

which sum shall not in any case be less than twenty-five per centum of the estimated cost of such work or material.

SEC. 2. That all laws or parts of laws inconsistent with the provisions hereof are hereby repealed.

Repeal.

Approved, February 8, 1905.

CHAP. 550.—An Act To amend the Act of February eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to prevent the carrying of obscene literature and articles designed for indecent and immoral use from one State or Territory into another State or Territory," so as to prevent the importation and exportation of the same.

February 8, 1905.
[H. R. 9493.]

[Public, No. 52.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Act of February eighth, eighteen hundred and ninety-seven, entitled "An Act to prevent the carrying of obscene literature and articles designed for indecent and immoral use from one State or Territory into another State or Territory," be, and hereby is, amended so as to read:

Obscene literature, etc.
Vol. 29, p. 512, amended.

"It shall be unlawful for any person to deposit with any express company or other common carrier for carriage from one State or Territory of the United States or the District of Columbia into any other State or Territory of the United States or the District of Columbia, or from any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to a foreign country, or from any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States through a foreign country to any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, or who shall cause to be brought into any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States from any foreign country, any obscene, lewd, or lascivious book, pamphlet, picture, paper, letter, writing, print, or other matter of indecent character, or any article or thing designed or intended for the prevention of conception, or procuring of abortion, or any written or printed card, letter, circular, book, pamphlet, advertisement, or notice of any kind giving information, directly or indirectly, where, how, or of whom, or by what means any of the hereinbefore-mentioned articles, matters, or things may be obtained or made; and any person who shall knowingly deposit, or cause to be deposited, with any express company or other common carrier for carriage from one State or Territory of the United States or the District of Columbia to any other State or Territory of the United States, or for carriage from any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to a foreign country, or from any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States through any foreign country, to any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States, or who shall take from such express company or other common carrier with intent to sell, distribute, or circulate any matter or thing herein forbidden to be deposited for carriage shall for each offense, upon conviction thereof, be fined not more than five thousand dollars or imprisoned at hard labor not more than five years, or both, at the discretion of the court."

Sending by express companies, etc., unlawful.

Provisions extended to imports and exports of.

Punishment of sender and receiver.

Penalty.

Approved, February 8, 1905.

CHAP. 551.—An Act To quiet titles to land in the city of Mobile, State of Alabama.

February 8, 1905.
[H. R. 14626.]

[Public, No. 53.]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That all the right, title, and interest of the United States in and to the lands situate within the limits of the old Spanish town of Mobile, in the State of Alabama, for which no confirmation has heretofore been granted or no survey made by the United States, be, and the same are hereby, granted, released,

Mobile, Ala. United States title to certain lands in, relinquished.