# Territory Was Not Virgin and Neither Was I (Virgin)

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Born overflowing all giving  you never could take
what we never gave  what I held back
sky fat with rain  water dropping my name slowly on my lips

no part of me you could remove from this water
she touches everything
never alone so even
what you broke  blew up  bomb of droplets  collective
thunder sounding  sounding  resounding

no wonder you grew afraid
my voice refused you  all of you
erased even the names faces places they tried to take us
so only a steady music stays  the urgency of rain

neither could you take it with your cannon that turns sound against bodies
profound vibration shot through bone
shock to the ears the brain the dreams
or water cannons  water usurped turned to weapon
turned to ice turned to burn

they waded away with water took water back
dispersed the hurt across the globe
the globe of water the only territory the only county the only kinship
the one we would not give

if we give ourselves to anything we give ourselves to water
if I give myself to anything I give myself to water
not bride or prize or slave but daughter then grown woman then wave
next to wave next to wave no more yours than rain
rain dropping slowly so even you could hear it
knows you
knows your name