Prof. Smith Will Give Talk On Customs and History of Islanders.

At a joint meeting and smoker of the Mechanical and Electrical Engineering Societies to be held in the Union at 8 o'clock tomorrow evening, Professor H. W. Smith, of the Chemical Department here at the Institute, will give a talk on "Journeys Among the Dayaks and Kayans of Sarawak, Borneo." Professor Smith spent a considerable portion of last year on the island and has made a number of the natives. He also succeeded in founding the first Rajah, Brooke, in Sarawak, establishing a good government, and how, amidst the dangers of the jungle, he finally destroyed the power of the Dayak pirates. Sir Charles Brooke followed the preceding Rajah, and he, like his predecessor, devoted his life to insuring peace to the natives and promoting the interests and welfare of the inhabitants. He also succeeded in suppressing the head-hunting of the natives, for which offence a serious penalty is imposed upon the offenders.

During his stay on the island Professor Smith has been interested as well as amusing incidents, and thus he will relate Thursday evening. He has witnessed many of the natives' customs, dances and other scenes which he will show by means of lantern slides made from photographs taken by himself. This collection of pictures is well worth seeing. He has also promised to provide some phonograph records of native songs and war dances. The members of the two societies are looking forward to a very pleasant and interesting hour of diversion.

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