Blissings

Bright blue een and chappet red haands.

Open taid saandals and grey paes-wisp curls.

Bony bosies and an honest, hopeful smeeg.

Da scent o Pears soap and arnica an paetsmoke and flooer.

Ae by the stove, baking bannocks, wrapped up in a peeny.

Waiting for night, her trows in their baeds. Alone wi da wireless for company.

She dances wi Neil Diamond.

Ae wirkin an smiling and foo o loff n pride.

Leaving letter fae da mice.

Tae me shu will always be pink smarties and gardenias, saffron and butterflies.

Noo shu bides abön da stars and watches ower wis aa.

Lindsay Tonner

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