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To get the drudge of scrubbing,
mopping, glass wiping, wicker dusting
out of your system,
you can think about a horse.

They say you can never love too much.
You can lead a horse, house a horse,
horse around but you can’t
solve the drinking problem.

You can’t make him drink,
but if you keep trying, you can,
as love is the best way to get results,
though it’ll soon turn to something else.

House cleaning is the horse’s problem.
If he thinks he’ll have to clean the sink
or tub one more time, he’s asking:
what’s the use of love if this is what
I have to do all day and that’s
when he thinks he wants a drink.