

4289. Adulteration of tomato-catsup. U. S. * * * v. 25 Cases of Tomato Catsup. Default decree of condemnation, forfeiture, and destruction. (F. & D. No. 6759. I. S. No. 17549-k. S. No. W-52.)

On July 6, 1915, the United States attorney for the Northern District of California filed in the District Court of the United States for said district a libel for the seizure and condemnation of 25 cases of tomato catsup, remaining unsold in the original unbroken packages at San Francisco, Cal., alleging that the product was being transported from the State of California into the Territory of Hawaii for sale, having been delivered at San Francisco on or about July 3, 1915, and charging adulteration in violation of the Food and Drugs Act.

Adulteration of the article was alleged in the libel for the reason that it consisted in whole or in part of a filthy, decomposed, or putrid vegetable substance.

On July 20, 1915, 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.*