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I know her. The lines
she creates, the words
she commands so well,
the vision she conveys
come from keen hearing
of the heart.

Her artistry defines her:
sometimes a blue ache,
a peony, a sudden peak
transferred from her
spinal graph to mine
as if the stock market
suddenly soared.

And after such intimacy,
holding my fragile premises
in her hands, examining,
arranging them
on her pages--
how can either of us say
we've never met?