

of her early youth. Vernon and his wife are a devoted couple, and their two children—a girl and a boy—are the prettiest in the city. Mrs. Vernon has had a great influence on her husband, for as her own enlarging sympathies have taken in a continually widening circle, she has been able to enlist him as an ally in her work of making other people happier.

The trial of the Wolf Inn conspirators for the burning of the Vaughn mansion is still remembered as a *cause célèbre*. It resulted in varying terms of imprisonment for the seven men accused, and Dave Helbrod and Jack Kesterton are still in the penitentiary. The Wolf Inn itself has been replaced by a handsome hotel, for a vigorous suburban village has arisen on the prairie around the spot on which it stood, so that its clapboard sides and ruinous outbuildings are now only a memory to the older inhabitants.

Fritz is now twenty-five years old, and a fine, strong, hearty fellow he is. He did not know until the excitement of his great trial was over how much demand it had made on his young vitality, and for a year or more he felt very much sobered by the experience, during which, it need not be said, he was the cause of much anxious solicitude on the part of his mother. For when the stirring events of the fire and the subsequent trials were over, and Mrs. Anderson