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— Marge Cooke Porteus

What would happen if
Mars and Venus
Fell in love?
Would wars end or
Love die?

WAR'S EFFECT

— Marge Cooke Porteus

Mars got in my way.
I was searching, but
All the young, bright men
Were gone.
For a time I became a
Grinch, saying petals
And eating persimmons.