

BRIEF POEMS - 4

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AMBIVALENCE

The joust of mind against emotion:
like swinging pendulum, we waver,
or toss like waves on restless ocean—
distaste at war with what we savor.

— 4/12/2020

BREASTFED

Her bundle cuddled close, caressed—
as skin-to-skin soft lips are pressed,
his fingers fondling other breast—
“O God,” she whispers, “How I’m blest!”

— 5/1/2020

SOUND ADVICE FROM SOCRATES

To catapult beyond
assumptive wisdom,
“Know thyself.”

— 5/24/2020

WHEN SPIN CAME IN

Transporting wheels,
Propelling twirl,
Oil-drilling deals,
Set world awhirl!

— 5/25/2020

GOOD PAIN

The smart of healing’s art
will start as ills depart.

— 12/19/2020