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by Sam Rice

Blank and mirrorless  
mountains reach for the sky,  
neighbors on their backs unsure  
of their surroundings.

So desperate to plant a flag,  
lovers sway from their paths  
treading foreign lines into the  
white landscape as children  
with crayons mark sterile printer paper.

They swirl like the snow weighing down their coats,  
traveling in circles around the sun until they are  
found on a snowy cliff, hidden among layers of  
the same thing and laying on two  
sides of the same mountain.