

## **Monkey Business**

Love and cancer, two monkeys on my back.  
The second, presumably amoral, or if not,  
moral in some macrocosmic or twisted sense  
I won't begin to understand. The first,  
no less enigmatic in metaphysical terms  
no less debilitating psychologically  
than the second is physiologically,  
moral to a fault, the noble ins and outs  
as likely to consume love's body as cancer  
the one of flesh, blood, bone and tears.