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# Analgesia

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*i'm in pain, doc. there came a cry  
so help me now or let me die.*

*the man in white took a quick look  
and saw how the poor woman shook.*

*with haste he stopped to quickly prescribe  
a drug to ease her body's plight.*

*hurrying off after a while,  
without a caring word or sincere smile,*

*or a tender touch to show loving care  
which could easily dispel spirit's despair.*

