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Scarcely are these two trials concluded, when we hear of a case of murder and piracy more successful, if not more atrocious, than that of the *Samatra*. The following particulars are from the Bankshall Circular of Sunday last :

" August 19. The *Sir Archibald Campbell* spoke the *Pimbam*, Crisp, Master, off Achcen Head, bound to Madras. Reports that the Crew of the Brig *Zoroaster* had murdered her Master and Officers, scuttled the vessel, and gone to Achcen in her boats."

The *Zoroaster* belonged to this port, and had been a long time in the Country trade; and her Commander was a man of experience and good reputation. It will most probably turn out, that she had some Malays or Manila men among her

crew. It is much to be regretted that we have not a registry for seamen, by which some knowledge of character may be obtained. In the mean time it would be prudent for Captains and Ship-owners and Insurance Offices to make it a rule to object to a class of men among whom treachery and the worst vices are so common.

Cal. Courier, September 7th.