Cache

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Could I cache your kisses?
Run them stuff-jawed
to some dark stash. Braid blisses
of these cornucopian dawns
to hang vaulted in golden hoards.
Safe deposit certain smiles,
line them for winter
on warehouse walls.

How many seasoned, how many green cords of warmth would I need to get through April's final storms?

Secure from February snow,
I could be a prodigal spender;
what would I care of income, outgo?
Risk extravagance,
sipping these sweet liqueurs
to tipsy dance
till frogs, spring dervish.
Then peep out like crocus,
a winter stowaway impervious.