



Sale **16919** - Exploration & Travel,  
16 Sep 2009  
New Bond Street

[Register to Bid in the saleroom](#)

[Back to catalogue](#)

Prev. Next  
Lot Lot



Lot No: **83**

**A.D. McArthur (British, active circa 1863)**

The attack on Fungwha, 9 October 1862

signed 'A.D. McArthur' (lower left) and inscribed 'FUNGWHA.'/1863.' (lower right)

oil on canvas

46.3 x 61.5cm (18 1/4 x 24 3/16in).

Estimate: £3,000 - 5,000

[Request Condition Report](#)

Footnote:

The attack on Fungwha formed part of the suppression on the Taiping Rebellion (1850-64). The action was conducted by troops from HMS *Sphynx* and *Encounter* assisted by a Philippine force. The battle was fiercely fought and Able Seaman George Hinckley of HMS *Sphynx* received a Victoria Cross for his conspicuous bravery during the action.

The event was reported in the *Illustrated London News* of 7 February 1863 and illustrated with a print similar to the above work. A drawing by the same hand entitled *Bombardment of the East Gate by field pieces of HMS Encounter and Sphinx* is in the collection of the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich.

A.D. McArthur served as an officer aboard HMS *Encounter*.

**Contact the Specialist** to discuss this lot or selling in a future sale

Email: [Hannah O'Leary](mailto:Hannah.O'Leary@bonhams.com)

Tel: +44 (0)20 7468 8213



[Flash version](#)



[Help](#)

Copyright © 2002-2010 Bonhams 1793 Ltd.,  
Images and Text All Rights Reserved



**About  
Bonhams**

**Site  
Map**

**Terms &  
Conditions**

**Contact  
Us**