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**Younger Women**

Newly minted  
humans, apparatus  
barely used;

I feel vicarious joy  
in watching your  
youthful limbs

exploring life's  
rich passions!

But I, I know  
my engine;

I know its coughs  
and turns, its surges  
of raw energy, bursts  
of audacious power.

Mechanics  
who have worked  
on me  
all say the same:

She's built to last—  
she'll get it done.