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The perusal of the following paragraph, purporting to give an account of the disaster that befel the *Pilot Whaler*, at the Nicobar Islands, must we think surprise our readers in this quarter, to whom the details of that occurrence have long been familiar. How a statement of this nature, false, exaggerated, and absurd, as it is, came to find its way into an English paper, like the *Globe*, we cannot divine, as the authentic particulars, after being first published in the Straits Papers, were re-copied into almost every journal in India. It is not the acts themselves of the Malay pirates, (a cowardly and rabble-banditti in their best days and now nearly extinguished) that make them "a terror to navigators," but such absurdly foolish and unfounded rumours of their daring as the following. With the exception of Mr THORNTON'S brig on the Coast of Java, can any one specify a case of their having, no matter with what numbers, openly attacked, boarded, and carried any European vessel within the last 20 years? And if Captain SMITH, in a small merchant vessel, could defeat such superior numbers, sinking 20 of their prahus, and killing 300 of their men, how is it that such despicable enemies ever came to be "a terror to navigators?" But the fact is that this tale of Capt SMITH'S prowess is as great a fiction as the other—for, even supposing the broadsides of his vessel capable of such execution, no Malay pirates ever stood to have 30 much less 300 of their men killed, if they could by any possibility get way :—

On Saturday intelligence of a mournful nature reached London, by which many families in the eastern district of the metropolis will have to lament the loss of relatives and friends. The *Pilot*, South-seaman, a large ship belonging to Thos. Ward, Esq which left the London docks six months ago, on a whaling voyage, was attacked by Malay pirates, in the Straits of Timor, who surrounded the vessel in their prows. The ship was gallantly defended by her Captain and crew; but they were overpowered by superior numbers, and the savages boarded the ship, plundered it of all the provisions, and killed and wounded a majority of the crew. The Captain, the first and second mates, and 25 seamen, fell victims to the barbarity of the Malays. The third mate, the surgeon, and eight seamen escaped, and afterwards navigated the ship to Singapore. The survivors are coming home in a man-of-war, which they entered after reaching Singapore. These are the only particulars that have transpired relating to this disastrous event. The *Pilot* had only three tons of oil in her when she was attacked. The Malays are a savage and treacherous race, and a terror to mariners navigating the Straits of Timor. A few years ago, Aaron Smith of the *Mary Anne*, inflicted a signal chastisement upon them. They attacked his ship, and he defeated them, with the loss of 300 men and 20 prows, which he sunk.—*Globe*.