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PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION

The modern disciple of Art has here presented not a book for mere entertainment, but a work embodying a course of exercise and study which is necessary, in order to become possessed of a technical knowledge which will answer the demands of our art and our age. Unmindful of the transitory success of superficial routine, and aloof from that ostentatious musical clique-nuisance which everywhere makes itself conspicuous, the young musician must subject himself to a strict discipline, one that will enable him to become conscious of his position in the progressive development of art.

In the present edition, this work has suffered as little change essentially, as in its second. For the purpose of introducing Dispersed Harmony, several special exercises have been added, that are of a sufficiently advanced position to enable their being worked out with facility. In the subject of Modulation, the definiteness of the bounds of its three divisions, and clearness have been enhanced by a somewhat different distribution of the subject-matter. All other additions and emendations aim at simplification, and lucidity of statement. The succession of lessons and exercises has remained the same. The reduction of the number of explanatory examples is but apparently an abridgment, it having

been deemed advantageous in some cases to contract several into a single one.

May this new edition, which is founded upon thirty years of professional experience, prove to be useful to a rising generation zealous in art.

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