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Music is the art of combining sounds in a manner agreeable to the ear, and has for its object, one of the greatest pleasures of which our senses are susceptible.

Music is divided into Melody and Harmony; the former being a succession, of sounds regulated in such a manner, as to produce pleasing airs, the latter complets in uniting to each of these sounds, in a regular succession, two or more different sounds, which, simultaneously striking the ear, soothe it by their concurrence. If properly combined and adapted to suitable sentiments, it is impossible to find means more efficacious, for impressing on the mind of man the principles of morals, and inspiring the love of virtue. It ought therefore to be the Performer's first and chief care, in the choice of tunes, to pay particular regard to the subject of the Psalm or Hymn, as different airs in Music are suited to different sentiments and passi ons. Although good taste will enable us to make a nicer discrimination than words can readily suggest, yet the following Rule is of principal importance; viz: That tunes in the Sharp Key or Series are naturally expressive of cheerfulness and joy, and should therefore be adapted to Psalms or Hymnis of praise and thanksgive ing and that tunes in the Flat Key or Series are naturally expressive of Humility, Sorrow, and the Tender Affections, and should therefore be adapted to Psalms of Prayer and Penitence, or Subjects mournful and pathetic.

This Rule is but too commonly violated, and with the most unhappy effect; for thereby the Sentiments and Tunes are at variance with each other, and aim at

contrary passions; the consequence is, that either the Music must be without expression, or oppose the end to which it ought to be subservient; whereas when the Tune and the Sentiments properly accord, they must mutually assist and animate each other.— The Music acquires superior energy and expression, and adds vigour and delight to the sacred exercises of devotion.

The principal direction that can be given to Singers is, that they attend both to just time and tune. This is a Rule of greater extent and importance than may at first appear; few suspect themselves liable to err in either of these essential points, yet there are but few, who do not offend in one or both of them. Defects, often attributed to other causes, proceed most commonly from the neglect of time or tune, and there is nothing which more distinguishes the Proficient in Music, or is the source of greater beauty, than accuracy in both these points. To them therefore should the Learner direct his first and principal attention.

Graceful singing is best learned by imitation and the Instructions of a Master, but it may not be amiss to mention some of the most notorious instances in which it is violated; these are, vulgar, inarticulate and muttering explosions

of sound: On the other hand the tone should be clear, smooth, distinct and spirited. Some have so little idea of propriety, as to exert their full stretch of voice in singing, with no other intermission, than what is necessary to supply them with breath: This is not only inconsistent with grace and beauty, but is intolerably shocking and disgusting. A voice thus strained is necessarily harsh. and disagreeable, and rendered incapable of that varied expression, which is the true character of Music; it bawls and screams, but can hardly be said to sing. With respect to the more difficult ornaments, such as the Apoggiatura, and the Trill or Shake, they had better be omitted than performed in an awkward and imperfect manner. The Introduction of other graces than what occur in the Music, should not be totally discouraged, but it is attended with much hazard, and often counteracts the meaning of the Author: in full harmony this liberty should never be allowed, for it cannot produce a good effect, and most probably will have a bad one.

It is of importance to chuse that part in Singing, which best agrees with the tone and compass of the voice, and to consider the particular expression which it requires. To Bass belongs a bold and majestic accent. \_\_\_\_\_ To the Tenor, a firm and manly style\_\_\_\_ The Contra should be soft and insinuating.

and the Treble peculiary sweet and delicate. The higher notes of the Bass, (and indeed of all the other parts in some degree,) should be sung softer than the lower ones.

The parts are not placed in the most classical order, as the Air or Melody should be uppermost, the Alto, Tenor, and Bass following in succession: thinking however, that it would be more convenient, I have placed the Air onext to the Bass.

It will be observed that I have inserted one or two of our beautiful. Scottish Metodies, which will be found to answer admirably with the words to which they are adapted. Altho, many of them are used as Psalm and Hymn tunes in places of worship in England, yet were they so used in Scotland where they are so well known, they would have a very bad effect. Their practice however will be found very pleasant, and in my humble opinion, they are equal to any thing in the collection.

### ELEMENTS OF MUSIC.

Musical sounds are expressed by Characters called notes. There are in Music seven sounds, to which the first seven letters of the Alphabet A, B, C, D, E, F, G, are now applied. When a passage extends to eight, nine, or more notes, the foregoing letters are repeated over again in the same order. The notes are placed on, and between parallel lines, five of which, with their intermediate spaces, form the stave. The lines and spaces of the stave are counted from the bottom upwards. When notes go higher or lower than the stave, additional lines are added, called ledger lines or over and under lines, and the notes are placed on or between them as follows.





After the pupil has got the Gamut perfectly, it is indispensably necessary, in order to be able to read Music correctly, to learn the figures, duration, ! and relative value of the notes, which may be done by studying the following

## TABLE OF TIME.



There is another note sometimes made use of, called a Quadruple Quaver, (thus) which is half as long as a Demisemiquaver. The stems of the notes may be turned either upwards, or downwards, or grouped together thus their value remains the same. A dot placed after any note, increases its duration half as long again; for example is, equal to or is equal to it. When two dots are placed after any note, they increase its duration three quarters long er; for example is equal to is equal to its placed over or under any three notes, it signifies that they are to be sung in the time of two notes of the same denomination, and are called Triplets. When the figure 6 is placed over or under any six notes, it signifies that they are to be sung in the time of four notes of the same denomination.

#### ON RESTS.

Rests are characters which denote silence. When a Rest occurs you must remain silent, equal to the time you would require to sing the note it represents; as in the following example.

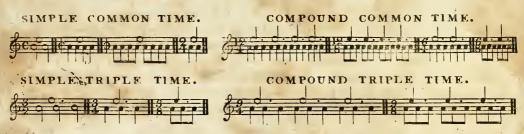
1 Bar. 2 D? 4 D? 8 D? 16 D? 32 D?

Semibreve. Minum. Crotchet. Quaver. Semiquaver. Demisemiquaver. Bar Rests.

1 2 3 4 5 6

Time is divided by Bars, or single strokes drawn across the stave (thus each bar is of equal duration and contains two, three or four equal parts, determined by the signs or characters of time placed at the beginning of an Air or piece immediately before the notes.

of two or four equal parts in each bar, and the latter, three. Each of these is divided into Simple and Compound, as in the following Examples.



The three first of Common Time contain a Semibreve or value in every bar, the fourth contains a Minum or value: In the rest, the upper figures denote the number of notes, and the lower, the value of each, with respect to a Semibreve; as for example, a piece of Music in the time of 4 will have in each bar, the value of six crotchets if in the time of 6, each bar will contain six quavers or value and so on.

When any Piece has an introductory note, or part of a bar, before the commencement of the regular time, the same is deducted from the last bar of the part or piece.

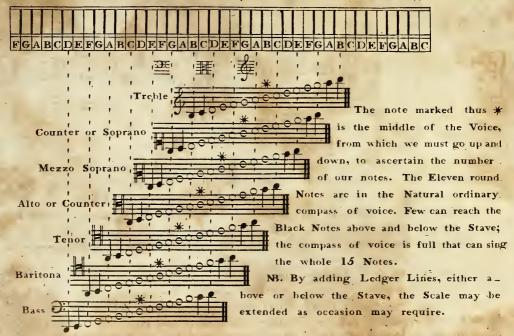
Formerly the character C in Common Time signified, that the Movement, to which it was prefixed, was to be performed slow; ¢, a little quicker and so on. And in Triple Time, 3 denoted a Slow Movement, 4 One a little quicker and so one, but words are now used to express the requisite degree of slowness, or quickness with which a Movement is to be performed; such as Grave, Largo, Allegro, Presto, &c. &c. the meanings of which are explained in the Dictionary of this work.

## OF THE CLEFFS.

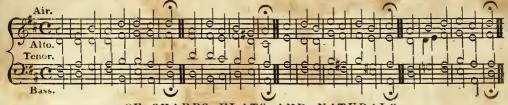
A Cleff is a mark representing a Letter placed on a line, at the beginning of the stave, for the purpose of showing what part is to be sung. There are three Cleffs, viz: The Bass or F Cleff, which is placed on the fourth line of the stave, (thus the Tenor or C Cleff which, (altho) it has been occasionally placed on either of the lines) is most commonly placed on the 3d line, (thus and the Treble or G Cleff, which is always placed on the 2d line (thus the There are notes) are so named is, that on whatever line the Cleffs are placed, the notes on that line will be named accordingly F, C or G, and the rest of the notes, either ascending or descending, will follow in regular succession. The Melodies are generally written in the Treble or G Cleff.

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The Cleffs and Notes of all Voices compared with the Notes of the Organ or Piano Forte.



S! Ann's Tune set on the two Cleffs, with the Alto and Tenor parts placed in their real situations, not their Octaves.



OF SHARPS, FLATS AND NATURALS.

The sound of each Note may be varied, by adding any of the following signs. viz: A Sharp, (thus #) raises the note, before which it is placed, a Semitone or half a note

A Flat (thus b) lowers the note, before which it is placed, a Semitone or half a

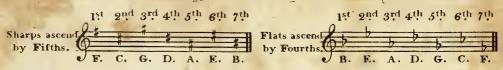
A Natural (thus \$) placed before a note, that has been Sharp or Flat, restores the note to its original sound.

A Double Sharp (thus X) raises the note a whole Tone.

A Double Flat (thus ) lowers the note a whole Tone.

A Sharp or Flat, placed after a Cleff on a line or space, affects all the notes on such line or space, and their Octaves throughout the piece; but, when introduced in the course of the piece, it is called an accidental Flat or Sharp.

# THE ORDER OF SHARPS AND FLATS ON THE STAVE.



# OF THE SLUR AND OTHER CHARACTERS.

A Slur (thus the signifies that all such notes encompassed are to be sung to one syllable.

A Pause or Hold (thus o) denotes that the note, rest, or bar is to be lengthened, according to the taste of the Performer.

A Direct (thus W) is placed at the end of the stave, and points out the situa-

A Brace (thus ) serves to connect the different parts of Music which are. to be performed at the same time, and is placed at the beginning of the stave.

A Bar is a perpendicular line drawn across the stave. (thus the bars divide the notes into equal portions, according to the time marked at the heginning of the Music.

A Double Bar (thus shews where the one part ends, and where the other begins; and when marked with dots (thus or the music on both sides is to be repeated. If the dots are on one side, that part only is to be repeated.

A Character (thus ...) directs the Performer, whose part has made a fugue or other digression from the leading words, to resume them again where it is placed.

A Repeat (thus is: or s) directs that part of any Air or Tune to be sung again, from the note over which the Repeat is placed. There is another Repeat sometimes used and marked (thus ) which denotes a repetition of the Words only.

Staccatos (thus property or plane) signify that the notes, over which they are planed, should be short and distinct (thus page 17 page 17).

A Crescendo (thus \_\_\_\_) means a gradual increase of strength.

A Diminuendo (thus ) means a gradual decrease of strength.

A Swell (thus \_\_\_\_\_) directs the singer to begin softly, gradually increasing in power to the middle of the swell, then to decrease, in the same manner, to the end.

#### OF INTERVALS.

An Interval is the distance between one note and another. The least Interval is a Semitone, of which there are thirteen in the Octave. In Musical calculation, both notes of the Intervals are included, such as from C to E, although only two notes, yet the interval is called a third; and every other distance is calculated in the same manner.

Example of the Intervals in the Diatonic Scale of C Major.

Tone Tone Semitone Tone Semitone

In the above Scale, the first Semitone is from E to F, the second from B. to C. The remainder of the notes are a full tone distant from each other.

## SCALE OF INTERVALS WITH THE DISTANCES

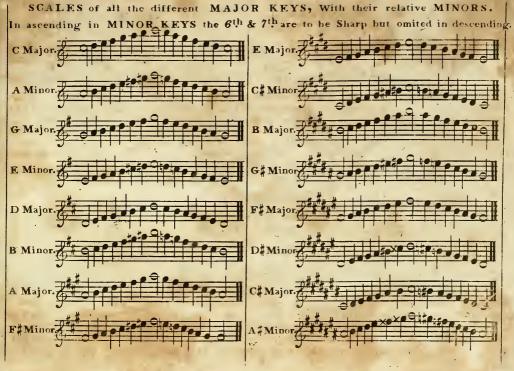


The fundamental note of a Composition is called the Key note or Tonic. Every piece of Music is written in a particular Key, to which all others, introduced by modulation, must be related. A Key may be either in the Major or Minor Mode. This may be ascertained by the first third of the last note of a regular Composition, which always ends on the Key note. If there are five semitones in the third inclusively, the piece is in the Major Mode or Sharp Key; if but four Semitones, the piece is in the Minor Mode or Flat Key.

## EXAMPLES OF THE MAJOR AND MINOR KEYS.



The essential difference between the Major and Minor Keys is a Semitone more or less. The Learner should observe that, by the word Key, we often understand the relation which the Intervals, contained in the Octave, bear to the Key note; and on which depends the characteristic Air of a Tune. In this sense, we have only two Keys, Major and Minor, or the Sharp and Flat. At other times we mean, by the Key, merely the Letter or name of the Key note.

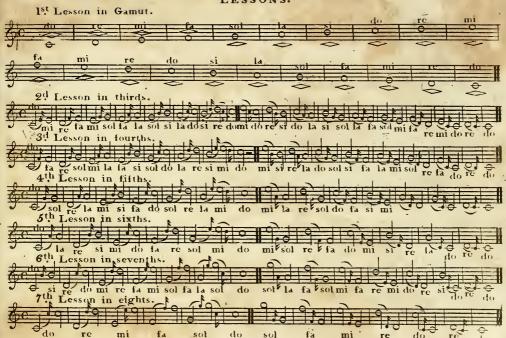


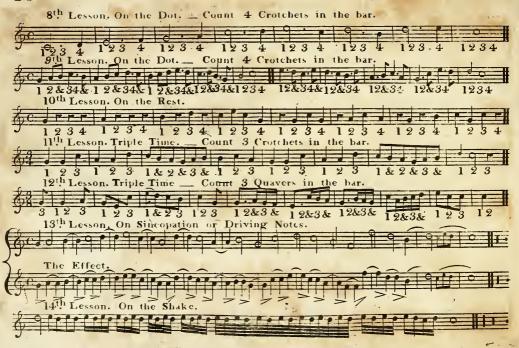




The art of singing depends on keeping the voice steady, gradually swelling the notes ascending and descending Legato, and taking breath in proper places; in opening the mouth wide enough to produce the sounds free, without their being impeded by the Teeth; yet not so wide, as to appear ridiculeus, but in a smiling form: above all things take particular care to articulate the words distinctly.

On practising the first lesson, I would recommend each note to be sung soft, at the beginning, and encreasing in power, as foud as possible with out straining; then decrease in power, to the end of the note. All the lessons should also be sung with the monosyllables Do, Re, Mi, Fa, Sol, La, and Si; and before singing, always take breath well.

















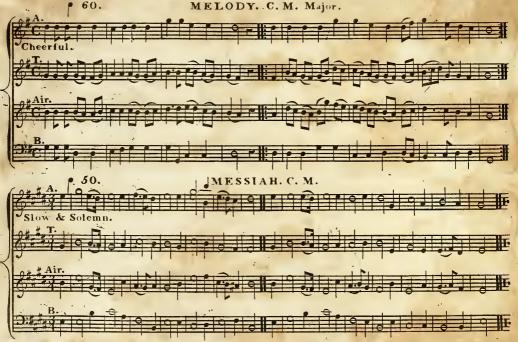






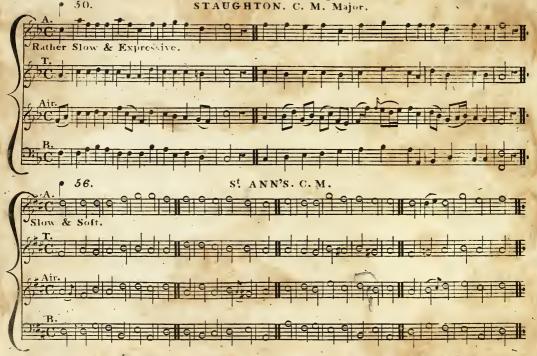








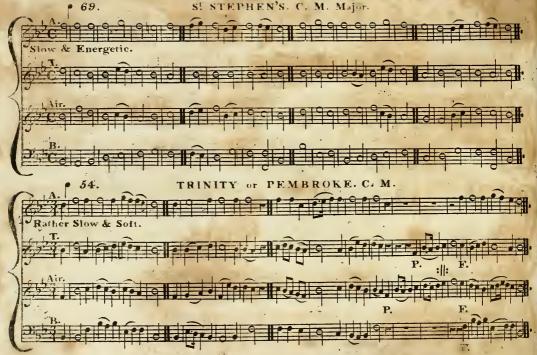


































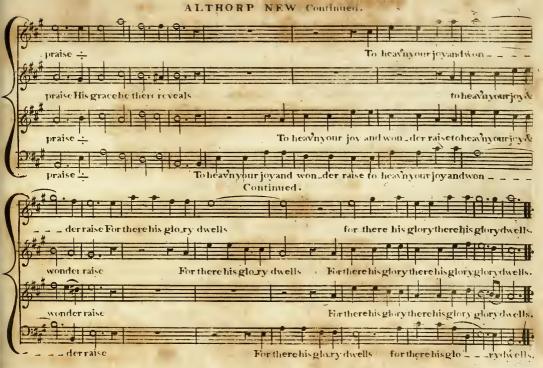












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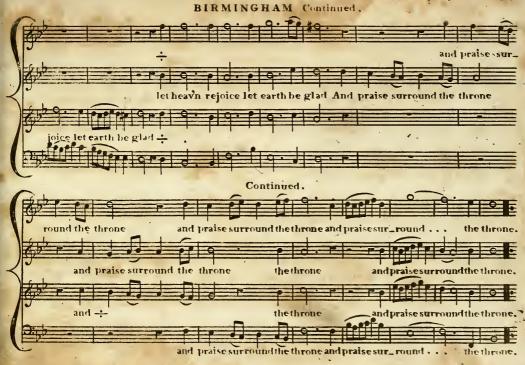








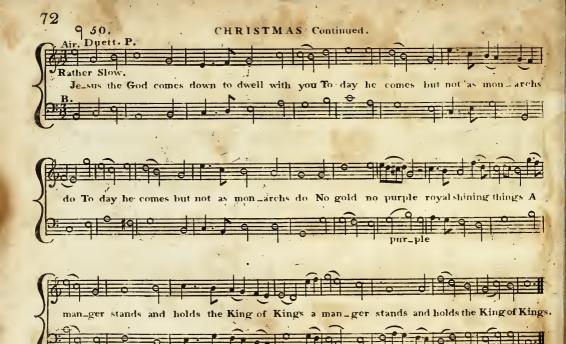












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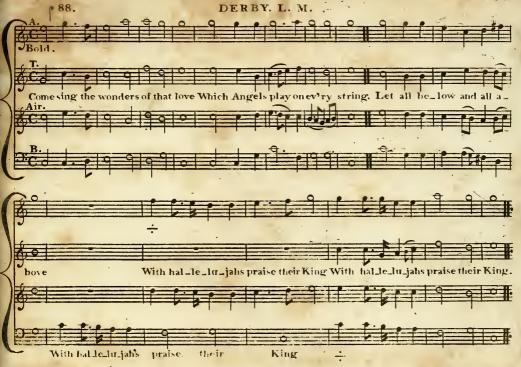
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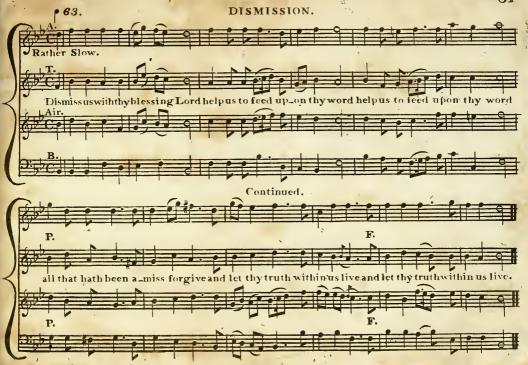
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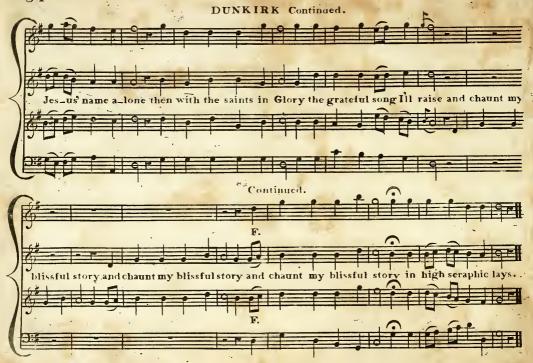


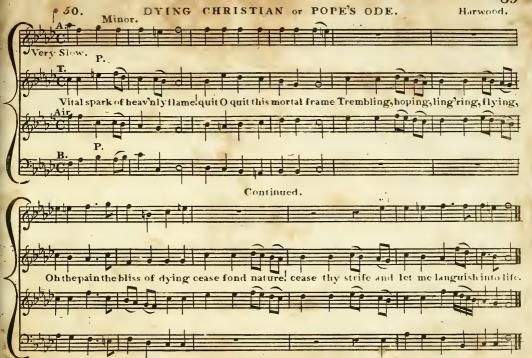




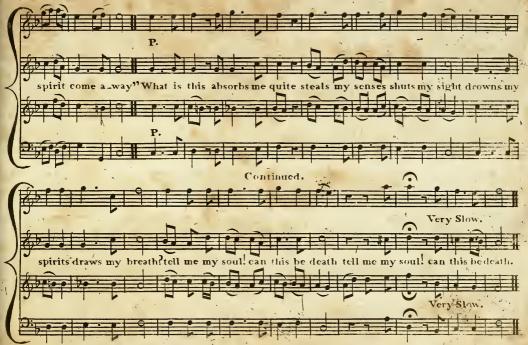


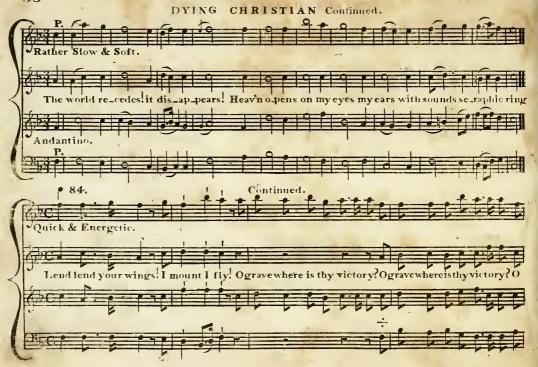


























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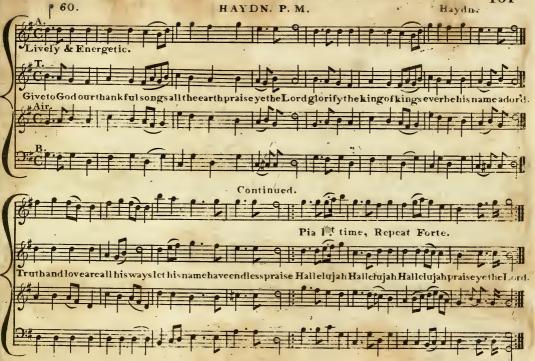


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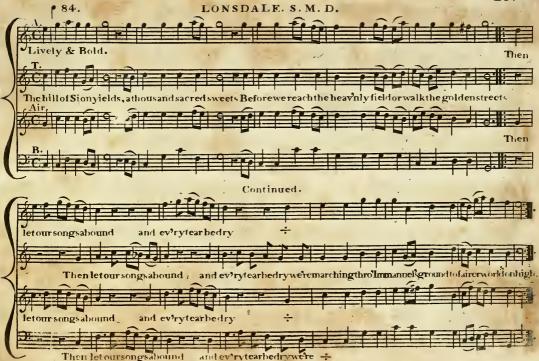
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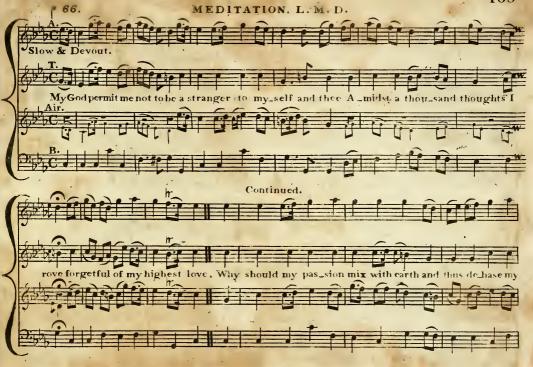
















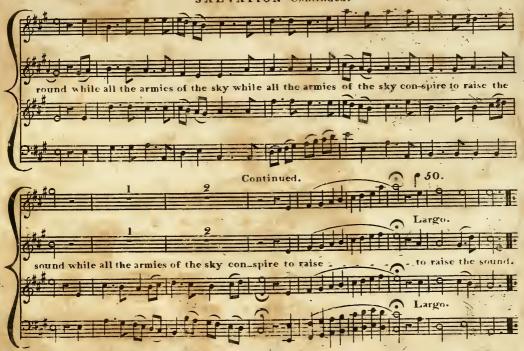








MF. P. F.







Angelshear thenotes ye raise ...







joyful songs of praise













## DICTIONARY OF THE TERMS GENERALLY USED IN MUSIC.

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ADAGIO, very slow
Ad libitum, at pleasure
Affettuosa, soft and delicate
Agitato, agitated with passion
Allegretto, quicker than Andanto
Allegro, gay, quick, lively
Al Segno, to the mark or sign
Amoroso, in a soft and delicate style
Andante, moderately slow
Andantino, a little slower than Andanto
Animato, with spirit

A Tempo, in time
A Tempo Guisto, in equal time
Beneplacito, at pleasure
Brillante, a gay and showy style
Bis, repeat the passage
Cadence, or Cadenza, a graceful extempore passage, sometimes
introduced at a pause

Calando, gradually slower Cannon, perpetual Fugue Cantabile, graceful, elegant, and melodious Cantate, a mixture of air and recitative Canto, highest vocal part Canzonet, a short song in one, two, or three parts Chacone, an air with a ground bass, of three crotchets in the bar Chant, a style between air and recitative Coda, final close Con Affetto, with affection Con Brio, with spirit Con Spirito, with briskness Cressendo, or Cress, gradually swelled D.C. or Da Capo, begin with the first part, and finish with it

Diminuendo, the opposite to Cress-Di Molto, very slow (endo Dolce, or Dol, soft and sweet Doloroso, a soft and pathetic style Echo, to resemble an Echo Expressione, with expression Falsetto, that species of voice in a man, the compass of which lies above his natural voice, and is produced by artificial constraint Finale, the last composition of an Opera or Concert Fine, the end Forzando, or Fz, to be forced Fugue, a composition in which one part leads off some determined succession of notes, called the Subject, which, after being answered in the fifth and eight by the other parts, is introduced

through the movement, and distributed amid all the parts in a desultory manner, at the pleasure of the composer

Furioso, with vehemence, or Fury Grave, slower than Largo, but not so slow as Adagio

Graziozo, graceful

Harmony, the agreement of two or more united sounds

more united sounds

Innocente, in an artless simplicity

Lamentatione, doleful, or melancholy

Larghetto, not so slow as Largo

Largo, one degree quicker than grave

Legato, the opposite of Staccatto

Lentando, to increase in slowness

Lento, slow

Maestoso, bold and majestic

Mancando, same as Diminuendo

Melody, a succession of simple sounds

Mezza Voce, moderate strength

Mezza Forte, not so loud as Forte Mezza Piano, not so soft as Piano Moderato, moderately quick Molto, very much Morendo, gradually softened Non troppo allegro, not very quick Obligato, indispensible Pastorale, soft and rural Pianissimo, very soft Piano, soft Pomposa, grand and dignified Prestissimo, very quick Presto, quick Primo, first Quartetto, in four parts Ralantando, same as Calando Rinforzando, same as Forzando Rondo, an air which ends with the first strain Round, a kind of fugue in the uni-

son, where the performers follow one another through the parts in a circulatory motion Scherzando, playful Segno, a sign, as Al Segno, go back to the sign, or mark Segue, it follows, as Segue Coro, the chorus follows Senza a replica, without repeat Service, Church composition S. Forzando, same as Forzando Siciliano, simple and pastoral Solo, for a single voice or instrument Spiritoso, with spirit Staccato, pointed, and distinct Tacit, silent Tempo Guisto, just time Tutti, all together Vivace, lively and animated

Volti subito, turn quickly

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