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of

## THOROUGHBASS,

FOR
YOUNG HARMONISTS;

AND
PRECEPTS FOR THEIR PROGRESSIVE ADVANCEMENT, EXEMPLIFIED BY NATIGNAL AIRS, SOLFEGGIOS, SERENADES, CAVATINAS, DUOS, TERZETTOS, GLEES, MADRIGALS AND CHORUSSES.-INSTRUMEN'TAL GROUNDS, VARIATIONS, PRELUDES, MODULATIONS, EMBEL.

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The reader is supposed to be capable of performing elegant melody, particu. larly if he be endeavouring to acquire a knowledge of practical harmony; therefore the superfluous elements of the former have not swelled the size of this volume, as its title only promises those essentials which will (it is hoped), be of greater importance to the student of the latter.

The chords in Thorough Bass being denoted by figures set over or under bass notes, what those figures indicate has been preferred for the commencement of the following instructions.

The figures $1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8$, are directors for the addition of unison, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, and octave to a given bass; all of which (except the first) are sounds more acute than the said bass.

It has appeared extraordinary to many, that the unison, being the selfsame tone, should be designated by 1 , as $2,3,4,5,6,7$, and 8 , are elevations by degrees, on which account they are in many works called steps : architects and musicians number their scales differently, as the former's first step is an elevation.

However, we will suppose musical intervals to be spaces between two sounds, although the counting of them has been productive of as much altercation, as " whether the first day of the year 1800 was the commencement of the present century !" We must use part of the terms which ingenious harmonists have established, though, perhaps, others more proper might be sometimes invented.

Here follows the notation of the abovementioned intervals, in the natural
key of C, with a major 3rd.


The five horizontal lines are, by all writers, but by very few practitioners, collectively called a staff, for which the readers of old books will find stave. Although these latter eight notes (being in the treble staff) are an octave higher than the
 former eight on the bass staff, they are still called unison $2 \mathrm{~d}, 3 \mathrm{~d}, 4 \mathrm{th}, 5 \mathrm{th}$, 6 th, 7 th, 8th, and more frequently used as such in thorough bass, than the real distances.

C, E, and G, (played or sung at the same instant,) produce that concord of sweet sounds, called in England the common chord, with its 3d major.

But concords with four sounds will be oftener wanted than those with three; therefore, the next arrangement of this fundamental chord includes the octave to the bass.

Either the 3d, or the 5th, or the octave, may be placed next to the bass, which different arrangements of the upper parts are termed three positions. Composers, by a more enlarged dispersion, produce three more positions, which the fingers


 cannot reach, therefore the exhibition of them is reserved for the article under the head of dispersed harmony.

The following short progression employs the common chord of C , the common chord of F, and the common chord of $G$; each of which consists of a fundamental bass, a major 3 d , a perfect 5 th, and a perfect 8 th, in different positions.

From which example the reader will perceive, and it will be useful hereafter to bear it in mind, that to ascend a 4th, or descend a 5 th (with the bass notes),
 is considered by harmonists equivalent.

Beginners are recommended to play the chords which lie next the bass first, and afterwards the different positions alternately; as that mode of practising all the examples may greatly facilitate the gratifying accomplishment, reading and performing from scores.

The interval between C and E is greater thran that between A and C ; therefore, the former has been called a major, and the latter a minor 3d.

Performers on the Piano-forte may compute distances by the short and long keys of that instrument, naming
 the key which sounds the lowest note 1
 the key which sounds the lowest note 1 , and the next key above it 2 , pro-
ceeding in the same manner up to 4 for a minor 3 d , and to 5 for the major.

In the common chord to $A$ with a minor 3d, if the octave to the bass appears, the chord is said to contain four parts.

The following example begins with it, and is first succeeded by the perfect chord of E , but with a major 3d. Immediately it appears again, but succeeded by the common chords of F, C, and F, with major 3ds, D with a minor 3d, E with a major 3d, when it appears again followed by D with a
minor 3 d , E with a major 3d, which the said common chord of A with a minor $9 d$ succeeds for the conclusion; all of which chords are comprised in eight bars, and in three positions.


Harmony should never destroy the character of melody; besides, the conclusion of a composition in three or four parts, without a major 9d being heard in the chord immediately preceding the final key note or last chord, is displeasing to modern ears (those of Scotchmen or Irishmen excepted) I hope that I shall not be misunderstood in this place, by any one supposing that I am arraigning the taste of the Caledonian or Hibernian bards whom I venerate; for, had I not been partial to their original simplicity, I should not have succeeded in those imitations of it, which have by many been denominated my happiest productions.

The sharp placed above or below the bass note $\mathrm{E}, \mp-\boldsymbol{m}$ is the signature which instructs the accompanier to play a major 3 d and perfect 5 th with it ; for, were $3,5,8$, placed singly and hori8
together perpendicularly 5 and the sharp omitted, the accompaniest who is 3 obedient to the letter (or rather the figure) of the law, would play a minor 3d;


An accompanier with a fine ear (although he may be without science,) often corrects a careless signature.

A common chord with its 3d minor succeeded by another with its 3d major, is an entertaining progression.

These two bars also afford important information relative to signatures.-It is a general rule to count every interval from the bass in conformity to the nature of the key; therefore, the sharps and flats
 denoted by the thorough bass signature are here accidentals, expressing major and minor 3ds : a natural is also used here to signify a major $3 d$, because the same bass note first carried a minor 3d denoted by a flat. The horizontal short line drawn from the figure 5-is called a mark of continuation, and implies that the said sound which expressed that 5th must be a part of the succeeding chord.

## The imperfect or diminished ffth.

When F is placed above B thus F 三 and sounded together, the imperfect 5th is heard; called so be- cause its two notes are considered to be nearer to each other (by a minor semitone) than those which produce the perfect fifth; which will appear evident when the keys are counted in the same manner as before.


It is accompanied in three parts with a minor 3 d ,

and in four with a 3 d and 8th


It is not customary either to begin or end a composition with it; therefore, the common chord of A with a minor 3 d , the common chord of F with a major 3 d , and the common chord of D with a minor 3d, precede it in the following example.


Here follows the same bass, but in triple time; the chords over which hop too much, but the example may be useful by exposing that impropriety. It may likewise revive in absent minds the three positions of six chords.


A small arch formed thus $\sim$ has been almost universally recommended by didactic writers for the signature of the imperfect 5th ; but voluminous composers have almost as universally preferred a figure. For I have examined many living works, even down to the year 1605, when thorough bass was invented, and have seldom discovered the arch, although I cannot help being an advocate for it when the chord is succeeded as in the above examples and in the following phrase;
 which (although it consists but of four bars) comprizes three species of common chords.

## Inversion.

If I have been sufficiently explanatory, the reader will be well enough acquainted with the most perfect chord in harmony to proceed to the inversion of it.

A chord is said to be inverted when the bass and one of its upper parts have changed places. Thus the common chord of C, by the 3 d being taken for its bass, is converted into a chord called the 6th; its 6th having been the fundamental bass of the chord from which it is derived.


The second inversion is effected by taking the 5 th for a bass, by which transformation it becomes a chord called the 4 th and 6 th ; the 4th having been the fundamental bass of the common chord from which it is derived.

Any of the notes which compose the chord of the 6th may be doubled for a fourth part ; therefore, the chord of the 6 th is said to contain four parts when the 3 d or the 6 th to the bass is doubled. The sth may also be doubled, but the latter does not appear in the following short progression, as it consists of only two perfect common chords and their inversions.


This arrangement of the chords in the first staff is objectionable, because they not only skip too much for thorough bass, but produce one of the most unpardonable trans.
gressions, by ascending and descending with perfect 5ths and octaves: the technical terms for which, are, consecutive 5ths and 8ths, and similar motion.

As the 3 d and 6 th were doubled for the fourth part in the last example, the 8th and 6th are doubled alternately in the next; in which every bass note is marked with a 6 , except the first and last, as few compositions
 begin with the chord of the 6th and none end with it.
N. B. The third is the 6th's favorite companion ; for, (in such excursions as the last) it is always welcome whether it be invited by a figure or not.

A striking instance has induced me to believe, that notes which produce major or minor 9 ds will be more easily comprehended and remembered, than those which generate minor and major 6ths; although the latter be the inversions of the former.

An enthusiastic admirer of Correli's fifth opera being highly delighted with his lovely daughter's thorough bass accompaniment, while he was feelingly expressing the soothing Adagio at the commencement of the ninth solo, attributed the effect to her judicious arrangement of the chords. When this fascinating performance was concluded, he was anxious to know whether she was perfectly acquainted with inversion; for he classed her uncommon genius above her harmonical knowledge, from her frequent beautiful digressions from the thorough bass signature, which he feared might be beyond her comprehension. The interrogatories were first confined to 3 ds , and the replies were correct; but when we proceeded to 6ths, as erroneous, she called the interval between E and C a major 6th, and that between F and D a minor 6 th; where-
 as the reverse is exactly the case. Yet there is an easy mode of ascertaining the quality of inversion; for, if any interval be minor, its inversion must be major. This doctrine being of great consequence, will be fully illustrated hereafter.

Second inversion of the common chord.

In the following short progression the chord of the 4th and 6 th is twice introduced; first upon the bass note C , and afterwards upon G. Immediately after the double bar the $\#$ common chord to C stands: $\boldsymbol{B}$ its first derivative (the chord of the 6th) is next; and its second inversion (the chord under consideration) follows: all of which chords are in three posi-
 tions.

The chord of the 4th and 6th, which is the second inversion of the common chord of A with a minor 3d in three parts is written thus: 原 the effect of which impressively proves that no composition should either be- gin or end with it. By playing the following four bars it will be twice heard, which may appear extraordinary, as the right hand strikes the same notes for the fundamental chord and its two inversions. But all the parts of harmony are calculated from the bass; and when the 3 d of a common chord is selected for the bass, it is simply called the chord of the 6th, although it be accompanied with a 3 d ; but when the 5 th of a common chord is taken for its bass, it is called the chord of the 4th and 6th.


It was necessary to mark a 5 above the sharp in the common chord to E , ${ }^{4}$ because it was preceded by a 6 on the octave of the bass note bearing the same name.

When the figures 4 and 6 are thus affixed to $A$, the signature indicates these notes for its accompaniment.

The 4th being perfect and the 6th minor, prove that the 4th and 6th to A, and the 4th and 6th to E (as above), are of the same species; and the
 latter may be called a transposition of the former. Both these chords are introduced in the two following examples, the last contains three species of the chord called the 4th and 6th.


The dash through the 6 and the 4 raises those intervals a minor semitone; in consequence of which, where they occur, a sharp is placed before $F$ and $D$ in the treble line.

Inversion of the chord called the imperfect or diminished fifth.
It has been already observed, that when $\mathrm{B}, \mathrm{D}$, and F are written thus, and sounded together, the combination presents to the eye and to the ear the im-
 perfect common chord; but when B, by inversion, is made the highest and D becomes
the lowest note, the union loses a little of its character and all its name; for it is in this form called a $\%$ chord of the 6 th; and when $F$ is placed $\frac{8}{0}$ the lowest, it then be- $=$ comes a chord of the 4th and 6 th. In the fect common chord, the 3d is minor and the 5th diminished; in the first inversion of it, the 3 d is minor and the 6 th major ; in the second inversion of it, the 6 th is major and the 4th is said to be extreme sharp. It will appear strange that B , when placed above F thus, $\mathcal{E}=$ should be called an extreme sharp 4th, as both notes are in the diatonic scale not any 4th to which the epithet sharp is and and and and when placed above D , is F only termed a major 6th with common chords. But in the following example both the inversions of the chord under consideration are introduced; and, for the sake of uniformity, in four parts and in three posi-
 tions.

Descending with an imperfect 5th to a perfect, is better than ascending to it; yet both should be avoided as much as possible.

A chord and its inversions may be repeated several times in various positions, before any of them are succeeded by a chord of a different description.


Some particular masters have figured such basses as the above in the following manner.


But, where motion has been given to the bass with the parts of one chord, the generality of composers have conceived that a thorough bass signature would have been superfluity.

I will close this exhibition of concords with two specimens of favourite simplicity: the one ancient (or rather old), the other modern (but not new), which do not employ more chords than those already given, and which I hope have been so thoroughly understood as to be well remembered.


We shall now treat of Discord.
Discord, like that of Musick's various parts, Discord that makes the harmony of hearts, Discord that only this dispute shall bring, Who best shall love the Prince\& serve the King:
"The Necessity of double Rhimes, and ordering of the words and numbers for the sweetness of the Voice, are the main hinges on which an Opera must move; and both of these are without the compass of any art to teach another to perform; unless Nature in the 1. place has done her part, by enduing the Poet with that nicety of hearing, that Dis cord of sounds in words, shall as much offend him, as a Seventh in Musick would a good Composer:"

If a seventh had been offensive to all good Composers, Alexander's Feast would have afforded but a mawkish treat; For altho' some spiritless Compositions con _ sist entirely of Concords, it never will be in the Power of Music to imitate the Passions, so strongly described in that Noble Poem, without the aid of Discord; and the reader of the following pages will perceive that the seventh is the Root, or Foundation, of all musical Discord; therefore the meaning of our great Poet must have been the impro. per treatment of it.
(a) In the Key of $\mathbf{D}$ with a minor 3 . , the Ancients inserted $\mathbf{B}$ flat as an accidental, the Moderns mark it at the cliff.

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The Interval ternid a seventh, when form'd with any two notes of the Diatonic scale in the major mode can only be majo minor
 It exhibits four species of harmonious compound, called chords of the seventh: In those numbered 1 and 4 , the 3 ds are major, the 5 ths perfect, and the $\xi^{\text {th }}$ major; in numbers 2,3 , and 6 , the 3 ds are minor, the $5^{\text {ths }}$ perfect, and the $7^{\text {ths }}$ minor, In $N^{0} .5$, the $3^{\text {d }}$ is major, the $5^{t h}$ perfect, and the $7^{\text {th }}$ minor, In $N^{0} 7{ }^{\circ}$ the $3^{!}$. is.minor, the $5^{\text {th }}$ imperfect, and the $\xi^{\text {th }}$ minor; The different qualities of the 3 ds $^{\text {s }}$ and $5^{\text {ths }}$ have been found a little perplexing, to those who have studied the whole of them together; It is therefore recommended to begin with $N 95$, without no ticeing the others, until that most agreable of all Discords, has made a lasting impression on the mind.
"Another Song, requires another day."
It is the first chord in many modern compositions, and few of any age end without its being the penultimate harmony, as furhen it is followed by the common chord of the Key note, they form the most satisfactory concluding perfect cadence,
We-The improving practitioner shall now be relieved from the tiresome monotony, which a restriction to the The improving practitioner shal now be relieved from the tiresome monotony, which a restriction to the
Kry of $\mathbf{C}$ Major, and A Minor, has hitherto occasioned; Previous to which, it will be necessary to acquire.a readiness of striking the chords to chromatic basses, which a daily practice of the following Ascent, will amisingly facilitate, as the Discord, under consideration, appears in each alternate bar,preceeded by two concords: Vocal Performers frequently improve their intonation, by sustaining the highest notes of such exercises, with crescendos, and diminucndos, When particular effects are wanted, parts of a chord are often omitted; The fifth of the full chord of the seventh, is here retrenchd to render the progression of the notes, which lie next to the bass, more melodious.

(a). This arcommodating Elipsis, is now so universally understood, to mean C with a major 3 d and A with a minor $3^{\text {d }}$. that henceforth every other key, will be described in the same concise manner .

There are three Inversions of the four sounds which constitute the Chord of the seventh. The first of which is called the fifth \& sixth, figured thus ${ }_{5}^{6}$; the second Inversion is the chord called the third and fourth, figured thus $\frac{4}{3}$; the third Inversion is the chord called the second, figured thus, 2 or thus ${ }_{2}^{4} \frac{6}{2}$. There are likewise various positions of the Fundamental Discord and its Inversions ${ }^{2}$ In the following Examples they are placed upon the accented bass note of each bar, and their resolutions on the succeeding unaccented part. (a)

Chord of the minor $7^{\text {th }}$ major $3^{\text {d }}$ and perfect $5^{\text {th }}$ upon $G$ with its inversions

The minor $7^{\text {th }}$ major $3^{\text {d }} \&$ perfect $5^{\text {th }}$ upon $\mathbf{E}$ with its inversions




The Major $7^{\text {th }}$
accompanied with a major 3 d \& perfect major 3. \& perfect
$5^{\text {th }} \Longrightarrow$

This last Chord is. disayreeable to the ear without being qualified by preparation \& resolution \& the ingredients
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 this bass.


(a) Two Dectors of great celebrity prefer the terms strong and weak parts of the measure to accented and unaccented,


* The 5 th may bitomitted, and the octave to the bass, or to the third (if minor) taken instead of it: Bat the 7 th or the 3 . when
(b) When the note which forms the Discord is part
(b) When the note which forms the Discord is part of the preceding Chord, the former is prepared; and when it descends one degree,
(c) Some Throrists will not al'ow this to be a chord of the seventh because its bass rises a second instead of proceeding by leaps of fourth ascending or a tilth descendins.

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When accidents are added, a modulation takes place, which altered Progressions (according to the opinion of some Authors) ought not to retain the appellation of Se_ quences, as the sharps and flats lead to new keys: perhaps Rotation might prove an acceptable Term, but I am almost afraid to coin new names for old Articles, having provoked sarcastic Wit, by calling this useful director $\longrightarrow$ Rhombus.


In the above Examples,
the major thin this chord

resolved by descending a tone to the 3 .

but it as frequently ascends
semitone to the 8 th
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The diminished $7^{\text {th }}$ : in its simplest form, followed by its most natural resolution has aiready been exhibited; But its artful transformations, inversions, deceptive resolutions and surprises perhaps never will be circumscribed by Legislation; For the same keys of a Piano Forte which sound this favorite equivocal chord when written thus will also sound this \& this Any of which may be transformed into a chord of the diminished $7^{\text {th }}$ formed of three minor 3 ds or the $3^{\text {ds }}$ may be dispersed by different positions and the chord still retain its Hame.
N.B. The Discords are expressed by Semibreves and their resolutions by Dots


The above are all minor resolutions, But in these days of extravagant modulation, the diminished $7^{\text {th }}$ is followed by Concords with maior 3 d . Twelve methods of going out of a chord of the diminished seventh are noted \& figured in Rosseau's Dictionary, \& the upper parts were arranged in the following manner by one of his worthy \& ingenious Countrymen


In 1753 a leamed Doctor in music censured a favorite Instrumental Composer when he discovered ${ }^{*} \mathbf{N}^{\circ} .8$ in his Concertos. the Question $\&$ Answer of these two Disputants are so apposite that the reader may receive both amusement $\&$ instruction from their being quoted here.
"Suppose the Question were pût to a young Practitioner in ThoroughBass what are the proper Consequents of Gsharp in the Bass with a seventh figured to it? Would not his Answer be the Gsharp is a plain Indication that $A$ should be the following Note; \& the Seventh which is Fnatural will expect to find its Resolution in E natural? ? To this I need only observe, that as the Question is put to a Learner, So the Answer is such as a Learneronly could give. But if he had put the Question to a Master, he would have shewn him, that these Resolutions may be varied many: ways; \& that otherwise it would be a vain attempt in the Composer to produce Variety in his Work, seeing every Novice might beforehand suggest, when any particular Chord was struck, what next was to follow.

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There are two more chords of the Seventh, which cannot be formed with the notes of the Diatonic scale, on which account some Denominators have termed them Anomalous and others Spurious The diminished 3 between $D$ sharp \& F natural is so discordant Composers prefer the following arrangement of the sounds:
Because the two notes which produced the exploded diminish
ed third, from a change of position, are at the distance of an extreme sharp sixth in No I. I . N: II modern Compositions have been greatly enriched by their \# $^{48}$ Inversions, they will be much employed in the illustrations of fashionable harmony.

The Discords are expressed by Semibreves
and their resolutions by dots.


Those who resolve the Chord called the German sixth in this manner offend the cultivated Ear with consecutive $5^{\text {th }}$ s which may be avoided by holding on the $3^{\text {rd }}$ and $5^{\text {th }}$ to part of the succeeding lass note is such an universal favourite that an effort has been


This chord m so arran it under the eye of the young harmonist upon almost every bass note and so arranged that it may be practised with pleasure in the following progression which has been -honoured with the highest approbation of those unaccustomed to flatter.


Having exhibited the nine sevenths and their Inversions we may now proceed to those more extensive compounds called Chords by supposition.

Before the Theories of Rameau \& Marpurg became prevalent, these chords were described loy different appellations, Modifications and Foundations the numerous adherents to the Doctrine of those celebrated Authors, are of opinion that Corelli's favourite antipenultimate chord (the ${ }_{4}^{5}$ ) is a branch of the Ne plus ultra of Rameau termed the eleventh: Marpurg's Ne plus ultra soars a 3 d. higher, in name, bybeing called the thirteenth. Many respectable Authors consider them to be Suspensions, Appoggiaturas \&c: But whatever may be their proper titles and classifications, the consequence to an accompanier is to know what stringsto strike when bass notes are figured accurately.


Several of these chords are extremely harsh, but when they are judiciously arranged in a pro gression of harmony they prevent sweetness from becoming satiety, which will be evident to those who practise and examine the best of the selections in which they bear so conspicuous a part. Positions which differ from the above, and omissions of some of the sounds, and figures, render chords by supposition more agreeable to the ear and less embarrassing to the eye than when they. lie in their full state in the order of thirds. The ninth is prepared by
 ninth may be prep? $\bar{\sigma}$ by an $8^{\text {th }}$ \& this is his example which no pure harmonist has followed. The ninth resolves by descending a degree, its bass may remain stationary or ascend a 24.3 or $44^{\text {th }}$


The chord of the 2 d $\& 5^{\text {th }}$ is a branch of the Eleventh which has not appeared in the pre ceding Examples: It only contains three real parts which may be inverted so as to become chords of the $4^{\text {th }} \& 5^{\text {th }} \&$ the $4^{\text {th }} \& 7^{\text {th }} \Rightarrow$ therefore to render the practice of these three chords a little entertaining troduced in the following rotation of Cadences in which the treble of one becomes the bass of


How to cheat the Ear by mexpected mutations, is now the favourite study of artful Composers; but such progressions as the following "could not obtain tolerance in 1725 !.(a)

The discerning reader will perceive that the discord of the $4^{\text {th }}$. (see the beginning of each bar) is properly prepared and resolved; but the sudden transitions from the Diatonic, to the Chromatic, and to the Enharmonic Genus, are authorised more by fashion than theory.


(a) What' an admirable Master was censured for Hcoch, his perseerering Scholar rendered a Model long before the end of the century.

A VoluminousComposer of Italian Operas told me that he had never been instructed to call any parts of harmony Chords by Supposition But that after he had filled a large Book with Exercises on the sevenths \& their Derivatives, his Master gave him the


When the Discord of the fourth is accompanied by a note of resolution that is to sayby the $3^{d}$
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When the Discord of the fourth is accompanied by a note of resolution that is to sayby the 3 d
brought by contrary motion it must be at the distance of an $11^{\text {th }}$ in order to form the 9 . on the $3.4--4-$

by the $80^{\text {th }}$. 3 .


The last Discord is generally little known because it is little used, not smiting either the severe or free stile, consequently its Theory has scarcely been considered; The Ancients have not mention it, \& the Moderns seem to have treated it but superficially; it cannot be employed in less than 4 Parts: the most usual resolution is made on the $5^{\text {th }}$. Yet it can be on the 3 . But for that reason the bass must ascend to the $3^{\text {d }}$. similar to the preceding articles.

When the Chords by




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The retentive Practitioners of the preceding examples must soon be sufficiently qualified to accompany the following portions of classical compositions without the chords being written albove their basses, as heretofore; and should their positions be well chosen the Performers of the melodies and their Accompaniers will experience reciprocal Aid.
N.B.The highest notes of the chords should not be the same as those of the Violin part.
 In those placeswhere themelodyproceeds byy. The treble of the 1 . 2 is thebase of the 2 d skips the chords shouldmove by the smallest degrees.

 The Archetype of many elegant Compositions:
followed by a section with a spirited bass


The upper part of these Sonatas was composed expressly for a Viol in but I have repeaterlly had the gratification of hearing it most charmingly performed on a Violoncello \& accompanied with a Piano Forte by one of the best Conducters of Ancient music, who preserved the composers harmony by play ing those passages of the base an octave lower which, in their original situation would have produced exploded Inversions: Here it may be useful to observe that the open 3 . string $G$ of theVioloncello is an $8 \cdot$ lower thanthe open $4^{\text {th }}$. string $G$ of the Violin.

When the admirable composer of the subjoined Tr io was preparing it for Publication He held it of the greatest importance to figure his basses accurately.

Both long\& short Strains are frequently played twice : \|f: and many Performers are anxious to introduce graces, flourishes, or variations during the repetions, But all such additions as are prejudicial to the harmony should be avoided.


The diligent Student who unites a natural taste with an acquired agility, and can $1: 1$ press them either by the Voice or upon any Instrument must feel tatat there are many pathe which lead to excellence; and those wanderers who are apt to lose their way might find it by following that unerring Guide a figured base.


A Vocal Exercise for the intonation of $2.3_{3} \mathrm{~d} 4^{\text {th }} 5^{\text {th }}$ and $6^{\text {th }}$ Ascending and Descen ding, accompanied with a moving figured base.
(E2
Dt re तo mi तo fa to sol do la solmi la re mido do si do la do sol do fa do mifa solla side do si do

 Out line




It is recommended to practise the outline with steadiness, and the Riffioramenti with agility (alternately) as they were the daily exercises of the most accomplished Italian singer

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As many of the selections have seven sharps, or five flats, marked at the cliff, a frequent practice of a few scal in these difficult keys, may enable Performers to acquire a facility in the execution of tlem; and that the rule of the octave may be played súccessively, without shocking the Ear, in six different major keys which gradually rise inpith 1 short modulation is added between eachof them.









The accompaniment to simple basses (which are not figured) is generally conformable to the Rule of the Octave But to those of Grandeur and Variety other chords are ingeniously mixed.

That sound which is begun on the unaccented part of a measure and is continued until a bar divides it, is called a syncopated note, more especially if it accompanies two different chords.

An Ascent \& Descent with the Bass,Composed by Queen Elizabeth's favourite Org. st in 1591.


Syncopation is one of the most lasting beauties of the Ancients, for it continues to



The Syncopated part of Music is seldom original, therefore its admirers are astonished and delighted whenever they hear the following unique Specimen, which flowed from the pen of a Composer "Whose matchless strains disclose, Alcestes' sufferings, Iphigenia's woes".




FOUR MOYEM NTS OF TRIPKE MEASURE in which Syncopation iseffectively introduced
DUET. For oneviolin.



For two violins, Tenor, and two violoncellos: The latter of wich play the notes of the Scale (only) withoctaves.


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\text { violino } 2^{\text {do }}
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For two violins, and a Bass; constrain'd (as before) to the notes of the diatonic scale.

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owing to the Encomium of a musical Historian, and the humour of the $\boldsymbol{S p e c t a t o r} n \boldsymbol{N}$; I have so
often been applied to for the following beautiful Cavatina, that i employed a friend to write english words to it, restricting him to the measure and accent of the original Italian.



I correct performance of the following fine old Madrigal, will afford a delicious treat to the lovers of pure harmo. ,mes, formd by the urion of flowing mèlodies: It is here first publishd with english words, in the adaptation of which, sperial care has been taken to preserve the syncopated beauties, which are so judiciously dispersed throughtout this symetrical composition: and for the accommodation of Ladies, the real sounds of the Contralto and Tenor Parts, are expressed by their favorite cliffs.
First Treble.

Second Treble.
The real sounds of the CounterTenor expressed by the Treble cliff.

The real somiss of the Tenor, expressed by the Bass cliff.

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I have endeavourd to court attention to this part of the Ippendix with the Language of at profound Critick and sublime Composer who has raised the importance of national melodies by his discriminating Eye and harmonious Pen. "It may seem necessary to apologize for having dedicated so large a portion of the work to a subject hitherto considered but of little importance; it is a subject, however which I am not disposed to view in that light; one wherein much remains to be discovered, and the study of which every lover of musis may prosecute. I am aware that some of the most eminent writers on the art have been inclined to disregard this species of music, because it was preserved by tradition'?

The following Air is here published with the permission of the accurate Editor of a most valuable collection of the Ancient music of Ireland: It is most assuredly genuine as my friend's veracity was never doubted and his opinion of its merits is happily expressed in the subjoined note which exactly corresponds with my own.*


[^1]Several Ladies, who do credit to their Instructors by correct performances of Vocal harmo ny, particularly requested that the following beautiful Irish Air might be arranged for two. sopranos and a base, placing every note of its elegant melody on the first staff that it might be occasionally sung by one voice

SIOMPLICITIT






The following Curiosity is said to be one of the most ancient Irish tumes, although it was printed in a most excellent Book of harmony dated 1673.

A more familiar notation than the original has been substituted and a figured bass added.


I have conjecturally surmised that the harmony to the above church-like melody, and to many other tunes in the said book, was added by the reputed Composer of the bewitching and deatless music to Macbeth, by whom the Editor was addressed

## Thus

"Thou kindfriend, whose paims and cares dave beent
To publishthis harmonious wagazine; Enjoy thy Labours; whilst we sing peace to our Nation, Honour to the King."

## And thus by another learned Contrapuntist

"Tanse of thy former Publications, were
© liected, but all these selected are
With so much care, that such a mumerous store
11 so gond method, neer were done before.
This Book shall prove (where men have souls to sing)
A inusical companion for a king."

The following Air is supposed,by many, to have been the production of Ireland although it is published in a Collection of ancient British Harmony with the Welsh title "Difyrrwch Gwyr Dvfi."

left lofty Snowden at break of the day, Ahdere the sun setting arrivid atwym-stay in the vale of Langolfente_


Whether the laws of Counterpoint were known among the ancient Bards or Minstrels, is a very questionable point; One of their Historians asserts that,"The Welsh do not sing in unison like other people, but in many different parts; so that when a crowd of singers meet as is usual in Wales, one hears as many different parts and tones of voice as there are performers"

The fine old tune of $\mathbb{S} \mathbb{H} \mathbb{E} \mathcal{N} \mathbb{K} I \mathcal{N}^{\circ}$ may be suag in the described manner by 3 Persons




(a) There is a Professor, at present, distinguished by the title of Bard, who eminently proves bis pretensions to it by lineage, priformance and publications; in one of his works he truly observes that a famous Euglish composer admired the following Welch Ground so much that he imitated it in a Cotch.


[^2]It is less difficult, and more useful, to add symphonies and accompaniments for the Harp or keyed Instruments than for an Orchestra; In consequence of which many excellent collect tions have been recently published, But as I consider such additions to be protected property, I have not included any of them. in my Examples. To a northern Editor I am greatly indebted for transmitting me the following apposite Anecdote, But I should swerve from my general rule, and publish inattention to other Editors, were I to exhibit more of the party's names than their Initial letters.
"This leads me to mention a circumstance which M, R the husband of $\mathbf{B}$ communicated to a party of us, of whom Mr G was one. He said that H himself thought so highly of the Sym _ phonies and Accompaniments which he composed for my Scottish and Welsh Melodies, that he had a great number of the MSS framed and hung on the walls of his rooms in Vienna at the time of R's visiting him! Such a singular compliment to our national Music from so great a man, seems not:unworthy of being recorded."

The moderns unite the refinements of the German school with these artless strains; But the most learned musician of his time accompanied them with such figured basses as the following, the symphonies excepted, which for his ears, and Judgement, would have been too chromatic.


John Anderson my Jo John, we clamb the hill thegither; And mong a canty day, John, weave had wi" ane anther; Now we main totter down, John, and hand in hand weill go, And sleep thegither at the foot, John Anderson my Jo.

[^3]The universal Harmonist (so frequently alluded to in this work) Condescended to aci cept of an engrgement to set accompaniments for a Violin \& Violoncello toan 100 Scots songs; $\&$ when he viewed some of the words \& passages which generally appear uncouth to Fo reigners, he requested that he might refer to me, instead of a Glossary, while he played his accompaniments with a Piano Forte, $\&$ sang the melodies: The Violin part to Todlenhame proved so delighting, that with it, \& the melody, we formed a Vocal Duet; after which he ob served that when he was first requested to harmonize this Air, he proposed to relieve its monotony by a progression to some of its relative keys; But the attempt convinced himthat modulations \& contrasts would destroy its character \& prove less pleasing than its repeated passage.


A great \& original geiiius in this Art \& a professed admirer of the Scotch songs (some of which he published with an accompaniment) used to say, that he had blotted many a quire of Paper to no purpose, in attempting to compose a second strain to that fine little Air which in Scotland is known by the name of The Broom of Cowden knows.

An ingenious German accomplished what baffled the Italian by annexing the fol -


The Air as it was sung by the original Machèath \& Polly in the season of $1727 \ldots 8$ ar_ ranged by one of the most learned Contrapuntists of that Period.

(a) The present Machcath sings the C marked flat in the sixth, bar which produces an effect that has delighted ourn greatest Theorist It will ap our strange that a flat should be used for a natural。but so it is in the Doctors Score.

32 A favorite singer of the folluwng elegant scots melody, was accompanied in the year 1771 by four of thegreatest performers in Europe, and the voice was supported, but not overpowered by the exptes. sive finger of its ingenious Harmonizer.






The Composers of symphonies and acconpaniments to Scotish songs, may profit by this excellentmodel to fashion others 1

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Ritornel for the end of the 3 verse



 displaying their Fancy and Fceling, which fudiences too often applaud during the concluding symphony.


During my Infancy，was taught to play and sing the following Airs，which were then called Border Tunes，and as many of my Subscribers Honour their native Counties，Durham，Westmorland，and Northumberland；for their gratification and to augnicnt the collector＇s stock of printed rarities，these hitherto neglected flights of Fancy may prove conspicuous figures in the groupe of national melodies．

THE KEEL ROW ．
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 $\{$ 年 （ai）This natural simple Air，is an universal favouriteand perform＇d by the Duke of Northumberland＇s piper，in a character estick manner，which notation cannot well．describe，I have various copies of it，but as they have been composed for in Instru－ ment seldom heard with astonishment，except on the borders of England，a publication of them might have proved．an unessen－ tial part of tibis Work，Therefore the arrangements for the Piano Forte，Harp，violin，and violoncello，became a natural preference．


## THE RUNNING FITTER.

The chromatic Semitones in this tune, give it a modern colour, but whether it be an original,or a copy, a neat execu tion of it, has long been considered the necessary attainment, by the preferred Hopping musicians. (a)


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(a) A Hopping, is an anmal Festivity, peculiar to the northern parts of England, at which, Relatives, and Friends, mingle in the merry Dance, and the whole scene, is a gratifying Picture, of active content

GAN TO THE KYE WI ME MY LOVE. OI the Widows Ditty to her child.
This affecting little song would have enhanced the value of the most voluminous collection of nationd favourites; Therefore its first appearance in print here, is a strong proof that it did not originate either in scotland, relandorwales


I'll sing ditties to thee: Cusme thy Pet is lowing a round her poor firstlings shed,
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> Tears in her eyes are flowing, Be - cause little colly lies dead.


SECOND VERSE.
$=49^{3} \mathrm{f}$

## All our fine herd of cattle thy vigilant sire possess'd, After his fall in Battle, by REBEL chieftains were prest:

 FgupKINE now is all our property, Left by thy Fathers Will;Yet if we nurse it watchfully, We may wingeer enough still. Gan to the Kye
$\mathbb{E} \mathbb{P} \mathbb{E} \mathbb{R} A \mathcal{A} \mathbb{C} E \mathbb{E} \mathbb{D} \mathbb{E} \mathbb{U}$
The motto of his Grace the Duke of Northumberland.
 ( The $1^{\text {st }}$ Verse in a bold emphatical manner


## Percys con_so - la_ tor is Es_perance en Diell






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## Dieu

By an act of Beneficence Adcsponding family was raised to the height of Contentment, after which the Father and Son
(having been temporary Border Musicians) composed and sang the above Duet in the different manners described in the Var Distress was bounty's C"ue, and Gratitude was due.

One of the greatest promoters of this Appendix, with an alacrity, that I shall hold in rementhrane r , introninced mu to Owners, and captain, of a ship bound to the Columbia River, and mantid partly with Canadian voyagers, who sang 'wir native Airs, while they paddled us, with astonishing velocity, from the shore to the ship, as well as up and doun he Thames . During which, pencilid several of their monotonous Melodies, and the Gentlemen, (above alluded w,' lad the goodness, to transmit me the words of those songs. But their profixity, and want of Interest, induced me to sul)titute the following lines, to the first Tune, which on revisal appeared an Archetype of those, which are suppressed. The second is a more graceful, easy, and flowing Melody. but less so than the third.

o I love litte Annette, she's a pretty Brunette, Ringlets colourd with jet, Curl on her SwanlikeNeck, If the Damsel be kind, If the Damsel be kind, I'll be gay, . Wéll be gay JCy shall dance inthe mind Joy shall thance in the mind, Love shall play, Love shall play, La,ra•
chorus, to the second part of the Tune. La,ra. 2. time chorus with



How unsatisfactory this conclusion is for want of the ley note in the Bas:
. stave
If we spy : Tar in danger, swift we f!y to his relief, whether he be Friend, or stranger, soon we dry his Pumps of grief.
chorus la rala.

## 3 . Stave

Sweet to save a fellow Creature,
sweet to fecl the blest reward, Glowing Hearts, and smiling Features, we that ply canoes, regard.
La ra la.
(a) sheryando, means in a playful manner .
(b) Forzando, or sforzando, or their abbreviations, fz, or sf, to force, or give emphasis, to one note.
(c) Rinforzando, or rinf, to swell the group of notes, to which either of them is affixed.
'd) Tenuto to hold on the notes of the chord their full length. This last Technical Term, stands under the chord of the diminishd seventh, which is followed by a too fashionable resolution, that $I$ have heard one of the greatest Theorists of the

- Age censure .

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 published in a collection of Chansons de Voyage, but not for three voices:

Whoever attempts to unite regular Poetry with this melody will find it a difficult undertaking: 2Any alteration of its oddly measured Phrase will lessen its impressive originality.






dales per-fume Be - hind my fa_ther's house;

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The six Chapters of musical Rhythm in which the following citations occur,deserve to be registered in the memory of every Composer."The disposition of Melody or Harmony in respect of Time or Measure is termed Rhythm. The knowledge of this Rhythmic subdivision of Melody is of great importance in practical music as the singer must notake breath, nor the Performer on keyed Instruments seperate the Notes in the middle of a foot:'

It is not enough that nothing offends the ear, but a good Poet will adapt the very sounds, as well, as words to the thing he treats of.


## OTTAVE FIORETINA.



Pertante strade si raggirate tante Il corridor che in sua balia la porta
che alfin dagli occhi altrui pursi delegna Ed e sover chio omai ch altri la segra.

# TASSO <br> alla Veneziana. 



In_tanto Er_mi_nia fra lombrose pian_te Dánti_ca sel _ _ . . va dall cavallo è Qupan scor_......ta


Each succeeding Key, in the following circle, has one sharp more marked at the beginning
we than the preceding, and the last sharp is a semitone below the key note.


The number of flats is reduced by degrees until the modulation announces the Key of c ; and the

world have great obligations to a worthy ingenious clergyman, from whose Essay theauthor of this work has derived much information.

To the honour of that great Musician, who has produced so many of the modern composer's archetypes, it should be mentioned, that he was as much entitled to esteem, for Benevolence, as admiration for his Genius; He had as our immortal Bard expresses it, "A tear for pity, and a hand open as the day, for melting charity", but unhappily that want of prudence, and attention, to the painful minuteness of necessary oeconomy, often deprived him of power, to indulge the fectings of his Heart, by administering to the appeals of misfortune A A singular incident of this nature, occurred to him, as follows: As he was walking one day, near the suburbs of vienna, he was accosted by a Mendicant, of a very prepossessing appearance, and manner, who told his tale of woe, with such effect, as to interest m.strongly in his favour; But the state of his purse; not being correspondent with the impulse of humanity, he desired the Applicant to follow him to a coffee House. As soon as they entered the House, M.drew some music paper from his pocket, and in a few minutes composed the menuet, which is annexed to this memoir, which with a Letter, from himself, he gave to the distressed Man, desiring him to take -them to his Publisher, who resided in the City. A composition from m. was a Bill payable at sight, and the happy Beggar was immediately presented in return for the M.s. to his great surprize, with five Double ducats.
 have cemented Gratitude and Friendship. I have therefore published them with confidence.

Ciarinetti
oboe
corni
in C sol fa Corni
in $E$ lafa
Canti

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When : is written for $B$ clarinets, the tone is $\mathbb{R}$ flat. When $\mathbf{C}$ is written for Horns, mark'd at. the cliff $\mathbf{E}$ la fa, the tone is flat. 'Tis not the most general method to express parts for clarinets and Horns, by Tenor and Bass cliffs; For were the above played upon Violoncellos, the tones would be an octave lower than they were intended by their composer, who was a conspicuous master of conservatorio; therefore his score has not been altered.

The following ingenious accompaniment, to a striking yoeal passage form'd with two notes only, is for B clar. inets, oboes and Trombones: The sounds of the clarinets are here denoted by the treble cliff and the pitch of the instruments, but those of the Trombones are directed by Tenor cliffs.


The real sounds of the Trombones have alsotbeen expressed ty Treble and Bass cliffs, for the
accommodation of Performers on the Harp or Pianoforte.

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A few extracts out of the Messiah with additional Accompaniments







 affords an excelleet exhibition of fashionablé chords, \& therefore a proper
article for this work
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| Mandolino. |  |
| Don Giovann |  |
| viola <br> Bassi. |  |

Composition loses none of its effect, whether the obligato part be play'd on a violin or Piano Farte.
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Tu ch hai la bocca dielce piu che il mele, Tu che il zacchero porti in mezzoil core!
Non esser, gio-ja mia, con me crudele!
rascia ti almen reder mio bell' amore!

The masters instructions to his favourite Disciple continued from Page 50 of the Imroduction, which Exercise comprises 51 Imitations of fugues by different Counterpoints, all constrained to harmonize with four bars of melody.
 12 Let the accompaniment occasionally rest, that you may be enabled to write a Duet ortrio as well as a puartet.


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13. Introduce various points, and let some of them move in Canon.



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\text { Proceed by different counterpoints, first to the } 10^{\text {th }} \text { and afteryares to theneth }
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Those who examine this composition with attention, will percicve that the violins and renor arealearly subj. 5 servient to 4 bars of bass notes perpetually repeated, yet the harmony and contrivance is admirable.


56 At the note of exclamation ! The Author commences an ingenious Digression of feeling, expression, and modulation, without suffering his subject to be forgotten.








 Many more chromatic designs were sketched upon this simple Ground, which probably the multifarious engage ments of the shilful artist would not allow him sufficientleisure to Harmonize and finish for an exhibition.

Facsimile of"ditties highly penn'd sung by a fair queen, in a summer's bower, with ravishing division to her lute" chanson



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The above 3 Airs were engraved from Princess (afterwards Queen) Andes lute book, which was given me by an

$58_{10}$ the worthy som, of a late exquisite english Composer, I havr.to achnowledge my obligations, for a present, of an origin:l M. . Which rontains the following Recitative, and Air; Curiosity led me to cut asunder its tar bid leaves, when I percieved ihat the Poet had made some judicious alterations, which his coadjutor had expressed with a facility that is worthy of being rigurde.d by the students of Recitative.








The lower small Notes are the composer's alterations, for a voice that cannot reach the higher; But those who try their effect with the Piano Forte, must not play both at the same time.



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＊The violins rest from the Asterisk，to the double Bar；But instead of the characters to denote silence，A familiar notation to express the real sounds of the Horns has been preferred，for the information of the young．Harmonist．





64 The following notation will convey to the reader the method of performing psalmody in Londonduring the early part of the $16{ }^{\text {th }}$ Century.



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 The annexment of the present mode of accompanying this fine old melody cannot fail to prove a high gratification to performers on key'd Instruments, as it was written expressly for this work by one of the best Organists in Europe.


The motive for including this wonderiul production anong the specimens of sublimity is atated in page 59. 6.5 which contains its Drum and Trumpet parts




## $66$






Travelling from London to Taplow with the Father of modern Harmony, and having (the preceding evening) observech his countenance expressing rapturous astonishment during the concert of Ancient music, I embraced the favourable opportunity of enquiring how he estimated the chorus in Joshua "The Nations tremble at the dreadful sound" The reply. "He had long been acquainted with music, but never knew half its powers before he heard it, and he was perfectly certain that only one inspired Author ever did, or ever would pen so sublime acom. position."

Having heard sacred compositions well performed in foreign cities where english oratorios are not collected, and where this Appendix will be circulated, I became anxious to afford my distant Patrons an opportunity of drans. cribing \& rehearsing what $I$ had so strongly recommended to their notice: In consequence of which the parts for the Trumpets and Drums have been engraved on a seperate page, as its glorious effect might be diminished by omission or substitution. But I have to regret that the limits of this work would neither allow a larger engraving of the above chorus, nor an insertion of its impressive introductory Air, GLORY TO GOD.

Having been presented with a manuscript score of il Ritorno di tobia by ite Author, iendeavoured to make a suitable return by requesting his acceptance of JEPTHA: and when I expressed myadmiration of the Recitatives in the former, which abound with the finest specimens of the Enharmonic,their composer proved his liberality and Judgment by declaring that "Deeper and Deeper still" in the latter greatly surpassed them in Pathos and contrast. And while 1 was examining this wonderful production for Extracts an impressive singerhal the goodness to rehearse it, during which my mind became so agitated by a succession of various emotions, that : determined to lay the whole of this climax and anticlimax of musical expression before the eye of the reader, to prove, that the highest praise of it will never mount to an Hyperbole


( 1 ना ज्या will be done ohrighteous Heav'n if to Fate my days must run oh righteous Heav'n thy will be done

(a) Those who admire this Heavenly strain, as much as I do, will begin it again, sing to the $16^{\text {th }}$ bar, and play $D$ for. its bass, instead of $B$, from which substitution the interrupted Cadencé, will become a perfect one, for its conclusion.

T2 Ferng the Passion week in 1788 An Englishman who ranks in the highest class of sublime composers honoured requesting a copy of the song whicti in 1800 occupied this page of the Introduction to Harmony He greatly a gipaid me for my ready compliance by presenting me uith the original MS of the following prayer (for Goor Friday:) which cannot fail of proving a gratifying SUCCEDANEUM, as the song here alluded to may be purchaced at 2uy Music Shop for one shilling.



cabo atque exal_ta_ -bo

$7{ }^{6} 66$
Being advised to omit no portion of the Introduction to Harmony, The song has been reinstatedw the Prayer removed to the Appendix.

At the Anniversaries of instirutions which dignify Royalty, honour the weaithy, and relieve the hidigent, The following cannon is the appropriate Grace after Meat, and when its sounds are steadily sustaind by large choirs, the tuneful ear cannot partake of a more delicious Treat: Some deaf criticks who review Music with a jaundicd Eye bave discovered the $7^{\text {th }}$ resolved by falling to the $s^{\text {th }}$ and afterwards rising to it without being prepared, while the Bass is stationary; which progressions are not authorised by the laws of counterpoint: But this isa species of composition in which the three Parts must consist of the same Melody, differing only in point of Pitch, one being a 4 thand the other an octave below the Guide; Therefore if the Cavillers (alluded to) adhere to those restrictions and alter the $60^{\text {t/ }} 9^{\text {th }}$. and $10^{\text {th }}$. bars, their substitutions will most assuredly injure the finest short specimen of canon that ever flower from the Pen of a sacred composer.


In the Year 1813, , was highly gratified by associating with the distinguish'd Pupils of a late Doctor in Musick, who annually commemorate their Masters goodness, and proclaim his merit, by a matchless performance of his sublime Compositions: such an union of vocal talent, was seated at the dimer table, that the visiters naturally expected to be enraptured, with a superior performance of Non nobis: But they were decieved, withoutbeing dissapointed, for at the end of an impressive Grace, the following ingenious canon commenced, charming attentict, while the manly tear, was bedewing the cheek of a feeling son, who live to his Fathers image,


As it was perform' when a Lady, who presided at a Dinner Table, gave the signal for her female Guests to withdraw. N.B. The Epithet Cheerful might mislead, therefore it is hoped, that the term ANDANTE will be particularly regarded; as Hilarity, without confusion, is what the Author is desirous of promoting; yet it is that species of complication, form'd' "by the union of several parts into one Integral.:"

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The Master of the (universally acknowledged) greatest living Theorist calleat tans conpositiona canon, 75
Although its base only answers (regularly) the two subjects comprized in the first 18 bars.


A Syncopated Canon for three Voices.


A short Canon for four Voices which may be sung by four Ladies.


+ N.B. When the leading voice arrives at the first mark $\$$ the second commences the third follows the second and the fourth the third at the same distance.
 have therefore endeavoured to bring under one view，all the seventh ha，and their torsions，to every flat，natural，motharp， not＂，in the Diatonic，and chromatic scales，in every key，which induces me to cherish the hope of escaping censure，for the ：adoption of an appellation，that in my imagyation，foretells the nature，and utility，of this and the follow ing page． c，and A，point out the seat of the chords＇，in the natural Scales，of c major，and A minor ．



Major $2^{\text {dis }}$ perfect ${ }^{\text {th s }} \cdot \&_{\&}$ major $6{ }^{\text {th s }}$
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 Major $\varepsilon^{\text {TS }} \cdot$ extreme sharp $4^{\text {this }} \&$ major $^{\text {this }}$


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$2^{\text {Imperfect }} 5^{\text {th s }}$ minor $6^{\text {this }}$ \＆minor $3^{\text {ts }}$
Minor sesentlis with major $3^{\text {dis }}$ ．\＆perfect $5^{\text {th s }}$
 Major 2 ts periect $3_{0}^{\text {th s }}$ 品 minor $6^{\text {th s }}$


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The Examers of these Tables, who write, and play Chords, with embarrassing doubt, will perciceve that they may refrence to them, acquere confident facility. Let them try to express, without the ass istance of these Guides, he chord of the diminis'd seventh, by Notes, with double Flats, and it will be an uncommon accomplishment, if these Helerees do not occasion correction.

Extreme sharp $\boldsymbol{q}^{\text {dS }}$ extreme sharp $4^{\text {ths }} \&$ major $6^{\text {ths }}$


Diminish'd $夕^{\text {th }}$ minor $3^{\text {ds }} \&$ imperfect $5^{\text {ths }}$

Minor $2^{\text {ds }}$ extreme flat $4^{\text {ths }}$ \&minor 6. this Those who are pleased with the three follouing Inversions, are partial to harshness.
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Majar 3 ds perfect $\mathrm{s}^{\text {ths }} \mathrm{si}$ minor6.
Extreme sharp $5^{\text {ths }}$ major $6^{\text {ths }} \&$ major 3 ds ${ }^{\circ}$
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Major 7 this minor $3{ }_{6}^{\text {d's }}$ \& perfect $5{ }^{\text {ths }}$

78 Chords by Supposition, or Suspensions, Substitutions, Appoggiaturas, \&c. \&c.
if all the different modes of figuring these chords, and all their titles had been enumerated here, It would have been impossible to have included their notation in the same pages; Therefore the sufficiently intelligent diminution of embarrassing ty Nonyma, has been preferred to the needless increase of technical terms. N.B.the four upper Parts of all the following chords, vi\%, those on the treble staves, are in the two proceeding pages, and are there called sevenths, but here they are changed into 9 the $11^{\text {the }} \& 13^{\text {th }}$. from the addition of basses successively placed at the distance of a $3^{\text {d }} 5^{\text {th }} \& 2 \$^{\text {th }}$ below the fundamentals of the said sevenths.
$3^{\text {Major }} 9^{\text {this }}$ minor $7^{\text {th s }}$ perfect $5^{\text {th }}$ \& major $s^{\text {dst }}$. counted upwards from the first staff of bass notes. 0 : (


 major $1 s^{\text {this }}$ perfect $11^{\text {th }}$. major $9^{\text {th. }}$. $\&$ major $夕^{\text {th s }}$ to the 3 d bass.
 Minor $9^{\text {the }}$ minor $7^{\text {the }}$ perfect $5^{\text {th s }}{ }^{\text {\& }}$ major $3^{\text {ts }}$ counted upwards from the first staff of bass notes. $b$ b: b(9)





 Perfect $n^{\text {th }}$. major $9^{\text {th }}$. major $7^{\text {th s }}$ \& perfect $5^{\text {th }}$.
 ${ }^{\text {Major }} 9^{\text {th }}$. major $7^{\text {th s }}$ extreme sharp $5^{\text {th }}$. . \&major $3^{\text {dis }}$.


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An acute observer will percieve, that transpositions of thesesevenths, under them, have produced all the $9{ }^{\text {ths }} 11^{\text {ths }} \& 13^{\text {this }}$ in this and the preceeding page; But whoever looks (in this work) for the other species of sevenths augmented to chords of 9 this $11^{\text {this }} \& 13^{\text {th }}$ s. will search in vain; As their inharmonious jargon is so disgusting, that I could not be an advocate for their being associated, even with the above harsh assemblage of the three Chords, called the ninth, the eleventh, the thirteenth; The parts which lie above the bass, instead of being placed in the or der of $\boldsymbol{y}^{\text {ds as above, may be arranged several ways,or some of them may be left out; Here it becomes necessary for the }}$ Reader to bear in mind, that each different arrangement, of the upper parts of a chord, is callect Position; The placing one of the harmonies in the bass (instead of the fundamental) is called Inversion, and the lnaving out some of the somds, is called omission, or retrenchment.
 notes, which causes regret that Performers upon the Fiano Forte, Harp, or Harps ichord, are obliged to hear their lessend effect, from repetition, or reiteration. In the city of Turin I was much delighted, with a stringed Instrument, which sustaind chords with vast power, and magical Intonation, while its keys were pressed down with firmuess; A lighter touch expressed a Dulcet Piano, which the Performer's skill, gradually encreased to an Orchestral Fortissimo. An Advertisement farther on particularly'describes the qual ity of that Instrument, the Inventor of which, (luckily for me) was an excellient Harmonist; But bigoted to that school, in which he was taught to consider Rameau and Marpurg"s chords by Supposition,merely Appoggiaturas: To exemplify his Doctrine, (in the most simple manner) He played common chords, Minor sevendls, and their Inversions, with his. left Hand, and added $9^{\text {th. }} 11^{\text {this }} \& 13^{\text {this }}$ with his right Hand.


Extracts accompanied with Apposite Remarks, Questions, Answers, \& Anecdotes of several of those illustrious musicians who, by a residence amongst us, have materially contributed to the improvement of our national taste.

From the middle, to the end, of the last Century, the Overtures to Operas were ren dered so insipid by monotonous basses $\&$ a paucity of modulations, that soon after the arrival of a great Symphonist in London, He made the subjoined Remark, for which I am indebted to a much esteemed friend whose memory \& mimickry enabled him towrite it with that deviation from grammatical Orthography which may convey to the reader the Composers idiomatic way of speaking. "I coud play de pase to an Italian Oferture widout my left hand _ dere is no ting but D _ A. - DA. DA. soamtimes G and for a Vonder C"
N.B. The first Extract is the only figured Section in the original Manuscript


The Sections Numbered $2 \& 3$ are for B Clarinets, Talias, (Instruments not much knows in England) \&Eflat Horns: had they been composed forViolins, Violoncellos, Harps, or Piano Fortes, their notation would have been thus


It is well remembered that the Compo ser of the above Extracts excelled all his Contemporaries in writing\&playing such movements as the following \& on his being praised for his execution of a rapid passage he repeatedwhat he often endeavoured to fix on the mind of his Pupils "It is more difficult to play 2 notes den 200"*


Andante CADENZA.

## Allegro

oboe violino

Violoncello

 Thetriplets in the violin part will require an attentive practiceto rendertheirintonation perfect and articulate *





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* But that these difficulties are not impossibilities the great original performer of them eminently proved

At the captivating concerts of the late mess.s Bach and Abel, many Compositions delighted both the 83 Auditors and Performers which live in their memories, and they will be pleased to heir that. the tol
lowing effective crescendo was engraved from the original M.S. for irreparable would he he !oss of such acm.


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The following is universally admitted to be the most effective instrument 1 CRESCE NDo that ever was perform'd
in a grand orchestra: "still rising in a climax till the last, surpassing all, is not to be surpast!" in a grand orchestra: "Still rising in a climax till the last, surpassing all, is not to be surpast."
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[^5] of the violins greatly assist the Intonation and excite strong vibrations.

The full score of the last section occupies so many folio pages, that limitation obliged me to make my extract out of a judicious reduction of it. So small a part of so large a whole will but convey a faint idea of the taste, spirit, and brilliant effects of a composition so full of contrast, without confusion. It was written in Paris, where orchestras are numerously supplied with excellent performers on every instrument; yet the variety of subjects, episodes, playful imitations, passages of emphasis, crescendos and diminuendos in the overture to Anacreon *, were never so finely expressed as by the band of the Phil-Harmonic Society, in London. This bold assertion was an admitted truth by a discriminating amateur, after he had been delighted with performances of it in both cities; and he further acknowledged, that this union of foreign with native talent has formed an assembly not to be met with in any other part of the world.

Among the performers, associates, members, directors, leaders, and conductors, are many distinguished vocal, as well as instrumental composers, whose productions are continually charming the ears of the softer sex, while their sublime oratorios, operas, glees, duets, and songs, ingenious concertos, preludes, studios and scale exercises, are adding brilliancy to the finger and harmony to the mind.

A lady, who from the contraction of bad habits had despaired of ever expressing the most simple movements with facility, formed the laudable resolution of devoting a few months diligent practice to the three last unerring conductors to excellence, and now
" She guides the finger o'er the dancing keys,
" Gives difficulty all the grace of ease,
" And pours a torrent of sweet notes around
"Fast as the thirsting ear can drink the sound."

It is to be regretted that the concert season, in London, terminated before the arrival of its illustrious visitors; but I have been given to under. stand that the well-disciplined opera band, and the perfection of our theatrical orchestras, claimed their attention and admiration, and they will have to report that the performances of sacred music in England are un. rivalled. Yet we must hold in remembrance that the grandest part of it was furnished by a matchless foreigner.

[^6]It having become my duty to lay before my readers a variety of documents to assist those who deliberate before they prefer, I have subjoined the most important parts of letters which were unexpectedly addressed to me by two doctors in music, whose productions have much instructed and delighted the musical world.
" Dear sir;
" I perceive by your advertisement, that you intend to dedicate the summer to the completion of your supplementary work. Permit me to renew my former offer of assistance by any works, extracts or anecdotes which my library may fortunately contain, upon such subjects as you may have occasion to discuss.
" You perhaps know how decidedly my opinion is fixed against all the false notes of the trumpet scale, particularly the delusive theories of *** supported by ${ }^{* * *}$, about the derivation of the dominant discord from the inconcinnous seventh of the monochord. It would give me great pleasure to know that we do not differ in this point, and that you not only think and feel them to be out of tune, but that you therefore do not admit them to exist in the scales of harmony or melody; indeed, your judicious omission of the flat sevenths in all the horn scales induces me to believe (what I wish) that you equally reject that note with the fourth and sixth. As for the dispute between ${ }^{* * *}$ and ${ }^{* * *}$, I confess I think the terms eleventh and thirteenth very useless; and it is worthy of remark, that while the theorists are disputing about words, you, as a practical writer, clearly shew that neither of those chords are ever used as Rameau, Marpurg, \&c. have given them. There are some instances (Padre Martini Saggio di Contrappunto I. 142) where the suspended fourth may have a third with it, as in the adjoined example from Costanza Porta. But this is very different from the construction of chords by thirds, till the whole scale of music is exhausted, a principle in which further than the ninth (and that only on the dominant) I have not seen any reason to believe. May I not venture to
 assert that the eleventh, except as a suspension of the $\frac{5}{4}$, has no existence, or that (in other words) it cannot be found as an integral part of harmony, combined in six real parts, which the followers of Rameau assert. You have very judiciously given the thirteenth as it really exists, under the form $\frac{7}{6}$, which, when reduced to its foundation, is nothing more than the dominant harmony with a $\frac{9}{T}$ taken upon a pedal key note, in which combination I
suspect the third would be rather an unwelcome visitor, I have not yet seen any convincing reason to prove that the eleventh and thirteenth are necessary in any system, and therefore, with ***, I at present reject them, but not wholly on the same ground, as you will hereafter perceive.
" Pepusch's treatise contains the substance of these doctrines, and that book every Englishman ought to consider as his manual. The following extracts are from the celebrated Gradus ad Parnassum, p. 131. quoted by P. Martini above.
"I remain,
" Dear Sir,
" Yours sincerely."
" If these are not fair suspensions, I am much mistaken.
'6 My dear Mr. S. ;
"Your ready, cordial," and intelligent reply to my bit of a note has com. forted my old bones, and again interested me in zeal for the perfection and honour of our art. I had so totally given up the world and its vanities, that I perused no books of science or difficult comprehension, confining my reading to works of amusement, in order to keep off the foul fiend, reflection on self, infirmities and complaint incident to my time of life; so that if my sufferings are not excruciating, I forget them, and like a true good boy, mind my book.
" And are you going to our dear worthy friend, *********? I hope he need not now be told that I have long not only admired his wonderful abilities on his instrument, but loved him as a man of the most ready wit and friendly disposition I have ever known, and all en badinant, as thoff he were hoaxing a body. The last time I heard him on the violoncello, just before I totally immured myself, I perceived he had changed his style, and played the slow movements with a feeling and expression that melted with delight every hearer of sensibility.
"I this morning had your " Introduction to Harmony," looked out to take a peep at it in bed, for it is so long since I have opened a musical work of study; but having peeped, I will now venture to aver, I never did
open a book of the kind so replete with practical, useful, and elegant examples of composition, in the best taste and style of the present times, not confined to one species of instrument or voice, but to all that are in general use throughout Europe. And so God bless you, my dear Mr. S., and incline your heart to believe that I am yours, with sincere regard and affection.
" P.S. After reading your prospectus, a certain vecchiaccio dotterato della musica offers this advice:-Feed not the hungry appetite of envy with omissions, but let your improvements consist entirely of additions; for there is a biped (man I cannot call him), who endeavours to increase the sale of his own productions, by depreciating those of his contemporaries."

A promise was given (in a crowded page) of a further description of an effective instrument, which cannot be more fully detailed than by the inventor's advertisement.-_' E già molto tempo, che da tutte le più colte nazioni d'Europa si è tentato di costrurre un Cembalo, che sostenesse la voce, ma sino ad ora non si sa, che sia stato meritevolmente eseguito. Il signor Maestro di Capella Anselmo Montù é giunto ad inventarne, e farne uno, il quale sostiene, cresce, e diminuisce la voce, secondoche esigono gli accidenti della musica per esprimere le varie idee, e gli affetti dell' animo, e tal Cembalo è composto di sedici istromenti, cio è undici violini, e cinque bassi, che ne formano tutta l'estensione: egli lo chiama il Cembalo espressivo, ossia il violino armonico, per che si suona coll' arco, e la sua voce e di violino, il quale forma una nuova, grata, sonora e dilettevole armonia.'

The obliging Maestro amused me chiefly with his extemporising faculty. But a lesson being placed upon his music-desk, which I had often listened to with rapturous astonishment; (having heard it repeatedly expressed by the brilliant finger of its composer, who is universally allowed to have formed that school which exalted the style of piano forte music in our country), I entreated him, and successfully, to convince me that the lights and shades in that composition might be harmonized upon his cembalo, which he executed most effectually; for the buono mano and dolce maniera were conspicuous in their proper places; on which account I have often regretted that a similar instrument, for which I bargained with its ingenious inventor, never reached England, where it would have been improved by an artist who was then an honour to human nature, and whose death taught many as well as myself to feel the loss of a liberal friend!" He was one of the noblest works of God,-he was an houest man."
It would have been an unpardonable omission not to have mentioned the Maestro Anselmo Montu's effective method of accompanying a young female Sardian while she was singing sweetly a national ballad. It was not with that too fashionable arpeggio, but with a dispersed melody different from the voice part, yet supporting without stunning it. Here I cannot avoid expressing a hope that some of our best composers may adopt the same mode occasionally, for that I am not singular in my preference will be made evident by a quotation from an author, who will have every claim to natural originality, if we may except the copying his master, who was his father. "It may be confessed that an accompaniment altogether independent of the voice will, to the singer (who is also to accompany) require some previous practice ; but let him hope that while the elaborate and almost insurmountable difficulties of modern piano forte music is vanquished by perseverance, that the forcible and more natural claims of vocal skill will not be overlooked. It is only from repetition that novelty, generally speaking, however excellent it may be, will find its way to the understanding or the heart."
Retraction, directed by conviction, is a necessary exposition; I therefore acknowledge that I erred greatly when I supposed that this work might comprise the beauties of our resident composers; for having filled many sheets with them, the revisal convinced me that their republication might be followed by prosecutions or injuries; in consequence of which I have only retained those which were extracted from original MSS., expired copyrights, and foreign productions.
I am likewise apprehensive that I may appear, in some of my accommodating pages, to be an advocate for the abolition of the tenor cliff; I will therefore make the amende honorable, by the insertion of a paragraph written by an organist, whose compositions and performances cannot be imitated but by superior excellence.
" It was suggested that it would be better to publish all the vocal parts (except the bass) in the treble clef; but as I consider this practice as an inuovation, I was unwilling to afford an additional example of an erroneous custom that has already become but too prevalent. The treble clef, when applied to the counter tenor and tenor parts, does not indicate the real or true notes that are required to be sung, the $\mathbf{C}$ clef does, and I trust therefore that no apology is necessary on my part, for preferring truth to falsehood, or that which is proper to that which is improper."
Should the above judicious remarks induce a few patient English ladies to include a universal knowledge of cliffs in the adopted foreign fashions, the laudable example might benefit many followers.

I have appropriated a large portion of this work to vocal harmony, because the best part of it may be old, but never can be obsolete. This opinion I will back with a passage in an Historical Enquiry, respecting the performance on the harp in the Highlands of Scotland, drawn up by an author, whose various productions have proclaimed his useful erudition and didactic powers, and who never lessened their consequence by quoting falsehood.
"It was on a lute of the smaller size that Queen Mary used, for the most part, to accompany her songs. The accomplished ladies, and even gentlemen of that period, could sing a part of madrigals, and other vocal compositions of four parts, at sight; and many of the excellent vocal compositions in three and four parts, of that period, are
still sung with pleasure in England, and are among the most difficult and intricate music of that description, that is sung at this day. Queen Mary's private concert consisted chiefly of music of this kind.
"Queen Mary had three valets, who sung three parts, and she wanted a person to sing a bass or fourth part. David Rizzio, who had come to France with the ambassador of Savoy, was recommended as one fit to make the fourth in concert, and thus he was drawn in to sing sometimes with the rest; and afterwards, when her French secretary retired himself to France, this David obtained the said office."

The harnony of a well arranged score is the picture which charms the mind of a well educated musician, who appreciates and feels all its beauties during his silent admiration! But the ear must have been previously formed to the true intonation, and the eye to the accurate perception of harmonious combinations.

When practical musicians are capable of reasoning in a philosophical manner, their science greatly adds to the respectability of the art; I therefore felt an elevation of my profession while I was transcribing part of an excellent commentary for this article, because it is the production of a learned graduate in music.
"As the colours of the painter would not present any picture to the eye, unless artfully disposed upon his canvass, so the light reflected by the picture, if not refracted by the visual humours, would be unintelligible to the mind; in like manner as the sounds of a musician would be without meaning to the ear, unless they were reduced to moduJated harmonies, so would the harmonies be unfelt by the mind, if not modified by the mazy channels of the ear. And again, both the picture and the music would be unimpressive to the senses, if the senses were not in communication with the mind. Sensations then are composed of sensuality and intellectuality. And as without mind the eye and ear would never have heard and seen, so without the ear and eye the mind would never bave had the ideas of light and sound."

If this book shonld exceed expectation, and prove the best of its kind, I hope it will not continue to. merit that distinction long; for although the necessary endownents to form so great and good a musical historian as the one we have recently lost may never again adorn an individual, we have still among the living professors excellent lecturers, classical translators, profound theorists, and didactic authors, whose pens will (I hope) be constantly employed to facilitate and extend the harmonic art.
I casually met a composer of celebrity, immediately after he had been examining the score of a sacred composition, the performance of which he assured me must delight and astonish the musical world. Another professor, whose glees and songs are universally admired, delivered his opinion (of the composition alluded to) in the following words: "It is most exquisite pantomime music, but not the least like an oratorio." I have been fortunate, for I can bear witness of its first representation; and whatever may be its disputed pretensions to title or merit, the conductor, singers, and accompaniers, were highly entitled to unqualified praise for affording such a delicious treat to their auditors, whose applause was hearty and unequivocal.

During its attractive repetitions, many enthusiastic admirers of descriptive originality raised its chorusses above the sacred productions of the last century; while as many firm adherents to ancient sublimity levelled them with the secular finales of Italian operas.
" Vain his attempts, who strives to please them all."
I must therefore not be dismayed if I shouldhearas many critics acknowledging that I have done my best, without approving of my labours: but should they censure candidly and judiciously, the continuation of this work may become more perfect than the present part of it; for while gracious Providence grants me powers, and the public at large encourage my exertions, I will not shrink from the performance of my duty.

FINIS.

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[^0]:    * At Escricke, the seat of Richard Thompson, Esq. where the author not only experienced the gratifying advantage of hearing the best music, but of examining the best foreign theories with accomplished linguists, and many other encouraging auxiliaries, which can never be erased from his memory.

[^1]:    * This song is very ancient, and composed long before the time of Carolan, by a poor dependent of Lord Mayo, whom he had taken frim motives of benevolence under his roof, and whom the fear of continuing in his lordships disgrace after having incurred his dis. hirth to onfo of the finest productions that ever did honour to any Country

[^2]:    ( $(1)$ The ascension to a sharp $4^{\text {th }}$ was an ancient prohibition - is now an admitted difficulty - and when accurately tuned a modern beauty.

    *     * The harmony of the Cadences miyht have been more complete, but the original base and melody of an Ancientair (when effective) ought not to be mutilatind.

[^3]:    * l haw hoard the first Fig sang sharp by those who were deaf to scottish beauties

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    The musical and poetical accents will be at variance unless the verses to the first Section begin with Trochees and end pro miscuously with female Rhimestil
    None of the measures of english Prosody will express the limping feet of the $2^{\text {d }}$. ${ }^{\text {strain }}{ }^{2}$ Yet the air is one of simplicitys charms. "Didst tho" hear those Versers?
    Yes I heard them all, ai:d more toog for some of them had in them more feet than the Verses would bear"

[^5]:    (Tpechoicf of notes for the shakes proves the Composers Fextensive knowledge of instruments; for the open strings

[^6]:    * Notwithstanding the excellence of this overture, many superior compositions of the same author, and of the greatest authors that ever wrote symphonies, quintettos, quartettos, and trios, have been performed in the course of the society's sixteen concerts, including those produced by the members and associates; but the law that protects the composer's property does not authorise me to publish any part of them.

[^7]:    T. Davison, Lombard-strge,

    VVhitefriars, London.

