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Constraint

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how small is she
that he won't heed
her presence
he
will only need
to hold her when
he holds her down
filth of such men
upon her gown
she thinks
she knows
she must submit
like wearing clothes
that don't quite fit
the mirror lies;
won't show her face
a stranger spies
within that space
how small is she
that he won't heed
her dignity
he'll only need
her now and then
to make no sound
to hold still when
he holds her down