

## Sarah Mangold

*“Dickinson had written hundreds of poems, kept hidden in sewn bundles, when she approached Thomas Wentworth Higginson...”*

Dickinson wrote to a stranger.

Dickinson to approach.

Dickinson’s poetry.

Dickinson was a spinster.

Dickinson came to.

Dickinson 1974.

Dickinson didn’t know who and what she was.

Dickinson the dormouse.

Dickinson’s letter.

Dickinson stayed in touch.

Dickinson’s death.

Dickinson’s syntax.

Dickinson acquired.

Dickinson’s Federal manor.

Dickinson was part.

Dickinson and.

Dickinson in.

Dickinson’s experience.

Dickinson that.

Dickinson into focus.

Dickinson landed.

Dickinson’s poems.

Dickinson she once blurted out “Oh why do the insane so cling to you!”

Dickinson would.

Dickinsons Emily.

Dickinson resisted.

Dickinson’s life has a before and an after.

Dickinson's life.  
Dickinson's father.  
Dickinson the loss.  
Dickinson loved.  
Dickinson cultivated.  
Dickinson was.  
Dickinson never ceased hoping.  
Dickinson's case.  
Dickinson's biography.  
Dickinson's story.  
Dickinson at least.  
Dickinson told him.  
Dickinson's final.  
Dickinson describing the wind.  
Dickinson's poetry its suspense.

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## Wrestle and Whip-Lovers not Avoided

After that the boy puzzled

roughly parallel lines  
flipped switches

That's what you saw

I am trapped in this body  
different beside it

As any young naval officer  
a world that had somehow failed

The left was the devil's hand

Her ability to transform  
how your own ancestors grew up

just who the enemy was

We have people for that  
picks and shovels

pioneers

surround the captive unicorn  
white puffy chunks of crab