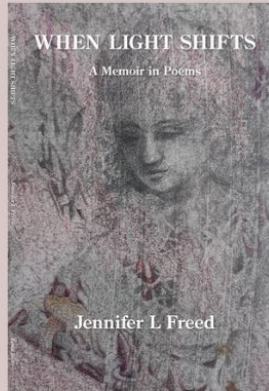


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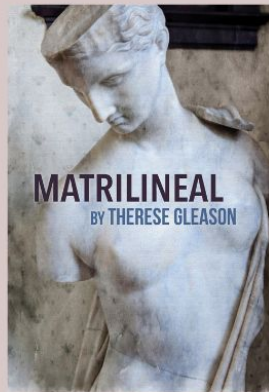
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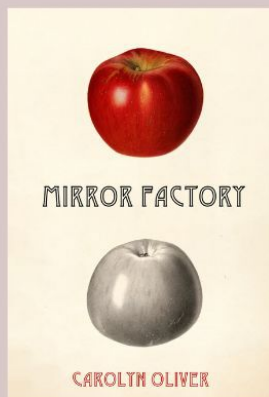
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[Theresegleason.com](http://Theresegleason.com)



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[Carolynoliver.net](http://Carolynoliver.net)

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