

# “Disappointment”

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Disappointment  
Disappointment!  
What a surprise –  
You’re a blast from door’s-open-cold.  
You’re nuts in my chocolate ice cream.  
You’re a late lunch  
and bread sprouting mold.

Disappointment?  
You’re a blister from new favorite shoes.  
You promised and then you forgot.  
You’re just crumbs where there  
once was a cake.  
You looked honest, but then you were not.

Disappointment –  
You took pliers and yanked out my trust  
like a dentist without novocaine,  
then you didn’t return my calls  
when I tried to express my pain.