what you would rather not know.

Aries March 21- April 19
building on quicksand
while you are monogamous,
no one will follow

you to the sports bar
for drinks because the plan stinks
house party sourpuss

Taurus April 20- May 20

there is a new book
on your field that you don’t own,
your students worry

about your love life,
Trader Joe’s upped the prices
on hummus and naan

Gemini May 21- June 20

growing impatient
with your inconstant research
pursuits, your mentor

denies you exist;
yet your summer fling intends
to bear your children
Cancer June 21- July 22

no paycheck this month
due to insufficient funds,
those Five Guys burgers

are starting to show
so you’re losing your sweetheart
to a Law School chump

Leo July 23-August 22

too busy to meet
nor congratulate you for
publishing your work,

colleagues disappoint
you; forget scuba diving
in the Potomac

Virgo August 23- September 22

exceptional but
not perfect, your conference
paper is shameful;

every decision
you make greys another hair,
best to shave it off
Libra September 23 – October 22

you should have re-read
your work before submitting,
you should have waited
in line at Starbucks,
you missed your chance at true love
and a free re-fill

Scorpio October 23 – November 21

a girl will break down
and cry if you continue
staring, the more you

wash, the dirtier
they get, the more you day-dream,
pleasure is excess

Sagittarius November 22- December 21

the book you need is
out of print, chances are slim
you’ll get a leave of

absence; as you climb
the academic ladder
you sprain an ankle
Capricorn December 22 – January 19

your incessant quest
to be loved, sucks your colleagues
dry of affection,

you will get blank stares,
in turn you’ll bite your cheek and bleed
if you crack that joke

Aquarius January 20 – February 18

your hat is worn by
two others on the subway,
your professors know

you are too smart for
your own good, patriarchy’s
having a comeback

Pisces February 19- March 20

the paper will not
write itself, your advisor
waits for a reply,

after Summer Break
(you are still not a rock star),
wait for December
what you should know

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