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PARTHENIA,
OR
THE MAYDEN-HEAD
Of the first Musick that ever was printed for the VIRGINALS.

COMPOSED
By three famous Masters: *William Byrd*, Dr *John Bull*, and *Orlando Gibbons*, Gentlemen of his Majesties Chappell.

Dedicated to all the Masters and Lovers of Musick.

Printed for *John Clarke*, at the lower end of Cheapside, entring into *Mercers Chappell*, 1655.

Cum Privilegio.

Mr: Hugh Holland

On his worthy frend W:H:
& his Triumviri 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 pace in order
A brauer BULL, then did Europa cary:
Nay let all Europe showe me such an other.
Orlando though was counted Musicks fath;
Yet this ORLANDO parallels di Lasso:
Whose triple praise would tire a very Tasso,
The heere in one thes è three men heare y rather
And praise thaire songes: & sing his praise who maried
Those notes so well wth they so sweetely varied.

Mr: Geo: Chapman

In worthye loue of this new worck
and the most Autentic all Auctors.

By theis shewe lessons of theise Musique Mastr;
Ancient and heightn'd wth ye Arts full Bowle.
Let all ou moderne mere Phantastique Tasters,
(Whose Art but forreigne Noueltie extolls)
Rule and confine theyr fancies; and prefer
The constat right, & depthe Art should chauce,
To all lite flashes, by whose light they err;
This wittie Age, hath wisedome least in vse;
The World, ould growing, Ould, wth it grow Men;
Theyr skylls decaying, like theyr bodies strengthe:
Yonge Men, to oulde are now but Childeren:
First Rules of Art, encrease still wth theyr lengthe.
Which see in this new worck, yet neuer seene:
Art, ye more oulde, growes eur ye more greene.

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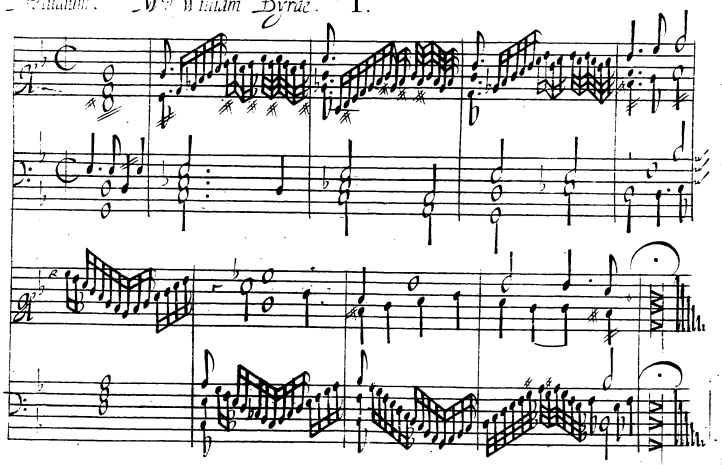

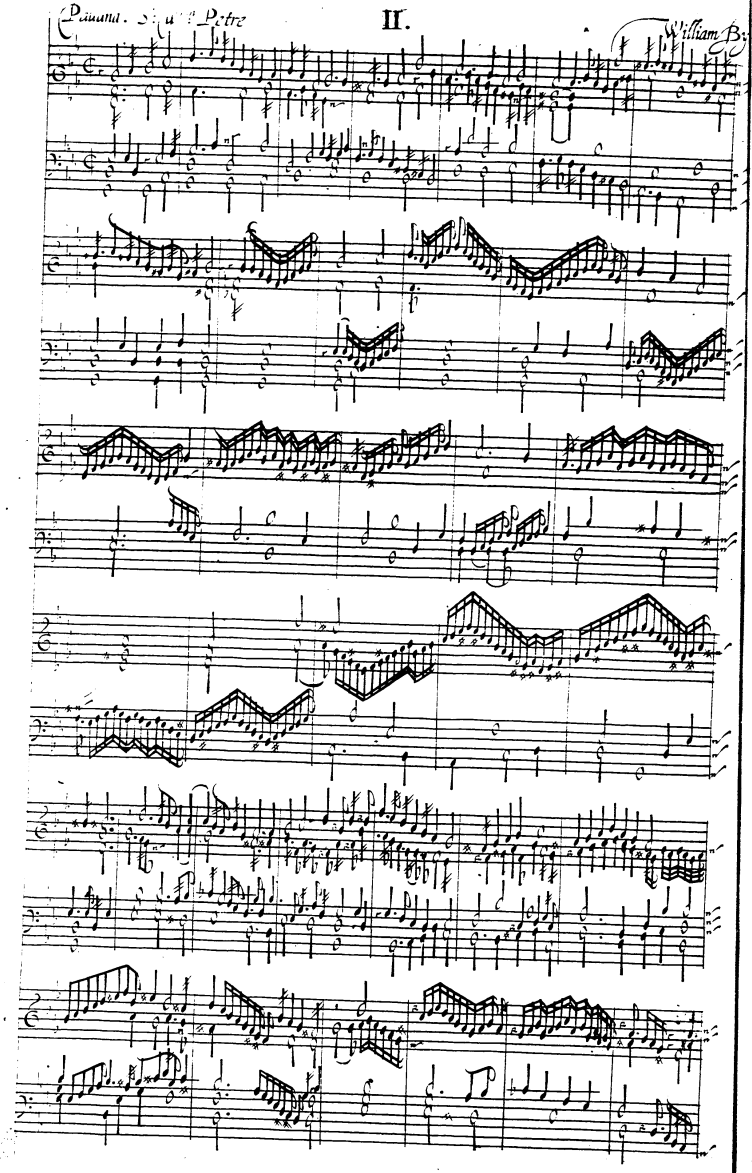
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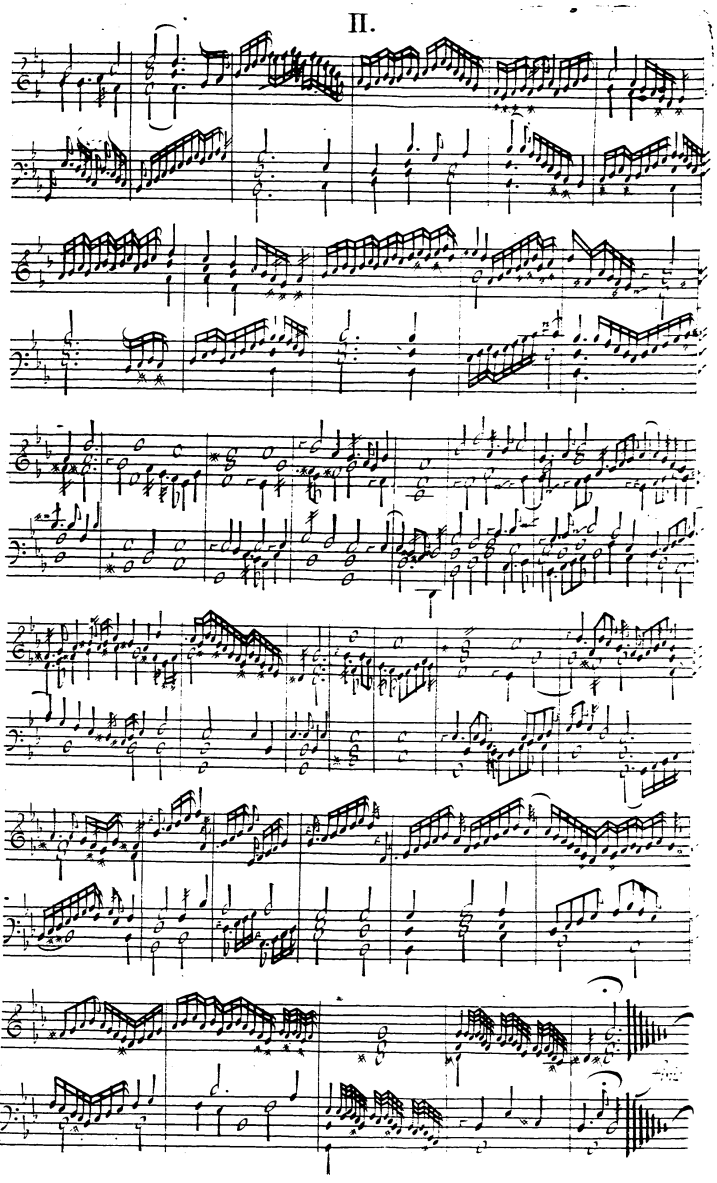
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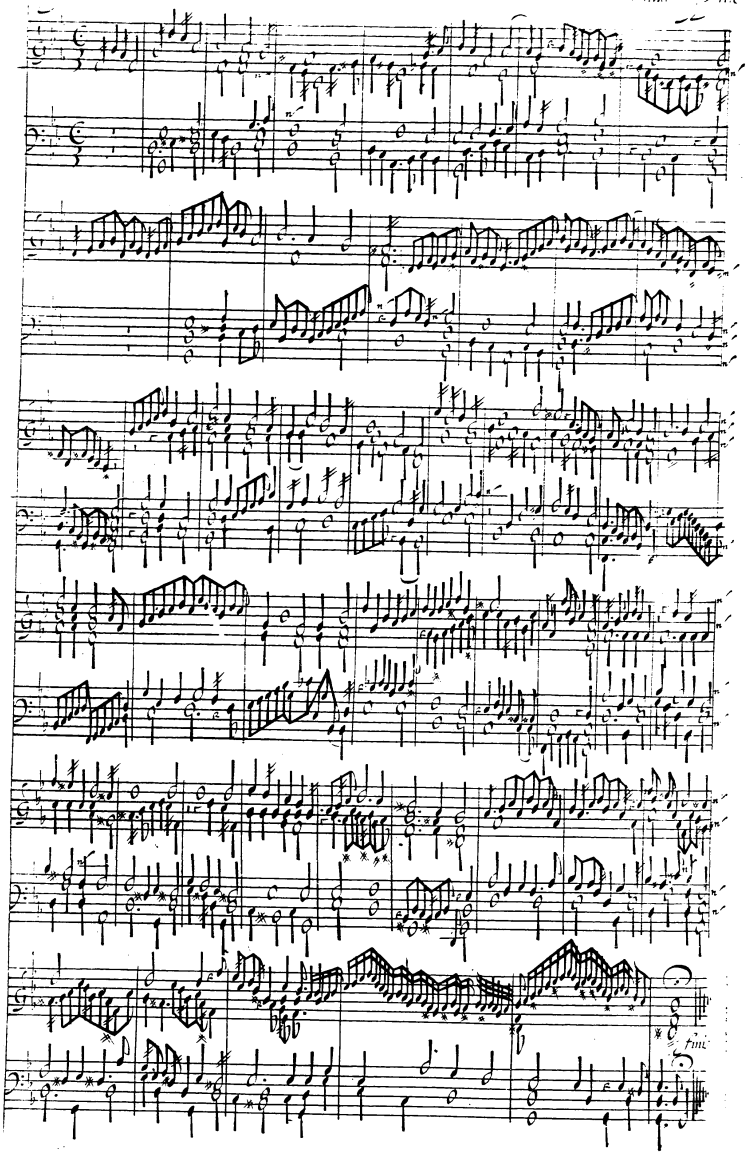

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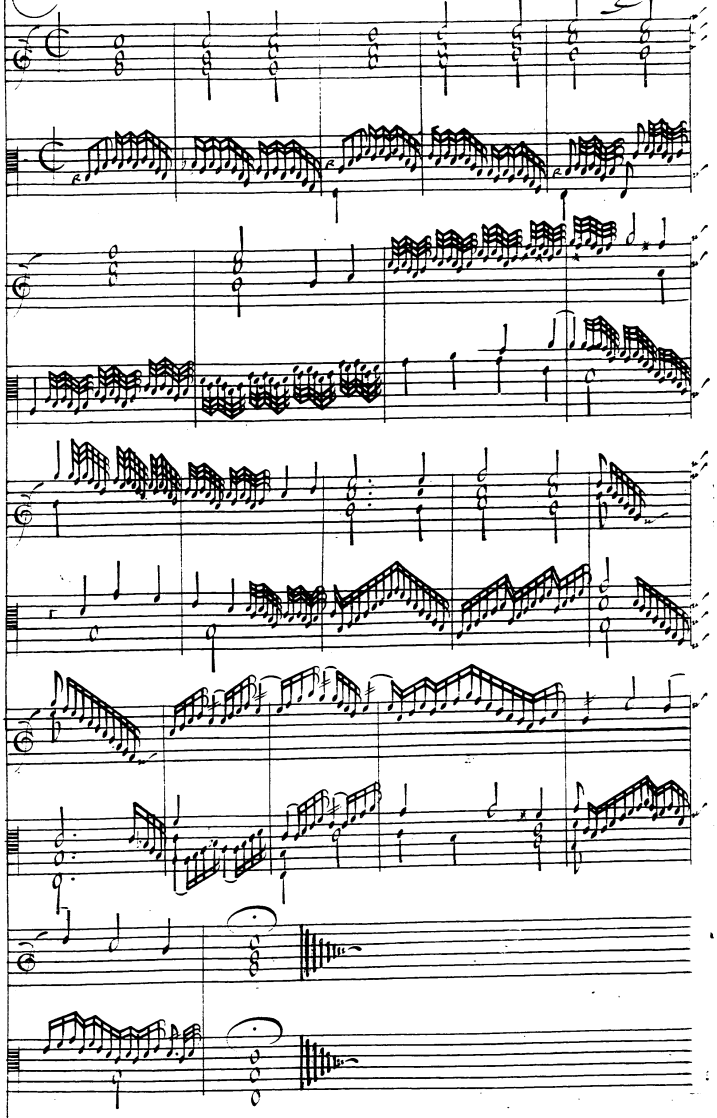

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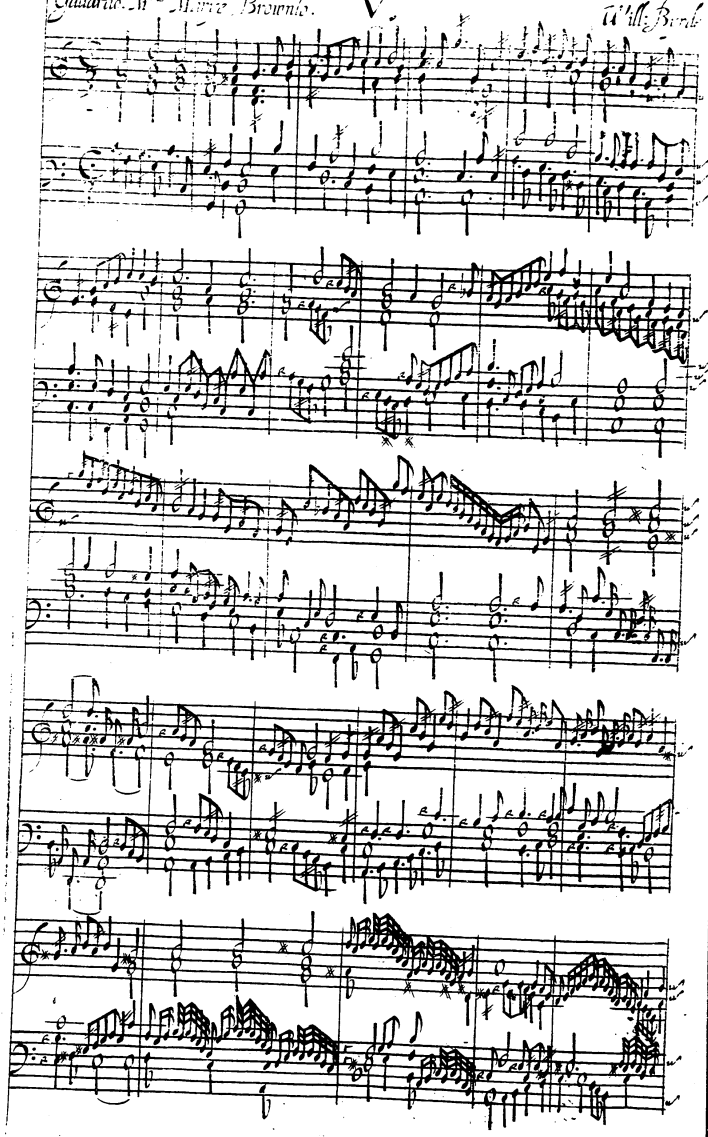

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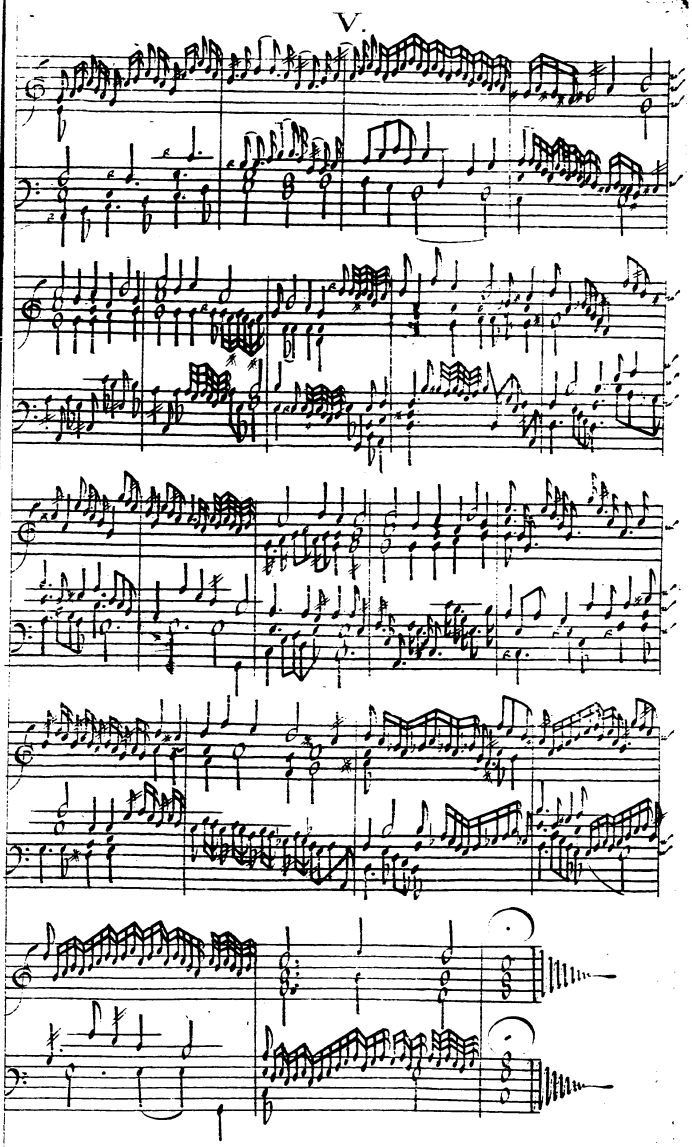

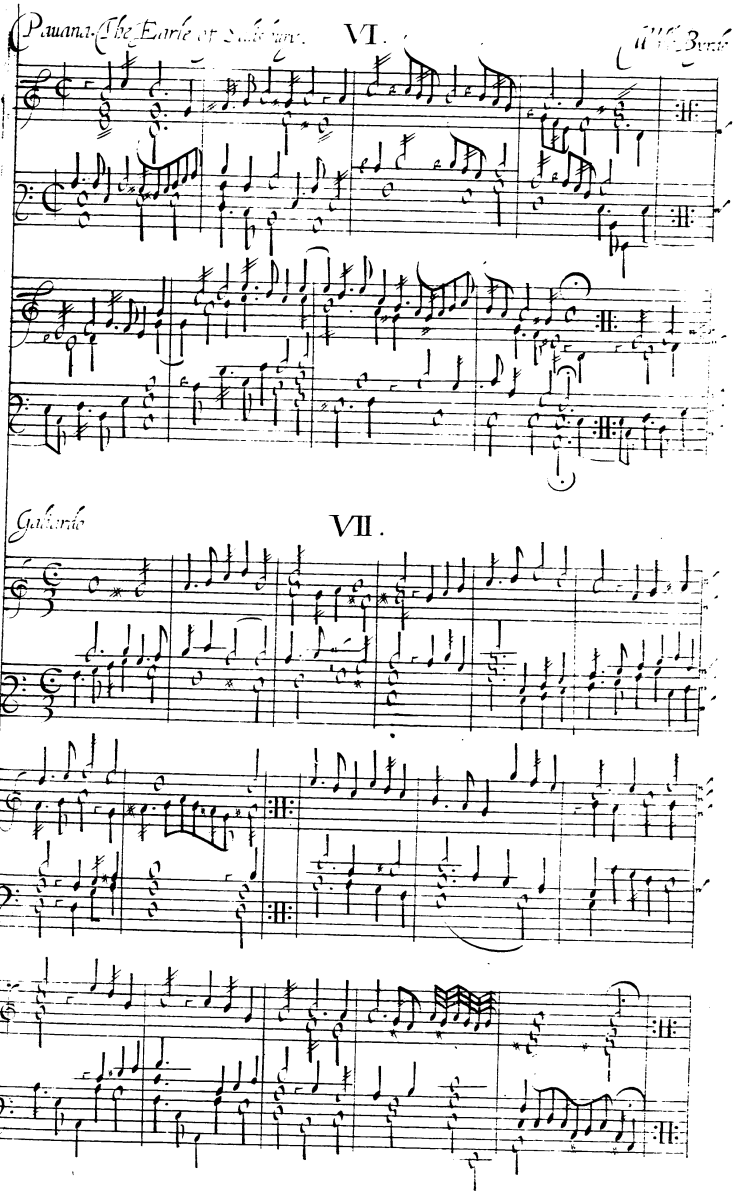
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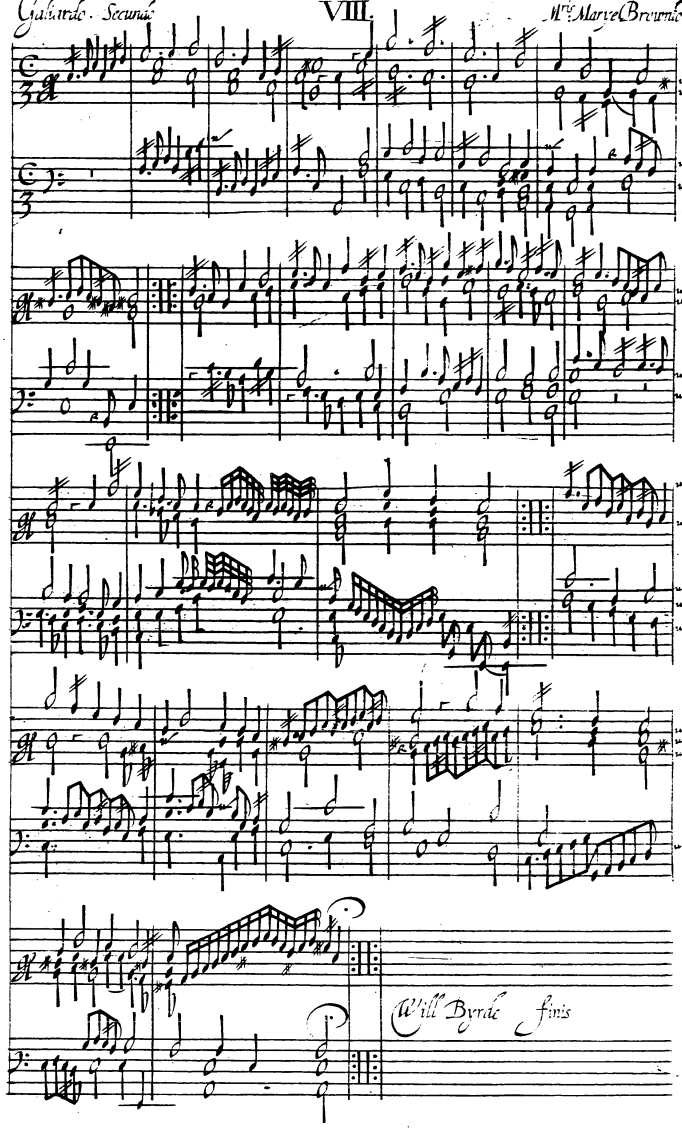

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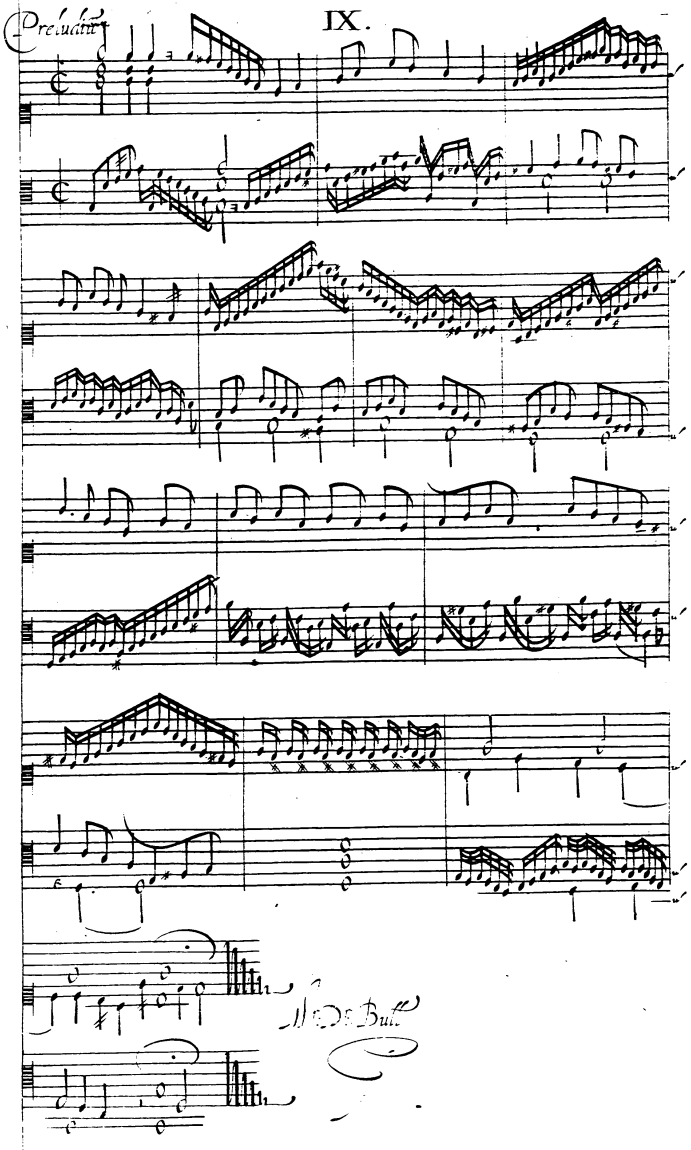

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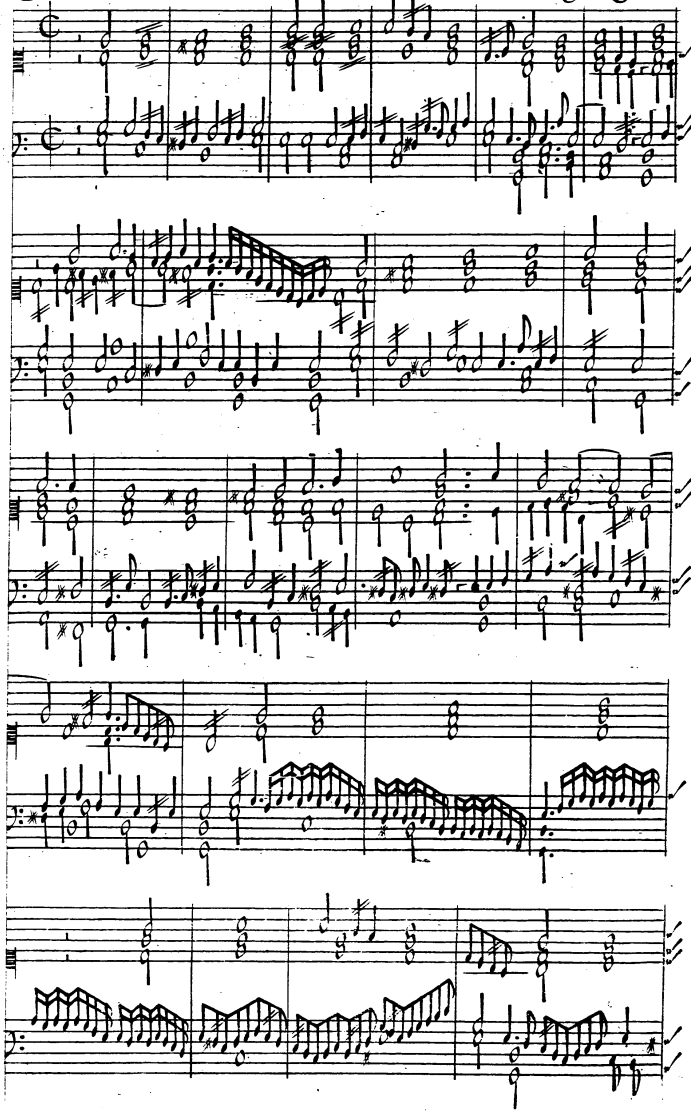

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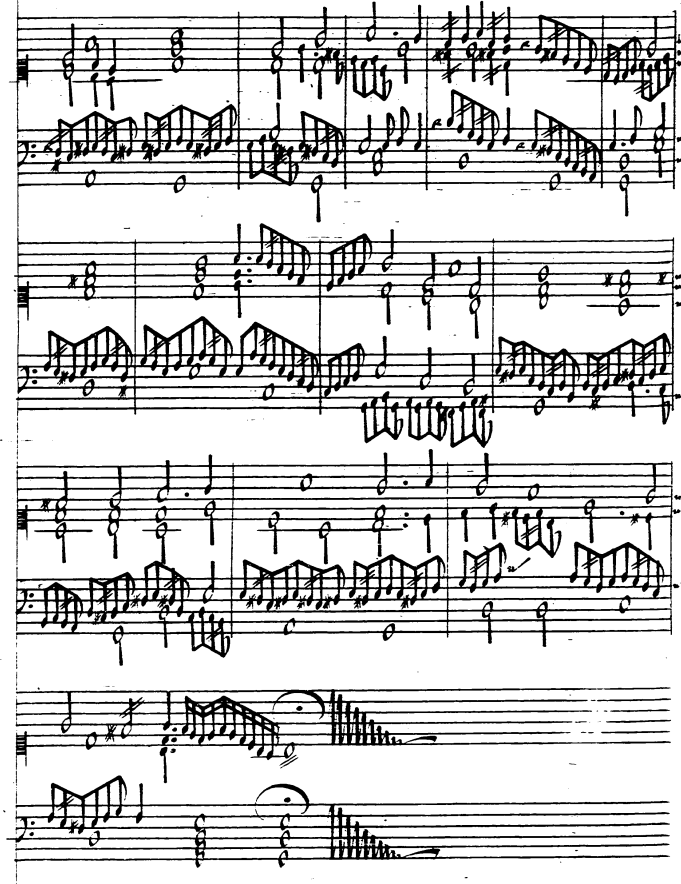

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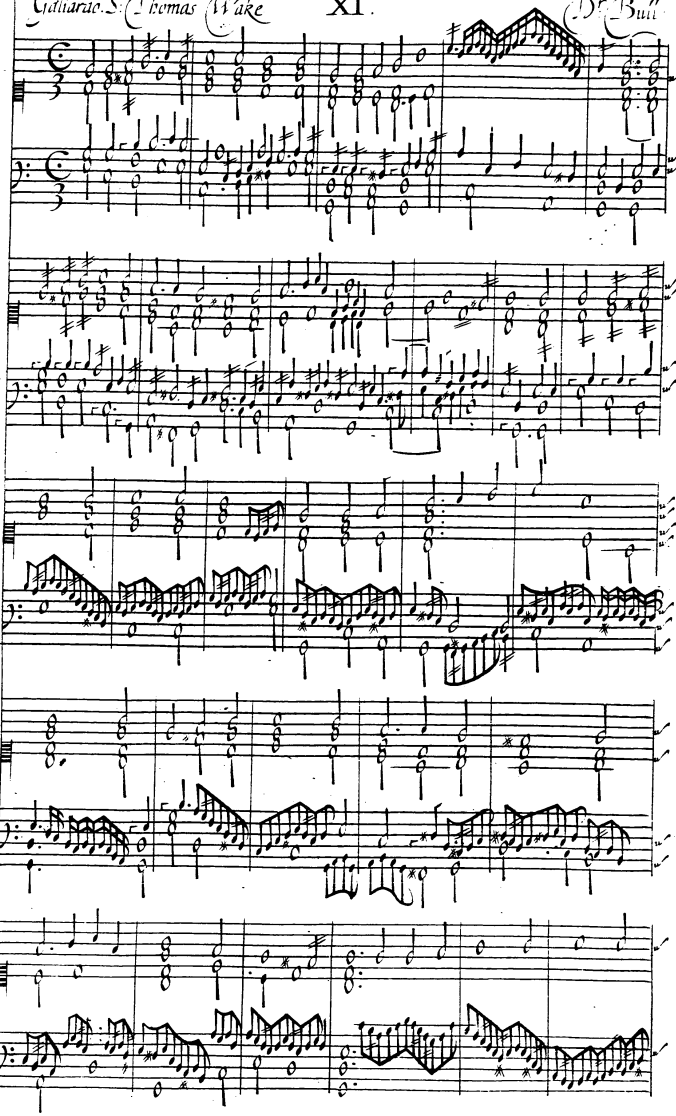

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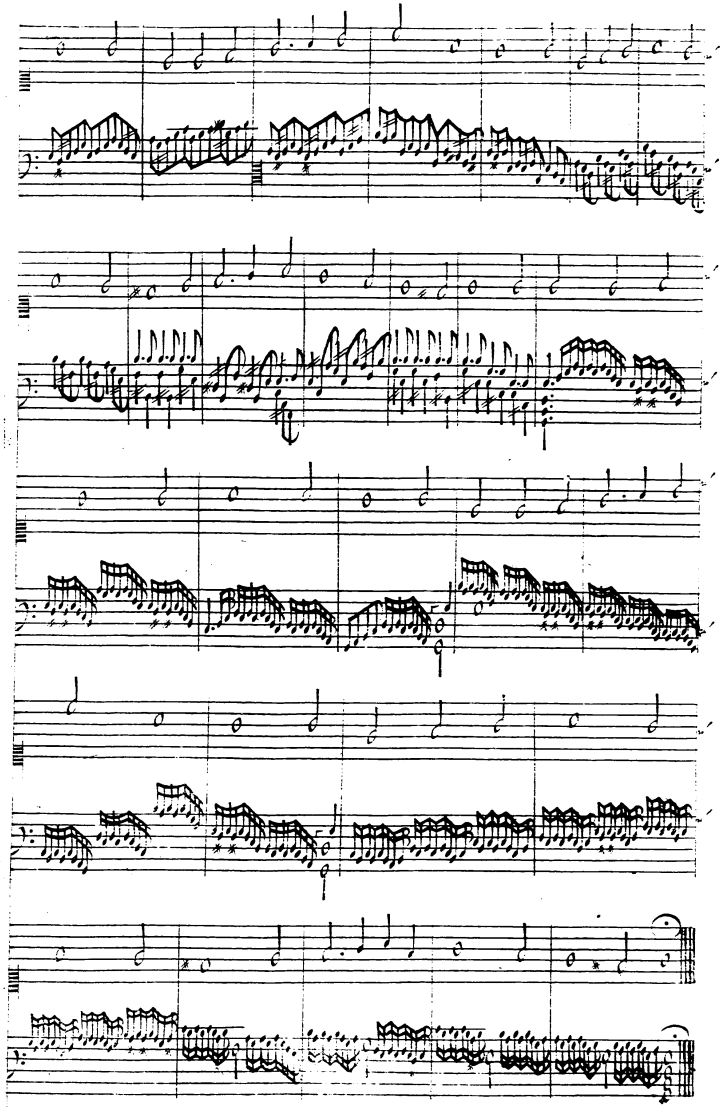

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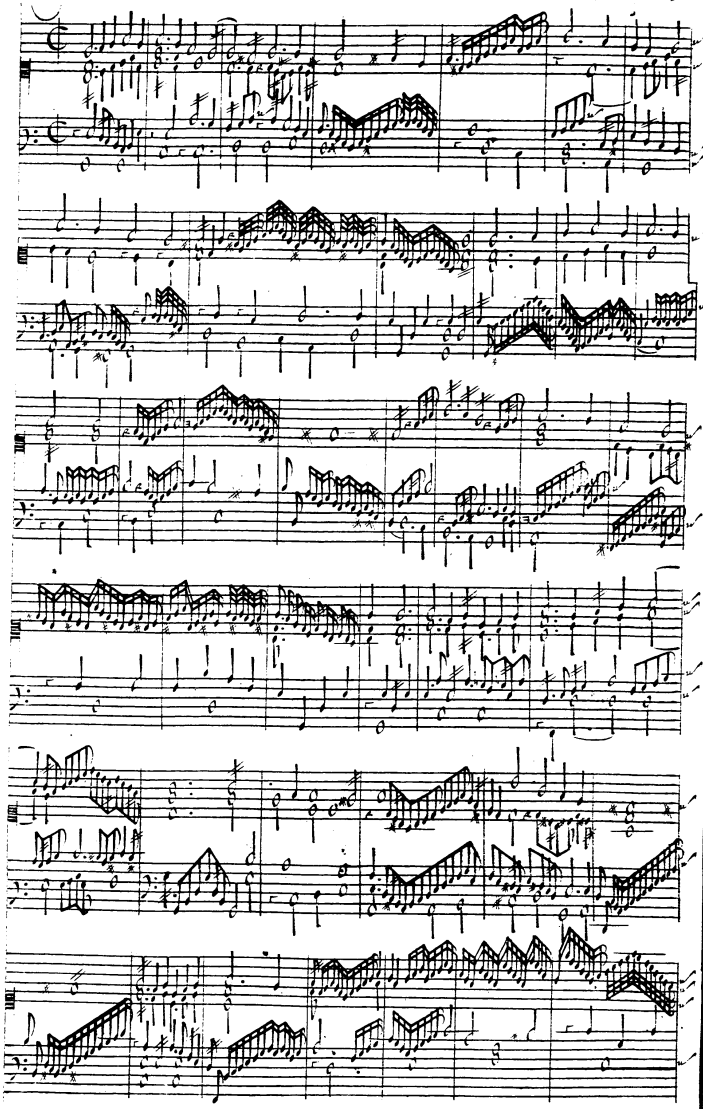

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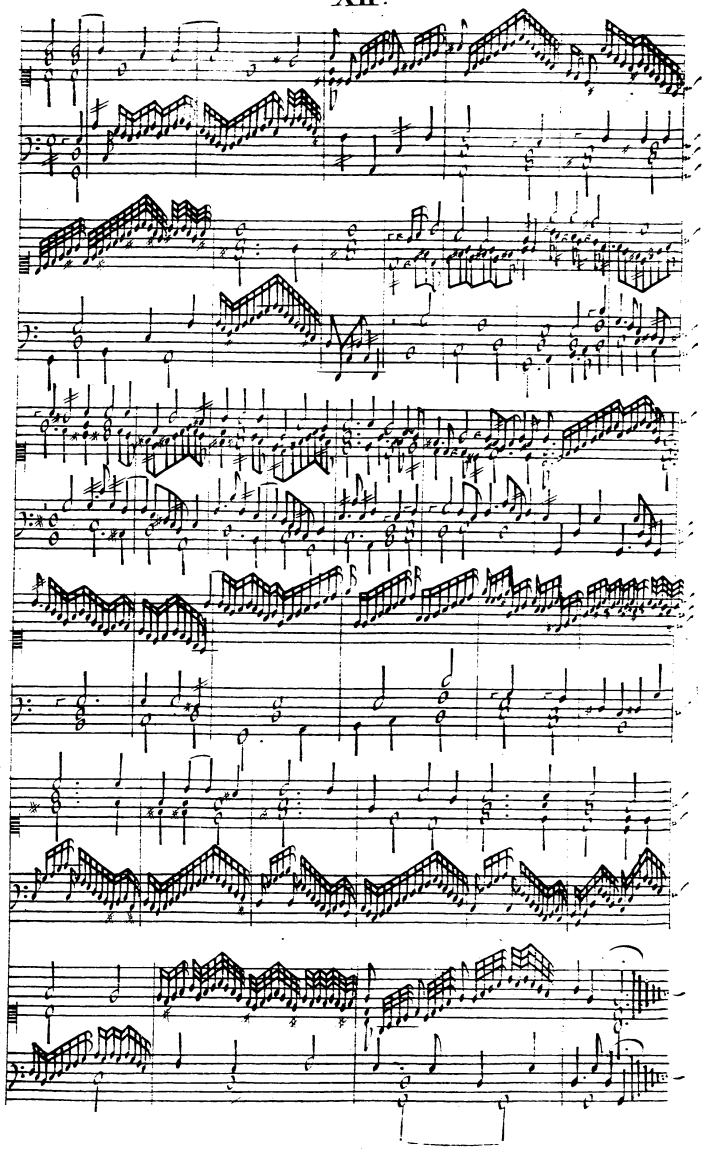

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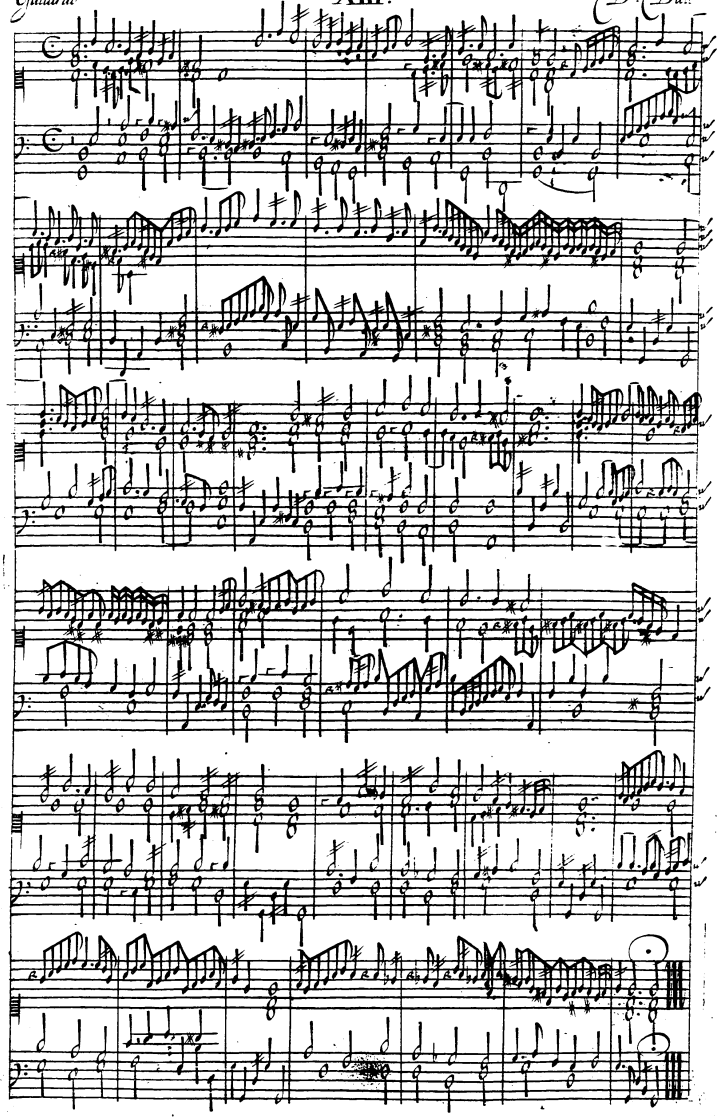

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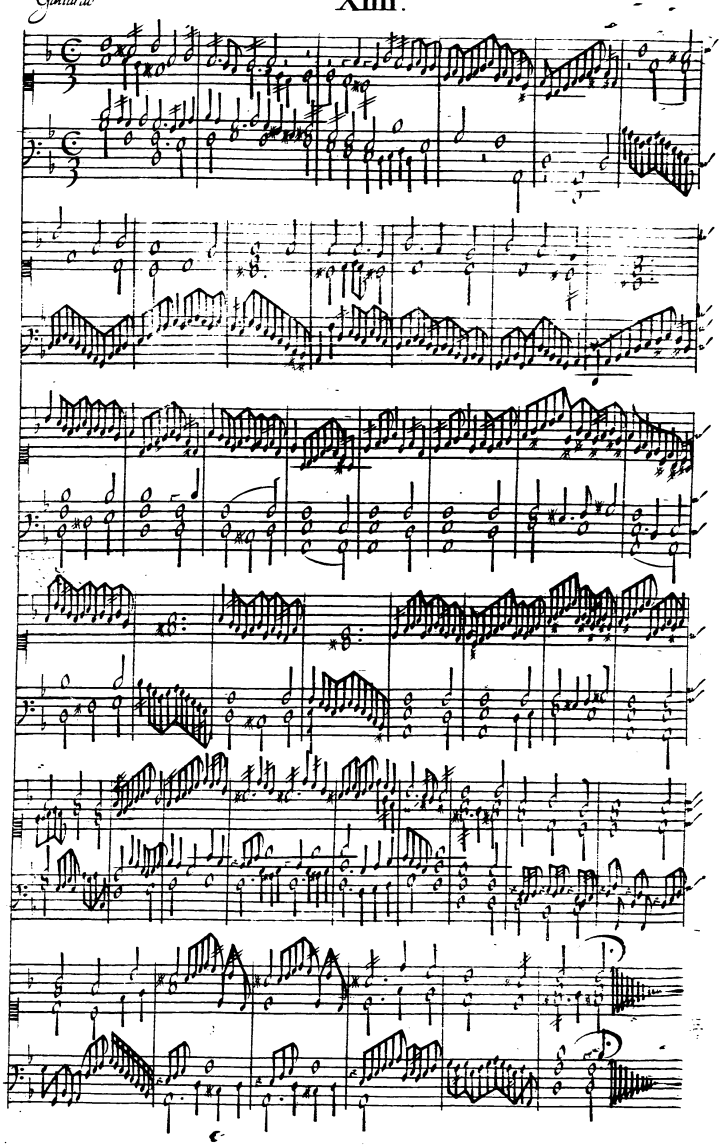

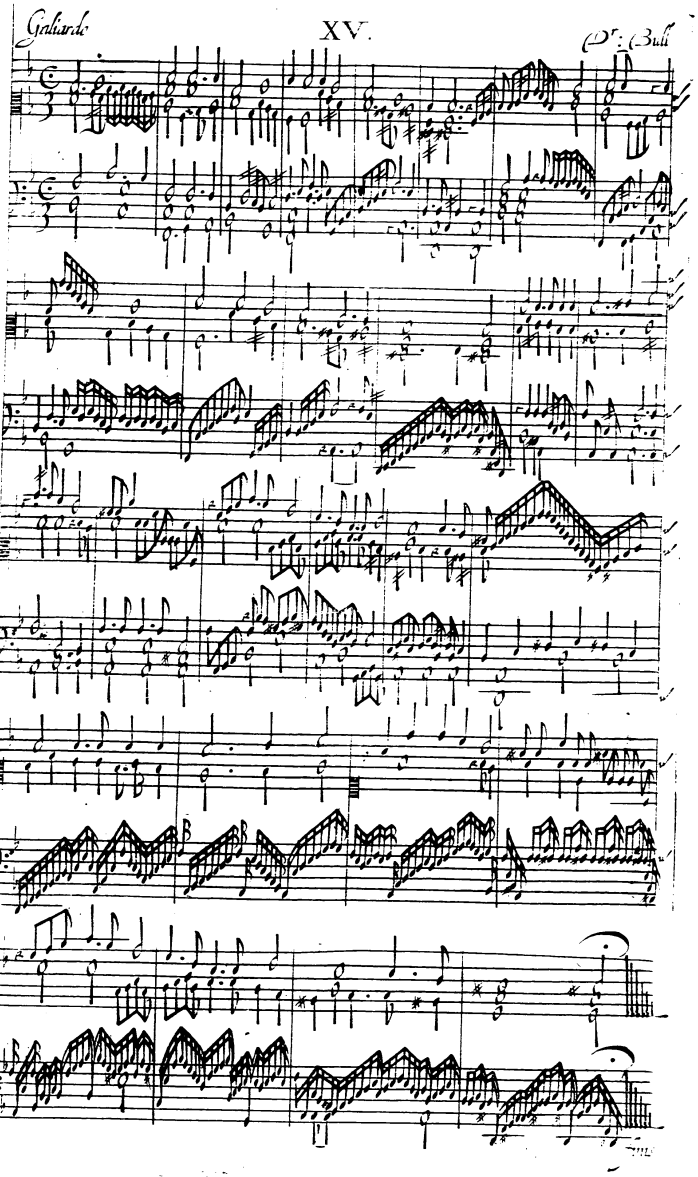
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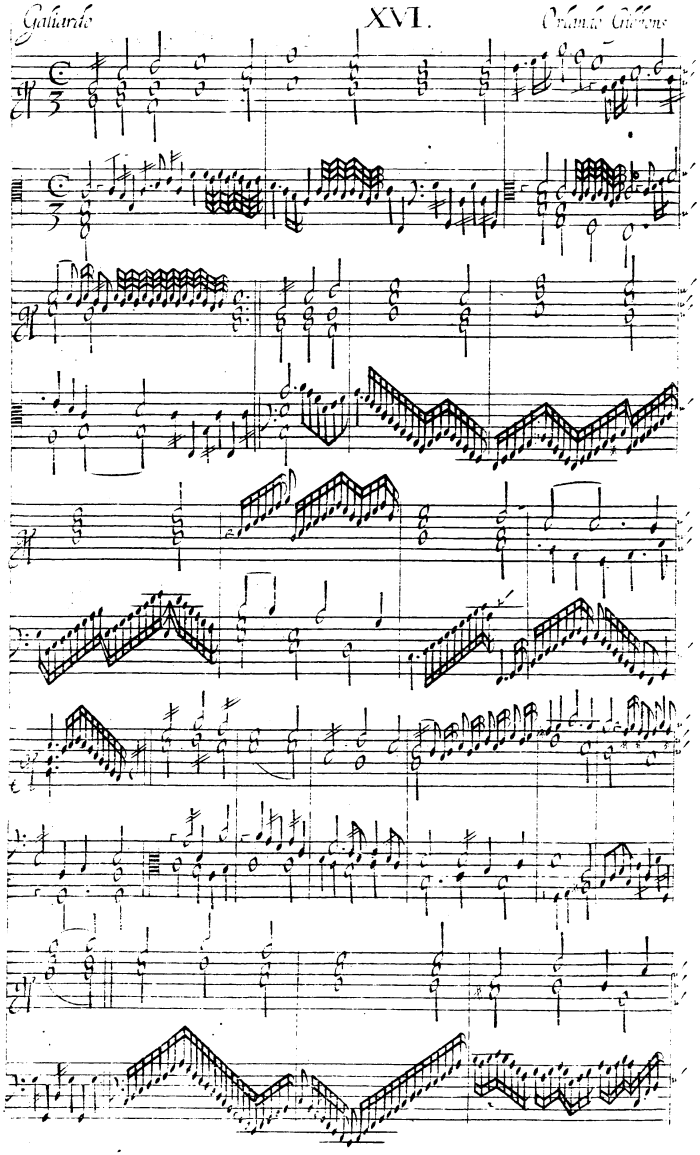

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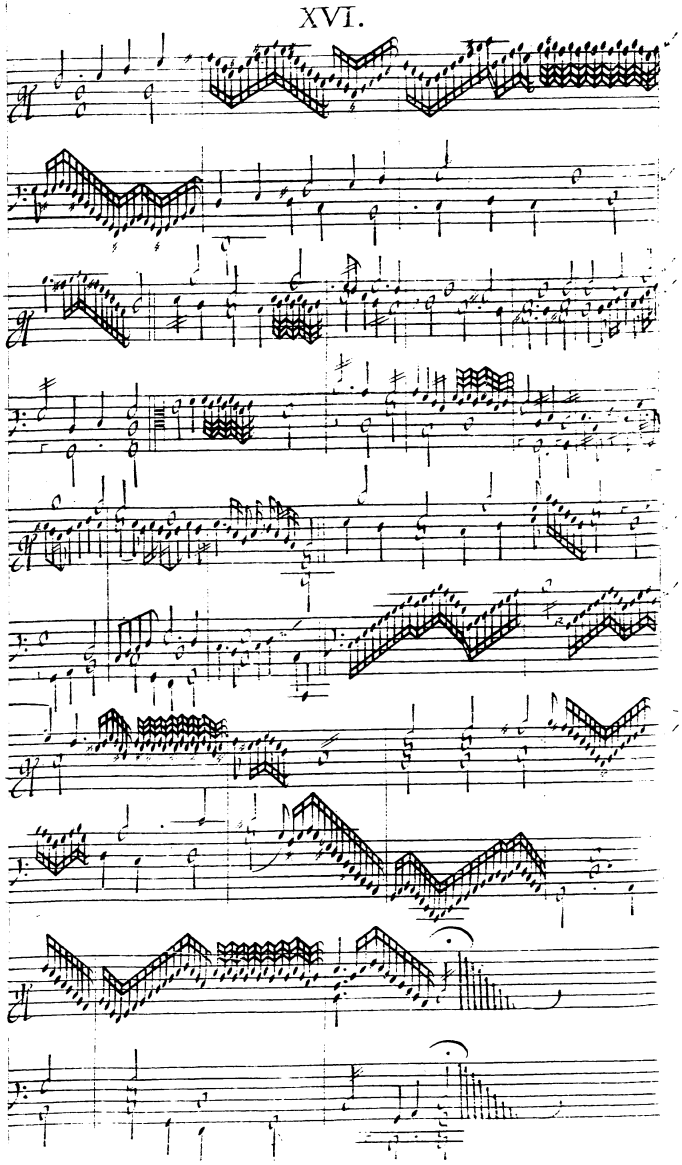

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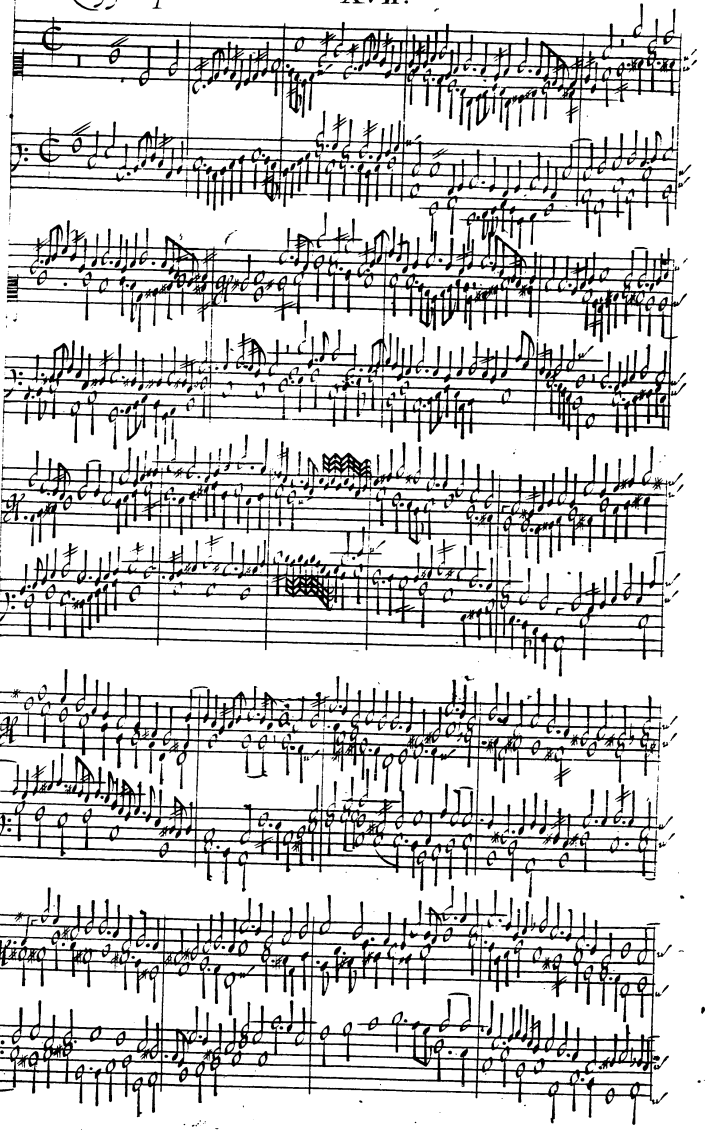

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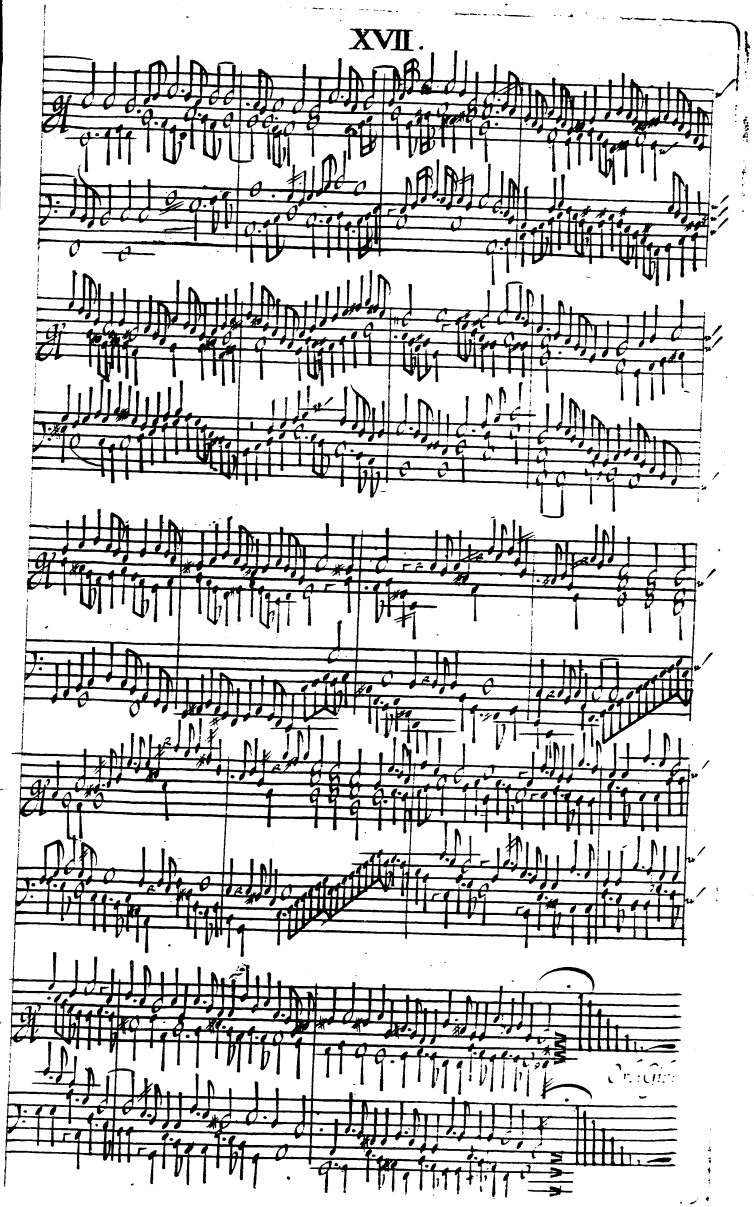

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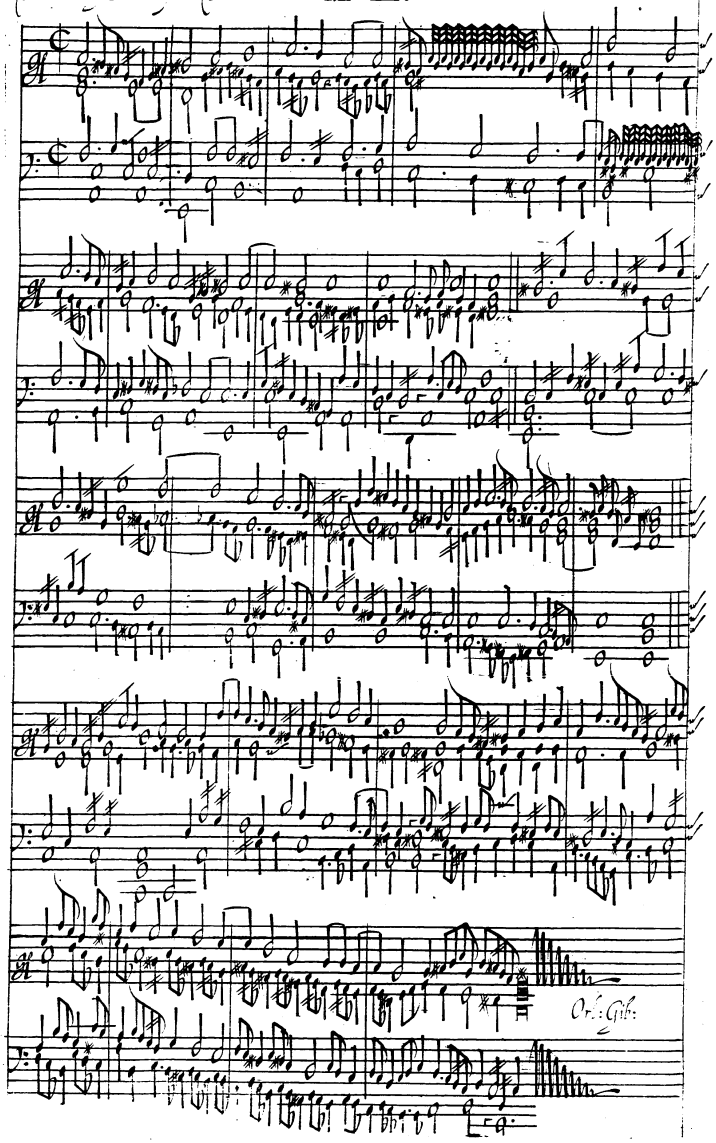

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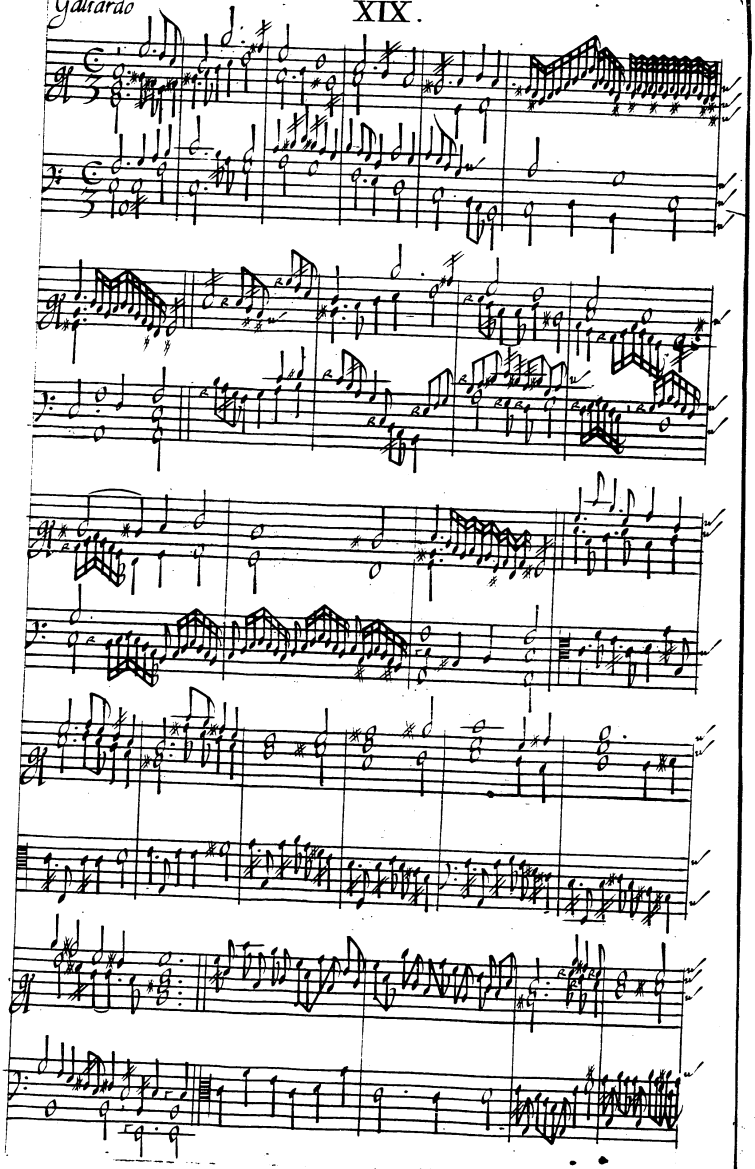

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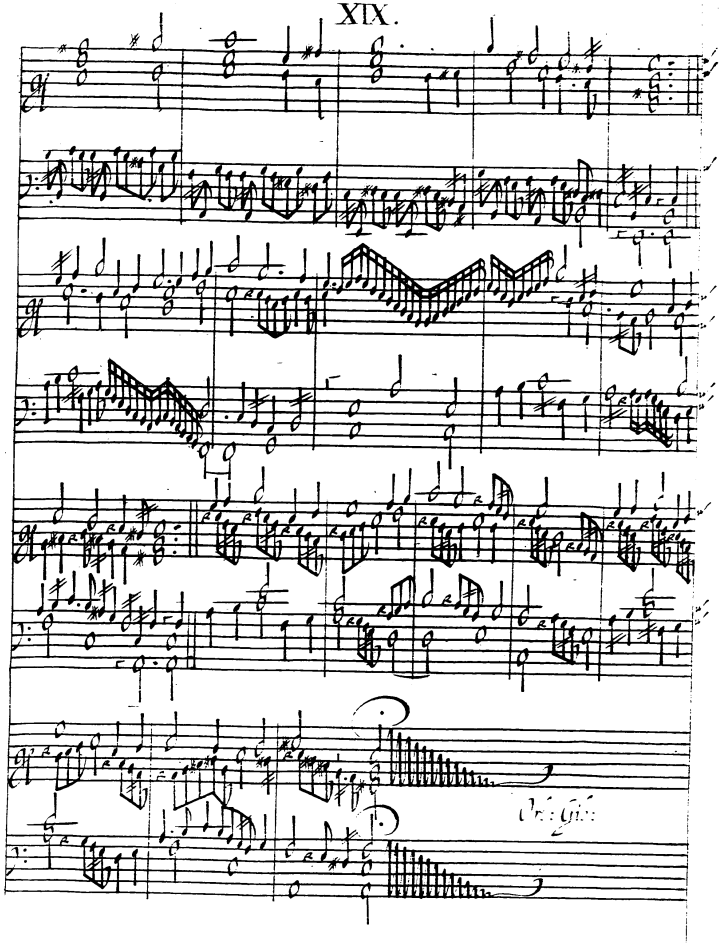

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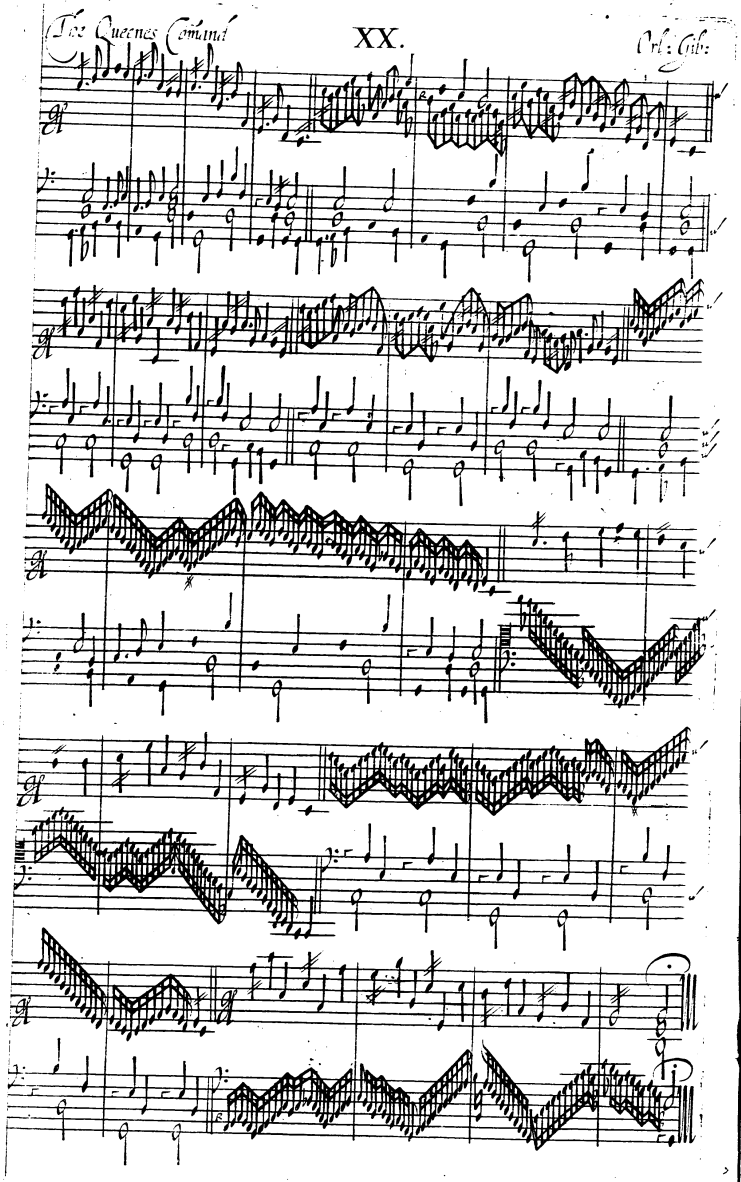

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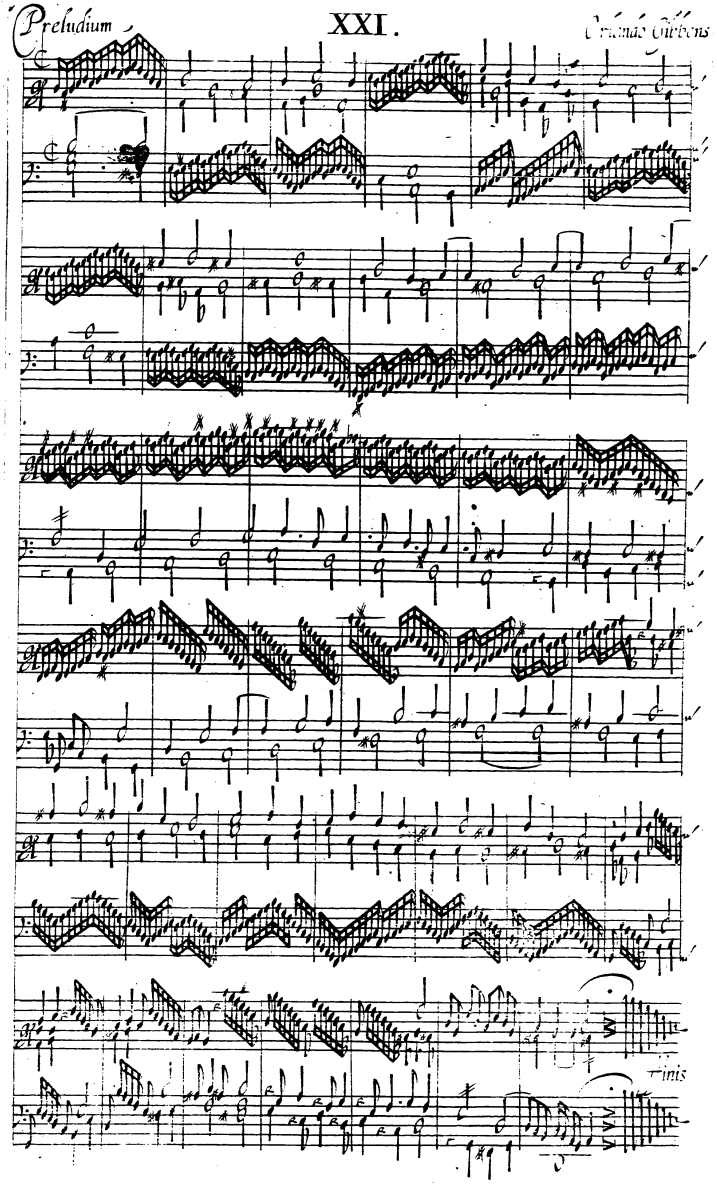
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