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LIVING ALONE

No matter where you are,
there's always someone
there at home
when you live alone . . .
it's the person you'll somehow
turn out to be
when you finally become yourself.

Not that others are in
any way to blame, but, to be able to modify your rut
at entirely your own pace,
that kind of grace
invests every shelf,
dusted or not, in the place.