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- Steven Porter on [dishwashing and the will to power](#)
- Edward Blum on Devon Carbado and Donald Weise's collection of [runaway slave narratives](#), which are "as moving as any story by Suzanne Collins or J.R.R. Tolkien."
- Joanna Harder on [Creflo Dollar, Cindy Crawford and salvation](#)
- "[For shadowment: Villanelle for the solstice](#)," a poem by Angela Alaimo O'Donnell