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MUSICAL CHARACTERS.



THE five lines with their spaces, whereon musick is set are called a stave.

A Semibreve is the longest note now in use—It is equal in length of time to two minims, or four crotchets, or eight quavers, or fixteen femiquavers, or thirty two demisemiquavers.

Rests are marks of silence, of equal length with their respective notes, except the semibreve rest, which always fills a bar.

A Repeat :S: fignifies the repetition of that part of the tune following, to the next double bar, or close, or to four dots accross the slave.—This: !: signifies the repetition of so many syllables before it as the notes require.

Four dots across the stave are set to shew the end of the repetition,

A flur comprehends fuch notes as are fung to one fyllable.

A Single Bar divides the time according to its measure.

A Double Bar divides the lines in pfalm tunes, and the strains in other musick.

A Flat set at the beginning of a tune, causes the line or space on which it stands to be sounded half a note lower; and set before any particular note, has the same effect on that note.

A Sharp has the contrary effect from a flat, and raises a line or space, or any note, half a note higher.

A Natural contradicts either a flat or a sharp, and reduces a note to its natural sound.

A Hold signisses that the note under it must be held somewhat longer than its proper time.

A Direct shews the place of the succeeding note, when carried to another stave.

A Ledger Line is used when the tune ascends or descends more than one degree beyond the stave.

A Point of Extension makes the note before it half as long again; thus a pointed semibreve is equal to three minims, a pointed minim to three crotchets, &c.

A Mark of Contraction, or figure 3, makes the three notes to which it is placed a third quicker; thus three crotchets are performed in the time of a minum, three quayers in the time of a crotchet, &c.

A Close fignifies the end of a tune.

The F Cliff is fet at the beginning of Bass slaves, to shew the place of F. It always stands on the fourth line from the bottom, and that line is therefore called F, and is sounded in unifon with the lowest F in the Tenor.

The C Cliff is not used in this book—it is sometimes used in Tenors and Counters, and may stand on any line—it gives the name C to its line, and causes it to be sounded an octave above C in the Bass stave, and just as much below C in the Treble stave.

The G Cliff is fet at the beginning of Tenor and Treble staves, and gives the line it stands on the name G. It is always set on the second line from the bottom, and is sounded, in Tenor staves, in unison with the highest G in the Bass, and in Trebles an octave higher.

There are but seven musical sounds, and two of these are only semitones or half notes.

Every Eighth, or Octave, rifing or falling, is only a repetition of the same note.

The five lines and their spaces represent sounds, and are named by the seven first letters of the Alphabet; but in learning Psalmody we use the monosyllables sa, sol, la, mi, instead of the letters; of these mi is the master note, as it governs the keys—The natural place of it is in B, but it may be removed into any other of the lines or spaces by slats and sharps, as may be seen by the following GAMUT or SCALE of vocal MUSICK.

A

A GAMUT or SCALE of MUSICK.

G F E D C B A	in E. fol for fa fa for fa for fa for fa for fa for fa fa for fa	l la la fol fa la	in D. la fol b fa mi la b fol b fa fol fol fol	in F. fa ——mi la ——fol fa ——la fol ——fa ——mi	in C. fa la fol fa mi la fol fol fol fol fol fol fol		la ————————————————————————————————————
D	fol la	la	mi	fol	fa	fa	mi
B A	la ——la	fa mi	fol fa	la ——fol	la fol	fol ——fa	 fa
_	fol fol fol la mi	la	la fol b fa mi	fa ————————————————————————————————————	fa	* mi *la fol fa	*fol
C B	fa fol -mi — b—fa	fol ————————————————————————————————————	la ——b—fol	fa ———la	* mi	× la	* la
G	la la -fol ————————fol fa fa	mi la fol	b fa la fol	fol ———fa mi	fol fa la	fa ———mi la	fa la fol

By this scale it appears that when there is neither a flat nor a sharp set at the beginning of a tune, the B line or space is mi—If B be flat E is mi—If B and E are flat, A is mi—If B, E and A are flat, D is mi—If F be sharp, F is mi—If F and C are sharp, C is mi—If F, C and G are sharp, G is mi—If F, C, G and D are sharp, D is mi: And the course of the lines and spaces upwards from mi is twice fa fol la, and downwards twice la fol fa.

These are all the removes of mi that are necessary, either by flat or sharp.

The semitones or half notes, are between mi and fa, and between la and fa; unless altered by a flat, sharp, or natural:

ural; and therefore the foregoing is the only course of removing mi that could give flats and sharps, set in the beginnings

of tunes, their effect, and unite voices with instruments.

The principal tone, or key of every composition, is either the next place above mi, or the next below it; when it is above mi, the lines and spaces rife with a sharp third, fixth and seventh; and this is the sharp key; but when it is below mi, they rife with a flat third, fixth and feventh, and this is the flat key.

A sharp third contains half a note more than a flat third, and other intervals differ in the same manner.

The last note in the Bass of any tune, is always the key note—if this be fa, it is the sharp key; but, if it be la, it is the flat key.—When the key varies in the course of a piece of musick, the last note of any variation determines the key of it as beforementioned.—The keys are marked in this book for the convenience of learners.

Of TIME.

TIME is of two kinds, viz. Common and Triple.—The several moods or movements of each are distinguished by the following marks, viz.

COMMON TIME.

TRIPLE TIME.

First Mood, Second Mood, Third Mood, Fourth Mood, First Mood, Second Mood, Third Mood, Sixth Mood.

The first Mood of Common Time has one Semibreve, or its quantity, in each bar; which may be performed in a-

bout four seconds of time.

The second Mood has the same measure in each bar; and may be sung about half as fast again. These two movements have four beats in each bar; the two first down, and the two last up; making four for a semibreve, two for a minim, one for a crotchet, &c.

The third mood has a semibreve for its measure; which may be performed in about two seconds, and has two be as

in each bar, the first down, and the last up, viz. two for a semibreve, one for a minim, &c.

The fourth mood has a minim for its measure, to be performed nearly in the time of a minim in the second mood; and has also two beats in each bar, like the third mood, making two for a minim, one for a crotchet, &c.

The

The first mood of Triple Time is called three to two; and has the quantity of three minims in each bar; which may be performed in about four seconds, with three beats in each bar, the two first down, and the last up; making two for a semibreve, one for a minim, &c.

The fecond mood of Triple Time is called three to four; and has the quantity of three crotchets for its measure, to be performed nearly in the time of crotchets in the fecond mood of Common time; with three beats in each bar, the

two first down, and the last up; making two for a minim, one for a crotchet, &c.

The third mood is called three to eight, and has three quavers for its measure; it has also three beats in each bar like the other two moods, making two for a crotchet, one for a quaver, &c. quicker than three to four. The next two moods, viz. three to sixteen, and six to four, are seldom used in psalmody.

The fixth mood of Triple Time is called fix to eight, and has the quantity of fix quavers in each bar; it is beat half down, and half up, like the third and fourth moods of Common Time; making one beat for the quantity of three qua-

vers; nearly as quick as the third mood of Common Time.

There are several other moods of Triple Time, such as fix to sixteen, nine to four, nine to eight, nine to sixteen,

&c. but they are not used in psalmody.

The several marks of Triple Time, signify the proportion of their measures to that of Common Time, or to a semibreve. It is not necessary to ascertain precisely how fast any mood of Time ought to be sung—the judgment of each Choir will best distate in that respect. To give each note and rest, its just proportion, and all the performers to move exactly together, and not unreasonably quick, or slow, is all that seems effential with regard to Time.

THE rules which have been given are thought sufficient for learners; especially as the country abounds with able teachers, who can explain or add to them, as they think proper; or alter them if they choose.

The editor has taken pains to have the compositions as correct as the nature of them would well admit; yet good judges will doubtless find

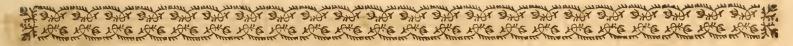
many imperfections; these are confided to their candour.

Second Trebles are preferred to Counters, which are not adapted to women's voices; and which we can very seldom find men's voices sufficient for---and it has not been regarded which Treble run highest, as it makes little or no difference in the musick.

The alterations in Denmark and Habakkuk, and some other tunes, are made with a view of adapting them to the use of the Neweng-

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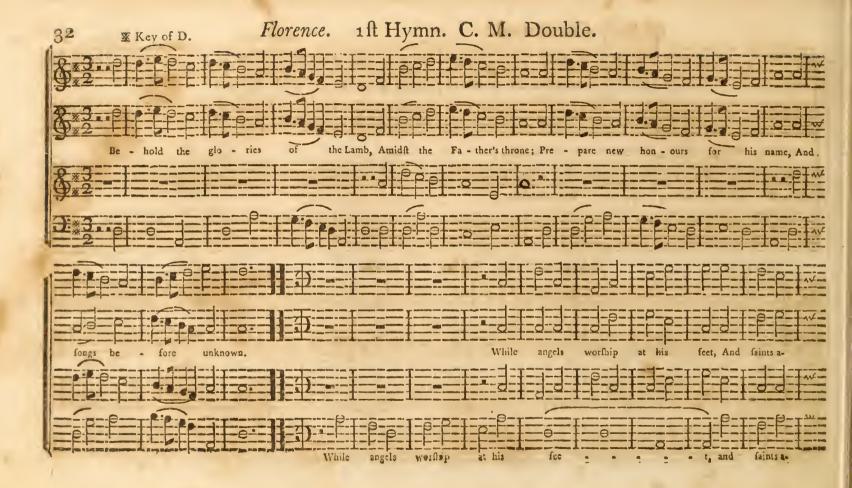
























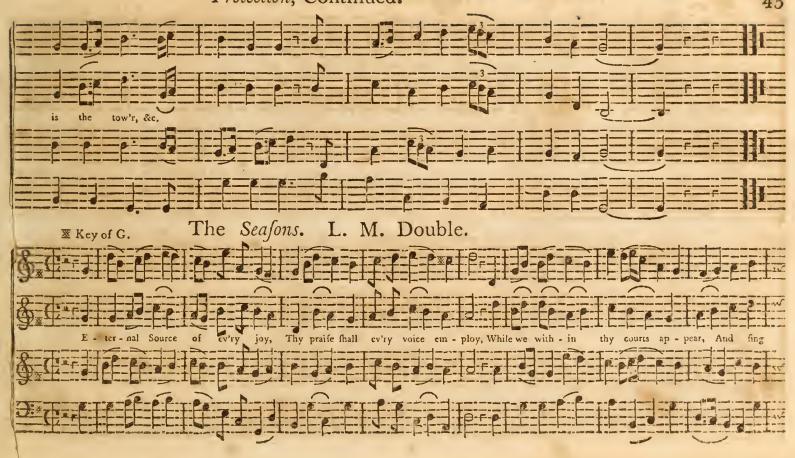




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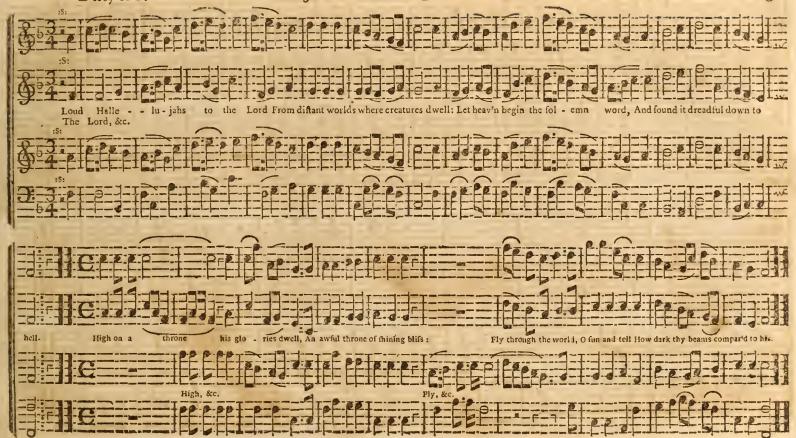








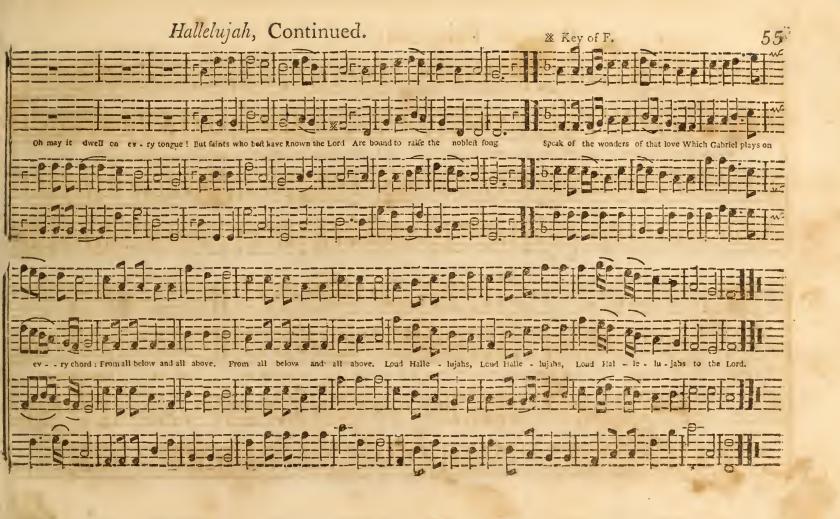












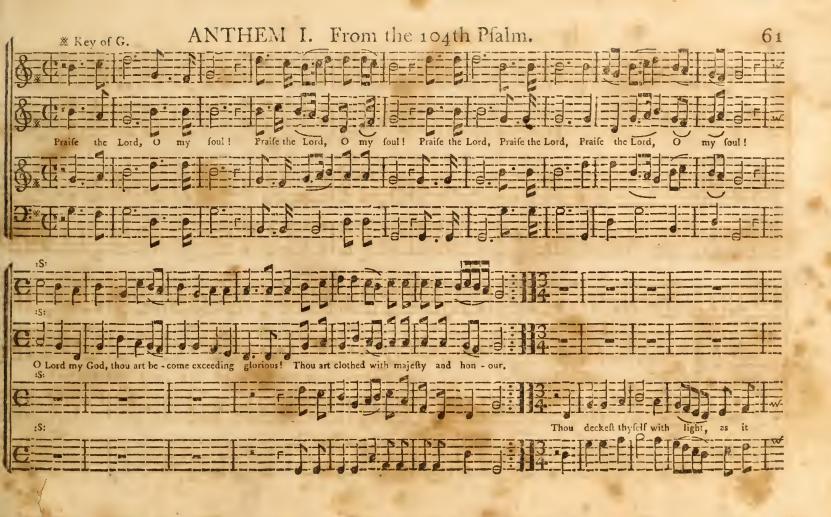


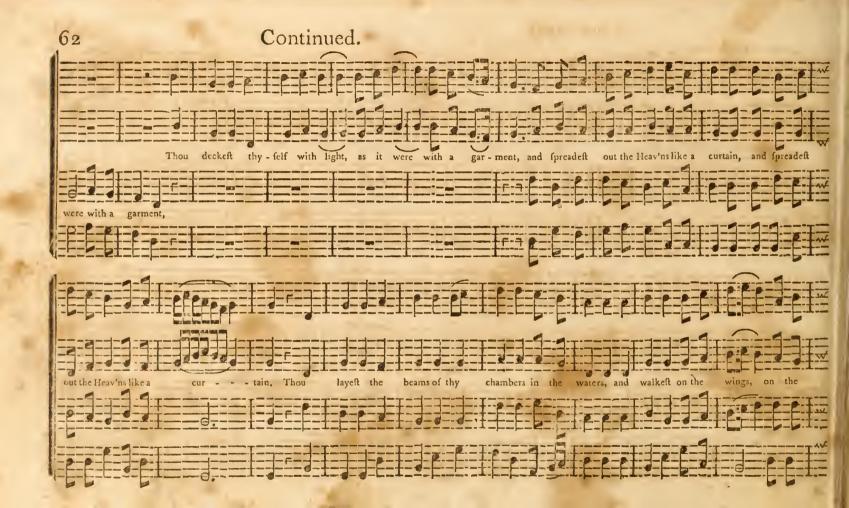




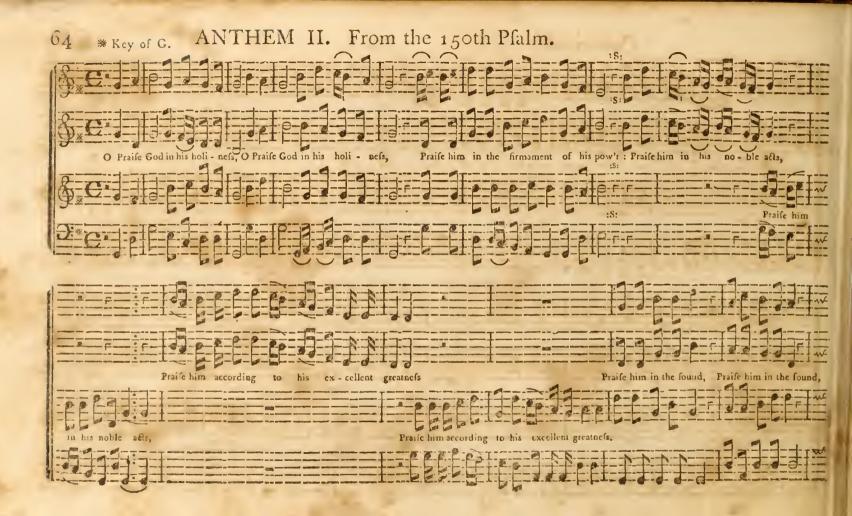






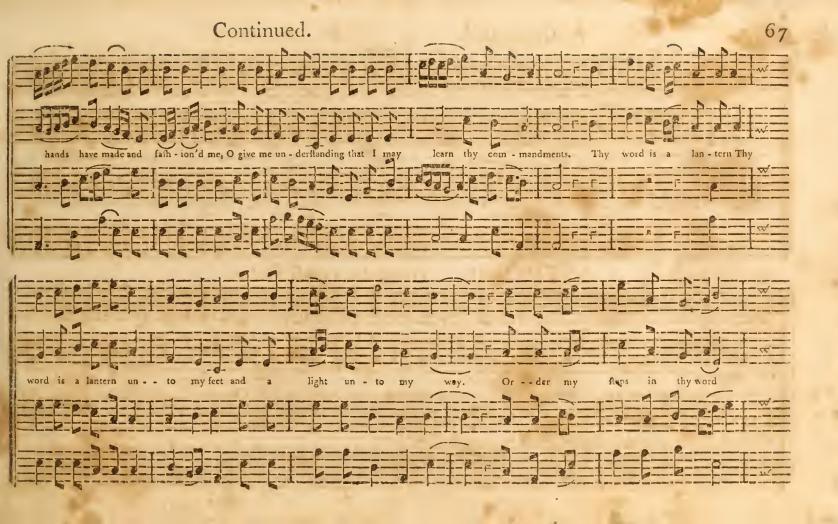














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