

(16)—Third Series of Straight Stems.

<i>Pee</i>	/	/	<i>Bee</i>	/	/
<i>Pel</i>	/	/	<i>Bel</i>	/	/
<i>Per</i>	/	/	<i>Ber</i>	/	/
<i>Pen</i>	/	/	<i>Ben</i>	/	/
<i>Pef</i>	/	/	<i>Bef</i>	/	/
<i>Plen</i>	/	/	<i>Blen</i>	/	/
<i>Pren</i>	/	/	<i>Bren</i>	/	/
<i>Plef</i>	/	/	<i>Blef</i>	/	/
<i>Pref</i>	/	/	<i>Bref</i>	/	/

Note—These stems are inclined to the left sufficiently to distinguish them from the vertical stems. They are written downwards. The short stems are named in the regular way: *Pet*, *Pelt* or *Plet*, *Pert* or *Pret*; *Bet*, *Belt* or *Blet*, *Bert* or *Bret*, *Bent*, etc.

EXERCISE 3.

(17) Write the stems for the following words: *Play*, *up*, *upon*, *plain*, *prove*, *plate*, *prone*, *paint*, *aped*, *pray*, *puff*, *proved*, *pain*, *pay*, *pelt*, *puffed*, *prate*, *pet*, *plaint*, *open*, *upper*; *be*, *blow*, *blend*, *bone*, *bled*, *brain*, *boat*, *blunt*, *bend*, *bread*, *blade*, *brained*, *believed*, *bay*, *braved*, *buff*, *able*, *bray*, *blown*, *brave*, *bed*, *believe*.

Key—*Pel*, *Pee*, *Pen*, *Plen*, *Pref*, *Plet*, *Pren*, *Pent*, *Pet*, *Per*, *Pef*, *Preft*, *Pen*, *Pee*, *Pelf*, *Peft*, *Pret*, *Pet*, *Plent*, *Pen*, *Per*; *Bee*, *Bel*, *Blent*, *Ben*, *Blet*, *Bren*, *Bet*, *Blent*, *Bent*, *Bret*, *Blet*, *Brent*, *Bleft*, *Bee*, *Breft*, *Bef*, *Bel*, *Ber*, *Blen*, *Bref*, *Bet*, *Blef*.