



THROWN ON THE SHORE.

MAUD—"Miss Frostique is coming out this season."

ETHEL—"Surely you are joking. She has been in the swim for years."

MAUD—"Exactly; she is coming out. In fact, she is not in it any more."

MRS. JIMPSECUTE ON THE WORLD'S FAIR.

"NO, Mrs. Dewsbury, I'm not going to the World's Fair, though Henry has been talking about it, for I don't think it's safe to go to a place like Chicago, where they have such awful fires, and the Anarchists are all the time throwing bombs, and any man that's tired of his wife, or any hussy of a woman that wants to marry another man and leave her children to take care of themselves can get a divorce in about fifteen minutes, and they say that about half the people you meet there have been divorced and married again, some of them half a dozen times over, and I call it perfectly scandalous to think of, and I don't see why they should choose a place like that for holding the Fair. Why, there was a woman, I forget her name now, one of our near neighbors, a few years since, and she was always running in to borrow tea or sugar or a washboard or something, though dear knows, I never gave her any encouragement, for I always had my opinion of her, and she never would return half the things, and the way she neglected her family and let the children go about in rags, poor little things, though her husband had a very good situation, too, and come to think of it, their name was Gilderson, was a perfect scandal to the neighborhood, and the landlord used to tell me they was always behind in their rent, and indeed, I don't doubt it, for she used to put every cent on her own back, and the jewelry she used to buy."

"And one day she took a trip to Chicago, and the next thing we heard was that she had got a divorce, though a nicer, kinder man than her poor husband was I never saw, and a good provider, too, and it nearly broke his heart and drove him to drinking, and he got to be quite a politician, and then two days afterwards she married a tree-peddler and went off to British Columbia. Now I call that shameful, Mrs. Dewsbury, and they say the prices the hotels and boarding houses charge will be something frightful, and I never did like to be squeezed and jammed in a big crowd like I was at

McCarthy's lecture last week, where I had to stand all the time crushed up so I couldn't hardly breathe, and not one of the men was gentleman enough to offer you a seat, but Mr. McCarthy spoke very nicely, and he's quite a good-looking man, too, but it was nothing to what it'll be in Chicago if all they say is true about the number of people that are going there, and I got my foot so badly tramped on that I've been quite lame ever since, only if they get to striking and throwing dynamite bombs, as they are so fond of doing, it will be ever so much worse, and as I told Henry, I think we'd far better take the money he's been putting by to go and get some new carpets and curtains before the house gets perfectly shabby."

"Now they've elected Mr. Cleveland President, which appears to be a respectable family man, and so fond of his wife and baby, and all the time getting their pictures put in the papers, and it must cost him a good deal of money, too, to get it done, I should think he'd interfere and prevent people getting divorces for nothing at all, and leaving their lawful wives and husbands, and unless he does, people oughtn't to go to a place like Chicago and encourage such goings-on, and I couldn't stand being crushed in a crowd, anyway, let alone the smell of the pigs, which Ashbridge's Bay is quite had enough, and I'm glad the City Council is trying to abolish it."

"Is Henry going? Oh, dear, no, Mrs. Dewsbury! If I stop at home he stops too. I wouldn't think of trusting him there alone."



TO MAINTAIN THE GOOD FEELING.

MRS. NEWED—"I believe our cook drinks."

MR. NEWED—"What makes you think so?"

MRS. NEWED—"I went into the kitchen this afternoon and she was so good-natured she couldn't do enough for me."

MR. NEWED—"In that case I had better order a couple of cases of wine for her use."

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