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The Canes

canes are left
 at the top of the stairs
 lying down
 defeated wooden guidedogs
 selves released
 in nods hell.
 we laugh at our clumsiness
 in the water
 the way we struggle
 to keep our balance
 to keep up with the exercises
 with our bodies
 upright flesh prisons
 selves submerge
 in liquid buoyancy
 timeless
 freedom floats
 damage contained
 in canes

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