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In the present Catalogue is comprised a notice of the whole of the volumes relating to Music, contained in the Department of Manuscripts in the British Museum, up to the present period; with the exception only of such small pieces of musical notation, intermixed with Church Services, as were thought of not sufficient importance to be separately described. In preparing this Catalogue for press, the Public are chiefly indebted to the assiduity and labor of Thomas Oliphant, Esq., Secretary of the Madrigal Society, whose knowledge of the subject rendered his services of peculiar value; and to insure greater accuracy, the whole of the descriptions given have been subsequently compared with the originals, and revised by the Keeper of the Manuscripts.

F. MADDEN.

British Museum, 8th Dec. 1842.

GENERAL CATALOGUE

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MANUSCRIPT MUSIC.

1.

"Modus intonandi Hymnos per totum annum." Beginning,
"Dominica in adventu Domini." Vellum, Duodecimo.
xvth cent. [Royal Mss. 2 A. ii. fol. 94.]

2.

"Regula Sancti Bernardi de modo psallendi et cantandi in ecclesià." Begin. "Venerabilis sanctus Bernardus;" [See Ms. Harl. 5235. fol. 125.] followed by a note regarding the six syllables used in solmization. The volume in which this piece is contained, was written by "Johannes Celston," in 1466, as appears by a note at the end. Vellum. Quarto. [Royal Mss. 5 A. vi. fol. 30. 5.]

3.

The Genealogy of Christ, in Latin, adapted to musical notes.

A leaf is wanting in the middle. Vellum. Quarto. XIIIth cent. [Royal Mss. 7 A. iv. fol. 68.]

4.

Latin Hymns:

To the Virgin Mary. ff. 95 and 110 b. xivth cent. For different occasions. fol. 116. xvth cent. Vellum. Quarto. [Royal Mas. 7 A. vi.] Mss. 20 A. Xvi.]

French Songs for three voices, in	separate parts: the following
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and Josquin [des Pres].	
L'eure est venue. [Scored by Dr.	Elle en est hors du cueur fol. 39
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Helas de vous 37	Mes pensées ne me lessent 54
Ce n'est pas jeu	Mon cueur loyal 55
	rt of the xvth cent. [Royal

6.

A book of Latin Hymns for the Festivals. Vellum. Quarto. x11th cent. [Royal Mss. 2 B. iv.]

7.

A tract, intitled "The Praise of Musick, the profite and delight it bringeth to Man, and other the creatures of God, and the necessarye use of it in the service and Christian Churche of God." Begin. "As it may welle be counted a needles labour." Folio. Early part of the xviith cent. [Royal Mss. is B. xix. fol. 72.]

8

X

A description of the musical instruments mentioned in the Old Testament; ascribed to St. Jerome. Begin. "Tibi, Dardane, de aliis." Vellum. Quarto. XIth cent. [Royal Mss. 8 C. iii. fol. 1.]

Printed among the works of St. Jerome, ed. Paris, fol. 1706. tom. v. col. 191.

9

A book of Latin Hymns, in musical notation, without lines; a beautiful manuscript. Vellum. Quarto. xith cent. [Royal Mss. 8 c. xiii.]

10.

Three anonymous treatises, begin.

"Est autem unisonus," fol. 50. xrvth cent.

"Cum in isto tractatu de figuris." fol. 54. xivth cent.

"Cognita modulatione melorum." fol. 59. xiiith cent. Vellum. Quarto. [Royal Mss. 12 C. vi.] addit.

See other copies of these treatises in Ms. Sleane 4909.

11.

St. Augustine, his six books on Music (composed towards the end of the fourth century). They are printed with his other works. Vellum. Folio. xivth cent. [Royal Mss. 5 p. x. fol. 50.]

12.

A volume, finely written, containing a Latin poem in honour of King Henry VIII., beginning "Psallite felices," set to music for four voices by — Sampson; also Latin Motetts for three, four, and five voices, one of which is composed by Sampson, and another by Benedictus de Opiciis. At the beginning is a circular enigmatical "Canon fuga in dyatessaron," with an illuminated rose in the centre. This volume belonged to Henry VIII. On the fly-leaf is the following inscription, "Me ficri ac componi fecit, P. O. 1516." Vellum. Folio. [Royal Mss. 11 E. xi.]

13.

A finely written collection of Latin Hymns or Motetts for four voices, originally belonging to King Henry VIII. The composers' names do not appear.

Bound up with this volume is an enigmatical canon in a circular form, to the words "Honi soit qui mal y pense." Vellum. Folio. Early part of the xvith cent. [Royal Mss. 8 G. vii.]

14.

The Lamentations of Jeremiah, in Latin, for five voices, in separate parts. 5 vols. Quarto. xvith cent. [Append. to Royal Mss. 12-16.]

15.

Motetts to Latin words, for six, eight, nine, and ten voices, collected by, or originally belonging to, Dyricke Gerarde, whose name is on the title-page. Two of the part books are im-

D. V to be Call	Viri Galilei fol. 29 /
Derelinquat impius fol. 1	
Gloria tibi Trinitas (cum pari-	Cumque intuerentur 30 & Non meminerat Deus 31 &
bus vocibus) 2	
Nunquid adheret 2 5.	Omnis caro fœnum 32 /
Et factus est 3 b.	Vere feenum est populus 33 8
Puer qui natus est 4 b.	Magi veniunt
Hic precursor 5 6.	Interrogabat magos 35
Domine clamavi 6 b.	Domine da mihi 36
Vide humilitatem (canon in dia-	Honor virtus et potestas 37
pente) 7 b.	Trinitati lux perhennis 38
Animam meam 8 b.	In monte Oliveti 39
Congregamini et properate 9 b.	Verumptamen non sicut ego volo 40
Aspice Domine 10 δ.	Deus qui superbis 41
Lucture Jherusalem 11 &.	Ego autem cantabo 41
Quare tristis 12 b.	Timor et tremor 42
Versa est in luctum 13 b.	Exaudi Deus 43
Cutis mea denigrata est 14 b.	Hodie nobis colorum rex 43
Da mihi domine 15 b.	Gloria in excelsis 44
Occurrerunt Maria et Martha . 16 b.	Angelus ad pastores 45
Videns Jesus 17 b.	Hodie Christus natus est 45
Dum transisset 18 b.	Murus aneus 46
Et valde mane 19 5.	In tribulatione mea 47
Tribulationem nostram 20 5.	Laudate Dominum 48
Venite ad me	Noe, noe, exultemus 48
Sic Deus dilexit	Laudemus omnes 49
Peccantem me quotidie 23 b.	Illuminare Jherusalem 49
Deus in nomine tuo 24 b.	Cognovi Domine 50
Domine ne memineris 25 b.	Veniant mihi 50
Adjuva nos Deus 26 b.	Gratia vobis 51
Ad te levavi 27 b.	Laus Deo patri 51
Minerere nostri 28 b.	Commence of the Commence of th

N.B. The foliation refers to the Superius Book.

6 vols. Oblong Quarto. xvith cent. [Append. to Royal Mss. 17-22.]

16.

Motetts and Songs to Latin, French, English, and Italian words. It does not appear for how many voices they were written; but only three parts are here given: viz., Cantus, Contra Tenor, and Tenor.

At the end of the Cantus book is a fragment of what seems to be a canon in four parts, composed by Dyricke Gerarde, by whom probably the collection was made. The names of the composers do not appear.

Reviens vers moy		fol	3	Le bergier et la bergiere fol. 8 6.
Pandalidon			3 %.	Peccata mea Domine 9 6.
Angelus Domini			46.	Ce mois de May 10 b.
Ego Dominus	1 .		56.	Miserere mei Deus 11 &
Scions joieulx		139	6 4.	Je ne suis pas de ces gens la . 12 5.
Joieusement il faict .			74	Misit me vivens Pater 13 &.