## Anne Boyer

## A Handbook of Disappointed Fate

A Handbook of Disappointed Fate collects a decade of Anne Boyer's interrogative writing on poetry, death, love, lambs, and other impossible questions.

This book is brilliant... The quality of writing, the shape of its thoughts, and the spaces of freedom it encourages in us as participants and co-conspirators. To read Anne Boyer is to join an underdog collectivity, "both always in this world and looking for another."

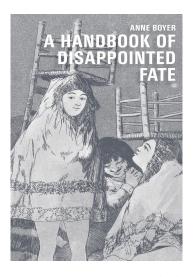
— JACE CLAYTON

Having been placed on trial and held there, in the twin intensities of love of poetry and hatred of the world, Anne Boyer's essays meet disappointment with a succor forged in rage. Her writing is a balm and a bomb all its own.

— Fred Moten

While this book is often at moments serious and profound in its indictments of the self promoting seriousness of the thing we call poetry, what I love most about it is the way it takes its whimsy so seriously.

— Juliana Spahr



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