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15376. Adulteration of oranges and grapefruit. U. S. v. 1 Car of Oranges and Grapefruit. Default order entered ratifying sale of products. (F. & D. No. 21853. I. S. Nos. 3864-x, 3865-x. S. No. C-5446.)

On March 25, 1927, the United States attorney for the Southern District of Mississippi, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 1 car of oranges and grapefruit, at Jackson, Miss., alleging that the articles had been shipped by F. N. Hicks, from Thonotosassa, Fla., on or about March 19, 1927, and transported from the State of Florida into the State of Mississippi, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

Examination of the articles by this department showed that they consisted in whole or in part of frost-damaged fruit.

It was alleged in the libel that the said oranges and grapefruit were adulterated, in that they consisted in whole or in part of decomposed vegetable substances.

On May 6, 1927, no claimant having appeared for the property, and the United States marshal having been forced to sell the products because of the perishable nature, judgment of the court was entered ratifying said sale.

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15377. Adulteration of canned cherries. U. S. v. 19 Cases of Canned Cherries. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 22070. I. S. No. 16856-x. S. No. 108.)

On September 26, 1927, the United States attorney for the District of Massachusetts, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel praying seizure and condemnation of 19 cases of canned cherries, remaining in the original unbroken packages at Boston, Mass., consigned about August 30, 1927, alleging that the article had been shipped by the Geneseo Jam Kitchen, Inc., of Geneseo, N. Y., and transported from the State of New York into the State of Massachusetts, and charging adulteration in violation of the food and drugs act.

It was alleged in the libel that the article was adulterated, in that it consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid vegetable substance.

On October 13, 1927, 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.

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15378. Adulteration of molasses feed. U. S. v. Arcady Farms Milling Co. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$50. (F. & D. No. 21587. I. S. Nos. 8436-9392-x.)

On July 19, 1927, the United States attorney for the Western District of Missouri, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against the Arcady Farms Milling Co., a corporation, North Kansas City, Mo., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the food and drugs act, on or about May 30, 1926, from the State of Missouri into the State of Kansas, and on or about June 23, 1926, from the State of Missouri into the State of Iowa quantities of molasses feed which was adulterated. The article was labeled in part: "Special 60% Molasses Feed Manufactured By Arcady Farms Milling Company Chicago, Ill., No. Kansas City, Mo., East St. Louis, Ill. Guaranteed Analysis Protein 09.0 Fat 04.0. Fibre not over 09.0."

It was alleged in the information that the article was adulterated, in that a substance, to wit, a feed containing less than 9 per cent of protein, less than 4 per cent of fat, and more than 9 per cent of fiber, had been mixed and packed therewith so as to reduce, lower, and injuriously affect its quality and strength, and had been substituted in part for the said article.

On September 7, 1927, a plea of guilty to the information was entered on behalf of the defendant company, and the court imposed a fine of \$50.

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