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Country *Borneo*

Locality *Sarawak, Baram District*

People *Dyak.* Stock.

Name *"Sunong" long-haired animal skin with opening for head. Large shell ornament. Feathers attached over.*

Collection *Alleyne Ireland, Mus. Ex.*

Notes

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Price

The equipment of the fighting-man consists, in addition to his weapons, of a war cap and coat. The former is a close fitting cap of rattan which affords protection against the stroke of a sword. Often it is adorned with the long black and white feathers of the hornbill's tail.

The war coat is made poncho like of goat or bear skin. A hole is cut, for the warrior's head, in such a way that the coat protects his chest and back, while his arms are left free but unprotected.

Shells and hornbill's feathers are frequently attached to the garment either for decoration or to show the position of the man among his people.