



Clay-Coloured

Who has fathomed that insect
voice? Does it emanate from
vocal cords, or oscillation of
experimental tongue? Someone
must know. If I weren't so busy
living (and dying) I'd have
time to enquire.

Meanwhile,
small sparrow, I stand admiring
your insistence on speaking
(singing?) your celebration
in that tone unique, in
the manner you please.

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