remedy for weakness, brain fag, exhaustion due to excesses, impotence, lacking of courage or vigor, and general debility. \* \* \* A highly concentrated nerve stimulant and diuretic. \* \* \* rarely need more than four Tabules be taken in one day for even the most obstinate cases. \* \* \* the first one proves its remarkable invigorative and health-improving potency \* \* \*," were false and fraudulent, since the said article contained no ingredient or combination of ingredients capable of producing the effect claimed. Misbranding was alleged for the further reason that the following statement appearing in the said green circular, "Woods V Tabules are guaranteed by Edward J. Woods, Inc., under the United States Pure Food & Drugs Act," was false and misleading.

On May 22, 1922, no claimant having appeared for the property, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was entered, and it was ordered by the court that the product be destroyed by the United States marshal.

C. W. PUGSLEY, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*