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FOR

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Although a number of those works were engraved, printed and are regularly performed today, performance scores for a considerable number of compositions, both large-scale and more intimate works, are not available. These works were either never engraved or were engraved and printed but are no longer available in the publishers' catalogues. While the existence of these works is documented in biographies of the composers, the ability to study and, most importantly, to perform these compositions is not possible.

Changes in the International copyright laws, coupled with changing musical tastes, played a pivotal role in creating this void. As a result, music publishers lost the ability to generate revenue from the sale/rental of such music. In 1964, holograph and copyist scores from both Novello and from publishers it represented were offered to the British Library and the Royal College of Music Library (see The RCM Novello Library – The Musical Times, Feb. 1983 by Jeremy Dibble).

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Document Software: Affinity *Music Notation Reference:* Behind Bars by Elaine Gould, Faber Music © 2011

Concert - Overture

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Andante sostenuto.

8

1-8

mf

dim.

12

mp

rit.....

Allegro con brio

4

16-19

20

f

fz

26-32

7

33

A

ff

40

marcato

f

cresc.

rit.

B

Tempo

12

1

ff

47-58

64

7

70-76

77 *marcato* *f* 83-89

[C] 90-92 *f* *mp* *f*

98

103 *ff* [D] 107-111

112 *ff* *dim.* *mp* 117-122

rall.....Tempo

123 *rit.*.....Tempo *rit.* Tempo *f* 124-128

135 [E]

141 *f* *ff*

145

Musical notation for measures 145-148. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The melody is written on a single staff. Measure 145: G4 (quarter), A4 (quarter), B4 (quarter), A4-G4 (beamed eighth notes), F#4 (quarter), E4 (quarter), D4 (half). Measure 146: D4 (half), C4 (half), B3 (half), A3 (half), G3 (half), F#3 (half), E3 (half), D3 (half). Measure 147: D4 (half), C4 (half), B3 (half), A3 (half), G3 (half), F#3 (half), E3 (half), D3 (half). Measure 148: D4 (half), C4 (half), B3 (half), A3 (half), G3 (half), F#3 (half), E3 (half), D3 (half). The piece ends with a double bar line.

149

rit..... **F** Tempo

f

155

f

160



165

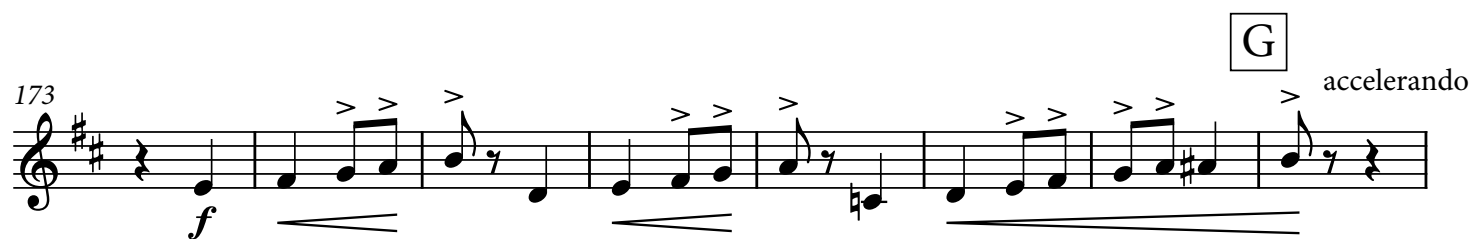
cresc.

fz

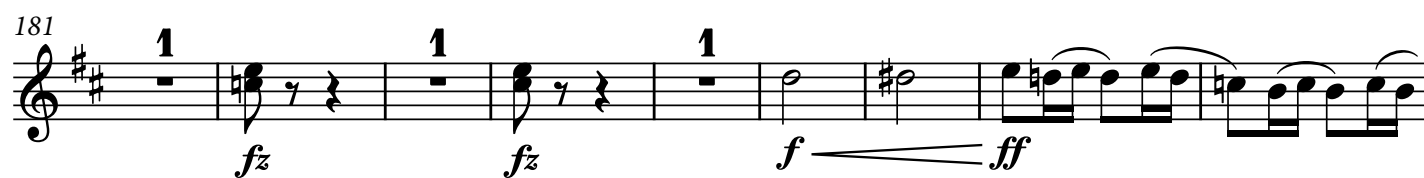
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170-172

173 G *accelerando*



181



190



195 *rall.....*



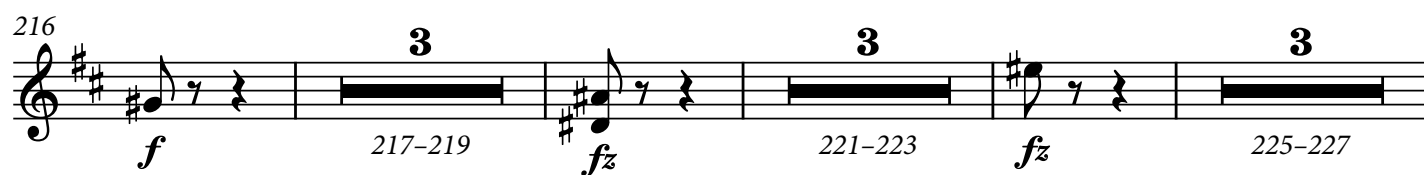
200 H *Tempo*



207 *rit.* I *Tempo*



216



228



234 *rall.* *Attacca* *Andante espressivo*

1 **1** **1** **9**

ff *ff*

242–250

K

251 *mp* *pp* *unis.*

mp *cresc.* *pp* *unis.*

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Più Animato (Quasi Allegro)

258 *p* *p*

2 **6**

260–261 262–267

269 *mf* *mf*

4

272–275

277 *unis.* *2* *unis.*

281–282

283 **M**

1 *mf* *p* 1 *pp* rit.....

2 *pp*

289 Tempo I (Andante)

1 *mp* 2 *mp*

290-297

molto rit..... **N** Allegro con brio

3 *p* 1 *pp* 2 *f*

302-304 308-309

unis. unis.

311

3 *f*

315-317

319

fz *ff*

325 **O**

3 *f*

332-334

335

mf

f marcato

342

7

P

3

345-351

352-354

f

356

mp *f*

362

ff

385 rit. Tempo arco **3**

391-393

394 *poco accelerando*



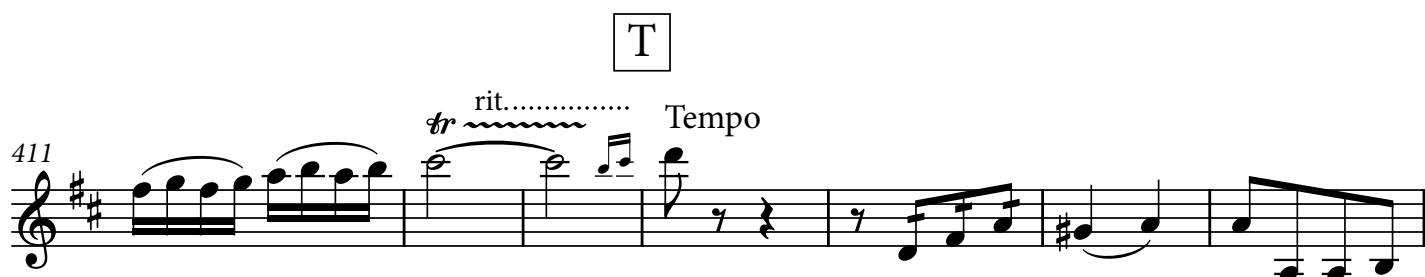
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406 *cresc.*



411 *tr* *rit.....* *Tempo*



418



425 *f*



435 *ff*



443

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6

445-450

ff

ff

ff

456

1

ff



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