

MAHOMET, THE BLIND BEGGAR, AND HIS FEMALE COMPANION.—Mahomet Abraham (the blind, black beggar-man) and Eliza —, the unfortunate young creature who was a few days ago found in his company by one of the officers of the Mendicity Association, a detailed account of which appeared in our columns of Wednesday, were brought up, at the Mansion House, on Wednesday, for further examination before Alderman Hooper. The couple were examined separately. The officers of police stated, that Mahomet had been in custody for begging on a previous occasion, and had also been sent to St. George's workhouse. In reply to questions put to him by Alderman Hooper, he said he had been in England eight years; that he was a sailor, and came from Calcutta, having got cold in his eyes, and so become blind. He had known the female Eliza nine months. That he went out one night to buy victuals for his dog, and became acquainted with the girl at the time, who showed him to a oat's meat shop; he invited her in return to take tea with him, and they had lived together ever since.—Mr. Coleman, of the office of the Registrar-General of Seamen, said, in answer to a question from Alderman Hooper, that by the 7th and 8th Victoria, cap. 112, the defendant could as a Malay be sent back to India at the expense of the owners by the lords of the admiralty.—Mahomet shook his head, and in other ways expressed his unwillingness to be disposed of in such a manner.—He was remanded in order to make arrangements for sending him back to his own country, and having been removed from the bar, Eliza was put in his place.—She appeared to be quite at her ease, but did not act with levity. The account she gave of her first acquaintance with Mahomet was very similar to the one he had already given. She said she left home because she could not bear to be confined to her own room, and it had been thought necessary by her parents so to act towards her, because she had said something which was not considered proper in the presence of children.—Alderman Hooper: I have been given to understand by your relations and friends that they are willing, notwithstanding all that has occurred, to act for your benefit, and save you from the chance of such frightful associations, and I wish to know from you whether you are willing to go abroad?—Eliza: Most certainly I am willing to go. I wish to go abroad as soon as possible. The sooner the better.—Alderman Hooper: Very well. I shall communicate with those who have it in their power and inclination to send you away from the scenes of your disgrace; and I shall consign you to the care of proper persons for a week, in which time I dare say preparations will be made for your departure.—The wretched girl then walked away from the bar.