

Penalty for viola-
tions.
Vol. 31, p. 188.

SEC. 244. For each evasion or violation of any provision of the three sections last preceding, the shipper shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars; the consignee knowingly receiving such articles so shipped and transported in violation of said sections shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars; and the carrier knowingly carrying or transporting the same in violation of said sections shall be fined not more than two hundred dollars.

Importing and trans-
porting obscene
books, etc.
Vol. 33, p. 705; Vol.
29, p. 512.

SEC. 245. Whoever shall bring or cause to be brought into the United States or any place subject to the jurisdiction thereof, from any foreign country, or shall therein knowingly deposit or cause to be deposited with any express company or other common carrier, for carriage from one State, Territory, or District of the United States, or place noncontiguous to but subject to the jurisdiction thereof, to any other State, Territory, or District of the United States, or place noncontiguous to but subject to the jurisdiction thereof, 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 thereof, or from any place in or subject to the jurisdiction of the United States to a foreign country, any obscene, lewd, or lascivious, or any filthy, book, pamphlet, picture, paper, letter, writing, print, or other matter of indecent character, or any drug, medicine, article, or thing designed, adapted, or intended for preventing conception, or producing abortion, or for any indecent or immoral use, 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; or whoever shall knowingly take or cause to be taken from such express company or other common carrier any matter or thing the depositing of which for carriage is herein made unlawful, shall be fined not more than five thousand dollars, or imprisoned not more than five years, or both.

Punishment for.

CHAPTER TEN.

THE SLAVE TRADE AND PEONAGE.

Slave trade and
peonage.

- Sec. 246. Confining or detaining slaves on board vessel.
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- 268. Kidnaping.
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- 270. Obstructing enforcement of preceding section.
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SEC. 246. Whoever, being of the crew or ship's company of any foreign vessel engaged in the slave trade, or being of the crew or ship's company of any vessel owned wholly or in part, or navigated for or in behalf of any citizen of the United States, forcibly confines or

Confining or detain-
ing slaves on board
vessel.
R. S., sec. 5375, p.
1042.