

February 8, 1872.

Medals of honor are hereby awarded to the following named seamen and marines, who have distinguished themselves in battle, or by extraordinary heroism in the line of their profession:

IN THE ATTACK ON AND CAPTURE OF THE COREAN FORTS, JUNE 11, 1871.

Hugh Purvis, private marine, U. S. S. Alaska, who was the first to scale the walls of the fort and who captured the flag of the Corean forces. [Appointed corporal, July 20, 1871.]

James Dougherty, private marine, U. S. S. Benicia, for seeking out and killing the commanding officer of the Corean forces.

Michael McNamara, private marine, U. S. S. Benicia, for gallantly advancing to the parapet, wrenching the matchlock from the hands of an enemy, and killing him.

Cyrus Hayden, carpenter, U. S. S. Colorado, color-bearer of the battalion, for planting his flag on the ramparts of the citadel and protecting it under a heavy fire from the enemy.

Frederick Franklin, quartermaster, U. S. S. Colorado, who assumed command of Company D after Lieutenant McKee was wounded, and handled it with great credit until relieved.

Alexander McKenzie, boatswain's mate, U. S. S. Colorado, who received a sword-cut in the head while fighting at the side of Lieutenant McKee.

William Troy, ordinary seaman, U. S. S. Colorado, fighting at the side of Lieutenant McKee, and specially commended by the latter after being wounded.

Samuel F. Rogers, quartermaster, U. S. S. Colorado, wounded while fighting at the side of Lieutenant McKee.

John Coleman, private marine, U. S. S. Colorado, for fighting hand-to-hand with the enemy and saving the life of Alexander McKenzie.

Michael Owens, private marine, U. S. S. Colorado, fighting hand-to-hand with the enemy, and badly wounded.

Charles Brown, corporal of marines, U. S. S. Colorado, assisted in capturing the Corean standard in the center of the citadel.

ON THE OCCASION OF, AND SUBSEQUENT TO, THE WRECK OF THE U. S. STEAMER SAGINAW, ON OCEAN ISLAND REEF, OCTOBER, 1870.

William Halford, coxswain, sole survivor of the boat's crew sent to the Sandwich Islands for assistance.

[Promoted to acting gunner, and also entitled to a gratuity of one hundred dollars.].

IN THE HARBOR OF VILLE FRANCHE, DECEMBER 15, 1871.

Isaac Sapp, seaman extra, U. S. S. Shenandoah, for jumping overboard and assisting Midshipman Miller in saving Charles Prince, seaman, from drowning.

IN THE ATTACK ON FORTS JACKSON AND ST. PHILIP, APRIL 24, 1862.

Thomas Lyons, at present a boatswain's mate on board the Saco, who was lashed outside the U. S. S. Pensacola, on the port sheet chain, with lead in hand, to lead the ship past the forts, and never flinched, although under a heavy fire from the forts and rebel gunboats.

The Department takes pleasure in calling attention, in this General Order, to the following-named seamen and marines, who, although not recommended for the higher distinction of medals of honor, are entitled to great credit for their good and brave conduct.

IN THE ATTACK ON THE COREAN FORTS.

John Kelly, *H. M. Tolman*, and *John B. Butler*, privates marines; *James Martin*, chief boatswain's mate; *Joseph Carroll*, captain of the main-top; *John McDévit*, ship's corporal; *Norman C. Roberts*, captain mizzen-top; *James Smith*, captain mizzen-top; *W. C. Colquhoun*, coxswain; *John Thompson*, *Richard Andrews*, and *George Duncan*, seamen; and *Thomas Woods*, ordinary seaman, of the U. S. S. Alaska, who captured flags inside of Fort McKee.

Thomas H. Baker (promoted to a sergeant October 16, 1871), *Daniel Barry*, *John Bourke*, *Chas. C. Collins*, *William Dever*, *George MacIntyre*, privates marines; *M. Brickley* and *J. Brady 2d*, captains of forecandle; *J. Kelley*, *M. Anderson*, and *P. Eagen*, seamen; *Edward Mead*, seaman extra; *B. Charles*, *J. Andrews*, *J. Brady 1st*, and *John Lawrence*, ordinary seamen; *William Tate*, ordinary seaman extra; of the U. S. S. Benicia, who captured flags.

John Adams, boatswain's mate; *Otto Bruske*, ship's writer; *William Higgs*, ordinary seaman; *George Johnson* and *James Carr*, landsmen; of the Benicia, who were among the first in the citadel and repelled a charge made on Lieutenant McKee, forcing the enemy back from the portion of the citadel where that gallant officer fell.

ON THE OCCASION OF THE LOSS OF THE SAGINAW.

Henry D. Vivian, Daniel Collins, and John Kelly, seamen, who were engaged in the holds of the vessel, saving provisions, when there was great probability of the holds being crushed in, they having much water in them, and the sea breaking in with violence.

Solomon Graves, cabin cook; George Wanchope, ward-room cook; Walter J. Evans and Dennis M. Hayes, ordinary seamen; John H. Wallace, ordinary seaman extra; John Reilley, landsman extra; Michael Lynch, seaman; Martin Doran, landsman; for working in the holds at various times, when it was dangerous to do so, owing to the force of the sea and weakness of the hold timbers and stanchions.

James Toshack, gunner's mate, getting into davit boat, and hooking halliards under perilous circumstances.

ON BOARD THE MERCHANT STEAMER CITY OF HOUSTON, WHEN IN A CYCLONE,
AUGUST, 1871.

Edward Norton, Charles Williams, Thomas Perry, William Walsh, Angel Daniels, and Edward Hopkins, seamen; and Charles Miller, landsman.

These persons, forming a part of draft of men which had taken passage in the vessel, worked unceasingly during three days and four nights, and received special mention from their commanding officer for energy and zeal.

GEO. M. ROBESON,
Secretary of the Navy.

CIRCULAR.

February 13, 1872.

The Department directs the attention of commanding officers of vessels to the 1st section of the act of Congress approved March 2, 1855, as follows:

"That it shall be the duty of every commanding officer of any of the vessels of the Navy, on returning from a cruise, to forward, immediately on his arrival in port, to the Secretary of the Navy, a list of the names of such of the crew who enlisted for three years, as in his opinion, on being discharged, are entitled to an honorable discharge, &c., &c., &c."

In this connection the Department orders that, when a ship returns from a cruise and her crew is to be discharged, men who are recommended for honorable discharge or continuous-service certificates shall not be discharged nor paid off until their honorable discharge or continuous-service certificates have been received from the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting and distributed to the men.

GEO. M. ROBESON,
Secretary of the Navy.

CIRCULAR.

February 21, 1872.

In the assignment of quarters in the navy yards the following order will be observed: 1st, Commandant; 2d, executive officer; 3d, constructor; 4th, engineer; 5th, equipment officer; 6th, ordnance; 7th, civil engineer; 8th, surgeon; 9th, paymaster; 10th, second to executive officer.

This order is based on the comparative necessity for the constant presence of the officers near their duty, respectively, and will be carried out as the houses become vacant by detachment of occupants.

GEO. M. ROBESON,
Secretary of the Navy.