

“Mr. Blake’s skin don’t dirt.”

~Mrs. Blake,
on the absence of soap
in their house

what pass
for pleasantries
often disguise
Halloween razors
in treats

*Eyes and ears
Blake said
are poor witnesses
to men who have
barbarian souls.*

Cassandra’d
prophetic
he heard
what words
failed to mention.

Daniel Zimmerman
10.14.2017