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Through a hole in the wall lives a mouse:
I have seen it

ferrying miniscule picnic
delights to a spot nice and close to the radiator.

I make this mouse
my enemy. I leave angry notes outside of its hole.

But the paper flutters
trapped beneath the radiator shelf

and I catch the tiny
fellow dancing to its dry percussion.

Apodemus
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