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Musolino Highly Esteemed by Peasants of Italy.

Single-Handed He Conducted a Vendetta and Killed 19 Persons—Considered a Demigod by the People.

What a career of crime, bloody and vengeful, it is in which has indulged the last of Italy's bandits, to the great joy of south Italy peasants and the amusement of the civilized nations. Born of a family more or less affected with brain trouble and otherwise abnormal, Giuseppe Musolino, epileptic since childhood, started on his career of crime when, at the age of 11, he inflicted a mortal wound upon a companion with whom he had quarreled. For this act he was imprisoned for several years. Upon his release he was accused rather naturally of most of the crimes of any neighborhood in which he happened to be. At the age of 15 he threatened his father so seriously that the protection of carabinieri was asked. Two years later he joined the local section of that infamous society, the "Mafia," which in the southern part of Italy is known as the Piccaotheria or "bad life." Musolino had a rival for the leadership of the Piccaotheria, whom he killed. This was October 27, 1897. This man, Zoccoli, and his relatives of the same name seem to have been the Nemesis which drove Musolino on to his career of crime and brigandage. In his trial for the killing of Zoccoli, Musolino's companions in the "Mafia" did not observe the usual custom of secrecy, but gave witness against him. This was the additional bitterness which made him vow to get revenge on anyone who had been in any way connected with his arrest and trial. His sentence was for 21 years of hard labor, but in less than four months Musolino escaped and retreated to the forest where he started on his career of vendetta. He at once let his fam-



GIUSEPPE MUSOLINO.
(Italian Peasants Consider This Bandit Chief a Demigod.)

ily know that he was free, and they and his many sympathizers supplied him with food and clothing. Twenty days after his escape, learning that one of the witnesses at his trial lived in the neighborhood, he made his way to his cottage. Upon the door being opened by the witness' wife, he shot her dead and then killed her husband. Then he laid in wait for Zoccoli, but, instead, Zoccoli's brother appeared, and was immediately shot. His next victim was a peasant who had assisted in his arrest. He warned, by shooting in the legs, various persons whom he thought might inform against him, and in this manner, terrorizing some, appealing to the prejudices of others, and to the superstition of most, he procured immunity from immediate arrest, it being said that at one time, for a period of many months, he could count on the aid and support of 150,000 people, against the efforts of the 500 police and gendarmes sent to arrest him. Musolino contemptuously denies that he ever killed anyone who had not a clear chance to take his own life, and ever waged war in an underhand manner. Before his arrest, which did not occur for another two years and eight months, he put to death in all 19 persons included in his scheme of life-long vendetta.

The curious side of his career, says Current Literature, is the fact that Musolino convinced the people of the southern provinces, the wealthy and enlightened as well as the poorer and more ignorant classes, that he was supernaturally aided and was immune from death by the authorities. The southern imagination at once took hold of his adventurous career, embellished it with romance and threw around it a glamor which makes him, even now, while in prison, serving the life-term fixed by his recent conviction, a hero, a demigod and a martyr.

The Sultan's Simple Diet.
The sultan's diet is very simple. He eats very little of the plainest food and never touches wine or liquors of any kind but consumes enormous quantities of coffee, which aggravates his nervousness. Up to a few years ago a servant with a coffee pot always followed him when he went out for exercise, and while driving in the park coffee stations were placed at frequent intervals, where he could stop and refresh himself. By the advice of his physicians he now limits himself to five or six cups of his favorite beverage a day, and it is said that he has himself noticed an improvement in his health. He is not so nervous and sleeps better.

Poor Country for Barbers.
The women of Ainu, North Japan, admire bearded faces, and they tattoo their own faces, to make them seem sprouting with whiskers.

Kitchen Kulehaw.
Mistress—You wish to give notice? Dear, dear!—I thought you were perfectly satisfied with the situation? Skivvy—Yes'm—the situation's all right; it's a good place and good wages, but—er—Mistress—But what, Jane? Skivvy—Well, it's your playin' mum, if you must know. I've got a musical ear myself, and the way you murders classical pieces simply makes me ill—it do, reely.—Ally Sloper.

A Variation.
One morn when the kindling capricious Had balked in a manner malicious, Bridget used kerosene With an air most serene; And the breakfast she cooked was delicious.—Washington Star.

JUST THE PART FOR HIM.



John Pew—You know I'm to be the leading man in "On the Inside of the Four Hundred," an awful bad show that opens Monday night. Miss Soubrette—Really? I congratulate you. How clever of them to engage you, as you will fit the part perfectly.—Milwaukee Sentinel.

The Melancholy Season.
There are no leaves on last year's trees. No birds in last year's nest; No girls in last year's hammocks and No coal in last year's vest.—Chicago Daily News.

The Horror of It.
"Is it true," asked the lady who was visiting in Kentucky, "that everybody drinks whisky down here?" "No, ma'am," replied Colonel Culpepper, "it is not true strictly speaking, ma'am. We punish our criminals by giving them watah, ma'am."—Chicago Record-Herald.

An Exciting Game.
"Dat were a very excitin' jackpot I won las' night on a bluff," said Mr. Erastus Pinky as he tilted his cigar and dropped his hat over his eye. "Did you raise de opener?" asked Mr. James Colliflower. "No, sah; I opened a razor."—Washington Star.

What He Thought About It.
Kidleigh (thoughtfully)—What would you do if someone left a baby on your doorstep? Chivers (with consternation)—Don't do it, old man. For heaven's sake, don't do it. Leave it on Wilder's. His wife's away.—Town Topics.

And There Are Others.
Swiggs—Somehow I have failed to meet with any success in my undertakings. Briggs—That's easily accounted for. Swiggs—Well, what's the answer? Briggs—Too many bars in your way.—Chicago Daily News.

Suburban Amenities.
The Shave at Laburnum Villa—The woman next door has got all her washing done and hung out, mum. The Lady—Has she? Then take up the breakfast room carpet, hang it over the line, and give it a good beating.—Ally Sloper.

Maying Time.
"That pretty grass widow isn't losing any time looking for another husband." "No; she seems to be making hay while the sun shines."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Value Fixed.
Mrs. Lawson—Fido swallowed a \$20 gold piece yesterday. Mrs. Dawson—What did you do? Mrs. Lawson—Well, we decided right away that Fido wasn't worth as much as \$20.—Somerville Journal.

How She Knew.
Mr. Saphend (during the honeymoon)—When did my little duckie first discover that she loved me? Bride (sweetly)—When I found myself getting mad every time any one called you a fool.—N. Y. Weekly.

The Only Exception.
She—It is proper, I believe, for a woman always to precede a man? He—Well, in case the man is a judge, and the woman his wife, I don't think it would be proper for her to go before him.—Yonkers Statesman.

Striking Argument.
Judge—Besides his bicycle you also stole the plaintiff's cycling suit? Defendant—Well, yes—what could he do with the suit when he had no wheel?—Chicago American.

Warning Him Up.
Bell Boy—That guest in 47 complains that he's freezing. Night Clerk—Well, carry him up his bill and he'll think that he's being roasted.—Judge.

In South America.
Tourist—You certainly do have a great many insurrections. Native—Yes; our insurrections are as frequent as your strikes; but, fortunately, not as serious.—Puck.

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Marrying at Leisure.

Daughter—Mr. Nicechap has asked for my hand, and I have accepted. Papa—What nonsense! You are not old enough to marry. Daughter—That's the beauty of it. I will have plenty of time to look around while I'm engaged.—N. Y. Weekly.

Business Not Pleasure.

"Why, Mabel, you've passed two dry good stores without even looking at them." "What of it? I'm not shopping today. I'm going to buy something."—Chicago American.

Book Learning.

Mr. Newedde—These biscuits are awful. Mrs. Newedde—Impossible. Why, the receipt says they are excellent.—N. Y. Journal.

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