AN INDEX

TO

ALL THE PERFECT RHYMES OF A DIFFERENT ORTHOGRAPHY, AND
ALLOWABLE RHYMES OF A DIFFERENT SOUND, THROUGHOUT
THE LANGUAGE; WITH AUTHORITIES FOR THE USAGE OF THEM
FROM OUR BEST POETS.

A B.
BAB, cab, dab, mab, nab, nab, bab, crab, drab, scab, stab. Allowable
rhymes babe, astrolabe, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A C E.
Ace, case, pace, face, lace, mace, race, base, grace, place,
pace, trace, space, deface, efface, disgrace, displace, misplace,
embrace, grinace, interlace, retrace, populace, &c. Perfect
rhymes base, case, abase, debase, &c. Allowable rhymes, grass,
glass, &c., peace, cease, &c., dress, less, &c.
False eloquence, like the prismatic glass,
Its gaudy colours spreads on ev'ry place.—Pope
Then gladly turning sought his ancient place,
And pass'd a life of piety and peace.—Parnell.
Old mould'ring urns, pale fear, and dark distress,
Make up the frightful horrors of the place.—Garnet.

A C H.
Attach, detach, &c. Perfect rhymes, batch, match, &c. Allowable
rhymes, fetch, wretch, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A C K.
Back, cack, hack, jack, lack, pack, quack, tack, sack, rack, black,
clack, crack, knack, slack, snack, tack, track, wrack, attack, zodiac,
demoniac, symposium, almanack, and many others which may be
seen in the Pronouncing Dictionary. Allowable rhymes, bake,
take, &c., neck, speck, &c.
Thus Pegasus, a nearer way to take,
May boldly deviate from the common track.—Pope.

A C T.
Act, fact, pact, tract, attract, abstract, extract, compact, contract,
detract, distract, exact, protract, enact, infract, subtract, transact,
cataract, with the preterits and participles of verbs in ack, as
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back’d, hack’d, &c  Allowable rhymes, the pretents and participles of verbs in ake, as bak’d, cak’d, &c  See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A  D
Add, bai, dad, grad, had, lad, mad, pad, sad, brid, cied, glad, shad, chad, &c  Allowable rhyme s, cade, fade &c, giado, bead, road, &c  See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A  D  E
Cade, fade, mad, jade, lade, wade, blaze, glade, shade, spade, trade, degrade, ovate, dissuade, invode, persuide, blachade, brigade, esplanade, cavalcade, masquerade, ringude, cete grade, serenade, ambuscado cannonade, pullirile &c  Perfect rhymes, aid, maid, braid, afraid, upbraid, &c, and the pretents and participles of verbs in ay, ey, and eigh, as endy, obey d, weigh’d, &c  Allowable rhymes add bad, &c, bud, id, &c, bead, mead, &c, head, need, &c  See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

The sun his annual course obliquely made,
Good days contracted and enlarged the bad — Drayden
But that her ancient spirit is de ay d,
That sacred wisdom from her bounds is f d — Lyttelton
In general spring beneath the quiv’ring sade,
Where cooling vapours breathe along the mead — Pope.

A  F  I
Safe, chafe, vouchsafe, &c  Allowable rhymes, 1 if, shoot, &c, deaf, &c, laugh, staff, &c  See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

And authors think their reputation safe,
Which lives as long as fools are pleased to 1 u d — Pope.

A  G  F
Gaff, chaff, draft, graft, quaff, staff, engiiff, cibath, concath, paragraph, &c  Lyric rhym , 1 in h  Allowable rhymes, safe, chafe, &c  See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A  F  I
Aft, haft,raft, waft, orift, shalt, abait, draft, draft, ingraft, handi craft  Perfect rhymes draught and the pretents and participles of verbs in aft and laugh, as quaff d, laugh’d, &c  Allowable rhymes, the pretents and participles of verbs in afo, as chaf’d, vouchsafe’d, &c  See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A  G
Bag, cag, tag, gag, nag, quag r i g tag, wug, brug mag, drag, flag
knag, shag, snag, stag, swag wi t, stri g, brob h i g.

A  G  E
Age, cage, gun, page, rage, sage, wage, stage, swage, assuage, engage, disenage, enrage, prosage, appanage, concubnage, herbage, hermitage parentage, personage, personage, pasturage, patronage, pinnacle, villanage, equipage  Allowable rhymes, edge, wedge, &c, hege, mege, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.
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ATD, see ADE. AIGHT, see ATE. AIGN, see ANE.

AIL.

Afl, bail, fail, fail, jail, mail, mail, nail, nail, pawl, quail, rail, sail, tail, wall, fail, frail, snail, trail, assail, avail, detail, bewail, entail, prevail, retail, countervail, &c. Perfect rhymes, ale, bale, dale, gale, hale, male, pale, sale, tale, vale, wale, scale, shale, stale, swale, whale, impale, exhale, rogal, veil, nightingale, &c. Allowable rhymes, peal, steal, &c, hall, call, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

AIM, see AME.

AIN.

Cain, blain, brain, chain, Jain, gain, grain, lain, main, pain, rain, vam, wain, drain, plain, slain, Spain, stain, swain, train, twain, sprain, strain, abstain, main, remain, complain, contain, constrain, retain, disdain, distrust, enchain, entertain, expatiate, maintain, ordain, permit, obtain, restrain, remain, restrain, retain, sustain, appertain. Perfect rhymes, bane, cane, dane, crane, fame, James, lane, mane, plane, vane, wane, profane, hurricane, &c.,aign, armag, campaign, &c., fain, reign, &c., vein, rem, &c. Allowable rhymes, lean, mean, &c., queen, seen, &c., ban, can, &c., den, pen, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

The graces stand in sight, a satire train, Peeps o'er their heads, and laughs behind the scene.—Parnell.

Then in the scale of life and sense 'tis plain, There must be somewhere such a rank as man.—Pope.

AINT.

Faint, paint, plaint, quaint, saint, taint, acquaint, attain, complaint, constraint, restraint, &c. Perfect rhyme, fent. Allowable rhymes, cant, pant, &c., lent, rent, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

When in the sultry glebe I faint, Or on the thirsty mountain pant.—Addison.

AIR, see ARE. AJSE, see AZE. AIT, see ATE. ATI, see ATH. AIZE, see AZE.

AKE.

Ake, bake, cake, lake, make, quake, rake, sake, take, wake, brake, drake, flake, shake, snake, stake, strake, spake, awake, betake, forsake, mistake, partake, overtake, undertake, bespake. Perfect rhymes, break, steak, &c. Allowable rhymes, back, rack, &c., beck, dock, &c., speak, weak, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

These in two sable ringlets taught to break, Once gave new beauties to the snowy neck.—Pope.

'Twere well might critics still this freedom take, But Appius reddens at each word you speak.—Pope.

AL.

Cabal, canal, animal, admiral, cannibal, capital, cardinal, comical, conjugal, corporal, crimal, critical, festival, funeral, general,
hospital, interval, liberal, madrigal, literal, magical, mineral, mystical, musical, natural, original, pastoral, pedestal, personal, physical, poetical, political, principal, prodigal, prophetical, rational, satirical, reciprocal, rhetorical, several, temporal, tragic, tyrannical, carnival, schismatical, whimsical, arsenal, and many others which may be seen in the Pronouncing Dictionary. Allowable rhymes, all, ball, &c., ail, mail, &c., ale, pale, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

Unfinished things one knows not what to call,
Their generation's so equivocal.—Pope.

A L D.

Bald, scald, emerald, &c. Perfect rhymes, the preterits and participles of verbs in all, ail, and awl, as call'd, maul'd, crawl'd, &c.

A L E see AIL

A L F.

Calf, half, behalf, &c. Allowable rhymes, staff, laugh, &c.

A L K.

Bark, chalk, stalk, talk, walk, call, &c. Perfect rhyme, hawk. Allowable rhymes, sack, clock, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A L L.

All, ball, call, &c. Perfect rhymes, caul, bawl, brawl, crawl, sprawl, squall. Allowable rhymes, cabal, equivocal, &c. See AL.

A L M.

Calm, balm, becalm, psalm, palm. embalm, &c., whose plurals and third persons singular rhyme with aims, as calms, becalms, &c.

A L T.

Halt, malt, exalt, salt, vault, assault, default, and fault, the last of which Pope rhymed with thought, bought, &c.

Before his sacred name flies ev'ry fault,
And each exalted stanza teams with thought.—Pope.

A L V E.

Calve, halve, salve, valve.

A M.

Am, dam, ham, pam, ram, sam, cram, dram, flam, sham, swim, epigram, anagram, &c. Perfect rhymes, damn, lamb. Allowable rhymes, dame, lame, name, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A M E.

Blame, came, dame, same, flame, fame, frame, game, lame, name, same, tame, shame, inflame, became, defame, disname, misbecame, overcame, &c. Perfect rhymes, aim, claim, main, acclaim, declaim, disclaim, exclaim, proclaim, recriminate. Allowable rhymes, dam, ham, &c., hem, them, &c., theme, scheme, &c., dream, gleam, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.
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• Ev’n here I sing, when Pope supplies the theme,
  Show my own love, though not increase his fame.—PARNELL.
  A M P.
  Camp, champ, cramp, damp, stamp, vamp, lamp, clamp, decamp,
  encamp, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.
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  A N.
  Ban, can, dan, fan, man, nan, pan, ran, tan, van, bran, clan, plan,
  scan, span, than, unman, foreran, began, tropan, courtesan, partisan,
  artisan, pelican, caravan, &c. Allowable rhymes, bane
cane, plain, main, &c., bean, lean, wan, swan, &c., gone, upon
&c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.
  He withers at the heart, and looks as wan.
  As the pale spectre of a murder’d man.—DRYDEN.
  A N C E.
  Chance, dance, glance, lance, trance, prance, intrance, romance,
  advance, mischance, complaisance, circumstance, countenance.
deliverance, consonance, dissonance, extravagance, ignorance,
inheritance, maintenance, temperance, intemperance, exorbitance,
ordinance, concordance, suffrance, sustenance, utterance, arrogance,
vigilance, expanse, inhance.
  A N C H.
  Branch, stanch, lunch, blanch, ranch, hanch. Perfect rhymes,
lunch, paunch.
  A N D.
  And, band, hand, land, rand, sand, brand, bland, gland, strand,
  stand, strand, command, demand, countermand, disband, expand,
  withstand, understand, reprimand, contraband, &c. Allowable
rhymes, wand, fond, bond, &c., and the proterites and particibles
of verbs in ain, and ean, as remain’d, lean’d, &c. See Preface to
Index, Obs. 3.
  Oh! had I rather unadmir’d remain’d
  In some lone isle, or distant northern land.—POPE.
  A N E, see, A 1 N.
  A N G.
  Bang, fang, gang, hang, pang, tang, twang, sang, rang, harangue,
  clang. Allowable rhymes, song, long, &c. See Preface to Index,
Obs. 3.
  A N G E.
  Change, grange, range, strange, estrange, arrange, exchange, interchange.
  Allowable rhymes, revenge, avenge, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.
  A N K.
  Rank, blank, shank, clank, dunk, drank, slank, frank, spank, stank,
lank, plunk, prank, rank, thank, disgrank, mountebank, &c.
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A\S\ see ANCE

ANT

Ant, cant, chant, grant, pant, plant, rant, slant, astant, complacent, displant, enchant, gallant, implant, recant, supplant, transplant, absnart, adamant, arrogant, combatant, consonant, coromant, protestant, significant, visitant, covenant, dissonant, disputant, elan, elephant exorbitant, conversant extravagant, ignorant, insignificant, inhabitant, militant, predominant, acrophant, vigilant petulant, &c Allowable rhymes, Hunt, paint, &c. See ALNT and ENT, also Preface to Index, Obs 3

AP.

Cap, gap, hap, lap, map, lap, pap, rap, sap, tap, chap clap, trap, flap, knap, slap, snap, wrap, scrap, strap, unravel, miscal, &c Allowable rhymes, Cape, tape, &c, cheap, heap, and swap, See Preface to Index, Obs 3.

APE.

Age, cap, shape, grape, rap, scape, scrape, shape, escape, nape scrape, tape, &c Allowable rhymes, heap, keep, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs 8.

APH, see AFF.

APSE

Lapse, elapse, relapse, perhaps, and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of the present tense in ap, as caps, maps, &c, he gaps, he laps, &c Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ape and cap, as apes, he apes, he gapes, he heape, &c See Preface to Index, Obs 3

APT

Apt, adapt, &c, rhymes the pretenses and participles of the verbs in ap, as tapp'd slapp'd, &c Allowable rhymes, the pretenses and participles of verbs in apo, as ap'd, escap'd &c

AR

Bar, car, far, jar, mar, par, tar, spar, scar, star, char, far, der, unbar, catarrh, particular, perpendicular, secular, angular, regular, popular, singular, titular, vinegar, cemetery, calendar, calandar Perfect rhyme, the plural verb are. Allowable rhymes bare, prepare, &c, pair, repair, war, tear, war, &c, and words ending in er, or, or, having the accent on the last syllable, or last but two

Late as I rang'd the crystal fields of war,
In the clear mirror of thy ruling star —Pope

Now Cancer glows with Phoebus' fiery stir,
The youth rush eager to the Sylvan war —Pope

ARB.

Barb, garb &c

ARCE

Are, parse, Mars, &c Allowable rhyme, scarce See Preface to Index, Obs 3,
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ARCH.
Arch, march, parch, starch, countermarch, &c.

ARD.
Hard, card, guard, hard, lard, nard, shard, yard, bombard, discard, regard, interlard, rotard, disregard, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ar, as barr'd, scarr'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, cord, reward, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

Murm'ring he lifts his eyes, and thinks it hard,
That generous actions meet a base reward.—Parnell.

ARD.
Ward, award, reward, &c. Allowable rhymes, hard, card; see the last article; hoard, lord, bird, curd, and the preterites and participles of verbs in ar, or, and ur, as barr'd, abhorr'd, incur'd, &c.

ARE.
Bare, care, daro, faro, hare, marc, pare, rare, tare, ware, flare, glare, scare, share, snare, sparse, square, stare, aware, prepare, aware, beware, compare, declare, ensnare. Perfect rhymes, air, fair, hair, lair, pair, chair, stair, affair, debonair, despair, impair, repair, &c., bear, pear, swear, tear, wear, forbear, forswear, &c. There, were, where, ore, o'er, no'er, elsewhere, whate'er, howe'er, howsoe'er, whene'er, wheresoe'er, &c. Heir, cohoir, their. Allowable rhymes, bar, car, &c., err, prefer, and here, hear, &c. regular, singular, war, &c.

Who haunt Parnassus but to please their ear,
Not mend their minds; as some to church repair,
Not for the doctrine, but the music there.—Pope.

No monstrous height, or breadth, or length appear,
The whole at once is bold and regular.—Pope.

Late as I rang'd the crystal fields of air,
In the clear mirror of thy ruling star.—Pope.

To sing those honours you deserve to wear,
And add new lustre to her silver star.—Pope.

When love was all an easy monarch's care,
Seldom at council, never in a war. —Pope.

Fame I foresee will make reprisals there,
And the translator's palm to me transfer.—Fenton.

Submit—in this or any other sphere,
Secure to be as blest as thou canst bear.—Pope.

ARES.
Unawares rhymes theirs; and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in are, air, eir, ear; as care, he cares; pair, he pairs; heirs; bear, he bears, &c. The allowable rhymes are the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs, which are allowed to rhyme with the termination are, as bars, cars, errs, prefers, &c.
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ARF.

Scarf. Allowable rhymes, dwarf, wharf.

ARGE.

Barge, charge, large, targe, discharge, o'ercharge, surcharge, enlarge. Allowable rhymes, verge, emerge, gorge, forge, urge, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

ARK.

Bark, cark, clerk, dark, lark, mark, park, shark, spark, stark, embark, remark, &c. Allowable rhymes, cork, fork, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

ARL.

Snarl, marl, parl. Allowable rhymes, curl, furl, &c.

ARM.

Arm, barm, charm, farm, harm, alarm, disarm. Allowable rhymes, warm, swarm, storm, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

ARN.

Barn, yarn, &c. Allowable rhymes, warn, forewarn, &c, horn, morn, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

ARN.

Warn, forewarn. Perfect rhymes, horn, morn, &c. Allowable rhymes, barn, yarn, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

ARP.

Carp, harp, sharp, countercarp, &c. Allowable rhyme, warp.

ARSH.

Harsh, marsh, &c.

ART.

Art, cart, dart, hart, mart, part, smart, tart, start, apart, depart, impart, dispart, counterpart. Perfect rhymes, heart, &c. Allowable rhymes, wart, thwart, &c., hurt, &c., dirt, flirt, &c., port, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

To failings mild but zealous for desert,
The clearest head and the sincerest heart.—Pope.

ART, sounded ORT.

Wart, thwart, &c. Perfect rhymes, short, retort, &c. Allowable rhymes, art, sport, court, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

Hither the heroes and the nymphs resort,
To taste awhile the pleasures of a court.—Pope

ARTH, see EARTH.

ARVE.

Carve, starve, &c. Allowable rhymes, nerve, deserve, &c.

But how unequal it bestows, observe,
'Tis thus we riot, while who sow it starve.—Pope.
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A S.
Was. Allowable rhymes, has, as.

A S S.
Ass, brass, class, grass, lass, mass, pass, alas, amass, cuirass, repass, surpass, mousse, &c. Allowable rhymes, base, face, deface, &c., loss, toss, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

ASE, see ACE.

A S H.
Ash, cash, dash, clash, crash, flash, gash, hash, lash, plash, rash, trash, splash, abash, &c. Allowable rhymes, wash, quash, &c., lash, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A S H.
Wash, quash, &c. Allowable rhymes, cash, dish, &c.

A S K.
Ask, task, bask, cask, flask, mask.

A S P.
Asp, clasp, gasp, grasp, hasp. Allowable rhymes, wasp, &c.

A S T.
Cast, last, blast, mast, past, vast, fast, aghast, avast, forecast, overcast, outcast, repast. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ass, as class'd, amass'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ace, as plac'd, &c. Nouns and verbs in asto, as taste, waste, &c.

Amid the circle on the gilded mast,
Superior by the head, was Ariel plac'd.—Pope.

When winds the mountain oak assail,
And lays its glories waste,
Content may slumber in the vale,
Unconscious of the blast.—Beattie

A S T R.
Baste, chaste, haste,paste, taste, waste, distaste. Perfect rhymes, waist, and the preterites and participles of verbs, in ace, as fac'd, plac'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, cast, fast, &c., best, nest, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ess, as moss'd, dress'd, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A T.
At, bat, cat, hat, fat, mat, pat, rat, spat, sat, vat, brat, chat, flat, plat, sprat, that, gnat. Allowable rhymes, bate, hate, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A T C H.
Catch, match, hatch, latch, patch, scratch, smatch, snatch, desparch.

A T E.
Bate, date, fate, gate, grate, hate, tate, mate, pate, plate, prate're, rate, rate, state, scate, slate, abate, belate, collate, create, debate.
elate, dilate, estate, ingrate, innate, robate, relate, sedate, translate, abdicate, abominato, abrogate, accelerate, accommodate, accumulate, accureate, adequate, affectionate, advocate, adulterate, aggravate, agitate, alienate, animate, annihilate, antedate, anticipate, antiquate, arbitrate, arrogate, articulate, assassinato, calculate, capitulate, captivate, celebrate, circulate, coagulate, commemorate, commiserate, communicate, compassionate, confederate, congratulate, congregate, consecrate, contaminate, corroborate, cultivate, candidato, co-operate, celibate, considerate, consolate, capacitate, debilitate, dedicate, degenerate, delegate, deliberate, denominate, depopulate, dislocate, depredate, discriminate, derogate, dissipate, deliberate, disconsolate, desolate, desperate, educate, effeminate, elevate, emulate, estimate, elaborate, equivate, eradicate, evaporate, exaggerate, exasperate, expositulate, exterminate, extricate, facilitate, fortunate, general, gratulate, hevitate, illiterate, illuminate, irritate, imitate, immolate, impetrate, importunate, impregnate, inanimate, innovate, instigate, intemperate, intimate, intimdates, intoxicate, intricate, invalidate, inveterate, inviolate, legitimate, magistrate, meditate, mitigate, moderate, necessitate, nominate, obtinate, participate, passionato, penetrate, perpetrate, personate, potentate, precipitate, predetermine, predominate, premeditate, provaricate, procrastinate, presignate, prognosticate, propagate, recriminate, regenerato, regulate, roiterate, reprobate, reverberate, ruminate, separate, sophisticate, stipulate, subjugate, subordinate, suffocate, terminate, tolerate, temperate, vindicate, violate, unfortunate. Perfect rhymes, bait, plait, strait, wait, await, great. Nearly perfect rhymes, eight, weight, height, strait. Allowable rhymes, heat, &c., bat, cat, &c., hot, wot, &c.

In English lays, and all sublimely great,
Thy Homer warms with all his ancient heat.—PARNELL.

The weather courts them from the poor retreat,
And the glad master bolts the wary gate.—PARNELL.

Beauty is seldom fortunate when great,
A vast estate, but overcharged with debt.—DRYDEN.

A T H.

Bath, path, &c. Allowable rhymes, hath, faith, death, breath, &c.

Such the glorious vista, Faith
Opens through the shades of death.—TOPLADY.

A T H E.

Bathe, swathe, lathe, rate.

AUB, see OB. AUCE, see AUSE. AUCH, see OACH.

A U D.

Fraud, laud, applaud, defraud. Perfect rhymes, broad, abroad, bawd, and the preterites and participles of verbs in aw, as gnaw'd, saw'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, odd, nod, &c., ode, bode, &c.; also the word load. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.
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A V E.
Cave, brave, gave, grave, crave, lave, nave, knave, pave, rave, save, shave, slave, stave, wave, behave, deprave, engrave, outbrave, forgave, misgave architrave. Allowable rhymes, the auxiliary verb have.

AUGHS, see AFGH. AUGHT, see OUGHT. AULT, see ALT.

A U N C H.
Launch, paunch, haunch, staunch, &c.

AUNSE, see ONSE.

A U N T.
Aunt. Perfect rhymes, slunt, ulunt. Allowable rhymes, want, daunt, gaunt, haunt, jaunt, taunt, vaunt, avaut, &c., pant, cant, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A U S E.
Cause, pause, clause, applause, because. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in aw, as awes, he awes, &c. Allowable rhyme, was

AUST, see OST.

A W.
Craw, daw, how, howl, claw, draw, flaw, gnaw, jaw, law, maw, paw, raw, saw, straw, thaw, withdraw, foresaw.

AWD, see AUL. AWK, see ALK.

A W L.
Bawl, brawl, drawl, crawl, scrawl, sprawl, squawl. Perfect rhymes, ball, call, fall, gall, small, hall, pull, tall, wall, stall, install, forestall, thrall, inthral.

A W N.
Dawn, brawn, fawn, pawn, spawn, drawn, yawn, lawn, withdrawn.

A X.
Axe, wax, relax, flax. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ack, as back, sacks, &c., he lacks, he packs, &c. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ake, as cakes, lakes, &c., he makes, he takes, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A Y.
Bray, clay, day, dray, tray, gay, hay, haw, lay, may, nay, pay, play, ray, say, way, pray, spray, slay, spay, stay, stray, sway, affray, allay, array, astray, away, belay, bowray, betray, decay, defray, delay, disarray, display, dismay, essay, foresay, gainsay, inlay, relay, repay, roundelay, virelay. Perfect rhymes, neigh, weigh, inveigh, &c., prey, they, convey, obey, purvey, survey, disobey, grey. Allowable rhymes, tea, sea, fee, see, glee, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

Soft yielding minds to water glide away,
And sip with nymphs their elemental ten.—Pope.
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Here thou great Anna, whom three realms obey,
Dost sometimes counsel take—and sometimes tea.—Pope

A Z E.

Craze, daze, blaze, gaze, glaze, maze, raze, amaze, graze. Perfect rhymes, raise, praise, dispraise, &c., phrase, paraphrase, &c., and the nouns plural and third persons singular of the present tense of verbs in ay, cigh, and ey, as days, he inveighs, he obays, &c. Allowable rhymes, ease, teaze, seize, &c, and keys, the plural of key; also the auxiliaries has and was.

Yet still the kindness, from a thirst of praise,
Prov’d the vain flourish of expensive ease.—Parnell.

E.

E and EA, see EF. EACE, see EASE.

E A C II.

Beach, breach, bleach, each, peach, preach, teach, impeach. Nearly perfect rhymes, beech, leech, speech, beseech. Allowable rhymes, fetch, wretch, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

EAD, see EDE and EED. EAF, see IEF.

E A G U E.

League, tsague, &c. Perfect rhymes, intrigue, fatigue, &c. Allowable rhymes, Hague, vague, &c., leg, beg, &c., bag, rag, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

EAK, see AKE.

Beak, speak, bleak, creak, freak, leak, peak, sneak, squeak, streak, weak, tweak, wreek, bespeak. Nearly perfect rhymes, cheek, leek, creek, meek, reck, seck, suck, piuck, week, shriek. Allowable rhymes, berk, speck, &c., lake, take, thick, lick, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

'Twere well might critics still this freedom take,
But Appius reddens at each word you speak.—Pope.

E A L.

Deal, heal, reveal, meul, peal, seal, steal, teal, veal, veal, zeal, squeal, repeal, conceal, congeal, anneal, appeal. Nearly perfect rhymes, eel, heel, feel, keel, knel, peel, reed, steel, wheel. Allowable rhymes, bell, tell, &c., bale, tale, &c., bill, fill, &c.

Or, as Ixion fix’d, the wretch shall feel
The giddy motion of the whirling mill.—Pope.

Did e’er my eye one inward thought reveal,
Which angel might not hear, and virgins tell?—Prior.

EALM, see ALM.

E A L T H.

Health, wealth, stealth, commonwealth, &c.
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E A M.

Dream, cream, gleam, seam, scream, steam, stream, team, beam, dream. Perfect rhymes, scheme, theme, blaspheme, extreme, supreme. Nearly perfect rhymes, deem, team, seem, disreputable, esteem, disguise, redeem, seem, &c. Allowable rhymes, dare, lane, &c., limb, him, &c., them, hem, &c., lamb, dam, &c. See AMK.

Learn hence for ancient rules a just esteem,
To copy nature is to copy them.—Pope.

E A N.

Bear, clean, dean, glee, lean, mean, wean, yeas, demean, unclean. Perfect rhymes, convene,chemes, intervene, men. Nearly perfect rhymes, machine, keen, skreen, seen, green, spleen, between, carven, foresen, seren, obscene, terrene, &c., queen, spleen, &c. Allowable rhymes, bane, mane, &c., ban, man, &c., bin, thin, begin, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

A sordid god, down from his hoary chin
A length of beard descends, uncomb’d, unclean.—Dryden.

The Graces stand behind, a satire train
Poesy o’er their head, and laughs behind the scene. —Parnell

EANS, see ENSE. EANT, see ENT. EAP, see REP and EP. EAR, see EER.

E A R D.

Heard, herd, sherd, &c. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in er, as err’d, prefer’d, &c. Allowable rhymes, beard, the preterites and participles of verbs in ero, ear, and ar as rever’d, fear’d, barr’d. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

E A R C H.

Search, perch, research. Allowable rhymes, church, smirch, lurch, parch, march, &c.

E A R L.

Earl, pcarl. Perfect rhymes, girl, &c. Allowable rhymes, anarl, marl, churl, fur, &c.

EARN, see ERN. EARSE, see EERSE. EART, see ART.

E A R T H.


EASE, sounded FACE.

Cause, lease, release, groce, decease, decrease, encrease, release, surcease. Perfect rhyme, peace. Nearly perfect rhymes, piece, niece, fleecce, gecce, frontispiece, apiece, &c. Allowable rhymes, less, mess, &c., lace, mace, &c., miss, hiss, &c., nice, vice, &c.

Thus critics of less judgment than caprice.
Curious, not knowing, not exact, but nice.—Pope.
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Nor silence is within, nor voice express,
But a deaf noise of sounds that never cease. — Dryden.

E A S T.

East, feast, least, beast. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ease, as cease'd, increase'd, &c. Nearly perfect rhyme, priest. Allowable rhymes, haste, taste, &c., best, chest, &c., fist, list, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ess and iss, as dress'd, hiss'd, &c.

Cornels and bramble berries gave the rest,
And falling acorns furnish'd out a feast.—Dryden.

And sometimes casts an eye upon the east,
And sometimes looks on the forbidden west.—Addison.

E A T.

Bleat, eat, feat, heat, meat, neat, seat, treat, wheat, beat, cheat, defeat, esbeat, esheat, intreat, retreat. Perfect rhymes, obsolete, replete, concrete, complete. Nearly perfect rhymes, feet, fleet, grief, great, moist, sheet, sleet, street, sweet, discreet. Allowable rhymes, hate, great, hate, &c., get, net, &c., bit, hit, &c. See ATE.

The soil improv'd around, the mansion neat,
And neither poorly low, nor idly great.—Parnell.

Through Aetna's jaws he impudently threats,
And thund'ring Heav'n with equal thunder beats.—Cheney

E A H.

Breath, death, &c. Allowable rhymes, heath, sheath, teeth.

Oft as in airy rings they skim the heath,
The clam'rous lapwings feel the leaden death.—Pope.

E A T H.

Breathe, sheathe, &c. Perfect rhymes, wraith, inwraith, boqueath, beneath, underneath, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, secthe, &c.

E A V E.

Cleave, heave, interweave, leave, weave, bereave, inweave. Perfect rhymes, receive, conceive, deceive, perceive. Nearly perfect rhymes, eve, grieve, sleeve, thieve, agrieve, achieve, believe, disbelieve, relieve, reprieve, retrieve. Allowable rhymes, give, live, &c., lave, cave, &c., and have.

Not Neptune's self from all her streams receives,
A wealthier tribute than to thine he gives.—Pope.

E B B.

Ebb, web, &c. Allowable rhymes, babe, astrolabe, &c., globe, &c.

E O K.

Beck, neck, check, deck, speck, wreck. Allowable rhymes, break, take, &c., beat, sneak, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.
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ECT.
act, object, affect, correct, incorrect, collect, deject, detect, direct,
disrespect, dissociate, dissent, effect, elect, erect, expect, indirect,
impress, inspect, neglect, object, project, protect, recollect,
reflect, reject, respect, select, subject, suspect, architect, circum-
scribe, dialect, intellect. Perfect rhymes, the participles and
participles of verbs in eck, as deck'd, check'd, &c. Allowable
rhymes, the participles and participles of verbs in ake, and oak,
as bak'd, leak'd. See Preface to Index, Obs 3

D
bad, blod, fed flod, bred, led, red, shrud, shed, sped, wed, abed,
imbad, misled. Perfect rhymes, said, bread, dead, head, lead,
read, spread, thread, trod, behind, o'spread, mad, unhead. Allowable
rhymes, bed, mead, &c., blud, fade, &c., mad, payd, &c., and the
participles and participles of verbs in iy, ey, and
ingh, as bay'd, inveighd, &c.

But that her ancient spirit is decay'd,
That sacred wisdom from her bounds is fled — Lyttelton

D, see EI D.

DGE
edge, wedge, fledge, hudge, ledge, pledge, sedge, allege. Allowable
rhymes, age, page, &c., siege, &c., privilege, sacrifice, sortilege, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs 3

E
bee, free, gleec, knee, see, thee, thee, treec, agree, decree, degree,
disagree, oversee, o'ersee, pedigree, he, me, we, she, be, jubilee,
&c. Nearly perfect rhymes, see, plea, fis, tea, key. Allowable
rhymes, all words of one syllable ending in y, ey, or e, poly-
syllables of these terminations having the accent on the ultimate
or antepenultimate syllable, as —

Poets, a race, long unconfin'd, and free,
Still fond and proud of savage liberty — Pope

For who did ever in French authors see
The comprehensive English energy ? — Roscommon.

Not only man's imperial race, but th'y
That wing the liquid air, or swim the sea — Dryden

EECE, see EASE. ECH, see EACH

ED
cred, deed, indeed, bleed, breed, feed, heed, moed, need, reed,
speed, seed, stead, wood, proceed, succeed, exceed. Perfect
rhymes, kniad, read, intercede, precede, recede, concede, impede.
supercdeo, head, lead, mead, plead, &c. Allowable rhymes, bed,
dead, &c., bid, hid, &c., made, blade, &c.

In genial spring beneath the quivering shade,
Where cooling vapours breathe along the mead. Pope
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The light unloaded stem from tempest freed,
Will raise the youthful honours of his head.—Dryden.

EEF, see IEF. Eek, see EAK. EEL, see EAL. EEM, see EAM. EEN, see EAN.

Creep, deep, asleep, keep, peep, shoep, steep, sweep, weep, asleep.
Nearly perfect rhymes, cheap, leap, neap, &c. Allowable rhymes, apo. rape, &c., step, nep, &c., hip, lip, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

So with resistless haste
Scuds from pursuing waves along the deep.—Falconer.

EER.

Beer, deer, fleer, geer, jeer, peer, moer, loer, sheer, steer, sneer,
cheer, veer, picker, dominee, cannonee, compeer, enginner,
mutineer, pioneer, privateer, charioteer, chanticleer, carrier,
mountaineer. Perfect rhymes, here, sphere, adhere, cohere,
interfere, persevere, revere, austere, severe, sincere, hemisphere,
&c., car, clear, dear, fear, hear, near, scar, smear, spear, tear,
rear, year, appear, besmear, disappear, endear, auctioneer. Allowable rhymes, bare, dare, &c., prefer, dcter, character, &c.

You then whose judgments the right course would steer,
Know well each ancient's proper character.—Pope.

Some thought it mounted to the lunar sphere,
Since all things lost on earth are treasure'd there.—Pope.

Of man, what see we but his station here,
From which to reason or to which refer?—Pope.
Submit in this or any other sphere,
Content to be as blest as thou canst bear.—Pope.

No monstrous height, or breadth, or length appear,
The whole at once, is bold and regular.—Pope.
For great men's fashions to be follow'd are,
Although disgraceful 'tis their clothes to wear.—Wycherly.
Uphold your impious pomp, and in your ear,
Will hallo rebel, traitor, murderer.—Dryden.

EESE, see EEZE. EET, see EAT. EEth, see EATH. EEVE, see EAVE.

E EZ E.

Breeze, fizzle, wheeze, sneeze, squeeze, and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in es, as bees, he sees. Perfect rhymes, cheese, these, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, case, appease, disease, displease, tease, seize, &c., and the plurals of nouns in es, as teas, pleas, &c., and the polysyllables ending in es, having the accent on the antepenultimate, as images, monarchies, &c.

Yet still the kindness from a thirst of praise,
I prov'd the vain flourish of excessive ease.—Parnell.
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Your strains are regularly bold, and please,
With unfor'd care, and unaffected case,
With proper thoughts and lively images.—Wyckery.

E F T.

Cleft, left, theft, west, bereft, &c. Allowable rhymes, lift, sift, &c.;
and the third persons singular, present tense of verbs in ate, aff,
augh, and iff, as chased, quaff'd, laugh'd, whiff'd, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

E G.

Egg, log, bog, peg. Allowable rhymes, vague, plague, &c., league,
tague, &c.

E I G H T, see A Y. E I G N, see A I N. E I L, see A I L. E I N, see A I N. E I N T, see A I N T. E I R, see A R E.

E I T, see E A T. E I V E, see E A V E. E I Z E, see E E Z E.

E L I.

Ei!, dwell, fell, hell, knell, quell, sell, bell, cell, dispel, foretell,
exei'd, compel'd, befel, yell, well, tell, swell, spell, smell, shell,
parallel, sentinel, infidel, citadel, refel, repel, rebel, impel, expel
Allowable rhymes, bale, sale, &c., heal, seal, &c., sel, steel, &c.

One for his legs and knees provided will
With jambeaux arm'd, and double plates of steel.—Dryden.

E L D.

Held, geld, withheld, upheld, beheld, &c. Perfect rhymes, the
preterites and participles of verbs in ell, as swell'd, fell'd, &c.
Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in all,
ail, &c., heal, seal, &c., as empal'd, wall'd, &c., heal'd, seal'd, &c.

E L F.

Ei!, polt, self, shelf, himself, &c.

E L K.

E L M.

E I N, helm, realm, whelm, overwhelm, &c. Allowable rhymes.
film, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

E L P.

Help, whelp, yelp, &c.

E L T.

Belt, gelt, melt, felt, well, smelt, pelt, dwell. Perfect rhyme, dealt.

E L V E.

Delve, helve, twelve, &c.

E L V E S.

Elves, themselves, &c. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and
third persons singular of verbs in alf. and elve, as twelves, delves,
shelves, &c.
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EM.

Gem, hem, stem, them, diadem, stratagem, &c. Perfect rhymes, condemn, contain, &c. Allowable rhymes, lame, tame, &c., team, seam, theme, &c.

EME, see EAM.

EMN.

Condemn, contain, &c. Perfect rhymes, gem, hem, &c. Allowable rhymes, lame, tame, &c., team, seam, &c.

He makes his way o'er mountains, and contains Unruly torrents, and unforded streams.—DuBmk.

EMP'T.

Tempt, exempt, attempt, contempt.

EN.

Den, hen, fen, ken, men, pen, ten, then, whom, wren, denizen. Allowable rhymes, bane, fane, &c., mean, bean, &c.

ENC E.

Fence, hence, pence, whence, defence, expense, offence, pretext, commence, abstinence, circumference, conference, confidence, consequence, continence, benevolence, concurrence, difference, difference, diligence, eloquence, eminence, evidence, excellence, impenitence, impotence, impudence, impudence, incontinence, indifferenc, indigence, indulgence, intelligence, innocence, magnificence, munificence, negligence, omnipotence, penitence, preference, providence, recompence, reference, residence, reverence, vehemence, violence. Perfect rhymes, sense, dense, sense, condense, immense, intense, propense, dispense, suspend, propense, incense, frankincense.

ENC H.

Bench, drench, retrench, quench, clench, stench, teach, trench, wench, wrench, intrench.

END.

Bend, mend, blend, end, fend, lend, rend, send, spend, tend, vend, amend, attend, ascend, commend, contend, defend, depend, descend, distend, expend, extend, forefend, impend, mispend, obend, offend, portend, pretend, pretend, suspend, transcend, unbend, apprehend, comprehend, condescend, commend, reprehend, dividend, reverend. Perfect rhymes, friend, befriend, and the properites and participles of verbs in en, as penn'd, kenn'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the properites and participles of verbs in en, as glean'd, yearn'd, &c.

END S.

Amends. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons, present tense, of verbs in en, as ends, friends, he mends, &c.

EFE, see EAN.

ENG E.

Avenge, revenge, &c.
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ENGTH.

Length, strength, &c.

ENSE, sounded ENZE.

Cleanse. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in en, as hens, fens, he pens, he keys, &c.

ENT.

Bent, lent, rent, pent, scent, sent, shent, spent, tent, vent, went, absent, meant, ascent, assent, attest, augment, cement, content, consent, descent, dissent, event, extent, foment, frequent, indent, intent, invent, lament, mispent, o'erspent, present, prevent, relent, repent, resent, resent, ferment, outwent, underwent, discontent, unbent, circumvent, represent, abstinent accident, accomplishment, admonishment, acknowledgment, aliment, arbitrement, argument, banishment, battlement, blandishment, astonishment, armipotent, bellipotent, benevolent, chastisement, competent, compliment, complement, confident, continent, corpulent, detriment, different, difficult, diligent, disparagement, document, element, eloquent, eminent, equivalent, establishment, evident, excellent, excrement, exigent, experiment, firmament, fraudulent, government, embolishment, imminent, impenitent, importinent, implement, impotent, imprisonment, improvident, impudent, incident, incompetent, incontinent, indifferent, indigent, innocent, insolent, instrument, irreverent, languishment, ligament, lineament, magnificent, management, medicament, malcontent, monument, negligent, nourishment, nutriment, accident, omnipotent, opulent, ornament, parliament, penitent, permanent, pertinent, president, precedent, prevalent, provident, punishment, ravishment, regiment, resident, redolent, rudiment, sacrament, sediment, sentiment, settlement, subsequent, supplement, intelligent, tenement, temperament, testament, tournament, turbulent, vehement, violent, virulent, reverent. Allowable rhymes, paint, saint, &c.

ENTS.

Accoutrements. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in ent, as scents, he assents, &c.

EP.

Step, nep, &c. Allowable rhymes, leap, reap, &c., rape, tape, &c.

EPT.

Accept, adept, except, intercept, &c. Perfect rhymes, crept, slept, wept, kept. Allowable rhymes, the pretorites and participles of verbs in ape, eep, and eap, as peep'd, reap'd, shap'd, &c.

ER, ERE, ERR.

Err, aver, defer, infer, deter, inter, refer, transfer, confer, prefer, parterre, administrator, waggoneer, islander, arbiter, character, villager, cottager, dowager, forager, pillager, voyager, massacre, gardener, slanderer, flatterer, povender, theatre, amphitheatre.
foreigner, lavander, messenger, passenger, sorcerer, interpreter, officer, mariner, harbinger, minister, register, canister, chorister, sophister, presbyter, insurer, philosopher, astrologer, loiterer, prisoner, grasshopper, astronomer, sepulcher, thunderer, traveler, murderer, usurer. Allowable rhymes, bare, care, &c., ear, fear, &c., bar, ear, &c., sir, far, her, &c.

Howel'd 'tis well, that while mankind
Through fate's fantastic mazes err,
They can imagin'd pleasures find
To combat against real cares.—Prior.
The vulgar thus through imitation err,
As oft the learn'd by being singular.—Pope.

ERCH, see EARCH. ERCE, see ERSE. IERCE, see ERSE.
ERD, see EARD. EIE, see EER.

ERGE.


ERN.

Fern, stern, discern, concern. Perfect rhymes, learn, earn, yeast, &c. Allowable rhymes, barn, yarn, &c., burn, turn, &c.

ERSE.

Verse, hero, abstruse, adverse, averse, converse, disperse, immerse, perverse, reverse, traverse, asperse, intersperse, universe. Perfect rhymes, amerce, coerce, &c., fierce, fierce, pierce, &c. Allowable rhymes, farce, parse, Mare, &c., purse, curse, &c.

ERT.

Wert, advert, assert, avert, concert, convert, controvert, desert, divert, exert, expert, insert, invert, pervert, subvert. Allowable rhymes, heart, part, &c., shirt, dirt, &c., hurt, spurt, &c.

To failings mild, but zealous for desert,
The clearest head, and the sincerest heart.—Pope.

ERVE.

Serve, narve, swerve, preserve, deserve, conserve, observe, reserve, disserve, subserv. Allowable rhymes, starve, carve, &c., curve, &c.

ESS.

Bless, dress, cess, chess, guess, less, mess, press, stress, acquiesce, access, address, assess, compress, confess, caress, depress, digress, dispossess, distress, excess, express, impress, oppress, possess, profess, recess, repress, redress, success, transgress, adulteress, bashfulness, bitterness, cheerfulness, comfortless, comeliness, dizziness, diocese, drowsiness, eagerness, easiness, embassadress, emptiness, evenness, fatherless, filthiness, foolishness, forgetfulness, forwardness, frowardness, fruitfulness, fulsomeness, giddiness, greediness, gentleness, goveness, happiness, haughtiness, heaviness, heinousness, houriness, hollowness, holiness, idleness,
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lasciviousness, lawfulness, laziness, littleness, liveliness, loftiness, lioness, lowliness, manliness, masterless, mightiness, motherless, motionless, nakedness, meekness, nosomeness, numberless, patroness, povishness, perfidiousness, pitiless, poetess, prophetess, ransomless, readiness, righteousness, shepherdess, sorceress, sor- diness, spiritless, sprightliness, stubborness, sturdiness, surliness, steadiness, tenderness, thoughtfulness, ugliness, uncasiness, unhappiness, votariness, usefulness, wakefulness, wantonness, weaponless, wariness, willingness, willfulness, weariness, wickedness, wilderness, wretchedness, drunkenness, childishness. Allowable rhymes, mass, pass, &c., mace, place, &c

ESE, see F'Z'Z.

E S P.
Flesh, fresh, refresh, thresh, afresh, mash. Allowable rhymes, mash, flash, &c.

E S K.

E S T.
Past, chest, crest, guest, jest, nest, pest, quest, rest, test, west, arrest, attest, bequest, contest, dext, digest, divest, invest, infest, molest, obtest, protest, request, suggest, unrest, interest, manifest, &c. Perfect rhymes, breast, abreast, &c. and the proterites and participles of verbs in ess, as dress'd, press'd, express'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, cast, fast, &c., haste, waste, &c., beast, least, &c. See EAST.

Discolouring all she view'd, in tawny dress'd,
Down-look'd, and with a cuckoo on her fist.—DRYDEN.

E T.
Bet, get, jet, fret, let, met, net, set, wet, whet, yet, debt, abet, begot, beset, forget, regret, alphabet, anulet, anchoret, cabinet, epithet, parapet, rivulet, violet, coronet, &c. Perfect rhymes, sweat, threat, &c. Allowable rhymes, bate, hate, &c., beat, heat, &c.

E T C H.
Fetch, stretch, wretch, sketch, &c. Allowable rhymes, match, latch, &c., peach, bleach, &c.

ETE, see EAT. EVE, see EAVE. EUM, see UME.

E W.
Blow, chew, dew, brew, drew, flew, few, grew, new, knew, hew, Jew, mew, view, threw, yew, crew, slew, anew, askew, bedew, eschew, renew, view, withdrew, screw, interview, &c. Perfect rhymes, clue, due, cue, glue, hue, rue, sue, true, accrue, ensue, endue, imbue, imbrue, pursue, adieu, parleu, perdue, residue avenue, revenue, retainue.

EWD, see UDE. EWN, see UNE.
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SEX. Sex, vex annex, convex, complex, perplex, circumflex, and the plurals of nouns, and third persons singular of verbs in eck, as decks, checks, ho checks, &c. Allowable rhymes, ax, wax, &c., and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ake, aek, eko, ique, ike, &c., beaks, rakes, ho takes, he breaks, rakes, ho ekes, pikes, he likes, he piques, &c.

EXT. Next, pretext, and the preterites and participles of verbs in ex, as vex'd, perplex'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ax, as wax'd, &c.

FY, see AY.

I.

I B.

Bib, crib, squib, drib, glib, nib, rib. Allowable rhymes, brie, tribe, &c.

I B E.

Bribe, tribe, scribe, ascribe, describe, superscribe, prescribe, proscribe, subscribe, transcribe, inscribe. Allowable rhymes, bib, crib, &c.

I C E.

Ice, dice, mice, nice, price, rice, spice, slice, thrice, trice, advice, entice, vice, device. Perfect rhymes, the nouns, rise, concise, precise, paradise, &c. Allowable rhymes, miss, kiss, hiss, artifice, avarice, cockatrice, benefice, cincture, edifice, orifice, prejudice, precipice, sacrifice, &c., piece, fleece, &c.

Thus critics of less judgment than caprice,
Curious, not knowing, not exact but nice.—Pope.

ICH, see ITCH.

I C K.

Brick, sick, chick, kick, lick, nick, pick; quick, stick, thick, trick, arithmetic, asthmatic, choleric, catholic, phlegmatic, heretic, rhetoric, schismatic, splenetic, lunatic, astatic, politic, empiric. Allowable rhymes, like, pike, &c., weak, speak, &c.

I C T.

Strict, addict, afflict, convict, inflict, contradict, &c. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ick, as lick'd, kick'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ike, eak, as lik'd, leak'd, &c.

I D.

Bid, chid, hid, kid, lid, aliud, rid, bestrid, pyramid, forbid. Allowable rhymes, bide, chide, parricide, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in y or ie, as died, replied, &c., lead, bead, mead, deed, need, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ee, as freed, agreed, &c.
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IDE.
Side, chide, hide, glide, pride, ride, slide, side, stride, tide, wide, bride, abide, guide, aside, astride, beside, bestride, betide, condide, decide, deride, divide, preside, provide, subside, misguide, subdivid, &c. Perfect rhymes, the pretorites and participles of verbs in ie, and y, as died, replied, &c., and the participle sigh'd. Allowable rhymes, bead, meal, &c., bid, hid, &c.
IDES.
Ides, besides. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ide, as tides, he rides. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns, and third persons singular of verbs in ead, id, as beads, he loads, &c., kids, he bids, &c.
IDGE.
Bridge, ridge, abridge, &c.
IDST.
Midst, amidst, &c. Perfect rhymes, the second persons singular of the present tense of verbs in id, as thou bidd'st, thou hid'dst, &c. Allowable rhymes, the second persons singular of the pretence tense of verbs in ido, ead, as thou hid'st, thou read'dst, &c.
IG or Y.
By, buy, cry, die, dry, eye, fly, fry, fro, hie, lie, pie, ply, pry, rye, shy, sly, spy, sky, sty, tie, try, vic, why, ally, apply, ayry, belly, comply, docry, defy, desery, deny, imply, espry, outing, outfly, rely, reply, supply, untie, amplify, beautify, certify, crucify, defy, dignify, edify, falsify, fortify, gratify, glorify, indemnify, justify, magnify, modify, mollify, mortify, pacify, petrify, purify, putrify, quality, ratify, rectify, sanctify, satisfy, scarify, signify, specify, stupify, terrify, testify, verify, vilify, vitrify, vivify, prophesy. Perfect rhymes, high, high, sigh, thigh. Allowable rhymes, bee, she, tea, sea, &c., pleurisy, chemistry, academy, apostacy, conspiracy, confederation, ecstasy, democracy, embassy, fallacy, legacy, supremacy, lunacy, privacy, piracy, malady, remedy, tragedy, comedy, cosmography, geography, geometry, &c., elegy, certainty, sovereignty, loyalty, disloyalty, penalty, casualty, ribaldry, chivalry, infamy, constancy, fault, cavalry, bigamy, polygamy, vacancy, inconstancy, infamy, company, accompany, ditto, tyranny, villainy, anarchey, manarchy, lethargy, incendiary, infirmary, library, salary, sanctuary, votary, auxiliary, contrary, diary, granary, rosemary, urgency, infantery, knavery, livery, recovery, robbery, novelty, antipathy, apathy, sympathy, idolatry, galaxy, husbandry, cruelty, enemy, blasphemy, prophecy, clemency, decency, inclemency, emergency, regency, progeny, energy, poverty, liberty, property, adultery, artery, artillery, battery, beggary, bribery, bravery, delivery, drudgery, flattery, gallery, imagery, lottery, misery, mystery, nursery, raillery, slavery, sorcery, treachery, discovery, tapestry, majesty, modesty, immodesty, honesty, dishonesty, courtesy, heresy, poesy, poetry, secrecy, leprosy, perfidy, subsidy, drapery, symmetry, dropery, prodigy, policy, mutiny, destiny.
scrutiny, hypocrisy, family, ability, activity, avidity, assiduity, civility, community, concavity, consanguinity, conformity, congruity, diurnity, facility, falsity, familiarity, formality, generosity, gratuity, humility, absurdity, activity, adversity, affability, affinity, agility, alacrity, ambiguity, animosity, antiquity, austerity, authority, brevity, calamity, capacity, captivity, charity, chastity, civility, credulity, curiosity, finery, declivity, deformity, duty, dexterity, dignity, disparity, diversity, divinity, cunnity, enormity, equality, equanimity, equity, eternity, extremity, fatality, felicity, fertility, fidelity, frugality, futurity, gravity, hostility, humanity, humidity, immaturity, immaturity, immensity, immorality, immortality, immumity, immutability, impartiality, impossibility, impetuosity, improbity, inanition, incapacity, incivility, incongruity, inequality, indemnity, infinity, inflexibility, instability, invalidity, jollity, loquacity, lubricity, magnanimity, majorly, mediocrity, minority, mutability, nicety, perversity, perplexity, perspicuity, prosperity, privy, probability, probability, propensity, rarity, rapidity, sagacity, sanctity, sensibility, sensuality, solidity, temerity, timidity, tranquillity, virginity, visibility, university, trumpery, apology, genealogy, etymology, simony, symphony, soliloquy, allegory, armory, factory, pillory, faculty, treasury, usury, augury, importunity, impurity, impurity, inaccuracy, inability, incredulity, indignity, infidelity, infirmity, iniquity, integrity, laity, liberality, malignity, maturity, morality, mortality, nativity, necessity, neutrality, nobility, obscurity, opportunity, partiality, perpetuity, prosperity, priority, prodigality, purity, quality, quantity, scarcity, security, severity, simplicity, sincerity, solemnity, sterility, stupidity, Trinity, vacuity, validity, vanity, vivacity, unanimity, uniformity, unity, anxiety, gaiety, impiety, piety, satiety, sobriety, society, variety, customary, melody, philosophy, astronomy, anatomy, colony, glutonomy, harmony, agony, gallantry, canopy, history, memory, victory, calumny, injury, luxury, penury, perjury, usury, industry.

With these most authors steal their works, or buy; Garth did not write his own Dispensary.—Pope.

But thinks, admitted to that equal sky, His faithful dog shall bear him company.—Pope

IECE, see BASE.

I E F.

Grief, chief, stet, thief, brief, belief, relief, &c. Perfect rhymes, reef, beef, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, leaf, sheaf, &c.

I E G E.

Ledge, siege, assize, besiege.

I E L D.

Field, yield, shield, wield, afield. Nearly perfect rhymes, the pretenses and participles of verbs in eal, as heal'd, repeal'd, &c.

IEN, see EEN. IEND, see END. IERCE, see ERSE.

IEST, see EAST. IEVE, see EAVE.
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I F E.
Rise, wise, knife, wife, strife, life. Allowable rhymes, cliff, skiff, still, whiff, &c.

IFF, see IFE.

I F T.
Gift, drift, shift, lift, rift, silt, thirst, adrift, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in if, as whiff'd, &c.

I C.
Big, dig, gig, fig, pig, rig, sprig, twig, swig. Allowable rhymes, league, tongue, fatigue, &c.

IC, see IGE. IGI, see IE. IGI'T, see ITE. IGN, see INE. IGUE, &c. EAGUE.

I K E.
Dike, like, pike, spike, strike, alike, dislike. Allowable rhymes, leak, speak, antique, &c., tick, pick, &c.

I L I.
Bill, chill, fill, drill, gill, hill, ill, kill, mill, pill, quill, rill, shrill fill, skill, spill, still, swill, thrill, till, trill, will, distill, fulfill, instill, codicil, subside, utensil. Perfect rhymes, all words ending in ile, with the accent on the antepenultimate syllable, as volatile, &c. Allowable rhymes, bile, chyle, file, feel, reed, &c., meal, peal, seal, &c., and words in ile having the accent on the antepenultimate, as suitable, &c.

Still in the yawning trough the vessel reels,
Ingulf'd beneath two fluctuating hills.—FALCONER.

Expression is the dress of thought, and still
Appears more decent or more suitable.—Pope.

I L D.
Child, mild, wild, &c. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs of one syllable in ile, or of more syllables, provided the accent be on the last, as pil'd, revil'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ill, as ill'd, will'd, &c., in oil, as oil'd, boil'd foil'd, &c.

I L D.
Gild, build, rebuild, &c. Perfect rhymes, the preterites, and participles of verbs in ill, as ill'd, will'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, child, mild, and their allowable rhymes, which see.

I L E.
Bile, chyle, file, guile, isle, mile, pile, smile, stile, style, tile, vile while, awhile, compile, revile, defile, exile, meanwhile, reconcile, beguile. Allowable rhymes, oil, boil, &c., bill, fill, &c.

I L K.
Milk, silk, blink, &c.

I L T.
Gilt, jilt, built, quilt, guilt, hilt, spilt, stilt, tilt.
Filth, writ, &c.

IM.

Brim, dim, grim, him, rim, skin, slim, trim, whim, prim. Perfect rhymes; limb, hymn, limm. Allowable rhymes, lime, time, climb, &c., team, gleam, &c.

IM B, see JM.

IME.

Chime, time, grime, climb, clime, crime, prime, mine, rhyme, slime, thyme, lime, sublime. Allowable rhymes, brim, dim, maritime, &c.

IMES.

Betwixt, sometimes, &c. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in ime, as chimes, he rhymes, &c. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in eam and im, as dreams, brims, he swims, &c.

IMN, see IM.

IMP.

Imp, limp, pimp, gimp.

IMPE.

Glimpse, rhymes the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs in imp, as imps, ho limps, &c.

IN.

Chin, din, gin, grin, in, inn, kin, pin, shin, sin, spin, skin, thin, twin, tin, win, within, assassin, javelin, begin. Allowable rhymes, chine, dine, &c., lean, bean, &c., machine, magazino, &c.

INC.

Mince, prince, since, quince, rinse, wince, convince, evince.

INC H.

Clinch, finch, winch, pinch, inch.

INCT.

Instinct, distinct, extinct, precinct, succinct, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ink, as link'd, pink'd, &c.

IND.

Bind, find, mind, blind, hind, kind, grind, rind, wind, behind, unkind, remind, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in inc, as refin'd. Allowable rhymes, rescind, prescind, and the noun wind, as it is frequently pronounced; also the participles of verbs in ain, as join'd.

In praise so just, let every voice be join'd,
And fill the general chorus of mankind.—Poe.
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I N E.

Dine, brine, mine, chine, fine, line, nine, pine, shine, shrine, lire, thine, trine, twine, vine, wine, whine, combine, confine, decline, define, incline, enshrine, intwine, opine, calcine, recline, refine, repine, superfine, interline, counterline, undermine, supine, concubine, porcupine, divine. Perfect rhymes, sign, assign, consign, design, &c. Allowable rhymes, bin, thin, tin, origin, join, loin, &c., and polysyllables ending in ine, pronounced in, as masculine, feminine, discipline, libertine, heroism, &c.

While expletives their feeble aid do join,
And ten low words oft crop in one dull line.—l'ors.

I N G.

Bring, sing, cling, fling, king, ring, sling, spring, sting, string, swing, wing, wring, thing, &c., and the participles of the present tense in ing, with the accent on the antepenultimate, as recovering, altering, &c.

I N G E.

Cringe, fringe, hinge singe, springe, swinge, tinge, twinge, infringe.

I N K.

Ink, think, wink, drink, blink, brink, chink, clink link, pink, shrink, sink, slink, stink, bethink, rethink.

I N T.

Dint, mint, hint, flint, lint, print, squint, asquint, imprint.

I P.

Chip, lip, hip, clip, dip, drip, lip, nip, sip, rip, scrip, ship, skip, slip, snip, strip, tip, trip, whip, equip, eldership, fellowship, workmanship, rivalry, and all words in ship, with the accent on the antepenultimate. Allowable rhymes, wipe, gripes, &c., leap, heap, &c.

I P E.

Gripe, pipe, ripe, snipe, type, stripe, wipe, archetype, prototype, Allowable rhymes, chip, tip, workmanship, &c.

I P S E.

Eclipse, rhymes with the plurals of nouns and third persons singular present tense in ip, as lips, strips, &c. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in ipe, as gripes, wipes, &c.

IR, see UR. IRCH, see URC. IRD, see URD.

I R E.

Fire, dire, hire, ire, lyre, mire, quire, sire, spire, squire, hire, wire, tire, attire, acquire, admire, aspire, conspire, desire, enquire, entire, expire, inspire, require, retire, transpire, pyre. Perfect rhymes, friar, liar, brier, and nouns formed from verbs ending in iere, or yere, as crier, dier, as also the comparative of adjectives of the same sounding terminations, as higher, shier, &c.

IRGE, see ERGE.
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I R L.
Girl, whirl, twirl. Nearly perfect rhymes, curl, fur, chair, &c.

I R M.
Firm, affirm, confirm, inform. Nearly perfect rhymes, worn, term, &c.

I RST, see U R ST. I RT, see U R T.

I R T H.
Birth, mirth. Perfect rhymes, earth, dearth, which see

I S J.
Bliss, miss, hiss, kiss, this, abyss, amiss, submiss, dismiss, remiss. Allowable rhymes, noise, spice, &c., peace, lease, &c.

IS, pronounced like IZ.

Is, his, whiz.

ISE, see ICE, and IZ.

I S H.
Dish, fish, wish, cuish, pish.

I S K.
Brisk, frisk, dish, risk, whisk, basinklek, tamarisk.

I S P.
Crisp, wisp, liasp.

I S T.
Fist, list, mist, twist, wrist, assist, consist, desist, exist, insist, persist, resist, subsid, alchymist, amethyst, anatomist antagonist, annalist, evangelist, eucharist, exorcist, herbalist, humorist, occultist, organist, satirist, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in iss as miss'd, hiss'd, &c. Allowable rhymes the preterites and participles of verbs in ice, as spic'd, sirc'd, &c.

I T.
Bit, cit, hit, fit, grit, flit, knit, nit, pit, quit, sit, split, twit, wit, whit, wirt, admit, acquit, commit, emit, omit, outwit, permit, remit, submit, transmit, rest, benefit, perquisite. Allowable rhymes, beat, heat, &c., bite, night, light, &c.

I T C H and I C H.
Ditch, pitch, rich, which, bitch, flitch, hitch, itch, stitch, switch, twitch, witch, bewitch, nich, enrich.

I T E and I G H T.
Bite, cite, kite, blite, mite, quite, rite, smite, spit, trite, white, write, contrite, disunite, despite, endite, invite, excite, incite, polite, requisite, recite, unite, reunite, aconite, appetite, parasite, proselyte, expedite. Perfect rhymes, blight, benight, bright, fight, flight, fright, height, light, knight, night, might, alight, right, tight, slight, sight, spright, wight, affright, alight, aright, foresight, delight, despight, unsight, upright, benight, bedight, oversight. Allowable rhymes, eight, height, weight, &c.
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bit, hit, &c., favourite, hypocrite, infinite, requisite, opposite, apposite, exquisite, &c.

Nor lose for that malignant dull delight,
The gen’rous pleasure to be charmed with wit.—Pope.

So bees bear gravel stones, whose poising weight,
Steer through the whistling winds their steady flight.

D. Ryd. an.

I T H.

Thith, smith, thith.

I T II E.

Hithe, blithe, tithe, scythe, with, lithe. Allowable rhyme, with

I V E.

Five, dive, alive, gyve, hivo, drive, rive, shrieve, strive, arrire, connive, contrive, deprive, derive, revive, survive. Allowable rhymes, give, live, sieve, forlarge, outlive, fugitive, laxative, narrative, prerogative, primitive, sensitive, vegetive, affirmative, alternative, contemplative, demonstrative, diminutive, distributive, donative, inquisitive, lenitive, negative, perspective, positive, preparative, provocatove, purgative, restorative.

Then sculpture and her sister arts revive,
Stones leap’d to form, and rocks began to live.—Pope.

I X.

Fix, six, flax, mix, affix, infix, prefix, transfix, intermix, crucifix, &c., and the plurals of nouns and third persons of verbs in ick, as wicks, licks, &c. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ick, as pikes, likes, &c.

I X T.

Betwixt, rhymes the preterites and participles of verbs in ix, as fix’d, mix’d, &c.

I S E and I Z E.

Prize, wise, risc, size, guise, disguise, advise, authorise, canonize, chastise, civilize, comprise, criticise, despise, devise, enterprise, excise, exercise, idolize, immortalize, premise, revise, signalize, solemnize, surprise, surmise, suffice, sacrifice, sympathise, tyrannize, and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in io or y, as pios, lies, ho replies, &c. Allowable rhymes, miss, hiss, precipice, &c.

In prospects thus some objects please our eyes,
Which out of nature’s common order rise,
The shapeless rock, or hanging precipice.—Pope.

Unthought of frailties cheat us in the wise,
The fool lies hid in inconsistencies.—Pope.

O.

O, see OO, and OW.
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O A C H.
Broach, coach, poach, abroach, approach, encroach, reproach. Perfect rhyme, loach. Allowable rhymes, botch, notch, &c., much, hutch, &c.

OAD, see AUD and ODE. OAF, see OFF. OAK, see OKE. OAL, see OLE. OAM, see OME. OAN, see ONE. OAP, see OPE. OAR, see ORE. OARD, see ORD. OAST, see OET. OAT, see OTE. OATH, see OTH.

O B.
Fob, bob, mob, knob, sob, rob, throb. Perfect rhymes, swab, squab. Allowable rhymes, daub, globe, robe, dub, &c.

O B E.

OCE, see OSE.

O C K.
Clock, lock, cock, clock, cock, dock, flock, knock, mock, rock, shock, stock, sock. Allowable rhymes, oak, poke, cloke, &c., look, took, &c., buck, suck, &c.

Thus when the swain within a hollow rock,
Invades the bees with suffocating smoke.—DRYDEN.

O C T.
Conceot, rhymes the preterites and participles of verbs in ock, as block’d, lock’d, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in oak and oke, as croak’d, soak’d, yok’d, &c.

O D.
Clod, God, pod, sod, trod, nod, plod, odd, rod, shod. Allowable rhymes, ode, code, mode, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ow, as sow’d, did sow, &c.

ODE and OAD.
Bode, ode, code, mode, rode, abode, corrode, explode, forbode, commode, incommode, episode, &c. Perfect rhymes, road, toad, goad, load, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ow, as ow’d, show’d, &c. Allowable rhymes, blood, flood, clod, nod, broad, fraud, &c. See OOD.

High on Parnassus' top her sons she show’d,
And pointed out those arduous paths they trod.—POPE.

In vain the barns expect their promis’d load,
Nor barns at home, nor ricks are reap’d abroad.—DRYDEN.

With olives ever green the ground is strow’d,
And grapes ungather’d shed their generous blood.—DRYDEN.

OE, see OW.

OFF and OUGH.
Off, scoff, &c. Perfect rhymes, cough, trough, &c. Allowable rhymes, oat, loaf, &c., proof, roof, &c. See OOF.
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O F T.
Left, croft, soft, aloft, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in off, and suff, as scoff'd, &c.

O G.


O G U E.
Rogue, vogue, prorogue, colloque, disembogue Allowable rhymes, bog, log, dialogue, &c.

O I C E.
Choice, voice, rejoice. Allowable rhymes, nice, vice, rice, &c.

O I D.
Void, avoid, dovoid, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in oy, as buoy'd, clow'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, hide, bide, ride, &c.

O I L.
Oil, boil, doil, soil, spoil, toil, despoil, embroil, recoil, turmoil, disembroil. Allowable rhymes, isle, while, tile, &c.

O I N.
Coin, join, subjoin, groin, loin, adjoin, conjoin, disjoin, enjoin, purjoin, rejoin. Allowable rhymes, whine, wine, fine, &c. See fine.

O I N T.
Oint, joint, point, disjoint, anoint, appoint, disappoint, counterpoint. Allowable rhymes, pint.

O I S E.
Poise, noise, counterpoise, equipoise, &c., and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in oy, as boys, cloys, &c. Allowable rhymes, wise, size, prize, and the plurals of nouns, and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in ic e or y, as pics, tries, &c.

O I S T.
Hoist, moist, foist. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in oice as rejoic'd. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ic e, as spic'd.

O I T.
Coit, exploit, adroit, &c. Allowable rhymes, white, light, might, sight, mite, &c.

O K E.

So strong they struck.
There seem'd less force requir'd to fell an oak.—Dryden.
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The soft seducer with enticing looks,
The bellowing rivals to the fight provokes.—Dayman.

O L.

Loll, doll, droll, extol, capitols, &c. Allowable rhymes, all, bail &c., awl, bawl, &c., hole, mole, &c., dull, mull.

O L D.

Old, bold, cold, gold, hold, mold, scold, sold, told, behold, unfold, uphold, withhold, foetold, manifold, marigold. Perfect rhymes, preterites and participles of verbs in all, owl, ole, ant evil, as roll'd, cajol'd, foul'd, bow'd, &c.

O L E.

Bole, dole, jole, hole, mole, sole, stole, whole, shole, Cajole, condole, parole, patrole, pistole, &c. Perfect rhymes, coal, foul goal, soul, bowl, droll, prow, roll, scroll, toll, troll, control, en roll, &c., soul, &c., foul, real, &c. Allowable rhymes, dull, gull, &c., bull, full, &c., roll, doll, &c., foul, cool, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

An inner room receives the num'rous show'rs,
Of such as pay to be reputed fools.—Gray.

O L N.

Stole, sworn.

O L T.

Bolt, colt, jolt, holt, dol, molt, revolt, thunderbolt. Allowable rhymes, vault, fault, salt, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

O L V E.

Solve, absolve, resolve, convolve, involve, devolve, dissolve, revolve.

O M, see UM.

O M E.

Lone, dome, home, tome. Perfect rhymes, foam, roam, comb. Allowable rhymes, dumb, hum, come, bomb, &c., troublesome, &c. See OOM.

The soul uneasy and confin'd at home,
Rests, and expatiates on a life to come.—Pope.

OMB, see OOM. OMT, see OUNT. ON, see UN.

O N.

Don, on, con, upon, anon, &c. Perfect rhymes, gone, undergone, &c. Allowable rhymes, dun, run, won, &c., own, mown, &c., lone, bone, &c., amazon, cinnamon, comparison, caparison, gar- rison, skeleton, union, japon.

But true expression, like th' unchanging sun,
Clears and improves whate'er it shines upon.
It gilds all objects, but it alters none.—Pope.

In youth, thou comet-like art gaz'd upon,
But art portentous to thyself alone.—Sedley.
ON D.
Pond, bond, fond, beyond, absurd, correspond, despond, diamond, vagabond, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in on, as don'd, conn'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in one, oan, and un, as ston'd, moan'd, stunn'd, &c.

ONCE see UNCE.

ONE.
Prone, bone, drone, throne, alone, stone, tone, lone, zone, stone, enthone, dethrone, postpone, &c. Perfect rhymes, grown, flown, disown, thrown, sown, own, loan, shown, overthrown, grown, blown, moan, known. Allowable rhymes, dawn, lawn, &c., on, con, &c., none, bun, dun, &c., moon, boon, &c.

Trumpets and drums shall fright her from the throne
As sounding cymbals aid the labring moon.—DRYDEN.

Where now is Homer, who possess'd the throne?
Th' immortal work remains, the mortal author's gone.

D'RYDEN

Each has his share of good, and when 'tis gone,
The guest, though hungry, cannot rise too soon.—D'RYDEN.

ONG.
Long, prong, song, thong, strong, throng, wrong, along, belong, prolong. Allowable rhymes, bung, among, hung, &c.

He said: when shock, who thought she slept too long,
Leap'd up, and wak'd his mistress with his tongue.—POPES.

She swept the seas, and as she skimm'd along,
Her flying foot unbathed in billows hung.—D'RYDEN.

ONGUE, see UNG. ONK, see UNK.

ONSE.
Sconce, ensconce, &c. Allowable rhymes, once, nonce, askance, &c.

ONT.
Font. Perfect rhyme, want. Allowable rhymes, front, affront, &c., confront, punt, runt, &c., the abbreviated negatives, won't, don't, &c.

OO.
Coo, woo. Nearly perfect rhymes, shoe, two, too, who, &c., do, undo, through, you, true, blue, flew, stew, &c. Allowable rhymes, know, blow, go, toe, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

OOD.
Brood, mood, food, rood, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in oo, as coo'd, woo'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, wood, good, hood, stood, withstood, understood, brotherhood, livelihood, likelihood, neighbourhood, widowhood, &c., blood, flood, &c., feud, illude, habitue, &c., the preterites and participles of verbs in ue and ew, as brow'd, stew'd, &c.
imbu'd, subdu'd, &c., bud, mud, &c., and the three apostrophized auxiliaries would, could, should, pronounced wou'd, cou'd, shou'd, ode, c'd, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ow, as crow'd, row'd, &c., also nod, hod, &c.

For works may have more wit than does 'em good,
As bodies perish by excess of blood.—Pope.
The table groans with costly piles of food,
And all is more than hospitably good.—Parnell.
Resistless through the war Camilla rode,
In danger unappalled and pleased with blood.—Dryden.
Nor safe their dwellings were; for sapped by floods,
Their houses fell upon their household gods.—Dryden.

O O F.
Hoof, proof, roof, woof, aloof, disproof, reproof, behoof. Allowable rhymes, huff, ruff, rough, enough, &c., off, scoff, &c.

O O K.
Book, brook, cook, crook, hook, look, rook, shook, took, mistook, undertook, forsook, betook. Allowable rhymes, puke, fluke, &c., ruck, luck, &c., broke, spoke, &c.

The mother-cow must wear a low'ring look,
Sour-headed, strongly neck'd to bear the yoke.—Dryden.

O O L.
Cool, fool, pool, school, stool, tool, befool. Allowable rhymes, pale, rule, &c., dull, gull, &c., bull, pull, &c., pole, hole, &c.

Fear most to tax an honourable fool,
Whose right it is uncensured to be dast.—Pope.

O O M.

At ombre singly to decide their doom,
And swells her breasts with conquests yet to come.—Pope.

O O N.
Boon, soon, moon, noon, spoon, swoon, buffoon, lampoon, poltroon. Allowable rhymes, tune, prune, &c., bun, dun, &c., gone, don, &c., bone, alone, &c., mean, mean, &c. See ONE.

O O P.
Loop, poop, scoop, stoop, troop, droop, whoop, coop, hoop, &c. Perfect rhymes, soup, group, &c. Allowable rhymes, dupo, up.

O O R.
Boor, poor, moor, &c. Perfect rhymes, tour, amour, paramour, contour. Allowable rhymes, bore, pore, &c., pure, sure, &c., your, pour, &c., door, floor, &c., bur, cur, &c., sir, stir, &c.
The mean, suspicious wretch, whose bolted door,
Ne'er moved in duty to the wand'ring poor.—PARNELL.
Nor envies he the rich, their happy store,
Nor his own peace disturbs with pity for the poor.

O O S E.

Goose, loose. Nearly perfect rhymes, the nouns deose, use, &c., profuse, seduce, &c. Allowable rhymes, dose, jocose, globose, &c., moss, toss, &c., us, puss, thus, &c.

O O T.

Root, boot, coot, hoot, shoot. Nearly perfect rhymes, suit, fruit, &c., lute, impute, &c. Allowable rhymes, note, vote, &c., goat, coat, &c., but, hut, soot, &c., foot, put, &c., hot, got, &c.

O O T H.

Booth, sooth, smooth, &c. Allowable rhymes, tooth, youth, sooth, uncooth, forsooth, &c. Though these are frequent, they are very improper rhymes, tho' in one class being flat, and in the other sharp.

O O Z E.

Ooze, noose. Perfect rhymes, whose, choose, loose. Nearly perfect rhymes, the verbs to use, abuse, &c. Allowable rhymes, doze, hose, &c., buzz and does, the third person singular of do, with the plurals of nouns and third persons singular, present tense, of verbs in ow, o, oe, ew, ue, as foes, goes, throws, views, imbues, flues, &c.

O P.

Chop, hop, drop, crop, sop, top, pop, prop, flop, shop, slop, sop, stop, swop, top, underprop. Allowable rhymes, cope, trope, hope, &c., tup, sup, &c., coop, &c.

O P E.

Hope, cope, mope, grope, rope, scope, slope, trope, aslope, slope, interlope, telescope, heliotrope, horoscope, antelope, &c., and ope, contracted in poetry, for open. Allowable rhymes, hoop, coop, &c., lop, top, &c., cup, tup, sup, &c.

O P T.

Adopt, rhymes perfectly with the preterites and participles of verbs in op, as hopp'd, lopp'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ope, up, cop, and up, as cop'd, dup'd, hoop'd, cupp'd, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

O R.

Or, for, creditor, counsellor, confessors, competitor, emperor, ancestor, ambassador, progenitor, conspirator, successor, conqueror, governor, abhor, metaphor, bachelor, senator, &c., and every word in or having the accent on the last or last syllable but two, as abhor, orator, &c. Allowable rhymes, bore, tore, &c., boar, hoar, &c., pure, endure, &c., pur, demur, &c., stir, sir, &c.
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ORCE

Force, divorce, enforce, enforce, &c. Perfect rhymes, corse, coarse, hoarse, course, discourse, recourse, intercourse, source, resource, &c. Allowable rhymes, worse, worse, &c., horse, endorse, &c.

ORD

Scorch, torch, &c. Allowable rhymes, birch, smirch, church, &c., porch, &c.

ORD

Cord, lord, record, accord, abhor'd. Allowable rhymes, board, aboard, ford, afford, sword, &c., word, curd, bid, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ore, ur, and ir, as bor'd, incur'd, stirr'd, &c.

A constant critic at the great man's board,
To fetch and carry nonsense for my lord.—Pope.
Yet miss'd so narrow, that he cut the cord,
Which fasten'd by the feet, the sitting bird.—Dryden.

ORE

Bore, core, gore, lore, more, ore, pore, score, shore, snore, sore, store, swore, tore, worn, adore, store, ashore, deplore, explore, implore, restore, forbore, forewarn, heretofore, hellebore, sycamore. Perfect rhymes, boar, oar, roar, soar, four, door, floor, and o'er, for over. Allowable rhymes, hour, sour, &c., pow'r, for power; show'r, for shower, &c., bar, cur, &c., poor, your, &c., abhor, orator, senator, &c. See OOR and OR.

First rob'd in white, the nymph, intent adores,
With head uncover'd, the cosmetic pow'ra.—Pope.

ORGE

Gorge, disgorge, regorge, &c. Allowable rhymes, forge, urge, dirge, &c.

ORK

Ork, cork, fork, stork, &c. Allowable rhymes, perk, work.

ORLD

World, rhymes perfectly with the preterites and participles of verbs in url, as hurl'd, curl'd, furl'd, &c.

Shall wars polluted banner no' or be fur' d,
Shall crimes and tyrants cease but with the world?—Campbell.

ORM, see ARM.

Form, storm, conform, deform, inform, perform, reform, misinform, uniform, multiform, transform. Allowable rhyme, worm.

ORN, rhyming with HORN.

Born, corn, morn, horn, scorn, thorn, adorn, suborn, unicorn, capricorn. Allowable rhymes, the verb mourn, the nouns, urn turn, &c.

ORN, rhyming with MOURN.

Borne, shorn, torn, worn, lor'n, forlorn, lovelorn, swor'n, foresworn,
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*overborn, forborn. Perfect rhyme, mourn. Allowable rhymes, born, corn, &c., urn, tuin, &c. *

His faithful wife for ever doom'd to mourn,
For him, alas! who never shall return.—FALCONER.

ORSE, see ORCE.

Horse, endorse, unhorse, remorse, corse. Allowable rhymes, worse, curse, course, course, &c.
The winged courser, like a generous horse,
Shows most true metal when you check his course.—Pope.

ORST, see URST. ORT, see ART.

ORT rhyming with WART.

Short, sort, erse, ersevant, twist, escort, escort, escort, sortor, sorter. Allowable rhymes, sort, port, court, report, &c., dirt, shift, &c.

For different styles with different subjects sort,
As different garbs with country, town and court.—Pope.

ORT rhyming with COURT.

Fort, port, sort, compact, disappoint, export, import, support, transport, report. Allowable rhymes, short, sort, &c., dirt, hurt, &c.

ORTII.

Forth, fourth. Allowable rhymes, north, worth, birth, earth, &c. In form of battle drawn, they issue forth.

And every knight is proud to prove his worth.—Dryden.

OSE, sounding OCE.

Close, dose, jocose. Perfect rhymes, morose, gross, engross, ver-
bose. Allowable rhymes, moss, cross, &c., us, thus, &c.

Shall only man be taken in the gross? 
Grant but as many sorts of mind as moss.—Pope.

OSE, sounding OZE.

Close, dose, hose, pose, chose, close, close, froze, nose, prose, those, rose, compose, deposit, disclose, dispose, discomfite, expose, impose, inclose, interpose, oppose, propose, recompose, repose, suppose, transpose, arouse, presuppose, foreclose, &c., and the plurals of nouns and apostrophized preterites and participles of verbs in ow, oo, o, &c., as rows, glows, foes, roes, &c. Allowable rhymes, the verbs choose, lose, &c., and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ow, rhyming with now, as cows, and the word buzz.

Green wreaths of bay his length of hair inclose,
A golden fillet binds his awful brow.—Dryden.

OSS.

Boss, loss, cross, dross, moss, gloss, across, imboss. Allowable rhymes, the nouns, close, dose, jocose, &c., and us, thus, &c.

* This style of pronunciation is now obsolete.—Ed.
O S T.
Cost, frost, lost, accost, &c., and the preterites and participles of words in oss, as moss'd, immoss'd, &c., the verb exhaust, and the noun holocaust. Allowable rhymes, ghost, host, post, compost, mast, &c., coast, boast, toast, &c. bust, must, &c., roost and the preterites and participles of verbs in oose, as loose'd, &c.

Now length of fame (our second life) is lost,
And bare threescore is all ev'n that can boast.—Pope.

O T, s-o A T.
Clot, cot, blot, got, hot, jot, lot, knot, not, plot, pot, scot, shot, sot, spot, apricot, trot, rot, groat, bagot, forgot, allot, besot, complot, counterplot. Allowable rhymes, note, vote, &c., boat, coat, &c., but, cut, &c.

O T C H.
Botch, notch, &c. Perfect rhyme, watch. Allowable rhymes, much, such, &c.

O T E.
Note, vote, mote, quote, rote, wrote, smote, denote, promote, remote, devote, anecdote, antidote, &c. Perfect rhymes, boat, coat, boat, doat, float, gloat, groat, oat, overfloat, adroit, throat, most. Allowable rhymes, bout, flout, &c., hot, cot, &c., but, cut, &c., boot, hoot, &c.

O T H.
Broth, cloth, froth, moth, troth, betroth. Perfect rhyme, wrath. Allowable rhymes, both, loth, sloth, oath, growth, &c., forsooth, the noun mouth, and the solemn auxiliary doth, to which some poets add, laethe, clothe, but I think improperly. See OOTh.

O U, see OO and OW. O U B T, see O U T.

O U C H.
Couch, pouch, vouch, slouch, avouch, crouch. Allowable rhymes, much, such, &c., coach, reach, &c.

O U D.
Shroud, cloud, loud, proud, alound, crowd, o'ershroud, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ow, as he bow'd, vow'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ow, as ow'd, flow'd, &c., blood, flood, mud, &c.

O V E.
Wove, inwove, interwove, above, clove, grove, rove, stove, strove, throw, drove. Allowable rhymes, dove, love, shine, glove, above, &c., move, behove, prove, approve, disprove, disapprove, improve, reprove, groove, &c.

Not half so swiftly the fierce eagle moves,
When through the clouds he drives the trembling doves.—Pope.

Till the freed Indians in their native groves,
Reap their own fruits, and woo their sable loves.—Pope.

But dulness with obscenity must prove,
As shameful sure as impotence in love.—Pope.
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OUGHT, see OFF, OW, and UFF.

O U G H T.

Bought, thought, ought, brought, forethought, fought, nought, sought, wrought, besought, bathought, methought, &c. Perfect rhymes, aught, naught, caught, taught, &c., sometimes draught. Allowable rhymes, not, yacht, &c., note, vote, &c., but, but, &c., hoot, root, &c.

* Just to thy fame he gives thy genuine thought,
So Tully published what Lucetius wrote.—Browne.

OUL, see OLE and OWL.

O U L D.

Mould. Perfect rhymes, fold, old, cold, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in owl, oll, and e, as bowl’d, toll’d, cajol’d, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in ull, as gull’d, pull’d, &c.

O U N C E.

Bounce, flounce, renounce, pounce, ounce, denounced, pronounce.

O U N D.

Bound, found, mound, ground, hound, pound, round, sound, wound, abound, aground, around, confound, compound, expound, pro-bound, rebound, redound, resound, propound, surround, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in own, as flow’d, renown’d, &c. Allowable rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in one, own, and un, as ton’d, mean’d, sunn’d, &c., consequently fund, refund, &c., and wound, a hurt, pronounced wound.

OUNG, see UNG.

O U N T.

Count, mount, fount, amount, dismount, remount, surmount, account, discount, misconunt, account. Allowable rhymes, want, font, don’t, won’t, &c.

OUP, see OOP.

O U R.

Hour, lour, sour, our, scour, delour, devour, &c., rhyme perfectly with bower, cowar, flower, power, shower, tower, &c., pronounced bow’r, tow’r, &c. Allowable rhymes, bore, more, roar, pour, tour, poor, moor, &c., pure, sure, &c., sir, stir, bur, cur, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

She’s deaf to beauty’s soft persuasive pow’r,
Nor can bright Hebe’s charms her bloom secure.—GARTH.

OURGE, see URGE. OURN, see ORN and URN.

O U R S.

Ours, rhymes perfectly with the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs in our and ower, as hours, scours, delours, bow’rs, show’rs, &c. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs in oor, and ure, as boors, moors, &c., cures, endorses, &c.
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O U R S.
Yours, rhymes perfectly with the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs in ure, as cures, endures, &c. Allowable rhyme, ours, and its perfect rhymes, and the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs in oor, ore, and ur, as boors, moors, &c., shores, pores, &c., lure, slurs, stirrs, &c.

OUKSE, see ORCE. OURT, see ORT. OURTH, see *.
ORTH. OUS, see US.
O U S, pronounced O U C E.

House, mouse, chose, &c. Allowable rhymes, the nouns close, dose, jocose, &c., dace, use, produce, &c., us, thus, &c., moose, and the noun noose.

OUSE, pronounced OUZE. See OWZE.
O U T.

Bout, stout, out, clout, pont, gout, grout, rout, scout, shout, snout, sport, stout, sprout, trout, about, devout, without, throughout, &c., rhymes perfectly with doubt, redoubt, misdoubt, drought, &c. Allowable rhymes, note, vote, &c., boat, coat, &c., lute, suit, &c., got, not, &c., nut, shut, &c., hoot, boot, &c.

Sweet honey some condense, some purge the grout.
The rest in cells apart the liquid nectar shut.—Dryden.

O U T H.

Mouth, south, when nouns have the th sharp. The verbs to mouth, to south, &c., may allowably rhyme with booth, smooth, &c., which see.

O U, sounding O U.

Now, bow, how, mow, cow, brow, plow, sow, vow, prow, avow, allow, disallow, endow, &c. Perfect rhymes, bough, plough, slough (mire), &c., thou. Allowable rhymes, go, no, blow, sow, &c.

Immortal Vida, on whose honour'd brow,
The poet's bays, and critic's ivy grow.—Pope.

O W, sounding O W E.

Blow, stow, crow, bow, flow, glow, grow, know, low, mow, row, show, sow, swow, stow, slow, snow, throw, trow, below, bestow, foreknow, outgrow, overgrow, overflow, overthrow, reflow, foreshow, &c. Perfect rhymes, go, no, toe, foe, owe, wo, oh, so, lo, though, hoe, lo, ago, forgo, undergo, dough, roc, sloe, and the verb to sew (with a needle.) Allowable rhymes, now, cow, vow, do, &c. See the last article.

O W L, see O L E.

Cowl, growl, owl, fowl, howl, prowl, &c. Perfect rhymes, scowl, foul, &c. Allowable rhymes, bowl, soul, hole, goal, &c., dull, gull, &c.

O W N, see O N E.

Brown, town, clown, crown, down, drown, frown, gown, adown.
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  Some ne'er advance a judgment of their own,
  But catch the spreading notion of the town.—Pope.

  'Tis with our judgments as our watches; none

- Go just alike, yet each believes his own.—Pope.

  OWSE, see OUSE.

  O W Z E.

  Blowze. Perfect rhymes, browse, trouse, rouse, spouse carouse, espouse, the verbs to house, mouse, &c., and the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs, in ow, as browse, allows, &c. Allowable rhymes, hose, those, to dose, &c.

  O X.

  Ox, box, fox, equinox, orthodox, heterodox, &c. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs in ock, as locks, stocks, &c. Allowable rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons present of verbs in oke, oak, and uck, as strokes, oaks, cloaks, sucks, &c.

  O Y.

  Boy, buoy, coy, employ, cloy, joy, toy, alloy, annoy, convoy, decoy, destroy, enjoy, employ.

  OZE, see OSE.

  U.

  U B.

  Cub, club, dub, chub, drub, grub, rub, snub, shrub, tub. Allowable rhymes, cube, tube, &c., cob, rob, &c.

  U B E.

  Cube, tube. Allowable rhymes, club, cub, &c.

  U C E.

  Truce, sluice, spruce, deuce, conduct, deduce, induce, intrude, produce, seduce, traduce, reduce, &c., rhyme perfectly with the nouns use, abuse, profuse, abstruse, disuse, excuse, misuse obtuse, recluse.

  UCH, see UTCII.

  U C K.

  Buck, luck, pluck, suck, struck, tuck, druck, duck. Allowable rhymes, puke, duke, &c., look, took, &c.

  U C T.

  Conduct, deduct, instruct, obstruct, aqueduct. Perfect rhymes, the pretenses and participles of verbs in uck, as duck'd, suck'd, &c. Allowable rhymes, the pretenses and participles of verbs in uke, and ock, as puk'd, hook'd, &c.
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U D.
Bud, send, stud, mud, cud, rhyme perfectly with blood and flood.
Allowable rhymes, good, hood, &c., rood, food, &c., beatitude
latitude, &c.

U D E.
Rude, crude, prude, allude, conclude, delude, elude, exclude, exude,
include, intrude, obtrude, seclude, altitude, foritude, gratitude,
interlude, latitude, longitude, magnitude, multitude, solicitude,
solitude, vicissitude, aptitude, habitude, ingratitude, ineptitude,
lassitude, plenitude, promptitude, servitude, similitude, &c.
Perfect rhymes, loud, food, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ew, as stew'd, view'd, &c. Allowable rhymes,
bud, cud, &c., good, hood, blood, flood, &c.

U D G E.
Judge, drudge, grudge, trudge, adjudge, prejudge.

U K, see EW.

U F F.
Buff, cuff, bluff, huff, gruff, luff, puff, snuff, stuff, ruff, rebuf,
counterbuff, &c. Perfect rhymes, rough, tough, enough, slough,
(cast skin), chough, &c. Allowable rhymes, loaf, oaf, &c. See
Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

U F T.
Tuft. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in
uff, as cuff'd, stuff'd, &c.

U G.
Lug, bug, dug, drug, hug, rug, slug, snug, mug, shrug, pug.
Allowable rhymes, vogue, rogue, &c.

U ICE, see USE. U IDE, see I DE. U ILD, see I LD. U I LT,
see I LT. U I NT, see I NT. U I SE, see I SE and USE. U IE,
see I E.

U K E.
Duke, puke, rebuke, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, cook, look, book,
&c. Allowable rhymes, duck, buck, &c.

Alternate each th' attesting scripture took,
And rising solemn each his sentence spoke.—Pope.

U L, and U LL.
Cull, dull, gull, hull, lull, mull, null, trull, skull, annul, disannul.
Allowable rhymes, fool, tool, &c., wool, bull, pull, full, bounti-
ful, fanciful, sorrowful, dutiful, merciful, wonderful, worshipful,
and every word ending in ful, having the accent on the ante-
penultimate syllable.

Fear most to tax an honourable fool,
Whose right it is uncensur'd to be dull.—Pope.

If, where the rules not far enough extend
(Since rules were made but to promote their end),
Some lucky license answer to the full
The intent propos'd, that licence is a rule. — Pope.

U L E.

Mule, pulse, yule, rule, overrule, ridicule, misuse. Allowable rhymes, cull, dull, wool, full, bountiful, &c. See the last article.

U L G E.

Bulge, indulge, divulge, &c.

U L K.

Bulk, hulk, skulk, sulk.

U L S E.

Pulse, repulse, impulse, expulse, convulse.

U L T.

Result, adult, exult, consult, indult, occult, insult, difficult, &c. Allowable rhymes, colt, bolt, &c.

U M.

Crum, drum, grum, gum, hum, mum, scum, plum, stum, sum, swum, thrum. Perfect rhymes, thumb, dumb, succumb, come, become, overcome, burthensome, cumbersome, frolicsome, humoursome, quarrelsome, troublesome, martyrdom, christendom. Allowable rhymes, fume, plume, rheum, and room, doom, tomb, hecatomb.

And will man alone be dumb
Till that glorious kingdom come?—Montgomery

U M E.

Fume, plume, assume, consume, perfume, resume, presume, deplume.

U M P.

Bump, pump, jump, lump, plump, rump, stamp, trump, thump. Perfect rhyme, clomp.

U N.

Dun, gun, nun, pun, run, sun, shun, tun, stum, spin, begun. Perfect rhymes, son, won, ton, done, one, none, undone. Allowable rhymes, on, gone, &c., tune, prune, &c. See ON.

When thus, not rising from his lofty throne,
In state unmoved, the king of men begun. — Pope.

U N C E.

Dunce, once, &c. Allowable rhyme, scone.

U N C H.

Bunch, punch, hunch, lunch, munch.

U N D.

Fund, refund. Perfect rhymes, thepreterites of verbs in un, as shunn'd, &c.
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UNE.

June, tune, untune, june, prune, importune, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, moon, soon, &c. Allowable rhymes, bun, dun, &c.

UNG.

Clung, dung, flung, hung, rung, string, sung, sprung, slung, stung, swung, wrung, unsung. Perfect rhymes, young, tongue, among. Allowable rhymes, song, long, &c.

To brave Ladocus his arms he flung,
Who near him wheeding drove his steeds along—Pope.

UNGIE.

Plungo, spongo, expungo, &c.

UNK.

Drunk, sunk, shrunk, slunk, spunk, punk, trunk, slunk. Perfect rhyme, monk.

UNT.

Brunt, blunt, hunt, runt, grunt. Perfect rhyme, wont (to be accustomed.)

UP.

Cup, sup, up. Allowable rhymes, cope, cope, and dupe, groupe, &c.

UPT.

Abrupt, corrupt, interrupt. Perfect rhymes, the participles of verbs in up, as supp'd, &c.

UR.


URB.


URCH.

Church, lurch, birch. Nearly perfect rhymes, perch, search. Allowable rhyme, perch.

URD.

Curd, absurd. Perfect rhymes, bird, word, and the preterites and participles of verbs in ur, as spurr'd. Allowable rhymes, board, ford, cord, lord, &c., and the preterites and participles of verbs in ore, ear, and or, as gor'd, ear'd, abhorr'd, &c., also the preterites and participles of verbs in ure, as cur'd, immur'd, &c. See ORD.

URE.

Cure, pure, dure, lure, sure, abjure, allure, assure, demure, conjure, endure, manure, inure, insure, immature, immure, mature, obscure, procure, secure, adjure, calumny, coverture, epicure, investiture, forfeiture, furniture, miniature, nouriture, overture.
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portraiture, primogeniture, temperature. Allowable rhymes, poor, moor, power, scum, &c., cur, bur, &c.
She's deaf to beauty's soft persuading power,
Nor can bright Hebe's charms her bloom secure.—Garth.

U R F.

Turf, scurf, &c.

U R G E.

Purge, urge, surge, scourge. Perfect rhymes, verge, diverge, &c.
Allowable rhymes, gorge, George, &c., forge, &c.
There's an ear that lists to the hissing surge,
As the mourner turns to the anthem surge.—Eliza Cook.

U R K.


U R L, see I R L.

Churl, curl, furl, hurl, purr, uncurl, unfurl. Nearly perfect rhymes girl, twirl, &c., pearl, &c.
On either side her tranced form
Forth streaming from a braid of pearl;
The slumberous light is rich and warm,
And moves not on the rounded curl.—Tennyson.

U R N.

Burn, churn, spurn, turn, urn, return, overturn. Perfect rhymes, sojourn, adjourn, rejourn. Allowable rhymes, mourn, &c.

If yet this honour'd corse in triumph borne,
May glad the fleets that hope not our return.—Pope.
If faith itself has different dresses worn,
What wonder modes in wit should take their turn.—Pope.
So draw him home to those that mourn
In vain; a favourable speed,
Ruffle thy mirrored mast, and lead,
Through prosperous floods his holy urn.—Tennyson.

U R S E.

Nurse, curse, curse, pursue, accurse, disburse, imbure, reimburse, reimburse. Perfect rhyme, worse. Allowable rhymes, coarse, corse, force, verse, disperse, horse, &c.

U R S T.

Burst, curt, burst, accurst, &c. Perfect rhymes, thirst, worst first; allowable rhymes, preterites of verbs in verse, as er'd.

Now high on waves that idly burst,
Like Heavenly Hope she crown'd the sea,
And now, the bloodless point reversed,
She bore the blade of Liberty.—Tennyson.
What he can brave, who, born and nurs'd
In danger's paths, has dar'd her worst.—Moore.
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U R T.
Blurt, hurt, spurt. Perfect rhymes, dirt, shirt, flirt, squirt, &c.
Allowable rhymes, port, court, &c., short, smart, &c.

U S.
Us, thus, buss, truss, discuss, incubus, overplus, amorous, boisterous, clamorous, credulous, dangerous, degenerate, generous, emulous, fabulous, frivolous, hazardous, idolatrous, infamous, miraculous, mischievous, mountainous, malicious, necessitous, numerous, ominous, perilous, poisonous, populous, prosperous, ridiculous, riotous, ruinous, scandalous, scrupulous, sedulous, traitorous, treacherous, tyrannous, venomous, vigorous, villainous, adventurous, adulterous, ambiguous, blasphemous, dolorous, fortuitous, sonorous, glutinous, gratuitous, incredulous, lecherous, libidinous, magnanimous, obstreperous, odoriferous, ponderous, ravenous, rigorous, slanderous, solicitous, timidous, valorous, unanimous, calamitous. Allowable rhymes, the nouns use, abuse, diffuse, excuse, the verb to loose, and the nouns goose, deuce, juice, true, &c.; also the nouns close, dose, verbose, house, mouse, &c. See Preface to Index, Obs. 3.

But in a city glorious—
A great and distant city—have bought
A mansion incorruptible.
Would they could have stayed with us!—Tennyson.

USE, with the s sharp.

The nouns use, disuse, abuse, deuce, truce. Perfect rhymes, the verbs to loose, the nouns goose, noose, moose. Allowable rhymes, us, thus, buss, &c.

I grant it true, such trifle may induce
A dull, proud man to wake and be of use.—Crabbe.

USE, sounded UZE.

Muse, the verbs to use, abuse, amuse, diffuse, excuse, infuse, mis-use, pursue, refuse, suffuse, transfuse, accuse. Perfect rhymes, bruise, and the plurals of nouns and third persons singular of verbs in ew and uc, as dews, imubes, &c. Nearly perfect rhymes, lose, choose, shoes, &c. Allowable rhymes, buzz, does, &c.

God's great gift of speech abus'd,
Makes the memory confus'd.—Tennyson.

U S H.
Blush, brush, crush, gush, flush, rush, hush. Allowable rhymes, bush, push.

U S K.
Busk, tusk, dusk, husk, musk.

U S T.
Bust, crust, dust, just, must, lust, rust, thrust, trust, adjust, adjust, disgust, distrust, intrust, mistrust, robust, unjust. Perfect rhymes, the preterites and participles of verbs in us, as truss'd, discuss'd, &c.
And by the hopes of an immortal trust,
God shall assuage thy pangs, when I am laid in dust.—Campbell.

But, butt, cut, hut, gut, glut, jut, nut, shut, strut, onglut, rut,
scut, slut, smut, abut. Allowable rhymes, boot, soot, foot, hoot,
shoot, &c., lute, dispute, &c., bout, mote, &c.

She left the novel half uncut,
Upon the rosewood shelf;
She left the new piano shut—
She could not please herself.—Tennyson.

Hutch, crutch, Dutch. Perfect rhymes, much, such, touch, re-touch, &c.

Brute, lute, flute, mute, acute, compute, confute, dispute, dilute,
depute, impute, minute, pollute, refute, repute, salute, absolute,
attribute, constitute, destitute, dissolve, execute, institute, irreso-
solve, persecute, prosecute, prostitute, resolute, substitute.
Perfect rhymes, fruit,ruit, suit, recruit, &c. Allowable
rhymes, boot, hoot, &c., boat, goat, &c., note, vute, &c., but,
hut, shut, &c.

Flux, redux, &c. Perfect rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third
persons of verbs in ick, as ducks, trucks, &c. Allowable
rhymes, the plurals of nouns and third persons of verbs in ock,
uke, oak, oke, &c., as cooks, pukes, oaks, jokes, &c.

I have purposely omitted many licenses I might have produced,
as judging them in reality too licentious. Among these, however,
I do not reckon this of Sternhold and Hopkins, of Gothic memory:

And how he did commit their fruits
Unto the caterpillar,
And eke the labour of their hands
He gave to the grasshopper.

These reverend versifiers of the Psalms, who for centuries have
been the constant butt of criticism, are now fallen below it. The
rhymes I have passed by are such as belong to more respectable
names.

With kind embraces, such as I
'Twist about my loving she.—Oldham.

Draw next the patron of that tree,
Draw Bacchus and soft Cupid by.—Oldham.

Our thoughtless sex is caught by outward form
And empty noise, and loves itself in man.—Dryden.

My parents are propitious to my wish,
And she herself consenting to the bliss.—Dryden.
One sees her thighs transform'd; another
Her arms shoot out, and branching into boughs.—Antiquus.
Wit kindled by the sulph'rous breath of care,
Like the blue lightning, while it shines destroys.—Forsay.

But notwithstanding these, and some other vices of the same
kind, which some of our most respectable poets have inadvertently
fallen into, there are few inspectors into this Index but must ob-
serve an obvious analogy between the vowels in the general-ness
of the instances produced, and that, however uncooly they
sound when pronounced alone, they give no disgust to an English
ear, when introduced at proper intervals, but it is not so much
my intention to apologize for the use of these imperfect rhymes,
as to show how they are used, and upon what authority. It is
certain they may be used too frequently, and that they are far from
being all equally agreeable to the ear. In short, the same taste
and delicacy are necessary in this, as in the more essential part of
poetry, beautes and blemishes often differ but by nice shades,
and it is the master alone who can discern that point where bold-
ness degenerates into harshness and correctness into rigidity.