

BRIGANDAGE IN ITALY.

No criminal of recent times has attracted more attention than the celebrated brigand Musolino, of whom we publish a portrait. He has been described as the champion murderer and brigand of the age, and the description is by no means exaggerated.

His career has been so remarkable that he has been surrounded by legends and romantic stories, attributing to him various good qualities which, as a matter of fact, he does not possess. It is said that he was unjustly condemned for a crime he did not commit, and has taken to a life of outlawry in consequence. By some he is looked upon as



Musolino.

a hero, but the truth is he is one of the most desperate ruffians that ever lived.

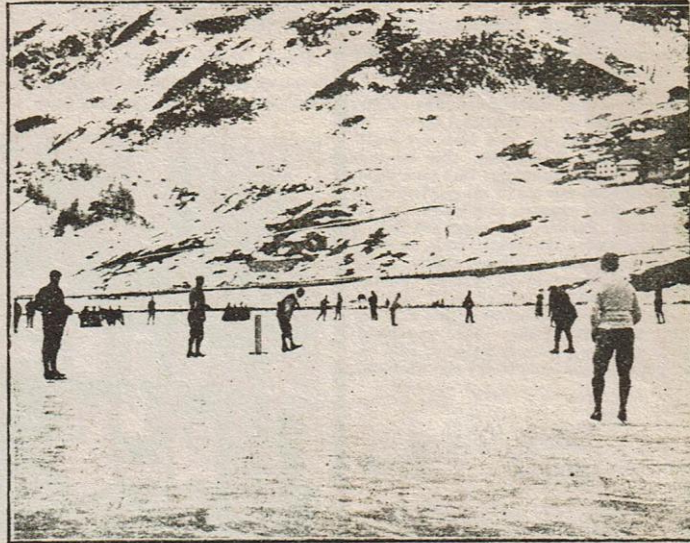
He has numberless murders on his conscience—no one can say how many. He is reported to have killed the whole



Giovanni Maria Astara.

of his followers because he suspected them of treachery.

The authorities of Reggio (Calabria) are making immense efforts to capture Musolino. Various police and military expeditions have been sent out against him, but so far without success. It was once decided to blow up the cave in which he was supposed to be concealed with dynamite, but it was found he had again made his escape. The Italian



Cricket on the Ice at Davos Platz.

Government has offered £8,000 for his capture, alive or dead.

The other portraits are those of three brigands, named respectively Monigoddi, Astara, and Budroni, who were recently captured in Sardinia, and tried and condemned by the Court of



Giovanni Monigoddi.

Assizes at Sassari. All of them were murderers; in fact, the first named had killed no fewer than seven of his own relations. Their features, it will be admitted, would make a very fine addition to the collection of a criminal museum. It will be noticed that Musolino is of an entirely different type. Probably his more prepossessing appearance accounts for the admiration in which he is held by many of the inhabitants of the province of Calabria.

CRICKET ON THE ICE.

Switzerland is the only country in the world where a game of cricket on the ice may be seen, and even there it only takes place about once in three years. This winter, however, a match came off on the Davos lake, and was highly successful.

Captain Wynyard, the well-known Hampshire player, who is said to have

invented ice cricket, captained one of the teams. Every player was on skates, and as some were better at wielding the willow on English turf than on Swiss ice, the effect was occasionally disastrous. The costumes of the competing teams, too, were unprofessional in the extreme; but, needless to say, anything in the nature of flannels would have been madness in the terrific cold of the High Alps. The game (which was "Davos Dorf v. Davos Platz") was indecisive, though both sides advanced claims to victory.

Some of the batting seen during the game was quite remarkable, several swipes of ten runs and over being scored. Whenever the ball fairly "got away" on the smooth surface of the frozen lake, it took a lot of fielding. Snow fell the day after the match, and spoiled the ice, so that there is no chance



Giuseppe Budroni.

of another game till next Christmas-tide.

We reproduce above a snapshot taken during the progress of the game.

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