

over the past year i've had opportunity

to pause
to return

to a few

dangling threads

stories that I know by heart

with the awareness of

now

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work in process

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working on me

writing my way

illness narratives

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spectral stories

cast an extended shadow upon my life being

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the legacy of *dis/ease*

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as reference:

she

was my *grandmother*,

hunched over her bathroom sink

scrubbing her skin,

until it was red

raw

over and over and over again

shewashesherhandsandwasheshands
andwashesherhandsandwashesherhands
andwashesherhandsandwashesherhands
and**washes**herhandsandwashesherhands
andwashesherhandsandwashesherhands
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andwashesherhandsandwashesherhands
andwashesherhandsandwashes**herhands**

her passing

(*her obsession*)

my own

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pandemic precursor

today

i wash my hands

..

incessantly



scraping away the "ivory" beneath my nails

exposing

excising

whiteness

..

my material

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my history

white/washing

sickness stories

working on me

in a multitude of forms

my making knot knowing

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