Rhymes

What one and two syllable English words are hard to rhyme?

In *The Poet's Craft Book*, Clement Wood defines "rhyme" thus:

Rhyme is the identity in sound of an accented vowel in a word, usually the last one accented, and of all consonantal and vowel sounds following it; with a difference in the sound of the consonant immediately preceding the accented vowel.

A few pages later Wood says:

If a poet commences, October is the wildest month, he has estopped himself from any rhyme; since "month" has no rhyme in English.

"Month," "silver," and "orange" are frequently cited as words that cannot be rhymed. But this is not so. Below is a list of rhymes for words, including these three, that are frequently claimed to have no rhymes in English.

Word	**Rhyme**	**Word**	**Rhyme**
beards	weirds	oomph	sumph
carpet	charpit	orange	sporange
else	fels	poem	phloem, proem
fiends	teinds, piends	pregnant	regnant
filched	hilched	purple	curple, hirple
filth	spilth, tilth	puss	schuss
film	pilm	rhythm	smitham
fluxed	luxed, muxed	scalds	balds, caulds, faulds
leashed	niched	silver	chilver
lemon	Bremen, hemen, Yemen	tenth	nth
mouthed	southed	tsetse	baronetcy, intermezzi,
month	oneth [Note 1],		theetsee
	n+1th [Note 2]	tuft	yuft
mulched	gulched	widow	kiddo
oblige	cytopyge	window	indo, lindo

Note 1: Justified by analogy with "thousandth," "hundredth," "tenth."

Note 2: Justified by analogy with "nth." A citation: "The Nature of Rationality," Robert Nozick, Princeton University Press, Princeton, NJ, 1993, p. 21

presumptively—see "harlequin opal"

presumptuously—common word with highest letter sum for length 14 (241)

pretty-prettier—longest hyphenated word with typewriter letters from top row (14)—*more gaudy*

pretty-pretty—longest hyphenated tautonym beginning with letter p (12)—*gaudy*

primer—see "primmer"

primmer—example of homophones differing by letter m [primer]—*more dainty*

primogenitureship—longest uncommon word that starts and ends with letter p (17)—*being the sole inheritor*

prissy—example of a portmanteau, beginning with letter p [prim, sissy]

procrastination—longest well-mixed subtransposition with common words [anachronistically] (17)

products—longest well-mixed common words with the same consonant order [periodicities] (13)

proficient—example of a word spelled with i before e after c, beginning with letter p