

Monkey Business

Love and cancer, two monkeys on his back.
The second, presumably amoral, or if not,
moral in some macrocosmic or twisted sense
he won't begin to understand. The first,
no less enigmatic in metaphysical terms
no less debilitating psychologically
than the second is physiologically:
but 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.