

5924. Adulteration of eggs. U. S. * * * v. Dobbin Mercantile Co., a corporation. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$25. (F. & D. No. 7994. I. S. No. 10601-m.)

At the September 1916 term of the District Court of the United States for the District of Nebraska, the United States attorney for said district, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court aforesaid an information against the Dobbin Mercantile Co., a corporation, Carroll, Nebr., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about July 31, 1916, from the State of Nebraska into the State of Iowa, of a quantity of eggs which were adulterated.

Examination of a sample of the article by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed the following results:

4 cases containing 1,440 eggs were examined and 393 eggs, or 27.29 per cent, were found to be bad.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that it consisted in part of a filthy, decomposed, and putrid animal substance.

On September 17, 1917, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$25.

C. F. MARVIN, *Acting Secretary of Agriculture.*