Joyce's lines struck me.

"She respected her husband in the same way as she respected the General Post Office, as something large, secure and fixed; and though she knew the small number of his talents she appreciated his abstract value as a male."

Men have abstract value as fathers, husbands, bosses.

Men range tall, large, secure and fixed.

Their gazes fix on their mothers, daughters, sisters.

Some men loom over their women their small talents looming large while their women work the loom musing.
Women, thank Gaia, muse.

Muses are mothers
with large concrete talents.
They inspire men
who can not muse.

Inspire my muse, Mother Gaia.
Mother me, bemusingly.
Concretize that maleabstraction
into small fluid pools of wisdom.

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