

## Hampshire Telegraph and Sussex Chronicle Saturday, February 25, 1871

A BRUSH WITH PIRATES.—A correspondent writing from Singapore on the 18th ultimo says: The *Barrosa*, 17, screw corvette, Captain L. I. Moore, arrived here on the 15th November last as senior officer of the Straits settlements division, to which only one other vessel is attached, viz., the *Algerine*, gunboat, 3 guns, and she is at present absent looking after pirates. About a fortnight since information was received that an English schooner, the *Scree Singapura*, had been plundered by pirates. The *Algerine* was sent to the Kalong river, and discovered the schooner at the entrance. She put five of her men on board for protection, and then proceeded to the Salangore river in search of the robbers. After two days' search between the islands 36 of the pirates were found in two boats close to a small barren island, and they and their plunder were taken on board the *Algerine*. The schooner in the meantime had been attacked by three armed Malay boats, which, however, were gallantly beaten off by the gunner's mate, and the other four men left by the *Algerine*.