

Mabel Roseberry by Percy Delatte

my love is pink
her hair like cotton candy
light and fluffy
she blows a bubble with bubblegum lips
her black leather jacket like india ink

she pops her bubble and smiles with silvery eyes
her mascara dark and glittering

she asks me a question.

my love wears white thigh-high socks
and lays back on a gray comforter
*(as if she surrounds herself with grays and whites and blacks
so she can stand out – **pink!** – against them)*

there's a strip of rosy skin between the top of her sock
and the hem of her skirt
and i know if i put my hand there, on her thigh,
she'd laugh and push me away

she's ticklish there
it feels intimate, to know that about her

i brush her thigh anyway, just to hear her laugh.

my love wears pink lipstick
and it sticks to my skin
to my cheek and my neck and my shoulder, to my thigh.

my love is spectacularly beautiful
and she spills over onto everything she touches

i ask her a question, and she laughs and smiles with glittery eyes
and kisses me pink

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