

6314. Misbranding of meat meal. U. S. * * * v. Armour Fertilizer Works, a corporation. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$100 and costs. (F. & D. No. 6944. I. S. No. 12825-h.)

On March 23, 1916, 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 an information against the Armour Fertilizer Works, a corporation, doing business at Chicago, Ill., alleging shipment by said company in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on or about May 8, 1914, from the State of Illinois into the State of Indiana, of a quantity of an article labeled in part, "Armour's Meat Meal," which was misbranded.

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

Moisture (per cent).....	6.44
Ether extract (per cent).....	13.23
Protein (per cent).....	51.30
Crude fiber (per cent).....	2.97

Misbranding of the article was alleged in the information for the reason that the statement, to wit, "60.0 per cent of crude protein," borne on the bag containing the article, was false and misleading in that it represented that the article contained 60 per cent of crude protein; and for the further reason that it was labeled as aforesaid so as to deceive and mislead the purchaser into the belief that it contained 60 per cent of crude protein, whereas, in truth and in fact, it did not, but contained a less amount, to wit, 51.3 per cent of crude protein.

On June 29, 1918, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$100 and costs.

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