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HOMECOMING

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Though none has ever bothered to molest The unmet lady getting off the train, She still has guilty dreams within her breast, For nutriment. But she is porcelain, For want of love. Now, on this harvest night, Her country birthplace lies in savage ease. On porches, in a wilderness of spite, Her cousins revel in their strategies. Their words incriminate the innocent—And so she is a spinster. Yet, in fall, She comes with no particular intent, To visit kin—a harmless ritual. And, palpable, she speaks. But kin are deaf To one who comes unbidden as a leaf.