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to their companions and understand them. They are the loveliest and most unaggressive of helpmates and they want to remain in that role; they do not insist on their own rights—quite the contrary. They are easy to handle in every way—once one loves them. Sexually they are easily excited and rarely rigid; but precisely in the sexual field they impose narrowistic conditions that must be fulfilled absolutely. They demand love and ardent desire, finding in these a satisfying compensation for the renunciation of their own active tendencies.

If fitted in any direction, they preserve the capacity for being original and productive, but without entering into competitive struggles. They are always willing to renounce their own achievements without feeling that they are sacrificing anything, and they rejoice in the achievements of their companions, which they have often inspired.

They have an extraordinary need of support when engaged in any activity, directed, but are absolutely independent in such thinking and feeling as
relate to their inner life. That is to say, in their activity
directed inward. Their capacity for identification is not
an expression of inner poverty, but of inner wealth.

Naturally such an attitude involves the danger
of masochistic submission and the loss of one's own
personality. If these dangers are successfully
avoided, we have here the most gratifying
type of the feminine woman... Her foundation lies
rather in the protective mechanisms she develops
to offset the dangers mentioned above...

(1) 'Easily considered when erotically desired and
used'. Here the guardian obviously has not
established his post at the entrance door (10. inasmuch)
Benn's PART PROTECTED BY NARCISISM *deeply*
hidden psychological treasures that can be won
only with great effort.

(2) Her masochistic guardian at very entrance
i.e. won't until she has correct valuations
her treasure.