Loss and Clipboards

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snap

Upon the board are papers clipped. A date, a name, a note, no time. For ticks passed by are one less breath, to save their life from grasps of death.

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Brought comfort though the pain is great. New orders written, bottles filled. More papers added to the fold, as fate begins to grab ahold.

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Amidst the fight we lost ourselves. Caregivers with less to give. There's haunted visions of an empty bed. A few last papers are the words unsaid.

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Bold colors fade to white and grey. No fight is left, the struggle lost. The heart done through without a tap. Empty clipboard, I heard its snap.