

## Graces, Marks, Signs and Words.

The principal *Graces* of melody—used in modern music are:—the *Appoggiatura*, the *Accent* ( $>$  or  $\wedge$ ), the *Bind* or *Slur*, the *Turn* ( $\infty$  or  $\mathcal{Z}$ ), the *Mordente* ( $\omega$ ), the *Trillo* or *Shake* ( $\text{tr}$ ), etc. all of which may be found in a Dictionary of Musical terms.

Written:—  
APPOGG'ATURA.  
Played:—

A *Bind* (—), a curved line, uniting two notes of the same name.

*Slur*, also marked (—), indicates that the notes are to be played smoothly.

Written:—  
THE TURN.  
Played:—

Written:—  
THE MORDENTE.  
Played:—

A *Pause* (⊖), prolongs a note or rest, beyond its proper value; it is also used to indicate a finish.

Written:—  
THE SHAKE.  
Played:—

*D. C. Da Capo*—from the beginning. *D. S. Dal Segno*—from the  $\text{S}$ .

*mf mezzo-forte*—rather loud. *f forte*—loud. *ff double-forte*—very loud.

*p piano*—softly. *pp double-piano*—very softly.

*sf sfz sforzando*—emphasised. *Unis. Unisoni*—together.

*cresc. crescendo* or  $\text{<}$  with increasing tone.

*decresc. decrescendo* or  $\text{>}$  *dim. diminuendo*—with decreasing tone.

*leg. legato*—in a gliding style. *stacc. staccato*—detached, distinct.

*dol. dolce*—sweetly. *Cantabile*—in a singing style.

*Assai*—very. *Molto*—much. *Sempre*—always. *a tempo*—in time.

*Modo Moderato*—Moderately. *Largo*—broad, dignified. *Maestoso*—Majestically.

*Più mosso*—more quickly. *Meno mosso*—less quickly.

*poco a poco*—little by little. *Sostenuto*—sustained.

*string. stringendo* or *accel. accelerando*—increasing the time.

*rall. rallentando* or *rit. ritardando*—decreasing the time.

*Lento*—slow, lingering. *Larghetto*—not so slow as *Lento*.

*Adagio*—slowly, leisurely. *Andantino*—slower than *Andante*.

*Andante*—moving easily. *Allegretto*—quicker than *Andante*.

*Allegro*—lively, briskly. *Vivace* or *Vivo*—quicker than *Allegro*.

*Presto*—quickly, rapidly. *Prestissimo*—at the utmost speed.