Supplement.

Bach, in his character of a harmonist, is likewise a transcendental onromaticist; when he employs chromatic figuration in his passages, it is almost always (if not invariably) harmonic in complexion; e.g., in the Coda of the D minor Prelude. In Vol. I of the "Well-tempered Clavichord" we met with no chromatic figuration of the melodic kind, and consequently had no opportunity to touch upon this important branch of pianoforte-technic.

For completeness' sake (for we think that nearly every other sort of technic has been mentioned) we shall now add a few illustrations of chromatic exercises.

I. Fingering for Simple Chromatic Scales.



The above will stimulate a search for further combinations. 14658 a Cofyright, 1897, by G. Schirmer, Inc.

First Appendix to Volume I.

On the Transcription of Bach's Organ-works for the Pianoforte.

* * The editor regards the interpretation of Bach's organ-pieces on the pianoforte as essential to a complete pianistic study of Bach. He demands, that every piano-player should not only know and master all such transcriptions hitherto published, but should also be able independently to transcribe for the pianoforte organ-compositions by Bach. Should he neglect to do so, he will only half know Bach.

* * * The clavichord had many limitations. Profound thought found corresponding breadth of expression only on the organ. But Bach's thought goes, as a grand unifying element, though all his works. The forms in which it embodies itself, whether on the organ or on the piano, discover a difference only in dimensions_hardly in character or form. This one phase of difference is, however, often powerful enough to lend his musical physic gnomy a far mightier stamp.

 \star * Among the master's organ-works one finds pieces written rather in piano-style, and again, among the piano-fugues, numbers in typical organ-style. His technical manner of writing is, at bottom, the same for both instruments, aside from a few obvious *nuances*, among which some pedal-passages are the most prominent.

In making transcriptions for the pianoforte of Bach's organ-works, there can, therefore, be no question as to asthetic propriety.

** The admissibility of such transcriptions once recognized, however, our gain therefrom is very considerable.' Piano-literature is augmented by the most eminent works belonging to this branch of art. So much for the artist, To the student, on the other hand, is opened a technical field of the widest extent, which, following along the lines of the "Well-tempered Clavichord," permits increased freedom of movement in every direction.

* * * Both Liszt and Tausig have given satisfactory proofs, that such transcriptions can be made without sinking to the level of mere mutilations of their originals. We desire to reinforce and perfect these proofs, and to provide the happy thought of the Prince of Pianists with a basis of systematic analysis: *)

In pursuing this aim, many an unexpected and difficult problem in piano-technic may be encountered; but the striving after the right solution will surely lead to new pianistic acquisitions.

 \star * But difficulties are not found everywhere. The piano possesses certain characteristics which give it an advantage over the organ: Rhythmic precision; emphatic exactness of entrance; greater impetuosity and distinctness in passage-playing; ability of modulating the touch: clearness in involved situations; rapidity, where required;**) a simpler mechanism, always ready, and everywhere at hand. The ability to sustain tones on the piano is, with artistic treatment, less limited than one would suppose, considering the bad name of the instrument in this regard. The bass tones are really capable of great prolongation, and may be sustained *ad libitum* by skilfully repeated and imperceptible finger-pressure. Fortunately, the majority of the Bach organ-fugues are written in a more or less lively figurate style; thus the prolongation of tones, the chief element of antagonism between organ and piano, is so much the less in evidence.

** Before attempting the piano-transcription for an organ-piece, one ought, first of all, to acquaint oneself with its effect on the organ when played in masterly fashion. Listen to its performance by some excellent organist. Then experiment yourself on the organ, trying the different stops and their various combinations. Study and note the acoustic effects of the "couplers" and "mixtures," and endeavor to imitate them successfully. In the choice of the position of the chords, of the intervals to be doubled, and of the octave-transpositions, important characteristic features for imitating the organ-effects are to be considered. A single tone of the flutestop sounds deceptively like a real flute; but play a polyphonic passage with this register, and the entire individuality of the organ is manifested.

* * This Appendix is not intended for a separate volume, which might easily outvie the main work in size and importance; we must content ourselves with a concise presentation of the principal points, accompanied by illustrative examples. These points are the following:

- 1. Doublings.
- 2. Registration.
- 3. Additions, Omissions, Liberties.
- 4. Use of the piano-pedals.
- 5. Interpretation (style of playing).

*) We have often mentioned Liszt perhaps not often enough, for contemporary planism owes him almost everything. Musical commoners still delight in decrying modern virtuosi as spollers of the classics; and yet Liszt and his pupils (Bülow, Tausig) have done things for spreading a general understanding for Bach and Beethoven, beside which all theoretico-practical pedantry seems bungling, and all brow-puckering cogitations of stiffly selemn professors unfruitful.

**) "It is an advantage of the piano, that one can obtain a greater degree of rapidity upon it than upon and other instrument." C.Ph.E. Bach.

1. Doublings.

I. Simple doubling of the pedal-part.

^Dedal-tones, almost without exception, are to be considered as 8-foot and 16-foot stops, i. e., as doubled in the lower octave; this corresponds to the ordinary mode of writing for 'cello and double-bass in the orchestra. In conformity with the pedal-technic, the pedal-parts are to be performed in a bold *non legato*; a strict *legato* would, indeed, be wholly out of keeping. **a.** Quiet movement, sustained throughout.



d. Figurate bass, with alternate double and single tones (simulated occaves).

This easy mode of notation is well adapted for the doubling of chord-figures. The incompleteness of the higher octave is unnoticeable in rapid passages, as the lower tone contains the higher as an "overtone". On the other hand, the interruption lower octave would have a most disturbing effect.



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II. Simple doubling of the Manual-parts. (The taste of the transcriber, or the requirements of the musical situation, will decide whether the octave-doubling shall take place above or below. The doubling in the higher octave, however, should be regarded as the norm-imitating a 4-foot stop.)



When both parts are in parallel octaves (see next Ex.), the lower part is already doubled in unison with the higher; we therefore have only to add a third real octave-part.



If possible, avoid writing octave-passages for one hand alone in these two-part manual-doublings (more especially in the soprane or inner parts). Their purely planistic character, and the impossibility of obtaining a perfect legato, are the reasons for the avoidance.





In many *piano* passages, the doubling of the lowest part may be omitted. The first overtone is sufficiently prominent to cause the illusory effect of an actual octave. In the following example, this method is especially justified by the staccato character of the bass.



Also compare the 3-part passage towards the close of the E minor Fugue in Appendix II to Vol I.





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IV. The tripling in Octaves of any part is commonly employed only in unison passages. It is hardly practicable with more than one part. True, passages in thirds or sixths ("two-part") can be executed in triple octaves ("six parts"); but the charater of pianistic bravura is then altogether too marked. (For tripling 3-part passages, compare Section 3 of this Appendix). In this sort of transcription it is advisable to add a lower and a higher octave to the original part. In the case of pedal solos, two lower octaves may be added (16-foot and 32-foot stops).



b. Pedal-part in triple octaves divided between the hands (legato effect).



c. Pedal-part in anticipating and after-striking octaves (imitation of pedal-technic).





Example 28.





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e. At an interval of two octaves; single manual-part. By reason of the acoustic laws already mentioned, the omission of the middle octave will not cause an empty effect. This mode of notation, which must be classed among the "triplings", is really extremely well adapted for rapid running passages. To quiet *piano* movements it lends a peculiar tone-color, which may be happily utilized in Registration (q, v)



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Though it seems best, in general, to apply any attempted doubling to all the parts equally as far as possible, the leading part may occasionally be doubled alone, for the sake of emphasizing the theme. ~~) (사)



b. Doubled Alto.



2. Registration.

In the registration of an organ-piece the transcriber should, first of all, consider the usages of organ-playing and the well-grounded traditions of organists. His decision as to how far he shall follow them, and what shall be substituted for anything he may reject, constitutes precisely the artistic and reflective side of his task. He must compare the tone-material of the piano with that of the organ, and arrive at a compromise between the effect demanded and the means at his disposal.

The fundamental contrasts in the organ-registers may be thus classified:

Simple foundation-stops - Mutation-stops

Flue-stops (Flute-work) - Reed-stops

We shall not attempt an enumeration of the intermediate gradations and combinations, whose possibilities are wellnigh infinite.

The transcriber should consider whether darker or lighter, stronger or weaker, milder or sharper tone - effects are to be chosen; whether doublings are to be employed, and, if so, what kind; the position — high or low, dispersed or close; how the pedals are to be used; exactly what dynamic signs are needed. He should provide for diversity in his combinations of doublings and style of writing, seeking variety and contrast.

The fundamental requirements are Organ-effect, Observance of the Organ-style, and Playability; these must be adhered to under all conditions.

If any one rule is to be observed (it is not the editor's intention to pose as a law-giver), let it be this: To refrain from doublings in the Exposition of the fugue, and likewise generally in the Episodes, and gradually to cumulate the dynamic effects towards the close. By this means will be realized that continuous intensification which is in general — in the editor's opinion — suited to this species of composition.

The change of registers — the increase and decrease in fullness — should take place in sharply marked gradations, abruptly ("in terrace-form"), without petty dynamic transitions; this style reproduces one of the most characteristic peculiarities of the organ.

In this style of playing — the art of planoforte-touch — is found an important adjunct to the registration. Compare Section 5 of this Appendix.

Were we to attempt, by the aid of quotations from Bach, to give illustrations of all classes of registration, the result would be either incomplete, or excessive in detail.* We have, therefore constructed one specimen-example, in which a number of possible shadings can be displayed. These latter are tabulated by themselves.

*) The editor, in his transcriptions of the Preludes and Fugues in D, Eb, and E minor, has devoted much care to the registration, and begs to call attention to them as a series of examples in point. His piano-transcription of Bach's Chaconne for violin may also be added to this series, inasmuch as the editor has, in both cases, treated the tonal effects from the standpoint of organ-tone. This procedure, which has been variously attacked, was justified, firstly, by the breadth of conception, which is not fully displayed by the violin; and, secondly, by the example set by Bach himself in the transcription for organ of his own violin-fugue in G minor. On this head Griepenkerl remarks: "If is important to observe, that the Fugue by J. S. Bach was, in all probability, originally written for violin. In this form it is found among the well-known six sonatas for solo violin, and in the key of G minor; whereas it had to be transposed for organ to D minor, for the sake of effect and of ease in execution. The Prelude is an entirely different one, and in the Fugue all passages peculiar to violin-technic have been altered to suit the organ-keyboard; aside from these deviations, however, the resemblance is extremely great".



Each of these 16 examples in registration may be multiplied by other variants, different aynamic marking (p-mf-f), or by occasional use of the soft pedal.

3. Additions, Omissions, Liberties.

I. Additions.

Fillings, or completion of the harmony, occur for the following reasons: To obtain greater fullness of tone; where two parts are too far apart; for cumulative effects, and climaxos; as a substitute for doublings, when the latter are impracticable of execution: to enrich the piano-effect; etc., etc. They are usually harmonic or figurative; seldom of a contrapuntal, melodic, or in any way independent nature. The natural introduction of additions, without violating the style, is a touchstone of the transcriber's taste.







II. Omissions.

Hiatuses in part-progression, incomplete doublings, inexact reproduction of the positions of chords, and belated or anticipated entrances, necessarily arise: — From the limited stretching capacity of the hands; or from facilitations in playing; or where there are too many parts. Frequently only a single tone is omitted, transposed into the octave, or replaced by some other harmonic interval. With careful treatment, the effect of such omissions is not very disturbing, except in the part having the theme, which part should, therefore, be spared wherever possible.



Also the occasionally unavoidable omission of appoggiaturas, mordents, and other ornaments.



*) Compute Note on the "Sustaining-pedal", p. 84.

III. Liberties.

Free arrangements are, in view of some irreconcilable diversities in the two instruments, not inadmissible. They may be of a technical or of a formal nature: "Technical", when they consist in an extension of the passages, or an alteration of certain figures and rhythms; "formal", when they occasion harmonic, contrapuntal, thematic,* or other modifications of the musical structure. Of such liberties the Preludes and Fugues in D and Eb (as transcribed by the editor) contain three examples, of which, in turn, three subclasses might be distinguished:

- 1. In the Eb Prelude, a skip of 18 measures previously heard;
- 2. An harmonic suspension (instead of a full close) at the end of the same Prelude, followed by a cadence-like transition to the Fugue;
- 3. In the D major Fugue, an added "Coda", faithfully imitated from an Episode in the Prelude. (Compare the above-mentioned passages in the published works.)

Illustrations of the first kind.

Left hand.

Example 62.





*) In Bach we repeatedly meet with the theme taken up in simplified form by the pedal; e.g.:

instead of:

Illustration of the second kind. (The reason for choosing this form is, to give the theme the greatest emphasis at the culminating point of the Fugue.)



*) "The embellished cadences are like a bit of improvisation. They are executed at the close of a piece, without strict adherence to the tempo".

C. Ph. E. Bach.

(a) The Damper-pedal (loud pedal).

Do not believe in the legendary tradition, that Bach must be played without pedal.*

While the pedal is sometimes necessary in Bach's piano-works, it is absolutely essential in these transcribed organ-pieces. True, in the piano-works the inaudible use of the pedal is the only proper one. By this we mean the employment of the pedal for binding two successive single tones or chords, for emphasizing a suspension; for sustaining a single part, etc.; a manner of treatment by which no specific pedal-effect is brought out. Indispensable in the legato polyphonic style, its employment is also fully justifiable where the instruction *"senza pedale"* is generally observed; the pedal being, as it were, a substitute for a missing finger.

(That the *dis*use of the pedal is often its best use, is a saying applicable not only to Bach-playing, but likewise to piano-playing in general.)

Wherever possible, sustain the tones with the hands rather than with the pedal.

Sweeping pedal-effects in a pianistic sense are foreign to the style.

Where chords (solid or broken) are taken with the pedal, lift the hands simultaneously with the pedal. A vaguely prolonged sound is contrary to the nature of the organ.

In passages intended to imitate magnificent "full organ" effects, the pedal is indispensable. The raised dampers produce no ill effect with passing- and changing-notes, and the like. Consider, that the mixtures opened with the full organ contain the fifth and octave, or even the third and seventh, of every tone struck. An approximate imitation of these tone-blendings (tone-tangles) can be obtained, on the piano, only by using the pedal.



*) It is kept alive by people who also demand that Bach should be played only on the spinet or clavichord. These are the same persons who irritably asseverate, that much playing of Liszt injures a planist; that Beethoven's power of invention, in his third period, was enfeebled by age; that chromatic trumpets are unmusical instruments;— all debatable opinions, which we intentionally refrain from contradicting, as the aim of this work is neither controversial nor to provoke controversy.



(For the use of the damper-Pedal, compare (in general) Liszt's transcription of the G minor Fantasia.) (b) The soft pedal.

Touching the soft, or left, pedal (marked "una corda" or "u.c.") let us say at the outset, that it may be used not only for the last gradations of "*pianissimo*", but also in "mezzo forte" and all the intermediate dynamic shadings. The case may even occur, that some passages are played more softly without the soft pedal than others with it. The effect intended here is not softness of tone. but the peculiar quality of tone obtained. (Compare "Registration".)



(Compare the Code to the editors transer. of the D major Prelude, and the E minor Fugue in App. II to Vol. I.)

The entrance of the organ-pedal-part in the exposition of a fugue may, as a rule, be advantageously supported by the soft pedal. The exposition as a whole, and also the episodes, are usually benefitted by the soft pedal. (Comp. the Fugue in Eb = C.) The editor plays, for instance, the repetition of the secondary theme (beginning in F minor) in the G minor Fantasia, with soft pedal and in the evenest "piano" up to the semicadence in G minor (i.e., 6 full measures)

(c) The Sustaining-pedal.

Many modern instruments are furnished with a pedal, by the aid of which single tones may be sustained (their dampers lifted from the strings) while all the rest of the keyboard is playing "senza pedale". In order to effect this, the sustaining-pedal is pressed down just after the notes to be sustained are struck audibly or inaudibly; and they sound as long as the pedal is held, and with greater purity of tone than with the ordinary loud pedal, because the other strings cannot vibrate with them. The loud pedal can be employed at pleasure while the sustaining-pedal is held, as it does not interfere with the action of the latter. In playing any figure containing the tones held by the sustaining-pedal, their sound is reinforced and prolonged with each repetition; when they are repeated at regular intervals of time, their tone is indefinitely prolonged.

(Notes for the sustaining-pedal are square.)





Real organ-effects can be obtained only by the combined action of the three pedals.

Example 76.

As might be supposed, the editor has not succeeded in discovering all the hidden possibilities of the sustainingpedal; the following illustrations will show the results of his investigations hitherto.





Example 86.











5. Interpretation (style of playing).

Let the interpretation be on broad lines, full and firm, and rather hard than too tender.

"Elegant" nuances, such as a sentimental swell of the phrases, a coquettish hastening and retarding, excessively light staccato, over-flexible legato, over-employment of the pedal, and the like, are bad habits wherever they occur; in Bach-playing, they are offensive mistakes. On the other hand, a certain elasticity in the tempo, when applied on a large scale, lends to the interpretation that trait of freedom which characterizes every artistic performance; — for instance, Bach's organ-fantasias ought not to be played from beginning to end with stiff metronomic precision.

The study of touch^{*} is of the first importance for our purpose. The student is required to acquire as complete a scale of dynamic gradations as possible, with the ability to maintain unimpeachable evenness in each gradation. More especially in the soft registers (which call for great variety of shading), a dull and rigid monotony of tone is demanded.

In the organ, the pipes belonging to one and the same registers are "equalized" with the utmost care; any tone even a very little louder than the rest would fairly scream in comparison.

When any part, on the piano, is to be rendered more prominent than the others (theme, imitation), let this contrasting register — like a solo-stop on the organ — be likewise, and in all its tones, perfectly smooth and even in quality.

One advantage which the piano has over the organ is, the ability to render prominent (accent) one tone above the general level; and it would be foolish not to utilize this advantage where its use is musically justifiable. The melodic episodes, too, should breathe inspiration and feeling, and powerful intensifications should pulse and vibrate with life.

Be specially careful to strike all the tones of a (solid) chord together. Arpeggios, or the hasty anticipation of the bass, are of very doubtful taste; firstly, because contrary to the character of the organ; secondly, because they produce the effect of over-exertion. Moreover, such basses lack the necessary weight. For these faults the transcriptions themselves are usually answerable; it is the editor's business to forestall such awkward difficulties.



*) On the organ, the performer must skilfully select his registers; on the piano, they must arise under his very fingers.



(Also comp. numerous examples in the transcr. of the Eb Prelude and Fugue.) Another help in imitating the organ, is the inaudible repetition of sustained tones in passages like that shown below:





(More on Interpretation in the chapters on Registration and Use of the Pedals.)

6. Supplementary.

Higher demands are made by the transcription of certain kinds of organ-pieces which cannot be thoroughly mastered by one player on the piano (taking into consideration the necessary doublings) because of their too intricate polyphony, or which, because intended for two manuals, present other insuperable difficulties in practice. In either case, the problem of transcription may be solved by arranging them for two pianos.* (Also compare the Variant to Fugue XV.).



*) Bach himself, for similar reasons, once took reruge in this expedient; it was in the two fugues before the last, in his contrapuntal bequest "The art of Fugue"



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Our problem is presented in a wholly different aspect when we have to metamorphose an organ-piece, by transcription for piano, wholly into the style and character of a piano-piece actually to translate it into the language of the piano. Just as in the case of "orchestration," our success will now be the greater, the less the nature of the pianoforte is disowned, and the closer the musical thoughts are made to conform to it they should not by simply translated, but repoetized.

All the resources of the instrument are to be utilized where they can enhance the effect; the freedom of transcription gains wider limits, becoming wellnigh unlimited when __ as in the following model examples__ the transcriber works with his own compositions^{*)}









*) From this standpoint the editor has attempted a transcription of Liszt's Fantasia and Fugue on the chorale in Meyerbeer's *Prophet*.














As acceptable tasks of considerable magnitude, we recommend for transcription Bachs Toccata in F, the Toccata e Fuga in C, the Fantasia in G, and, for a 4-hand arrangement for two pianos, the Passacaglia.

		es from which the preceding nples are quoted:	Numbers:
Organ-works.	(Bach's	El major Prelude & Fugue	. 2. 3. 5. 11. 16. 17. 21. 40. 42. 44. 45. 46. 52. 55. 56. 57. 68. 74. 75. 85.
		D major Prelude & Fugue	4. 10, 15, 24, 93, 41, 47, 51, 69, 70, 71, 73, 79, 80, 94,
	11	D minor Toccata & Fugue	6. 9. 12. 13. 18. 31. 34. 48. 49. 50. 54. 61. 62. 64. 65.
	, n 11 - 11 - 11 - 11 - 11 - 11 - 11 - 11	Passacaglia	. 1, 19, 20, 38, 39, 93, 97.
	. <i>1</i> 7	Fantasia in G major	. 7. 8. 30.
	"	Toccata in F major	. 22. 23. 26. 53. 58. 59, 81.
		Toccata & Fugue in C major	. 14. 25. 28. 35. 86. 37.
	- 1) - 1)	Fantasia & Fugue in G minor	. 63, 83, 92.
	· . 	Fugue (Violin-fugue) in D minor	. 66. 91.
	11	Prelude in A minor	. 82.
	- 10 1 11	Toccata ("Dorie") in D minor	. 60.
	"	Prelude in G minor	. 32.
		Prelude in E minor	. 29.
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		Chaconne	. 72.
	Beethoven's 4th Symphony		. 84.
	Liszt's Fugue on the Name "BACH"		. 99.
		Variations on "WEINEN & KLAGEN" on a Motive by Bach)	. 100.
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Second Appendix to Volume I.

Prelude and Fugue. (Example of transcription from the organ for the pianoforte.)





Sust. Ped.





This Fugue should sound as if played without pedal.

Limit the use of the pedal to binding tones difficult of connection, and to prolonging tones which cannot be sustained by the hand; the time-value must in no case be lengthened or abbreviated.

Third Appendix to Volume I.

Analytical exposition of the Fugue in Beethoven's Sonata, Op. 106.^{N.B.}



N.B. We should not regard the study of the piano-rague (which is, in fact, the chief aim of the Well-tempered Clavichord) as completely concluded, without a mention of the climax of all piano-fugue composition, the last movement of Beethoven's opus 106 a work of elementary power.

By the illumination of its formal structure, light is also thrown on its conception; nothing in this fugue is so obscure and turbid as to explain its undeniable unpopularity. (We should rather ascribe it to the immanent feeling of unrest_ the lack of pleasurable ease.)

Only frequent and finished performance, and the provision of a complete view of Beethoven's intellectual procedure, can make head against, and possibly overcome, this unpopularity. The editor has tried both ways, in order to lift this piece, decrified as "ugly and unpianistic" but really masterful and full of genius, to its rightful place before the public. In this he has merely followed Hans von Bülow, whose model edition of this Fugue is supplemented here in one direction.

(1) The theme comprises only 6 measures. Of this we furnish two proofs: (1) In the course of the Fugue, the theme is never exactly reproduced beyond the sixth measure; (2) the "canon cancrizans" in the third part, begins the theme with the sixth measure.

Theme 271 1 16 Theme has 3 motives: Motive B. The Motive C. Motive A. Motive C can be subdivided thus: c, 2. c, 3. Motive c, 1. 🛣

(2) In this Fugue, the movement in sixteenths in itself, without reference to the succession of its intervals, is regarded as thematic. At the same time, a special type of the diatonic passages is refained.

*) (to meas: 17). This is employed in three forms:









(2) F# is both the last note of counter-subject III, and the first of the theme. (8) This counterpoint, a rhythmic variation of C.S. III, enters before the latter, and thus forms a unique canon.



N.B. Meas. 6 of theme is omitted here.



(1) Billow regards the trills as "a triple diminution of the theme." If this were the case, the notes in the *auftakt* would have to be sixteenths. We perceive, consequently, only a simple diminution (the half of the original note-value), and regard the trills as quarter-notes abbreviated by rests. An unabridged presentation of this passage would, therefore, probably be thus:



It was not written so, because of its impracticability on the pianoforte. 5th Part, A. Novation.



(1) A Fughetta in the Fugue; like a theatre on the stage, on which an independent piece is played in connection with, and affecting the plot of, the principal play.



(1) The dominant organ-point, which, as a rule, closes the fugue, is here only an alarm-signal preparatory to the appearance of the serious and final organ-point. Though lasting, for the ear, only through four measures, it really extends, for the mind, through twelve measures and two beats ______ if not even to the commencement of PartVI. (2) The soprano is set here in two parts; in the fifth measure thereafter the bass is doubled in the octave. Imagine the passage for string_orchestra, the violins *divisi* in places, and the bass part taken by the 'celli and double-basses.



*) "At this point the so-called stretta begins," says Bülow with a mistaken choice of terms. In *contrapuntal* terminology, with which we now have to do, the *stretta* or *stretto* signifies a "close" leading of the theme in several parts. In the homophonic forms, on the other hand, we do, in point of fact, understand under the term "stretta" that portion of the Coda which, in accelerated tempo and intensified expression, "hastens" toward the close (*stringendo* = hastening, accelerating). The distinction between Coda and Stretta is, for example, very evident in the great *Leonora* overture.

(1) Here the soprano completes the theme interrupted in the alto, by taking up the sixth measure an octave higher.



*) Here the polyphony, and therewith the Fugue proper, comes to an end. The coda now following, so brilliant and impetuous in pianistic effect and conception, closes what might be called the series composing the Sonata for Ham merclavier.

Appendix IV to Volume I.

In Kellner's copy the following "Praeludium" precedes the "Fughetta" appended, as a study in composition, to Fugue XV.



* In this charming and planistically acceptable little piece, the alternation between three - and four-measure rhythm is noteworthy. We have indicated it by figures at the beginning of each group of measures.