MEDAL OF HONOR

PURVIS, Hugh
Private, U.S. Marine Corps
G. O. Navy Department, No. 169
February 8, 1872

CITATION:

On board the U.S.S. ALASKA during the attack on and capture of the Korean forts, 11 June 1871. Braving the enemy fire, Purvis was the first to scale the walls of the fort and capture the flag of the Korean forces.