



## Sisters

As the oldest of three  
—two boys and a girl—  
I wonder...

What would it be like  
to be a bachelor in the shadow  
of Three Sisters<sup>1</sup>  
—one filial, kind, and faithful beyond her years;  
the middle one hopeful, patient, and vain;  
and a third charitable and loyal but with the temper of the young—  
...  
skirted in lava  
swathed in trees  
crowned in ice  
and silent  
for æons