

In Assam all is quiet again. The Thibetians have returned to their homes, like sensible men ; and the Burmese, like sensible men also, seem disposed not to give any trouble.

The *Englishman* thinks it by no means improbable that "when the Burmese dispute is settled" (when will that be?) we may find a little occupation farther to the eastward, where a tribe of Sumatrans called Rawahs, expelled by the Dutch, have invaded the Malay peninsula, choosing the British settlement, Malacca, as their place of debarkation,—there procuring arms, and thence advancing into the interior. They have, it is stated, driven away the Chinese from the tin-mines, and, unless stopped short in their career, threaten to become masters of the peninsula. The British Government is bound by treaties to some of the Malay chiefs, and must, of course, uphold them ; besides which, the mining operations are carried on by means of advances made by the inhabitants of the British settlements, and if the borrowers be ruined, what is to become of the lenders ?