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How dark and thin
The blood that swirls from no clear spring.
Salty dew on my forehead, a heavy breath beneath
the mask
Iris es constricted
Your pulse audibly racing against my heartbeat
Palpable life slipping between the pores of soaked gauze.
Who are you and why now?
Who am I and why here?
Your blood against my flesh like a final cling to human life
A past, but not future.
Anticipated peace as the monitor will soon be silent.
In a millionth of a second, the turmoil of the blood
hits my blind hand.
A clamp. A stitch. A sigh. A future.
Ephemeral defeat
Eternal win.
You'll never know.
I'll never forget.

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