

- Rosie**—(gets up and starts to tidy up and fuss)—“Do go quickly, Doctor. Just think if that frail, tenderly nurtured child should arrive and no protecting arm be stretched out to her.”
- Doctor**—“Well I'll be glad to put my arm at her disposal if I can help out.”—(gets hat and coat. Great noise and confusion.)
- Mr. Oldays**—(jumps up annoyed)—“What's the meaning of all the noise and confusion in my house?”—(enter Mrs. Chubb excited.)
- Mrs. Chubb**—“There's a bold, brazen young woman dressed most disgraceful and outlandish, who wants to see you.”
- Rosie**—“Ask her to come another time—we are expecting company.”
- Mr. Oldays**—“No, tell her to come in, but cut her business short. I'm in no glad hand mood.”—(Enter Anne carrying skis, red and wind blown, healthy, happy, unafraid, dressed in breeks or slacks, woollen shirt or windbreak, red cap—stands for a minute looking round. Dr. comes back from hall. Mr. Oldays rises.)
- Rosie**—(screams, covers face, then cries)—“Oh! What do I see? Oh! can my eyes deceive me? Can't be possible—no—no—skirt—(hides her face. Calls)—Mrs. Chubb—a skirt, quick.”
- Mr. Oldays**—(Sternly)—“What is the meaning of this? Who are you?”
- Anne**—“What's all the excitement.”—(Dr. comes forward. Anne sweetly)—“Would you—by any manner of means happen to be my step-grandfather?”
- Doctor**—(laughs)—“I'm sorry I can't qualify for that honor. It would give me great pleasure—I can substitute however.”
- Anne**—“Sorry, but substitutes are never really satisfactory.”
- Mr. Oldays**—(shouts)—“Who are you? What's your name, young woman—if you are a young woman and what's your business?”
- Rosie**—“Oh, dear, there's some dreadful mistake.”—(Anne puts up skis and advances sweet-mannered and cheerful.)
- Anne**—“My name is Anne Elizabeth Burns and incidentally I might remark that my hearing is perfect. I take it you are my new step-grandfather. You really do look much newer than I had expected. I'm so glad. I was afraid you might look quite old and shopworn, but really you don't step-grandfather.”