## **Insect Aside**

You are small, but don't escape my notice. In your fern & khaki shell suit, you are Suddenly visible, then un-visible again. You genuflect slowly, revealing your tensile, meandrous limbs. Your head is bowed As if in prayer. Both antennae twitch, Quiver and shiver. Are you un-chilled out?

What's bugging you? The blade of grass upon which you alight, twitches to register Your slight presence. What are you contemplating? Food, friends, mating or sleep ... Or, perhaps something more profound: Philosophising about the state of your miniature universe. Reflecting on Bio-adversity, or maybe bio-die-versity.

Then suddenly, you are gone. Will it Be for this moment, all day, or forever?

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