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thoughts, armed with daggers wage battles behind my eyes --soldiers riding memories -multi-coloured horses pave hooves into the valleys of my mind

jets of ink wash over hills and grooves, flood into the channels of my veins, delineating branches, trunks

become a forest, bleed beneath my fingernails, choke, struggle to keep afloat in the current behind the rolling ball

emerge victorious, and print myself into the fibres of this page