

14141. Adulteration and misbranding of evaporated apples. U. S. v. James Allen Adams, James Vard Curtis, and John Francis Danner (Lincoln Fruit Co.). Pleas of guilty. Fine, \$50. (F. & D. No. 19716. I. S. Nos. 6286-v, 8773-v, 10394-v, 10398-v, 21951-v, 21952-v, 23046-v.)

On February 9, 1926, the United States attorney for the Western District of Arkansas, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against James Allen Adams, James Vard Curtis, and John Francis Danner, copartners, trading as Lincoln Fruit Co., Lincoln, Ark., alleging shipment by said defendants, in violation of the food and drugs act, in various consignments, on or about September 15, 16, 19, and 30, and October 4, 1924, respectively, from the State of Arkansas into the States of Kansas, Oklahoma, Tennessee, and Texas, respectively, of quantities of evaporated apples which were adulterated and misbranded. The article was labeled in part: "Evaporated Apples Packed By Lincoln Fruit Co. Lincoln, Ark."

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that a substance, to wit, water, had been mixed and packed with the said article so as to lower and reduce and injuriously affect its quality and strength, and for the further reason that a substance, to wit, excessive water, had been substituted in part for evaporated apples, which the said article purported to be.

Misbranding was alleged for the reason that the statement, to wit, "Evaporated Apples," borne on the boxes containing the article, was false and misleading, in that the said statement represented that the article consisted wholly of evaporated apples, and for the further reason that it was labeled as aforesaid so as to deceive and mislead the purchaser into the belief that it consisted wholly of evaporated apples, whereas it did not so consist but did consist in part of excessive water.

On February 25, 1926, the defendants entered pleas of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$50.

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14142. Misbranding of cottonseed meal. U. S. v. 600 Sacks of Cottonseed Meal. Consent decree of condemnation and forfeiture. Product released under bond. (F. & D. No. 20857. I. S. No. 4493-x. S. No. C-4959.)

On February 17, 1926, the United States attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 600 sacks of cottonseed meal, remaining unsold in the original packages at Chicago, Ill., alleging that the article had been shipped by the Buckeye Cotton Oil Co., from North Little Rock, Ark., February 2, 1926, and transported from the State of Arkansas into the State of Illinois, and charging misbranding in violation of the food and drugs act. The article was labeled in part: (Tag) "Buckeye Prime Cottonseed Meal Manufactured By The Buckeye Cotton Oil Co. * * * Guaranteed Analysis Protein 43 Per Cent Minimum."

Misbranding of the article was alleged in substance in the libel for the reason that the statement on the label "Protein 43 Per Cent Minimum" was false and misleading, and for the further reason that the said article was labeled so as to deceive and mislead the purchaser, in that it contained less than 43 per cent of protein.

On March 6, 1926, the Buckeye Cotton Oil Co., North Little Rock, Ark., claimant, having admitted the allegations of the libel and having consented to the entry of a decree, judgment of condemnation and forfeiture was 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 a bond in the sum of \$1,000, in conformity with section 10 of the act, the decree providing that the product be sold as containing 36 per cent of protein, for manufacturing purposes.

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14143. Adulteration and misbranding of prepared mustard. U. S. v. 11 Cases, et al., of Prepared Mustard. Default order of destruction entered. (F. & D. No. 19119. I. S. No. 20807-v. S. No. W-1599.)

On November 22, 1924, the United States attorney for the District of Utah, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying the seizure and condemnation of 11 cases, each containing one dozen bottles, and 4 cases, each containing