Q. How are the accents placed in compound com-

mon time, for instance, in §?

A. When two dotted quarters (crotchets) are introduced, the first is accented, and the others unaccented.



Q. How are the accents placed in triple time?

A. The first part of the measure is accented, the second and third parts unaccented.



In a slow movement, when each measure consists of six eighths (quavers), the first, third, and fifth eighths (quavers) are accented; the second, fourth, and sixth are unaccented.

Q. Does every piece of music always begin with

the first part of the measure?

A. No; for the sake of keeping the accents in their proper places, a piece frequently begins with the last part of the measure; then the last part of the piece or strain must be short of that part. See Ex.1, p.44.

2.—ON EMPHASIS.

Q. What is meant by emphasis?

A. Emphasis is a deviation from the rules given concerning the accents; it takes place when a note which should not be accented has a stress given to it; for instance, in common time, the second and fourth parts of the measure are unaccented; should a stress be laid on one of these parts, it will be termed an emphasis.

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