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# Elements of Musick

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MADE EASY:

Rudimental, Practical, Philosophical, Historical, and Technical.

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1. An universal INTRODUCTION to all the Rudiments of Musick; Shewing the Gamut-Scale, in its antient, and present, State: And of

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# PREFACE.

Of MUSICK in general: Shewing, Its Power, Efficacy, and wonderful Effects: and of its Divine, and Civil Use: And how both Master and Scholar ought to be qualified, &c. &c.

USICK, (the Subject of this Discourse) is, A Science of Sound: or, An ART that guideth all Sounds to the Ear, so as to please and affect;

by moving the Passions with agreeable Sounds, &c.

Musick is formed of Musa, signifying Muse: the Invention of which being, by some, attributed to the Nine Muses: But Hesychius says, that the Athenians called every Art by the Name of Musick: Hence, says the Poet,

The ART of HEAV'N, the Order of this Frame, Is all but Musick, in another Name, &c.

But, to lay aside all other Definitions, Musick is the Gift of God, and bestow'd on Man, to edulcorate, and beighten the Pleasures of human Life; and to alleviate, and dispel its Cares in this World: and is the principal Entertainment of God, and the Souls of the Blessed hereafter.

Musick has been in the highest Esteem in all past Ages, and amongst all People, so that Authors could not express their Opinions strong enough about it, for its wonderful Effects here on Earth; but that it was certainly used in Heaven; for which Reason the venerable Bede says, "That no Science is admitted into the Service of God, only Musick:" and Scimus says, "That Musick is intolerable unto Devils."

ATHENÆUS assures us, that all Laws, Divine and Civil; all Exhortations to Virtue; divine and human Knowledge of Things; and all Actions of Illustrious Persons, were for-

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merly written in Verse, and set to Musick; and were publickly sung in Chorus, with Instruments, as an effectual Means to impress Morality, and a right Sense of Duty on the Minds of the People. (This very Instance induced me to Translate the Books of Proverbs and Canticles into Verse, and set the same to Musick; which I caused to be printed in the Year 1740, intitled, The Beauty of Holiness.)

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And as this Art was known in the earliest Times, so it ought now to have the Superiority of all others, as it is the most curious and sublime; whether we consider it either in its

Theory, its Practical, or in its Mechanick-Parts.

1. The Theoretick, or Mathematick-Part, is the Grammar, or Natural Ground-work; and greatly employs the Thought, to find out all the Ratios and Proportions of Sounds, in all their curious Branches. This lies very deep in Natural-Philosophy, and requires great Research to unfold it, before such Sounds can be well modelled, to make Harmony compleat.

2. THE Practical-Part, is the well disposing of Sounds, which compose and contrive them into so many curious and pleasing Varieties; this proceeding from well taken Concords, and intervening Discords, &c. in a regular Composition.

3. The Mechanick, or Active-Part, is that which readily performs, and gives a Production of such Sounds to the Ear, and Understanding: either from the soft Modulation of a natural Voice, or from the curious Dexterity of Hand, or

an artificial Instrument, &c. &c.

The ancient Musick Writers were very mysterious at their Writings, and greatly perplexed before our Scale was brought into the good Order as it now is, whose Names will never be forgotten by the Ingenious, to whom we are beholden for all we know, viz. Lasus Hermionensis, Aristoxenus, Aristotle, and Euclid, who wrote about 303 Tears before Christ. After them were Aristides Quintilianus, Alipius, Gaudentius, Pythagoras, Nicomachus, Bacchius, Boëtius, Theodrik, and Cassiodorus, about 505 Years after Christ: Martianus Capella, and St. Augustin being a little after, &c.

The modern Writers were Zarlin, Salinus, Galileo, Doni, Kercher, Mercennus, Paran, De Caux, Petrault, Des Cartes, Wallis, Sir Isaac Newton, Malcolm, Morley, Sympson, Douland, Allison, Ravenscroft, Playford, Blow, Purcel, Holder, Galiard, Eccles, Tans'ur, Green, Holdroyd, Knap, &c. whose Characters are sufficiently known by their laborious Works, and undeniable Compositions: All of which, in some Measure, have been consulted in compiling the following Treatise; as well as many other ingenious Authors, too tedious here to mention. But, this List is only inserted to perpetuate their Names, in as just an Order as can be gather'd, down to this present Time.

Musick has not only been admired, and recommended by all noble and virtuous Persons, in all Ages, but has also, in some Measure, been practised by them; whose Examples are worthy of our Imitation. And the better Arts and Sciences

are known, the more they are esteemed by the Ingenious.

TRISMEGISTUS says, "That the Thanks, and Praises of Men are the noblest Incense that can be offered up to God." Constantine the Great, Theodosius, Justinian, and many others, composed Church-Hymns, and sung them in Congre-

gations, &c.

ALFRED, the Saxon King's only Delight was Musick. And Mr. Owen Feltham, in his Book of Resolves, speaking of Divine-Musick, hath these Words: "We find, saith he, that in Heaven there is Musick, and Hallelujahs fung; and I believe it is here an Helper both unto Good, and Evil: Therefore I will honour it when it moves to Virtue, and will beware of it whenever it shall flatter into Vice." A noble Resolution for us to follow!

HENRY the 8th invited the best Masters from Italy to perform the Services he had composed in five and six Parts; and Edward the 6th caused Dr. Tye's Acts of the Apostles, in Verse, to be printed to Musick, in four Parts, and to be

fung in bis Chapel Royal.

Queen Elizabeth was a great Practitioner on the Poliphant, a Wire Instrument like a Lute; and also promoted A 2 Instruments Instruments in the Worship of God, as appears by her 49th Injunction: And James the First, granted his Letters Patent to the Musicians in London for a Corporation.

CHARLES the First, of bleffed Memory, greatly encouraged, and promoted Divine-Musick, by composing many Services bimself; and could play his Part well on the Bass-Viol, Organ, &c. And Charles the Second not only loved the Art, but also augmented all the Musicians Salaries in his Royal Chapel, &c. that they might be the more studious in the Praises of God; and not be scorned for their Meanness, and Poverty. - A worthy Example for Men of the High Rank to follow! But, alas! - (Vide my Preface to my New Royal Melody, Pag. 10.)

THESE, and many more were great Promoters, and Lovers of Musick; tho' in this profligate Age there are too many that shamefully despise it, having a far different Bent of Inclination; whom the learned Shakespear justly de-cribes, in these Lines:

The Man that hath no Musick in his Soul, And is not mov'd with Concord of sweet Sounds, Is fit for Treason, Stratagems, and Spoils; The Motions of his Spirit are dull as Night, And his Affection dark as Erebus; \* Let no fuch Man be trusted .-

## Which I Rhyme thus;

Trust not the Man whom Musick do'nt delight, For why? his Soul is as the gloomy Night: He's only fit for Treason, Plot, and Rage, And, as dark Er'bus, with the damn'd engage.

THE Power of Musick is very surprising, from its strange and wonderful Effects; whereby Timotheus could, by the Phrygian Sound of his Flute, excite Alexander's Fury, and footh him again into Indolence, with his Lydian-Mood.

We have also an Account, that Bonus, King of Denmark, was so excited to Rage, by his Musician Ericus, that he killed the hest of his Servants; and then softened him into Temper again. And Dr. Newentiet tells us of an Italian, who by varying from brisk, to solemn Sounds, could so move the Soul as he pleased, either to Meekness, or Distraction.

Dr. South confirms the Possibility of these, and the like Powers of Musick: and Mr. Derham, in his Physico-Theology, mentions many more Things of the like Nature, equally surprising; such as the Bite of a Tarantula cured only

by Musick, &c. &c. (Of this more by and by.)

THE ingenious Mr. Boyle, mentions a Glascon Knight that could not hold his Water on hearing a Bag-pipe; and another Woman, that always burst out in Tears at hearing one certain Tune. We are told, in the French Academy, of a Musician, that was cured of a violent Fever, by a Concert play'd in his Room: and Kircher tells us, "That the Minds and Bodies of living Creatures are not only affected with Sounds, but also Things inanimate; for that he knew a large Stone that would tremble at the Sound of a particular Pipe in and Organ."

MR. Morhoff mentions one Petter, a Dutchman, that could break a Drinking-Glass with the I one of his Voice, or Whistle: and Mersenne tells us of a particular Pavement that would shake and tremble, as if the Earth would

open, whenever the Organ play'd.

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The before-mention'd Mr. Boyle adds also, that the Seats will tremble at the Sound of Organs: and that he felt his Hat shake under his Hand at certain Notes, both of Organs, and loud speaking; from which we may be well inform'd, that every well-built Vault will answer to some determinate Tone, &c. &c.

Musick doth not only delight and recreate the Minds of Men, but also of Birds; for these little Aërial winged Choristers, confin'd, will learn Tunes from Men; and those unconsin'd, at the Approach of the Day, by a natural Instinct, will sound forth their Maker's Praise. The pretty Lark

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will mount as high as his Wings will hear him, and warble forth his Melody; and then descend to his Flock, and send up another Cherister to Supply that Divine Service, &c.

BABES are also charm'd asleep by their singing Nurses: and the poor labouring Beasts, at Plough or Cart, are pleas'd and animated with Musick, tho' it be but with the Driver's

Whistle.

THE valiant Soldier is animated, in the Fight, with the Trumpet, the Fife, and the Drum; and the Labourer, and Mechanick is cheer'd with Musick, tho' it be but with that of his own Voice, when in his daily Business. The Student is also cheer'd by Musick; it gives Wings to Fancy, and whets off all Dulness from his Mind: And Solomon, says, "Wine" and Musick rejoyceth the Heart." Eccl. xl. 20.

Musick also conduceth to bodily Health, by the Exercise of the Voice; for it clears, and strengthens, the Lungs, and belps the Defects of Speech, stammering, and bad Utterance: It gently breathes and vents the Mourner's Grief; it abateth Spleen and Hatred, and heightens the Joys of such as are

chearful.

SCALIGER says, that all these Effects proceed from the Spirits of the Heart's taking in the trembling and dancing Air into the Body; which are moved together, and stirred up, with it: or, that the Mind, harmoniously composed, is roused up at the Tunes of the Musick, &c.

Musick the coldest Heart can warm,
The Hardest melt, the Fiercest charm,
Disarm the Savage of his Rage,
Dispel our Cares, and Pains asswage,
With Joy it can our Souls inspire,
And tune our Tempers to the Lyre.
Our Passions like the Tones agree,
And stand subdu'd by Harmony.
When David tun'd the trembling String,
It cheer'd the melancholy King.
His Musick chas'd his Spleen away,
And made his Soul serenely gay.

When Musick founds in martial Airs, The Coward then forgets his Fears; Or, if the Notes to Pity Sound, Revenge, and Envy, cease to wound.

The Pow'r of Musick has been known, To raife, or tumble Cities down; The Theban Turrets, Authors fay, Were rais'd by Musick's magick Lay; And Jericho's Heav'n-hated Wall, From Sacred Musick had its Fall.

IF God then bath granted such great Benefits to Mankind, by the Exercise of Musick, surely the Divine and Heavenly Use must redound much more to our Eternal Comfort, when we join our Hearts with our Voices, in his holy Place; which gives us a Taste of Heaven, whilst on Earth, and lifts up our Hearts on Heavenly Things: Hoping for the sull Fruition of Joy, after the Troubles of this Life are ended. Which the Poet thus describes; as Rewards to the Righteous.

Then crown'd again, their golden Harps they took, Harps ever tun'd, that glitt'ring by their Sides Like Quivers hung, and with PREAMBLE sweet Of charming Sympathy they introduce The facred Song; and waken Raptures high: No one exempt, no Voice but well could join Melodious Part: such Concord is in Heaven.

-Milton, Lib. 3.

## Which I rhyme thus:

When Bleffed Souls the earthly Orb forfook, And wing'd for Heav'n, their golden Harps they took, For ever tun'd, like glitt'ring Quivers hung, And Sympathy prepared this glorious Song:

HOLY, HOLY!—their never ceasing Cry,
To praise their LORD they raise in Raptures High!
To every Tongue both Voice, and Heart, is giv'n,
To join in Concert with the Host of Heav'n.

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As Speculation, and Contemplation, is the Life of every Scholar, even so his Books are his Oracles; which he con-Jults on every Occasion. And as no true Son of Learning can long absent himself from the Art or Science he is born to, even so, in a little Measure, it fares with me; for Musick bas been my darling, and daily Exercise, from my Youth, even to this Day, especially that Sort as redounds to the Praise and Glory of the Almighty: baving made it my constant Practice above forty Years, from the Place of my Birth (which was Dunchurch, in the County of Warwick, 1700) thro' divers Counties in this Kingdom, to instruct others in the Art of Psalmody; in the Execution of which, my Days have been as a continual Wayfare. But, alas! what Oppositions have I met with from the Conceited, whose Tempers have been their own Tormentors! and what Variety of Humours have I been concern'd with! How have I been despis'd by the Ignorant, who knew nothing of Art? and how have I been caress'd by those of a more ingenious Understanding?—I have been both honoured. and abused; I have pass'd under the Denomination of a Master of Musick, when, alas! I well knew, I was a long Way short of it: Nor is it ever in the Power of one Man to be worthy of such a Title, was he to labour in it for 500 Years. Nevertheless, Fools will be the Authors of Contentions; and every conceited one thinks his own Wit the best, &c. Prov. xviii. 6.-xii. 15. .

ANY Person that is qualified for such a Title, must not only be a Grammarian, but must also be a Master of Letters, and Languages, in order to unfold what is lock'd up

in the Closets of the Learned.

He must be an Arithmetician, and able to explain Numbers, and even the Mysteries of Algebra; and also a Geometrician, to evince, in great Variety, the Original of Intervals, Consonant, and Dissonant; by the Mechanical Division of a Monochord.—

HE must be a Poet, to conform his Thoughts, and Words to the Laws of precise Numbers; and distinguish the Euphony

of Vowels, and Syllables, &c. --

He must be a Mechanick, in order to know the exquisite Structure of all Instruments, whether Wind, Stringed, or Pulsatile. A Metalist, to explore or find out the different Contemperations of grave, and acute, Toned Metals, for casting

Bells, for Peals, Chimes, &c .--

He must be an Anatomist, to shew the Manner, and Organs of the Sense of Hearing.—An Harmonian, to lay down the Demonstrative Rules for Composing, &c. and he must be so far a Magician, as to excite Wonder, by bringing into Practice all the admirable Secrets of Musick: such as Sympathies, and Antipathies, between Concords and Discords; together with the Artistice of Tubes, for the strengthening and continuing of weak remote Sounds, and meliorating those that are strong, &c.—But, stop here,—What a Field of Learning must I pass through, to be justly called Master of Musick?—A Title, that no one could ever justly claim, nor yet attain to.

EVERY good MASTER, that undertakes to instruct others, must not only consult his Scholar's Genius, but must also guard well his Morals; and if he is qualified with Judgment, Invention, Time, Art, Taste, a good Ear, a dexterous Hand, and a willing Mind, no Doubt but he'll soon become a good Proficient, to his own Credit, and his Tutor's Honour: But if either of these are wanting, on Occasion, it is as impossible for him to make any great Proficiency therein as it is for a Person to pour a Case of Printers Letters on the Ground to fall into Words, Paragraphs, and Pages, without other manual Assistance: Let those conceited in their own Abilities think as they please, &c.

think as they please, &c.

The kind Reception my several Books have met with from the World, is sufficiently known from the Sale of many Thousands, by many former Impressions; the Success of which greatly encouraged me to make such large Additions in This; and (in Conjunction with the Bookseller) to oblige the World with it; not in the least doubting but it will, in Time, make Amends for My Trouble, and the Publisher's Charge, by a

Continuance of the same candid Favours.

AND as the Terms of every Science, or Art, are generally

more perplexing than the Science or Art itself, I have very much enlarg'd on that Head; by adding a New Musical Dictionary of Terms, and Instruments; with their several Explanations; even from the earliest Times down to these present; with their several Inventors, as near as can be gather'd from the ancient and modern Writers, worthy of Note.

I HAVE likewise enlarg'd on every Article throughout the whole WORK; and have put every Point relating to Musick in a more clear Light than I possibly could in former Impressions, for want of room.—But now, you have ocular Examples, in Notes, as well as in Scales Mathematical; whether they relate to Tune, Time, Concord, Theory, Composition, Terms, Instruments, or Practice; all standing in their proper Order: which WORK will be of general Use to all such as shall either study, or practise Musick, whether Vocal, or Instrumental; and even as long as there are any to use it: It being design'd as a portable Pocket Companion; and cheap, for such whose Circumstances will not admit of buying a large Number of Books. Here is Multum in Parvo. for all Lovers of Musick.

As I have here wrote at my own Peril, so I leave all to judge at their own Pleasure; not baving the Vanity to think I am without Error, nor yet so weak as to affert it : neither do I imagine it will escape the Penetration of seme Critic's Eyes: But let him that never Err'd, cast the first Stone: Nevertheless, men of Large Fortunes too often err, which wife Men dare not correct, by reason of their Poverty; for inthis flat-

tering Age

Real Merit's now taken, be't better or worse, From the Specifick-Gravity of a Man's Purse: And, rich Men by poor Men will not be advis'd, For a poor Man's wife Counsel is mostly despis'd.

And as Pope says,

"Great Wits, sometimes, may gloriously offend, " And rise to Faults, true Critics dare not mend :"

Whilst peaceful Men do rather silent sit; Than strive to mend the Errors they commit. Attempts are vain, the Cause has oft been try'd, The statt'ring World will be o'th Strongest Side.

And the forme Readers may take this Work to be a little fatyrical, in some particular Places, and point maliciously at some Persons; let me assure such, that there is no Malice in the Case; only I write from Experience, from the ill Treatment I have met with, from the Ignorant, Conceited, and Captious; whose Tempers are not only their own Tormentors, but of all whom they approach; and are

not fit for Human Society, &c.

And the this Book is written purely to Instruct, yet, I know, it will not please all Men; being well affured, that none will take it Harsh, or spurn against it, but such as are Guilty of such Mistakes as are herein pointed at. But, if what I have here endeavoured doth not comport with the Dictates of some Person's Judgment, I hope they will pardon my Honest well-meaning Intentions; having, thro' the Whole, endeavoured by Matter of Fact, more to Inform, and Instruct, than to tickle the Ears of the Chimerical and Captious, with Flowers of Rhetorick, &c.

FINALLY, I heartily recommend this WORK to all Perfons in general; both High and Low, Rich and Poor, one with another; hoping it may have a candid Reception, and be an Affistant even to All; to the Furtherance of Musick, and the Glory of God: which are the sincere Wishes of your most Laborious, Harmonious, and Humble Servant,

{ London, June 25, A. D. 1766.}

WILLIAM TANS'UR, Senior.

# POETICAL ENCOMIUM,

ON

The several Pieces, lately written and published by

Mr. WILLIAM TAN'SUR, Senior.

But more particularly on His New Royal MELODY, and This New HARMONICAL SPEC-TATOR, DICTIONARY, &c. &c.

F all the various ARTS by Man defign'd "To vie with Nature, and improve the Mind? "Thy Labours, TANS'UR! merit greatest Praise,

" And claim the Tribute of my Friendly Lays:

" For, what Invention fince the World began,

"To ripen Science in the Breast of Man,

"Can stand in Competition with Thy Plan?

" By Thy Instructions, we are taught to raise "Our Minds, to Sing our dear Redeemer's Praise;

"Thy Harmony! the godly Swains invite,

" To make Thy Sacred Songs their fole Delight.

"Tho' Ortheus once the mute Creation drew,

"Thy Notes attract the Mule, and Speaking too.

Leicefter, 7 Sept. 29. A. D. 1766.



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BOOK I.

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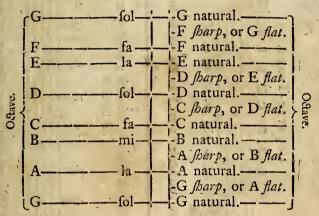
Of the GAMUT, or Scale of Musick: And of the Semitones contained in an Octave: And of Cliffs.

THE GAMUT, or Scale of MUSICK, is a peculiar Table, and so necessary to be learnt and known well by heart, that no Person can attain to any Knowledge in that ART without being well acquainted with it: Though too many, in this conceited Age, flatter themselves on the contrary.—

As to the very first Inventer, its hard to prove, it being attributed to several Grecians, in past Ages; all of which vary, as to Form, and Method: But, the present Scale, is said to be invented about 700 Years ago, by Guido Aretinus, a Monk of Tuscany, who added more Lines to it, to make 5; and plac'd this Greek Letter \(\Gamma\) Gamma, or \(Gamma\), at the Root of the Scale; which shew'd that he had it from the Greeks; and to perpetuate his Memory, it begun with the first Letter of his Name, shewing thereby that he was the Improver of it; The Scale is as follows:

To learn the Scale altogether, is too tedious, hard, and perplexing for any young Beginner; one of the three Parts being sufficient at first, before you proceed to the other two: Beginning at the lowest Letter G, and so ascending to G above, and then descending to G again; imitating a Ring of eight Bells, both upwards and downwards, in a regular Diatonick Order, as follows:

Another GAMUT-Scale, shewing the Natural, and Artificial Order of the Tones, and Semitones in an Octave; both Diatonick, and Semitonick.



N. B. The Word Diatonick, is an Epithet, or Name given to the Scale of Musick, when it moves by Tones, and Semitones, as the plain and natural Scale of Musick.—The Word Semi, fignifies the Half, or when a whole Tone is divided into two; which Natural Notes are either raised or falled half a Tone from their Natural Order, by adding a Flat or a Sharp before the Note: and as this Scale takes 12 Semitones to complete the Ostave, it is call'd the Semitonick, or Chromotick Scale; which being used with the Diatonick, enables us to express all the practical Degrees of Harmony.

The

TENOR, or TREBLE.

G, A, B, C, D, E, F, G.

COUNTER-TENOR.

Sol, la, Mi, fa, fol, la, fa, fol.

N. B. This Mark \* theweth the Place of the Semitones.

The Chromatick, or Semitonick Scale of Musick; shewing what Semitones are contain'd in

But, the better to explain these Scales, you have it more Mathematical, in the foregoing Page, by Lines, and Spaces, of the Tones and Semitones in every Octave.

Mark well,—That in the old Scale or Gamut, C hath three different Terms, as C-faut, C-folfaut, and C-folfa, &c. fet only to distinguish the three several Systems or Parts of the Scale; as Bass, Tenor, and Treble; all being in Effect as one and the same, and Ostaves, or Eighths to each other.

Moreover, Every Composition of Musick is understood from the Letters, be it ever so artfully disguis'd by Transposition; which Letters are mostly used for Instrumental Performance; nevertheless, though the Syllables sol, la, mi, fa, &c. are appropriated to Vocal Musick, yet I think it not amiss for any young Beginners to call their Notes as well by one, as the other; it being most instructive to the Art of Musick in general, Composition, &c.

Observe also, That B-MI is the Master-Note, and guides all the other Notes, both above and below it; and when the Mi is transpos'd, all other Tones are transpos'd with it; still lying in their Natural Order according to the Diato-

nick Scale, &c.

Again. All Lines above 5 in Number are called Supernumerary, or Ledger Lines; all above G in the Treble are called Notes in Alt; and all Notes below Gamut in the Bass, are called Doubles; as Alamire in Alt; Double Elami, &c. &c.

### Observe also, that,

What Tone soe'er you please to name, An Eighth to that is just the same.

Above Mi, twice sing fa, fol, la, Below Mi, twice sing la, fol, fa.

Which Rule observ'd, in ev'ry Strain, B-mi, in Course, comes in again.

Thus stands the SCALE, in every Part, Which must be truly learnt by Heart: Then, knowing well each Line and Space, You'll rightly read them in their Place!

## § 2. Of CLIFFS:

A Cliff, (in Musick) is a Character placed at the Beginning of the 5 Lines of a Piece of Musick, in order to denote what Part of Musick it is; and what Relation each Part beareth with another. It is called a Cliff, from Clavis, in Latin; and signifies, To open, or as a Key to let into, &c. which openeth to us the Names of every Tone in Musick, &c.

If you look back into the Scale of Musick, you will find three in Number, all of different Forms, each being appropriated to the three several Systems, or Parts thereof; and

are called the F-Cliff, the C-Cliff, and the G-Cliff.

The F Cliff is generally set on the second Line from the Top, and proper for the Bass, and gives to its Place the Name F, and when sung, is call'd fa; all other Tones lying in Regular Order both above and below it;

and thus made:  $\frac{F}{\Theta}$ 

The C-Cliff is moveable, and may be fet on any one of the 5 Lines, and gives to its *Place* the *Name* C, and, when *fung*, call'd *fa*; guiding all other *Tones* in *Regular Order*, both

above and below it, and thus made : 1977

This Cliff, in the ancient Musick, was generally used to the Tenor. It was moveable, and uncertain, and difficult for every Practitioner; by being set on any Line the Composer pleased, to keep his Notes in the Compass of five Lines; for, in those Days, they changed the Cliff, to change the Key; but our Keys are regulated by shifting the B-Mi (or Master-Note) by the Help of Flats, or Sharps, and therefore we have no Necessity to change the Cliff but rather use the G-Cliff for the Tenor, by reason it is of-more Certainty to the Performer; for in those Times, I imagine,

that

that shifting the Mi by Sharps was not invented, neither was any Transposition, by them, so nicely understood as it is at this present Time. — It is now mostly applied to Counter, or Inner Parts, when above three.

The G-Cliff is usually set on the second Line from the Bottom, and now mostly used to the Treble, or Tenor; (or may be used to any Upper Part whatsoever) and gives to its Place the Name G, and when sung, called sol; and guideth all other Notes in Regular Order, both above and be-

low it, and thus made:

Were no Cliffs to be set on the 5 Lines, you could neither distinguish one Part from another, nor give a Name to any one Note: But, put at the Beginning, a proper Cliff, and that Cliff will give a Name to that Line whereon it stands; and then you, with Ease, may find a Name for all other Notes both above and below it.—To prick down Musick without a Cliff, is a Thing too much practised in our Kingdom at this Time to the great Ruin and Confusion of many a good Composition, by many conceited Coxcombs, who lead others in the dark, (being blindfold themselves with Conceit and Ignorance) and scorn to be contradicted from their own Way. Thus, they lead others into Error, and render Musick contemptible enough, to the great Grief of such as know the Beauty and Excellency thereof.

I have read, that some ancient Writers used to sign seven Cliffs at the Beginning of their Musick, according to the seven Letters of the Alphabet; and called every Let-

ter a Cliff, thus:

,	F	fa
5	E	la
Cliff	D	fo!
	C	fa >
Seven	В	Mi
Se	A	la
	G,—	
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N. B. That in those Days they used but four Lines, the Octave not being then found out: But we use five Tines.

But, this being too perplexing, as well as cumbersome, they afterwards used only three Signatures instead of three Letters, to express the Natural Tone of the three Cliffs as

are now used, &c.

Mr. Kelper took great Pains, to shew that the Signatures of the three Cliffs were nothing but Corruptions of the Letters they represented; and that they made the Practice of Musick much more difficult and perplexing: whereby Mr. Salmon proposed to reduce all Parts of Musick to one Cliff: but this was look'd on, by some, as merely whimsical.

And though I may be counted singular, I cannot omit giving my Opinion concerning our present Cliss, knowing how inconvenient it is to every Prastitioner to be daily perplex'd with the moving of them, sometimes on one Line, and then again on another; not only so, but I think it would be more easy to every Prastitioner, did our Cliss represent such Letters as they are assigned for; which I would have stand on the middle Line of each Part, each in their own Character, Thus:

Bass. D. C. Counter. Treble.

C. C. B.

Sol. Fa. Fa. Mi.

In this New-cliff method the two Letters of each shew both the Instrumental and Vocal Name given to the middle Line they stand on: All other Notes being in Regular-Order both above and below each Cliff, through the whole Octave, &c. N. B. Any Tenor may be set in the B-mi-Cliff as well as the Treble, by reason, all Octaves are the same as before both Above and Below, &c. without being daily perplex'd with changing of Cliffs. — From hence it appears, That

The Gamut-Scale must well be learnt by Heart,
Both Line, and Space, and Cliff of ev'ry Part:
To Tune aright, must be your chiefest Care,
Mi fa, and la fa, natural Half Tones are.

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### CHAP. II.

of Notes, and their Names, and of their Rests; and of all other Characters used in Musick, &c.

HE Length of Tones, or Continuance of Sounds, is expressed by several Charatters, call'd Notes; each

having a different Name, and Shape.

A Cessation, or leaving off sounding, is express'd by various Characters, call'd Rests, (or Notes of Silence;) which Marks import, that you must rest, or cease from singing, or playing, just as long as if you are sounding any of the respective Notes, &c.—When these Characters are perfectly understood, then you will be able to know, what is call'd, Time and Measure.

A Scale of Notes, and Rests, and their Proportions.

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\ A	Semibreve.	A Minim.	A Crotchet.	A Quaver.	A Semiquar.	A Demiquav.
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#### EXPLANATION.

1. The Semibreve, is in Form like the Letter O, and founded so long as you may tell 1, 2, 3, 4, by the Pulses of the Pendulum of a large House-Clock. It is call'd the Measure-Note, because it measureth all the other; and its Rest, denotes to keep Silence the same Space of Time.

2. The Minim, is but half the Length of a Semibreve,

having a Tail to it.

3. The Crochet is but half the Length of a Minim, having a black Head.

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4. The Quaver, is but half the Length of a Crotchet, having the Tail turned up like a Hook.

5. The Semiquaver, is but half the Length of a Qua-

ver, having its Tail turned up with a double Stroke.

6. The Demisemiquaver, is but the half of a Quaver, having its Tail turn'd up with a triple Stroke, &c.
But, the better to explain, the above, observe this

By these, before hinted, you see, that one Semibreve contains two Minims; two Minims contain four Crotchets; four Crotchets contain eight Quavers; eight Quavers contain sixteen Semiquavers; and sixteen Semiquavers contain thirty-two Demisemiquavers: So that, in a Mathematical Sense, if the Semibreve be one Bar of Time, the Minim is one 2d; the Crotchet one 4th; the Quaver one 8th; the Semiquaver one 16th; and the Demisemiquaver one 32d Part, &c.

Before the Year 1330, the several Degrees of Sound were all express'd of an equal Length of Time; when Johannes.

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de Maris, Doctor of Paris, invented our different Figures, called Notes and Rests, and gave them the foregoing Names, &c. &c.

# Of 3 Old Notes, and Rests.

When Notes were first invented, they used three other Sorts of Notes, i. e. a Breve, a Long, and a Large.

1: The Breve, was a large square Note, and as long as two Semibreves; and its Rest was drawn by a broad Stroke

over a whole Space, from Line to Line. Thus:

2. The Long, was a large square Note, as long as two Breves, with a Tail on one Side; and its Rest was drawn

a-cross two Spaces, thus:

3. A Large, was a larger square Note, with a Tail on each Side of it, and was as long as two Longs; and its

Rest was as two Long Rests, &c. and made thus:

But, these Notes are seldom used, but in old Musick, being too long for any Voice or Instrument, except the Organ; or in Chants, &c. to express the Reading-Tone: So that the Semibreve, which is now our longest Note, was formerly their shortest.

N. B. That although we do not now use the Breve, Long, nor Large, yet we use their Rests, in Anthems not prickt or printed in Score, to express how many Bars each Part is to Rest, or keep silent, before that Part sings, or plays again; which are set with Figures over them, Thus:

(N. B. R stands for Rest.)

# § 2. Of other Characters used in Musick.

#### EXPLANATION.



1. DA Flat (or rather a Feint) is a Mark of Contraction, and used to fink any Note it is set before, half a Tone lower.—Suppose a Note should rise a whole Tone, and I place a Flat before it, it must then rise but half a Tone; the same as from Mi to fa, or from la to fa, &c.—In like Manner all Flats that are placed at the Beginning of the five Lines, serve to flat or fink all such Notes as shall fall on that Line or Space thro' the whole Stanza or Lines, except any Note be contradicted by an accidental Natural, or Sharp.—Flats are also used to regulate the B-mi, in Transposition of Keys.

2. # A Sharp, is a Mark of Extension, contrary in Nature to a Flat, and is used to raise or sharpen any Note it is set before, half a Tone higher. Suppose a Note should fall a whole Tone, and I place a Sharp before it, then it must fall but half a Tone; the same as from Mi to fa, or from fa to la, &c. Observe, that all Sharps that are fixed at the Beginning of the five Lines, serve to sharpen, or raise, all such Notes that happen on that Line or Space, through the Strain or Stanza; which Sharps (as well as Flats) serve to regulate the Tones to the Diatonick Order, when the Key

is transpos'd, &c.

3. A Slur, or Bow, is drawn under, or over the Heads of any Number of Notes, when they are fung but to one Syllable, one Breath, or one draw with the Bow. Oftentimes you'll meet with Notes tied together with Strokes drawn thro' the Tails, which are done for more Ease to the Sight. If they have single Strokes, they are Quavers; if double Strokes, they are Semiquavers; and if treble Strokes, they are Demisemiquavers, &c.

4. (?) A Point, or Point of Addition, is a little Dot, always placed on the right Side of any Note, to denote that it must be held half as long again as it was before. When this Point is added to a Semibreve, it must then be held as

long as 3 Minims; so of Crochets, Quavers, &c.

# An Example of Pointed Notes.



N. B. That fometimes you will meet with a Point at the Beginning of a Bar, which belongs to the last Note in the foregoing Bar; which Notes are called Syncopation, or Driving-Notes.

#### EXAMPLE.



#### The same by Notes.



5. A Director, is always placed after the last Note of any Stanza or Line of Musick, at the End of the five Lines, in order to direct the Practitioner to the Place of the first Note on the following Line. By some this Character is call'd, an Index.

6. Il A Divider, is placed betwirt the feveral Columns of Musick, when two, three, four, or more Parts move together; in order to divide the Score of the Composition, that the Sight may not be perplex'd with a Multitude of Lines together; which Character shews, what Parts belong to one another, and move together, and which do not, &c.

7. :s: A Repeat, or a Return, denotes a Repetition, or that fuch a Strain of the Composition must be repeated over again from the Note the Character is set over, under, or after.

N. B. This Character is likewise used in Canons, in order to direct the Performer, that the following Parts or Fuges are to fall in at such Notes it is placed over, &c.

8. A Bar, is a straight Stroke drawn perpendicular athwart the five Lines, and divides the Time of the Composition according to the Measure-Note of the Movement.

of Musick; and if it be dotted on each Side, thus, :||: it then denotes a Repetition, or that such a Part or Strain is to be repeated. It also signifies a Pause, or to rest, so long

These Bars are mostly used in Church-Musick, in order to give Time between the Lines, that the Congregation may not be confus'd by too quick a Movement, that the

whole Congregation may stop together between the feve-

ral Lines of the Pfalms, &c.

as the Measure-Note contains.

10. \( \frac{1}{2} \) A Natural, is a Mark of Restoration, and usually set before any Note, in the Middle of the Composition, that was made either flat, or sharp on that Line, or space, at the Beginning of the five Lines; in order to take away the flat

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or sharp Quality given to such Notes by the Flats, or Sharps so placed; causing such Notes to be sung or play'd in their

Natural primitive Sound. Some call this a Proper.

Hence it is to be noted, that every Letter in the Scale of Musick hath three several Terms or Denominations, according to the Sound given, i. e. Natural, Flat, and Sharp; the Natural being a Medium between the other two Extremes.—(See the Notes on Page 4.)

11. tr. The Trilloe, or Shake, is the principal Grace used

in Musick; that is, to move, or shake your Voice, or Infrument, distinctly on one Note, or Syllable, the Distance

of a whole Tone, as thus:

#### EXAMPLE.



First, move slow, then faster by Degrees; (as you see in every *Bar* of this *Example*) and by observing this Method, you'll certainly gain the Perfection of it by *Practice*.

I do not mean, that you should hold your Shake so long as this Example; but that you should move as quick as possible while the Length of the Note is performing. But I will add another Example, and place a (tr.) over the Notes you are to shake.

### As for EXAMPLE.



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The Trilloe, or Shake, may be used in all descending Prick'd Notes, and always before a Close; also on all descending sharp'd Notes, and all descending Semitones; but none shorter than Crotchets.

There is another Grace used in Musick that requires much Judgment, called the Grace of Transition; that is, to flur, or break a Note to sweeten the Roughness of a Leap; and in Instrumental Musick, Transition is often used on the Note before a Close. But let me give you an Example of this, first as it is usually prick'd, with the Grace under it, and the Bass plac'd at the Bottom; which is called

An Example of TRANSITION, or Breaking of Notes.



By this Example, you fee how you may make Transtions; which are often prick'd down in very small Notes, supernumerary to the Time, in every Bar; which, by the Italians, are called Appoggiatura-Notes, they being, as it were, to bear, or lean on, as you skip over Intervals, to soften the Roughness of a Leap, &c. which is the Perfection of a Singer, be it Man or Woman.

ing, that it may be held *longer* than its usual Length of Time: And in Chanting-Tunes, it is commonly placed over

the Note of the Reading-Tone, &c .-

When any Rest is placed just under any Hold, that stands over any Note, it then denotes, that you may either rest, or centinue the Sound of the said Note as long as the Rest contains: It being never used but on Words of great Importance, to express the real Passion of the Subject; or, in order that all Performers may listen if they are in true Order. By some, this Character is called a Surprize; and may be used at Pleasure, though not mark'd down; our double-Bars, between the Lines of our Psalm-Tunes, signifying much the same.

13. A Close, or Conclusion, is three, four, five, or more Bars drawn across the five Lines, after the last Note of a Piece of Musick, in a conical Form, each diminishing in Length, till it ends in a Point towards the right; which signifies the Conclusion of the Composition; or a Final Close of

all the Parts, in the Principal Key, &c. thus:

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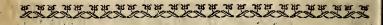
#### —The Whole in Verse.—

The Semibreve, our Measure-Note we call,
Good Reason why, for it includeth all
The lesser Notes; as I before have told,
On Page eleven, you may the same behold.
A Flat, (or Feint,) doth press a Sound down low'r,
Just half a Tone, to what it was before:
And what if so? if Tune should then require,
A Natural will raise't a half Tone high'r.

If Natural Tones should be too flat, and dull, A Sharp will raise your Tones more high and full By half a Tone, than what they were before; Which if too high, a Natural will bring low'r, And restify both Flat, and Sharp, in Score. A Slur, doth many Notes together join; A Point, it addeth half as much more Time: A Repeat; caufeth Parts to move again, And Double Bars, they do divide each Strain. A Single Bar, doth well divide the Time : And a Direct, guides to the following Line: A Rest, craves Silence, be it short, or long; The Trill, or Shake, doth ornament the Song.

As the Divider keeps the Score in Bounds, Ev'n so the Close includes the latest Sounds.

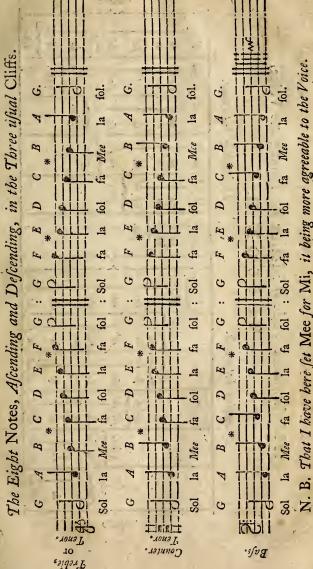
Learn first by Cliffs to call your Notes Both Lines and Spaces right: Then Tune in Time, to ground your Skill In Musick's fweet Delight.



#### CHAP. III.

Of Tuning the Voice; and of Accents: Of Intonation; and of the Original Use of the Pitch-Pipe.

O give you Directions for Tuning your Voice: First, you must regularly ascend and descend the Eight Notes, according to the Diatonick Order of the Scale; and then 3ds, 4ths, 5ths, 6ths, 7ths, and 8ths; (proving the true Distance by the interposing Degrees) and then descend again; always having true Regard to the two Natural Semitones, to fing every Fa Flat, (or feint) according to the Three following LESSONS: A Star being placed to Thew the Semitones \* .-



A Mathematical Scale of Musick for Tuning the Voice.

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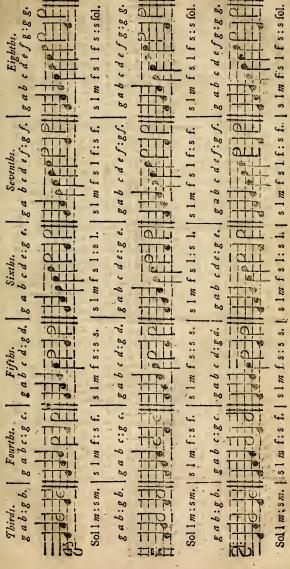
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10f 10f	fa f				
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19 19	$ \begin{cases} fa &  a  \\ 1a &  a  \\ 3ds. \end{cases} $	·			
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	5 ths.	mi la fol fol.			
	4ths, fol 5th				
	3 ds.	mi mi la fol jol			
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# The same Examples by Notes Practically, in Three Cliffs.





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ding.	Thirds.   Fourths.   Fifths.   Sixths.   Sevenths.   Sevenths.   Eighths.   gfedcbag: gg.   gfedcbag: gg.		Solf1:s1.   sf1s:ss.   sf1sf:sf.   f1sfm:sm.   sf1sfm1:s1.   sf1sfm1:s160.	gfeige, gfedigd, gfedige, gfedcbigb, gfedcbaiga, gfedcbaggs.	Solf1:s1.   sfls:ss.   flsf:sf.   sfls.fm:sm.   sflsfml:s1.   sflsfmls:sfol.	8 fe: ge.   g fe d: g d: g fe d c: g c.   g fe d c b: g a.   g fe d c b a g: g g.    Solf1: s 1.   s f1 s: s s.   s f1 s f: s f.   s f1 s f m: s m.   s f1 s f m1 s: s fol.	
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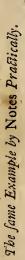
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Then, (if you please,) fing the same Sounds again by Letters, which will be a Means to make you thoroughly acquainted with the Gamut; remembering always their Places on the five Lines, &c. and then sound the several Intervals, without proving, by Degrees, till you can do the Whole perfectly, both by way of sol-fa, and by way of Letters.

This Rule well Tun'd, and Learnt by Heart, Will teach you ev'ry Sound, and Part.

#### LESSON III.

Two Sounds in one Tone.





By this Method you may found as many Notes on one Tone, as you please, &c. But, next proceed to some plain Tune, which will be as easy as any Example that can be given, &c. always observing to tune your Voice as often in the Flat Key, as you do in the Sharp Key: But of this you'll know more, when I come to treat of Transposition.

This Rule directs how many Notes (as one)
May fill continue in the felf-same Tone.
Thus much for Tuning the Voice.

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I hus much for Tuning the Voice.

### § 2: Of the Accents in Musick.

I N common Speech, the Word Accent fignifies the Tone of the Voice; of which the Grammarians have fundry Sorts, mark'd by various Dashes over the Vowels; fignifying a more high or low, longer or shorter Tone of the Voice; or a more pressing Emphasis, or Tone, on such Syllables, or Words, as are more to be taken Notice of than any other; in order to strike such Vowels, Words, Syllables, or Sentences more pressing to the Audience, according as the Passion and

Subject requires, &c .- So, in Musick,

An Accent, is a Sort of wavering or Shaking of the Voice, or Instrument, on certain Notes, with a stronger or weaker Tone than the rest, &c. to express the Passion thereof; which renders Musick (especially Vocal) so very agreeable to the Ear, it being chiefly intended to move and affect; and on this the very Soul and Spirit of Musick depends, by reason it touches and causes Emotions in the Mind, either of Love, Sorrow, Pity, or any other Passion whatsoever, &c.—This is what is called the Accented, and Unaccented Parts of the Measure; which the Italians call Tempo Buono, or Time-Good; and Tempo-Cattivo, or Time, or Measure-Bad; that is to say, the good, and bad, Parts of the Measure. &c.

In Common Time, the first Notes of the Beginning of a Bar, and the first Notes of the .ast Half of the Bar is the Accented

Part; that is, the first and third Crotchet of every Bar, the rest being the Unaccented Parts: But, in Tripla-Time (where Notes go by three and three) the first of the three is the Ac-

cented Part, and the rest the Unaccented.

The Accented Parts should be always as full of Harmony as possible, and as void of Discords as may be, in order to render the Composition the more affecting: But the Unaccented Parts may consist of Discords, and the like, without any great Offence to the Ear, &c. This being a Part of Musick, that few or no Authors have very rarely mention'd; altho' it is the whole Ornament and Spirit of every Composition, especially when any Person performs alone.

In Common Time, remember well by Heart,
The First and Third is the Accented Part:
And if your Musick Tripla-Time should be,
Your Accent is the first of ev'ry three.

### § 3. Of Intonation; and of the Use of the Pitch-Pipe, and its Original.

NTONATION, properly signifies, the giving of the Pitch, Tone, or Key of the Composition, &c. which is generally done by an Instrument, or Tone of the Voice, by the head Performer, in order that the rest of the Singers may set their Voices in that Order before they begin the Composition

sition; for which a Pitch-Pipe is of excellent Use.

Cast but your Eye into the Writings of primitive Authors, you'll find, that Anastasius, Pope Leo, and St. Hilary (Bishop of Poitiers, who is said to be the very first that compos'd Hymns to be sung in Churches, and was follow'd by St. Ambrose) and several others, erected several Musick Schools, called Schola Cantorum; and that such Tunes as were anciently sung, were called Chants; as, the Ambrosian Chant, the Gregorian Chant, &c. from the Authors who compos'd them; which Tunes were sung in Unison by the whole Congregation; and that some of which might the better begin, and

and keep up the Key or Tone (which they call Tonos, in Greek; Tonus, in Latin; or Tone in English) they thought it convenient, to have a Bell, or a large Organ-Pipe, whereon a Person, for that Purpose, used to sound the Tone of the Key to the Congregation, always beginning, and ending the Tune; and often sounding in the Middle, if it was thought sit, in order to keep up the Choir to the true and regular Pitch; which Key or Tone, is a certain Determinate, Dominant, and principal Degree of Sound, which regulates every Tone, proportioned to the Voices. The Practice of this, was greatly recommended by the learned Benedictine, in a Treatise wrote by him, in the Year 1673; who also charged the Organist often to sound the Key in many Places, to keep the Tone thereof always in the Peoples Memory: which Mr. Bossard says, is the very best Method that ever appear'd in the Practice of Divine Musick.

Thus you see, that a Pitch-Pipe, in Likeness, is a very ancient Instrument, and greatly approv'd of by the Learned, though it has been but little in Vogue with us, till within these thirty Years; for, I remember, I went several Miles to see the first I heard talk'd of; which Instrument is greatly improv'd to what it was in former Days, and is of singular Use in all Kinds of Musick, i. e. for setting of many unfix'd Instruments in Tune, as well as in Vocal Musick; we having it now so as to carry in a Pocket, and on whose Register or Stop, is mark'd the several Letters of the Scale of Musick; which Tones, either Flat, Sharp, or Natural, being given by drawing the Register, which enlarges the Tube, or Cavity, so as to contain such a Quantity of Air, as will produce any Degree of Sound, whether Grave or Acute, &c. But I shall say more of Air, when I come to treat of the Nature of Sound. (See Book 3d. p. 72.

If you would Key a Composition of various Parts for any Choir or Company of Singers, and have not a Pitch-Pipe, nor any Instrument depending; First, take a View thro' the whole Composition, and try if you can sound the highest Notes of the upper Parts above the Key Note, and also the lowest

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Notes of the Bass Bellow; which if you can do without squeaking or grumbling, and all other Voices perform clear and smcoth; then may your Song be said to be pitch'd in a proper Key; for it is a general Maxim among Musicians, that, "A Tune well Key'd, is half sung:" But, oh! how intolerable is some Psalmody performed in many Places, for want of Judgment in this Point! whose Leaders are so stupidly conceited, as not to use a Pitch-Pipe! For it is daily found, by Experience, that Psalmody is very rarely well perform'd without it, unless by mere blind Chance; and on the contrary, very compleat, where they always make use of it, to use it with Judgment.

But it was always my Method, first to found my Musick on such Keys as best suited the Compass of all Voices, both above and below; and then, if I sound the Parts would move smoother, half a Tone higher, or lower than the Letter of the Key, I then set a Direction to the Composition, in order to direct the Choir how to set the Register of the Pipe accordingly: But our new Consort-Pitch is more sit for Vocal Performance than the old Consort-Pitch, which is half a Tone lower. (See my New Royal Melody Compleat, being, A New BOOK of PSALMODY, all newly set, in Four Parts,

with Variety of New Anthems, &c.)

This Instrument some Teachers do refuse, And laugh at Things, they know not how to use: So self-conceited Fools deem all I hings wain That others do; which they cannot attain.

Such Paper-Skulls, much better had been mute, Unless they were more able to dispute, And speak with Judgment:—But, alas! we find, Those Tongues run most, whose Brains lie most behind. 

#### CHAP. V.

Of the KEYS in Musick, Natural, and Artificial: and of Transposition.

AKEY, (in Musick) is a certain Principal Dominant Tone, which regulates every Tone else to a certain Degree or Pitch of Acuteness or Gravity; occasioning every Member of the whole Composition to move in a true Decorum; and without which, every minute Part of the Scale would be nothing but Confusion: For as every Branch of a Sermon depends on the Text given, even so every Member or Note of a Composition depends on this Dominant Tone call'd the Key.

On this Key or Tone (I fay) depends the Air and Judgment of the whole Song or Composition; and this is the PRINCIPAL TONE that governs all the rest; and from which Sound, every Distance, above or below it, may be Tunably regulated, fo long as this Key, Tone, or Sound is kept in Memory: -But when once the Sound of your Key is loft, and confusedly put out of Mind, then the Whole becomes nothing but a Piece of noisy Jargon and Confusion. Like, as (in Geometry) the Bounds of a Circle depend on its Point or Center, even so (in Musick) does every Member of a Composition depend on its Proper-Tone or Key.

The Key-Note, is the last Note of the Bass, (which is the Foundation of all other Parts, be they ever fo many;) all Octaves or Eighths, in the upper Parts, being counted the fame in Effect, &c. This Key Note ending the Song, like a Period at the End of a Sentence; for when the Sense of a

Sentence is full, nothing else is expected after it, &c.

There are but Two, which are call'd Natural or Primitive-Keys, viz. C faut, the Natural-sharp and chearful Key; and Are, the Natural Flat and melancholy Key: So that no

Tune

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Tune can be prick'd down on any other Key whatsoever, but on these Two, without the placing of either Flats, or Sharps at the Beginning of the Five Lines, in order to change the B-MI, and regulate the Natural-semitones.

An Example of the Natural-Order of the Natural-Sharp-Key, C, Mathematically.



The same by Notes.



Suppose your Key be C, as the above Example, count the Number of Semitones in the First 3d, above the Key-Note, saying, C, D, E; or Fa, sol, la; which is a Major or Sharp-Third, containing Four Semitones; and also the Major 6th of Nine Semitones; and the Major 7th, of Eleven Semitones.

An Example of the Order of A, the Natural-Flat-Key, Mathematically,



The same by Notes.



If your Key is A, as the above Example, then is your First 3d above your Key-Note, A, B, C; or La, mi, fa; a Minor or Flat-Third, of but Three Semitones; and also the Minor 6th, of Eight Semitones; and the Minor 7th, of but Ten Semitones above the Key-Note: But the Octave is always the same again, in any Key whatsoever: You being half a Tone higher in the very first 3d of the Sharp-Key, than you are in the Flat-Key; and, this is the very Reason, one Key is called Sharp and chearful; and the other slat, soft, and mournful: One being proper for solid and grave Subjects, and the other for Subjects more chearful, merry and sprightly: which Examples shew the Places of the two Natural-semitones, in every Octave; either in the Sharp, or Flat, Key, &c.

thro the Two Primitive Keys, flat, or sharp; from the Key-Note below, to its Octave, of the same, above, &c. &c.—N. B. The dotted Lines serve for both Flats An exact SCALE of Practical Musick: Shewing, by parallel Lines, the Number of emitones included in every Interval; as they progressively ascend, in Diatonick Order, or Sharps.

C-faut, the Sharp-Key. A-re, the Flat Key.

In the Sharf-key, the 3d, 6th, and 7th, are Major.

In the Flat-key, the 3d, 6th, and 7th, are Minor.

## § 2. Of Transposition, of B-MI, &c. Of B-MI, Transposed by Flats.

To Transpose, or remove a Piece of Musick from off one Key, and to set it on another, First, you are to consider that B-M I is the Master Note, and governeth all other Notes in Regular-Order, both above, and below it, and cometh but once in every Octave; your Natural Sharp Key-Note, being the very next Degree above it, and your Natural Flat-Key Note the next Tone below it.—And secondly, that the Quality of B-M I-Note, is always sharp and chearful, and may be made Flat, by placing a Flat thereon, at the Beginning of the five Lines, which Flat changes the Place of B-Mi, to the Quality of la: Then, if la be there fixed, B-Mi must of Necessity be Transposed four Notes higher (or five lower) to E, that the natural Semitones may be kept in Regular Diatonick-Order. (This being called the First Remove by a Flat.)

The Second Remove by Flats, is, to place another Flat on E (that was B-Mi before) and then A must be Mi a 4th above, or a 5th below the Place whereon it stood be-

fore: Then you have both B and E Flat.

The Third Remove by Flats, is to flat A, and then D is B-Mi; you then having B, E, and A flat; and by this Method, you may by Flats artificially Transpose the Mi to any of the other six Letters in the Scale of Musick, till you hunt it home again to its primitive Place: Observing, That,

{ From the last Flat, on Line or Space, Four Notes above, B.MI, hath Place. } And that, Below each Flat the Half-Tone lies,

Below each Flat the Half-Tone lies,

And o'er each Sharp the Half does rife.

#### Example of B-mi, Transposed by Flats.

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#### Of B-mi, Transposed by Sharps.

To change Mi into la by Sharps on the five Lines, your first Sharp must be on F, and B-Mi will be on F also: Your B-Mi being always with the last Sharp.

The second Remove by Sharps, is, to place a second Sharp on C, a 5th above, or a 4th below the Place of Mi, and then will C be Mi; you having both F, and C Sharp.

The Third Remove by Sharps, is, to place a Sharp on G, and G will be B-Mi also; you then having F, C, and G Sharp, and by this Method, you may artfully by Sharps place the B-Mi on any of the other fix Letters, of the Scale, till you chase it Home to its first or primitive Seat, &c.

—Observing that,

When that by Sharps the B-Mi doth remove, Last Sharp, and B-Mi are five Notes above.

EXAMPLE of B-mi, &c. Transposed by Sharps.



E the next, and A the next, &c. for which Reason, B is flatted first, E next, and A next, &c. so that if B be flatted, E must not; but, if E be flatted, B must.—Also, F is the flattest Note, C the next, and G the next, &c. for which Reason, F is sharped first, C next, and G next, &c. so that if F be sharped, C must not; but, if C be sharped, then F must; to bring the Scale into its Natural-Diatonick-Order. Mark-well this Secret.

By the two foregoing Examples of Bmi, (transpos'd on all the seven Letters of the Scale, by the regular placing of Flats and Sharps,) you see that all other Notes, in their Regular-Diatonick-Order, are transposed along with it; which, like so many Attendants, stand in their Order, and are governed by Bmi, both above and below; and take their Respective Names in Artificial-Order; as they do in their first Natural-Order; varying only with respect to Line and Space; and must be strictly solfa'd accordingly,

in every Change, and Cliff, &c.

Hence it is, that Transposition was contrived to bring every Composition, as near as possible, within the Limits of Voices, and the five Lines; by Reason many Tunes cannot be kept in such Bounds, nor yet to be practicable, neither by Voices, nor by Instruments:—For, suppose a Sharp-Key, in C-sol-faut in the Tenor, should rise eight Notes to the Octave or Key above, how could they be prick'd down without two Ledger-Lines above the five; or, could any Voice perform it unless I Transpos'd it lower?—Then, if I set a Sharp on F, and place my Key four Notes lower on G, and pricked down all other Notes of the Piece in their regular Distance, above and below it, it will stand better in the Compass of the five Lines, and more easy for both Voice, and Eye: And this is the very Reason that Transposition was invented, &c.

Many there are, who greatly object against the last Remove of Sharps (where E is sharp'd, and becomes, B-Mi;) and say, That Remove is farther than the Rule will bear; and that there

are

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are no Places for the two Semitones, by Reason E should not

be sharp'd.

Tho' I was once so mistaken myself, and even so consident as to affert it, by the ill Example of others; but since, by Study, I know better, let me ask those who object this Remove, these two Questions, viz. 1st. What Difference is there between E Natural and F Natural? To which must be answered, Half a Tone:—and 2dly, What Difference is there between E Sharp, and F Sharp? To which again must be answer'd, Half a Tone: which Questions, I think are sufficient to prove the RULE, to be as good even to the last, as it was at the first setting out, thro'out the whole, &c.

#### § 3. Of Artificial-Keys.

A L L Artificial-Keys must be formed to be the same in Effect, as the Two Natural ones, by placing the Bmi, (or Master-Note,) the very next Sound either above or below the Key-Note you six upon; whether your Key be flat, or sharp.

Examples of the Seven Sharp Keys; as C-Natural.

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Examples of the Seven Flat Keys; as A-Natural.

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By these two Examples you see how every Artificial-Key is Founded, according to the Two original Natural-Keys; which when rightly fol-fa'd, according to the Transposition, will be the very same in Effect. The Note herein printed, signifies the Key-note, which is the last Note of the Bass, &c. of every Composition: All Octaves being the same.

Querey, You say, that every change of Key must be fol-fa'd, when sung, according to the Transposition; pray must the

Letters be changed in like Manner?

Indeed they certainly ought, else you only Transpose the Note B-mi : And altho' in Instrumental-Musick, the Practitioners play by Letters, and play such Notes Flat, or Sharp, as they are mark'd, yet all Persons of Judgment know they are all changed in Effect as the Natural-Key, and place their Flats, or Sharps to bring their Keys into the same Order. has always been my Practice to teach my Scholars in the Natural-Keys, by Letters, as well as by fol-fa, that they may the better understand the Artificial ones, when they approach'd them. And, tho' to fing by Artificial-Letters, is uncommon amongst young Beginners, by Reason, they generally find it difficult enough to Sol-fa; yet it is very practicable if Care be taken; and, the best Way in learning Vocal-Musick; tho' the conceited and Ignorant despite Solfaing, thinking it too mean a Thing to be practifed in this polite Indolent Age. But alas!

The Fox complain'd the Grapes were fower, Because they bung above his Power.

{ Tho' Fourteen Keys I've placed here in View, } All, (in Effect,) are but the same as Two.

Moreover, and to be more critical Concerning Keys, I shall next give my Readers a View of the several Flat, and Sharp, Keys founded on every Semitone of the Ottave; both Diatonick, and Chromatick: i. e. Natural, Flat, or Sharp.

Flat



Fa.

G. Sol, Natural.

L2, m,

Fa. Sharp-

La, m, f-



By these Examples you see how to transpose any Piece of Musick out of one Key into another, so as to make your Key either Diatonick, or Chromatick, to the true Order of the Two Natural-Keys, &c. &c.

See the SCALE of Semitones, in Book I, Page 32.

§ 4. Of

#### § 4. Of Keys Disguis'd, &c.

Eing one Evening in Company with some Psalmodists, who were Busy in looking over New Pieces of Musick; one among it the rest, pull'd out a new Book, wherein the Word Anonimous adorn'd the Head of many Pages; on one particularly, I saw an old Tune strangely disguis'd, its Key being G, with no Flats, nor Sharps at the Beginning; but the Half-Tones were reconciled to the Natural-Key by accidental Flats, and it Ended Sol, or G.—This Teacher they extoll'd for his Judgment, to render him Famous; although they were ignorant in the matter.

Surely, no Man, that has any Judgment, in Musick, will ever agree that such a Lesson can be either right or practicable; by Reason, the last Note is neither comformable to the Natural-Flat-Key, nor yet to the Natural-Sharp-Key; it ending neither in A, nor yet in C: i. e. Neither Fa, nor La. Therefore, it must either be ignorantly done, or only to puzzle the Practitioners. For every Key ought to be founded by Transposition, according to one of the Two Natural Ones.

Other Tunes I have also seen, in several Parts, wherein B-mi, in one Part was Transposed by Flats, and in other Parts, by Sharps; done for Curiosity Sake, only to disquise the Piece, and puzzle the Performer; and the such Parts may be performed by Voices; by Reason, Voices are conformable to one Pitch, yet, it will not do for Instruments;— For Instance,—Suppose your Key is E, with a sharp-Third, and B-mi is on D in the Bass, by Sharps; and also on D, in the Tenor or Upper-Part, by Flats; Then is the Key-Note of your Tenor or Upper-Part, a Semitone lower, than the Key-Note of your Bass; the they both End on one Letter: By Reason, E in the Tenor or Upper-Part, must be play'd Flat, and E in the Boss is play'd natural:
—But, such Pieces will never do for Instruments, unless all Parts are Transposed one Way, by either Flats, or Sharps, as I before hinted.

### § 5. Of Objections against Sol-fa-ing, &c.

UNSKILFUL Singers, badly trained, and also untutor'd Instrumental-men, say, I give my Pupils unnecessary Trouble, by obliging them severally to Sol-faevery individual Note, according to the Transposition of B-mi; and that I need only Sol-fa all by the natural Names, and call all flur'd Notes only by the Name of the First, &c. from which I well know how Idleness prevails, as well as Ignorance: And that all fuch will ever fo remain as long as they continue in that conceited Opinion.

Can any Sound ever be so well understood as by its proper Name? No, such false Names turn the Scale of Musick Topfy Turvey, and confound the very First Rudiments. fides, when any Person thoroughly knows the Natural-Order of the Scale, how easy is it to keep the regular Course of Notes according to it, altho' they stand on contrary, Lines and Spaces; by which Method, every Person learns every Piece of Musick Note by Note, and by the very same Names as if they were always fet in the Natural Key, Flat, or Sharp.

As to Instrumental-Men, they call their Lessons F sharp, or B flat, &c. meaning only that fuch Letters were flatted or sharp'd at the Beginning of the five Lines; and that they always observ'd to play such Letters flat or sharp, &c. and that they thought that was enough for them to. Observe; and that all other Methods were useless: without having any Regard to either Key, or 3d; nor had some even so much Judgment as to know one Key from another. - But this we must excuse, by Reason, now a Days, very sew take any more Pains only just to know their 7 Letters, on their Instruments.

Thus, for want of a true Knowledge of Keys, Sol-faing, Transposition, &c. Conceit leads thousands into Error; by not regarding the first Rudiments of Musick, viz. Sol-faing; D 3

which

which is The CHIEF REMINDER of the first Principles of Song, &c. [N. B. That Sol-faing is prudently used to Pfalmody, that the Sacred Word may not be prophan'd, by careless Repetitions.]

§ 6. Tones most to be regarded, in Singing.

ILIGENT Study, Practice, and Experience, daily teacheth, that, in finging, there are some particular Tones, which being well regarded, ferve in a great Measure as a Guide to keep Singers in Tune on all the rest, viz. The Principal-Tone is the Key-Note, and B-mi, which causes it to be either Flat, or Sharp, &c. - Somethere are who have only regard to B-mi, but as that comes but once in an Octave, I think it requires not so much Attention as Fa, which comes twice in an Octave, which Tones must always befunk or Feinted, whenfoever you hit upon them, or elfe you immediately lose the Air of your Composition; for Fa is to be regarded in your Flat-Third, to keep you in the Air of the Flat-Key: and in like Manner must you regard la in the Sharp-Third; which keeps you in the Air of the Sharp-Key also; for which Reason, such Tones ought always to be kept in Memory, &c.

First, have in Mind your Proper-Key,
And B-mi, that doth all Notes sway;
And sharply sound each Sharp-Third's La,
And softly Tone each flat-Third's Fa:
Tone right each sixth, and (I presume)
They'll keep all other Sounds in Tunc.

Your's W. TANS'UR, Senior.



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Of Time in general, and all its Moods; and how to beat any of them:

HIS Part of Musick is called TIME, and is as necesfary to be understood as Tune, by Reason no one can fing, nor play, without having the true Notion of it, neither in Concert, nor alone, to give any Delight to a Mufical Ear; for by Time, kept by true Motion, every Note is justly regulated, so as all move in a true Decorum, be

the Parts ever fo many.

And as the Tones are represented to us by certain Charatters, on parallel Lines and Spaces, Cliffs, Flats, Sharps, &c. even so is the Prolation or Length distinguished by certain Characters called Notes, with their respective Rests, when divided by Bars, to regulate the Movement; ascertaining the Number of Beats contained in every Bar, by a pendulous Instrument: with Moods or Marks directing thereunto, &c.

Of Time, our Musicians make Two Sorts, or Measures, viz. Binary-Measure, and Trenary-Measure, i. e. Common-Time, and Tripla-Time: (though in Effect both are but as one, with Regard to a pendulous Motion) differing only

in velocity.

Binary Measure, or Common-Time, is so called from its Rise being equal to its Fall, when you measure the Length of your Bars, by the Motion of your Hand or Foot, &c. which Motions are called Time and Measure, by the regular Motions of a Pendulum: Four of which Beats or Pulses are the Length of a Semibreve, Two the Length of a Minim, and One the Length of a Crotchet; (A Quaver being reckoned, in Time, as the Pulse or Beat of a common Watch.) So that One Pulse of the Royal-Pendulum, of a Clock is the Time of 2 Quavers, 4 Semiquavers, or 8 Demisemiquavers; or their respective Rests, &c. - See Pendulum, in the Dictionary Part.

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#### § 1. Of Common-Time.

A STIME is regulated by Motion, so Common-Time, is measured by even Numbers, 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, &c. when one Bar includes such a Quantity of Notes as amount to one Semibreve; which is called the Measure-Note, the Time-Note, or a Whole-Time.

And, as the Semibreve is held so long as you may leifurely tell 1, 2, 3, 4; you may keep your Hand or Foot down while you tell, in Thought, 1, 2: and up while you say, 3, 4; you having once down, and once up in every Bar: But in doing this, your Thought must guide the Motion, and not the Motion drive the Thought into Hurry and Confusion; this being the most Curious Branch of Musical Performance, &c.

If your Musick consists of two Minims in a Bar, then you sound one whilst you tell 1, 2, down; and the other while you say, 3, 4, up.—If four Crotchets in a Bar, then 2 down, and 2 up.—If eight Quavers in a Bar, then you beat 4 down, and 4 up, &c. each Bar contains 2 Beats, and each

Beat 2 Motions or Pulses, &c.

Some there are, who make 4 Beats to every Bar, i. e. one to each Crotchet, 2 to a Minim, and 4 to a Semibreve; which Method I rather chuse than the former, in any Time whatsoever; observing to have the Hand or Foot down at the first Note in every Bar, and to beat all Rests as if they were Notes, &c.

In Common-Time, there are three Moods, viz. The Adagio-Mood: The Largo-Mood: And the Allegro-Mood.

Ift, The Adagio-Mood, denotes a very flow Movement, and is mark'd thus:

Adagio-Mood, mark'd thus:

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3d, The Allegro-Mood, is half as quick again as the Largo-Mood (and as quick again as the Adagio-Mood)

and is thus mark'd:

or 4=

So that a Minim in Allegro, is but as a Crotchet in the

Adagio, &c.

N.B. Sometimes, in this Mood, you have but 2 Crotchets in a Bar, mark'd thus  $\frac{2}{4}$ , being perform'd as 2 diminish'd Minims: which, I think, are the most proper Notes for this Mood, by reason it is as quick again as Adagio, and ought to consist of Crotchets in their primitive Lengths, and not of Minims half diminished, &c. being very brisk, and airy.

But the better to explain what I have said, I will set you an Example of Notes, with Figures over them, directing how to count the Time; and Letters (u, for up, and

d, for down) how to beat it.

#### Example of Common-Time Moods.

1. Adagio-Mood. Very flow, Binary-Measure.



2. Largo-Mood. One half quicker than Adagio.



3. Allegro-Mood. As quick again as Adagio.



#### § 2. Of Tripla-Time.

Renary-Measure, Tripla-Measure, or Tripla-Time, is fo called from its Fall being double to its Rise; i.e. beating as many more down as up.

Tripla-Time moves by threes; as 3 Minims, 3 Crotchets, or 3 Quavers in a Bar, to be just as long again down as up.

The Moods that we now use in Tripla-Time, are 12 in Number; of which observe the following Table.

# A Table of Tripla-Time Moods. Binary and Trenary.

4	12	12 Semiqua. in a Bar, 6 down, and 6 up.
	2   8	12 Quavers in a Bar, 6 down, and 6 up.
	12 4	12 Crotchets in a Bar, 6 down, and 6 up.
e G	6 19	9 Semiqua. in a Bar, 6 down, and 3 up.
Moods	6 8	9 Quavers in a Bar, 6 down, and 3 up.
nental N	9	9 Crotchets in a Bar, 6 down, and 3 up.
Inffrume	91	6 Semiqua. in a Bar, 3 down, and 3 up.
In	9 8	6. Quavers in a Bar, 3 down, and 3 up.
7.,	9 4	6 Crotchets in a Bar, 3 down, and 3 up.
ds.	က <u>ထို</u>	3-Quavers in a Bar, 2 down, and 1 up.
l Moods	2 4	3 Crotchets in a Bar, 2 down, and 1 up.
Vocal	0 0	3 Minims in a Bar, 2 down, and 1 up.

By this Table you fee the Mood, or Mark, for every Degree of Time, and also how to bar, and beat, any of them;

them: which Table will be of general Use to every Prac-

titioner, whether Vocal, or Instrumental.

It is to be noted, that all Sorts of Time are deducted from Common-Time, for which Reason, the lower Figures have Recourse thereunto, in order to denote what kind of Notes the Triple doth consist of.—Ex. gr. Suppose the Mood be mark'd thus: \(\frac{3}{2}\), then the 2 underneath imports, that the Triple must consist of Minims; and as 2 Minims make one Bar, in Common-Time, the 3 over the 2 directs, that you must sing 3 Minims (in Triple-Time) to 2 in Common-Time: So the 4 hath Regard to Crotchets, and 8 to Quavers, &c.—But, to set the whole in a clearer Light, I shall illustrate each Mood separately, as follows:

1. The first, and generally the flowest Mood in Tripla-Time is Sesquialtera Proportion (or Double Triple) being a Triple-Measure of 3 Minims to 2, such-like Notes in Common-Time, and perform'd in the same Time; which is half as quick again, or one third quicker than Common-Time, in every Bar: Two to be perform'd down, and one up, mark'd thus: \(\frac{3}{2}\). So that each Minim, in every Bar, is one third

diminish'd from those in Common-Time.

#### Three to Two.



This Mood is mostly used in Church, and other grave Musick, and generally perform'd slower than the Rule, by reason of the Solemnity of the Words, to which such Musick is usually adapted, &c. and to other grave Parts of Sonatas, &c.

2. The fecond Sort of Time, is, fingle Tripla, and vulgarly, (or rather ignorantly) call'd Three to Four; but rather

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ther should be Three from Four; each two of which to be performed down, and one up; mark'd thus: \(\frac{3}{4}\), being one Croschet less in every Bar than Common-Time: and mostly used to Anthems, Minuets, &c.

Three to Four: or, Three from Four.



Suppose, according to the first Term, it be call'd Three to Four, then it imports one fourth slower than Common-Time, because I must perform but 3 Crotchets in Tripla-Time, in the Time of 4, in Common-Time.—But, if I say, Three from Four, then I am one fourth quicker than Common-Time, by reason I have but 3 Crotchets in a Bar, and in Common-

Time there are 4.—Take each Term as ye like.

I have formerly been missed by adhering to the first Term before-mention'd; knowing that when the greater Number is over the less, then the Number of the Notes are more, in Proportion to the lower Figure; that the upper Number must be perform'd in the same Time as those of the lower Number: But, when the lower Figure is greater than the upper, then the Number of the Notes are lessened in every Bar: so that, with more Propriety we should always say from, and not to, &c. by Reason, all are drawn from Common Time.

3. The third Sort of Time, is also single Tripla, or Three from Eight, each Bar containing 3 Quavers, 2 down, and 1 up, mark'd thus: \frac{3}{4}, being five eighths less, in every Bar, than Common-Time, &c.

#### Three from Eight.



N. B. This Sort is mostly used for Minuets, &c.

4. The next Species, is Sextuple, (or Compound-Tripla, or Binary-Tripla-Time, by reason, the Fall is equal to the Rise:) and call'd Six to Four: each Bar containing 6 Crotchets, 3 down, and 3 up; mark'd thus,  $\frac{6}{4}$ ; each having one third diminish'd from those in Common-Time: and two Fourths more in every Bar.

#### Six to Four.



5. The fecond Sort of Sextuple, is also Compound-Tripla, or Binary-Tripla, and call'd Six from Eight; each Bar containing 6 Quavers, 3 down, and 3 up; mark'd thus: 5, being as quick again as 5; each Bar having Two Eighths less than those in Common-Time.



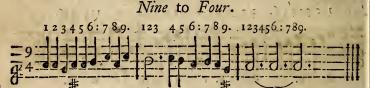
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6. The third Sort of Sextuple, is a Compound-Tripla, or Binary-Tripla, called Six from Sixteen; each Bar containing 6 Semiquavers, 3 down, and 3 up; being as quick again as  $\frac{6}{8}$ : having Ten Sixteenths less than Common-Time, in every Bar.



7. The next Species is a Compound Triple, in Trinary Measure, call'd Nine to Four, each Ban containing nine Crotchets, 6 down, and 3 up, marked thus:  $\frac{6}{4}$  being half as quick again as  $\frac{6}{4}$ , each Bar having five fourths more than those in Common-Time.



8. The second Sort of Compound-Tripla, in Trenary-Measure. is call'd Nine to Eight; each Bar including nine Quavers, 6 down, and 3 up, mark'd thus: \frac{9}{8}, being as quick again as \frac{9}{4}, each having \frac{1}{8} more than those in Common-Time.



9. The third Sort of Compound Triple, in Trenary Meafure is called Nine from Sixteen, each Bar containing Nine Semiquavers, 6 down, and 3 up, mark'd thus: \(\frac{7}{16}\), less than those in Common-Time.

#### Nine to Six:



to. The third Sort of Sextuple, is Binary Tripla, and call'd Twelve to Four; each Bar including twelve Crotebets, 6 down, and 6 up, mark'd thus: 1, being as quick again as 6, having Six Fourths more than those in Common-Time.

#### Twelve to Four.



11. The third Sort of Sextuple, is also Binary Measure, and call'd Twelve to Eight; each Bar containing twelve Quavers, 6 down, and 6 up, mark'd thus: 12/8, each having Four Eighths more than those in Common-Time.

#### Twelve to Eight.



12. The fourth Sort of Sextuple is Binary-Measure, called Twelve from Sixteen; each Bar including 12 Semiquavers; 6 beat down, and 6 up, marked thus: 12, being as fast again as 12; and Four Sixteenth's less than in one Bar of Common-Time.

#### Twelve to Sixteen.



These Twelve are all the various Moods, both Binary, and Trenary, that are now generally used in Musick, whether Vocal, or Instrumental: Though many more were used formerly, which we now count as needless as they were then perplexing; by Reason these modern Moods, here mentioned, are sufficient to gratify and please the Ear with all the Variety of Movements, that can be imagined, or defired, &c.

Observe, That both in Common-Time, and also in Tripla Time, that your Hand or Foot be down at the first Note in every Bar; and that all odd Notes before a Bar be perform'd with the Hand or Foot up: Also, that Rests must be consider'd, and beat, as if they were Notes, &c.

Sometimes, you'll meet with a Double-Bar, drawn between two Notes, when the Time is not perfect on either Side of it; both Notes making but one Bar of Time; but this mostly happens in Church-Musick, to divide the Lines of the Verse, &c. A Bar of Time being often given between them.

Observe also, that you often meet with 3 Quavers join'd with a 3 over them, or perhaps over the first three; which three are to be perform'd in the Time of one Crotebet, &c. &c. &c. ]

† Mark well also, That in many Compositions, that Repeat, in the last Part, from one Part of the Bar; that you must End the first Time but with Two Beats, tho' Three are prick'd down; in Order that your first Ending of Two Beats, and the first Note of your Repeated Part, may both make but one Bar of Time; and that you may End with Three Beats the last Time: For which Reason, all such Compositions ought to have Double-Endings; with 1, and 2, set over the Notes, in Order to shew their Difference in Length of Time. But these are often omitted for Want of Room.

N. B. That nothing is more mif-understood than the several Marks or Moods of Musick, by reason the Slow Tunes are generally prickt with the shortest Notes; and the quickest with the longest, &c.—Our slowest Mood \(\frac{3}{4}\) should never have but 3 Minims in a Bar, or else be laid quite aside; or be changed for \(\frac{3}{4}\), of 3 Crotchets.—The next of \(\frac{1}{3}\), is gently flow: And \(\frac{6}{3}\), for moderate lively Minuets, or Dancing-casts, equal down and up; being both lively gentle Sicilian Movements.

The 4 has no Meaning for Jiggs, unless for very flow ones: and the 2, and 12 is only for very brifk Jiggs, &c.

And, tho' the foregoing Directions import that your Hand, or Foot, must always be Down at the First Note in every Bar, it is now become a Practice, with many, to beat every Beat Down, in all Sorts of Time: And, I think, it is not very material how a Person beats, or what Motion he makes Use of, so it be but secret and modest, and, that he keeps a true and regular Movement, fo as to answer both Notes, and Rests; For, as all Time is measured from the regular Motions of a pendulous Instrument, which may be alter'd Quick or Slow, yet it depends on the Truth of its Movement; from which it appears to me, that, in Effect, there is but one Sort of Time, only made more Quick or Slow, at Pleasure, and Bar'd in Threes or Fours, just as the Auther pleases: For, the Word TIME, in Musick, does not only fignify the whole Measure of every Bar, be it Quick, E 2

therein, as 2, 3, 4 Times, &c. by Reason, in beating Time, you may imagine, or make fo many different Motions, as the Musick has Strikings; some of which are the Accented Parts of each Measure or Bar, and others, the unaccented;

as I mentioned in Page 25.

From what has been faid on this Part of Musick, it appears, that Time is govern'd by a Person's own Thoughts, and not by another's false antick Motions; for unless a Perfon can Count his Time in his Thoughts as he fees it, it is impossible for him either to beat it, or perform in Confort, as he ought to do; let the conceited, chimerical, and captious think what they will.

of In Beating Time, the Motion helps the Sight, 17 Yet, Thought's the Prime, to move all Parts aright.

I think, (with Submission to better Judgment) that all Triples may be compared with any of the three Binary-Moods, whether the Adagio, Largo, or Allegro, and vary in Velocity accordingly; but still to move in such a Degree of Quickness as best becomes the main Subject of the Words, or Paffion intended: Having observed that all Persons differ in Time, one from another, tho taught by one and the same Master; and cannot perform so well together; as if they had been regularly train'd up, and practited one with another -

A Person may be said to sing, or play Good Time, and yet, perhaps quicker or flower than another; by Reason he makes a true Distinction of Notes and Rests; and gives each its Proper Length, if he performs ever so quick or flow: But it is best to keep in a Medium, between the two Ex-

tremes.

Better would it be, if our Tripla-Time-Moods had the Common-Time-Moods always affigned just before them thus: C 3, &c. or at least, the Terms Adagio, Largo, or Allegro, set over the Cliff, at the Beginning of a Piece of Musick, or when the Time differs; for then, you might at one View know

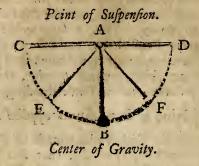
know what Sort of Binary Movement your Trenary is compared unto; and how quick, or flow the Movement was intended by the Author. This, I fay, would make Time very easy to every Practitioner, and take away many Obscurities that have heretofore confounded the Ignorant; for when Things are falsy compared together, the Absurdity thereof greatly darkeneth the Understanding, &c. &c.

#### § 3. The Doctrine of Pendulums applied to Musick.

N Mechanicks, the Observations made on Pendulums, is one of the nicest Pieces of Art, that late Times have discovered, (being first observed from the Oscillancy or Oscillation, or the waving or toffing of the Body to and fro, as practifed by Children on Planks laid across Pieces of Timber, weighing each other up and down) the Motion or Vibration of Pendulums, backwards and forwards, ascertaining the Number of Beats at any determinate Length, and the exact Quantity of Time that is spent in that Motion; from. which, those excellent Machines called Clocks and Clock-Work are made and regulated; for it is found by Experience, that a Pendulum, whose Length from the Point of Suspension to the Center of the Ball, is 39 Inches and 2 Tenths of an Inch, Vibrates or Beats Seconds, or 60 Times in one Minute; and for the Certainty and Excellency thereof, it is called The Royal Standard: For it is demonstrated, that all Lengths of Pendulums are to one another, as the Squares of the Times of the several Oscillations, &c.

I am told by Des Cartes, Kercher, Morely, Bacon, Digby, Malcolm, Holder, Sir Isaac Newton, Mr. Derham, Martin, and several others, too tedious here to mention, that Pendulums, were first observed, and brought in Use by the in-

genious Galileo; and in this Form:



#### EXPLANATION.

First, Take a Wire or String, of any Length you please, and fasten a Weight or Plummet at one End; then make a Hole or Noose at the other End, and hang it on a Nail, Point or Center; and it will hang perpendicular, as from A to B.—Then draw up the Ball or Plummet (so high from the Center of Gravity, as the Length between the Point of Suspension, and the Center of the Ball) towards the Point of the Semicircle C, and let it fall, and it will oscillate or swing towards D; and then come back again towards C, and move both Course and Recourse, i. e. forwards and backwards 'till it rests perpendicular at the Center of Rest or Gravity, B: Its Point of Suspension being A.

Here you are to observe, that, tho' the Plummet ranges a greater Compass between C and D, than it does between E and F, yet it always moves in Equal Spaces of Time, both forwards and backwards, till it reas on its Center B: for the wider Compass it moves more swift, and in the very same Time as when its Range is shorter; for the larger the Body is, the more flow in Proportion it

moves.

N. B. That whensoever, I speak of Oscillations, or Vibrations, I mean the Course and Recourse of the Plummet from Side to Side, being the Extremity of its Range: and not the Center B, by which it passets.

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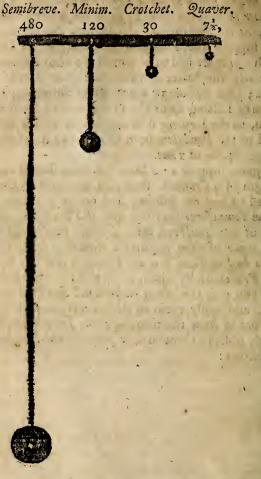
Now, to know of what Length must I make a Pendulum, in order to beat the true Time of the several Notes of Musick; as the Semibreve, the Minim, the Crotchet, &c. I here suppose the Pendulum to be about 30 Inches long, which Pulses are said to be almost the 60th Part of a Minute, or nearly the Space between the Beat of the Pulse and Heart; (the Systole or Contraction answering to the Elevation or Lifting up of the Hand, and its Diastole or Dilatation, to the Letting it down, &c.) The like being understood of the Pendulum both Course, and Recourse, in such a certain Space of Time.

Again, suppose a o Inch Pendulum should vibrate as the Length of a Crotchet, then will one of 120 Inches be required to beat one Minim; and one of 7 Inches and a half to the Time of one Quaver; and 480 Inches to compleat the Time of one Semibreve, &c. Always observing, that a Double Length of Time requires a Pendulum four Times as long; and a half of Time, but one Fourth so long: This being the true Proportion by which all Pendulums are regulated: But, that you may the better understand this Dourine of Pendulums, and apply them to the several Characters of Musick, in order to shew the true and exact Duration and Length of Notes, observe them in their proportional Length of Inches, as follows:

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Had you these 4 Plummets compleatly fixed, so as to move freely without any Obstacle, and in Proportion both in Length, Weight, and Bigness, according to the Scale beforemention'd; and could you possibly put all in Motion together with one Touch (as before taught) what a sweet Agreement would there be in their Vibrations, could you hear

hear, as well as fee them! each meeting or uniting in their Courses according as they are in *Proportion* one to another: The *Minim* being as 2 is to 1, to the *Semibreve*, beating twice to once of the *Semibreve*; the *Crotchet*, twice to once of the *Minim*; and the *Quaver*, twice to once of the *Crotchet*, &cc.

From this very *Doctrine*, is comprehended *Concord* and *Discord*, from the *Uniformity*, or *Deformity*, of the Uniting of the *Vibrations* of the feveral *Tones sounding together* at one and the same Time, &c. (But more of this by and

by.)

In this manner many Secrets may be discovered by this noble Instrument, the Pendulum: viz. To know what Time a Stone is falling from any high Place to the Ground, or, what Time Sound is passing from one Place to another; and many more, too tedious to mention: But, as this does not concern this Science any farther than what is before hinted, I shall here conclude this Chapter.

What Secrets have been kept as hidden Treasure,
Thou here mayst see, and read them at thy Leisure;
These Rules will be of general Use to all,
And shew what we do Time and Measure call.

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Containing some general Observations on the Embellishments, or Ornaments of Florid Song.

As the Light of every ART and SCIENCE is convey'd unto us, by laborious Writers, for our Improvement, how much the more ought we to confult fuch good Authors as are gone before us! to whom we are beholden, in some Measure, for all we know; whose Names not only shone in their Days, in past Ages, but will, in those to come, never lose their Lustre! and whose Warks are their lasting Monuments to all Posterity.

I could mention a great Number of Authors, who took vast Pains in the ART of Musick, and made great Improvements thereunto, whose Bodies have laid many Years moldering in the Dust, yet their Names will never be forgotten by the Ingenious, who daily converse with both the Living and the Dead; and improve from he latter, as well

as from the former.

The ingenious Mr. Morley, in his TREATISE, (wrote by him, above 160 Years ago) in Page 179, greatly complains of Ill Performers of Church MUSICK, who (like fome of ours, now-a-days) loved always to be heard above their Fellows, without having the least Regard to know the Excellency of Divine-Musick, who ought as well to study the Beauty of the Words, as the Knowledge of the Musick; so as to draw the Ears of the Hearers (as it were) with Chains of Gold to the Consideration of Holy Things, &c. &c.

And as no Reader can well understand what he reads, until he knows the pirit of his Author, and can (as it were) personate him, to know his real Gesture, Temper, and Disposition, at every Turn; even so, no Singer can person as

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he ought, unless he knows the Beauty of his Words, so as to give them that Emphasis as becomes the Subject; and to deliver them in such a manner as to strike the Audience: without which he never can fing either to delight himfelf, or his Hearers; unless he is a very conceited Coxcomb. and rejects all manner of Instructions.

The first, and principal Embellishment of a good Singer. or Performer, is to Read well, speak in a good Dialest, and express his Vowels very diffinct; always pronouncing ty; or cy, as tee, or cee, unless it be where the Strictness of the Poetry obliges to the contrary: and always to perform in good Time, without Affectation. Great Care must always be taken, that you make not yourself the Object of the Hearers Ridicule, by bad Gestures of Body, and ill Grimaces; (a Thing much now in Vogue among the Conceited;) but, that you always use a free and open Expression, and att in fuch a manner as is fuitable to the Air and Passion of the Subjett, whether it be grave, chaste, or merry, &c ...

Let all young Beginners Sol-fa all Things well at first, and that flow, strong, and steady; and not sound thro' the Nose, with their Teeth shut; nor yet with a fainting Voice; for a Falsetto will f on spoil a good Voice, especially a Treble: and always take Care to fing STANDING, lest you fpoil the Organization of the Voice; whereby you may fing Forte, or Piano; i. e. hold out the Swell of any Note: and embellish all Sounds at Pleasure, with Trilloes, Appoggiaturas, or Transitions, &c. See Pages 18, 29. And, as it is a Master's Business to Invent, it must, in like manner, be the Scholar's Business to Copy, and follow the best Authors; and to extract Honey from all Flowers; for Persons of good Spirits will always endeavour for the best Company, and frive to imitate them in what they do; in order to improve in Performance, and to gain an universal Esteem of their Superiors.

Another good Caution I would give to the Performer, is, that he always so manage his Respiration, that he never wants Breath, when he has the most Occasion for it, nor be perceiv'd to take in Breath in the middle of a Word; and

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that he never holds any Thing before his Mouth to stop the Tone of his Voice; for no good Singing ever was heard, from any Person of ever so much Skill, that did not, in some measure, conform to the before written Precepts, &c. &c. &c.

There are Five proper Embellishments, that every good-voiced Performer ought to observe, viz. The putting forth the Voice in good Order: The Appoggutaria: The Shake; The Gliding, or Slur: and the Dragg, which is rather a very flow Shake, than a Division. (See Book I. Page 14.

From what has been before hinted, concerning the Ornaments of Florid Song, it is to be noted, by every Practitioner, whether Vocal or Instrumental, that all Sounds have their Shape, the Very differ in Tone, with respect to their Acuteness and Gravity: and that every Sound (especially such as are of long Continuance) may consist of Three Terms, from its being first put forth, to its last Degree of being heard; viz. Its Piano, its Forte, and then its Piano again, when it terminates; as thus:



But, to explain myself in plainer Terms: Suppose the Sound of the above Note consists of 4 Beats, the first is begun very soft, and swelled to its extream Degree of Loudness, 'till it passeth by 2, its second Beat; and then the other half of its Time, 3, 4, decreases in its Loudness, 'till it ends its Time at 4, as soft as it first began. The like may be observed of all Sounds or Notes whatsoever, let their Number of Beats, or Lengths of Sound, be as they will: So that any Sound is made stronger, or weaker, according as the Moving-Force of the Air, is more or less, on the sonorous Body.

Body; this being according to Sir Isaac Newton's 2d Law of Nature, &c. The Reason why I have discover'd this Secret to the World, proceeds from that abominable, and new-fangled Practice of some of our ignorant and conceited Psalmodists, which greatly offends all good Masters in our Age, and renders their Compositions as ridiculous as the Performers do themselves; who, with many antick Gestures of Body, and wry Faces, end their Notes as harsh, stunt, and as loud, as if they cough'd their Notes out of their Throats, and end with no more Tone of Musick than if they had struck them out of a Stone; which is as contrary to the Nature and Laws of Harmony, as Darkness is from Light; or, as if they had dropt themselves instantly from an high Precipice, instead of sliding down easy.

On the contrary, a good Organist never will touch in this manner, on any long Note; but preffeth his Key gently down, till he has open'd the Palate to its full Width and Loudness, and then raises up his Finger gently again, and ends his

Sound as foft as a natural Eccho, &c. &c.

From what has been faid on this elegant Branch of Mu-SICK, every skilful Performer may, with Diligence, easily perform with Grace, Spirit, and GRANDEUR; and express the several Passions of every Subject, whether it be grave, or merry, according to the true Intent and Meaning of the Au-THORS who compos'd it; which is the greatest Accomplishment that a good Singer can be endow'd with .- And here I conclude my Discourse on the First Rudiments, Principles. or Elements of practical Musick.

-Yours, W. TANS'UR, Senior. -

End of the Second BOOK.



# Elements of MUSICK

#### MADE EASY:

OR,

An Universal INTRODUCTION

To the Whole

# Art of Musick.

#### BOOK'III.

#### CONTAINING,

The Structure of Musical INSTRUMENTS: With the Scale of Musick applicable to each; and Directions thereunto. Viz. The Pitch-Pipe, and its Use: The Organ, or Harpsichord: The Basson and Hautboy: The Bass Viol. Violin, and Guittar: The German and Common Flutes: The Irumpet, and French-Horn: The Fife, and the Clarinet: The Drum, and the Tabor-and-Pipe: And of Bells, Peals, and Musical-Clocks:

#### WITH

Sacred Lessons; Songs in Parts; and Tunes for Instruments.

The Organ's Structure's bere fet forth in View, The Viol, Hau boy, Flute; with Scales meft new: How Peals are Tun'd, and how the chimes do play; Plaim-Tunes:—and Songs to drive dull Cares away.

The Whole is faithfully collected from the Greatest Massers, both Antient and Modern; and methodically laid down for the Improvement of the present Age.

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## Of the ORGAN, and its Antiquity, &c.

HE ORGAN, is the largest, and most Harmonious Wind Instrument of any other; it being a Collection, or Imitation of all other Instruments whatsoever; such as Trumpets, Hautboys, Flutes, Cornets, &c. and differs as to Largeness, Number of Stops, and Ornament, according to the Art of the Builder, and Charge laid out upon them: viz. from 50, to 10,000 Pounds.

A very Grand ORGAN contains (or mimicks) these following Instruments, whose Names are usually written or printed on Scraps of Paper, and pasted on the Organ, just by the Handle of their respective Stops; which the Organist opens or shuts at Pleasure, by drawing the several Registers

in, or out; appearing thus:

#### Names of STOPS.

Ch. Vox Humana. Ch. St. Diapason.

Gr. Violoncello.

Gr. Flute.

Gr. Baffoon. Gr. Mixture, or Furniture.

Gr. Sackbut.

Gr. Larigot.

Gr. Twelfth. Tremblant.

Ch Mixture.

Er. Haurboy.

Ec. Fifteenth, Gr. Trumpet.

Gr. Sesquialtra.

Gr. Tierce.

Ch. German-Flute.

Ch: Flute. Ec. Clarion.

Ch. French-Horn.

Ec. Flageolet.

Ch. Crombhorn.

Gr. Principal. Gr. Cornet.

Ch. Principal, or Flute.

Quintadena.

Gr. St. Diapason.

Gr. Tenth.

Ch. Trumpet.

Gr. St. Diapason.

Op. Diapason.

Gr. D. D. Diapason - Gc. Gc.

#### ABBREVIATIONS.

Ch. for Chair .- Gr. for Great .- Op. for Open .- St. for Stopt .- Ec. for Eecho, or Swell .- D. for Double.

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To give an exact Description of every individual Instrument before-mentioned, would make a Volume of itself, which I shall now omit; and shall only observe, that whensoever a Full Organ is play'd; many Instruments speak together, and that from one single Finger, or Key, &c.

The Organ, is a very ancient Instrument, even before the Flood, as is recorded in Gen. iv. 27. where Jubal the 6th (Noah's Brother) is faid to be "The Father of all such as "bandled the (Harp) or Organ": Yet it is agreed, that it was but little used 'till the Eighth Century; and seems to

be borrowed from the Greeks.

Ctesbes, of Alexandria, in the Reign of Ptolemy Evergetes, about the 3782d Year of the World, (or 166 Years before Christ, being about 1920 Years ago) is said to be the very first that invented such Organs that play'd by compressing the Air with Water, which is still practised in many Places; which were greatly improved by Archimedes and Vitruvius; Vitruvius describing an Hydraulick-Organ, in his 10th Book of Architesture, or an Organ that play'd by Water.—The Emperor Julian having an Epigram in Praise of it.—There are several Hydraulick-Organs in Italy, in the Grotto's of their Vineyards, &c.

St. Jerome mentions an Organ that had 12 Pair of Bellows, which might, with Ease, be heard 1000 Paces, or near one English Mile; and another at Jerusalem, which

might be heard from thence to the Mount of Olives.

I am inform'd, that there is a large and beautiful Medallion (or a Medal of a very large Size) of Valentinian, in the Cabinet of Queen Christina, of Sweden; and that on the Back-fide thereof, is a fine Hydraulick-Organ, with two Figures, representing two Men, one on the right Side, and the other on the left, seeming to pump the Water that plays it, and listen to the Sound: It having only Eight Pipes, erected on a round Pedestal, with this Inscription: PLA-CEA SPETRI. (Quere if rightly copied.)

There is a so an Organ in the Cathedral of Ulm in Germany, that is 93 Feet high, and 28 broad; the largest Pipe

being

being 13 Inches Diameter, and has 16 Pairs of Bellows.— The above Account I have copied from many curious and credible Writers.

As to the Structure of an Organ, it is best described by such as build them; nevertheless, I will give you the best Account I am able; not only by reading such Authors as have wrote entirely on this Subject; but by being a Party concern'd in such-like Erections, and byknowing therein every individual Movement.

# § 2. A Description of the Strusture of an Organ, &c.

UR Modern Organ is greatly improved to those in former Ages, it now consisting of a Buffet, containing various Rows of Pipes: The Size of an Organ being always from the Length of the largest Pipe; whether it be of 32 Feet, 16 Feet, 8 Feet, 4 Feet, or of 2 Feet, &c. And the Quality of Sound depends on the Widths and Lengths of the Tubes or Pipes, Tongues and Reeds; &c. whether the Tone be more or less Grave, or Acute.

Our great Church-Organ hath generally Two-Parts, viz. The Main-Body, or Great-Organ; and the Polive-Organ; or Little-Organ; which is generally placed before the Great-Organ, behind the Organif; or, commonly call'd

he Chair-Organ.

When an Organ has but one Body, it has but one Set of Keys; but when it has a Posive-Organ, then it has two or hree; and some large Organs have four; or five Sets of Keys; and some large Pipes have Pedals, which are put lown by the Feet, to lift up the several Keys, Stops, or Touches thereof; some Persons being so dexterous as to lay with both Feet and Hands together.

The several Keys of an Organ are generally divided into our Octaves, (or four times Eight) the first Octave taking 3 Pipes, or Keys, to compleat the 12 Semitones of the

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Octave: but the inner Octaves take but 12 Pipes, to each, by reason, that Pipe, or Key, which endeth one Octave beginneth the next, &c.

# Four Octaves on the ORGAN.

N. B. That the Word Sub, is a Latin Word, and fignifies Below.

Thus every Octave is divided into 12 Semitones, 7 of which Keys being Black, which give the Natural Tones, and 5 White, for the Artificial Flats, or Sharps; so that the whole, in Four Octaves, contains 49 Pipes or Keys: But some Organs, Harpsichords, and Spinnets have the Natural-Keys White, and the Artificial ones Black. Some Organ Builders have added a Third Sub-Octave, or Pedals of two or three Octaves lower; so the Number of Stops, and Octaves on an Organ, are uncertain.

Our Organ-Builders, or Harpfichord-Makers, have a Scale or Diapason, whereby they regulate the Lengths, Thickness, Tension, &c. Having a large C at the End of a Line, and by looking into the Table or Scale for such a C, they find that the Line so mark'd, is the Measure of the Pipe or Chord destined to sound the ut, or C, of the lower Octave,

but if a small c, it is the 2d Octave; if c, the 3d Octave

and if c, it is the Sound of the 4th Ottave, &c. and from

this Scale, Rule, or Diapason, our Musical Instrument Ma-

kers adjust the Pipes of their Organs, cut the Holes in their Flutes, Hautboys, &c. in a due Proportion; in order to per-

form any Tone or Semitone.

N. B. That if a Square be divided into 8 Parallelograms, the Points wherein a Diagonal Line interfects all the Parallelogorams, will express all the practical Intervals in Musick;

and on this Principal is their Diapajon founded.

To gratify my own Curiofity, concerning a true Concert Pitch, I bave lately occasion'd a Pitch-Pipe to be made, (by an ingenious Workman, in Northamptonshire) whose Diameter is just one Inch, (both ways) and whose Mouth is, in Width, 2 Thirds of its Diameter, and its Depth, from the Lip to the Edge of Cutter, is 3d of its Diameter; and find, by the said Experiment, that 4 Inches and the of Cubic Air, contain'd in the Tube, between the Lip, or breaking out of the Air from the Language, to the End of the Stoper, or Register) founds the Note C So faut, Concert, or Opera-Pitch, for a Vocal Performance, &c. from which all other Notes may be proportioned.—The Lombardy, and Venice Pitch, is a Tone higher than ours, or theirs at Rome.

To play on an Organ, is, to press down the several Keys. with the Fingers, (or if Pedals, with the Feet) in order to open the several Valves or Plugs, which correspond lengthwife with as many Holes as there are Rows of Pipes on the Sound-Board; the Holes of each Row being opened and fout by a Register or Ruler, pierced with a Hole against each Pipe; and by drawing the Register, the Holes of one Row are all opened; because the Holes therein correspond with those of the Sound-Board; so by opening a Valve, or Pallet, the Wind brought into the Sound-Board, (by several Pairs of Bellows) finds a Paffage into the Pipes, which correspond with the open Holes of the Sound-Board : But, by pushing the Regifter, the Holes thereof, (not answering to any of those of the Sound-Board, that Row of Pipes answering to the pushed Register) are shut, &c.

Hence it is, that by drawing several Registers, called Stops, various Rows of Pipes are opened; (or several Rows toge56. The Elements of MUSICK made Easy, &c.

ther, if the same Register corresponds thereunto;) from which the Pipes become either Simple or Compound.—Simple, is when one Row answers to one Register; and Compound, is when one Register answers to several Rows; Hence the Organists say, that A Row is Compound, when several Pipes sound or play together, by only pressing down one Key; according as the Holes and Register have Communication with each other, &c. Rows are several Pipes in Unison, &c.

The Movements of an Organ, from the Key to the Wind-

Chest, are as follow.

A Sicker, is a little Piece of Wood about one Third of an Inch Square of any suitable Length, having a Piece of Wire stuck in at each End; which rests on any Key or Lifter in a little Hole; and lists up the Backwell at the Top.

A Backwell, is a flat Piece of Wood hanging on a center like a Beam, in order to be lifted up by a Sticker, or to be

pulled down by a Tracker.

A Tracker, is a thin Slip of Wood, with a Hook of Wire at each End, to pull down any other Movement; which if made only of Wire, it might probably have too much Vibration.—Trackers have fometimes a small Screw at one End, which runs thro' the End of a Backwell, and is fastened by a Bur of Leather as a Screw Nut, in order to give every Key a true Bearing, that one Touch may not be stronger than another.

A Role-Board, consists of many Rolers of various Lengths, in which two Iron Triggers are always struck, to hang the other Movements to, in a direct, and perpendicular Order

from the Keys to the Wind Chest.

The Wind-Cheft, contains a fet of Clacks or Valves, according to the Number of Notes, of which the Organ confists; which are either pulled open by Wires or Trackers; or pushed down by Stickers, in order to let the Wind into the Foot of the Pipe; which Clack or Pallet shuts again as soon as the Finger is off the Key, by a Wire Spring that is fixed under it: The Wind being always confined in the Cheft, either by little Stoppers of stiff Leather fixed to each

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Tracker, (from every Pallet) under the Wind-Chest; or by a little Wind-Bag of fine pliable Leather, round every Tracker within the Wind-Cheft

A Conduit, is a small Pipe of Lead fastened into any Hole of the Sound-Board, over the Wind-Chest, in order to convey the Wind into the Foot of many Pipes at a Distance, when there is not Room for such Pipes to stand on the Sound-Board; for some being 3,4,5,6,7,8, or more Inches Diameter, and 10 or 12 Feet long: For which Reason, many Pipes are doubled, like the Tubes of Bassoons, &c. and many laid Lengthways at a great Distance. - Conduits are also used to convey the Wind from the Bellows to the Wind-Cheft, but then, such are commonly called Wind-Pipes.

The Bellows of an Organ are always double, having a Clack in the middle Board; the under folds are called Pumpers, and the upper, Feeders, which keep a constant Blast; having suitable Weights laid on the Top, as Occasion requires: Large Organs having many Pairs of Bellows, blown by a Person employ'd for the same Purpose; and some small

ones are blown only by the Foot of the Player.

The Swell and Eccho, is a certain Number of Stops, or Pipes fixed in a close Case, which is opened by two Doors, or by a kind of Salb, which is opened more or less, as the Organist pleases, by setting his Foot on an Iron Treadle; whereby he can Play Forte, or Piano at Pleasure: For, the wider he opens his Doors, the more loud the Organ is heard; which being quite shut, it sounds like an Eccho, as

if a great Way off, &c.

Of Organ-Pipes, there are two Sorts, viz. one Sort, whose Mouths are like Flutes; and the other Sort with Reeds. The first, are termed Pipes of Mutation, and consist of a Foot, or hollow Cone, which receives the Wind, to give the Sound; and to this Foot is fastened the Body of the Pipe; between which Foot and Body is a Partition, which hath a little long narrow Aperture or Opening, to let out the Wind; and over which Aperture is the Mouth, whose

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upper Lip being cut level, cuts the Wind as it comes out; which Cutter gives the Sound, by the Wind's striking a-

gainst it.

Some Pipes are made of Pewter, and some of Lead mixed with a 12th Part of Tin, which are always open at their Extremities; their Diameters being very small, and the Tone very shrill; but those of Lead mixed with coarier Metal, are more large: The short Pipes being open, and the long ones quite stopped; and the middle-siz'd Pipes are a little stopped, having a little Ear on each Side of the Mouth, to draw closer or farther off, in order to raise, or lower the Sound, &c. So the finer the Metal, the smaller the Pipe.

The Wooden Pipes are generally made square, and stopped at their Extremities with a Valve or Tampion of Leather; the Tone of the Wood Pipes being very soft, as also they that are made of Lead; the longest Pipes giving the gravest Sound, and those more short, are more acute; so that both their Lengths and Widths, are proportioned according to the Ratios of their Sounds; which are adjusted and regulated by their Rule and Diapason, as I before hinted; and those Pipes that are shut, have the same Length as they that are open; but the Pedal-Tubes, or Pipes, that are play'd by the Feet, are generally open, if of Wood, or of Lead; and the longest Pipe of a good Church Organ is commonly 16 Feet long, and in some very large Organs, 32; all the other Pipes being lessend in proportion to the largest, or Grand-Pipe, &c.

Such Pipes as are called Reed-Pipes, consist of a Foot, which conveys the Wind into the Shallot or Reed, which is a hollow half-Cylinder, and fitted at the Extremity thereof into a Kind of Mould by a wooden Tampion; the Shallot or Reed being covered with a thin Bit of Copper fitted at its Extremity into the Mould by the same wooden Tampion; its other Extremity being so at Liberty, that the Air entering the Shallot or Reed; so that that Part of the Tongue may have more Liberty, by making it longer; and the longer it is, the more Grave is the Sound: The Mould,

which

which serves to fix the Shallot or Reed, the Tongue, and the Tampion, &c. serves also to stop the Foot of the Pipe, obliging the Wind entirely to pass through the Reed; into which Mould is soldered that Part called the Tube, whose inward Opening is a Continuation of the Reed; the Form of this Tube being different, according as the Pipes are in different Rows, &c. But the Tongues of these Kind of Pipes are made longer, or shorter, by a moveable Wire that slides very stiff over them, &c. to set them in Tune.

The several Stops contained in an Organ are known by their Names or Signatures written, or printed, on Pieces of Paper, and paisted on the Front of the Organ just by the Handle of the Register that draweth each Stop in the Sound-Board, two Ways: The Basses or lower Sounds of each Stop being on the Left Hand, and the Trebles of the same towards the right: Hence an Organ of THREE STOPS

standeth thus:

Left. Right.

Bass & Fifteenth. Treble & Fifteenth.

Bass & Principal. Treble & St. Diapason.

Treble & St. Diapason.

Those Organs of more Stops are fixed in the same Order, &c. A good common Church-Organ generally sounds from Double-Gamut to E in Alt; i e. Four Ottaves and a Sixth: And some, more large, down to Double-Double-Cfaut, &c. &c.

## § 3. Of Tuning the Organ, &c.

N Organ is put in Tune three Ways, viz. by opening the little Ears or Tunets, more or less on each Side of the Mouth; or by raising, or falling such Tunets as stand over the Top of the Pipes, which is a little Plate or Bit of Tin, Brass, or Pipe-Metal: But metal Pipes are usually put in Tune by an Instrument called a Tuning-Horn, being made of Brass, in a conic Form, one end of which

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will fretch a Pipe wider, when screw'd into the Top; and the other End closes the Pipe narrower, when screw'd on

the Top, &c.

The Art of Tuning depends mostly on a good Ear, and is very difficult on some certain Notes, such as E-flat, D-sharp, &c. But it is the usual Way of Organ-Builders, Harpsichord-Makers, &c. first, to tune C-solfaut by a Consort-Pitch-Pipe; and then an 8th either above or below it; and after that 3ds, 5ths, &c. and all Degrees that are in the System of Octave. But the better to explain this, observe the following Table:

A TABLE for Tuning the ORGAN, Harpsichord, or Spinnet.



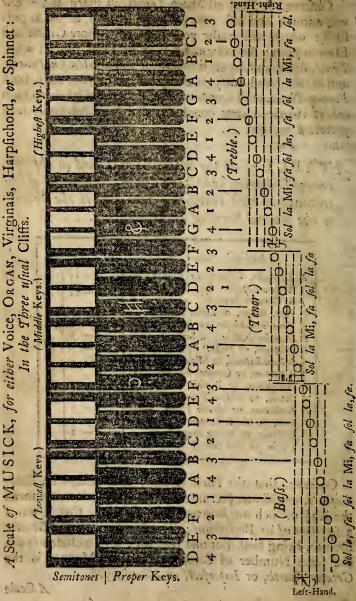
Observe, to Tune all Sharp-Thirds, as sharp as the Ear will admit; and also 5ths Bearing; that is, as flat as possible: which will render your Musick the more Grand and Harmonious: And often, by Way of Trial, touch Unison, Third, Fifth, and Eighth altogether; and also Unison, Fourth, and Sixth: And lastly, if every Octave of your Keys, both Proper Notes, and Semitones, sound perfect Eighths to each other, then you may conclude, that your Instrument is in perfect Tune, &c.

ATABLE of all the Intervals contained in the System of Diapason or Octave; with the Number of Semitones in each Interval; according to the Names of the several Keys of an Organ, &c.



Observe, that the Particle Semi, in Semidiapason, Semidiapente, Semiditone, &c. in the Table above, does not mean the Half of such an Interval; but signifies, that it wants a Semitone of its Perfection: The Semidiapason and Greater Seventh, being both but one Interval; and include in each the same Number of Semitones; in like Manner is the Greater Fourth, or Impersect, or Minor-Fifth.

A Scale



#### EXPLANATION.

This Scale is drawn in a very practical Form, in the three usual Cliffs; The Vocal-Scale by Way of Sol-Fa, and the Instrumental-Scale by Way of Letters: The Proper-Keys are commonly Black, and Tuned according to the common Scale of Music; all 8ths or Octaves being the very same again both above and below. The Short-Keys are commonly white, and Tuned Semi or Half-Tones, fixed between the Whole-Tones: and used to make any Tone either Flat, or Sharp, &c. Observe, That in the System of every 8th, or Octave, there are two natural Half-Tones, viz. from B to C, and from E to F; all the rest being Whole-Tones (in every Octave) both above and below; unless they are Transposed to other Places by the Help of Flats, or Sharps: which the Gamut, and other Rules before-mentioned, will plainly demonstrate, &c.

The Keys of an Harpfichord or Spinnet, lie in the very fame Order as those of an Organ which Keys move the Jacks, which strike the Strings; this being the most curious and

harmonious Instrument of the stringed Kind.

In Fingering, no certain Rule can well be given; only you are to observe, That the Thumb is called the first Finger: and that those Fingers as are to ascend, on both Hands, are the 3d and 4th Fingers; and those to descend are the 3d and 2d; and so on of either Hand, as the Fi-

gures under the Notes in the Scale direct.

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To Play well on the Organ, Harpsicord or Spinnet, is learnt from a diligent Practice, and by being thoroughly well acquainted with the Gamut, Time, and all other Charatters belonging to Musick; and so well acquainted with Concord, and Discord as to see through the whole Composition, in order to strike all the Parts together; for which Instruments, all Musick in Parts ought to be set in Score; that is, all Parts one under another, and Bar against Bar.

### § 4. Of the Thorough-Bass.

HE greatest Performance on these Kind of Instruments, is the Thorough-Bass, it having Figures placed either over, or under the Notes thereof, in order to direct the Performer to strike in such Chords, Notes, or Parts from the Ground or Bass; such as 2ds, 3ds, 4ths, 5ths, 6ths, 7ths, or 8ths, &c. For which Reason the Performer ought to be well vers'd in the Rules of Composition, &c. as for

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It is to be observed, that where single Flats are only mark'd, that those Flats or Sharps denote that you are to play Flat or Sharp Thirds; and that where nothing is mark'd, then Common-Concords are to be play'd, &c.—Alfo where 4ths, 7ths, &c. which are Discords, are only mark'd, they are only set to introduce other Common-Concords to follow; that is, such as lie next; or the nearest Interval to follow, as the Rules of Composition will admit.

Observe, that in the Diatonick-Scale, B, E, and A, are Sharp Notes; and that F, C, and G, are Flat Notes; and that all Sharp Notes naturally require Flat 3ds; and all Flat Notes require Sharp 3ds.—Also, when the Bass rises a Fourth, or falls a Fifth, to make a Close, a 6th is then

generally left out.

And although many Authors do only mark their 3ds with fingle Flats, or Sharps; and also 4ths, 6ths, 7ths, &c. and omit the Figuring of the Common-Concord, (which are 5ths, 8ths, 12ths, 15ths,) yet it would be more ready for every young Beginner to have them figured over or under the Notes; which might probably prevent many Mistakes.

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Observe, that neither two Fifths nor two Eighths are to be play'd together, neither Rising nor Falling; as well as not in Composition) therefore the best Way to avoid them, (or any other Consecution of Perfests of the same Kind) is to move your Fingers contrary one from another, as much as possible; and in so doing, you will certainly avoid many Errors that you otherwise might run into.—See the Rules of Compositions, in Book IV. and the PSALM-Tunes, in Score, in this Book, &c.

# § 5. Of a New-invented Musick Table, for such as are Blind.

As it is the Pleasure of the Almighty, that some Persons are destitute of Eye-sight, in like manner, it is his infinite Goodness to make them a double Amends another way, by giving them a greater Share of Memory, &c. whereby they become very dexterous in playing on Musical Instruments, Mathematicks, &c. as we may observe by Dr. Stanley, Organist of St. Andrew's, Holborn, in London; and Saunderson, the blind Professor of the Mathematicks, in the University of Cambridge: and many others, too tedious here to mention, who were born Blind, and never saw the least Glance of Light; yet God gave them such a Light in Knowledge, that they became the Wonder of all such as had the Benefit of Seeing, &c.

And as blind Persons, at first, cannot possibly have so clear an Idea of Notes, and Musical Charasters, as they that see them, until they are taught by a Master or Tutor; I have (for the Good-will I bear to such unfortunate Persons) contrived the following Table; that, by Feeling, they may understand Notes, and learn any Tune that shall

be set them, in their Master's Absence.

# A New Musick TABLE, for fuch as are Blind.

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# Stand and W. EXPLANATION ...

Let A B be a smooth Board, 3 or 4 Feet long, an Inch thick, and 9 Inches wide, with 5 square Ledges glew'd thereon, each being half an Inch afunder, half an Inch wide, and half an Inch high; which rifing Ledges represent our 5 Lines of Musick, and their Spaces: and the. two outward Lines, being made a little lower, may ferve as Ledger Lines, on Occasion. The Cyphers represent so many Holes bored into every Line and Space, half an Inch asunder; wherein Peggs of different Shapes are to be set, to represent the several Sorts of Notes and Characters of the Tune; which Peggs the blind Person must know by Feeling as well as he does his Keys of the Organ, or Harpfichord: fo that by keeping his Fingers on the 5 Lines, he feels the feveral Peggs as they come on, and are fet to reprefent the several Sorts of Notes, on both Line and Space; whilft his right Hand strikes the respective Key, &c. he first knowing the Names of all his Keys, his Lines, Spaces, and the Mark of every Pegg. Let each Pegg be about half an Inch high, when fet in very fast.

N. B. The blind Person must first be taught the Names of the above Lines and Spaces in both the Treble and Bass

Cliffs;

Of the Feeling-Table, &c. Book III. Cliffs; and that he must feel his Treble with the right Hand,

and his Bass with the left Hand; each being contrary as you may see by the Letters of the labove TABLE, A and B; and must learn each Part separate.

# Of Peggs, for Notes, &c.

Of Peggs, he must have a great Number of every Sort, to fet his Tune with; which he may mark as follows:

For a Semibreve: 4 top Notches.

A Crotchet : one top Notch.

A Quaver: one Corner cut off.

A Semiquaver: 2 Corners cut off.

A Demiquaver: all 4 Corners cut off.

For Rests: a Notch in the Corner.

A Flat: one Notch on the Side.

A Point: 3 Notches on the Side. A Bar: A flat thin Top.

A Repeat : a Sharp-pointed Top, &c. &c. &c.

But it is best for every *Performer* to make, and mark his own *Peggs*; and deliver them one by one, as they are called for by the Person that sets his Tune. 10

Earth's pleasing Objects can't affect the Blind, But Eyes turn'd inward glorious Objects find.

Having thus gone through what I propos'd concerning the ORGAN, and describ'd every Member of it, from the Sound-Board to the Fingers Ends: I now refer you to the first Book for your Knowledge in Time and Characters; and to the Psalm-Tunes for your first Lessons; which are set in Score for the fame Purpole.

#### CHAP. II.

Of the BASS-VIOL, Violin, &c.

Of these Kind of Instruments, there are many Sorts, all of which differ as to Size, and some in Way of Tuning; though all struck with a Bow, or Fiddle-stick, made of stiff Hair dress'd with Rosin, which grating against the Strings, puts them into a vibrating Mation; which gives the Tone higher or lower, as regulated by touching them with the Fingers: Which Touchers are called Frets, &c.

The Viol di Gambo, or Leg-Viol, (so called from its being held between the Legs) is what we call our Bass-Viol, having six Strings, called, 1st the Treble; 2d Small-Mean; 3d Great-Mean; 4th Counter-Tenor; 5th Tenor, or Gamut-String; and the 6th the Bass-String; being tuned thus: The 1st D—. 2d A—. 3d E—. 4th C—. 5th G—. and the 6th is double D D—.

In former Days they used to have whole Chests full of these Kinds of Instruments, which they called Setts, such as Trebles, Counters, Tenors, Basses, and Double-Basses, all of which were mounted with 6 Strings, as Viola-Tenor, a Tenor-Viola,—Viola-Basses, a Bass-Viol, &c. &c. But as these Kinds of Bass Instruments, are almost out of Date, I shall only give you a Sketch of the Scale of Musick on the 6 Strings, as follows:





Op. 1st f. 2df. 3df. 4th f. Op. 1st f. 2df. 3df. 4th f. 5th f.

A. Bb. B. C. C\*\*. D. Eb. E. F. F\*\*. G.

Note, That Op. stands for open, (i. e. when no Finger is on the String; which open Notes shew how every String is put in tune:) and that f. stands for fret, as the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, &c. when the several Fingers are placed on the Strings to express the several Degrees of Sound, &c. &c.

For more Lessons, see the PSALM-TUNES, in this Book: And a true Description of Time, Characters, &c. in

the First and Second Books.

# § 2. Of the VIOLIN, &c.

THE Violin; is the gayest, and most sprightly of all other Instruments; and is above all others the fittest for Dancing; and may be so handled by the Violist, or Performer, as to cause the Notes thereon to be either cheerful or soft; or Forte, or Piano; that is strong, or as an Echo, &c. which depends on the artful Management and Dexterity of handling it, both in moving the Bow, and singering of the Strings, &c.

This curious and unfix'd Instrument, consists of Three Parts, viz. The Neck, the Table, and the Sound-Board; it having four Strings fasten'd to the two Extremes, with four Screws in the Nut or Head, in order to raise, or to lower the Tension of the Strings to any Degree or Pitch

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what soever; or according to any fixed Instrument that per-310 312

forms or plays along with it.

The Treble-Violin, is strung with four Gut-Strings, on which may be play'd any Part, either Treble, Counter, Tenor, or Bass,; but it generally performs the highest Parts of Concerts on Occasion.

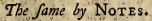
The four Strings are tuned Fifths to each other, viz. The Treble, or 1st String, is E. The 2d, or Small-Mean, is A .- The 3d, or Great-Mean, is D .- And the 4th, or Bass String, is G .- Each being five Notes distant from one another; on which four Strings is performed these Notes, whether Natural, Flat, or Sharp. Note " . Of theth for reas, (i.e. when no Finger is

The GAMUT on the Four Strings of the VIOLIN.

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Thus you fee what Nates are play'd by every Finger, on all the 4 Strings; but when any Note is play'd flat, you must lengthen the String, by sliding the Finger balf a Tone lower, towards the Nat, than the Natural Note; and so, on the contrary, you must shorten the String, by sliding it balf a Tone bigber, towards the Bridge, to sharp a Note.

Observe always to have the Strings of your Violin in perfect Tune, so as to sound the Tones before-mention'd; for, unless they are tun'd regular, no one can play thereon, be he ever so dexterous; and also that you play every Lesson, or Tune, very slow at first; for a diligent Practice will bring your Hand to a more swift Motion: Psalm-Tunes being the best for young Beginners.—The open Notes shew how every String must be tun'd.

For the Nicety of Fingering, observe, that whenever you skip a Fret or Stop, there to leave a Finger, for a Stop is but half a Tone or Note; for from B to C. and E to F. are but half Notes, and all the rest are whole ones; and to leave a Finger is necessary, to be in Readiness when any half Tone shall happen, by any accidental Flats or Sharps.

In Bowing, observe to play any even Number of Tied Notes by striking the Bow up; such as 2, 4, 6, 8, &c. and to play any odd Number of Notes tied together, with the Bow drawn down: I mean to begin such Even or Odd Numbers tied together, with the first up, or down, &c. and also to learn the Use of all Moods, Flots, Sharps, and other Charatters contain'd in this Book, belonging to prastical Musick, &c.

For your Knowledge in Time, Characters, and short Lessons, I refer you to Book I, and II; and to the short Pfalm-Tunes, and Songs, &c easy for young Beginners, at

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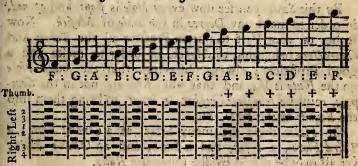
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### CHAP. III.

## Of the Common FLUTE, or FLAGELET.

THE FRUTE, is a Ripe, or Wind-Instrument, and blown by the Mouth; having eight Holes; seven on the Top, for the Fingers, and one underneath, for the Thumb of the Left Hand; which Fones are changed by stopping and opening the Holes, placing your 3 first Fingers of your Left Hand uppermost, towards your Mouth; and the 4 Fingers of your Right Hand towards the Bottom, and blowing at the same Time, you'll have a Production of these Sounds.

The Scale of Musick for the Flute, &c.



By this Scale you see that A in alt is the first pinch'd Note +, by placing your Thumb-nail in the under Hole, so as to half cover it, and blowing very hard. This being according to the Diatonick-Scale of Musick.

The Chromatick SCALE of Musick for every Flat and Sharp on the Flute, &c.



Note sharp, that whatsoever Holes are stopt to make any Note sharp, that the same Holes stopt may flat any Note that lies the very next above it; as you may observe by the two last Notes in the above Scale, viz. D\*, and E b, &c.

By this Scale, you see how every Hole is stopt and opened, in order to make any Degree in the Scale of Musick. Now it lies on your Part to put in Practice all the Terms and Characters belonging to Musick, in order to make you a good Proficient; always observing, that the lowest Note on the Flute is F; and that what Keys are not in the Compass, must be transposed higher, or lower, to bring them into the Bounds of the Flute, &c.

Of Flutes there are many Sizes, as a Concert Flute; a Third Flute; a Fifth, and a Sixth, and an Ostave Flute;

yet all may be play'd by the foregoing Rules.

For Instructions in Characters, Time, and Transposition of Keys, I refer you back to Book I. and II. and to the End of this Book for Tunes, ready transposed, to this Instrument, &c.

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### C H A P. IV.

Of the GERMAN-FLUTE, and BASSOON.

THE German-Flute greatly differs in Form from the Common Flute; its End, towards the Mouth, being juite stopped with a Tampion or Plug having its Hole ibout two or three Inches from the End, under which the inder Lip is placed to blow it.

It is usually about 18 Inches long, having Holes below he Mouth hole for the Fingers to Stop, or to open; the owest being open'd with the Little Finger, by pressing down the filver or brass Key, like those of the Hautboy, or Bassoon,

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The first Trial on this Instrument is to blow so as to make it speak, which is done by resting the Flute against the under Lip, just below the opening of your Mouth, and blow it so as to make it speak clear, before you place your Fingers on any of the Holes: Your standing before a Looking-glass will shew if your Lips are smooth, and your Body in a becoming genteel Posture, with your Left Hand uppermost: Which Holes are stopped as the Dots direct, as follows:



The Compass of this Scale is Two Octaves and a Third, to double G in Alt: the lower Notes being blown week, a frong, which Practice must bring to Perfection. But ne sound the Flats and Sharps, as follows:

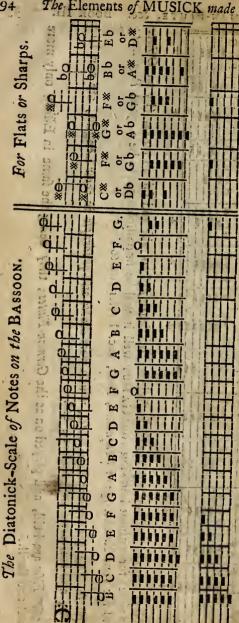
The Chromatick Scale of Musick on the German Flute.



Next proceed to some east Tunes, as follow; but learn first to raise and fall all notes, (by an Oslave at a time) for without knowing your GAMUT well it will be impossible ever to be a good Proficient; And for your Knowledge of Charasters, Time, &c. I refer you to Book I.

N. B. That the ancient Bass-Flutes, which were double and quadruple in their Lengths, are now laid asside; and converted into Bassans, &c.

fmall and shrift.



N. B. The Figures shew the several Holes descending from the Reed downwards. No. 7. opens a Sole; and No. 8. stops one: except when Shakes and Sole; and Shakes a sole; and Shakes a sole; and Shakes a sole is supposed to the second sole; and sole is supposed to the second sole is Hole; and No. 8. stops one; except when Shakes are made on the 7th; shaking two Fingers toge- & ther. &c.

For CHARACTERS, &c. fee Book I.

The Grenadier's March. 11 1801



N. B. That the Management of the Reed for the Baffoon, is much the same as for the Hautboy; and that the fingering is, in some measure, much the same as the Flute: so that such as can play on both the Flute and Hautboy, may, with a little Practice, play on the Bassoon.

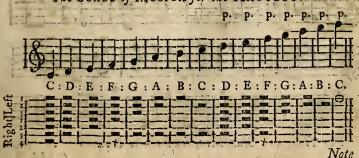
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# Of the HAUTBOY? 1.000 (2011)

THE HAUTBOY is a very loud Wind-Instrument, and blown by a Reed; and has, in all, ten Holes; two-of which are cover'd by Brass Keys, so that 7 Fingers are sufficient to work them; for which take the following Scale:

The Scale of Musick for the Hautboy.



Note, That the small Cross + denotes, that you must lay your little Finger on the Brass Key; the Reed being pinch'd almost close, blowing strong, &c.

The Chromatick SCALE of Flats, and Sharps, on the HAUTBOY.



The Cross + on the 3d Line, denotes that you must stop but one of the Brass Key-holes with your little Finger of your Left Hand, next your Hand; and p, is to pinch the Reed, &c. &c.—O stands for open.



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# CHAP. VII.

Of the Trumpet, the French Horn, the Clarinet, &c.

THE Trumpet is the loudest of all portable Instruments of the wind Kind, and is mostly used in War among the Cavalry, to excite the Men to courage and cheerfulness, as well as for Ornament to the Troops, and to direct the Men to duty, &c. it being made in the Form of a conick Tube, of Silver or Brass; and some made of Iron, or Tin, or of Wood.

The Compais of this warlike Instrument is not strictly determined, since it will probably reach as high as a Man's Breath can force it; which some will so manage as to reach Four Ostaves, or the Bounds of common Organs, or Harp-sichords, &c. But, the common Scale for the Trumpet, or French-Horn is generally prick'd down thus:

The GAMUT Scale for the Trumpet, or French Horn, &c.



Herein D, F, A, and B are left out, by reason such Notes are not properly called Trumpet or Horn Notes; and when those Sounds are set in a Piece of Musick they generally rest at those Notes, or use others in their stead, so as to make Harmony in the Concert, &c. And such as sound the 2d Trumpet or Horn, often perform the lower concording Sounds by the same Scale, be their Musick in what Key soever pricked down; but their most useful and common

Key is C Natural, and the SCALE as above. But next I shall set you down Three well-known easy Tunes for-Trumpet, or French-Horn, as follow:

Trumpet Tune.





Westwood Park.



For Time, Characters, &c. read of them in the First Part of this Book. guited down ; un cheir raof, u

We read in Numbers, that Moses made two silver Trum-pets for the Use of the Priests; and in Josephus, Lib. 8. that Solomon made 200 more like those made by Moses. Josephus also, greatly shews the Antiquity of these Kinds of Instruments; the Antients having divers of these Kinds, which they called Tubas, Cornicas, and Luttuis, &c. ??

Our modern Trumpets have a Mouth-piece near an Inch diameter, tho' not above one-third of that Width at the Bottom. The Pieces that convey the Wind thro the Whole are called Branches; the Places where bent are called the Potences; and the Canal between the second Bend. and the Extremity, is called the Pavilion: The 5 Branches being foldered together, are cover'd with Knots, &c. of your

In War there are 8 feveral Ways of founding a roThe Cavalquet, when the Army approaches to a City, or are to march thro' it. 2. The Boutefelle, when they are to decamp, or march. 3. When they found to horse, and then to standard. 4. To charge. 5. To watch: 6. The Double-cavalquet. 7. The Chamade; and 8. The Retreat: With various Voluntaries and Flourishes at Rejoicings, too tedious here to mentionable of to very uncer and richt, notion

Trumpet makers have a Scale or Diapafon to cut their

Lengths by, as a Standard to every Size. 1) to 111 1 199111

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As we call our Trumpets and Horns, First, Second and Third, so do the Italians and Germans, as the several Parts. viz. Tromba-prima, the ist; Tromba-fecunda, the 2d; Tromba-terza, the 3d; Tromba being what we call Trumpet.

Mr. Roberts, in the Philosophical Transactions, ingeniously accounts for the Defett, in those Kinds of Instruments, as not properly performing fuch Sounds as are left out in the Scale; by reason they always sound them out of Tune; from which they are not called Trumpet-notes, &c. The French Horn being only a Long Trumpet, made circular, and portable for Huntsmen, &c. ad os erupes es so I ed as eles

And, tho'va Trumpet requires more Pains to blow than a French Horn; yet some are so dexterous as to blow either so very foft, as to be used in Church and Chamber Musick.

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The Clarion, or Clarinet, is only a small Trumpet in Kind, and used as a Treble to larger ones, in Concerts, &c.

# § 2. Of the Trumpet-Marine, and Sackbut.

A Trumpet-Marine is only a Monochord in Effect, by reason it has only one large String; which, when truck with a Hair Bow, and fretted with the Compression of the Thumb of the other Hand, it sounds like a Trumpet.

Its Body is like 3 Tables, in a triangular Form, with a very long Neck, whereon lies the String over the Bridge, which is made fast to the Body on one Side, and loose on the other; which makes the Bridge tremble when struck with the Bow, and causeth the Sound like a tubical Instrument.

It has the fame Defect, in some Notes, as the Trumpet, and performs Notes much the same, being thereon either too flat or too sharp to make true Concords; by reason of its Vibrations being so very uncertain; and yields no true Sound, only when by its being stopped, the Vibrations of the upper Part of the String are an aliquot Part of the Remainder, and consequently to the Whole. If otherwise, the Vibration of the Parts do stop one another, and make consuled Sounds according to the cross Motions of the Vibrations: These being the principal Reasons Mr. Roberts, before mentioned, gives of the Impersection and Deficiency of these Instruments, &c.

The Sackbut, or Trumpet-harmonicus, is mentioned in the Book of Daniel; it being a large Trumpet in Kind, tho different in Form, and contrived to found the Basses on; it being made longer or shorter, by drawing it out more or less, as the Tones require to be in Acuteness or Gravity, as we do our modern Pitch-pipes. It takes as under in four Pieces or Branches, and has commonly a Wreath in the Middle, which is the same Tube only twice twisted; or

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making two Circles in the Middle of the Instrument; by which it may be brought down a Fourth lower than its natural Tone: Hence it is lengthened to hit any Tone you like, Grave or Acute, &c. It is generally 8 Feet long before drawn out; and will extend to 15 Feet long: And the Wreath is 2 Feet 9 Inches in Circumference; and serves for a Bass in Concerts of Wind Musick, &c. There are several Sizes, viz. Trombone-maggiore, for the Tenor.—
Trombone-secundo, a 2d.—Trombone-terza, a 3d.—Trombone-quarto, a 4th; and the Key of each is generally F. saut; and to as many Ostaves as its Length will admit; for which the Sackbut or Serpent Makers have a Scale, which they fix thereon, to shew how far they must be lengthened or shortened to sound the Tones, as we do our Pitch-pipes, &c.

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### CHAP. VIII.

# Of the Guitarra Spaniola or Citern.

THE Guitar is called a Spanish stringed Instruments having generally 4 double Wire Strings, and 2 single Strings, from the Bridge to the Screws, in Form like the Violin; and pulled with the Fingers and Thumb of the Right Hand, and stopped or fretted at the same Time with the Fingers of the Left Hand; and mostly used by young Ladies to play in Concert, or sing with, &c. it being in Effect only a small Lute. The Names of the open Strings, and Frets on each stand thus:

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The lowest open String soundeth C faut, in the Bass.

The 5th open is E-lami, a 3d higher than C.

The 4th open is G-solreut, a 4th higher than C.

The 3d open is C-solfaut, a 4th higher than G.

The 2d open is E-la, a 4th higher than C.

The 1st open is G-folrent in Alt, a 3d higher than C. Each of these Strings being stopped or fretted where the Lines cross them, will perform the Notes in this Scale:

The Gamut on the Guitar.



# C H A P. IX.

Of the Fife, and the Tabor-and-Pipe; and of the Dulcimer, and Harps.

HE Fife or Fifaro, is a wind Instrument, very shrill, and held as the German-Flute, and play'd on much the same; so that the Scale of one will partly serve for the other; which see.—It is very much used in the Army, accompany'd with the Drum, &c.

The Tabor-and-Pipe are two musical Instruments that always accompany each other; and are mostly used at Wakes by Country People, and at their Dancings and innocent Diversions; and often with Morris Dancers; and sometimes in Concerts, if well perform'd by such as are skill'd in Musick. The Pipe is very shrill, having 3 Holes; but it mostly depends on the Management of the Breath, and by pinching to make the Sounds; which are play'd only by the Left Hand, on which Wrist hangs a small Drum, braced in Tune to the Pipe, and beat by the Right Hand, as a Bass, in Time to it: Both of which being well managed, make pretty Harmony. The Scale on this Pipe, by some is prick'd down thus:

The Gamut on the Pipe.



O stands for Open; and + for the Hole half cover'd.

To know the Rudiments of Musick, see Book I.

# § 2. Of the Dulcimer, and Bell-Harp.

THE Dulcimer is made in a Kind of triangular Form, with wire Strings screwed over two Bridges at each end; and some Strings run under other Bridges; some Strings being single, and others double to strengthen the Sounds: All of which are shorter and shorter as they are more Acute; the shortest being about 18 Inches long, and the longest about 36; the Brass Strings are generally doubled.—When play'd on, it is generally laid on a Table

or Stand, and struck with both Hands, with one Rod in each Hand, made of Wire or Cane, whereon good Harmony is often made, if struck in Concord. It is a very portable Instrument, and much used at Pupet-spews, Wakes, and Country Fairs, &c. and may, with Judgment, be very regularly tun'd, according to the Scale of Musick; nay, and even so as to sound both Flats and Sharps, &c.

The Bell-Harp, is another Instrument strung with Wire; its Form is like a Bell, and kept twinging whilst play'd on: Whose Strings are struck by each Thumb, being armed with a split Quill, Whalebone, or thin Horn, called a Plettrum: Which, when artfully managed, affords tolerable good Harmony, &c. and may be tuned according to the com-

mon Scale of Musick.

The *Æolian Harp*, is a stringed Instrument, whose Strings are *Catgut*, and tuned all *Concords* to each other, but not play'd on no Ways by Hand; but is set in a founding Room, by the Window, opened, where the *Air* moves the *Strings*, so as it makes a sweet *Harmony*; even as if many Instruments were playing in *Concert*, &c.

Concerning the Welch, and Irish Harps, see them in their

Order, in the following Distionary.

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### CHAP. X.

Of Tuning of Bells, and Pricking of CHIME-BARRELS to Musical-Clocks, &c.

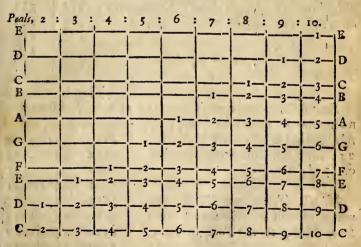
THE many Disputes that have often been amongst Lovers of RINGING, hath caused me to insert this Chapter; and I know well, by Experience, that not one Ringer, amongst a Thousand, rightly understands the SCALE

Scale of Musick; which, if he did, he could immediately

tell if a Peal of Bells were in right Tune, or not.

I appeal to all Gentlemen, Masters of Bell-Founding, whether it is not customary with them always to Tune their Peals in the sharp and chearful Key? To which they will answer, It really is, (unless desir'd to the contrary by some very whimsical Persons:) From which, it is clearly evident, that the Tenor, lowest, or greatest Bell must always be C, (whether in Concert-Pitch, or not) all the lesser Bells above that, being in a regular Diatonick-Order, according to the following Lines:

A Mathematical TABLE of Tuneable PEALS, from Two to Ten Bells.



By this Table you see how any Peal of Bells are tuned from 2 Bells to 10; your 2 last Bells always falling two whole Tones, according to the Major-Third, or Sharp-Key: and that from E to F, and B to C, (being but Half-Tones, in acuteness) rise but half as much as C, D, E, G, A, B, which are Whole-Tones.

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To ring a Peal of Bells melodiously, is to strike them in true Course of Time, in regular Order, as they are tuned, as 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, or more.—Changing, is, when two or more Bells change, and take each other's Place, (lying next to each other) as 6 Bells may thus: 213456, &c. which Changes may be double, triple, or quadruple. The Changes as may be made on any Peal or Number of Bells may easily be known; for two Bells can make but 2 Changes, thus; 1, 2—2, 1, &c.

Three Bells give twice as many more Changes as two; by multiplying 2 by 3, (3 the additional Figure) every Bell having but one Course, and no particular Bell affign'd as an Hunt or Lead: So that on three Bells you may have 6 Changes, as

Thus: or thus: 1, 2, 3. 1, 2, 3. 213 132 231 312 32 I 32 I 312 23 I 132 213 123 123 *छ*८. &€.

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N. B. There are Half-Hunts made as well as whole ones; the Hunt being as the Pilot or Lead, &c.

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Thus:

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Five Bells give 4 Times as many more Changes as 4 Bells; by multiplying 24 by 5, the Product is 120; in which is the Whole Hunt, and the Half-Hunt; the Half-Hunt making a Change one Bell higher, and the Treble hunting down again makes another Change, &c. The

Half Hunt having finish'd its Course by hunting over all, an Extream is made by the 2 farthest extream Bells from the Half-Hunt, which is the 3d and 4th; so proceeding in the same Course till the next Extream, which happens every Time the Treble leads. An Extream is a distinct Change from the rest, and made by the 2 farthest extream Bells from the Half-Hunt.

# A plain-Six-score on Five Bells.

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Much more might be faid on this Art, had I room to insert it; but as the above is sufficient to shew the Proceedings therein (should the Peals, by Bobs, Dodges, &c. H 4

fingle or double, rise to ever so large a Number of Changes) I shall say no more here on this Subject.

# § 2. Of CHIMES, &c.

A S many curious Pieces of Clock-work are made to perform various Tunes, at certain Hours, it is here necessary to say something concerning the moving Cylinder, called Moduli-Campanarum, or the Chime-Barrel: which if well divided, and stumped accordingly, and if every Tail, that lifts the Hammers, hath a true and regular Bearing, it exceeds all other Performance of Musick whatsoever, with Respect to Time, even from the first to the last: By Reason, the whole Machine can readily be made more quick, or slow, by changing the Fly to a more obtuse, or a more acute Angle; which alters every Movement to a certain Velocity, in true Proportion, &c.

Suppose, one should desire me to prick a Chime-Barrel to a Tune which shall contain 20 Bars of Common-Time, with two Minims, or four Beats in every Bar: First, I shall take the Girt of my Barrel with a large Paper, and rule such a Number of Lines thereon, as I have Bars in my Tune, lengthways of the Barrel; and then rule so many Lines across them as I have Hammers; to range with the Tails or Listers; which Lines will appear circular, when the

Paper is put on, so as just to cover the Barrel.

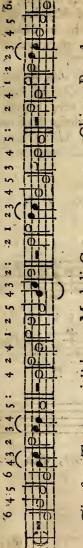
The Paper being now made fit, I take it off, then set Dots on the Circular Lines as the Notes come on, according as they are in Length of Time, till my Paper is finished: Which being fixed again on the Chime-Barrel, every Dot shews the Place of every Stump to draw the Hammer, &c. every Revolution of the Barrel compleating the Tune.

N. B. That whensoever any Tune has two Notes together, on one Line, or Space, struck on the same Bell; such Bells require then two or more Hammers, &c. lest the Tails

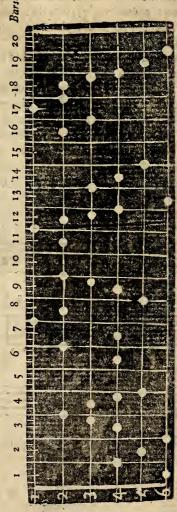
of the Hammers, &c. interrupt one another.

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# A PSALM-TUNE for Six BELLS.



The same Tune, prick'd on a Moduli-Campanarum, or Chime-Barrel.



Bells. Six

Note, That the White Lines at each End shew where the Paper meets, when wrapped round the Barrel; where you may allow what Time you please before the Tune begins again.

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In this manner you may calculate Numbers for Chimes, by dividing the Barrel into so many equal Parts, as you have Members or Parts in every Bar of Musick, and prick any Tunes accordingly, whether they be in Common, or Tripla-Time; which Art chiefly depends on the exact Division of the Barrel.

From what has been said on this exact Time-keeping Machine, it appears that there is but one Sort of Time, as I hinted in Book I. wherein I treated very largely concerning that Part of Musick: Nevertheless, Musicians are oblig'd to make various Divisions of it, by Moods or Marks, in order to convey the several different Movements to our Understandings, &c. &c.

# A Loyal HEALTH: On Six Bells.

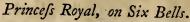


N. B. You may fee this Tune in Score, with the Bass under it, on Page 119.

# BRITONS, Strike Home.

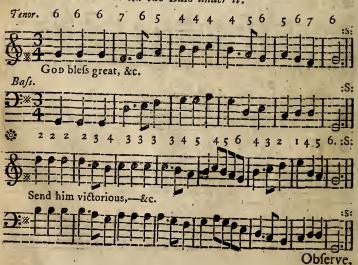
Figured for Chimes, of Six Bells. With the Bass under it.







# God fave the KING: On Seven Bells. With the Bass under it.



Observe, That in the foregoing Seven-Bell Tune, the 7th Bell is but half a Tone under the 6th Bell; and that the same Tune will go tolerable well on a Peal of Six, if the 7th be struck on the 6th, without any great Variation: (But then the Bass must not be concern'd.)

The 125th PSALM-TUNE: On Eight Bells.



You may have great Variety of chearful Psalm-Tunes for Chimes of Five, Six, Seven, Eight, Ten, or Twelve Bells, in my New Royal Melody, lately publish'd, in Four Parts: and among the Songs and Tunes in this Book.

From the Principles before-mentioned, concerning the Moduli-Campanarum, or Chime-Barrel, many curious Contrivances may be made to perform Musick, without playing by Finger; such as Hydraulick-Organs, to play by Water, or by Weights, and Clock-work: Whereby the Keys of Touches are struck, in the same Manner as with Fingers; and the Bellows blown at the same Time, &c.

Stringed-Harpsichords also may be made to perform in the same Manner; and small Box-Organs, to play only by the Turn of one Hand, as you do the Fristion-Wheel of the Stringed-Cymbal; and in so small a Compass, as that of a Tea-chest, &c.

Bell-Harpsichords, in the like Manner, may be play'd by small Hammers, which strike on small runable Bells, instead of striking the wire Strings with Quills or Pletsrums; which Instruments, if well made, will never be out of Tune.

ORGANS may also be made to perform Tunes either in Two, Three, or more Parts together; by opening several Pallets by one single Touch, as they are made to correspond to several Valves, by Movements, and Conduits; and as they have Communication one to another, from the Key, to the Sound-Board, &c. with a thousand other Contrivances too tedious here to mention.

Thus, I the Organ's Structure have survey'd, The Viol, Hautboy, Flute, and Bells display'd: The Scale I've fix'd to ev'ry Hole, and Key, But, Diligence must Teach ye how to play.

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# CHAP. XI.

Of DRUMS, MARCHES, &c. and of TYMBALS. + 1 500 0 m 11

THE common large Drum is made circular, of strong Oak Scale-board, and both Head and Bottom cover'd with strong Parchment; its Height is generally equal to its Diameter, but seldom above 30 Inches over, unless Skins can be got larger to cover them. They can be firained or braced to any Tone required; and are beat with 2 Sticks properly turned: which Art only confifts to keep the Time of the Tune, in true Movement to the other Instruments: The Rules for which, not one Drummer among 10,000 rightly understands by musical Notes.

It is a military Instrument of the pulsatile Kind, and mostly used amongst the Foot, to direct them to duty, viz. to march, to attack, to retreat, also to rife, or to be in their Quarters, &c. which the Soldiers understand by the various Beatings, called the March, the Double-march, the Affemble, the Charge, to arms, the Retreat, and the Chamade, &c.

There are also Drums made of Brass, called Tymbals, or Kettle-drums, used among Horse Soldiery: Two of which are laid across the Horse's Shoulders, before the Drummer, richly clad; who beats them with two small Iron Rods, with Balls on their Ends, making very odd Gestures at the same Time. These Tymbals may be beat so soft as to be used in Concerts, Tragedies, Oratorios, and the like.

There are various Ways in pricking down Notes for the Drum, some have their Tunes set on but one Line; those above the Line to be struck with the Right-Hand, and those below the Line for the Left: but be that as it will, the Time is only prick'd down by reason they cannot alter in Tone; which may be set down thus:



See this March in Parts on Page 120.

The Old English March in the Ancient Notes.

A Warrant of King Charles I. directing the Revival of the Old English March, as it is still in use with the Foot.

THIS Manuscript was found by the present Earl of Huntingdon, in an old Chest, and as the Parchment has at one Corner the Arms of his Lordship's Predecessor, then living, the Order was probably sent to all Lord Lieutenants of Counties.

" Charles Rex.

Whereas the ancient Custome of Nations hath ever bene to use one certaine and constant Marche in the Warres. whereby to be distinguished one from another. And the Marche of this our English Nation, so famous in all the honourable Atchievements and glorious Warres of this our Kingedome in forraigne Parts [being by the Approbation of Strangers themselves confest and acknowledged the best of all Marches] was thorough the Negligence and Carelesness of Drummers, and by long Discontinuance so altered and changed from the ancient Gravitie and Majestie thereof, as it was in Danger utterly to have bene lost and forgotten. It pleased our late deare Brother Prince Henry to revive and rectifie the same, by Ordayning and Establishment of one certaine Measure which was beaten in his Presence at Greenwich, Anno 1610. In Confirmation whereof, we are graciously pleased at the Instance and humble Suite of our right trufty and right well beloved Cousin and Counsellor Edward Viscount Wimbledon, to set down and ordaine this present Establishment hereunder expressed, willing and com-

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commanding all Drummers within our Kingdome of England and Principalitie of Wales exactly and precifely to preserve the same as well in this our Kingdome, as abroad in the service of any forraigne Prince or State, without any Addition or Alteration whatsoever: To the End that so ancient, samous and commendable a Custome may be preserved as a Patterne and Precedent to all Posteritie. Given at our Palace at Westminster the Seventh Day of February in the Seventh Year of our Raigne of England, Scotland, France, and Ireland."



This is a true Copie of the Originall figned by his Majestie -- E. Norgate, Windsor.

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## CHAP. XII.

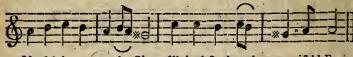
A Set of fort AIRS or SONGS, in Two, Three, and Four Parts; for Voices, or Instruments.

# The INVITATION.

A CANZONE: Set for Four Voices, by W. TANS'UR.

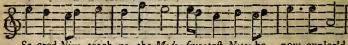


Welcome, welcome ev'-ry Gueft, welcome to our Mu-sic-Feast,



Mu-fick is our on-ly Cheer, fills both Soul, and

ra-vish'd Ear.



Sa-cred Nine, teach us the Mode, sweetest Notes be now explor'd:



Soft-ly move the trembling Air, to compleat our Confort Fare.

Sprightly Bacchus, fill our Bowl, Let no Miser us controul; Brave Apollo, us inspire, Sweetly tune each vocal Lyre. Sacred Nine, &c.

# A Loyal HEALTH. W. T. Sen.



II.

Drink, drink about, never hoard up your Coin, All Men, ye know, unto Fate must resign: Cherish your Souls, that true Love may abound, So let this Health go merrily round.

Cherish your Souls, &c.

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A Three Part Song. Set by W. T. Senior.



Gripe'm's whineing, always pineing, Always shifting, ne'er to pay; Good Men drinking, wisely thinking, Singing, drive dull Cares away.

Griping Cheaters, are Man eaters, Sneaking, daily suck Mens Blood: Men of Merit have more Spirit, Daily strive for all Mens Good.

Mirth's delighting, Songs inviting, Gripe'm shifts, to pay no Score: We'll be wifer, st un the Mifer, Kindly kick him out off Doors.

We'll be merry, drinking Sherry, Always friendly, blithe and gay:
Free from Wrangling, Broils or Jangling, Joy and Mirth shall crown
each Day.

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Each Part did well in Confort move,
How brisk the Time did beat!
Our Notes, such melting Strains of Love,
That she cry'd out, Repeat:
Our Musick was so charming sweet,
We play'd it three Times o'er;
But when I could no more repeat,
She laugh'd, and cry'd, Encore.

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### The MUSICAL SOCIETY.

Set in a New Cliff Method. By W. T. Senior.



A SONG



And fetour Keyon A-re-sharp, and fing Fa, La, Sol, Sol, La.



And fet our Key on A-re-harp, and fing Sol, La, Mi, Fa, Fa.



Let Will and John the Tenor found, And fing melod'usly; Whilst Ben. and Jo. the Bass does ground, To make sweet Harmony: Let George, and James sing Counter sweet, In Cords that softly play; To move all Parts soft and compleat, We'll sing Sol, La, Mi, Fa.

Remember Holy David, well In Mufick's Art was vers'd; His Voice and Harp could Passions quell, For Saul he dispossess'd: Each join, with me, his well-tun'd Harp, In Concert sweet, I say, And set our Key on A-re-sharp, And sing Sol, La, Mi, Fa.

Within the Temple, Solomon, In Musick took Delight; He Voices had to join, as One, Two Hundred, Eighty eight; Then may We ever take Delight In Musick's Are alway; And well unite, if Day or Night, To fing Sol, La, Mi, Fa.





128 The Elements of MUSICK made Easy, &c.
A Song in Praise of LIBERTY. A 3 Voice. W. T. Sen.



II.

I'll tie my whole Heart to none, -- Nor ever confine my Eyes;

And yet I'll play my Game fo well, As never to want a Prize :

'Tis Liberty, 'tis Liberty," That makes a Man be wife .- : S:

III.

No, fie, out upon those Eyes, That strive to entangle me;

And he's an Ass that loves a Lass, When she's not kind and free:

There's nothing fweet, there's-Like Love, and Liberty .- : S:

The Huntingdonshire GLEE. Four Parts, Round. W.T. Jun.



II.

'Twill cure the melancholly Mind, And make the hardell Lover kind

This makes the Coward fierce, and 'Twill make the Song fier tune his

And Mifer change his Bags of Gold; | And make the dullest Drone rejoice : 'Twill make the Poet chant his Tale, I Such rare Effects has Cowling's Ale.

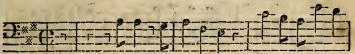
This Nectar ne'er disturbs your Brain, Nor filthy Dregs will e'er remain; Your Glass, with Moderation ply, Drink, and live well, you'll never die.



# A Two-Part Song.



He comes, he comes, the He-ro comes, found, found your Trumpets,



He comes, the He-ro comes, found, found your Trumpers,



beat, beat your Drums; From Port to Port let Cannons roar, He's welcome to the



beat, beat your Drums; From Port to Port let Canons roar, He's welcome to the



British Shore; welcome, welcome, welcome, welcome, to the British Shore.



, British Shore;

welcome, welcome, welcome to the British Shore.

II

Prepare, prepare, your Songs prepare, Loud, loudly rend the echoing Air; From Pole to Pole your Joys resound, For Virtue is with GLORY crown'd; Virtue, Virtue, Virtue, Virtue is with GLORY crown'd. Transpos'd for the FLUTE.



# CHAP. XIII.

Concerning PSALMODY, &c.

IN the Year 383, PSALMS are said then to be begun to be sung; and were brought in by Bishop Damasius;

though they were not then turned into Metre.

Benidictus, an Abbot of the Monastery of Peter and Paul, at War, is also said to bring with him, from Rome, one John, called the Arch-chanter, who taught first in England, how we should fing in Choir, after the same Manner as theythen did at Rome, in 724. - See AEts and Monuments, Vol. 1. Page 164.

In King Egbert's Reign, 747, the Synod of Bishops greatly disputed on the Profit and Excellency of the Singing of PSALMS in Churches; and established a Law to promote the same to be sung, with a modest Voice and Gesture, in

Churches, as was then fo called.

In the Year 450, in the Time of Gennadius, the Church of Constantinople is said to be then so augmented by singing, that they built the grand Structure, called the Accimenta, and dedicated it to St. John the Baptist: wherein the Praises of God were incessantly sung, both Day and Night, by three several Choirs, alternately; (who had fixed Saleries for the same) by which the Citizens enjoy'd an Heaven on Earth; according to Holy David's Words, in Psalm lxxxiv. Ver. 4. viz. Blessed are they who dwell in thy House, O Lord: they will always be praising Thee. As this is a persect Symbol of Eternity, hence, it is certainly good for us to be There. Matt. xvii. 4. (Vide Drexelius on Eternity, Page 50.)

Beza was also a great Lover of PSALMODY in his Time, and made it his greatest Part of Devotion; hence, (out of Ridicule) some malicious Persons then called the Psalms,

The Geneva-Jiggs, &c.

King Ethelston or Atelston, to encourage Psalmony, made a Law, in 924, That 50 of the Psalms should be daily sung in the Church, for the King, as he called it; meaning for the Good of the Common-wealth, and for the Praise of God, &c.

In the Reign of King Henry VI. Thomas Sternhold, of Barnat, in the County of Southampton, translated 37 of the

Psalms into Metre, for the Use of Churches.

In the Reign of King Henry VIII. Sir Thomas Wiat translated the seven Penitential Psalms into Metre: And,

In the Reign of Queen Mary, John Hopkins translated feveral other Pfalms into Metre, all to be sung in

Churches, &c.

Queen Elizabeth, of blessed Memory, in her Injunction to the Clergy and Laity, desired that the Revenues of the Livings of some Collegiate, and Parish-Churches might be restored to their ancient intended Use, viz. to maintain Men, and Children, to keep up the laudable Science of Musick in Churches; so as to be restored and kept up in a modest, good Way; and to be understood as plain as if the Words were not sung; and to be used between any Parts of the Church-service. She also permitted, and ordered, that such

as delighted in Musick should, for their godly Solace and Comfort, (before and after Service) sing the Praises of Almighty God in the best Musick that could be composed; whether to Psalms, or to Hymns, &c. rightly adapted: But not in Playbouse Tunes, as are used now, in too many Churches, which are as ridiculous as they are new; to the great Grief of all well-disposed Persons.

Since Church-Musick is then the Gift of God, let us all here endeavour to instruct, and assist one another, so far as we are able, in all good Offices as shall redound to His Praise and Glory; Who batk enabled us to sing His Praise, for our godly Solace and Comfort; whereby we may imitate the very Angels that are in Heaven.

(See more on this, in my Pfalm-Singer's fewel: or, A New Exposition on the Book of Psalms: And my Poem on the Life of Holy David.)

Here follows a Set of PSALM-TUNES, as easy Lesfons for young Beginners, &c. in various Parts, with Figures of the Time, and Letters, from the natural Scale, how to Sol-fa them.

# Worksop Tune. PSALM LXII. Old Version.

In Two Parts. W. T.



- 7 MY Glory and SALVATION doth On God alone depend: HE is my Strength, my Wealth, and Stay, And still doth me defend.
- 8 O put your Trust in HIM alway, Ye Folk with one accord: Pour out your Hearts to HIM, and say, "Our Trust is in the LORD.

To Father. Son, and Holy Ghost, The undivided Three; The One, fole Giver of all Life, Glory for ever be. 136 The Elements of MUSICK made Easy, &c.

St. Edmond's Tune. PSALM LXXI. Old Version.
In Two Parts. W. T.



- HY Faithfulness, O Gov, to praise, I will, with Viol, sing:
  My Harp shall found thy Laud always, O Isree'sholy King!
- 22 For, Thou mine Honour dost increase, And Dignity maintain:

  Thou causest all my Grief to cease, And Comfort st me again.
- 24 My Mouth shall Joy, with pleasant Voice, When I do sing to Thee: Also my Heart shall much Rejoice, For Thou hast set me free.
- 25 My Tongue thy Righteoufness shall found, I daily speak it well: For Thou, with Shame, dost them confound, That strive to do me ill-

DOXOLOGY.

To Father, Son, &c.

17.

St. Stephen's Tune. PSALM XLIII. New Version. In Four Parts. W. T.



I Just Judge of Heav'n, against my Foes, do thou affert my injur'd Right; O set me free, my Goo, from those That in Deceit and Wrong delight.

<sup>2</sup> Since Thou art still my only Stay, O leave me not in deep Distress; Lest I go mourning all the Day, Whilst my insulting Foes oppress.

<sup>3</sup> Let me with Light and Truth be bleft; be Thou my Guide, and lead [my Way; 'Till on Thy Holy Hill I rest, And in Thy facred Temple pray.

<sup>4</sup> Then shall I there fresh Altars raise, to Gob, Who is my only Joy:
And well-tun'd Harps, with Songs of Praise, Shall all my grateful
[Hours employ.

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An HYMN on the Day of JUDGMENT.









Who hath redeem'd and fet thee free, From Death, and his infernal Place: With loving Kindness crowned thee, Ev'n with his aiding tender Grace.

Hal-le-lu-jab, Hal-le-lu-jab. Hal-le-lu-jab, Hal-le-lu-jab.

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A FUNERAL HYMN. Set by W. TANS'UR.



II.

Ver. 21.

Our Life's a Journey full of Care,
No Wealth from Death can fave:
Each Step we take, more near we are
To our dark filent Grave.

#### III.

Nor is it only *Death* we dread,
But, rather what's behind:
For, tho' we in the *Grave* are laid,
We fure shall *Judgment* find.

#### IV

John v. 25. Arise ye Dead, to Judgment come!

This Sound we All must hear:

Mat. viii. 12. How then will wicked dread their Doom!

And quake for Guilt, and Fear!

#### -V

Whilst godly Men, of Heav'n posses'd,

Psal.xxiv.7. Lift up their Heads, with Joy:

Rev.xiv.13. Absolv'd, and bless'd, with Christ, in Rest,

To all Eternity.

#### DOXOLOGY.

To Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,

The undivided Three:

The One Sole Giver of all Life,

GLORY for Ever be.

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An HYMN for EASTER DAY. By Mr. TANS'UR.

To a CANON, in fix Parts, Round.

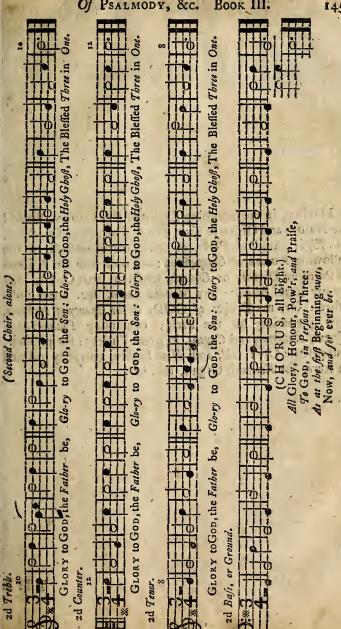


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The REQUEST. Set by Mr. W. TANS'UR.
To a CANON Round: in seven Parts.



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Having, in the foregoing Lessons of Psalmody, shewed the Nature and Order of Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, and Eight, musical Parts, in Score, correspondent to the following Rules of Composition:—Those who are desirous to see more Divine, or Church-Music, in true Order, may see my Royal Melody; my Melodia Sacra, &c. lately published: Or, my Praises of GOD, in the Beauty of Holiness, now preparing for the Press; containing Psalm-Tunes, Hymns, Anthems, and Canons, in great Variety; for publick, and private Use: Old, and New Version, correctly printed in Score, for Voices or Organ, &c. &c.

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TO THE WHOLE

# Art of Mulick.

BOOK IV.

#### TEACHING

The Theory of Sound in general, from its Natural Causes; or, A Philosophical, and Mathematical Dissertation thereon; in a concise and easy Method, &c.—With the Principles of Composition; either in two, three, four, five, fix, seven, or eight Musical-Parts: Shewing the Allowed Passages of all Concords, and Discords; and the Contrivance of Fuge, or Canon, in great Variety.

The Whole is faithfully collected from the Greatest Masters, both Antient and Modern; and methodically laid down for the Improvement of the present Age, &c.

By WILLIAM TANS'UR, Senior, Musico-Theorico.

SOUND'S Natural Causes are herein display'd,
Which shew from whence each disfrent Cord is made.
COMPOSING-RULES are plainly here laid down,
That Musick's ART, in Splendor may be known.

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## CHAP. I.

Of Theory in General: or, A Philosophical Differtation of the Nature of Sound; and of the Ratios and Proportion of Practical Intervals, &c.

ALL Sound is made by Motion: And that Motion is the Verberation, or Modulation of Air; being the

Object of Musick.

Air is that Fluid, or Element, in which we move, breath and confist, composed of minute springy Particles, which give Way to the least Impression made on them; which Particles move freely one among another; for which Reason, it is known to be a Fluid; and every Force that presseth upon Air, presseth at the same Time, in all Manner of Directions:—And as the Pressure increaseth, so does its Density; as is evident, of Air forced into a Bladder; for the more it is forced, the more dense it is; and as it decreases, it expands itself again, in all Manner of Directions.—The Force that presseth common Air, is the Weight of the Aimosphere (that is, the Clouds, Rain, &c.) and the Spring of the Air is equal thereunto; by reason they always balance each other, and produce equal Effects, &c. &c.

The generative Part of Sound, is that which produceth Sound, and bringeth it forth; and that is Motion, by Collision; or a Body's striking against the Air, which causeth Sound; and this Sound is more grave, or acute, according to the Force, and Magnitude of the Body that strikes against it; this being that which constitutes different Tones, Simple, or Compound, &c.

All Sound is supported, and carried distant, by the Medium or Air, which is called, The Sphere of Assivity, The Element of Sound; or The Element of Musick; and so far as the Medium passeth, so far passeth the Motion with it; and when the Motion ceaseth; then must the Sound cease also.—But, if it meets with any Hinderance in the Way which it passeth; it strikes and shakes at every Obstacle it meets, making Echoes and Sounds according to the Nature of the Obstacle: But, if it meets with no Hinderance as it passeth, then it passeth into the Sphere of the Air or Medium, cutting, dividing, or plowing the same, according to the Force of the Sonorous, Sounding-Body; (which Body is the Center) moving in a certain Degree of Velocity or Quickness; and from this very Principle all Tones are deduced.

And, as all Sounds move in a trembling or vibrating Motion, the Difference of Tone appears to be no other than the different Velocity or Quickness of the Vibrations of the Sounding-Body; it being proved, that the small Vibrations or Tremblings of any Cord or String, are all perform'd in equal Times; and that the Tone of the Sound (which continues for some Time after the Stroke is given) is the very same from first to last; whose Vibrations are supported by the Air or Medium.

From this very Principle, arises what we call Concords; which are nothing else but the frequent Uniting of the Vibrations of two Sounding-Bodies, and of the undulating Motions of the Air occasioned thereby; and that Discords are the Result of the less frequent Unitings of the Vibrations, &c.

Hence it is, that Sound (with regard to Musick) is to be considered two Ways, viz. Simple, and Compound.—A simple or single Sound, is the Effect of a single Vibration, or of so many Vibrations as are necessary to excite in us the Idea of Sound; that is, the Product of one Voice, or of one Instrument, &c.—A Compound-Sound, consists of several Sounds

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proceeding from feveral distinct Instruments, or Voices, all uniting in the same individual Time, and Measure of Duration; that is, all striking on the Ear together, be their

Differences as they will.

And as the several Degrees of Tune are proportional to the Number of the Vibrations, even so are the Vibrations equal, or unequal, swift, or more flow, according to the Nature and Constitution of the Sonorous-Bodies: The Vibration or Tremblings of such Bodies being by which all Sounds do proceed, and arrive from a certain Pitch or Tenfion, either grave, or acute; according to the Greatness, and

Tension, of the Sounding-Body.

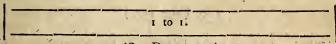
From what has been faid, it appears, that the whole Theory of Musick proceeds from the Vibrations, Oscillations, or Tremblings of the Sonorous-Bodies, and also the Proportion of Sound; for what Bodies, or Sounds are more Acute, the more swift are their Vibrations; and those more Grave, their Vibrations are more flow, &c. Therefore, The First Principal, by which the Nature of Harmonical Sounds was found out, was by the Measure, and Proportion of the Vibrations of the Sonorous-Body; each Tone of Tune being made by a certain Measure of the Velocity of the Vibrations: I mean, That fuch a certain Measure of Courses and Recourses doth, in such a certain Space of Time, constitute or appoint such a certain determinate Tone; and that the Continuance of Sound, even unto the last, dependeth only on the Equality of the Time of its Vibrations; as may be observed by a Wire-string after it is struck: Which was first obferved by Pythagoras, &c. and this is faid to be that which brings musical Sounds under mathematical Proportions .- (See The Doctrine of Pendulums, Page 57.)

To find out their *Proportions*, you must find out their *Numbers*, and then examine the Cause, why some are pleasant, and others unpleasant, (of which the Ear is the *Umpire*:) which shall be the Business of the next Section.

# § 2. Of Proportions of Concords, &c.

PIRST, take two musical Strings, of an equal Length, and stretch them to an equal Tension or Tightness, and then strike them both together, and they will vibrate in equal Times, both Course and Recourse, in the Nature of a Pendulum till they rest: For when two Strings are in exact Unison to each other, one will vibiate to the other, tho untouch'd: Or, if you lay a Straw, or Scrap of Paper on one, and strike the other, if it be in unison to it, it will so vibrate as to shake it off; and also sound the Tone of the other String.—And because these two sound so perfect to each other, they are call'd Unison; the Ratios of their Vibrations being even, both Course and Recourse, and called 1 to 1; because each Motion, or Particle of Sound, strike on the Ear both together; Thus:

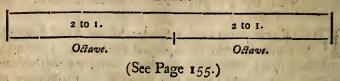
#### UNISON.



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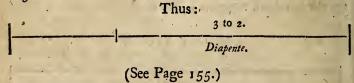
The next Concord, is the Diapason (being the next Ratio or Proportion in whole Numbers, which is found by doubling or taking but one half of the String, by dividing it into Two Parts, and placing a Bridge in the Middle: This will produce an Eighth to the whole String, whose Ratio is called Dupla, or Double-Proportion to its Otlove, by reason each Half of the String vibrates two Courses in the same Time as the whole String does one, it being in Ratio or Proportion as 2 to 1.



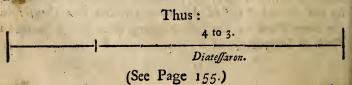


All other *Proportions* are found by dividing the Octave into the other mean Ratios that are included in it, &c.

The next Concord is the Diapente, which is found by dividing the Chord into Three Parts, and placing a Bridge to take off one-third; then will the two-thirds of the Chord produce a Diapente to the whole; and vibrate Three Courses, to Two in Dupla-Proportion, and unite every third Course; which Ratio is called Sesquialteria-Proportion, or 3 to 2.



The next Chord is the Diatessaron, being found by dividing the Line into four equal Parts; and by stopping off one-fourth with a Bridge: Then will the three-fourths of the Line produce a Diatessaron to the whole Line; and unite every fourth Course of its Vibration. This is called Quadruple-Proportion, whose Ratio is 4 to 3; by reason it vibrates four Courses, in the Time of Three, in Sesquialteria.



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Then take another uniting String, and divide that Part as was stopped off to make the Diapente, in two equal Parts, and it will give the Ditone to the open String, and its Motions will unite every fifth Course: Its Ratio is 5 to 4, by reason it vibrates five Courses, in the same Time as Four in the Ratio before it.—(See Page 158.)

By this you may easily conceive the Semiditone, whose Ratio is 6 to 5, its Courses uniting every fixth Course of its Vibrations; i. e. Six Courses in the Time of Five, of the

Ditone's Motions.

N. B. That all Ratios that are within the Number Six, are called Concords, &c.

The Hexachord Major, is within the Number of Concording Ratios, and in Ratio 5 to 3; and vibrates five Courses in the Time of three, meeting every 5th Course of its Vibrations.—And although the Hexachord Minor, is not within the Number Six, yet it is a far better Chord, by reason, when joined with the Diapason, and Diatessaron, from the Unison, it hath the Semiditone to one, and the Ditone to the other; their Motions uniting accordingly, whose Ratio is 8 to 5, and the Complement of 6 to 5, to the Ostave, or Diapason, &c.

A TABLE of all the Intervals contained in the System of Diapason or Octave; with the Number of Semitones in each Interval; and their Ratios; being

The whole System of Harmony.

Semi- tones.		Ratios, Or Proportions	Compounded of a
-12	A Diapason, Octave, or Eighth —	4.	5th and 4th, &c.
—11 —10	A Semidiapason, Sept. Major, or A Greater Seventh — A Sept. Minor or Lesser Seventh —		5th and * 3d. 5th and b 3d.
<b>-</b> 9 <b>-</b> 8	A Hexachord-Major, or Greater Sixth A Hexachord-Minor, or Lesser Sixth	8 to 3	3d and 4th.
	A Diapente, or Perfect Fifth  S. A Semidiapente, or Minor Fifth  A Tritone, or Greater Fourth		b 3d and % 3d. % 3d and tone %
- 5	A Diatesfaron, or Perfect Fourth — A Disone, or Major Third ——	5 to 4	% 3d and tone b. b 3d and tone %.
3	A Semiditone, or Minor Third ————————————————————————————————————	9 to 8	× 2d and tone 0.
	A Semitone, or Minor Second ————————————————————————————————————		One found.

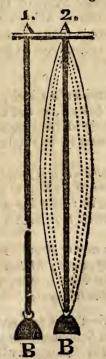
# An Example of CONCORDS, and their Ratios.



Hence it is, that the Vibrations of a Chord or Musical-String truly represents the Motions of a Pendulum, as I before hinted. Now, if you take a Wire, or Musical String, and fix one End on a Center, and hang a Weight at the other End to hang as a Pendulum, and when it hangeth still, gently strike the String with a Bit of Wire, so as not to move the Weight, the String will tremble or vibrate in equal Spaces of Time, in the very Nature of a Double-Pendulum so long as it founds; extending itself widest in the Middle, according to the fecond Figure, AB.

Here you have both a Musical-String and a Pendulum, all in one: whose Vibrations constitute both Time, and Proportion of Sound: And this is the very PRINCI-PLE, and Reason that Musick comes under Mathematical Proportions, both in Time and Tune, &c. Thus by a larger Weight you may make your acute. Tone more which will make the Vibrations more swift accordingly; and fo on to what Tension you please.

Thus have I laid down the first Causes. and the most useful



Natural Grounds, Ratios, and Proportions of Harmony, which proceed only from the Vibrations of the Courses, and Motions LAT

of the Sonorous-Bodies; which Motions determine both Time and Tune; and also render each Sound more or less Pleasant, according to the frequent uniting of their Courses as they fall on the Ear together; from which we distinguish both Concord, and Discord: Concord being produced by the frequent Motions falling on the Ear, at the same Time; and Discord is when they seldom or never meet, whose Ratios are innumerable, by reason of their cross Motions, &c.

N. B. It is said that C-faut, in the Bass Offave, makes

104 Vibrations in one Second of Time.

As to other puzzling Matters that are meerly useless in Musick, I shall herein omit; and leave them to the Criticks and Hair-Splitters of our Age to handle; and thus conclude this Chapter.

Thus, by Division of a Line, We measure Sound, as well as Time; Whose trembling Motions we do sum, Like Beats made by the Pendulum.

For, by Experience, it is found, That MOTION is the Source of Sound; Not without Air:—(it doth appear) For, Air conveys it to the Ear.

Air, (like a circling Wave i'th' Ocean,) Expands itself at every Motion; But when that Force is spent, Air then Returns itself to rest again.

Concord is form'd, it doth appear, When various Sounds meet on the Ear; But, when their Tremblings Difform move, Such Sounds will then Discordant prove.

As, all that's useful I've exprest: Let fruitless Study find the rest.

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## CHAP. II.

Of PRACTICAL-MUSICK: Containing some General Rules for the Composition of Two, Three, Four, Five, Six, Seven, and Eight Musical Parts: Together with the Composition of Fuge, or, Contrivance of Canon; according to the most Authentick Rules.

ANY there are in this conceited Age, that as soon as they can learn to sing, or play a sew Tunes by Rote, as the Wheel turns round, or as Birds do in a Cage, directly set up for Teachers; being so very ignorant as not to say their Gamut, and much more, as not in the least to understand it.—These are like ignorant Sailors, who know not their Compass; and that Ship must needs be well steer'd that falls under the Hands of such a Pilat. Not only so, but they also set up for Composers, knowing neither Tune, Time, nor Concord. And, though they cut so ridiculous a Figure in the Eyes of the Learned, they luckily gain Proselytes amongst the Ignorant; which verifies the old Proverb, that, "They are clever Fellows amongst Falks as know nothing." These are not to be blam'd for their Ignorance, but their Impudence; nor would their Pupils know they were Fools, had they not paid well for it, &c.—

To prevent which Errors, I shall herein lay down all the approved Rules of Composition: Shewing, First, all the several INTERVALS used in Musick, whether Concords, or Discords; and how to compare one Part of Musick

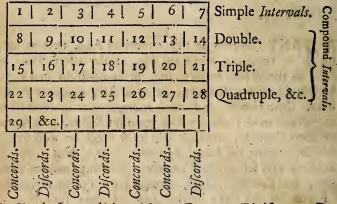
with another.

Concords are such Intervals as are Tuneable and agreeable to each other; that is, when two (or more different Tones sound together, so as to be barmonious, and Delightful to the Ear, &c. such as the Unison, 3ds, 5ths, 6ths, and their Ottaves, perfett, and imperfett.

DISCORDS, are such Intervals as are untuneable, jarring, and disagreeable, such as 2ds, 4ths, 7ths, and their Octaves, &c. both of which are either Simple, or Compound. A

TABLE of which you have, as follows:

ATABLE of all the Intervals in Musick.



A Simple Interval, is without Parts or Divisions. But, A Compound Interval, consists of several Lesser Intervals.—The Unison is not an Interval, because it is but one Sound, but its Octaves are: were they to swell to 10,000 Tones.

The fame by Notes; with their Number of Semitones.



#### DISCORDS.



[What Chord soe'er you please to name, ] An Eighth to that, is deem'd the same.

To reduce any Compound-Interval into a simple or single one, to bring it to its first Radical, or lowest Term; substract the Denominator by 7, as often as it will bear, and the Remains will be the Interval sought for, in its lowest Term; whether it be doubled, tripled, or quadrupled: As 7 from 12, a 5th remains, &cc. being the Radical or lowest Term.

# § 2. Of Comparison.

ftand in Score, so as to know the Interval, whether Concord, or Discord; you must first take the Letter whereon any Note stands in any one Part, and compare it to the Letter of the Note that stands in Score against it, in another Part, and count the Distance from one to the other, according to the Scale of Musick; by which you may know how many Degrees a Note in one Part, is different from any Note in another Part; and what Interval it is, whether Concord, or Discord; and also what Number of Semitones each Interval contains; and whether that Chord be Major, Minor; or Greater, or Lesser; Persect, or Impersect: The Minor, Lesser, or Impersect being always one Semitone less than the Major, Greater, or Impersect Chord as before hinted.

# An Example of FOUR PARTS compared together.



When Parts together you compare, Consult how many Half-Tones are In ev'ry Cord: which will Express, To you the Greater, and the Less.

#### § 3. Of Composition, &c.

The Allowed Passages of all Concords, &c.

RULE I.
When one Part
moves, and the other Part keeps its
Place, the MovingPart may move to

any Concords. As

thus:



Note, That whenfoever any fingle Concord, or Discord is mentioned, their Octaves, or Eighths, are also meant; (as I shewed in Page 159.)

#### RULE II.

You may take as many Thirds, Fifths, and Eighths, as you please, when both Parts do stand; as thus:



#### RULE III.

Two Fifths may be taken together, both rifing and falling, if one be the Major and the other be the Minor; (and not otherwise) as thus:

The like is to be under-

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stood of 4ths; two of one Kind may not pass together, by reason Transposition of the Parts, in Canon, will render them 5ths.

#### RULE IV.

Two or more Greater Sixes, (or Sixes of different Kinds) may be taken together, both rifing and falling, either by Degrees, or by Leaps; Or, take no more than two or three Sixes; but move by a Fifth and Sixth, or their Octaves; as thus:



But lesser 6ths together are not good, nor allowable; neither by Degrees, nor by Leap's.

#### RULE V.

You may take as many Thirds as you please, either rising or falling together, either by Degrees, or by Leaps, if one be the Major, and the other the Minor, (but two Major Thirds are not allowed together unless it be before a Close, or where it can't be well avoided) as thus:



#### RULE VI.

If Two, or more Parts do move gradually, by Contrary Motions, they may move Ascending or Descending; as thus:

Contrary



N. B. By these Six Rules before-mentioned, you see how all Concords may be taken and applied: But I shall next shew you how all Concords may follow each other, either Ascending, or Descending, in all their various Passages.

## § 4. Of the Allowed Passages of all Concords, pafsing one from another.

THE Passages of all Concords from any one to another is allowable, when both Parts move by Contrary Motions, either by Degrees, or by Leaps; I mean when the Upper-Part rises, and the Bass falls: Or, when the Upper-Part falls and the Bass rises to any different Cord, that lies between their Passages; as the above Example. But to give you a more clear Inspection, I shall set down all the several Passages, of the several Concords, as they pass from one to another, beginning first with the Unison, and from thence to the Third, Fifth, Sixth, and Eighth, &c. Ex. gr.

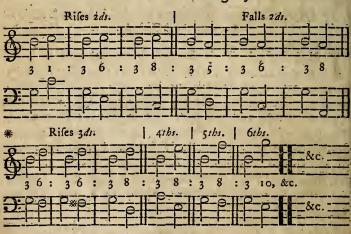
RULE VII. Allowed Passages from the Unison.



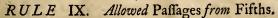


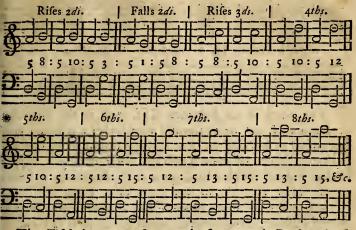
The Unifon is of so perfect a Sound, that if never so many do sound together, the Ear cannot distinguish them from one and the same Sound, only stronger: It may be properly used at the Beginning of Strains, and also at a Conclusion, or elsewhere, when the Composer alone pleases.

# RULE VIII. Allowed Passages from Thirds.



The Third is a Cord of great Variety; and two, or more may be used either together, or mixed with other Perfett Cords, in any Part of a Piece of Musick; which renders all other Perfett Chords more sweet when they pass from it. It is properly called an Imperfett Cord, and most used in Composition.



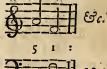


The Fifth is a very sweet, pleasant, and Perfett Cord, and used in any Part of Music, to fill the Harmony; but too many of them are apt to cloy the Ear: Therefore, two or more are not allowed to move together in less than Three Parts; as I before hinted.

#### RULE X.

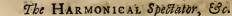
When the *Upper-Part* falls by *Leaps*, and the *Bass* rises by *Leaps*, then you may pass from the *Fifth* thus:

In like Manner Parts may pass thro one another; the Bass to become the Upper-Part, and the Upper-Part to become Bass, &c.



RULE XI. Allowed Paffages from the Sixth.







The Sixth is an Imperfect Cord, and is the nearest to a Discord of any other Concord whatsoever; it being compounded of a Third and Fourth, and ought to be carefully taken. Two, or more Sixths of different Kinds may be taken together, either by Degrees or by Leaps; or be mixed with other Perfects, in any Part of a Piece of Musick It also takes the Place of the Fifth, in Four Parts, on most (barp'd Notes; or otherwise, when the Fifth is left out: ] is also of excellent Use to render the other Perfetts more fweet; but never used to begin a Piece of Musick, no yet to end with: And is properly called, A middle Con cord.

#### RULE XII.

When the Upper-Part falls by Leaps, and the Bassisises either by Degrees. or by Leaps, then you may pass from the Sixth, thus:



Allowed Passages from the Eighth. RULE XIII.





The Eighth or Diapason, is as Persect a Cord as the Unison, and of the very same Nature: Two of which are not allowed to move together, by reason they cloy the Ear.—It may be used in any Part of a Piece of Musick, Beginning, or Ending; or essewhere, mixed with Impersects; but none so proper to conclude with: And properly is called, The grand Period or Close of all Harmony.

#### RULE XIV.

Observe, That you may pass from an Eighth to a Fifth, or from a Fifth to an Eighth, when the Upper-Part either rises or falls but one Degree, (and not otherwise) as thus:



Having thus laid down all the Allowed Passages of all the several Concords, included in the Oslave; (which is, The whole System or Body of Musick.) It appears, that what other Concords, or Discords, are used either above or below the said Oslave, are but only Repetitions of the same over again; for every eighth Note is the very same in Nature, as it was before. It would be needless for me to set down all such Passages that are Not Harmonical, or Not Allowed: Therefore, because I would not be singular, I shall only mention some few which are most erroneous; and, afterwards, shew some just Reasons why such Passages are excluded from Composition.

# § 5. Of several Passages Not Allowed.

# # From 6ths. From 8ths. From 12ths. From 12ths. From 12ths. From 12ths. From 12ths. From 12ths.

I told you in the 5th Rule, that two Major 3ds together were not so harmonical, nor so allowable, as two Minor 3ds; (or as it was one Major and one Minor) unless they should fall in such Places where they could not be well avoided. Therefore I shall give you an Example of them, thus:

#### RULE XVI.

Major Thirds, not allowed.



Suppose you should move two, three, or more Unisons together, it would be but the very same as one single Part, which you could call nothing else but Melody: But should you move from the Unison to any other different Cord, you might properly call it Harmony, or Concert. Therefore the Passages of the Fisth and the Eighth are not allowed together in that Manner: Not because that their Sounds are more sweet, or more orderly fixed than other Concords; but, because they arise from the two sirst Proportions that are found, viz. an Eighth from Dupla, and a Fifth from Sesquialteria; (as I shewed in Book III. Page 77.)

Another Reason why two Fifths, nor two Eighths may not move together, is, because Perfects of the same Kind are more cloying to the Ear than Imperfects; and also it is of greater Variety to the Ear to hear a different Variety of Cords, than to have the same over again. Should it be allowed, that the Composer should move two, or more of one Kind together, he would doubtless be greedy of more; and this is the very Reason, that two Perfects of the same Kind are not allowed to move together, neither by Degrees nor by Leaps, especially in Two Parts; which the Ear will plainly demonstrate.

# § 6. Of TRANSITIONS, and CONSECUTIONS.

PIRST, it is to be noted, that every Leap in Musick doth employ a Transition by Degrees, (if required) from the former Note to the latter; and that every Disallowance doth end either in the Fifth, or in the Eighth; and that these Degrees of Transition produce a Consecution of two, or more Perfests of the same Kind, when both Parts move the same Way:

RULE XVII.
TRANSITION.



Which appears only by this one Example, which demonfirates the Reason of all the rest.—The like i to be understood by 4ths, and their Octaves.

By this Example you see that the Transition or Breaking of a Note, begets a Consecution of two Eighths together, which is the very Reason that all others that move in like Manner, are called Disallowances; for all Disallowances are commonly generated, when both Parts move the same Way: Therefore, I presume, that if the Upper-Part move but by one Degree, and the Bass by Leap, that no Disallowance can happen (except as the Passage from the Sixth to the Eighth,) unless it be set for the Purpose.

Hence it appears, that Leaps are the properest Movements for the Bass, and Degrees are more natural for the Upper Parts; then certainly, that which is Natural cannot be displeasing to the Ear; but if you make a Disorder in your natural Movements, by moving the Bass, by Degrees, and the Upper-Part by Leaps, (to move the same Way to a Perfect Cord) then the Consecution will soon generate a DisalDisallowance: For most Disallowances are begot when the Upper-Part moves by Leap; (to a Fifth, or Eighth) while the Bass moves but one Degree; or, when both Parts move the same Way by Leaps, into a Fifth, or Eighth, or their Ostaves, &c.

N. B. That all the 17 RULES before-mentioned, are understood as on Key Gamut Sharp; but the like is understood in any other Key whatsoever, whether Flat or Sharp: Out of which RULES every Passage in all Manner of Compositions are taken.

# § 7. Of Taking Discords.

ISCORDS, when orderly taken, are as ornamental to Music, as Sauce is to Meat, or as Shades to Painting; and render the other Concords more sweet and delightful; which are admitted into Musick two several Ways, viz. by Pass, and by Way of Binding.

#### Discords by Pass Allowed.



First, The taking of Discords by Way of Pass, is, as the above Example; where Parts make a gradual Transition, from

from one Concord to another; and may be allowed in any Transition whatsoever; so the First, or Leading-Notes be a Concord; and the last produce not a Consecution of Perfetts of the same Kind: So that Discords are Prepared by Concords, and Resolved again by Concords, &c. As,

A Second, resolves into a Unison, or Third. A Fourth, resolves into a Third, or Fifth. A b Fifth, resolves into a Third, or Fifth.

A Seventh, resolves into a Fifth, Sixth, or Eighth.

A Ninth, resolves into an Eighth, or Tenth.

An Eleventh, resolves into a Tenth, or Twelfth, &c.

Secondly, By Way of Binding, is, when Discords are placed on Purpose between the Concords, to render the Concords more sweet and graceful; of which the Ear is the best Umpire to give Directions how to place them. I shall therefore omit an Example by Reason Room will not permit; and that you may easily discern their proper Places,

only by Observation from other Musical Compositions.

In a foregoing Table of Ratios of Concords in the First Chapter, (Page 54,) I reckoned the Fourth among the Concords, which most Authors now count a Discord; of which I am of Opinion, that it is more properly an Imperfest Concord, than a Discord, if it be the Major Fourth; by Reason it includes the same Quantity of Semitones as the Imperfect Fifth; (yet some Authors say there is Difference in their Ratios, which I am very flow to believe, by Reaton, the Ear cannot distinguish them.) Which Imperfect Fifth was never counted for a Concord by many Authors; yet I cannot miss but give my Opinion, that, there is no Concord whatfoever has a more graceful Charm, (when regular placed;) let other Composers call it what they please.

N. B. That the Second and Seventh are very Dissonant and Inbarmonical: But in many Parts are easier tolerated:

and especially when covered by an higher Part.

## § 8. Of COMPOSITION in General.

THE Original Rule of Composition is called Plain Descant; (which is the Grammar, or Ground-work of Musical Composition.) Wherein all Concords are orderly taken.—Figurate-Descant, is, when Discords are admitted into Harmony, either by gradual Transition, or otherwise taken, which is the Ornamental, or Rhetorical Part of

Musick.

The First, and General Observation of a Composer is, to consult whether his Musick is intended for Grave, or Chearful Use; so that the Harmony may truly express the right Sense and Meaning of the Words, to which it is fixed.—Ex. gr. If your Words seem very Grave and Serious, let your Musick be such also: But, if Pleasant, Lively, and Chearful, then let your Musick be thereunto suitable.—If your Words seem of Caelstial Inclination, then let your Musick ascend accordingly.—But if they seem Earthly, or downwards, then let your Music descend also; which Sense may be expressed whilst the Musick is performing by the Motion of your Hand, or Eye, i. e. motioning upwards, or downwards; which must be still brought off, with Air, and in Measure; which is, The very Soul and Spirit of Harmony:

Observe, That you do not use any remarkable Pause, or Rest, until your Words come to a full Sense, or Period; or in Order to take in Breath; For no Rest can possibly be interposed in the Middle of a Word: But a Sigh, Soh, &c. may be expressed by a short Rest; as Hark! Oh! &c. Next, consult your Key, whether grave, or chearful; and express your Subject by your Sounds, and your Time by the Length of the Syllables, according to the Rules of Har-

mony, &c.

N. B. That in an open-Key B, E, and A, are naturally Sharp Sounds; and F, C, and G, are naturally Flat Sounds: So in Transposition they are first flatted, or sharped, &c.—Also, all Natural Sharp-Notes, in the Bass, require Flat-

Thirds:

Thirds: and all Natural Flat-Thirds, in the Bass, require

to be made Sharp-Thirds, &c.

As the chief End of Church-Musick is to relieve the Weariness of a too tedious Attention; to make the Mind more chearful, and compos'd; and to endear the Offices of Religion; that Sort should always imitate the sweet Perfume of the ancient Tabernacle; and have as little of the Play-house Maggots, and Voluntaries in it as possible. It should always be free from all Galliardizing Notes, Military Tattoos, or common frothy jigging Airs; which only tickle the Ears of the Chemerical, with trifling Fancies, and corrupt the Mind with impure Thoughts. Such-like Strains as these, only prophane the Service of God, and bring the Play-house into the Church; whereby we are, as it were, Toodled out of our Reason, Religion, Morality, and Devotion, by Persons of corrupt Morals.-What can be a greater Scandal to our Religion, than to bear the Praises of God offered up in immodest Strains of Musick, through the Organ of the Devil? and too often by irregular Persons, more fit for the Exercises of Penance and Correction, than for the Offices of Religion and Exultation.

ALL Religious Harmony ought to be compos'd (as well as be perform'd) by Persons of devout Understanding, so as to inspire, and move to Devotion; whose Strains of Mufick must be Grave, Solemn, Seraphick, and Noble withal, as becomes the Subject: fit for a Martyr, to sing or play, and for an Angel to bear. It also should be so compos'd, as to cherish and warm our very Souls within us, with Piety and Devotion; and take bold of our grandest Affections: and fo transport us to the Beauty of Holiness, above the Satisfactions of this Life, as to make us ambitious of the Glories of HEAVEN, &c. &c. &c. .

When we to Heav'ns celestial Temple come, For, Petition there shall cease, and Prayer be dumb:
But, PRAISE, in Accents more sublime and strong,
Shall then commence her Everlasting Song.

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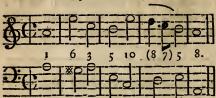
Next consult your Key, whether Grave, or Chearful; and also Measure your Time according to the Length of the Syllables, and Sense of the Words; and then proceed to the Rules of Composition, as your, own Genius directs.

## § 11. Of Composition of Two Musical Parts.

Hensoever you begin a Piece of Musical Composition, First, consult your Key; and also observe to carry your Air as smooth as possible; and that you keep your Harmony within the Bounds of either a Natural Voice, or an Artificial Instrument, be your Musick intended either Vocal, or Instrumental. But be sure to avoid Tautology as much as possible; for much Tautology affords but little Variety.

In former Times, when Concords were only used (Note against Note) Antient Authors always used to compose their Bass first, and afterwards set their other Parts in Concord to it: Which Way, I presume, was too strict ever to have any Form or Air in the Upper-Parts. But, fince Discords are used, and Figurate Descant, most Modern Authors compose the Tenor, or Leading-Part first; which (in my Opinion) ought to carry the greatest Air of any Part of the whole Composition. Nevertheless, I don't deny, but that the Form of the Bass ought to be considered, by Reason, it determines the Key, and is also the Foundation of the whole Song; and ought to carry as much Air as the Tenor will possibly admit. But after you have laid the Form of a Bass, (or only founded your Key thereon) you may carry on your Compofition either together or apart, which you please: But it was always my Method, first, to set my Tenor suitable to the Sense of the Words, if Vocal; or if Instrumental, I took the very same Method: Next I framed my Bass thereunto, as my own Genius directed, &c.

EXAMPLE of Two Musical Parts.



Observe, That in the Composition of Two, (or more) Parts, you may begin your Composition with any Concord whatsoever, except the Sixth. This short Example of Two

Parts, beginning with the Unison.

Observe also, that in Two Parts, two Perfest Cords of one Kind, are not allowed to move together, viz. Fifths, nor Eighths; (unless one be the Minor, and the other the Major Fifth; and then the Minor must stand before the Major) nor any of the Disallowances before-mentioned: And that in Two Parts, Fifths and Eighths are to be least used, by Reason they are apt to cloy the Ear more than Imperfest Cords.

## § 12. Of the several Closes, or Cadences in Musick,

Bserve, that whensoever you intend a Close, Concludo, or Conclusion, the Bass must either fall a Fifth, or rise a Fourth: For a Fourth above is the very same as the Fifth below, as you may observe by other Compositions. But let us next examine what Closes are most proper and natural to each Key; Ex. gr. Suppose your Key be Flat, then you may properly Close in these three several Places. Thus:

Example of the proper Closes in a Flat Key.



The first, and fundamental Close, is the Key itself: The next, in the Fifth above; and also in the Third above, which are called Imperfest Closes; and used in the middle of Strains: Also the Fourth below the Proper Key, or Close, is the very same in Nature, and may be also used.—(Vide Book III, Page 80, of the Thorough-Bass.)

If your Key be Sharp, you may very properly close in these

four several Places:

EXAMPLE of the proper Closes in a Sharp Key.



The first Close is the Key itself: The next in the Fifth, Fourth, and Second above; the Fourth below is also the same as the Fifth above; which three last are called Imper-

fett or Middle Closes.

I do not mean that you should use the very same Notes as the foregoing Examples, but, that these are the properest Places for Closes in both Keys; being most suitable and natural to each Key; and are also more Authentick than any other: Tho' a very pleasant Close may be made in the 6th above: Or in the 3d below, in the Sharp Key.

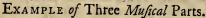
## § 13. Of Composition of Three Musical Parts.

Hensoever you would make a Second Treble, or Cantus, let it begin in some different Cord from the Tenor, as your Genius leads you; and then take contrary Chords from those of the Tenor, still counting from the Bass; and also avoiding Discords as much as possible between your Cantus and Tenor, as you do between Cantus and

and Bass, keeping your Cantus in proper Limits suitable to either Voice or Instrument: And your Parts as near together

as possible.

Observe, that two Fifths or two Eighths may be taken together in three Parts, rather than spoil the Air of your Harmony; but then they must be taken in the Cantus, when it is covered by the Tenor: Likewise any small Disallowance may be easier tolerated in Three or more Parts, than in Two, when covered by a higher Part.





Observeasso, that in the Composition of Three, or more Parts, that you do not make a Consecution of two, or more Perfects of one Kind together, from the Bass, unless it be covered by a Higher Part;

which often happens when the Tenor makes a 5th or 8th, (being then the Highest-Part) and the Medius directly supplies the Place of an Upper-Part, and makes a Consecution of the same Kind, either ascending or descending: To prevent such like Passages great Care ought to be taken.

Note well, That accidental Sharps are used in Flat Keys to make the 3ds, 6ths, &c. Majors; that the Harmony

may be the more cheerful.

## § 14. Of Composition of Four Musical Parts.

Hensoever you intend a Composition of Four Musical Parts, your Three Upper-Parts must take each of them different Cords from the Bass, i. e. one Part to be the Unison, or Eighth; the other the Third; and the other the Fifth. But to render the Thing more plain, I shall make Use

Use of the same Notes, as I did in Three Parts; and also add another Part, viz. a Contra-Tenor; and shall make that which was before a Cantus into a Treble, which will give you a true Example.



Observe, that if your Composition consists of ever so many Parts, there can be but three several Concords joined at once to any Note of the Bass; which are the Unison, (or its Eighth,) the Third, and the Fifth, (or Sixth;) so that the Sixth takes the Place of the Fifth,

when the Fifth is omitted; unless it be at a Close where a Discord is taken; where the Fifth and Sixth are taken toge-

ther, and the Eighth omitted.

N. B. That neither two Fifths, nor two Eighths may not move together in Four Parts, especially between the Tenor and Bass: But it may be allowable in the Contra, if it be covered by a Higher Part.—Discords, and Disallowances are easier tolerated in Four Parts, than in Two or Three; by Reason their several Parts will screen many small Disallowances.

## § 15. Of the Composition of Five Parts.

IF you would make a Composition of Five Parts, another Unison or Octave must be added to some of the other Concords, by Reason, some of the Concords of those (more than in Four Parts) must be unison'd, or doubled, &c.

#### Example of Five Parts.



N. B. That all Ottaves are also meant, should the fingle Cord only be figured.

## § 16. Of the Composition of Six Parts.

To make a Composition of Six Parts, Two of the Parts, above Four, must be doubled, to make, as it were, Ottaves or Unisons to the Cords, &c.

### Example of Six Parts.



§ 17. Of Composition of Seven Parts.

O make a Composition of Seven Parts, Three of the Parts, (above Four) must be doubled, by being Octaves, or Unisons: But, the Concord that makes the Binding Cadence must not be doubled, but must be trebled: all which redoublings will compleat seven Parts.

#### Example of Seven Parts.



N. B. That, although the foregoing Examples are fet in various Cliffs, they may, in all Parts, he set in but Two, if the Composer pleases; viz. in the G, and F-Cliff: or, all in but one Cliff, G: if that he set on the Bottom of the Bass.

## § 18. Of the Composition of Eight Parts.

Composition of Eight Parts, is commonly called Choral Musick, which is performed by two opposite Choirs, (or by, or with Instruments;) which Musick is said to have two Basses, i. e. one Bass peculiar to each Choir, and also all the three other Parts affixed to each Bass; and do perform, either with a single Voice, or with Two, Three, or all Four Parts together: And when all Eight Parts are joined together in full Chorus, it is properly a Composition of Eight Parts; so that one of the Basses supplies the Office of an Upper-Part, when all perform together; which Composition is grounded but on one real Bass.

By the Way, it may not be amiss to say something concerning Basses of a different Nature, in Reference to Composition of Eight Parts; i. e. when each Choir hath its peculiar Bass, they generally answer each other Alternately; according to the Fancy of the Composer: But the two Basses must move according to the Nature of that Part; and if either of them be set alone, it must be a true Bass to all the

Upper-Parts of each Choir.

As to the Agreement of those two Basses between themselves, let them be to each other, either as Unison, Oslave, Sixth, or Third; not above one Fisth, because the upper Bass will be a 4th to whatever Upper-Part is an Oslave to the lower Bass; and that the Music of one Cheir should not depend upon the Bass of another: But let the Music of each depend on its own respective Bass; and let the two Basses, with all their Upper-Parts, be composed in such a manner as to make one entire Harmony when joined together.

Observe, that, in such Places as the Basses are Thirds to each other, if you throw off the Lower, the Eighths in the Upper-Parts will be changed into Sixths: And in such Places as the Basses are Sixths to each other, if you remove the lower Bass, those Upper-Parts which were Sixths to it, will be Eighths to the higher: And where the Basses are

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Unison

Unison or Oslave to each other, the Concords of the Upper-Parts, will be the same Distance to each other. I shall only farther add concerning two Basses, that though it is allowable, and usual to meet in Thirds, yet if they continue to move successively in Thirds, there will be a whizzing in the lower Notes, which is not good, nor yet allowable.

From what has been said, it appears, that the more Parts the Composition contains, the more redoublings of Concords, are required; some of the Parts must meet in Unison, when they can't ascend to the Ostave.—(See 8 Parts on P. 144.)

You may see Variety of Compositions of 5, 6, 7, and 8 Parts, in this Book, amongst the Psalmody, and Canons. Therefore,

S Could you erect a Thousand Parts, or more, All, in Effect, are but the same as Four.

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#### CHAP. III.

Of Canons in General, and how composed.

O compose a Canon, you must first prick down your Fuge (or such a Quantity of Notes, as you would have to lead your Point) in one Part; and then carry the same Notes forwards, and prick them down in another Part, either in the Unison, 3d, 4th, 5th, or 8th, &c. above or below the Leading-Part; as for

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By this Example, you fee how a Fuge is formed; this being in the 8th below, and called a fingle Fuge; and by this Method, you may compose any Canon whatso-

ever, and of any Degree above or below the Leading-Part; either in Two, Three, or Four Parts, &c.

Then

Then fill up your vacant Bars with fuch Notes as conform to the LAWS of Harmony: as follows:

The same fill'd up in Score: In the 8th below.



This Example shews you how the Parts stand in Score; and little Stars are set over those Notes where the Fuge or Canon ends; and all Notes after them are set to make a Conclusion; unless your Canon is designed to begin again, and go round, without a Conclusion; which when so performed, we only prick down the Leading-Part, and set a: S: over that Note where the Resounding or Following-Part (or Parts) falls in, as the Title directs; as thus:

A CANON of Two Parts in One. In the Diapason.



A Canon is always a perpetual Fuge, i. e. Parts always flying one before another; the following Parts repeating the very same Notes (either in Unison, or bigher, or lower) as the Leading-Part: And because it is carried on by so strict a Rule, it is called Canon; which is the superlative, or highest Degree of Musical Composition.

N. B. That the Words One, Two, &c. being Part of the Titles of Canons; fignify that they are composed of

One, Two, or more Fuges; as their Titles direct, &c.

## § 2. Denomination of Fuges, or Canons.

A Single Fuge, or Imitation, is when Parts imitate one another, as the former Example.

A Double Fuge, is when two several Points, or Fuges fall in, one after another.

A Canon Arsis & Thesis; or Arsin & Thesin, is when a Point rises in one Part, and salls the same Notes again in another.

A Canon per Augmentation, is when the Notes of the Following-Part, are as long again as the Notes of the Leading-Part.

A Canon Diminution, is when the Notes of the Following-Parts, are as short again as the Notes of the Leading-Part.

A Canon in Unison, is when both Parts begin on one Sound, and one Part moves on all the Concords of the Key, till they meet again in Unison; sometimes one Part holding the Tone, and then another, like a Canon composed on a Ground, &c.

A Canon-Round, or Round-Catch, is composed; as 2, 3, 4, or more Parts in Score, and then prick'd down in one Cliff, as one entire Tune, and sung round.—The first leads the first Strain, till the Mark directs the Resounding or Following-Parts to fall in, &c. and so they go round as often as they please.

A Canon Revie & Retro, is composed as two Parts in Score; and the latter End of the Bass is set next after the last Note of the Upper-Part, and prick'd backwards; so the first Part is performed forwards, and the latter Part backwards, &c.

A Canon Double Descant, is so composed that the Replication or Answer of the Upper-Part, becomes the Bass; and the Bass the Upper-Part; in which 5ths are to be avoided, because, in Reply, they will become 4ths, &c. &c. &c. Examples of some you will find in Book III.

Thus, I've the RULES of Composition shown, And Cords Allow'd, are clearly here made known: Discords I've mention'd, and what else we call Cords not Allow'd, and Inharmonical: Which RULES observ'd, shew how we frame each Part, Whereby we judge of this our sacred ART. Some TERMS of Musick, divinely applied.

HOUGH here, below, imperfett Concords move, Yet, all are perfett in the Heav'n's above! Here, jarring Discords must prepare the Ear, And Disallowances too oft appear.

Our Errors, by Transitions, pass away, And Night prepares us for a glorious Day: Contrary Motions are too often found, Good Syncopations bring a grateful Sound.

Relations have, alas! e'er since the Fall, Been oft Times jarring,—Inharmonical: And pleasing Sounds, which so delightful pass Do, as a Blow, oft strike us on the Face.

Tho' Concords, here too oft imperfest be, In Heaven there is a perfect Trinity; We in Divisions rage, in Anger broil, And oft our Figurate-Descant we spoil.

The happy day, we hope, to us will come, And joyfully unite us, all in one: When all our Griefs and Sorrows here shall cease, And rest us all in everlasting Peace.

No Fuges shall we want, but fully know Those small Reports we heard so much below.

Your's, W. TANS'UR, Senior.

End of the Fourth BOOK.

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## DICTIONARY

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BOOK V.

#### CONTAINING

Near One Thousand of the most useful TERMS that are generally used in Musick; with their several Explanations: As they are taken from the Greek, Latin, French, and Italian Writers, &c.—With an Historical Account of Musical Instruments, and many of the Inventors; with curious Observations worthy of Note.

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A New Musical Dictionary: Explaining near One Thousand of the most useful Historical, and Technical Terms that are generally used in Musick, &c. &c. All useles Terms are berein omitted.

An Abbreviation of Ala-

A bene placito—If you please, or will.

Accent—Strong Tones, to express Passions, also Trillios &c.

Accord—The leading Singer, &c. Accord—With Concord, or Agreement.

Acute—High, sharp, or shrill. The fmall Pipes, &c.

Adagio, or Ado.—Very flow in Movement.

Adlibitum—If you please, or will. A Due, or A Doi—Two Parts.

Affetto, or Affetuoso-Tender and affectionate.

Aijeleth.—The name of an ancient divine Song.

Alamand—A folemn grave Tune.

Alamoth—An ancient Pfalm-Instrument, or Tune.

Allegretto—Very quick, and lively.

Allegro—Time very quick. The
quickest common Time.

Allegro ma non presto - Not too quick.

Allegro Allegro-More quick than Allegro.

Allelujab—PRAISE THE LORD.

Alto, or Altus—The Counter-Te-

Alto Ripieno-Tenor of the Grand Chorus.

Alto Concertante—Tenor of the little Chorus. Alternately—perform'd by turns.

Ambrofian Chant—He being the

Author

Animato-With Life, Spirit, and

Vigour.

Anthem—A divine Song generally in Prose, said first to be invented by St. Ignatius, and St. Ambrose, about the Year 370; and followed by St. Gregory, Diodorus, Flavian, and other, about the Year 550.

Appoggiatura-Notes—Small Notes to lean on, &c. to soften a Leap.

Aria, or Arietta — A little Song

Arsin & Thesin-Rising, and Falling, in a Canon.

Art — The Skill or Knowledge of acting, doing, or performing any Thing regularly by proper Instruments, fit Methods, and due Ways, &c. The abstractive or demonstrative Part of which is called Science: So that Performance, and Knowledge, make both Art and Science.

AJaph-One of King David's chief

Authors, or Singers.
Affai-Enough.

Affaying-Trying if Voices, or Infruments are in Tune, &c.

A Tempo giusto—Equal Time.

Authentick—Chosen, or approved.

B—An Abbreviation of B-mi, or B-fabemi.

Bag

Bagpipes - A Kind of Pocket-Organ, blown by a Bag under the Arm; fome by the Mouth, and some with Bellows, under the other Arm. There is generally 3 Pipes, viz. the Great Pipe or Drone, and the Little Drone; each having no Holes, only at the Bottom; and tuned in concord to each other, and to the chanter or small Pipe, which is about 15 inches long, with 8 Holes like a Flute. They all have Reeds, in their tops, and make a fine Harmony; especially if they have a flat Chanter, in the D Pitch. Pan is faid to be the first Inventor of them, from Reeds, or Corn Stalks, made into Pipes, &c. Bar-Perpendicular Strokes a-cross

the five Lines, to divide the Time.

Bajs—The lowest, or Ground-notes
of all Parts.

Basso-The Vocal Bass.

Basson-A double tubed Bass Inthrument, blown by a Reed.

Battuta—The Motion of the Hand in beating Time.

Baletto—A Balet, or quick Dance. Band—An incorporated fet of Muficians, who perform Pieces in Concert on various Instruments.

Bandora-A Kind of Lute.

Bardone—A Tenor Violin.
Baripicui—Low, grave, and deep.
Baritono, or Basse Taille—Concor-

dant, high or low, &c.
Baffetto-A small Bass-viol.

Basson—A Reed Instrument, being
Bass to Hauthoys, &c., stopped
like a Flute; and more grand in
Psalmody than Tin Pipes, 9 Feet
long.

Bass-Viol-A very large Violin for

Basses.

Ball—The Weight of a Pendulum, about 4 Pounds; being fixed on

a wire 39 Inches and two tenths long, beats feconds. Also an Affembly of Dancers.

Bassift-A perform of Bass.

Basso Concertante—The Bass of the little Chorus.

Baffo Continuo—The Continual, or Thorough Bass.

Basso Repieno - The Bass of the Grand Chorus.

Bass Recitanie - The Bass that

moves continually.

Backwell—A Kind of Levitor, that lifts up, or pulls down, to open the Pallets or Valves of an Organ, which moves on a Centre between the Keys and the Rowlers, &c.

Beat—One Motion, or Part of a Bar or Measure in any Sort of Time: Or Pulse of a Pendulum, &c. Also an Ornament, or Grace

used in Musick.

Bellows—The Pumpers and Feeders that fill the Pipes of an Organ, &c. Four Pairs of which are required to blow an Organ of 16 Feet high. See Organ, P. 67.

Bell-A well known Instrument struck with an Iron Clapper; whose Mettal is compounded of twenty Pounds of Pewter, to a hundred Weight of Copper: Its Edges are In Thickness about 15th of its Diameter; and its Heighth twelve Times its Thickness. The first Mention of Bells is by St. Jerome; but we had none in England till in Bede's Time, about 816. Some fay the first Bell was made by Turketull; and that Egelric, Abbot of Croyland, added two more to it. to make a Feal of three; which first rung harmoniously at Croyland in 976. There is a Bell at Nankin, in China, twelve Feet high; seven Inches and an Half thick;

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thick; and twenty-three Feet in Circumference; and weighs fifty thousand Pounds. Father Le Comte says, there are seven Bells in Pekin, each of which weighs twelve thousand Pounds; and struck with a wooden Clapper, to prevent their being too noisy: And that the ancient Egyptians

had many wooden Bells.

The Sound of a Bell arises from the vibratory Motion of its Parts; the Stroke of its Clapper changing its Figure from a Circle to an Oval, every Time it strikes; fo that its widest Part from the Center, becomes the Narrowest, and the Narrowest, widest; proceeding from the Degree of Elasticity, - &c. Bells are heard farther on Plains than on Hills, and farther in Valleys than on Plains; by reason, the higher any Sonorous Body is, the rarer is its Medium: and the less Impulse it receives, it has less Power to convey Sound to a greater Distance, &c.

Bell Harp—A Wire Instrument, in Shape, and sounds as a Bell.

Binary Measure—Time equally beat, down, and up.

Bizarro—To change as the Compofer or Performer pleases; quick or flow.

Bischroma-A triple Quaver.

B-mi—The Master-note in the Vo-

B. Mollare, or Molle-Flat, Feint, or Soft.

Bow-A Fiddle-flick.

Bombardo—A large Bassoon.
Bouree—A French Dance, &c.

B. Quardo—A Natural; to change either Flat, or Sharp, &c.

Bracio-A kind of Violin.

Bridges-The Bearers of mufical

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Strings, about an Inch and a Quarter high, fupported by a Slip of Wood below, called the Sound-post; which causes the Sound.

Breve-A Note as long as two Se-

Brilliant—Brisk, gay and lively. Buccina—A Kind of circular Trumpet like a French Horn.

Buono-Good.

Burden—Is that Part of a Song that is repeated at the End of every Stanza. Also the Drone or Bass of a Bagpipe, or Cymbal, &c.

C-An Abbreviation of C. faut, or C-folfa.

Cadence—All Parts making a Close. Cantata—Musick for Voices, and Instruments.

Cantus—The Treble, or highest Part. Canon—A perpetual Fuge. See the Rules of Composition. P. 184.

Cantofermo-The principal Subject Part, the Tenor, &c.

Canzone—A Song or canzonetta.

Catch—Canons fung round.
Caftanets—Wood, or Ivory Instruments shaken by the Hands.

Cattivo-Bad.

Cadenza—The shake before a close. Camera—Signifies Chamber-musick. Campanologia—A Treatise of Ringing, &c.

Cancherizante — Moving retrogade or Backwards. See Canon Rede

& Retro. Page 139.

Canticum—A folemn Tune fet to Pfalms, Hymns, &c. from 2 to 8 Parts.

Cantilenæ—Pieces of Melody fet to Songs, &c. not in Parts.

Canto-The Treble Part.

Capella—A Chapel, or the Concert thereof.

Capo

Capo-The Head, or chief Mana-

Canto - Fermo - The Chant, Church Tune.

Caprioso-Whimsical, careless Mu-

fic, &c. St. Cecilia-An ancient supposed Inventress of Musick, whose Day is kept on Nov. 22, by many Mu-ficians in England, as a Vestival;

with Conforts of Musick, both Vocal and Instrumental. . Mr. Addifon mentions, (in his Remarks of Italy, Page 204.) a magnificent Temple in Rome, called St. Cecilia Transtevere, built in Honour of her. Psalmodists, ought most to

honour St. Hilary, Jan. 13. Chant-To fing: Also the Church-

tune. Chantor-A Singer, or Chantore.

Chamade-A Parley Signal, beat on a Drum.

Chiefa-A Church Sonata, &c. Chronometer-A pendulous Instru-

ment to measure Time. Chiave-The fundamental Tone or

Key: Of Church Musick. Chorma-A gay flourishing

of Singing, &c. Chacone\_A Kind of Moorish Dance. Chiudendo-The last, or finishing, Strain.

Chiacona—A Tune let to a Ground-

Chords-Musical Strings, or founds. Chorus-Fulls, or all Parts moving together.

Choral Musick-Eight Parts, sung by Concert or Confort-In Three, or Turns, &c. Page 144.

Ciffra Figures-Over the Thorough

Clavis-A Cliff: Or Key to let into.

Clarion-A. Kind of Trumpet. Clavecimbalo\_An Harpsichord, &c. Clarichord - A Sort of Monochord, to tune other Instruments with.

Clarionist—A Player on the Clarionet.

Close-A Conclusion of all Parts.

Continued\_Not yet ended. Contractions Shortenings.

Coloratura\_With all Trilloes, and Ornaments, as can be made...

Concertante\_Parts that always play. Confeguente\_The following Fuge.

Cornettino\_A fmall Cornet, blown by a Reed, much like an Hautbov.

Corona\_A Rest, or Hold, over a Note thus: no to pause, or continue the Sound, at the End; often used at the End of Canons, &c. to repeat, or end at.

Cornetist - A Player on the Cornet. Consecution - A following of the fame.

Conjointly-Moving by Degrees. Comma—The supposed ninth Part of a Tone.

Come Sopra-As above.

Comes - The following Fuges. Common-Time-Equal in Numbers, as 2, 4, 8, &c.

Composition-Many Parts musically joined, or melody well framed.

Con-With.

Con Affettuofo-With loving Affection.

Con Diligenza-With Care and Diligence.

Con Discretione - With Judgment and Discretion.

more Parts.

Concords - All agreeable Intervals. Confort Pitch—The common Pitch of Instruments.

Continuoto-The continual, or Tho- . rough-bass.

Contra-Counter Tenor.

Con-

Concerto-groffo-The grand Chorus. Concinnous-Cords difagreeable.

Consonance \ - Cords very agree-Consonant. able

Conjoint-Degrees lying next one another.

Conclusio-The concluding Strain. Con Spirite-With Life and Spirit.

Cornet-An ancient martial Horn Instrument: Which we now imitate on the Organ.

Cords-Various Sounds struck together: Said to be found out by Pythagoras, from the Hammers

in a Smith's Shop.

Counter-Fuges - Fuges proceeding

contrary to each other. Counterist - A Performer of Counter-

Tenor.

Counterpoint-Note against Note. Counter-Bass-A double Bass.

Counter-Tenor-Between Treble and Tenor.

C folfaut-The Cliff Note of the Inner Parts, &c.

C-Soi-Ut-The Note C-folfaut.

Crotalum - A very ancient mufical Instrument of the Pulsatile Kind, invented by Archytas, that his Children might not break other Things in the House to make a Noise with; which Aristotle called Descant-The Tones that a Com-Archytas's Rattle: being made of Wood, Wicker, Tin, Brass, Horn gilt, Silver, and of Gold.

Crotchet - A Note held while you

fay One.

Cromb-born- A large crooked Horn, used in an Army. Also a Stop in an Organ.

Crooks-See Shanks.

Cromatick-Moving by Semitones. Currant-A mufical Air in Tripla Time.

Curtail-A Double Baffoon.

Cythra-A Wire, or Gut, Triangus lar Instrument, like a Harp.

Cymbal-A Wire, or Gut Instrument play'd by Keys, and a Friction wheel. Also an Instrument made of folid Pieces of Brass or Bell-metal, struck with an Iron Rod; and called a Tinkling Cymbal. Our Church Bells being the loud Cymbal. Wire Cymbal is faid to be invented by Mercury.

D-An Abbrevation of D-fol-re.

Da-Capo-End with the first Strain. Da, or Dal-By, For, From, with

or By.

Dance - To move the Body and Limbs to the true Time of the Musick so called, with Grace and Air, in a genteel Posture.

Dalmatio - A Declamation or crying

out: or as Recitativo.

Degrees-Gradually ascending, or descending.

Demi-The Half; as Demitone, a Semitone.

Demiquaver - A Note with a triple

Depressio-The Fall of the Hand,

or Foot.

position consists of.

Plain Descant - The orderly Placing of Concords.

Figurate Descant-When Discords are orderly taken, or mixed.

Double Descant-The Upper made under, and Under made upper. Decima-A Tenth, or Octave Third.

Decimi Contrapunto ala-The Counterpoint to rife a Tenth above or below the Subject.

Detima Terza - A double 6th or 16th.

Decima

Decima Quarta—A double 7th or Decima Octava—A 4th trebled.

14th. Decima Nona—A 5th trebled.

Decima Quinta—A double 8th or Di-Signifies of: as, Di Tans'ur, of

Decima Sexta—A 2d trebled.

Dialogo—Parts set in Dialogue.

Decima Settima—A 10th doubled.

Dialogo—Parts set in Dialogue.

Diagramma. or Hand barmonical—Was the Name of the ancient SCALE of Musick, which Guido Aretinus invented about the Year 960, and placed the six Notes, ut, re, mi, fa, sol, la, on the Fingers of the Hand stretched out; which Syllables, as Ornithoparchius reports, he took out of the first Strophe, of an Hymn of St. John the Baptist, (said to be composed by Paulus Diaconus) as thus:

UTqueant laxis—REsonare Fibris,
MIra gestorum—FAmuli tuorum,
SOLve poluti—LAbii reatum.

Sancte Johannes.

English'd thus:

- Take away the Guilt of polluted Lips, that thy Servants may be able to resound, in extensive Strains, the Wonders of Thy Actions, &c.

Angelo Berradi comprised the same in one Line, Thus: UT RElevet MIserum FAtum SOLitosque LAbores.

To relieve one's wretched Fate, and wonted Labours.

Angelo Berradi.

Both in Verse .-

Take from my Lips all Guilt, LORD, clean my Heart From ev'ry Stain!—That I may bear a Part In SONGS transcendent, to Thy glorious Name, Sing of Thy Wonders, and Thy Deeds proclaim. Since Thou reliev'st all Woes, let me adore Thy Holy Name, in PRAISES evermore.—

. W. Tans'ur, fenior.

Hence we see that the first Formation of the old Gamut or Scale of Musick was piously intended; (though now, too often shamefully profaned) and that the Hymns, or Odes of the ancient Greeks mostly consisted of three Stanzas, Verses, or Couplets; the first they called Strophe; the second Antistrophe; and the third, or last, the Epode: bebeing mostly sung with, and play'd on the Harp, &c. out of which came our folsaing; for before they used only the Letters of the Alphabet: But now UT and RE are changed into Sol and La.—Pope Gregory is said first to set Guido's Scale on Five Lines, with the 7 Letters, G, A, B, C, D, E, F.—Kircher says, that Notes sormerly stood on Eight Lines only; and Vossius says, that the old Egyptians used both Lines and Spaces; but what Number 1 cannot find out exactly.—It is said that Guido was the first that joined several fingle Melodies together to make Harmony, in various Parts, &c.

Diapa-

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Diapason-A perfect Eight, of 12 Semitones.

Diapente—A perfect Fifth, of 7 Semitones.

Diaphoia-A Discord.

Diaphonick—Treating of refactur'd Sounds, as they pass through different Mediums, &c.

Diatonick Scale—The common Scale of Musick.

Division — A Running of quick Notes. &c.

Dlasolre — A Note's Name in our present Scale.

Diefis—A supposed lesser Semitone:
i. e. when Semitones are placed in whole Tones Places.

Diminution-Notes lessened.

Diffonant-Discording or disagree-

Discords—Disagreeable Intervals.

Discords—A double Octave, or
Fifteenth.

Ditone—The greater Third, of 4 Semitones.

Divitio—Devout and serious.

Division — Intervals divided into Lessor, &c.

Disjointly—Moving by Leaps.
Di Grado—Moving by Degrees.
Di Salto—Moving by Leaps.
D la re—The Note Dlafoire.
Do—Stands, with the Italians, for

Ut.
Doppio—Stands for double.
Douced—Strung with Wire.

Dodecupla di crome—12 to 8. Dodecupla semicrome—12 to 16.

Dominant—The First Note; also chief.

DOXOLOGY - Gloria Patri, A fong to the Blessed Trinity.

Doctor of the Psalter - One who explains the Psalms,

Doi, Duo, or Duetti-Songs in two Parts.

Doick Mood—An ancient Mood, very grave.

Duodecima—A 5th doubled, or a 12th.

Dupla sesqui Quarta-9 to 4.

Duplicate—Doubled.

Dulcimer—A wire Instrument struck with two small Pieces of Cane.

Dulcino—A Bassoon.

Dupla—Double.

Dux—The leading Fuge.
Dramatic—Musick for Plays.

Drone—The two large founding Pipes in Bagpipes, called, The Greater and Leffer Drone, one being an 8th to the Chanter, and

the other often a double 8th.

Drum—A well known martial pulfatile Instrument, on which the Time of Musick is only beat, and not the Tones, which is very delightful and animating. It is a warlike Instrument, and may be tuned to any Pitch or Tension, agreeable to the Instruments it accompanies. Its Musick is generally prick'd all standing on one Line or Space, in very exact Time, on but 4 Lines. Drums may be tuned 5ths or 8ths to each other.

Drum of the Ear—The inner Part of the Ear, like a Drum, whose outer Part is covered with a very thin Membrame or Skin, called Membrana Tympani; whose Office is to modify the Sound; which it performs by its different Degrees of Tension, to convey Sound to the Auditory Nerve: whereby we perceive, and judge of Harmony, &c.

I am inform'd by the Learned (and particularly Dr. Willis) that there is a certain Nerve in the Brain, which fome Persons bave, and

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fome bave not; and that such Nerves are compos'd of small Fibres, such as the Ear are compos'd of, &c.—Now, if these Fibres are imperfect, why may not there be a Desciency in some Perfons in the Auditory Nerve? which Nerve conveyeth Sound from the Tympanum to the Understanding; and are put in Motion by the least Vibration of Air.

And as it is faid, that, this Musical Nerve hath a Conformity with, and commandeth the Voice to express any Tone transmitted to it, from the Vibrations of the Air's striking against it; well may they who are endow'd with this Nerve, be faid to have a good Ear; and they that bave it not, be faid to have a bad Ear; and some to have a greater Dislike to Musick than others, &c. But this very rarely happens; for the Italian Proverb is, " God loves not him whom he hath not made to love Musick," &c. Vid. Preface, p. 6. Drummer-A beater of Drums, &c.

E-An Abbreviation of Ela, or E-

Ear—The Umpire of all Sound.

Eccho—Soft, like an Eccho—The

Swell of an Organ, &c.
Ecclesiassico stylo-Church Musick,

Elegy—A Funeral Song.

Eolick Mood-An ancient Mood,

fost and melting.

Emphysoomena, Empnoussa, Encorda
—Several musical Instruments.

Emphysoomena, or Pneumatica — Sounds made by Breath, or Wind; as Singing, Organs, Trumpets, &c.

Emphatical—Sounds or Words on which lieth the main Accent, or Principal of the Subjest, &c.

Evovæ-The ending Note.

Entata, or Enchorda—Sounds made by playing with Fingers; as Violins, Harps, Spinnets, &c.

Encore—More of the same: or per-

form it over again.

Enharmonick—A supposed Scale of Quarter-Notes.

Eptachordo-A Seventh.

Epi-Below

Epithalamium-A Marriage Song or

Poem.

Epiodian—An Hymn before a Burial. Also the last Part of an Ode.

Errata—Faults made in printing: Et Cætera, or &c.—And so forth. Etymology—The first Derivation, &c. Euphony—Sweet agreeable Sounds,

or a smooth running of Words.

Exempli Gratia, E. g.—As for Example.

Explore—To find out by Study, &c. Expunge—To blot, or put out.

Extempore—To fing or play harmoniously to another, without Notes prick'd down, so as to be agreeable, &c.

Extream—Cords are so called when made to their utmost Bounds,

high or low, &c.

Exultation—Joy and Gladness, &c. Extentio—To arrange, or compose Sounds in a melodious Order, &c.

F—An Abbreviation of F. faut. Fa—A Flat, or feint Tone.

Faburden—The main Subject-part, Tenor, Melody, or Church-Tune,

Fagotto—A Double Baffoon. Fagottino—A Single Baffoon.

Falfa

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Falfa—Falfe, or defective.
Favorito—The best chosen.
Falfette—Very weakly.
Fa finto—A flatted Note.
Feint—A Flat, or flatted, &c.
Ffaut\_The Cliff-note of the Bass;
also others in the Scale.
Fife—A Pipe used in the Army.
Fifer\_A Player on the Fise.
Fifteenth—A double Octave.

Fifaro A very shrill Pipe, generally play'd with one Hand, whilst the other Hand beats a small Drum, as a Basi to it; which, together, we call a Tabor and Pipe; having but 3 Holes. Page 103.

Fifth\_A sweet perfect Concord. Fin\_The last Note of a Composi-

tion.

Fifula—A pipe like a Fife.
Flat—b, a Mark to fink a Sound
half a Tone.

Fiute...A Wind Instrument; so called from its being like a Flutta, being a kind of Fish, like a Lamprey, and having Holes just the same...Some of the ancient Flutes, or Pipes, were called Tubas, or Fishulas, having very sew Holes, and some none, but only many bound and blown all together, like Pan's Syringa, which had 7 Reed-pipes, and tuned according to our 7 Letters of the Diatonic-Scale: The Odave not being then found out. See p. 89.

Flutes, and other Tubical Instruments might (I think) greatly be improved, were they made longer in the Joints of the Screws; with 5 or 6 small equal Divisions turned on the Male Parts; marked with small Figures: which, when all equally drawn out, might lengthen the Tubes to perform more lower Notes of the Scale; and set

them to the Pitch of others, &c. German-Flutes, might be lengthened by Joints at each End, from all the Holes; and by another long Joint between the Mouth-Hole, and all the lower Holes, &c. \_ From the above Hints. Trumpets, Horns, &c. are lowered by additional circular Shanks, or Pieces, screwed on between the Mouth-Pieces and the Bell End. N. B. Some eminent Proficients have been fo dexterous as, very nearly, to perform all the defective Notes of the Scale on the Horn, by Management of Breath, and by a little stopping the Bell with their Hands. See the Horn Scale, on Page 97, &c.

Flute di Allemand\_A German Flute.
Flute di Allemand\_A German Flute.
Flute a bec\_A common Flute.
Flagelet\_A fmall Pipe.
Florid\_Gay and sprightly.
Flutist\_A Player on the Flute.
Flautino\_A very small Flute.
Forte\_Loud and strong.
Fortement\_More loud than Forte.
Fortissimo\_As loud as possible.
Fourth\_A discording Interval.
Follia\_An Air on a Ground.
Forlana\_A Venetian Dance.

Fritton\_The rubbing of Bodies one against another, which, with Air, causeth Sound.

Frets\_The Places where Strings are

shortened, or stopped.

Fuge, or Fuga\_Parts slying before

each other.

Fundamentals.—The principal Tones

Fundamentals.—The principal Tones. Furniture.—A fet of Pipes in an Organ.

Furioso Furiously or hastily.
Fundamento All Basses in general.
Fura With Haste and Fury.
Full In full Chorus.

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G\_An Abbreviation of Gamut, or G-solreut.

Gamut\_The Scale of Musick, or the first Note thereof, in the Bass. See Diagramma. P. 195.

Galliarda\_Gay, brisk, and lively. Gavotta\_A brisk Air in common Time.

Gaymente - Gayly, brifkly,

Genius\_The Scale, &c. justly divided into smaller Intervals, &c.

Gia\_Before.

Giga, Gicque, or Gigue\_A Jigg, or a Dance, &c.

Gloffary \_ A Dictionary which explains obscure scholastic Words or Terms of Art, &c. to decorate the Style.

Granda\_The grand Chorus.

Gratiofo\_Graceful, and agreeable.

Grave, Gravemente - Slow, mournful: Or deep.

Gravity-Deep and low; or flow in Vibration.

Gravesonous-Very grave and flow. Group\_A Trill, Shake, or Beat, to ornament the Tune.

Grounds\_The first Principles, &c.

G-re-fol\_The Note G-folreut. Grado\_Moving by Degrees.

Gradual-Pfalms\_15 Pfalms fo called, as 15 Degrees of Virtue, &c. See my Exposition on the 150' Pfalms. /

(G folreut\_The Cliffe-note of the Tenor, or Treble.

(Guitarra \_ A Gut, Hand Instrument, very ancient, like a Lute. (Guido Aretinus\_The Improver of our present Gamut-Scale.

Guida\_The leading Voice, or In-

strument.

Hallelujah\_Praise the Lord. .

Habitude \_The Relation that one Sound bears to another.

Hand-Harmonical\_The old Scale of Musick, express'd by Fingers.

Harmonicks\_That Part which confiders the Proportions of Tones, grave and acute, &c.

Harmonick Sounds All agreeable In-

tervals.

Harmony\_The Agreement that refults from practical Musick; and made by the Agreement of different Sounds, whereby the Ear is

delighted, &c.

Harp\_A very ancient string'd Infirument, faid to be invented by Apollo, which the Hebrews called Chinnor, the Italians, Arpi, the Latins, Harpa, or Carpo, the Germans, Herpff, and by the Romans, Cytharam. Some Harps are in the Form of a Jugg Bottle, with very few Strings, and others triangular; and of greater Perfection than the Lute, if large and full of Strings. - The grand Triple Harp, has '78 Strings, is made triangular, containing 4 Octaves. The first Row of Strings is for Semitones, and the third Row is Unison to it; and the second is the balf Turn. There are two Rows of Pins or Screws, on the right Side, to keep the Strings tight in their Holes, which are fastened at the other End to three Rows of Pins on the upper Side : So that all its Strings go by Semitones, like those of the Spinnet, or Harpsichord; and when play'don, is held between the Legs, and its Strings pull d with the Thumbs and fore Fingers of both Hands. This is commonly called the Welsh Harp, having Strings of O2 Gut :

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Gut; but the Irish-Harp has generally Strings of Wire.—The Bell-Harp, is in Form like a Bell, and sowing with both Hands whilst playing; whose Strings are of Wire, stretched over several Bridges, and struck with a Piece of Quill or Plectrum, sastened on the Thumbs. See Cythra.

Harpeggio-Sounds heard distinct,

one after another.

Haut-Contra\_The Counter Part.

Hautboy\_A Wind Reed Instrument.

Harpsichord \_ A Wire Instrument, with Keys, like an Organ, under whose small Strings the Belly is made thicker than under the Great Strings, to give the finer Tone, &c. \_ Some Harpsichords may be fixed over the Strikers of the Pallets of an Organ to play both the Organ and the Harpsichord together with one Set of Keys; or either to be play'd alone, by moving the Keys forwards, or more back; a Hole being under to drop over the Sticker when the Harpfichona plays alone : which when pull'd out of the Hole, forward, they both are play'd together, &c.

Harper-A Player on the Harp,

Harmonichs - The whole Doctrine of Sound.

Harmonical-composition—The whole Art of composing Melody for single Voices, or Instruments, in single Parts; or many Parts to move harmoniously together, by Rules, Methods, and proper Ways, &c.

Harmonical-Canon — The same as Monochord.

Hautdeffus-The Treble Part.

Head—The chief; also the Screwpart of a Viol; or the Skin of a Drum, &c.

Hemitone-An Half Tone.

Hemiola — As much, and half as

Hemi\_The Half. .

Hemiopus\_A Wind Instrument.

Heptachord\_A Seventh.

Hexachord\_A Sixth. High\_Shrill, and lofty.

Hilarodias\_Short, merry, diverting Songs, or Poems, fung by the Greek Poets, so called; who, in ancient Times, went about singing them. They were dressed all in White, with little Crowns of Gold on their Heads; and had generally a little Boy or Girl with them, playing on a small Instrument, as they sung in the Streets: whose Shoes had only a Sole, called Grepida, being tied over their Feet with Straps, like Sandals.

Horn \_A Tubical Instrument, made of Horn, Tin, Brass, or Silver,

&c. See P. 99.

Hornist\_A Sounder of the Horn,

Hornpipe\_A quick Dance for one Person.

Homophonous—In one Pitch, or in Unison.

Hosanna\_Save now I beseech Thee.
Hymn\_A divine Song in Honour to
God, derived from a Greek Word
which signissed celebro, or I celebrate: Being first brought into
Churches by St. Hilary, St. Ambrose, and others, who composed
them, about the Year 370: Some

of which they called Chants.

Hypoproflambanomenos—A low Sound,
in the old Scale, under Proflam-

banomenos.

Hyper

Hyper\_Below. Hypo\_Below.

Far-Disagreeing Sounds.

lastia, or Ionick Mood-The ancient Mood, very light, airy, and melting.

Jacks-The rifing Pieces that strike, with fplit Quills, the Strings of Spinnets, &c.

Id eft, i. e .- That is.

Jesseian Harper-A Name given to K. DAVID.

Jigg-A brisk Air or Dance.

Imitation - Parts imitating each other.

Imperfect-Cords of the lesser Intervals.

Imitation\_The Part that mocks or imitates another Part, or a short

Incorpo-Parts bound up in Canon. Inharmonical-Sounds disagreeable. Infra-Below.

Interval-The Space between two, or more, Sounds.

Inno-An Hymn, or spiritual Song. Intentio-The Voice ascending. Index - A Director, made thus: W.

Infinito-Fuges often repeated. Inganno-A Rest instead of a Note,

Edc. Inharmonical-Sounds disagreeable,

Intarda-An Entry, or Prelude. Instruments - Consist of stringed, wind, and pulfatile, of various Sorts.

Intesso-Sing or play the same. Intonator, or Reionator-An elastic

founding Instrument, of one Tone, of late Invention, made as above, and used to set other unfixed In-

struments in Concert, or Opera-Pitch.' It is made of good Steel, very Sound, of Spring-Temper, and well polished; and all its re-Sonant Parts of fuch a Magnitude . as to vibrate in Unison to each other, when put in Motion by a Stroke; so as to give One entire Tone. It is first put in Tone by lightly holding it by the Knob between your Fore-finger and Thumb, and fmartly striking one of its Branches on the Board or Table; and seconded, directly, by striking the End of its lower Stem thereon; and bearing it upright while it resounds a stronger Tone, than by its first Stroke; founding like a Bell, or the Spring of a Trump de Berne; or, if you bear it just below your Ear, on your Tooth, or on your Head, yourself will hear it more distinct, to set your Instrument in Tune to it; whether it found A, or C. &c. as are generally marked on the Intenator. Several of these may be made, and tuned according to the 7 Letters of the Scale. of Musick, in Diatonic-Order: Each being a true STANDARD-PITCH, more than any tubical, or stringed Instrument whatfoever; by reason, they are not so liable to the variable Effects of the Weather; and are more portable.

N. B. If the whole Length of an Intonator be made about 8 Inches, and the double Branches thereof be one-eighth of an Inch square each, and the Stem double that Magnitude, it will found very near the Tone of Alamire, English Concert: But as no true de-. O. 3

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terminate fixe can be given, by reason of the Temper and different Tones of Metals, it is best to form them long enough at first, seeing they must be ground shorter atterwards, to raise them to the Tone you desire, &c.

Irregolare—Wildly, without Rule. Jule—A Greek Harvest Hymn: or Thanks for the Sheaf, &c.

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Key\_The Dominant, or ending

Key-Notes—The two Principals, A and C.

Keys—The Ebony, or Ivory Touches of an Organ, or Harpsichord.

Kit—A small Fiddle.

Krousia—Sounds made by striking; as Drums, Dulcimers, &c.

Kyrie... The first Word of Masses, fignifying LORD: Its Music being called A fine Kyrie, i. e. well composed.

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La—The practical vocal Word for Elami, and Alamire.

Lamentatone\_Slow, and mournful.

Languente, or Languissant\_Soft and

and languishing.

Large—A Note as long as eight

Semibreves.

Largetto — A little flower than

Largo.

Largo — A middle Movement of

Lauda: Syon Salvatorem—An ancient Roman Church Hymn, in Profe, used before the Gospel; also at Burials; nobly set to Musick.

Language—The Stopper before the Wind-cutter of Flutes, &c.

Lachrimoso—In a bewailing Manner. Lay—A short Song, or Poem, &c. Laud—Praise, or Commendation.

Latania—Musical Church Litany.
Levet—A Trumpet Lesson, &c.
Lesson By Rule and Custom, &c.
Lesson Coxds—Wanting a Semitone.
Leaps—When Sounds are between.
Legato—Notes tyed, or flurred.
Levare—Open, or found the first
Note.

Ledger-Lines — Lines added above the common Number.

Legatura or Legatto-Notes ty'd together, or flicking close.

Legerment or Legiardo - Lightly, gently, and careful.

Leggiardo — Gayly, lively, and briskly.

Lentus, Lento, Lentement\_Soft, and flow.

Libero\_Notes unconfin'd, or not tyed.

Low—Sounds deep and grave.

Long—A Note as long as four Semibreves.

Lute—A very ancient string'd Instrument, invented by Jubal. Lutanist—A Player on the Lute.

Lydian Mood — An ancient Mood very flow and doleful.

Lyre, or Cythara—An Harp, said to be the most ancient of all Instruments, invented by Mercury, which he made of the Shell of a dead Tortoise-Fish, left on the Shore of the River Nile, and mounted it with seven Strings, and contrived Screws to raise them in Tune. Boetius lays, it had but 4 Strings which were called as the four Elements. Diodorous Siculus fays, it had but three Strings, and called by the three Seasons of the Year, as the Greeks did, viz. Spring, Summer, and Winter. Nichomachus, Horace, Lucian, and many others fay, it had feven Strings,

which

which were called as the feven Planets, viz. D-Q-Q-0-2-4-15, which Characters were the Notes of their Gamut: and that Mercury gave his Lyre unto Orpheus, which was hung up in Apollo's Temple, where it remain'd for many Years. Others fay, that Pythagoras found it in a Temple in Egypt, and added an 8th String to it. Some again fay, that when Orpheus was kill'd, his Lyre was thrown into the Sea, where some Fishermen finding it, they gave it to Tespander, who carried it into Egypt, and faid he was the Inventor. But Mr. Barnes, in his Anacreon, makes Tubal the first Inventor; and Feftus Avienus fays, it had nine Strings. King DAVID mentions, in Pfalm 33, an Harp or Lyre of ten Strings: and Timotheus added 4 to the old one of 7 Strings, to make eleven. Josephus mentions another of 12 Strings, and one of 18 Strings; and it is well known that our modern Lyre, or Welsh Harp, has now, at least, 40 Strings. But there were as many Sorts of Lyres in old Times, as they had different Names; too tedious here to mention. See Harp on Page 199.

Lyrichord-A curious string'd Instrument, with Keys like a Harpfichord, confisting of Levers, Wheels, Screws, and cylindric Weights to the Strings, whereby it is said to be never out Tune, &c. and will play Forte, and Piano, as an Organ doth.

Lyrick Verses-Verses sung to Lyre or Harp.

Lyrist-A Player on the Lyre, or Harp, &c.

Maestuso, Maestoso\_With Strength, and Grandeur.

Madrigals-Old Poems, or Songs in 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or more Parts. Maestro-A Master, or Teacher of Musick.

Malath-An ancient Pfalm Instru-

ment, or Tune.

Major-The Greater, or Larger. Master-Note-In Transposition, the B-mi.or Center Note; also the

Key Note. Magnify-To adore, praise, or en-

large.

March - Play'd when Soldiers

march. Page 117.

Martial Musick-Used in the army. Mass - Musick of the Romish Church.

Matins \_ Morning Songs, or Ser-

Maniera-The Manner, or Way. Magade or Magas-An antient Instrument.

Maggore-Major, or Greater, 3d,

Manichord-A Kind of Spinet.

Massima-An old square Note, containing 8 Semibreves, before Bars were invented.

Massino-The Octave, or System, €o°c.

Measure-Note-Containing a whole Bar of Time.

Medius-The Counter, or Middle Part.

Melody-A Mixture of fingle Musical Sounds to delight the Ear; also the Church-Tune.

Melos-A Piece of Melody.

Men-Not fo much.

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Medium\_The Air or Sphere of Activity. Also in a middle way. Melodious-Sweet and pleafing; as

Honey, &c.

Melopæa-To make Tones justly express both the Words, and the subject, i. e. justly set.

Messa, or Messe-A short Mass. Mezzo soprano-Counter-Tenor.

Mesopicni-The Middle Degree of any Cord, &c.

As Custom, as Mescolamente, Meosides, misto, ufual, done Mixio, mores, by Rule, &c. Mean-The Medius, or Counter.

Tenor.

Measure-In Musick, is that Space or Interval of Time that Muficians take in raising and falling the Hand or Foot, which is marked out by Bars; one rife and one fall being called one Measure or Bar. Also one Swing of a Pendulum, (which is the 60th Part of a Minute,) or the Time of one Crotchet: So that in Common-Time. a Semibreve takes 4 Beats to make one Measure or Bar; and in Tripla: Time, we have 3 Beats to a Measure or Bar : which are made quicker, or flower, just as the Mood, and Measure-Notes direct,

Mesopicni Suoni-Notes of a middling Pitch.

Mezza-The Half.

Mi-The Guiding, or Master-Note in Tranpolition. B-mi.

Michtam-An ancient Psalm-Tune. Microuflicks-Instruments to increase Sounds, as speaking Trumpets, &c.

Minim - A Note containing two Crotchets.

Minstrel-One that plays on Instruments, or fings methodically.

Minstrelly-The Art of performing Musick either by Voice or Instrument.

Minor-The Leffer, or Smaller. Minuet - A quick Dance, with a high Step, a Balance, and a Beat,

Metron\_The Beating of Time by Motion.

Mixture-A Stop in an Organ, &c. Mode-The Order of an Octave; the Key Note; or the Mark of the Time.

Modern - Now living, or in this

Age.

Monochord, or Manichord-A one-· ftring'd Instrument, with a moveable Bridge, to find out the Proportions of all Sounds, by proper Divisions; and to tune Bells, &c. by. - Our Bell-founders have a fmall one about 18 Inches long, whose Wire String is divided by cross Wires, to stop the String at, according to the Letters of our Octave; and by holding the End to bear on your Ear, it will found like a large Bell; whereby they tune their Peals in a Diatonick Order, &c. Invented by Pythagoras, in 141; followed by Ptolemy, and improved by Dr. Willis. Monstra-A Direct, or Index.

Mood-The Marks, Measures, or

Movements.

Moderatio-Of a moderate Loudness, and middling Time.

Modulation - The Art of tuning, . avarbling, or regulating the Voice, or Instrument, so as to perform a Piece of Musick harmoniously, &c. Moduli-Campanarum - The Model

and Motion of a Chime-Barrel. Moto-To move founds proper and

agreeable.

Molle

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Molle-Flat, or Feint.

Moresk, or Morrice-Dancers—A Sort of sportive Dances in Imitation of the Moors; performed with Tabors, Castenets, Bells on their Legs, &c. in very antic Dress: and often by Persons of good Rank, where they are not known; more for Diversion than Interest. They are generally very active in their odd Personances, and dance to Chacones, Sarabands, &c. Having an artificial desormed Lord of the Set, who (having his Head always with him,) gives great Diversion to the Spectators.

Motett-A Church Composition,

in various Parts.

Motion—Is the continual and successive Change of Place; occasioned by some external Force or Power applied to any Body; which being superior or greater than its Resistance, impeleth or driveth it out of its Place, &c. from which all Sounds are made.

Musical-Melodiously, &c.

Mutes—Rests; or filent Organ Pipes.

Musettee—A modest Song, sung by
a Woman.

Musick-Master - The chief Composer: or a Teacher.

Musica-Antiqua-Ancient Greek Mufick.

Musica - Arithmetica — Known by Numbers.

Musica-Artificale—By Instruments.

Musica-Attivo, or Prattica—To be a good Practitioner, or Performer, to execute, without studying the Theory, &c.

Musica Contemplativa, To study Speculativa, or Theorica, the Art

without executing.

Musica-Harmonica-Musick in Parts.

Musica-Ecclesiastica - Church Mufick, in general.

Musica Historica—History of Mu-

iick.

Mufica-Melodica—One fingle Part.
Mufica-Naturale—By natural Voices.

Musica Organica-By wind Instru-

ment.

Musica-Diatonica—In the natural,

Musica Metabolica—In an Artificial key.

Musico-A Musician, or Master of

Mufick.

Musico-Theorico—A Person who studies the Science of Musick in general, and private; writes Treatises, and Comments thereon; and endcavours to explain all critical and obscure Passages therein both Ancient and Modern; as well as to give Instructions by Practice, &c.

Musica, Music—The whole Doctrine of Sounds in general: Said to be invented, by King Bardus, in

Abraham's Time.

Musick Rythmica—That Part which considers only Time.

Musick-Metrica - The making of

Verses to Musick.

Musick Vocal—The Singing of the Voice only, as Pfalms and such-like: which Aristides, Quintilianus, and others, called the First of all; it being both Contemplative and Astive.

Musick Organical-Musick only for

Instruments.

Musick Charaica—Rules for the regular Motions of Dancing.

Mutation—The several Changes of Tones, &c. Also pipes stopped.

Muth—An ancient Pfalm-Iustrument, or Tune.

Natural-A Mark of Restoration, to its first State.

Nablium—See Psaltery.

Neginoth-A stringed Psalm Instrument; mostly played on by Women; by Fingers.

Nesso —See Usus, or Mixio.

Necessario-Necessary, and must be done.

Notte Piéne - Notes black Heads.

Nonupla-Quick Jigg Time.

Non-Not.

Nona-A Ninth.

Notes - Characters to distinguish Time: as Semibreves, &c.

Nota Bene, N. B - Mark well.

Note Ferme-The Reading-Tone in Chants.

N. B. Some Mathematicians have computed that one may make 720 Changes or Varieties with 6 Notes; without repeating the fame twice: And that 40,320 different Tunes may be made from any fingle Octave.

Numbers-In thorough Basses are, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, or more.

Octaves are also meant.

Nut-The Screw Part of a Viol.

Obseguies-Funeral Songs, performed in Honour to the Dead.

Obstinato-Continue the same, &c. Obliquo-An old square Note, drawn diagonally over feveral Lines and Spaces; which ferved as a Slur for all it overspread.

Oboe, or Oboi - An Hautboy.

Obstacle-An Hinderance, to stop Sounds, &c. which causeth Echoes, or Returns.

Objeuro-Notes with black Heads. Oslave-A perfect Eighth.

Octavino-A small Spinnet, an 8th above concert.

Octuple-Measure-Eight Quavers in a Bar.

Ode-A Song fung to an Instrument,

Omnes - All together.

Ondeggiare - To keep the Hand wavering two Motions, up, or down, in beating Time, &c.

Operate pitch-Concert pitch.

Open-Pipes unstopped; Strings not fretted; and the Key natural.

Opera—Songs fet to Musick, with

Instruments.

Organ-The grandest of all Instruments; said to be first invented by Jubal; and brought into Churches by Pope Vicilianus, in the year 657, to raise the People to Devotion, and make them more chearful and merry.

Oratorio-A Sacred Opera on a Divine Subject from Scripture, whose Musick should be set in the

greatest Perfection.

Organo\_Musick for the Organ, or the Thorough Bass, &c.

Organist-The Player of an Organ. Ordinario—Often, or commonly.
Orchestra—The Place for Musi-

cians, &c.

Officerwanz-With Care, and Exactness.

Oscilation-Waving, or Trembling. Ostinato\_Continue the same, &c. Otacoustics-Hearing Trumpets, &c.

Ottava-An Octave, or 8th. Ottina-Triple, or Tripla-Time.

Overture-Play'd before the Concert begins-

Oxipeni-The highest Degree of any Cord, &c.

P. P.—More foft.

P. P. P. or Pianissimo—As soft and weak as possible.

Pathetica-Pathetical, moving, and affecting.

Para

Para-Next of all, or near alike. Part-Any Portion of musick, in

its proper Cliff.

Parttico, or Partist-A Person that gives himself no other Trouble than only to perform his own part just as he has it set down, be it right or wrong, in concord.

Partition — A Divider, or Mark to divide the Score: or the Score it-

Passionato - Passionately, moving,

and affecting.

Paffepied-A very brisk minuet Air. Pastoral - A foft Air, sung like Shepherds, &c.

Pavin-A grave Spanish dance. Pause-A Rett, or Note of Silence. Pause - To stop; or a Mark so called.

Pandoron-A three stringed Instrument, invented by Pan, or Pan-

dora.

Parafoni-In Concord, &c.

Parte Superiore—All that have Parts under them.

Parte inferiore-The lowest Part, or ground Part of all above. thought that the Antients used but one Part; not knowing the Agreement in Consonance.

Participation-To regulate, and a-

mend, &c.

In Partito-In Canon, &c,

Passacaglio - A Dance in a Flat Key.

Passagio, or Passage-A Portion of Notes in any Part, imitated by. another Part. Also the Degree that founds and moves from one Cord to another.

Parley—A Drum Piece, to flop till both Parties confult, or capi-

tulate.

Pentatonon-The major 6th.

Pedals\_Keys of Organs, played by the feet, like Treadles.

Per—By.

Per ogni Tempa-To be perform'd

at any Time.

Pentachord\_An Instrument of five Strings, invented by the Scythians; its Strings being made of Bullock's Leather, was struck with a limber Plettrum made of a Goat's Horn.

Perfect Cords-The Unison, 3d, 5th, 6th, and their Octaves.

Percuffion-Bodies striking against each other.

Peals-A Set of Bells; or Lessons ftruck thereon.

Philosophy-The Study of natural Causes, &c.

Philo-Musica-A Lover of Musick. Phrygian Mood - Ancient warlike Musick.

Phonics \_ The Art of improving Sounds by the Situation of Voices and Influments.

Pinch notes - Notes forced, higher, by Holes half stopped, with ftronger Breath, どc.

Piano P .- Soft and fweet, like an Eccho.

Pietoso-Soft, pitiful, and compas-

Pieno-Full, or in Full Chorus.

Pique-Each Note to be heard very

Pitch-pipe-An Instrument to set Inruments, and Tunes by.

Piu-A little more.

Pipe-and I abor - A Pipe and Drum played together.

Piper—The Player of a Pipe.

Piffero\_A imall Pipe play'd with a Tabor.

Piva\_An Hauthoy, or Cornet.

Plain

Plain Chant, or Plain Song \_ The Church-Tune.

Plectrum-A thin Horn, or Quill, to strike Strings.

Ponticella\_A small Bridge.

Posaune-A Sackbut.

Point—A Dot of Addition. a Portion of leading Notes again imitated.

Pollyphant—An old Sort of Lute.

Poco-A little less.

Pean - A Song of Victory; to commend &c.

Prattico-One who only performs, and not studies.

Professor-One who professes, studies, composes, and teacheth Mufick.

Probibito - Intervallo - Forbidden Intervals; falfly composed, &c.

Prepare\_To make ready, to let in a Discord, which is resolved directly by a following Concord, called the Resolvent.

Prima, or Primo\_The first.

Preludes-Play'd before, between, and after.

Presto-Quick Time.

Presto Presto; or Prestissimo\_As quick as possible.

Prima, Prima-The First.

Prolation-The Art of shaking the Voice on any Note!

Pronto - Quick, without Loss of Time.

Proportion-The true Relation of Sounds, or Time, &c.

Proflambanomenos \_ A low Sound added, &c.

Practical-Musick-The Art of composing, &c.

Proportion - In good Order, in Tune and Time.

Principle—The Basis on which a Matter is first grounded.

Proem-A Prelude, or Entrance. Principal-The Head or Chief.

Precentor-He that begins or leads the Chant or Tune; especially in a Cathedral Church

Practitioner - One who practifes,

Psalteryist - A Player on the Psaltery.

Pfalterion-A Pfaltery used amongst the ancient Hebrews. It was like a Spinnet, and strung with 13 Wire Strings tuned Unisons or Octaves; and struck with a bent

Wire or Stick, as is our Dulcimer. Another Sort was like a Flute, used in Churches with the Singing, called Sambucus.

Psalms-Divine Songs: Put into Metre by Sternhold and Hopkins, in 1552. See Psalm tunes. P. 135. Psalmody - The art of singing

Also the Place. Pfalms.

P/almodi/t\_A Teacher of Psalmody. Psalmist-A Singer of Psalms, &c. Pulsatile-Sounds made by striking;

as Drums, &c.

Pyknos-The minute Parts of an Octave, twelve of which are contained therein: One Pyknos being only one Semitone.

Quardo\_A Character, called a Natural.

Quadruple\_Fourfold.

Quarta\_Four Parts. Quaver-A Note half as long as a Crotchet.

Quinque-Five Parts.

Quinta-A Fifth. Quarter - Notes \_ Supposed Hemi-

Semitones. Quadrato, or Quadro\_A Natural 4.

Quart-Fagotto\_A Baffoon. Quatricroma\_A Semi-semiquaver.

Qua-

Quavering- To shake or trill the Voice, &c.

Quieto maniere-Changing agreeably.

Ratio-Rate, or proportion, &c. Radical - The Root, or lowest Term.

Ratios, or Rational\_The Proportions, &c. of Intervals, fought and known by their Vibrations.

Resolvent-The Concord that follows a Discord.

Resolving-Passing next into, &c. as Discords are resolved by Concords.

Reconcile\_To make an artificial Key to be in effect as the two natural ones.

Rette & Retro - Forwards, and backwards.

Recheat - An Horn Lesson to recal the Hounds when they run after a Counter-scent, and have lost their Game.

Rectus Ductus-Rising or falling by

Degrees.

Regula-A Rule, or according to

Research, or Ricercata-A Voluntary pricked out, and played on the Organ, before the grand Piece begins, &c.

Retto -- The Manner of moving Sounds properly, fmooth and

agreeably.

Re-The ancient vocal Sol-note. Recitative—To fing in a Tone like grave Chanting.

Register-The Stop of an Organ, or Pitch-pipe, that draws out.

Rebearfals-Time of Practice, to learn Musick.

Remissio-The Voice descending.

Reply-An Answer, or Imitation. Repeat-A Character denoting a

Repetition :S: or these words:

Replica Refret Replicato Repetatur

Let it be repeated over Represa Reditta again.

Riditta Research Reposta

Relation inharmonical-A foregoing Sound reflecting on a following one; not melodious.

Resonance - A Resounding, Sounding again.

Responsary Song-A Composition, fo fung by Turns.

Rest-To keep filence, or a Mark called.

Rigols--A Wooden Instrument of feveral Sticks bound together, with Beads between them, and struck with a Ball on the End of of a Stick; making tolerable Harmony.

Risentito-Brisk, lively, and expres-

Rivogliomento, Rivoltare, or Reverfico\_Parts interchanging.

Riga-lines - The 5 Lines whereon Notes are fixed.

Rigadoon-A gay pleasant Dance. Ribattuta-To give a Note many Strikings.

Risvigliato-A lively strain, following a dull one.

Ripiano Full, or all Parts to play. or fing to fill up the Harmony compleat.

Ritornello-A repeated Part; a short Air, &c. Also a Glee.

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Ringing. The Art of performing Melodies, called Peals, on Bells, by Course, of which I hinted only of the original Six Score, on Five Bells, in Page 107; but, shall herein give you 120 Changes, more modern. In this Five-Bell-Peal, are two Hunts to be observed, viz. the Whole Hunt, and the Half Hunt; the Treble is the Whole, and the Tenor is the balf Hunt, which I shall set over the Peals. The whole Hunt sinishest its Course every 10th Change; when it takes the Lead of the Tenor, the Half Hunt goeth into the 3d Bell's Place, and lies there a Whole Pull; and then goes to the Lead; which is the Reason it is called the Half Hunt; and when it dodges behind, a Bob must then be made by two Bell's taking the Third's Place; the Half Hunt, and the other Bell must dodge 'till the Treble parts them. Two single Changes must also be made by the Bells in the 2d and 3d's Places, lying still, as follows:

#### GRANDSIRE; on Five Bells.

12345	1	Junt 15: ~	15
·	15432	Bob. 13452	N. B. It is faid that this
21354	14523	14325	Five-Bell Peal may be
23145	Single.		rang 120 different Ways,
32415	13254	15423	only by altering the Hunts:
34251	13245	14532	for any Bell may be made
43521		Single.	the Hunt as the Ringers
/45312	15342	12354	pleale, &c.
54132	13524	12345	,
51423	Bob. Trees		Of PEALS, on Six Bells.
15243	Bob. 14253		First, the Ringers are to
12534	12435		observe, in Six-Bell-Peals,
Bob. 14352	15234	that a Rellea	re called Hunts, the Whole;
13425	12543		nt, and the Quarter-Hunt;
-37-5	713		Times the Number of
15324	1		be rung on Six Bells as on
13542			120 multiplied by 6, the
Bob. 12453		Product will	be 720; the Number of
14235			de on 6 Bells.—Secondly,
			Time the Treble leads, the
Roll in the 1	d'e Place mult	ie fill . and th	e other four make a finale

Bell, in the 2d's Place, must lie still; and the other four make a single Dodge, except at a Bob, when the Bell in the 4th's Place lies still, and the two hindermost Bells make a single Dodge; and a Bob must be always made when the Half-Hunt dodges behind, without the Quarter, as follows.—Two single Changes must also be made by the four first Bells lying still, as follows:

GRANDSIRE.

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GRANDSIRE, or PLAIN-BOB; on Six Bells.

### Hunts 1\_6\_5.

	214365	146532		132465	This is the first Course of Bobs.
	241635 426153 462513	Bob. 154263	Ġ,	143265	Second Courfe.
	645231 654321 563412	Bob. 154326	Single.	124365	Third Courfe.
	536142 351624 315264	154632		142365	Fourth Courfe.
Bob.	132546	165243	. 7 = 1	134265	Fifth Courfe.
	132654 136245	126354	Single.	123465	Sixth Courfe.
	163425				

This Peal, 'tis said, may be rang 720 different Ways, only by altering the Hunts to such Bells as the Ringers shall appoint, &c.

### Of CROWN-BOB.

Crown-Bob is the grandest Peal rang on 6 Bells, it being a Composition of three other Peals, called Oxford Treble-Bob; College Pleasure; and College Treble-Bob: a Lead of one, and a Lead of the other; which being repeated Five Times over compleats 360 Changes, the Half-Peal: The Treble is the Whole-Hunt, and in 24 Changes sinishes its Course; for, it dodges with the Bell that takes the Lead of it; and dodges in the 3d and 4th's Place, also behind; and lies still a Whole Pull; then it dodges again behind; hunts down in the 3d's Place, and dodges again in the 4th's Place; hunts down, and dodges again before, and then leads a Whole Pull.

As there are no other Hunts in this Peal (all other Bells having their Course alike) there are no Bobs in the Half-Peal; but, for the 720 there are two Singles, in their proper Places; as follows:

Crown Bob, on Six Bells.

			0 10 0
123456	1		Second Course.
0	416253	123546	154632
214365	146235	215364	145623
124356	412653	251634	
213465	421563	526143	Third Course.
231645	245136	521634	165243
326154	241563	256143	156234
321645	425136	526413	D 10 C
236154	452316	2.54631	Fourth Course.
263514	543261	245613	126354
625341	453216	426531	162345
623514	542361	246351	Pick O. C
265341	452631	423615	Fifth Course.
25.6431	546213	432651	132465
524613	456231	~ 346215	123456
526431	542613	436125	This is the II-10
254613	524163	341652	This is the Half
245163	251436	346125	Peal of Crown Bob.
421536	254163	431652	
425163	521436	413562	For 720 Changes
241536	512346	145326	move as follows.
214356	153264	415362	
123465	513246	143526	First Single.
213456	152364	134562	132465
124365	125346	Here ends the	132456
142635	213564	first Course.	7 1 21 1
1 23	-33-4	,	Last Single.
-			123465
	, ·	~	123456
	- 0		

From what has been faid, the Number of Changes may be known on any fet of Bells, by multiplying the preceding Product by the following Figure; (as I faid in Page 106:) from which Rule, 40,320 Changes may be made on 8 Bells; and 479,001,600 Changes on 12 Bells, &c. &c.

More on Bell-Musick cannot here be inserted for want of Room: For some of which I am, in some measure, obliged to my Friend and Correspondent, Mr. William Mitham, of Swavesey, in Cambridgeshire, who is an ingenious Psalmonist, a steady strong Bassis, and an expert Ringer, &c.

From the above Hints, on Numbers of Changes, it appears, that 40,320 various Changes of Notes may be made on 8 Notes, or in one fingle Octave, of the Scale of Musick; besides the many Varieties of Time, &c.

Roulade-The Trilling or Shaking of the Voice or Instrument.

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Round—Canons fo performed.
Rondeaus—Tunes ending with the first Strain, D. C. at the end.

Roundeley—A Strain repeated at the

End of every Verse.

Rostrum\_An Instrument to rule Paper for musical Compositions. Roulade—A trilloing or shaking.

Rotondo-A Natural 9.

Rudiments\_The first Elements of

any Art or Science.

Rhymes—Lines that gingle musically.

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Sackbut—A Tubical Instrument, play'd by drawing a Register. Salve—An Anthem.

Saraband-A Kind of flow Minuet.

Salmo-A Pfalm.

Salmodia—The Art and Knowledge of Singing of Pfalms, Hymns, and Spiritual Songs.

Saltarella\_Time leaping, jumping:

or Point and Semi.

Sackbutift\_A Player on the Sackbut. Salto — A Leap, or moving by Leaps.

Sambucus\_A Kind of Flute.

Scale—A Table of any Sort drawn uniform: Our prefent SCALE of Musick was improved by Guido Aretinus, in 1028, fee Diagram-

ma. P. 195.

Science—Any Sort of Knowledge in Learning, which concerns itself principally about the Reason of Things more than the Practice, &c. There are seven liberal Sciences, viz. Grammer, Logick, Rhetorick, Arithmetick, Geometry, Afronomy, and Musick; all of which

require both Learning and Knowledge, in a superlative Degree.

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Score—All Parts in View, Bar against Bar, as first composed.

Second—A discording Interval.

Selab—An Hebrew Word used 73

Times in the old Book of Pfalms, and twice in the Book of Habak-kuk, signifying for ever, Amen, &c. But mostly for a Pause or Stop, for the Singers to raise their Voices, in a full Chorus, to Verses of great Importance, &c.

Semi-The Half; also a Semitone

wanting.

Semitonick—A Scale confishing of Semitones.

Senza-Without.

Seranade—Night Musick, play'd at the Door, or Window.

Sefquialteral—As much, and half as much more.

Seventh—A discording Interval. Sextuple—A Binary Triple. Section—Part of a Chapter, &c..

Semibreve—A Note of 4 Beats. Seraphic — Sudden angelic Emotions, or heavenly Songs, &c.

Services\_Church, Hymns, &c. fet

to Musick.
Segna, or Signa-Any Sign, Mark,

Segna, or Signa—Any Sign, Mark, or Character.

Semidrapason—A desective Eighth. Semi-Ditone—A major Third. Semi-quaver—Half a Crotchet.

Settima\_The Seventh.

Septinaries\_Containing Seven, &c. Sequenz\_A Romish Prose Hymn.

Sesqui\_A Whole, and a Half. Sesta, or Sexta\_A fixth, or fix.

Secundo-The fecond,

Sfuggito—To omit, leave out, or avoid.

Shofhanim—An ancient Pfalm Inftrument, or Tune.

Shagion

Shagion-An ancient Pfalm-Tune. Sharp—A Mark of Extension; also Notes raised half a tone.

Shake\_To trill or shake Notes, &c. Shemintb-An ancient Instrument of 8 Strings: Or the 8th Band

in the Temple.

Shawm, or Serpent\_An ancient Trumpet - like Instrument, fo called from its having many circular Folds or Wreaths to shorten it; or it would be 6 or 7 Feet long, if streight. It consists of 3 Parts, the Head or Mouthpiece, the Neck, and the Tail, and covered with Leather; it having three Holes to give it the Compais of three Octaves; and is Bass to a Cornet, &c. we read of this in Pfalm 98. It is faid this Instrument is sufficient to cover a large Choir of Singers.

Shawmist\_A Player on the Shawm. Shushan-An ancient Psalm-Tune. Shanks, and Crooks\_Are flreight, and circular tubical Pieces fixed on French Horns, &c. to alter the Pitch, higher or lower, when used in Concert. See Flutes, p. 189. Sicilian-A flow Dance, in Tripla-

Time.

Simple-Single.

Sing \_ To found Tones by Voice. Sixth-An agreeable Interval.

Singing of Psalms - Said to be brought into Churches in 1548. Si piace-If you please, or will.

Singing-Master\_A Teacher of Sing-

ing, &c.

Sistrum, or Cistrum - An antient Instrument used by the Priests of Isis and Osiris, made like an oval Racket, having three Sticks traversing it broadwise, which, moving freely, agitates the whole

to be melodious. And though Fer. Baffus, wrote a whole Treatile on this Instrument of Percussion, it seems to be but little more than a Rattle. See Cretalum. P. 194.

Strings\_ The Cords that Sound,

when ftruck.

Sion\_The holy Mountain; David's City; the Type of Heaven, &c. Also the Holy Temple, whom God loved, as His earthly Seat; from whence He first gave the Law: The Figure of CHRIST; and His heavenly Kingdom; the visible Church on Earth of Israel; and the universal Affembly of all true Believers, and Worshippers of God, by Faith in His Son Jesus, throughout the whole World, &c. &c. &c. Vide Pfal. 125 .\_ 48, 2. - Josh. 15. 63.\_2 Sam. 5. 7. 9 \_1 Chr. 11, 4, 5, 7. \_ 2 Chr. 3, 1. \_ Nehe. 1. 18. \_ Ija. 51. 1. 48. 2. \_Mat. 4, 5.\_ Joel 3. 17.\_Pfal. 78, 60. \_ I/a. 2, 3. \_ P/al. 132, 13, 14.-51, 20.-129, 5.\_l/a. 39, 20. \_ Rev. 14. 1. \_ Joel 2, 22. Slide, or Slip-To flip the Hand to

higher Notes. Smorzato-Bear a light Bow, play

foft, or touch lightly. Softenuto-Soft, equal, and steady. Sogetto-The main Subject Part.

Sol-The vocal Word for G or D. Solecito-Solidly, mournfully.

Solo, Solus - Alone; or Parts so moving.

Suonato-A Composition Sonato. for Instruments only.

Sonnet-A pleafant Song, or Glee .. Sono-Sound.

Sonorous-founding.

Sopra-Above, or the Upper.

Sofprano-The first Treble. Sofprio-Rest, or keep silent. Sotto-Below, or under parts.

Sovave, Sovamente-Sweet and a-

greeable.

Solfeggiare, or Solfaing .- The Practice of calling the Notes properly, as Sol, la, mi, fa; &c. That the Sacred Word of God may not be prophaned by careless Repetitions. Alfo fuch Composithat Fuge, &c.

Song\_The general Subject of any musical Composition; also the Key-note which governs and regulates it, &c. &c. Also a Lay.

Sound-Board, or Sumer - The Wind Chest of an Organ. See Organ, Book 3.—Soar-To rife up higher. Solemn\_Grave, and orderly.

Soliloquoy\_A Tune to ones own

Thoughts.

Spagnuola \_ A Guittar.

Species-Any one of the 3 Scales of Mufick.

Speffus, or Spiffus-A Semitone, &c. Spinnet\_An Instrument with Keys. Speculative - To be studious, in

Causes, and Principles.

Spatium-Spaces between Lines. Spiccato | Notes heard very distinct Stoccato and separate, to express the Passion of the Subject, &c. To speak frunt and bold; to such Notes as have Dots over them.

Spirito, Spiritofo \_ With Vigour;

Life, and Spirit.

Stanza\_The 5 Lines, or many Parts in Score, as in one Line continued; or, a Series of Verses. Stropbe\_A Greek Verse. See Dia-

gramma. P. 195.

Stopt\_Holes cover'd, Pipes shut at Ends; or Strings pressed down. Stettima-A Seventh.

Stettimana - Sung alternately, to answer each other in turns.

Strain\_Part of a Composition.

Staff\_The five Lines, and Spaces, &c. or the Notes thereon; or, a Series of Verses.

Stentato\_Strive to express the Subject justly; or Bold and Stunt.

Stentorophonic Tube-A Speaking-Trumpet: Said to be first invented by Arthur Kircher, and improved by Sir Samuel Moreland. Some Speaking Trumpets are from fix, to fixteen Feet long, made of Tin; through which, one may be heard a great Way. \_It is faid, that Alexander's great Tube was heard, when he spoke to his Army, an Hundred Stadia or Furlongs, or 12 Miles and an Half.

Stretto\_Shortened, or more quick. Stromento\_Instruments in general. Supplement-Additions, or the Re-

mains .- Sub\_Below.

Sirle\_The Manner in which Mufick is compos'd, to all Sub-

iects.

Suoni or Sound-Is the undulatory Motion of the Air, arising from the tremulous Motion of the Parts of any Body, occasioned Stroke; and those Undulations or Pulses of the air beating on the Tympanum, or Drum of the Ears, convey, by the Nerves, this Senfation to our Minds, &c. which Sounds are more, or less pleasing to the Ear, according to the Agreement of their different Motions in the Air producing them, &c. \_Mr. Derham fays, that the mean Velocity of Sound is at the Rate of 1142 Feet in one Second of Time: and that in all Manner, of Directions; Obstacles excepted.

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Subito-Quick, or Quickly turn

Succession-Sounds — Going on conjointly to produce Melody by Degrees; or by Leaps disjointly, to produce Harmony.

Suono-Sound, Tone, Voice, Cord,

Note, &c.

Supra-Below.

Supernumary\_Above number.
Svegliato—Brisk, gay and lively.

Superlative. The highest Degree. Supposition—The Concord supposed to follow a Discord, &c.

Swell-To strengthen; Also the Eccho Stop of an Organ, &c.

Syfigia\_Concords, standing, often founded harmoniously, from whose Octaves all Parts may be heard.

Synthesis \_ A Composition, or a

Joining.

Syncopated—Driven on or forward. Synantia—Pipes only playing by turns.

Syncope A Division, on longer Notes: Or Notes syncopated or driven, &c. though not through Bars.

Symphony Airs agreeable to the Composition, to ornament. Also a Canon in unison.

Syncopation - Driving the Time of Notes, thro' the next Bar.

Syringa An Instrument of 7 reed Pipes, joined Side by Side, invented by Pan the Shepherd; founding much like our Bagpipes.

System\_The most ancient Greek Scale of Mufick, faid to be invented about 2000 Years after the Creation, by Mercury; who then also invented the first musical Instrument, being a Lyre, of only 3 Strings; and tuned as A, B, C; to which Apollo added a 4th, Corebus a 5th, Hiagnis a 6th Trepander a 7th, and Pythagoras an 8th String, to make an Octave; and afterwards 15 Strings to compleat a double Octave: which Boetius called, The System of Mercury, being tuned as our A, B, C, D, &c. rifing : which was afterwards called, The Pythagorian Syst m, which was as follows:

The most ancient Aristoxenian, Diatonical-System, or Scale of Musick, as used by the Greeks and Latins: As laid down by Vitruvius.

(Divided.) (The Latin.) (The Greek.) 1. Nete-Hyperboleon - O 2. Paranete-Hyperboleon - N Tetrachordon-Hyperboleon; 3. Trite-Hyperboleon - M Principal extended. 4. Nete-Diezeugmenon - L Tetrachordon - Diezeugmenon; 5. Paranete-Diezeugmenon K extended Principal. 6. Trite-Diezeugmenon -7. Pare Mese -8. Meffe Tetrachordon-Meson; or second Prin-9. Lychanos Meson -- F 10. Par Hypate Meson - E cipal. II. Hypate Meson - D Tetrachordon - Hypaton; 12. Lychanos Hypaton -13. Par Hypate Hypaton - B cipal. 14. Hypaie Hypaton - A Lowest Sound; or more lower. 15. Proflabanomenos - G

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This SCALE the Ancients called Diatonical, from the Semitones lying between B and C, E and F, as ours now does: But in Process of Time, Timotheus added another String between C and D, and F and G, and so brought in a Chromatick, or Half-Tone Scale: and after that, Olympus added another between B and C; E and F, &c. to make an Enharmonick, or Quarter-Tone Scale: But this latter was looked on as but of little Use to Practical-Musick .- In this Form the Scale remained till the Time of the Latins, who finding the Names too long and perplexing, they used the above Letters in their Stead. And, Pope Gregory, (according to F. Kircher) finding that H, I, K, &c. were only a Repetition of the 7 first Sounds, he repeated the 7 upper by the fame Names; as we do now .- After this, Baronius informs us, that Guido Aretinus, about the eleventh Century, invented the Scale we now have: confisting both of the Diatonick, and Chromatick, on 5 parallel Lines; (or more if Occasion) which were formerly fet on but one, 1000, three, and four Lines: whose Scale is now so ready, and undeniable, that it fets aside all the Disputes of the Ancients; which are too tedious here to mention\_We also now fit down by the Contrivance of Dr. Muris for our Notes, and Rests; whereby our Scale stands in so good a Form, as will scarcely ever undergo any other Alterations; (excepting some little, that would be necessary, with respect to T

Cliffs,) &c.—It is faid that the ancient Greeks had above 1240 different Terms and Characters in their old Scales of Mufick; which the Latins reduced into 15, as as the above Letters.—See Lyre, and Diagramma. P. 202—195.

Taborin, or Tabor A small Drum, being a Bass to a shrill Pipe.

Tablature — Letters standing for Notes; in past Ages, for Lutes, &c. As a, b, c, &c. for the Frets. Tacet—Be filent, or rest.

Tacta, Tact, or Tactus—The Meafure, &c. or Mood.

Tardo\_Slow.

Tarantula-Its Bite cured by Music.

A genuine Letter from an Italian Gentleman, concerning the Bite of the TARANTULA.

" SIR,

According to your defire I fend you an Account of the Effect the Bite of a Tarantula has upon the human Body. I shall only give a distinct Detail of all the Circumstances that I have seen, having once been instrumental at the Cure of a poor Ploughman that was bit by that Insect: a kind of Spider.

I'll not undertake to give you any Account of the Tarantula itself, being sure you are perfectly well acquainted with it; I shall only tell you what has happened in my Country, at a small Village, called La Torre della Annunziata, about ten Miles from Naples, where I was at the Time the Affair, I am going to relate, happened.

It was in the Month of October, a Season of the Year when all the P 3. Students Т

Students in Naples that have any Relations in the Country, have Leave to vifit them, I was one of those that enjoyed the Privilege of visiting the Place of my Nativity, and as I was then studying Musick, in the College of Naples, generally (whenever I went into the Country) brought my

Violin with met

It happened one Day that a poor Man was taken ill in the Street, and it was foon known to be the Effect of the Tarantula, because the Country People have fome undoubted Signs to know it, and particularly (they fay) that the Tarantula bites on the Tip or under Lip of one's Ear, because the Tarantula bites one when I fleeping on the Ground: and the wounded Part becomes black, which happens three Days after one is bit, exactly at the Hour of the Hurt received: And, they further affert, that if no one was to undertake to cure him, he would feel the effect of it every day at the fame hour, for the space of three or four hours, till it would throw him into fuch Madness as to destroy him in about a Month's Time; fome (they fav.) have lived three Months after they have been bit; but the latter I cannot believe. because it never happens that any Man is suffered to die by such Dislemper, the Priest of the Parish being obliged to play on the Fiddle in order to cure them; and it has not been known in the Memory of Man, that any one died of it, but to proceed:

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A poor Man was taken ill in a Street (as I faid before,) and as the Priest was out of the Way. feveral Gentlemen begged of me to play for that poor Fellow. I could not help going, without offending a Number of Friends; when I was there, I faw a Man stretched on the Ground, who feemed as if he was just a going . to expire. The People, at the Sight of me, cried out-playplay the Tarantella: (which is a Tune made use of on such Occafions). It happened that I had never heard that Tune, confequently could not play it. asked what Sort of Tune it was ? They answered, that it was a Kind of Jigg; I tried several Jiggs, but to no Purpose, for the Man was as motionless as before. The People still called out for the Tarantalla; I told them I could not play it, but if any would fing it, I would learn it immediately: An old Woman presented herself to me to do the good Office, who fung it in fuch an unintelligible Sound of Voice, that I could not form an Idea of it; but another Woman came, and helped me to learn it; which I did in about ten Minutes time, being a short one: But you must observe, that while I was a learning the Tune, and happened to feel the Strain of the first two Bars, the Man began to move accordingly, and got up as quick as Lightning, and feemed as if he had been awakened by some frightful Vision, and wildly stared about, still moving every joint of his

his Body; but as I had not as yet learned the whole Tune, I left off playing, not thinking that it would have any Effect on the Man. But the Instant I left off playing, the Man fell down, and cried out very loud, and distorted his face, legs, arms, and every other Part of his Body. scraped the Earth with his Hands, and was in fuch Contortions. that clearly indicated him to be in miserable Agonies. I was frighted out of my Wits, and made all the Haste I could to learn the Rest of the Tune: which done, I played near him, I mean about four Yards from him; the Instant he heard me. he rose up as he did before, and danced as hard as any Man could do; his dancing was very wild, he kept a perfect Time in the Dance, but had neither Rules. nor Manners, only jumped and runned too and from, made very comical Postures, something like the Chinese Dances we have sometimes feen on the Stage, and otherwise every thing was very wild of what he did: He sweated all over, and then the People cried out-faster\_faster : meaning that I should give a quicker Motion to the Tune, which I did fo quick, that I could hardly keep up playing, and the Man still danced in Time. I was very much fatigued, and though I had feveral Persons behind me, some drying the Sweat from my Face, others blowing with a Fan to keep me cool, (for it was about two o'Clock in the Afternoon) others distancing the Peoplethat

they might not throng about me; and yet notwithstanding all this, I suffered a long Patience to keep up such long Time, for I played (without Exaggeration) above two Hours, without the least Interval.

When the Man had danced about an Hour, the People gave him a naked Savord, which he applied with the Point in the Palm of his Hands, and made the Savord jump from one Hand into the other, which Sword he held in Equilibrium, and he kept fill dancing.—The People knew he wanted a Savord, because, a little before he got it, he scratched his Hands very hard, as if he would tear the Flesh from them.

When he had well pricked his Hands, he got hold of the Sword by the Handle, and pricked also the upper Part of his Feet, and in about five Minutes Time his Hands and Feet bled in great Abundance. He continued to use the Sword for about a Quarter of an Hour, sometimes pricking his Hands, and sometimes his Feet, with little or no Intermission: And then he threw it away, and kept on dancing.

When he was quite spent with Fatigue, his Motion began to grow slower, but the People begged of me to keep up the same Time, and as he could not dance accordingly, he only moved his Body and kept Time: At last, after two Hours dancing, fell down quite motionless, and I gave over playing. The People took him up and carried him into a House, and put him into

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a large Tub of tepid Water, and a Surgeon bled bim; while he was a bathing, he was let Blood in both his Hands, and Feet, and took from him a great Quantity of Blood: After they had tied up the Orifices, put him in a Bed, and gave him a Cordial, which they forced down, because the Man kept his Teeth very close. About 5 Minutes after, he sweated a great Deal, and fell afleep, which he did for five or fix Hours, when he awakened, was perfectly well, only weak for the great Loss of Blood he had suftained; and four Days after he was entirely recovered, for I faw him walk in the Streets; and

what is remarkable, that he hardly remembered any Thing of what had happened to him; he never felt any other Pains fince, nor any one does, except they are bit again by the Tarantula.

This is what I know of the Tarantula, which I hope will fatisfy
your Curiofity, and as you are a
great Philosopher, may philosofy
as you please. I need not make
any Apology for my badWriting,
you must excuse it, considering
that it was only to obey your
Commands: If you have any
other, you may dispose of: SIR,
Your most bumble Servant,

STEPHEN STORACE."

### The TARANTULA TUNE.



Tagliato—Cut, or the C in Common-Time, with a Line across it, to make the Movement quicker.

Tastatura-The Keys of an Organ,

 $\mathcal{C}_{c}$ .

Tasto—The Toutches or Keys of Organs, &c.

Tasto Solo-To strike such Sounds till other Words, or Parts come on.

Tapio, or Tairoo—A Drum-Lesson, for Soldiers to repair to their Quarters, Garrisons, Camps, or Tents.

Technical—The Scholastic Terms, or Words, used in Arts and Sciences:
On which I have herein wrote very copiously; with their several Elucidations, or Explanations.

Timperatio, or Temperament — To temper or amend imperfect Concords, to give more Grace and Beauty to feveral Defects, by taking away, or adding a Semitone to any Cord required, in the feveral Elements, &c.

Tenore Concertante — Tenor of the

little Chorus.

Tenore Ripieno—Tenor of the grand Chorus.

Ternary-Measure-Tripla-Time. Testudo- A Lyre; or Bass to a

Lyre, &c.

Testo, Textura, or Textus—The Text or Subject, to which Musick should be so nicely set, as to express every Passion emphatically. Tempo Buona—Time good; on a Concord.

Tempo Cartivo-Time bad; on a

Discord.

Tension—The Tightness or Pitch of Cords, or musical Strings, &c.

Temporegiato — Give the Singer Time to express Passions. Tendo-The fame as Rotondo.

Te Deum—A famous Church-Hyma or Service, composed by St. Ambrose; and frequently sung as a national Thanksgiving for a Victory: and oftentimes by the Defeated out of Ridicule, &c.

Tempo-Time, in general.

Tempo giustio—Time, very equal.
Tenore, or Tenor — The Church
Tune, or Leading-Part; being
the 2d Octave above the Bass, or
the chief Melody.

Tenorifi—A Performer of Tenor, &c. Tenderment—Tenderly and foft. Ternario Tempo—Triple Time.

Tertia, Terza, Trezetto - Three Parts: Alfo a Third, or Part.

Tetrachord—An Interval commonly called a Fourth, which is either greater or leffer.—The ancient Greek Diagram was divided into three or more Tetrachords—Alfo an Instrument of four Strings. See Diagramma and System.

Tetradiapason-A Quadruple, Oc-

tave, or 29th.

Tetratonon — A superfluous Fifth, of 8 Semitones.

Terms-The Gloffary, Words, and Names used in Arts and Sciences, which generally are more to perplex, than enlighten the Understanding; which sincere Writers must, in some measure, a little comply with, rather than be torn in Pieces by the captious Critics of this whimfical Age; who count plain Honesty Ignorance, and Sincerity old fashioned: Nor is any Composition, now, of any esteem, unless seasoned with a few Frenchified Terms, to decorate it, like Lace to a Doublet. Those that strive to shine in Etymology,

enology, must, in vain, dig thro' many Soils, and to but little Purpose; by reason, Words in our own Language are known to us with less Labour. Hence it is much better for us, to

Let other foreign Tongues alone, Until we're Master of our own.

Theorico-One who studies, writes, and teaches any Art, &c. Mufico.

Theorbo-A large Bass Lute.

Theorift - One who studies the Theory or demonstrative Part of any Science.

Theory-The contemplative Part of any Science; wherein the Demonfration of the Truth is more examined after than the bare outfide practical Performance.

Thernody—A Funeral Song.

Thesis-Falling.

Third\_A Concording Interval.

Thorough Bass-Continual Bass, often figured. Invented in the Year 1600, by Ludovicus Viadana, an Italian.

Theological - Musick - Divine, Church-musick.

Time, Tune, and Concord\_The three great Properties of Melody and Harmony: Which, (with some Discords) give us all the pleasing Varieties of Musick. The Word TIME does not only mean the whole Measure in every Bar, or the up and down it is beat by, but also that every aliquot Part in each should have a private Morion, or thought, as the feveral Strikings, &c.

Time—In a general Sense, is that Idea as we have of the Duration and Centinuance of the Existence, or Being, of all Things whatfoever: which we measure by the Motions of moving Bodies; as the Sun, Stars, Clocks, &c. which Parts of Duration being measur'd and compar'd, measures to us what we call Times, Seasons, (our Lengths of Notes,) and Ages, &c.

Tierce—A Third; Major, or Minor .\_ A Stop in some Organs.

Tirata\_Tied Notes; moving by Degrees; or by Leaps, &c.

Timoroso-With Dread, Fearfulness;

and Respect, &c.

Toccata \_ An Organ Voluntary; when both Hands are employed, quick and flow.

Tono, or Tone - The Property of Saund, whether grave, or acute. Toccatina-A short Voluntary.

Touch - Good; Keys close and limber.

Transitus - The several Changes from high to low, &c. or from gay to mournful. Some call this Mutation.

Tria Harmonical\_The harmonical Triad, when 3 Sounds are heard together in Harmony, viz. Two Thirds in the Fifth, one 3d being Major, and the other Minor. Also when an Octave is divided into a 5th and a 4th. Thus:

fometimes the Major 3d is above, and fometimes below. In like Manner the 5th may be above and the 4th below; yet all harmonious: But to divide an Octave exact in the Middle, is to make the 5th below the Minor.

Triemituono, or Tribemituono - A Major 3d of 4 Semitones.

Trite-Three, or a Third.

Triplicato \_ Intervals tripled; the 17th being only a 3d tripled, thus: from 17 take 7 twice, and 3 will remain; 3 being the lowest Term, the other are its Octaves, &c. In this Manner all other large Intervals may be reduced to their Radical, or lowest Term.

Tritone-A Major 4th of 6 Semi-

Tronco - To cut Sounds short, leaving room between to make Signs of Grief, Wonder, Sighs, or Surprize, &c.

Troppes - The Laws or Moods of

Time.

Transition-Slurring of Notes from one to another, between Leaps. Transponendo, Transposition - Re-

moving a Tune from one Key into another, to suit Voices, &c. Tre, Tria, Trio, Trezo, or Trezetto-

Three Parts.

Treble—Threefold, or the 3d Octave above the Bass.

Treblift—A Performer of Treble.

Trecet, or Trite-A Third.

Trecet\_A Third, major, or minor.

Tremba\_A Trumpet.

Tremoletto, or Tremolo, or Trill, or tr-The Shaking of any Note: or Tremblement.

Tritone\_The Greater 3d.

Tripole, Triple, or Tripla-Time\_Or Threefold. Moving by 3 in a Bar.

Trifagium, or Trifagion-A Church Hymn, with three Holies.

Tromp de Bearn, Jews-Harp, or, Jews-Tromp-A little Iron and Steel Instrument held between the Teeth, and play'd by striking the Spring, whose Sound is made higher or lower by the Breath: from V\_Violin Musick, &c.

which trifling Instrument we may learn, that all Sound is returned by the Air inclosed in the Bodies ofstringed Instruments; and even in those of Wind: for, if you strike a Jews-Tromp, in your Hand, you can scarce hear it, but if you hold it in your Teeth, and strike it, it will give such a mufical Buz, as to be heard a great Distance. Hence Monsieur Dodart observes, that the Mouth. Palate, Tongue, Teeth, Nose, and Lips, add nothing to the Tone of the Voice; but only, that their Effect is very great, as to the Resonance, or Resounding, &c.

Tronco per Grazio-Cut your Notes fo fort as to have a fmall Space of Silence between each Note, &c.

Tromba, or Trumpet—A tubical loud

Instrument.

Trumpet Marine\_A Triangular Instrument with a long Neck, and one large Gut-string, struck with a Bow, and fretted with the Thumb, which gives a Sound like a Trumpet.

Trumbone\_A Sackbut.

Tuba-A Trumpet: Or any hol-

low Pipe.

Tune-An Air judicially composed according to the Rules of Mufick, &c. Also to put Pipes or Strings in Tune, according to the Scale. Tuono, Tonos, or Tonus-Tone, or Sound.

Tutti, Tutt\_Full, or all Parts move together; or called Fulls.

Tymbal-A Kettle-Drum.

Tympano, Tympanium, or Tymbal-A Drum, Kettle-Drum, or Notes for a Drum.

Vacua

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Vacua Notte\_Head of Notes open. Valore, or Valuta — The Value, Content, or Length.

Vagante suoni - Sounds moveable,

Oc.

Value - The Lip or Stopper in the Wind cheft of an Organ, or in Bellows, or in the Wind-pipe of Bagpipes, &c.

Vaump—To amend, or fill up, or a Kind of Sham Bass, &c.

Variamento, or Variato, or Variazono.—Add all the Graces poffible, to ornament the Piece.

Veloce-Very quick.

Verse—When Parts do not all perform in full Chorus, that the Words may more easily be heard.
—Also Verses put into Metre:
Said to be first done by King Bardus, in Abraham's Time.

Verte—Turn over the Leaf.
Verbero—Division on long Notes.
Vergelia, Vergula, or Vergetta—The
Tails of Notes—as ascendente,
upwards: descendente, downwards:
obliqua, hooked: bistorta, double
Hooks

Vibration — The Tremblings of Sounds, Strings, &c.

Vigorofo, Vigorofamente — With Strength and Vigour. Vide—See thou, or look thou.

Vide Infra—Look below. Villanella—A Country-Dance.

Viol, or Violin—A stringed Instrument, of 6, or 4 Strings; said to be first invented by Jubal.

Viola-A Viol; or, Viol de Gambo. Violincello-A small Bass Violin.

Violin-A Fiddle.

Violono - A large Bass Viol. Viol-Basso - A Bass-Viol.

Virtuojo\_An expert Master of Mu-fick.

Violist—A Player on the Viol, &c. Virginals—A Wire Instrument, with Keys like an Organ: Said to be first invented by Jubal. Gen. iv. Visto, Vistament—Quick, lose no

Time. Vivacessimo\_Quick, lively.

Viz. or Videlicet - To wit, or that is to fay.

Virginals - Ancient large Harpfi-

chords, Ec.

Undulation, or Undulatory — The Waving, Shaking, Vibration, or Trembling of mufical Cords or Strings; also of the Air, at the fame Time.

Univocal—Voices singing in unison.
Unison— Many Voices or Instru-

ments in one Sound.

Voce, or Vox—The Voice, or 2 Human Voice.

Voix de Port, or Port de Voix —
Just touch on one Note above,
or below, the following Note.
Volta—A jumping Dance, where
the Man turns the Woman several Times.

Voice Stentoria-With a loud Voice,

Vox-Humana — A human Voice, imitated: or that Stop in an Organ. Vocal-Mufick—Performed by Voices. Voce fola—A fingle Voice.

Voluntary — A grand Extempore
Piece of Musick, performed on
the Organ before the Composition begins, &c. In Divine Service, it is performed just before
the First Lesson; which is (or
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ought to be) folemn, grand, and noble withal; free from all antick or lascivious Airs, which only corrupt the Mind with impure Thoughts, &c. This, I fay, should be such Harmony as may expel from our Souls all Gloom and Sadness, so as to raise and prepare us for Admission of those facred Truths which are to follow in the Lessons of the Old and New Testament. It should call in our Spirits, delight our Ears, and recreate our Minds; and fo fill our Souls with pure and beavenly Thoughts, that nothing may remain in us but Peace and Tran. quility. It should diffuse a Calmness all round us, and, as much as possible, give us such a Taste of Heaven, here on Earth, as to make us ambitious of the full Fruition thereof, after we depart this troblesome Life, &c. &c. which may God of His Infinite Mercy grant.

Usus—Usage, Custom, or Habit; or to compose Melody, &c. harmoniously; to express Passions,

and please.

Ut—The Note G-fol-re in the ancient Scale.

W.

Waits-A set of Musicians.

Whifile—To imitate a Pipe with one's Breath. Also a small imperfect Pipe.

Whizzing—To found like hot Lead

poured into Water, &c.

Wild-Notes\_To fing or whiftle as Birds, or to fing only by hearing

others.

Wires—The Strings of musical Infruments, of which there are various Sizes, from ½0th to the
¼0th Part of an Inch Diameter.
A Gold Wire foundeth stronger
than a Silver one, or of Brass;
and a Steel one feebler than
either, though of the same Length,
Tension, and Diameter.

V.

Yastio, or Iastio...The Ionick-Mood. Yonico, or Ionick...A Mood, light, fost, airy, and melting.

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Zampogna\_A Kind of Flute, or Bagpipes.

Zimri—A vain glorious, conceited Musician; who murdered his Master Ela, because he could not out-do him in the Art of Musick; that he himself might become more popular, and famous.

ELA, of old, in Musick fam'd for Skill,
Zimri, his Servant, to obtain his Will,
And steal Applause, did his good Master kill.
As Times of old, so Times now wheel about,
The young ones strive to kick the old ones out.

Zoppo, or Claudus—Jumping Counter-Tenors, &c., above or below the Subject.

Zuffalo, or Sibilus—A fmall Flute, Flageolet, or Bird-pipe. &c. Et cetera—And fo forth. I could add many more TERMs in this Work, which might probably more puzzle than be infructive: For which Reason all such are herein omitted: these being sufficient.

Having thus finished my INTRODUCTION, as I first proposed; I add my best Wishes to the World's Endeavours, and bid all a hearty Farewell.—

October 19, A. D. 1771. Your's, WM. TANS'UR, Senior.

End of the Musical DICTIONARY, &c.

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### CONCLUSION:

EXPLICATING

The Source, Efficacy, and chief End of MUSICK.

OST gracious Goo! thy heav'nly Aid impart,
Direct my Muse to SING of MUSICK'S Art:
Once more vouchsafe to Tune my Vocal Lyre,
And in my Soul Thy heav'nly Grace infoire

Pfalm li. Once more vouchiate to Tune my Vocal Lyre, ver. 15. And in my Soul Thy heav'nly Grace inspire.

Bless'd Musick's Art can never be defin'd,
The noblest Task of an exalted Mind:
To charm you with her great CREATOR's Praise,
Soars above Nature to Celestial Lays.

Nor earthly Mortals only Musick love, It also chears Celestial Saints Above; Sweet Holy, Holy, Holy! Angels sing, In Heav'n, around their great Æthereal King.

Vide Te Deum.

Incef-

Incessantly they sound the Father's Praise, The Father also well approves the Lays; As He (as all Things else) has Musick made, By Seraphins the sacred Song is play'd.

When He, triumphant, o'er Mount-Horeb came, Array'd in Majesty, and shining Flame; After the founding Trump, sublime, He rode, The founding Trump proclaim'd th' approaching

Gen, iii.

Musick Divine had Being long before The folemn, artful, Organ learnt to roar; When Michael o'er the spacious heav'nly plain Boldly advanc'd to fight the Rebel-Train: Loud sounding Trumpets did, in wrath, declare, With Sound most dreadful! terrible to hear.

Rev. xii. 78

When first the Earth was in Confusion laid,
And senseles Atoms rudely lay as dead:
The tuneful Voice of God, from Heav'n most high, ver. 3.
Rais'd all Things into perfect Harmony.

The mighty Spheres at his Command did move, And all the Bles'd did sing that were above: All Things arose, from a confused Heap, And did, in Order, to their Stations leap.

Ver. 14. Job xxxviii. ver. 7.

When mighty Jove the Earth's Foundation laid, On Golden Harps, Angels before him play'd: So, when it falls, (as fall it furely must,) Musick, most sure, will penetrate the dust.

Dan. xii. 2.

From Harmony the Universe began, The Diapason fully clos'd in Man. Thus, from the Power of All-sacred Lays, All loudly sung their great CREATOR's Praise.

Ver. 27.

Gen. iv. When Jubal struck his well-tun'd corded Shell, ver. 21. Whose charming Sound could ev'ry Passion quell:

His lift'ning Brethren stood amaz'd around, Ver. 26. And worshipped its soft celestial Sound.

Gen. iv. What Tongue can speak the mighty ORGAN's ver. 21. Praise?

Whose facred Notes our Thoughts to Heav'n can raife:

Inspiring Zeal, all Peace; and holy Love, That we enjoy what Angels do above.

When Orpheus struck his pow'rful trembling Lyre, Vide Pre-The Streams stood still, and Stones then did admire: face. The Trees did dance, and nodding Beafts around Attending flood, for to devour the Sound.

Gen, iv. The loud-ton'd Trumpet calls us all to Arms. ver. 22. With mighty Notes of Anger and Alarms: The double, double Beat of thund'ring Drum: Proclaims to us, prepare the Foe is come.

> Sharp Violins, and Hautboys can proclaim The frantick Pangs of the disdainful Dame: The hollow, foft, complaining Flute discovers, With dying Notes, the Woes of helples Lovers.

Such moving Charms sweet Musick doth contain, Pfal. lxiii. As thrilling Joys run thro' each trembling Vein: Teat ev'ry well-tun'd Soul must sympathize, And taste its pleasing beav'nly Extasies.

Musick Divine, religious Flame inspires, And fills the Soul with heavenly Defires: Pfal, I, ver. The great ALMIGHTY's pleased with the Song Of a pure Heart, and of a well-tun'd Tongue.

King

ver. 6.

23.

King DAVID's royal Harp a Charm could find, To beal the Body, and compose the Mind: Each trembling String his princely Hand obey'd, When he the pow'rful warbling Notes display'd.

ı Sam. xvi. ver. 23.

Musick can stifle Wrath, cause Grief to cease, And can excite the surious Mind to Peace: Can kindle beavenly Raptures, and Desires, To Heav'n's high Center, it, in Love, aspires.

Vide Preface.

This beav'nty ART should never be neglected, God's gracious Gifts should always be respected; This is the Art, which Hosts, enthron'd, do praise The LORD of Life, in everlasting Lays.

Pfal. xcviii. ver. 16.

Vide Te-Deum.

Let ev'ry well-tun'd Voice, and Instrument, Now praise the Lord, with Zeal, and free Consent: And jointly imitate the Bles'd Above, Whose Songs are Joy, all Harmony, and Love.

Psal. cxlviii.

Píal. xcvi. ver. 6, 9.

That when the last, and mighty dreadful Hour,
The Orbs, and crumbling Earth, shall then devour:
And Trumpet shall be heard, from Heav'n most high,
Whose Sound shall then untune both Earth and Sky:
Then, glorious Lord! may We to Heav'n ascend,
Where Hallelujahs never, never end.

Matt. xxiv. ver. 29.

1 Theff. iv. ver. 17.

Pfal. cvi. ver. 5.

### AMEN.

Your's, &c. WILLIAM TANS'UR, Senior.

{ Nov. 6. A. D. 1771. }

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