

# ice becomes a new marvel

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at all altitudes and at all latitudes

glaciers in furious melt:

both Greenland and Antarctica headed both

to be ice-free isles adrift

and with shorter coastlines amidst higher seas.

no more slets and no more snows

phenomena that elude memory soon:

in no hemisphere and on no continent

will children ever taste snowflakes from the sky

every altitude and every latitude.

ice will be a marvel because of its cold

once natural cold unnatural becomes.

manufactured cold will hold its charms

ice cubes melting in the fists of squealing kids

—who couldn't see snow anyway, underground.

