

Robert Browning, "Summum Bonum"

All the breath and the bloom of the
year in the bag of one bee:
All the wonder and wealth of the mine in
the heart of one gem:
In the core of one pearl all the shade and the
shine of the sea:
Breath and bloom, shade and shine, – wonder,
wealth, and – how far above them –
Truth, that's brighter than gem,
Trust, that's purer than pearl, –
Brightest truth, purest trust in the universe –
all were for me
In the kiss of one girl.