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Stay overseas
Stayed overseas
Were to each other, then were not
There, gone

Diagnosed and diseased
Virus inscribes
Marked and maligned
Virus scurries
Detained and deported
Virus declares

Mouths quiver
Hearts flicker
Eyes roll
Years toll

Boarded and bored
Virus mounts
Surveilled and sanctioned
Virus spreads
Pickled and probed
Virus pollutes

Pills pop
Throat constricts
Blood fires
ELISA bows

Bordered and bound
Virus rears
Blistered and battled
Virus spikes
Demons and dragons
Virus decides

Passports seal
Gates shut
Stones posed
Devils’ work

Western block
Western blot
Easterner blot
Easterner blot

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