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PARTHENIA

or

THE MAYDENHEAD

of the first musicke that euer was printed for the VIRGINALLS.

COMPOSED

By three famious Masters: William Byrd & Dr: John Bull, & Orlando Gibbons.
Gentilmen of his Matie: most Illustrious Chappell.

Dedicated to all the Louers and Learners of Musick

Ingraven
by William Hole.
for
DORETHIE EVANS.
Cum
Priuilegio.

Printed at LONDON by G: Lowe and are to be soulde at his house in Loathberry.

Mr: Hugh Holland
On his worthy frend W.H:
& his Triumuiri of Musicke.

List to that sweete Recorder;
How daintily this **BYRD** his notes doth vary,
As if he were the Nightingalls owne brother!
Loe, where doth place in order
A brauer **BULL**, then did Europa cary:
Nay let all Europe showe me such an other:
Orlando though was counted Musicks father;
Yet this **ORLANDO** parallels di Lasso:
Whose triple praise would tire a very Lasso;
The heere in one these three men heare y^t rather
And praise thaire songes: & sing his praise who
These notes so well w^th they so sweetely varied. maried

M^r Geo. Chapman:
In worthy loue of this new worck
and the most Auenticall Auctors.

By theis choice lessons of theise Musique Mast^rs;
Ancient, and heighten'd w^th y^e Arts full Bowles,
Let all ou moderne, mere Phantastique Tasters,
(Whose Art but forreigne Nouelti extolls)
Rule and confine theyr fancies; and prefer
The constat right & depthe Art should induce,
To all lite flashes, by whose light they err;
This wittie Age, hath wisedome least in vse;
The World, ould growing, Ould, w^th it, grow Men;
Theyr skylls decaying, like theyr bodies strength;
Yonge Men, to ould are now but Childeren:
First Rules of Art, encrease Still w^th theyr length
Which see in this new worck, yet neuer seene:
Art, y^e more ould, growes eu^r y^e more greene.

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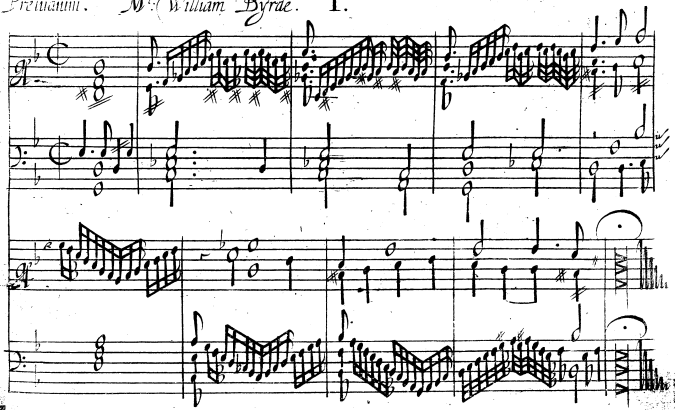

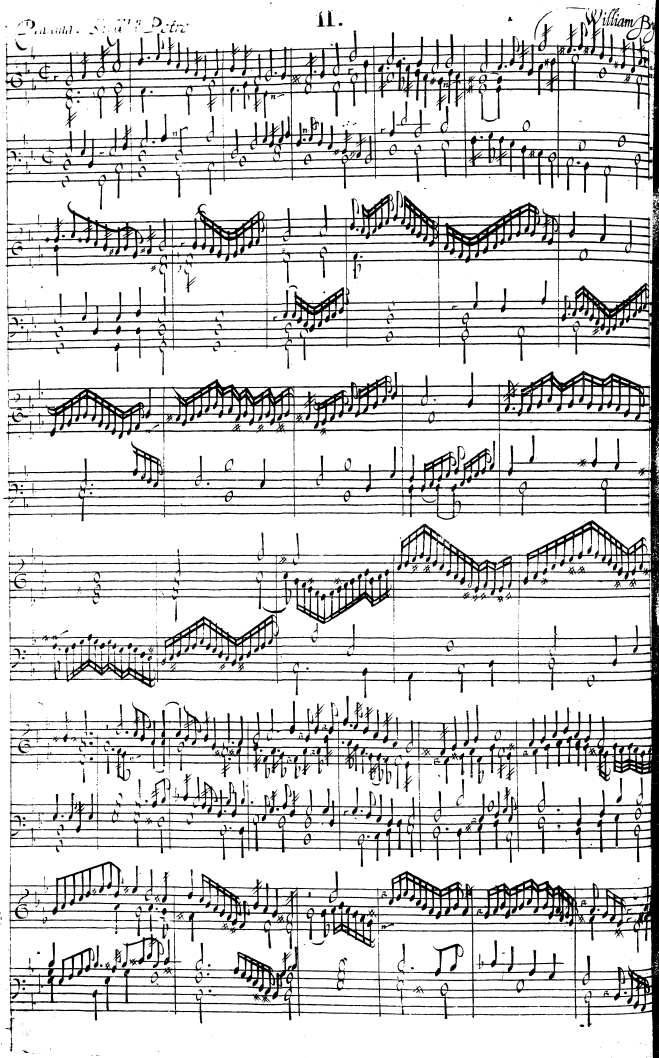
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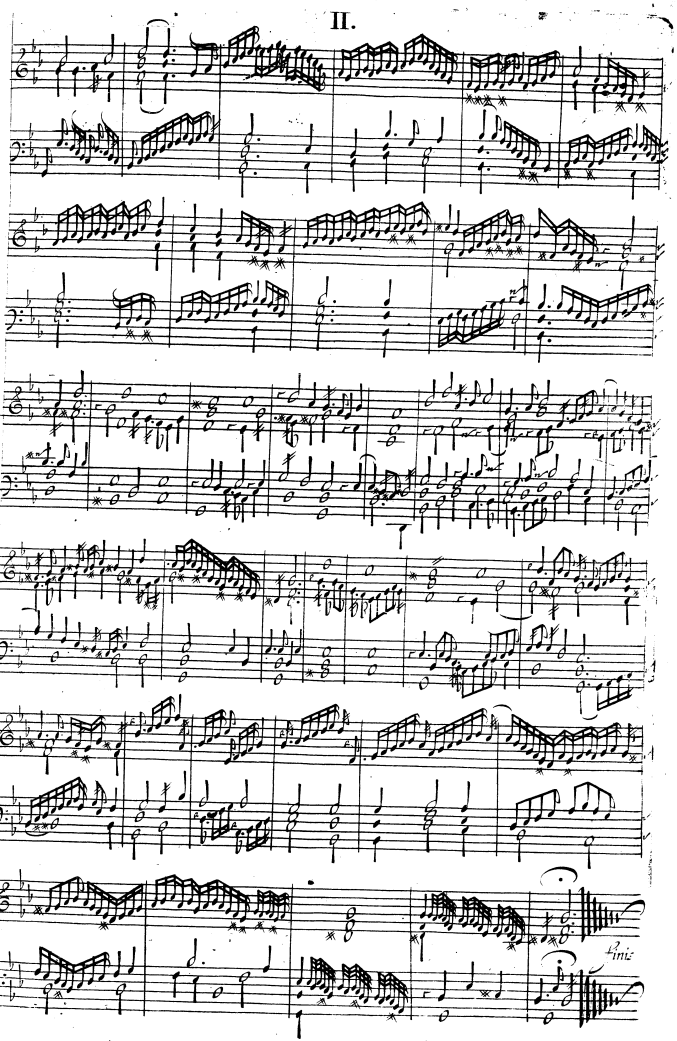
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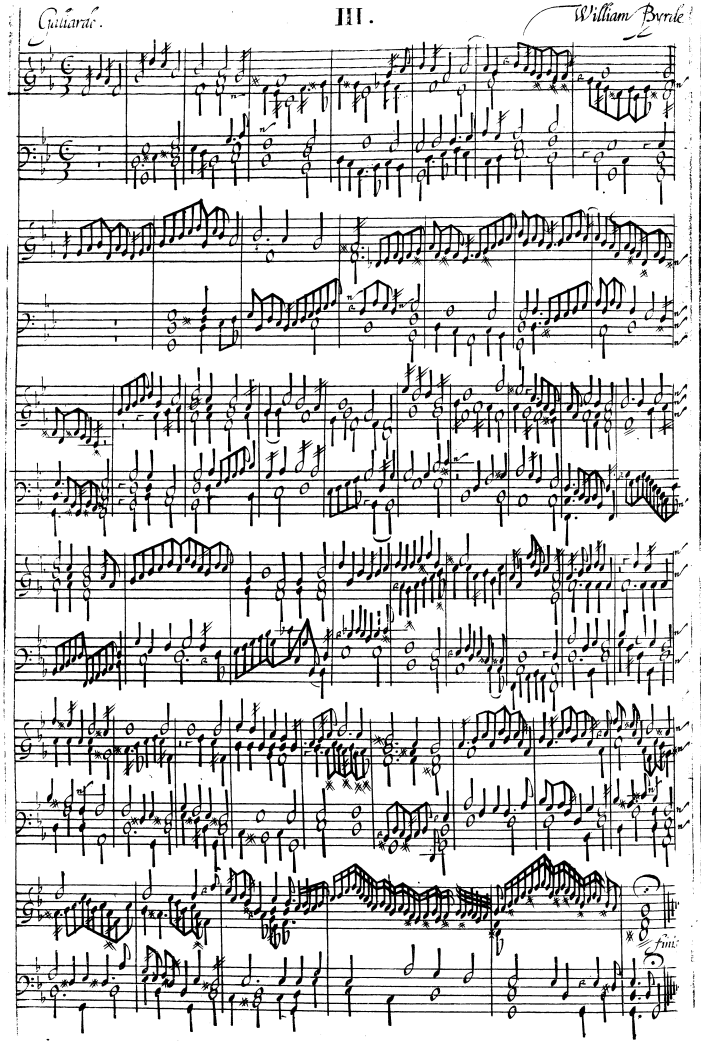

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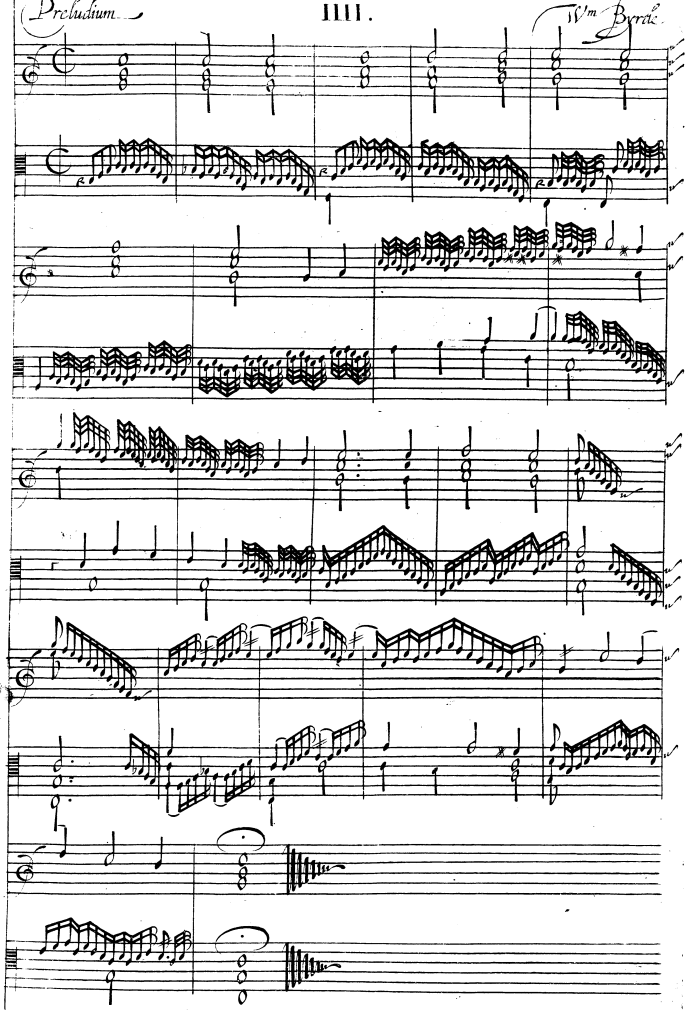

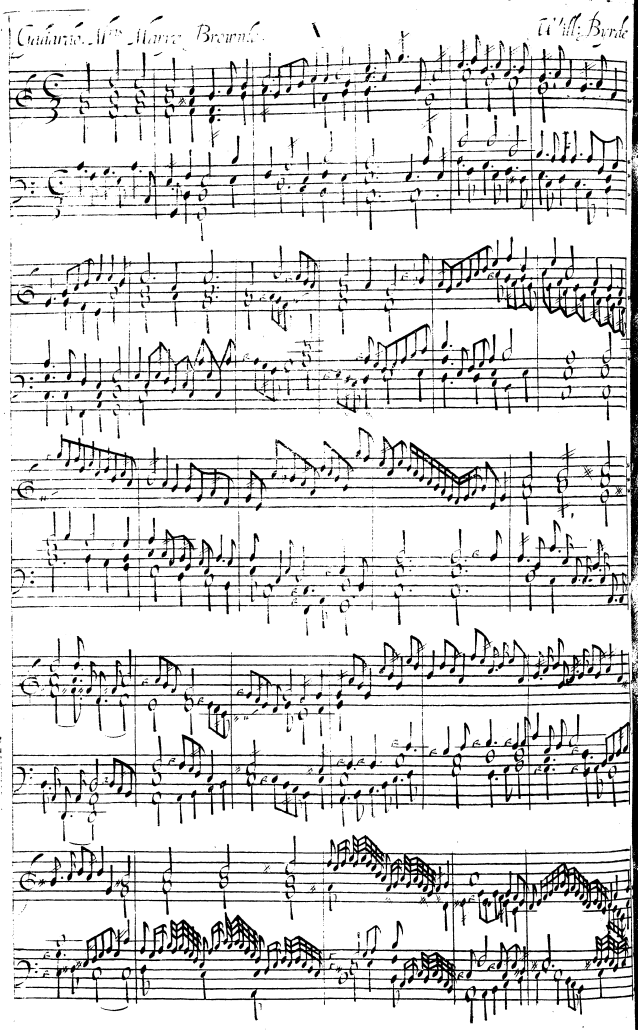

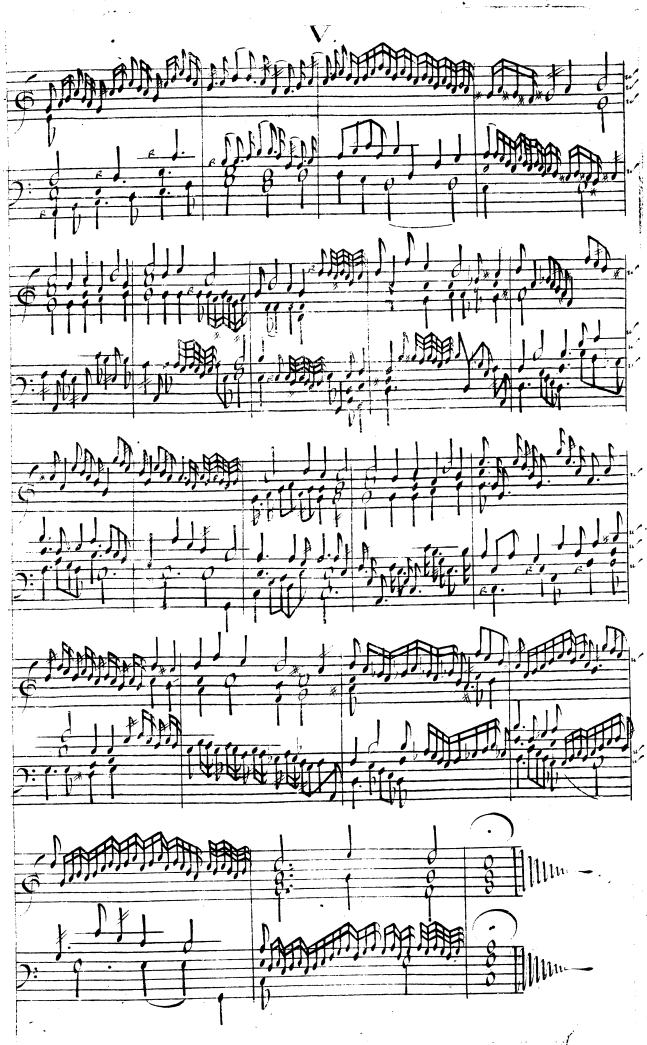

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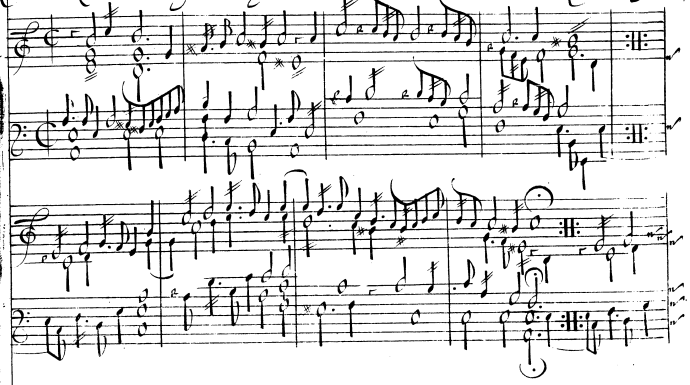

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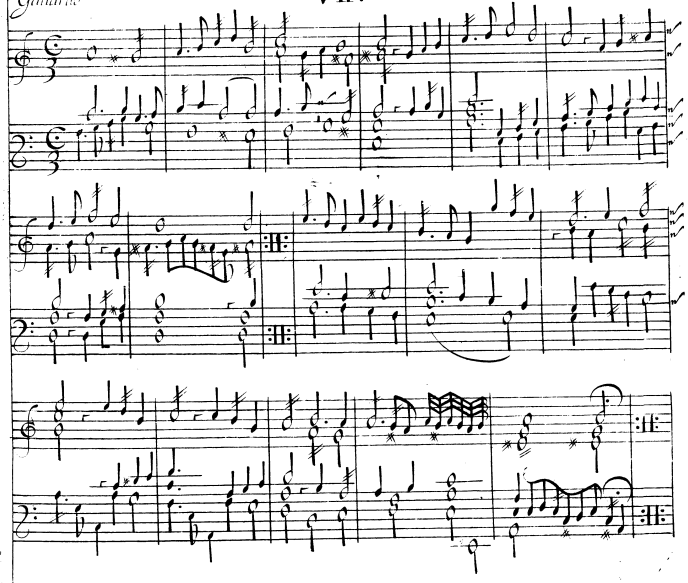

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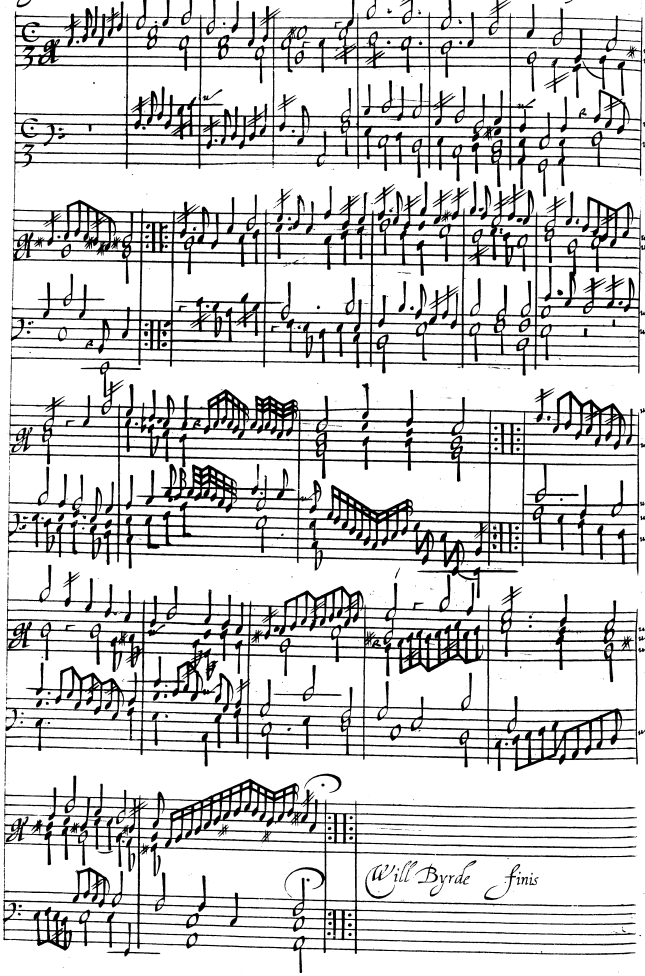

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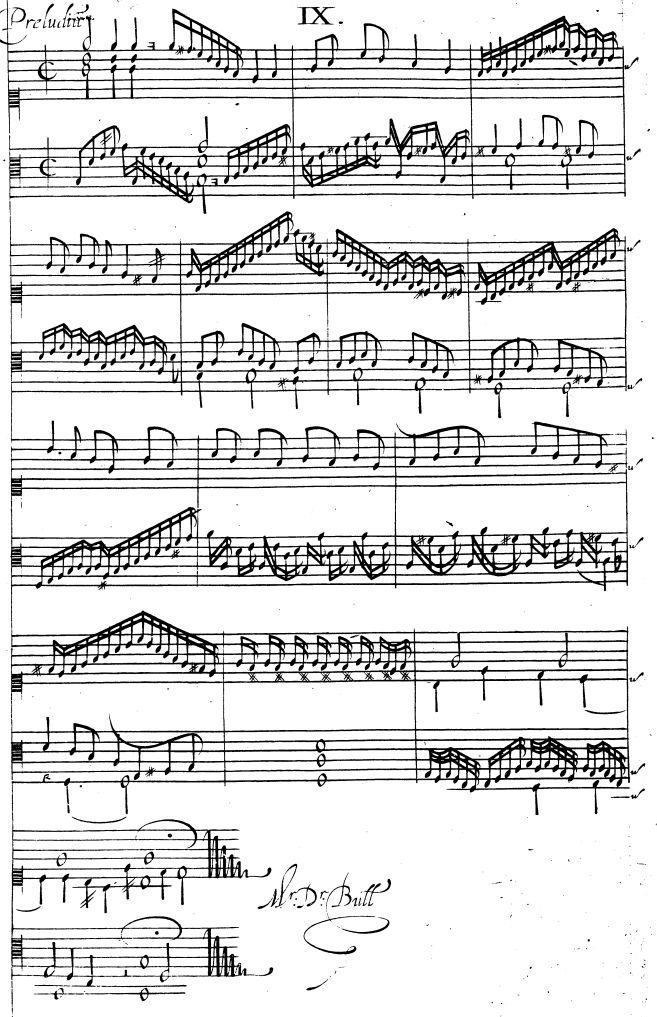

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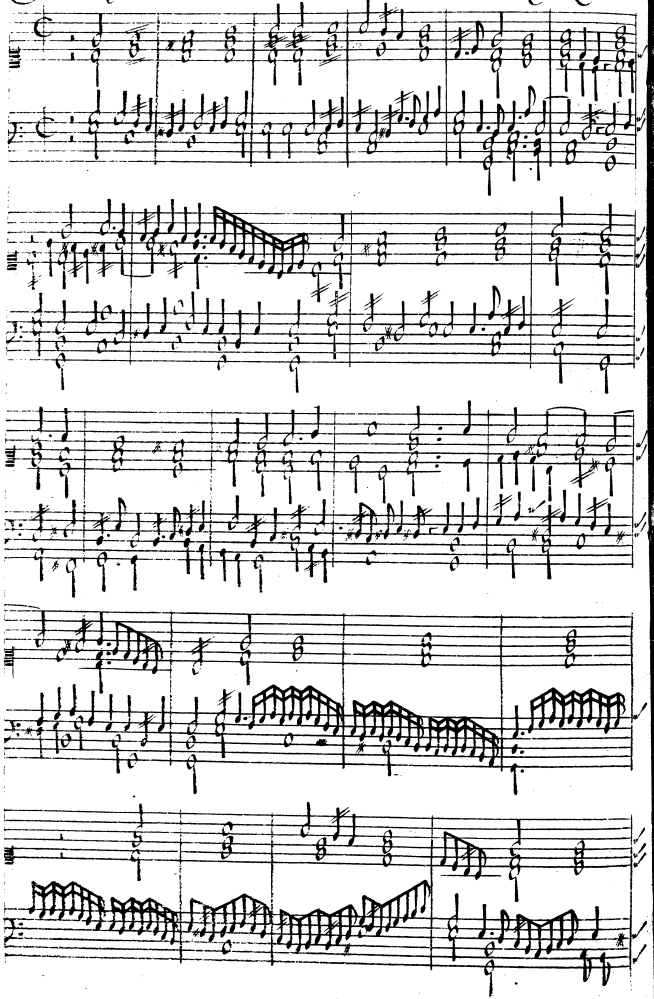

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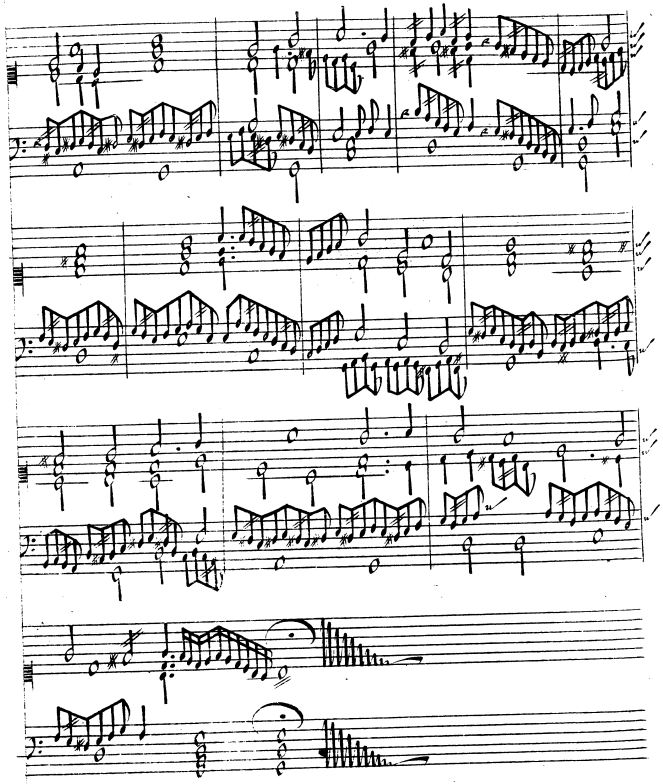

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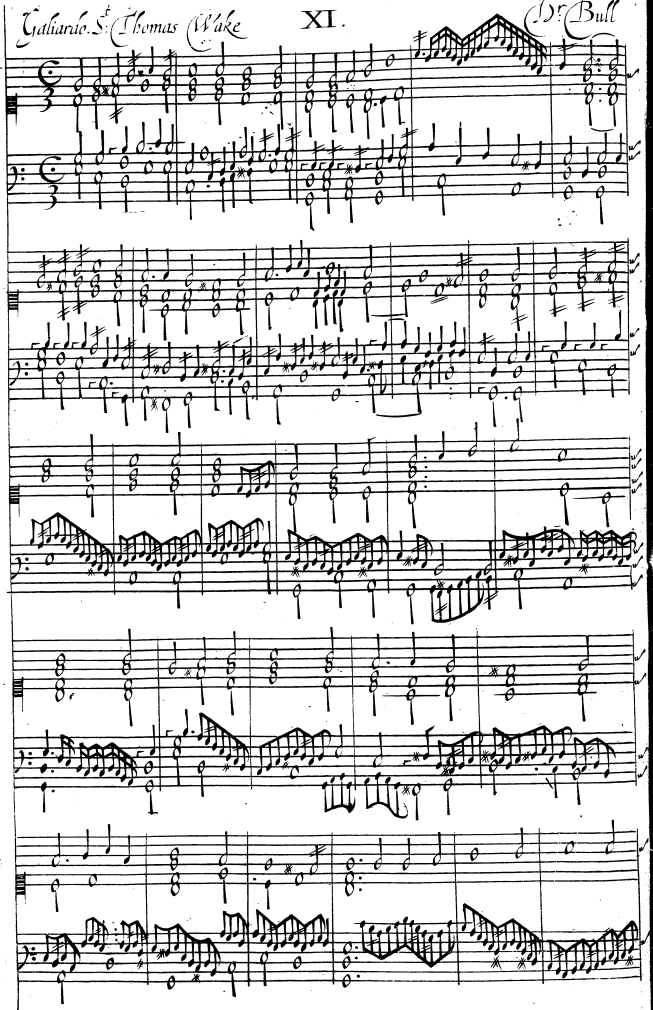

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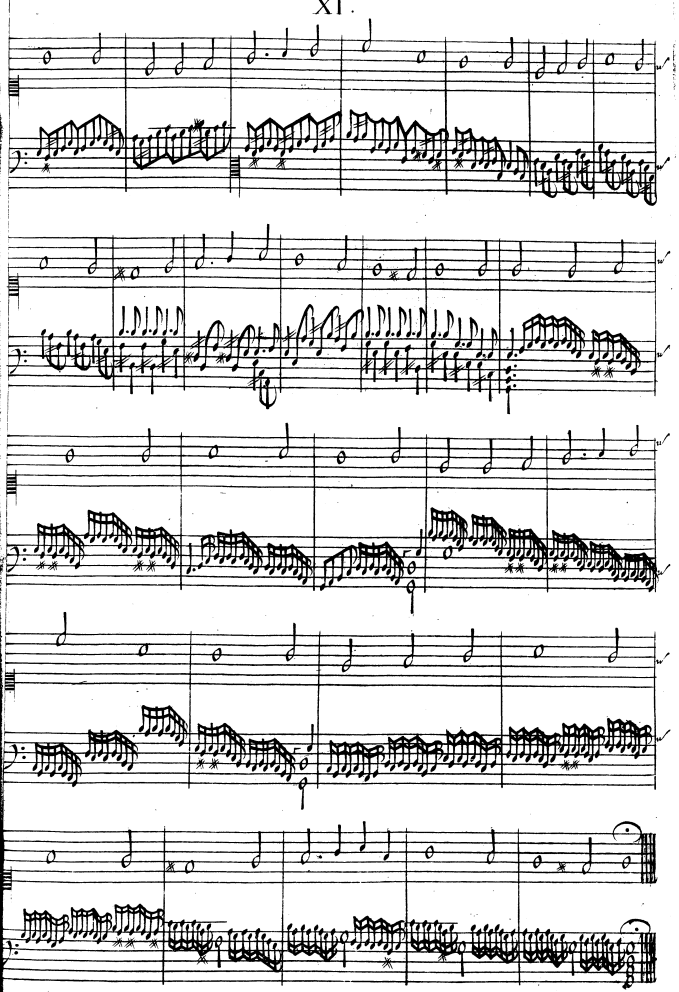

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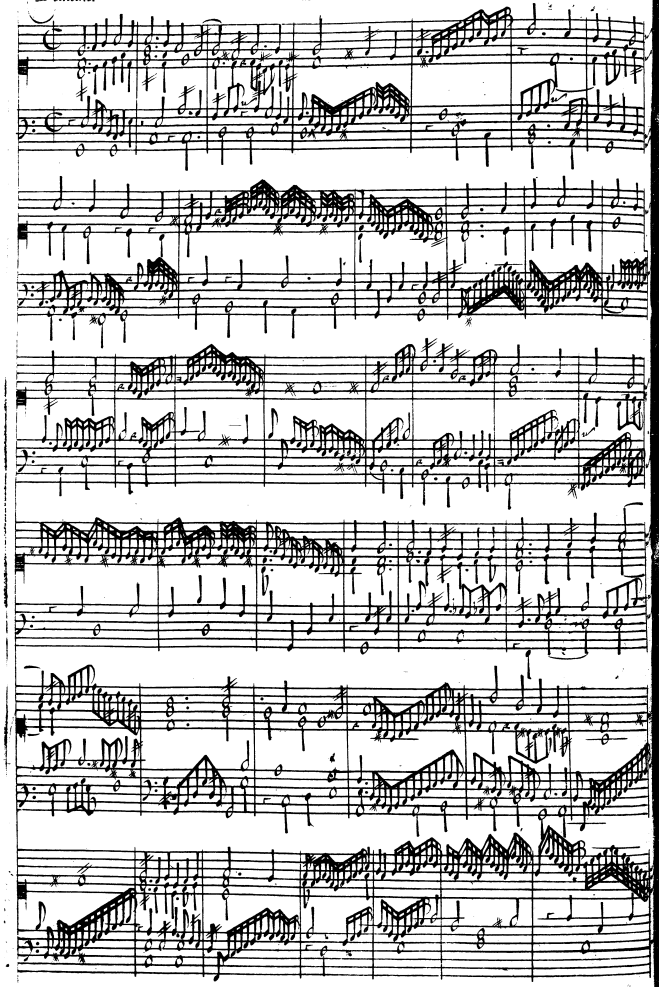

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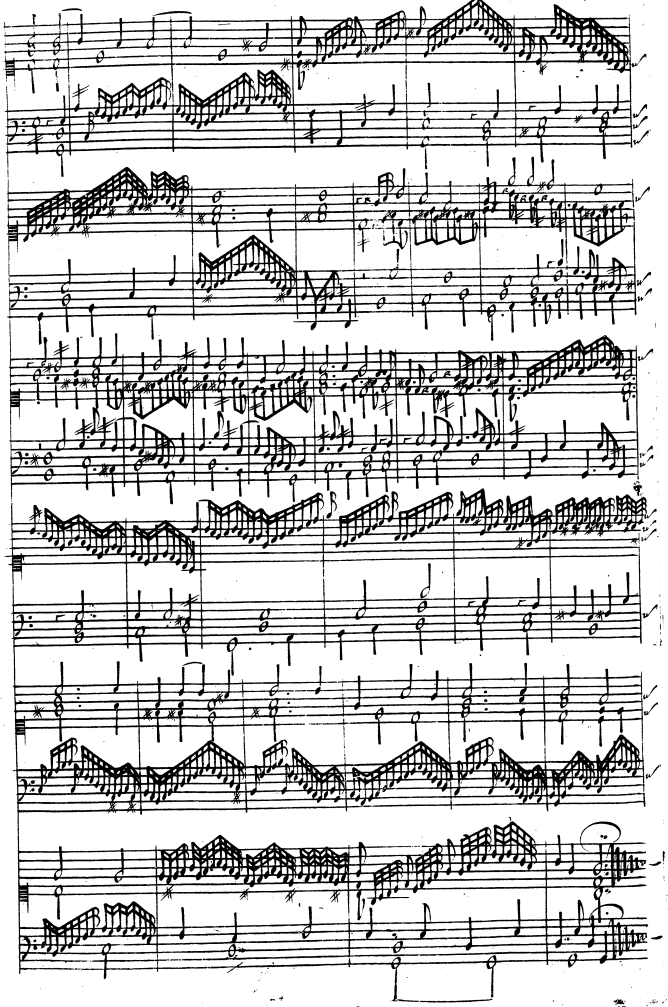

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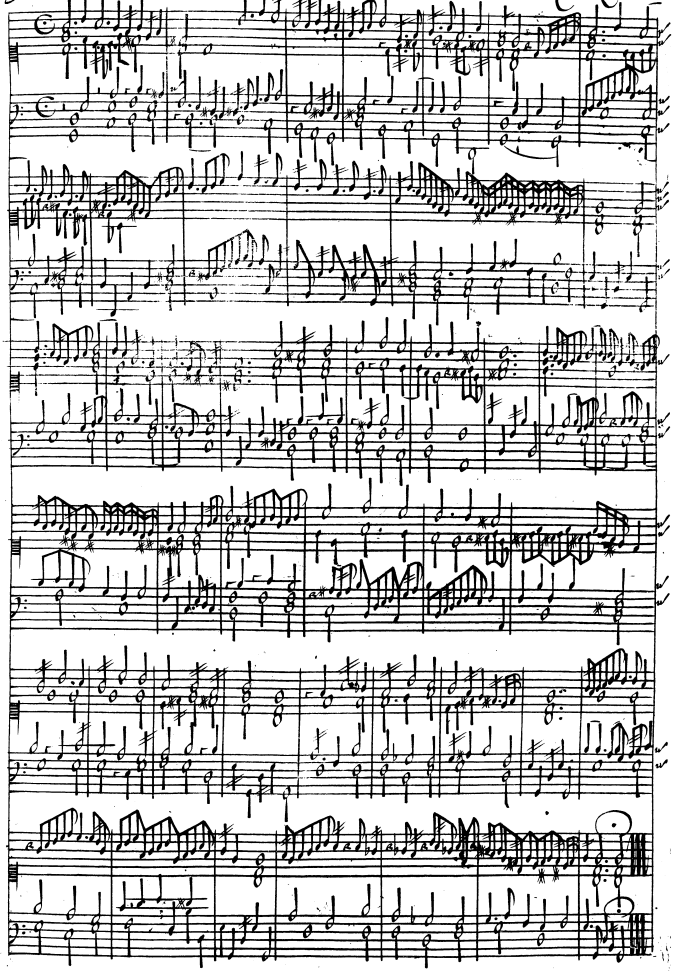

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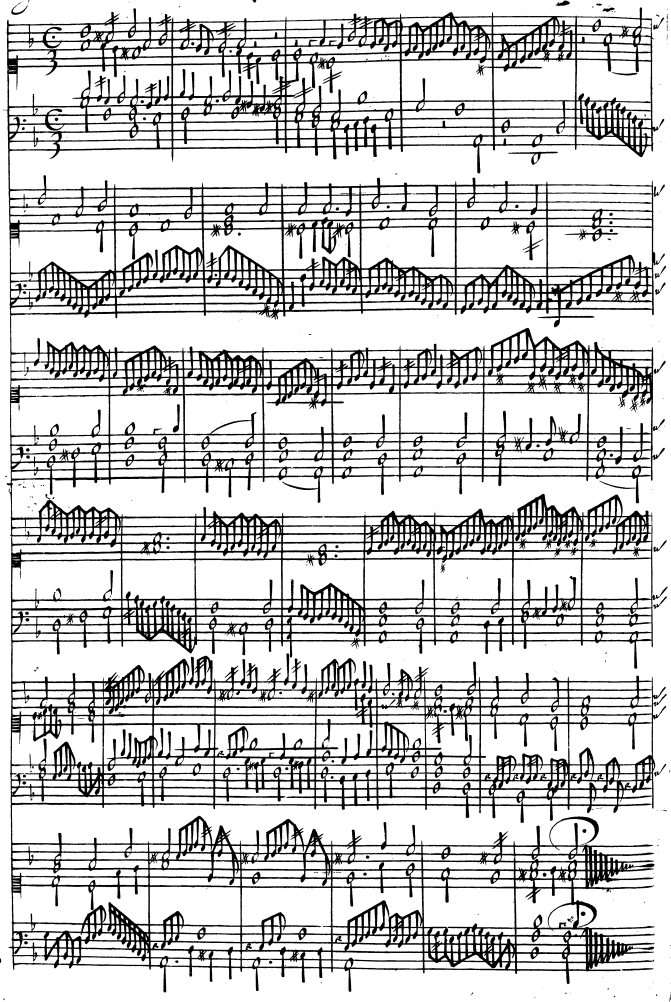

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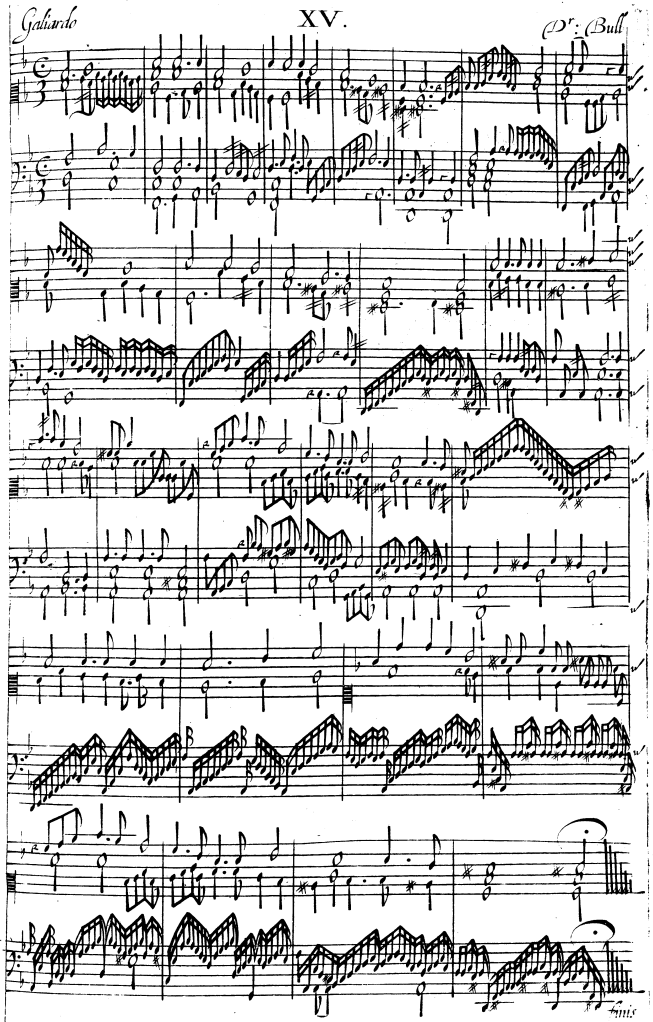

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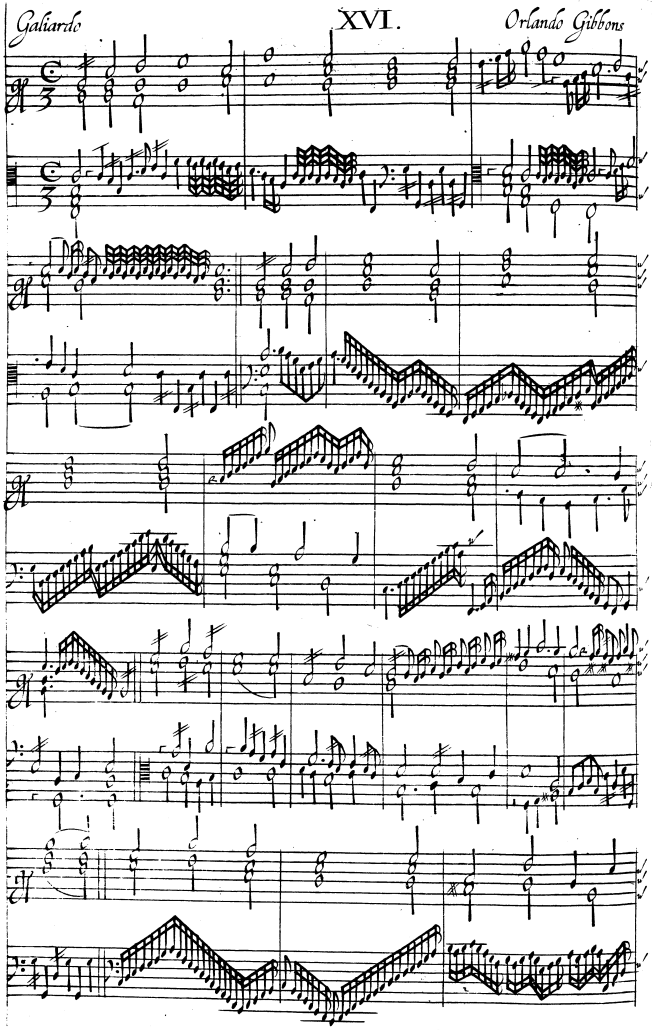

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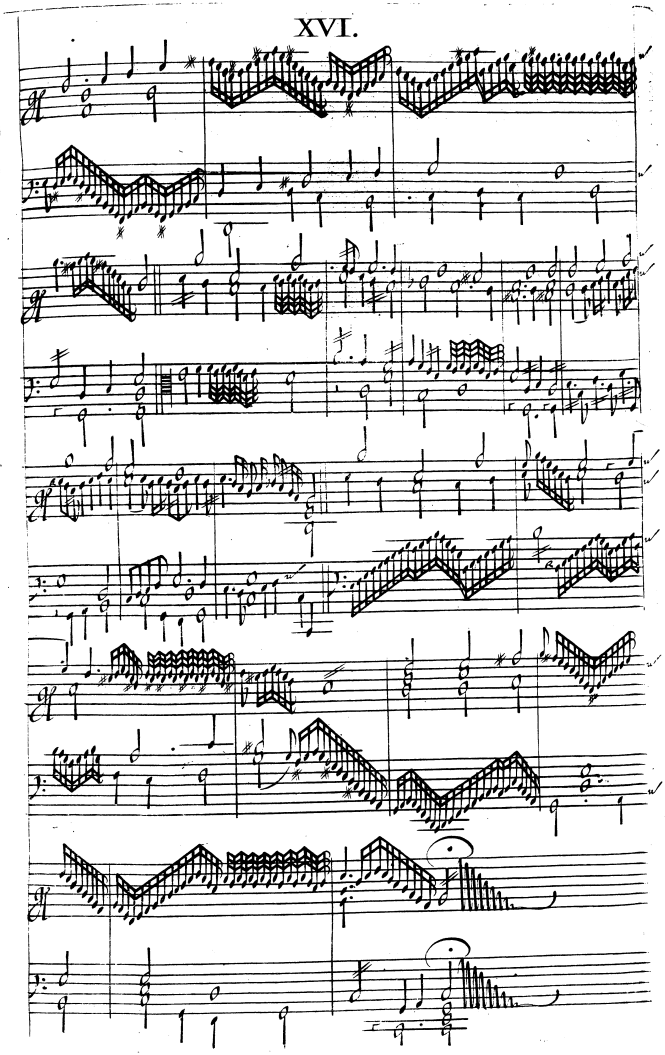

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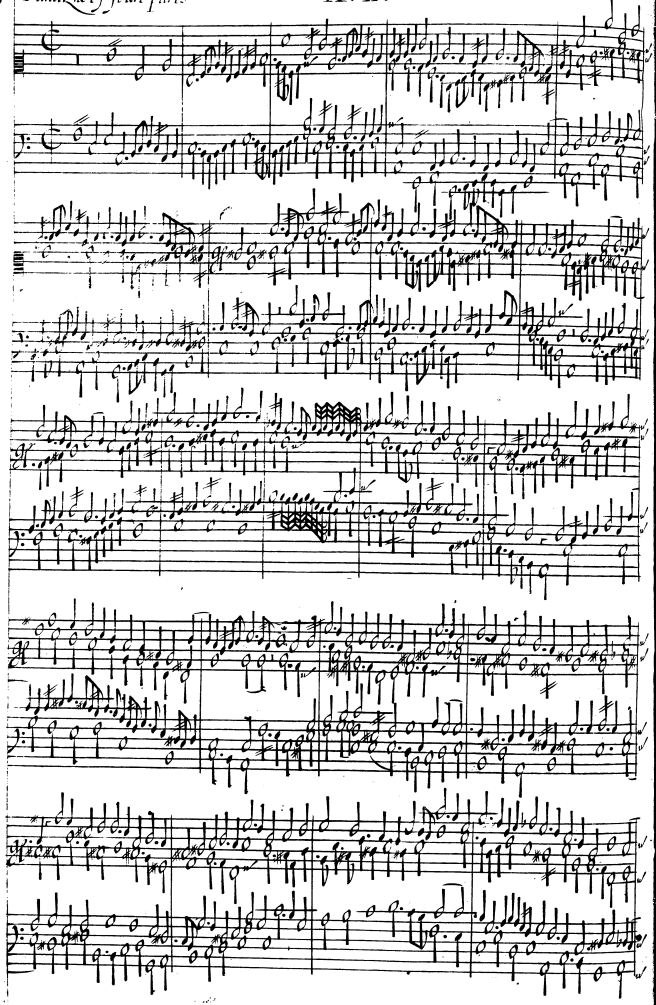

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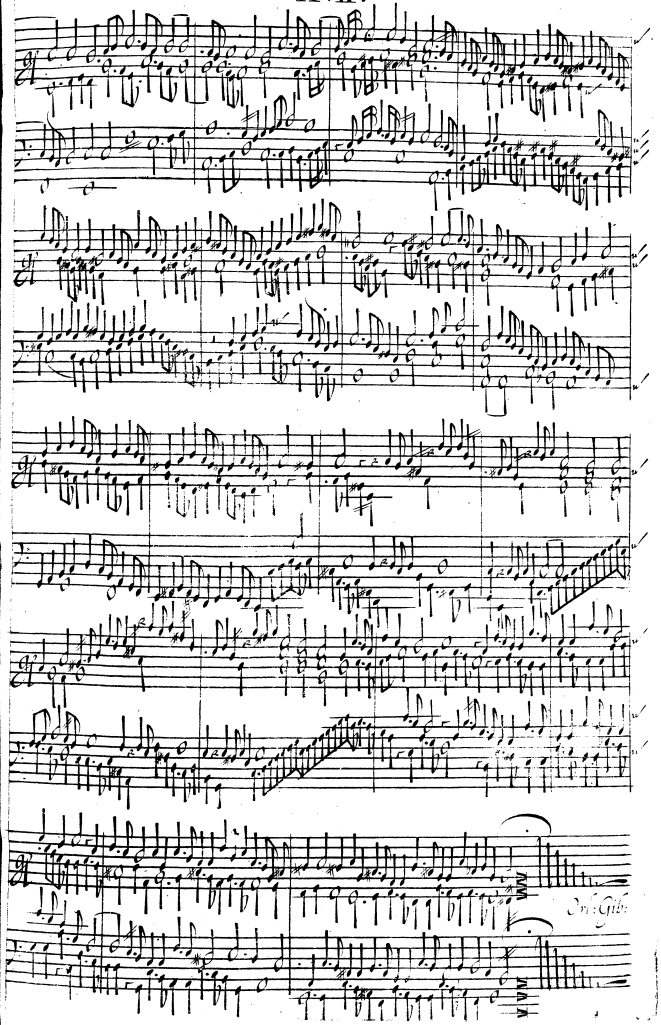

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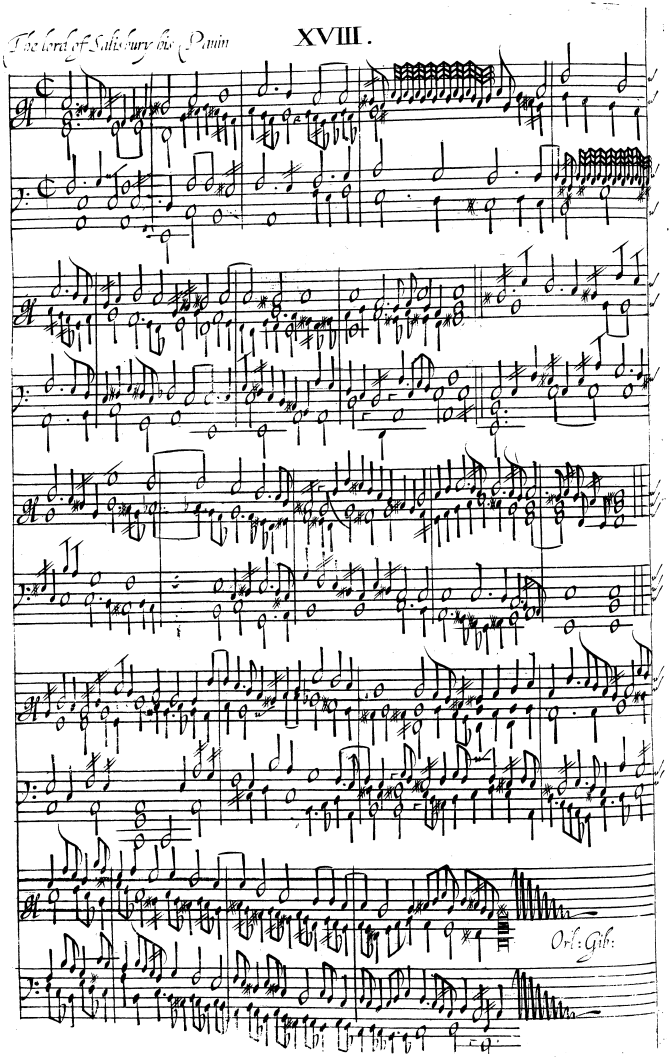

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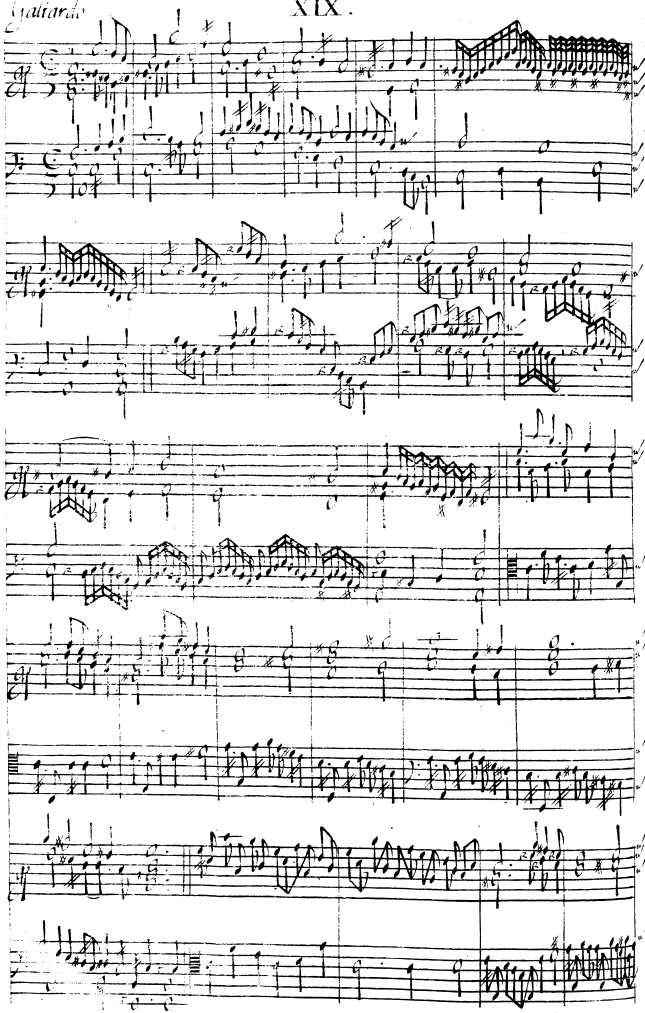

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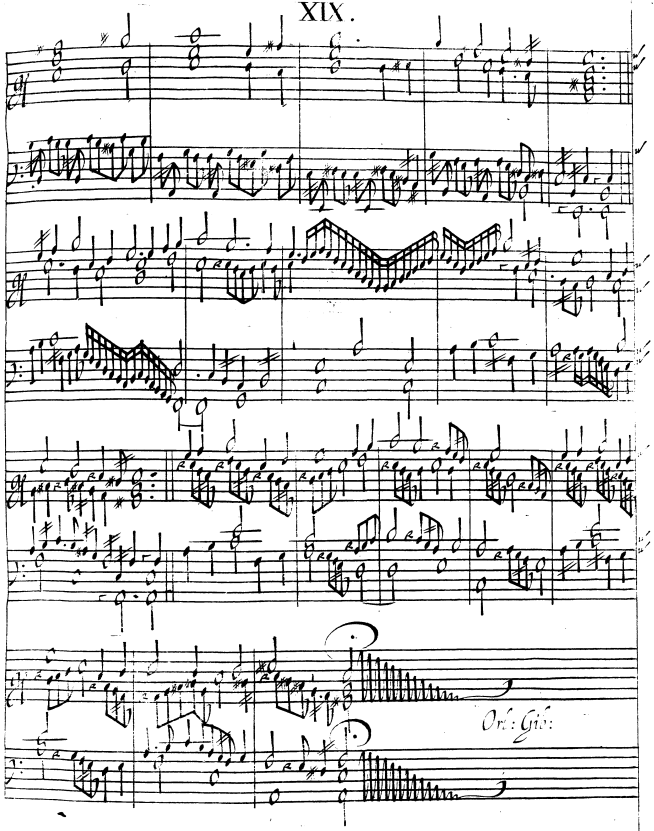

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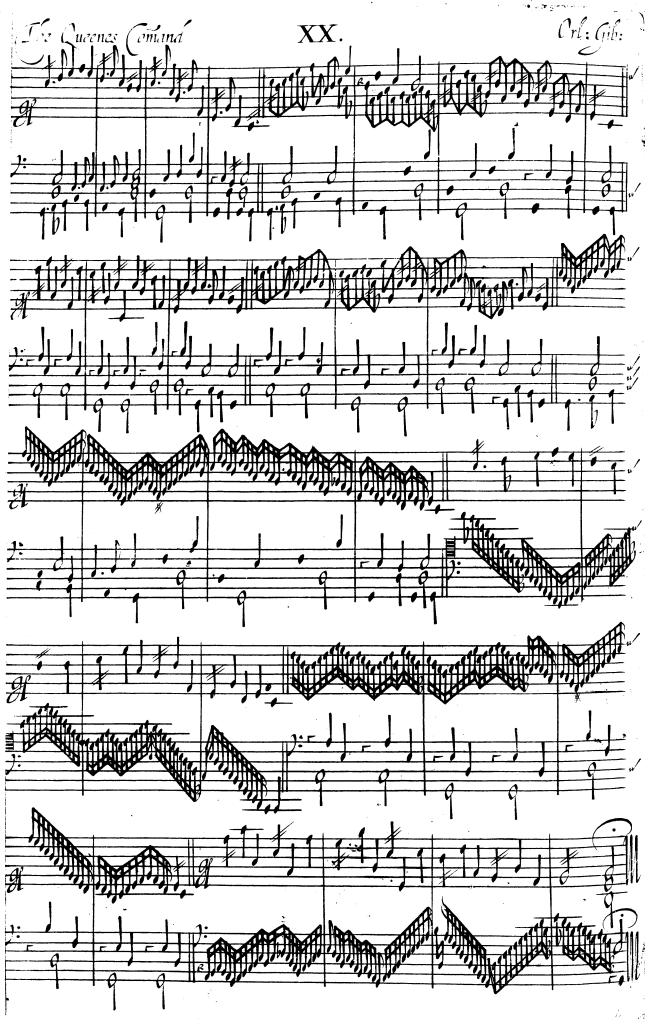

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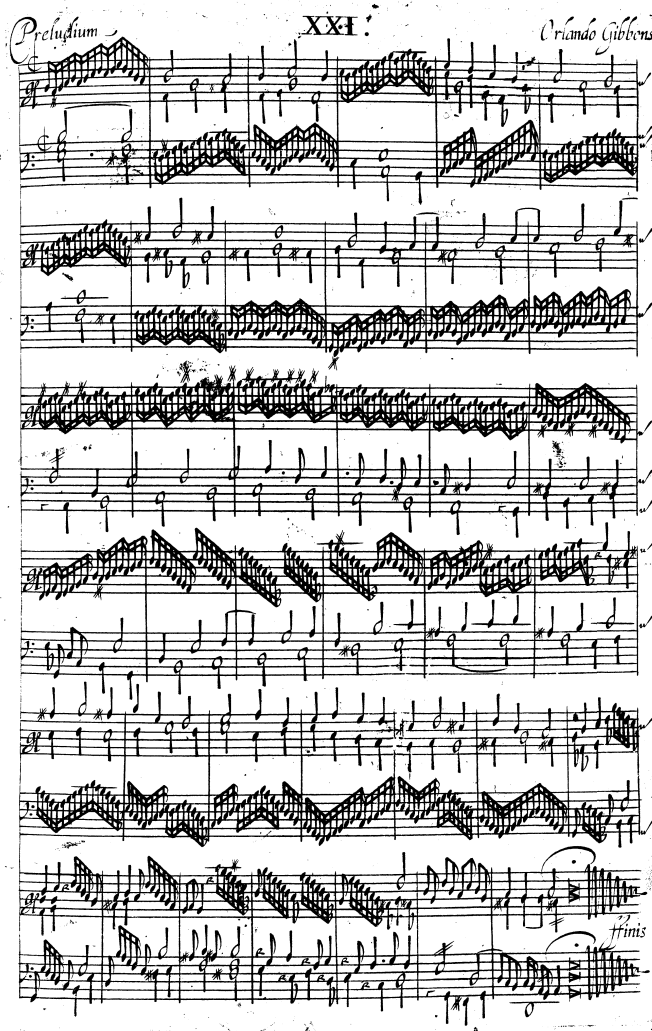
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