Organ Interludes
on
Plainchant Melodies

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He who does God's work does not do so in vain.

Extract from the Instruction on Sacred Music by H.H. Pope Pius X., November 22, 1903.

" [Sacred Music] must be *holy :* shutting the door on everything profane not merely in composition, but also in execution. It must be *true art :* without which its effect on the hearer will not be that contemplated by the Church in admitting the art of musical sound into her liturgy. At the same time it must be *universal :* which means that, while church music may lawfully reflect the national colour or style of its composer, the national style must ever be dominated by the ecclesiastical to such an extent that the listening foreigner may never be at a loss to recognise the church music of any nation as unquestionably sacred. . . . The organ, whether used to accompany singing, or for preludes, interludes, and the like, must not only be played in the style befitting its nature as an instrument, but must exhibit, too, each and every quality already enumerated as being essential to true church music." §§ 2, 18.

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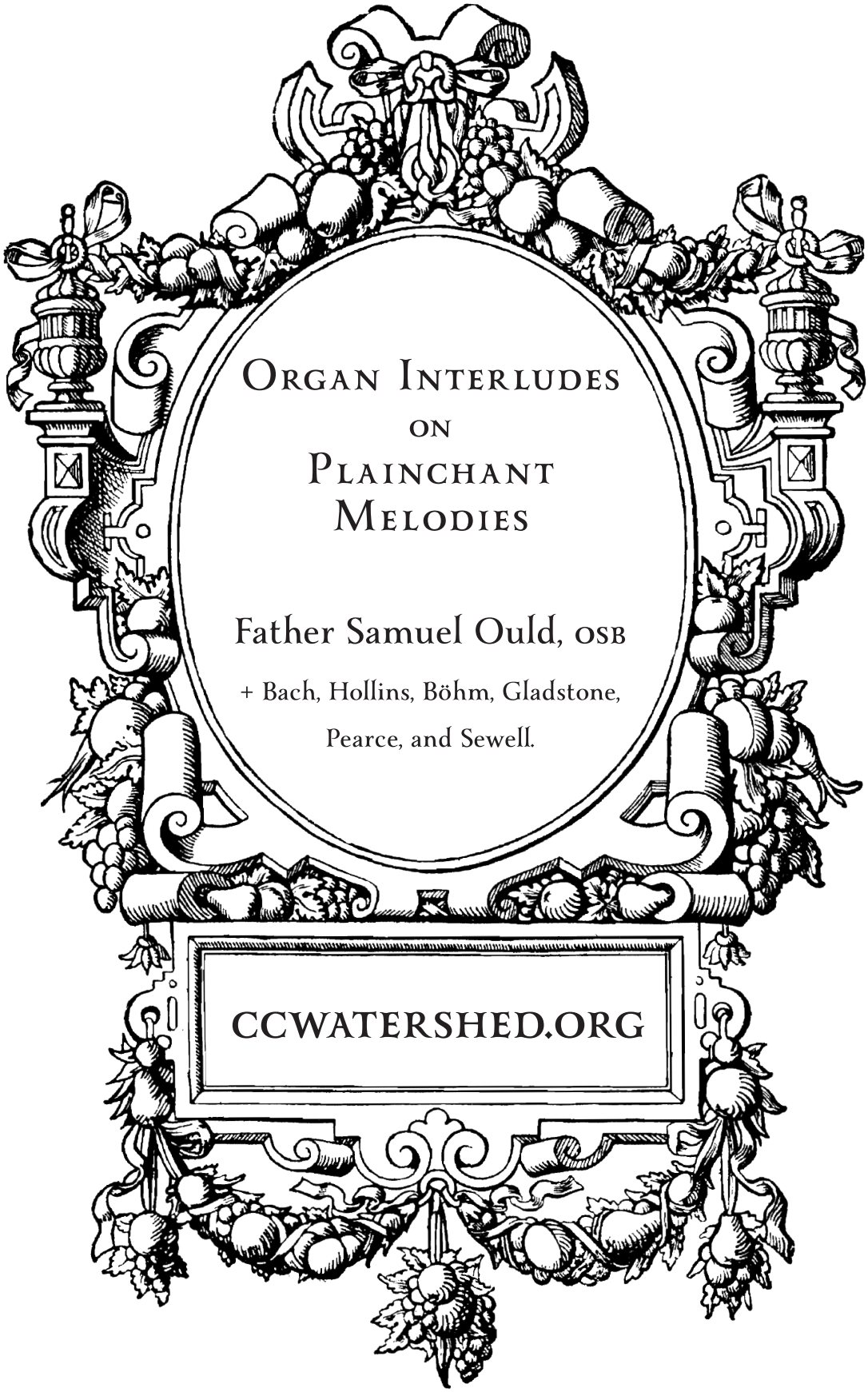
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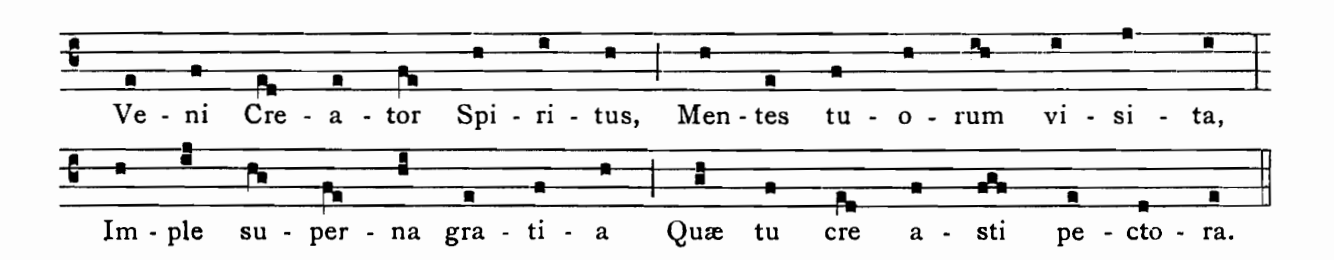

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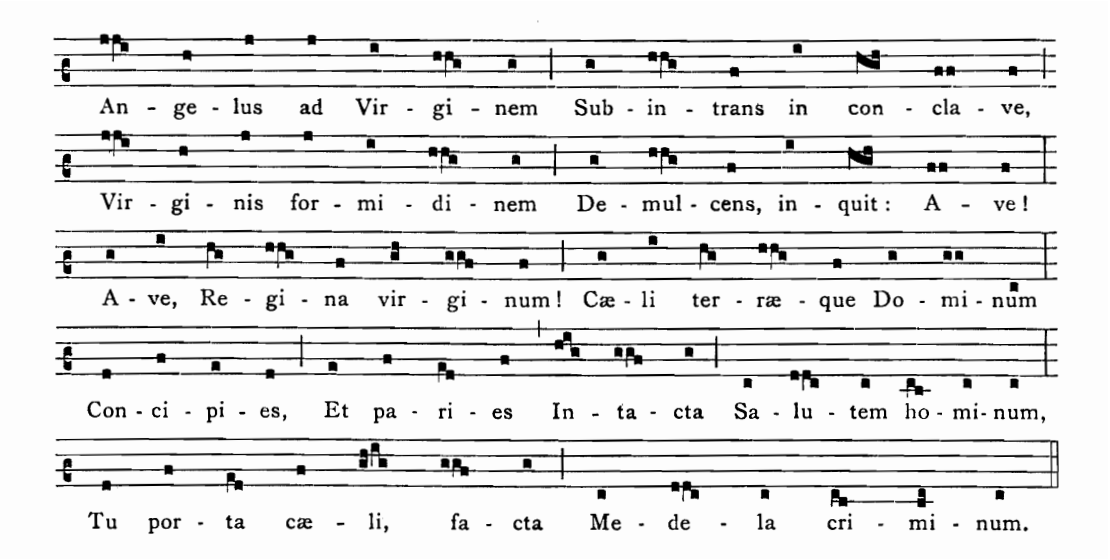

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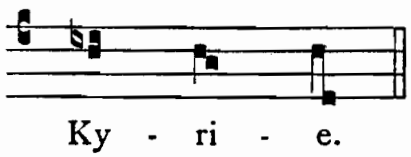

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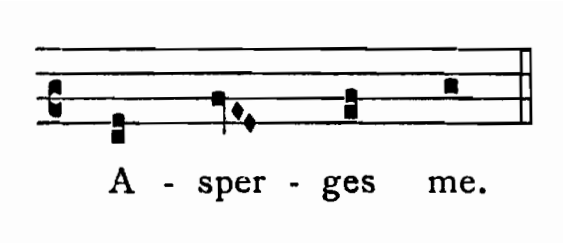

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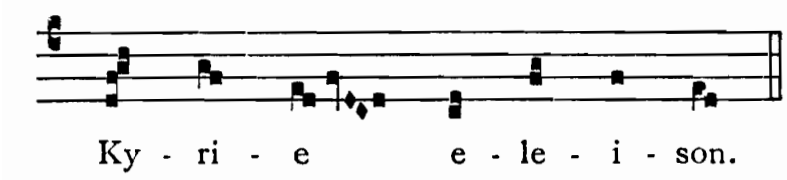

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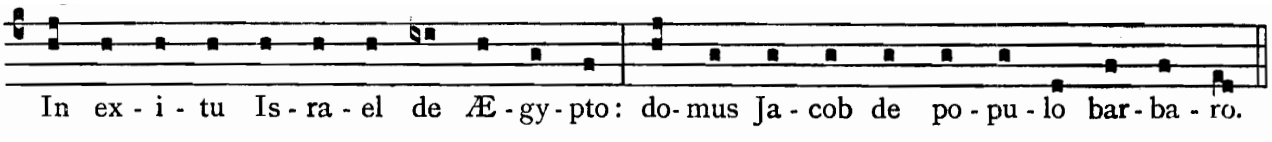

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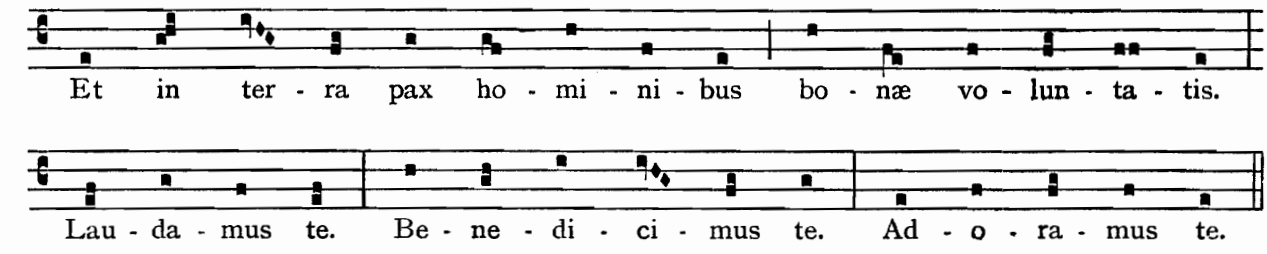

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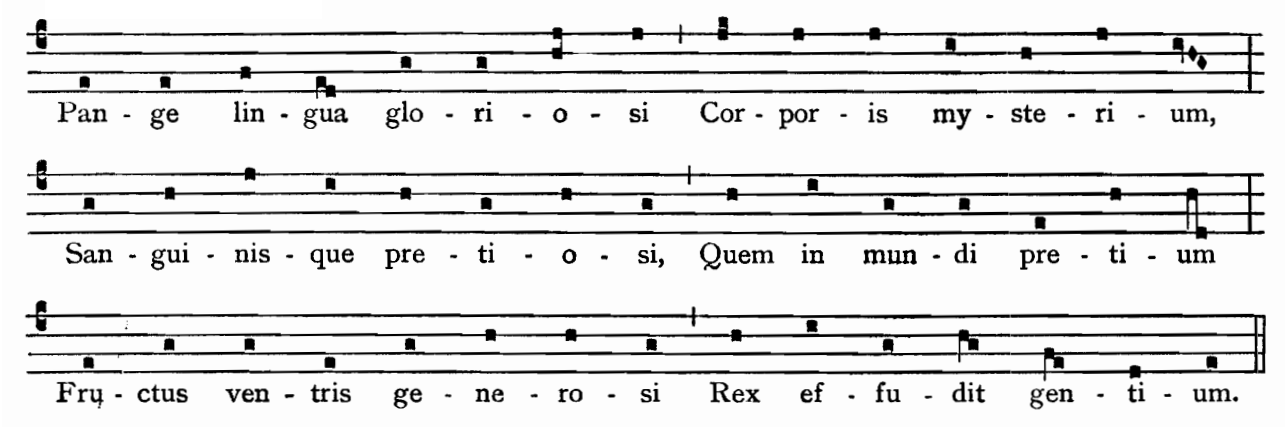

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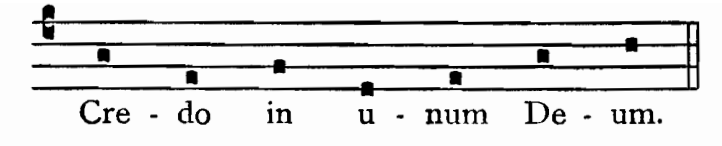

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Orgelbüchlein, Nº 33.
Weimar-Cöthen period.

J. S. Bach.
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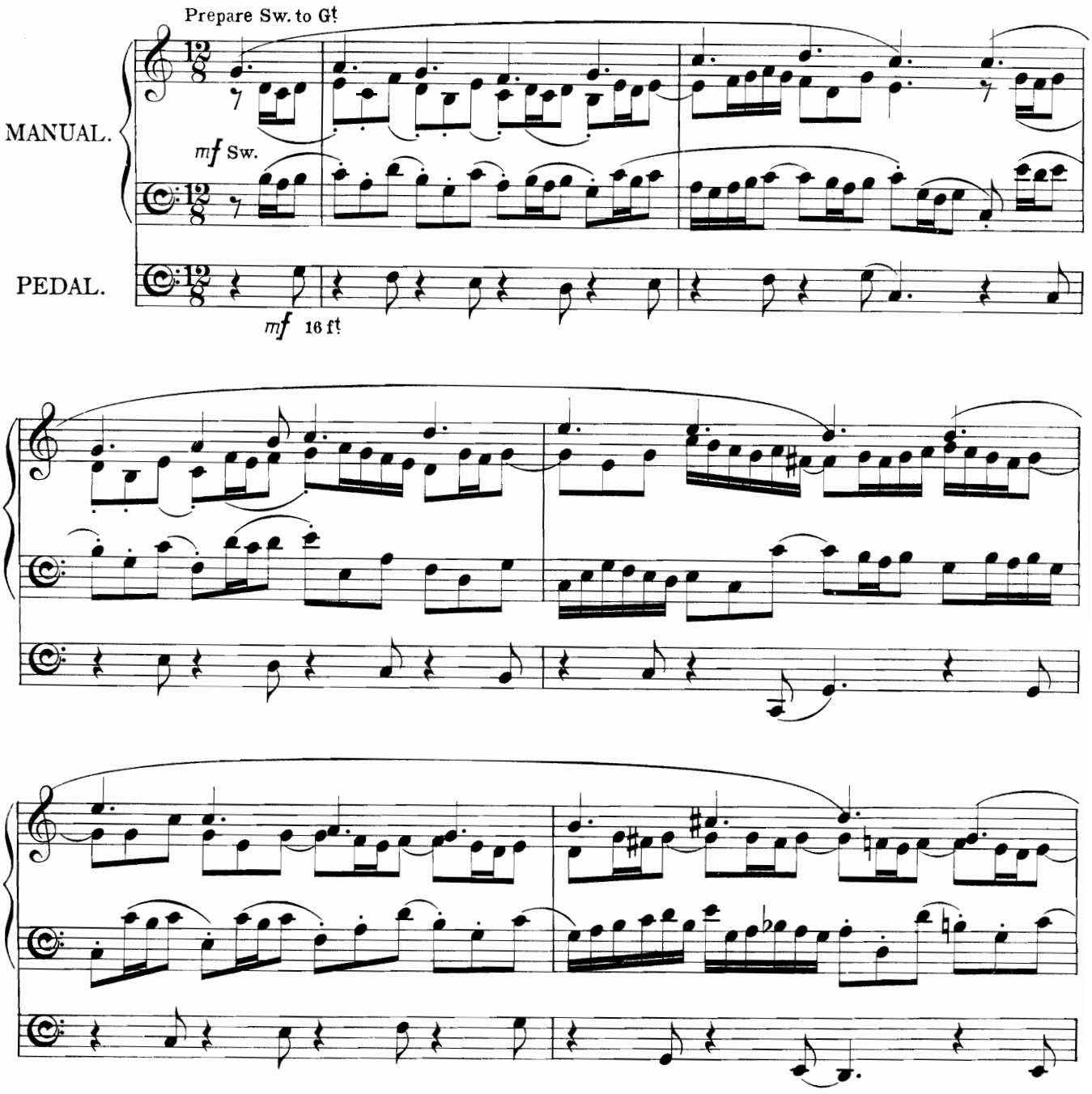
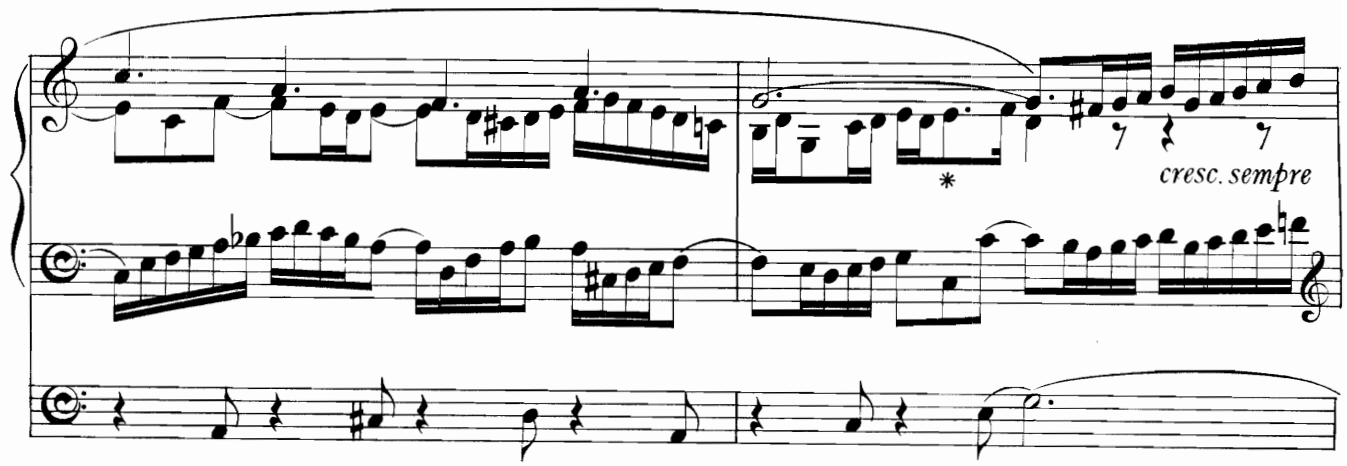
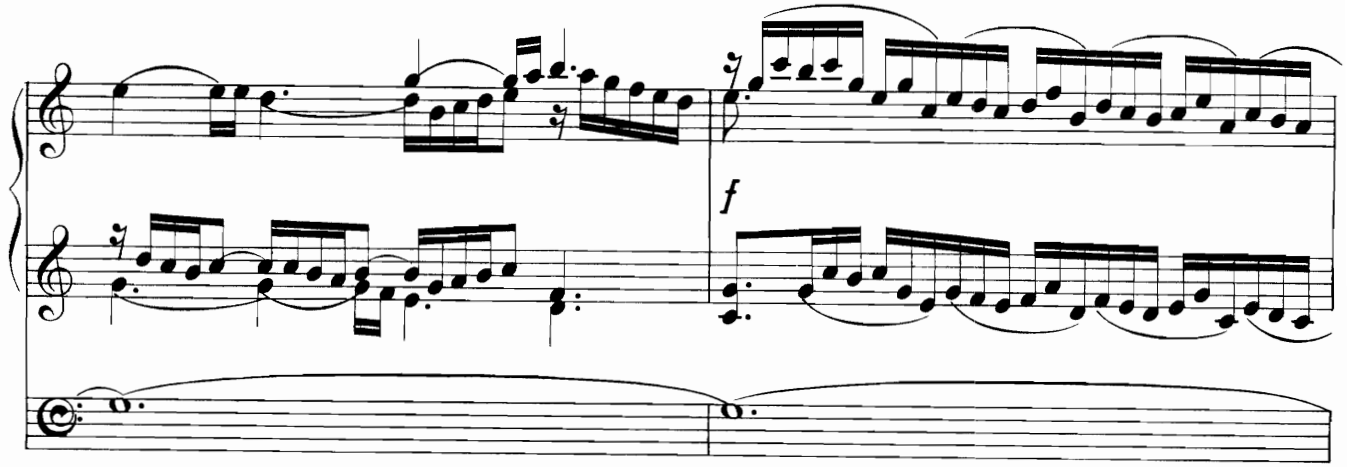
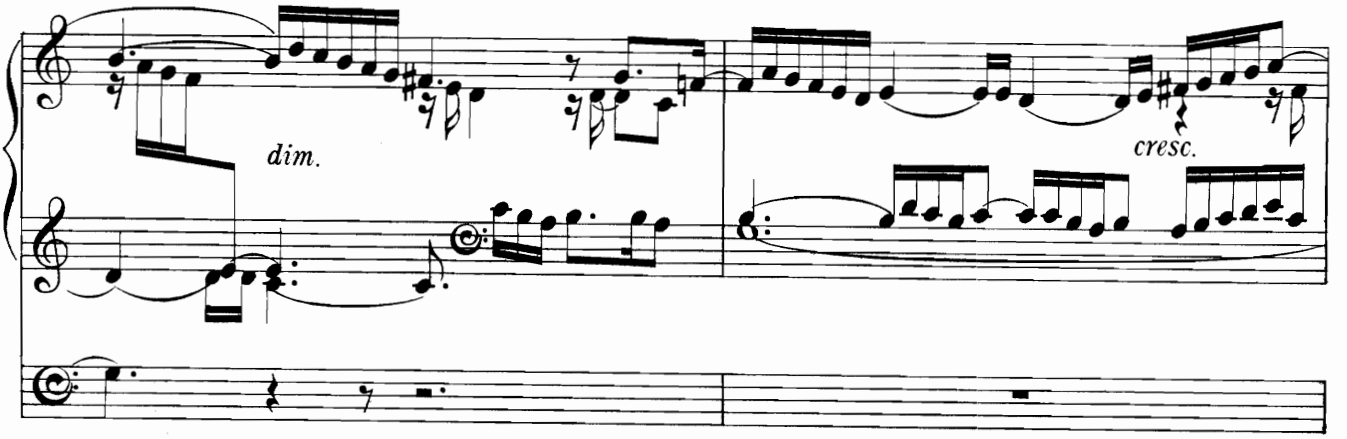
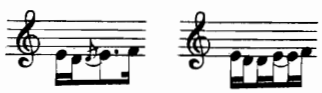
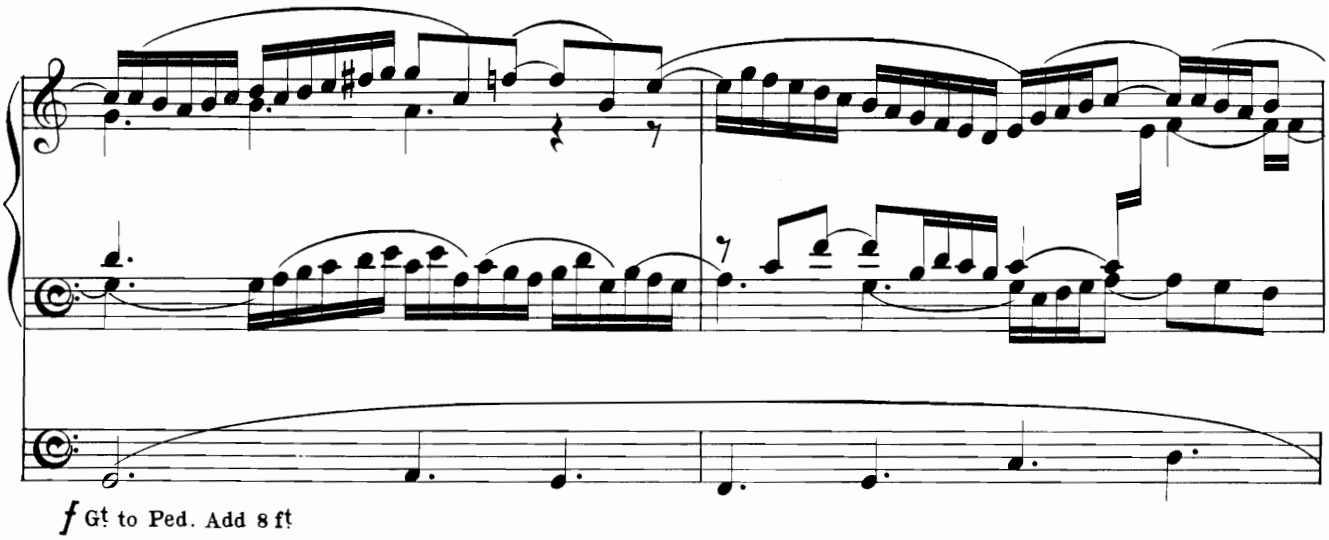


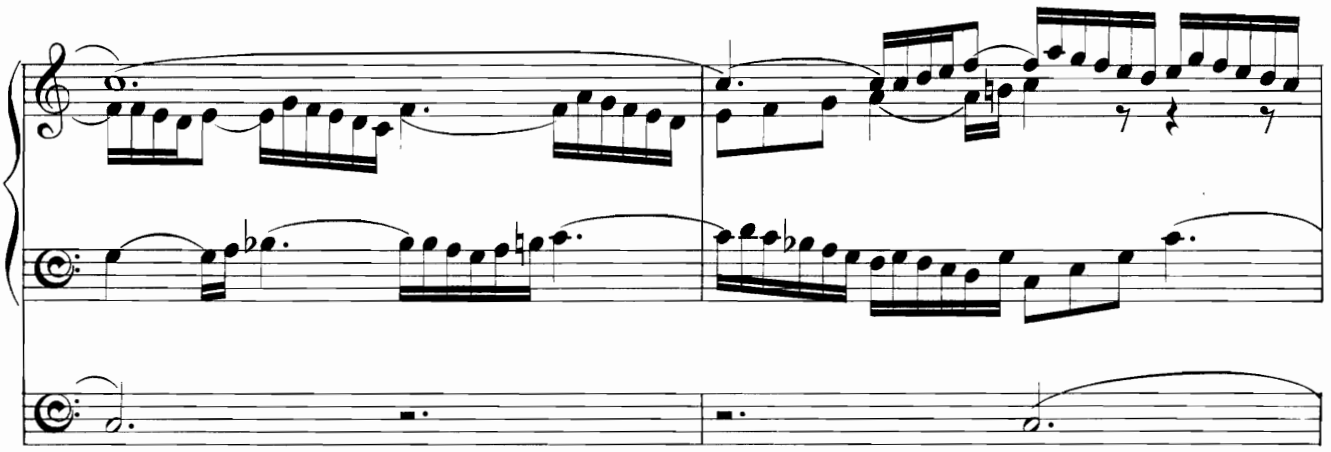






* Other readings 





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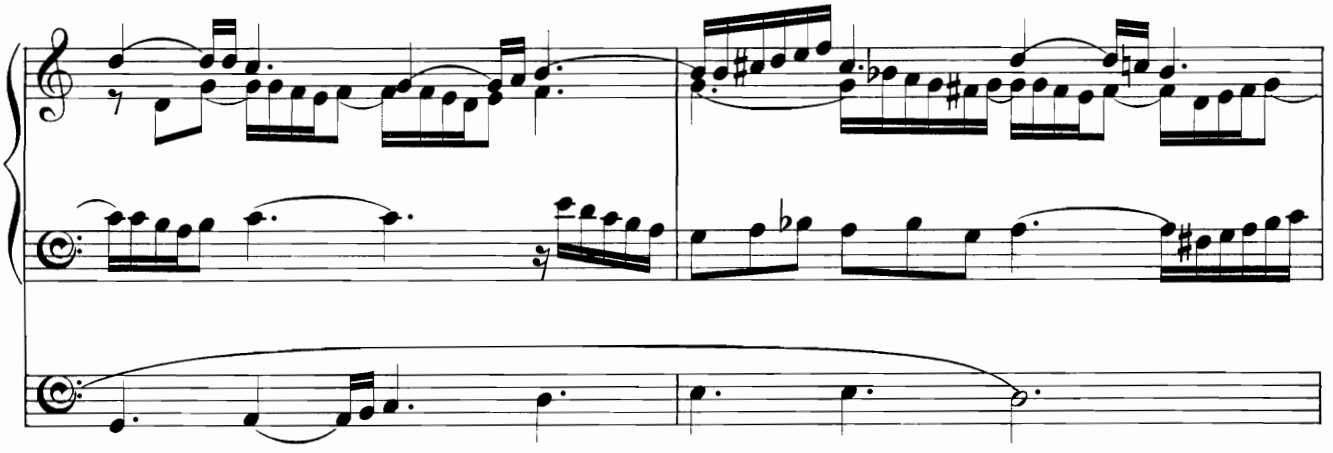
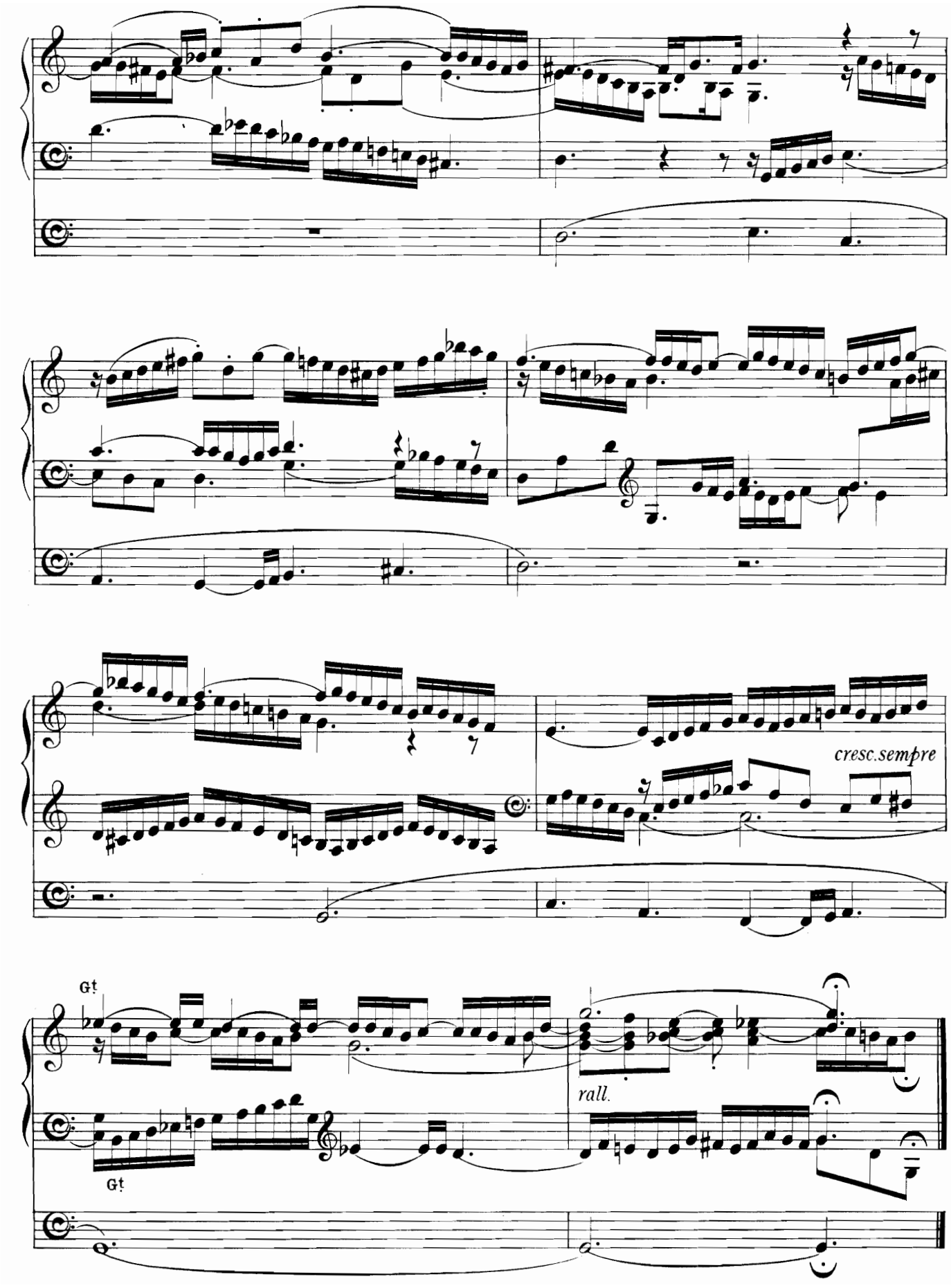
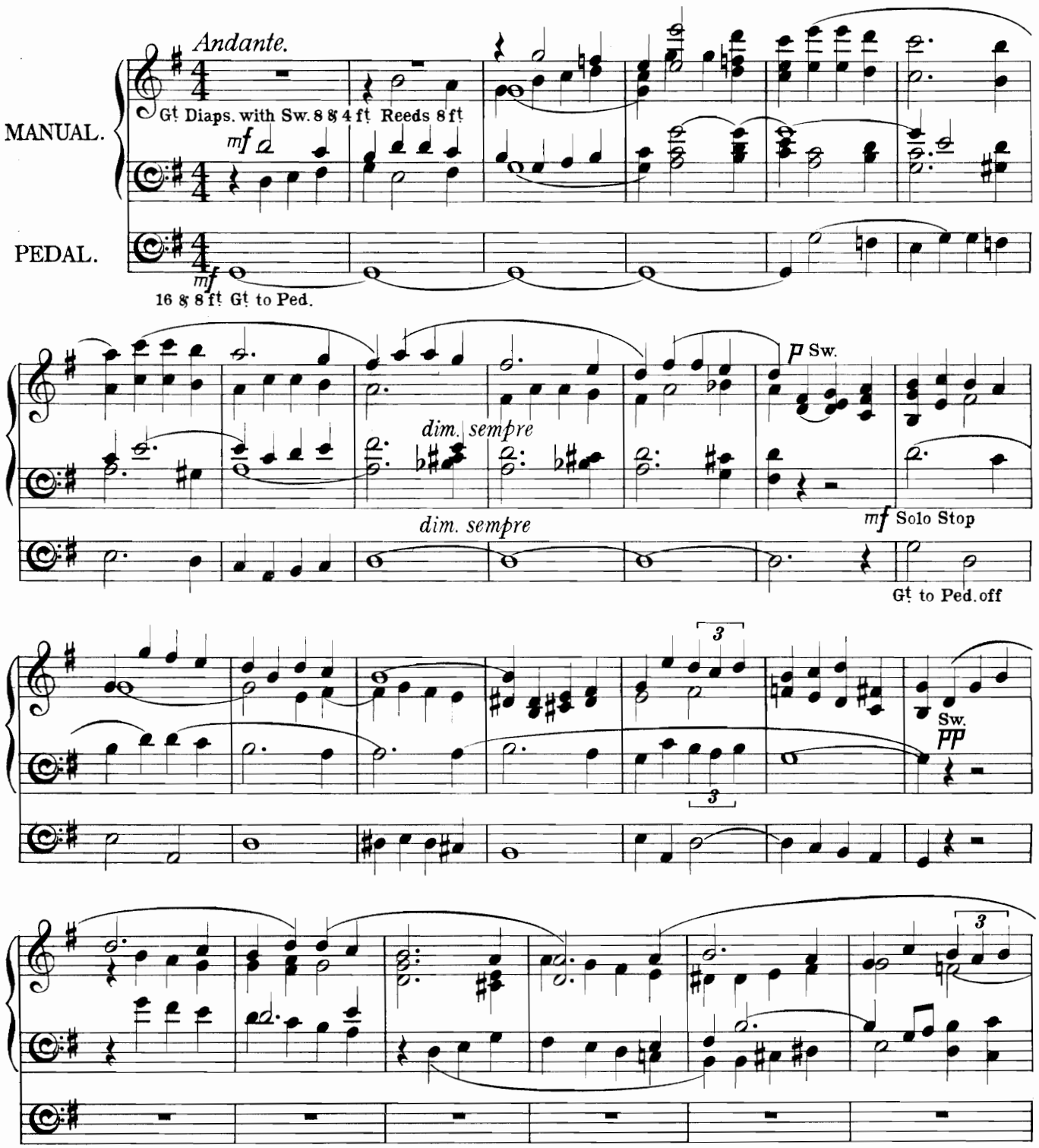
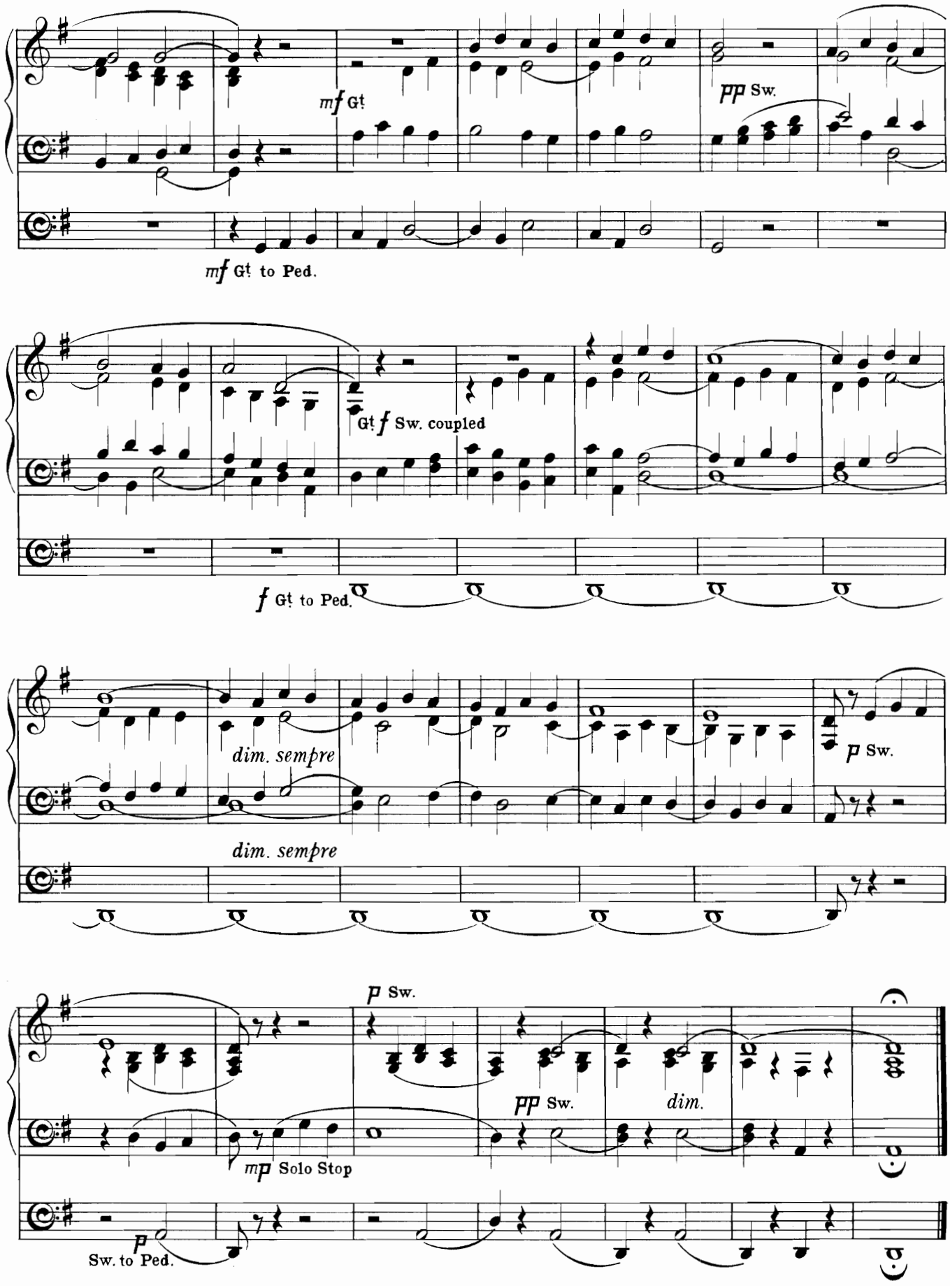



cresc.sempre
Gt
rall.
Gt

Prelude on the theme
ANGELUS AD VIRGINEM.*

Alfred Hollins.

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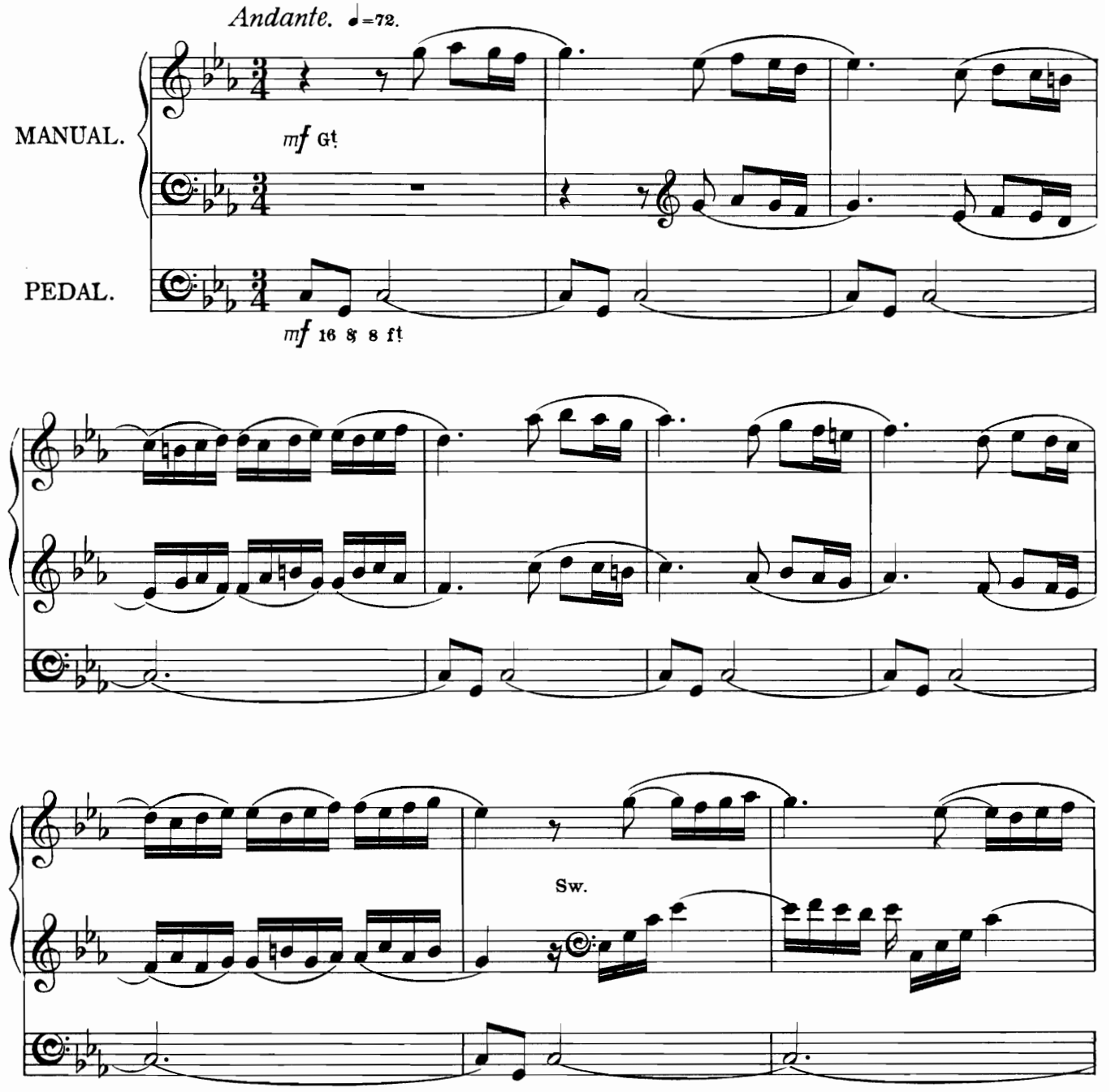
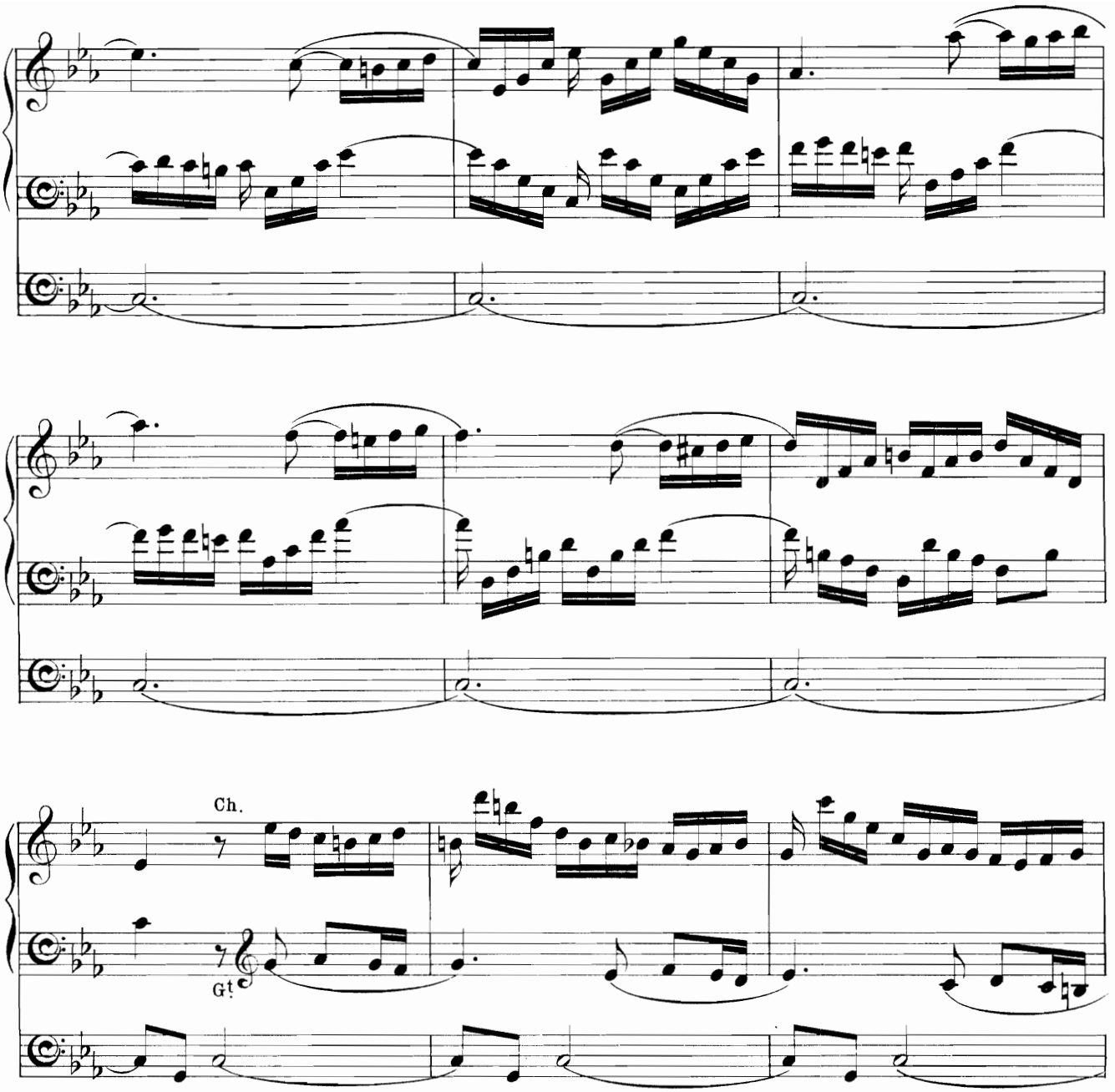
pp Sw.
mf Gt to Ped.
Gt f Sw. coupled
f Gt to Ped.
dim. sempre
p Sw.
dim. sempre
p Sw.
pp Sw.
dim.
mp Solo Stop
p
Sw. to Ped.

Voluntary on the theme
ORBIS FACTOR.

S. Gregory Ould.





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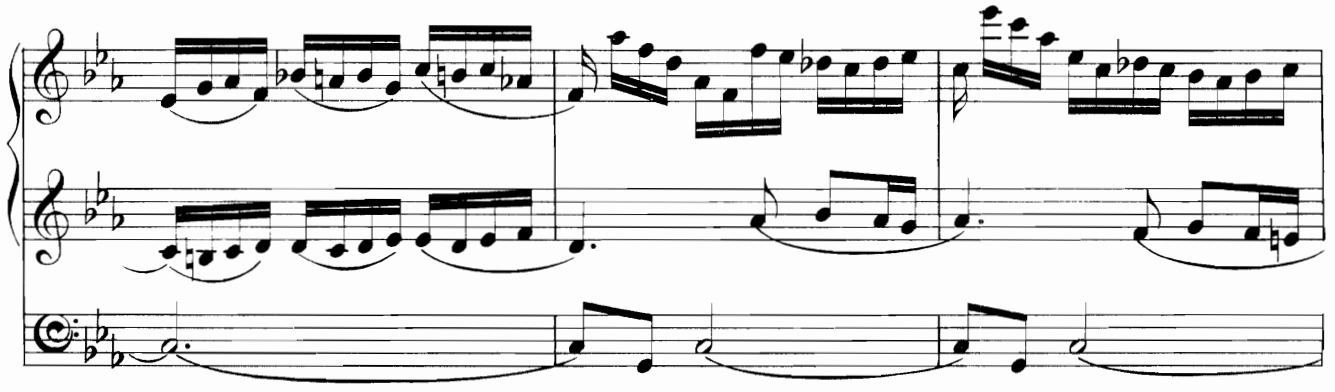

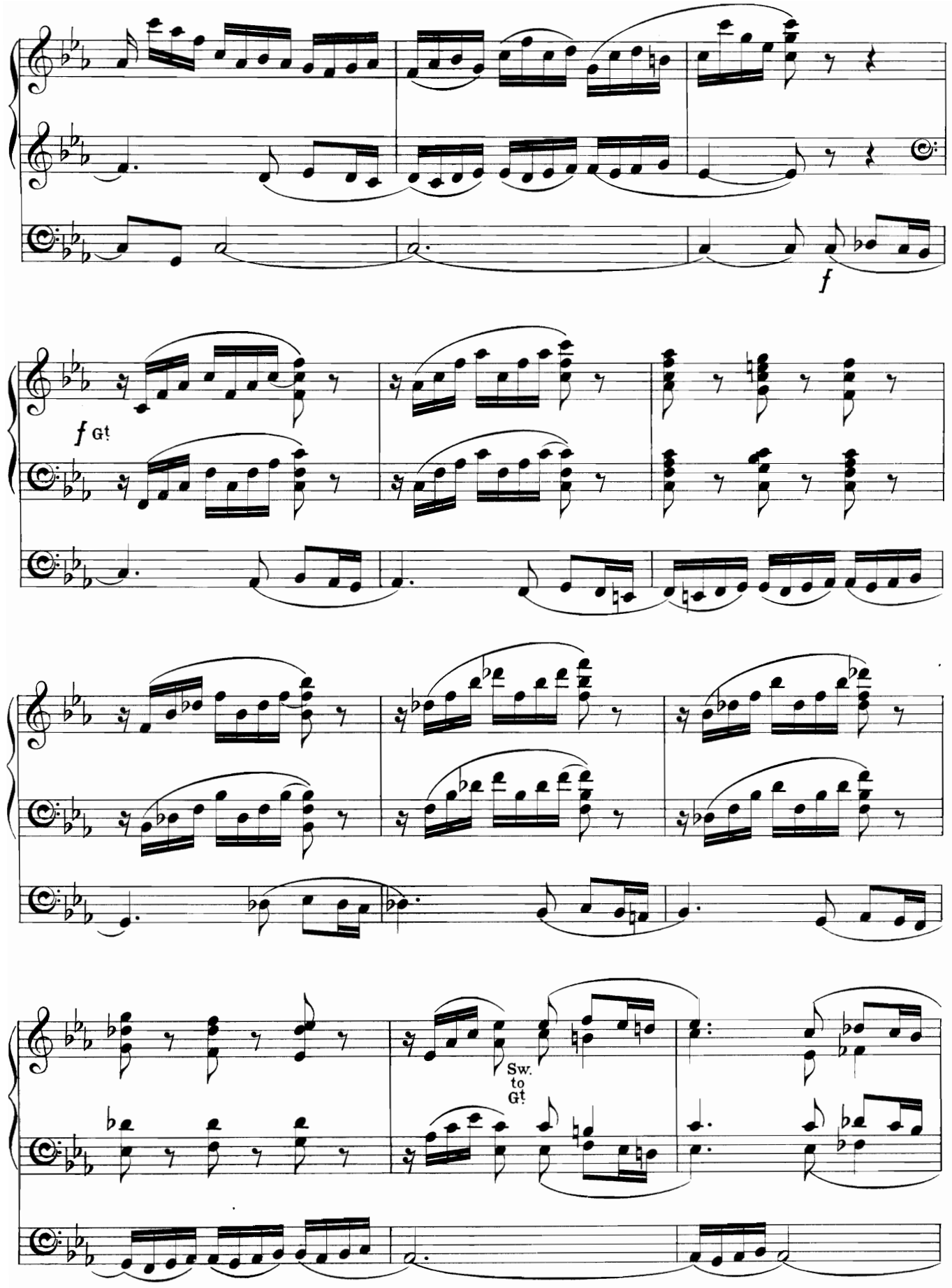
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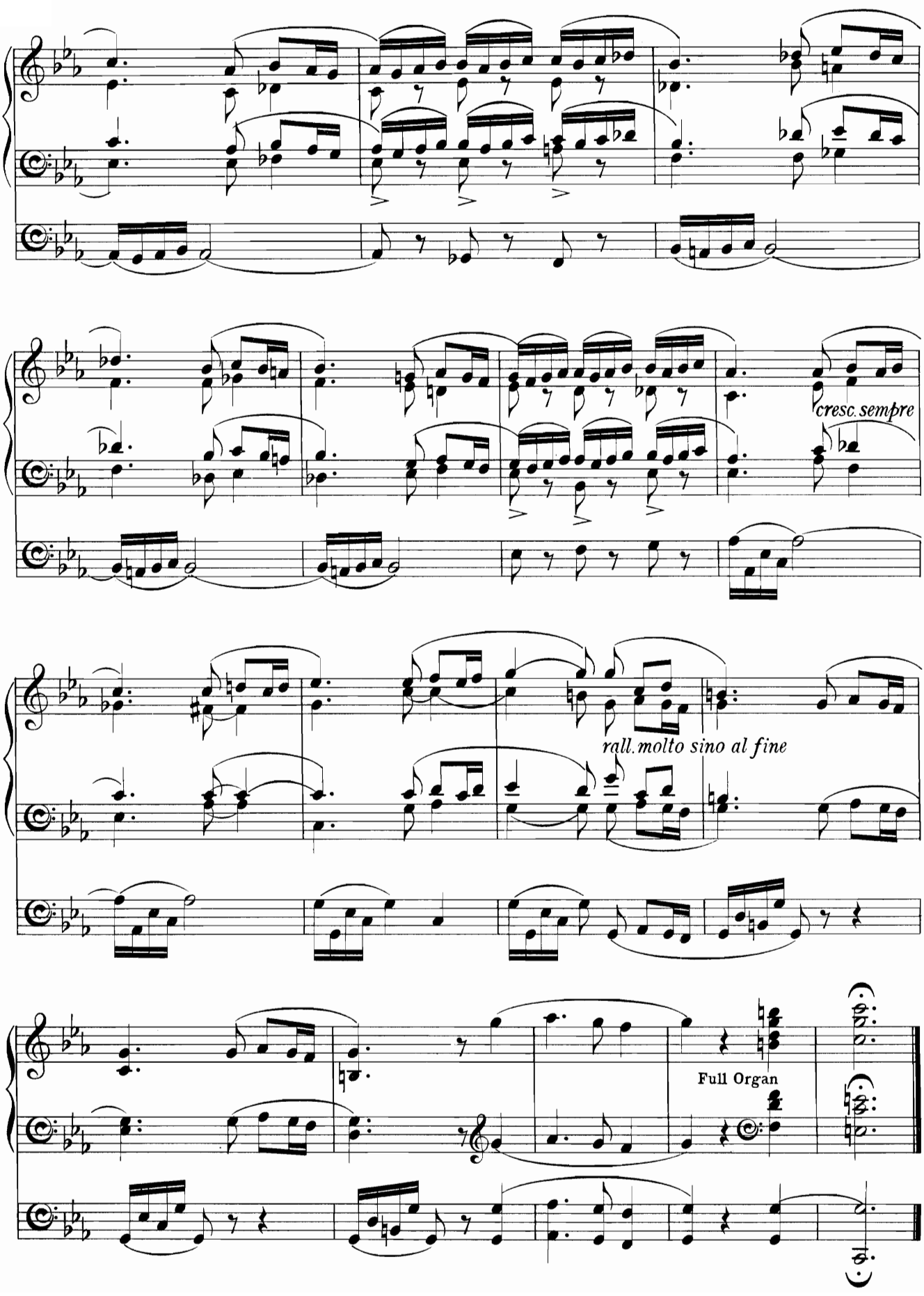
f Gt
Sw.
to
Gt


cresc. sempre
rall. molto sino al fine
Full Organ

Eight Verses in the Church Modes.

(Composed for Bursledon.)

S. Gregory Ould.

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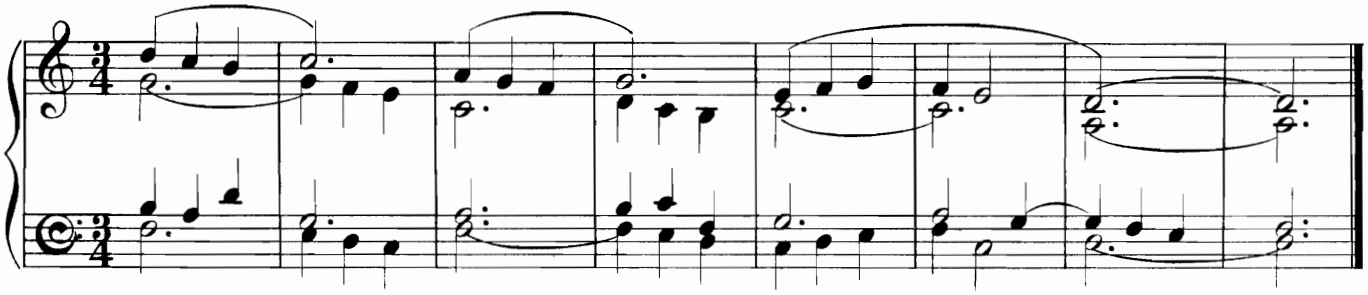

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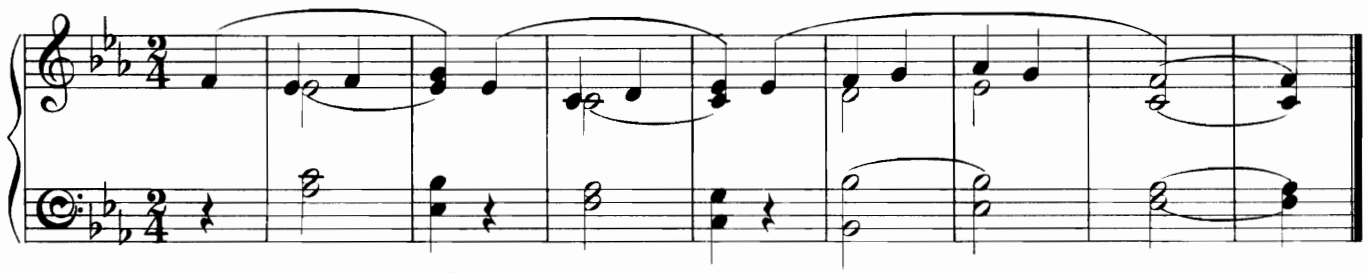

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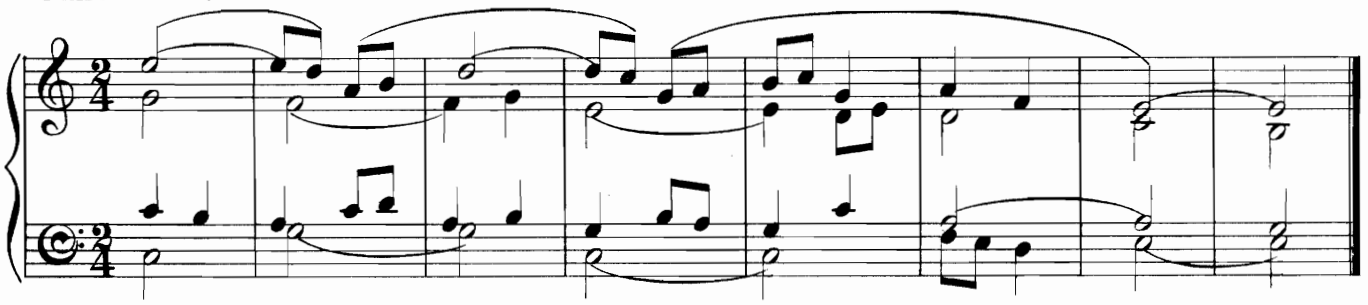

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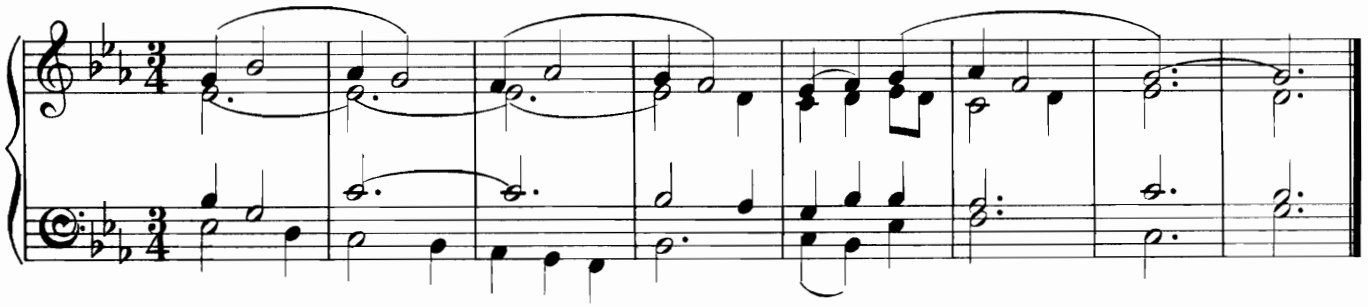

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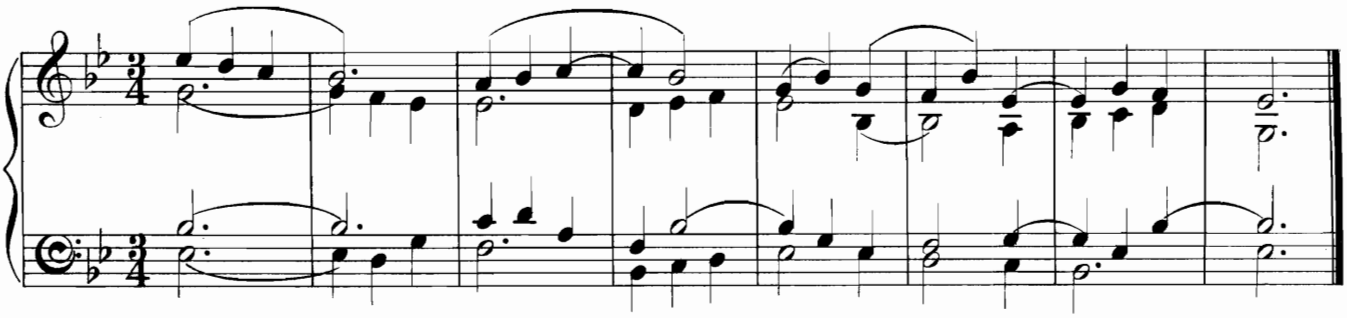

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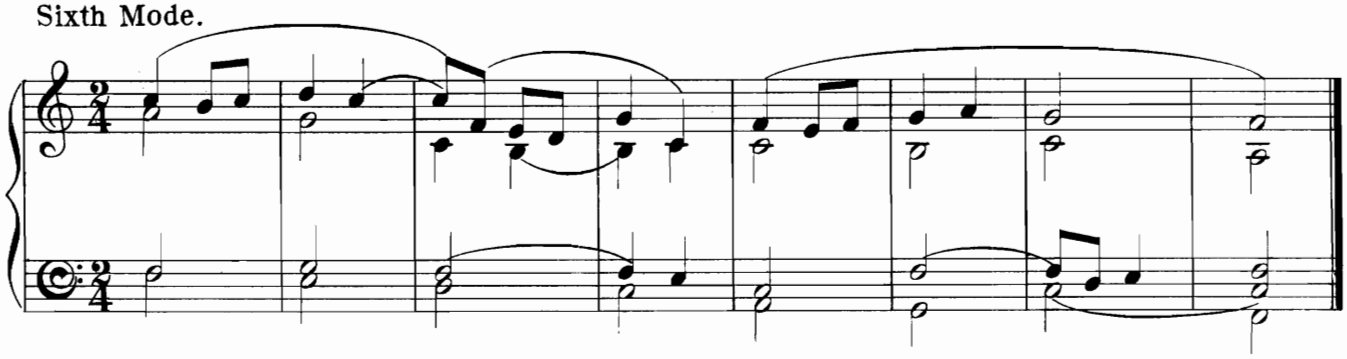

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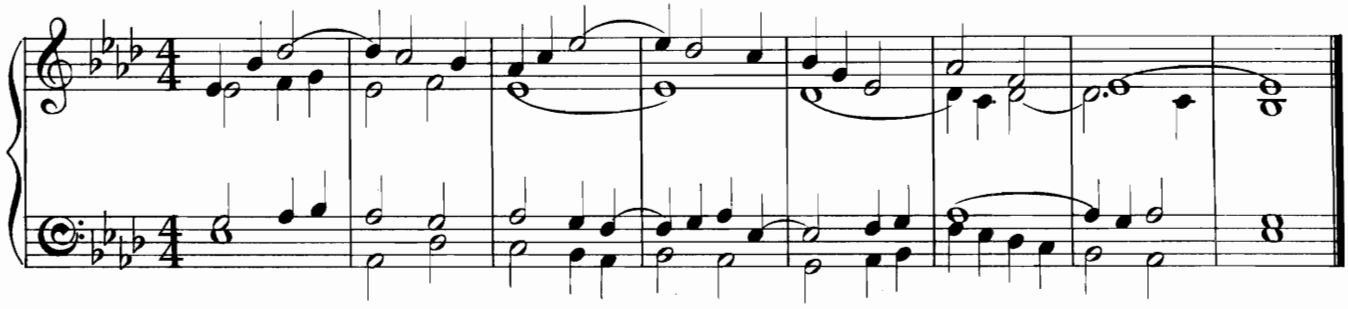

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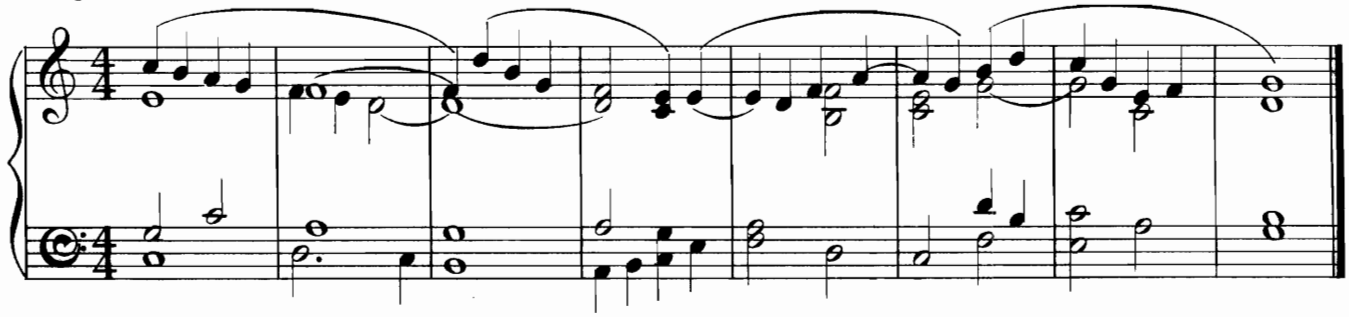

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(Composed for New Hall.)

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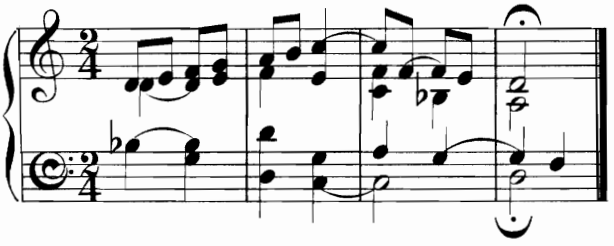

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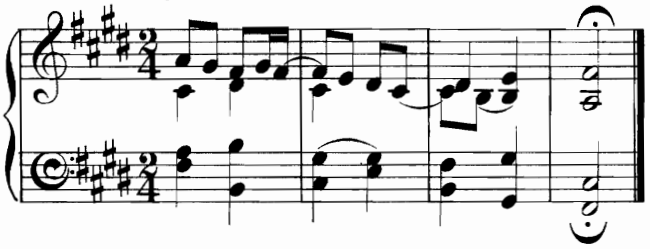

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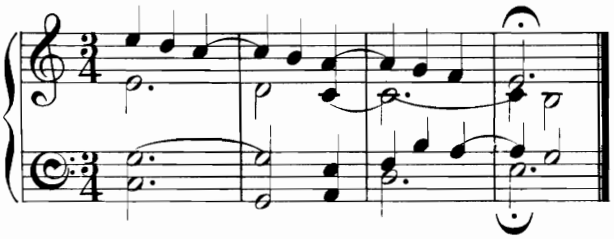

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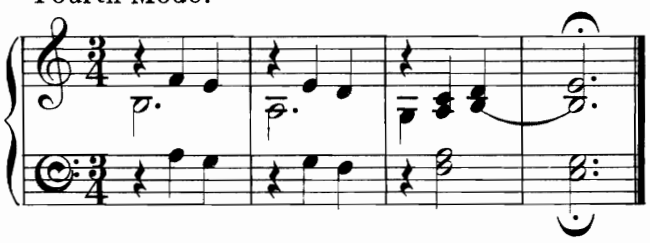

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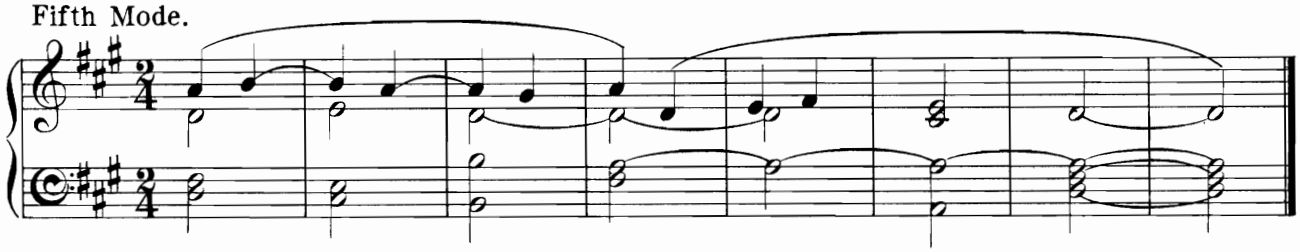

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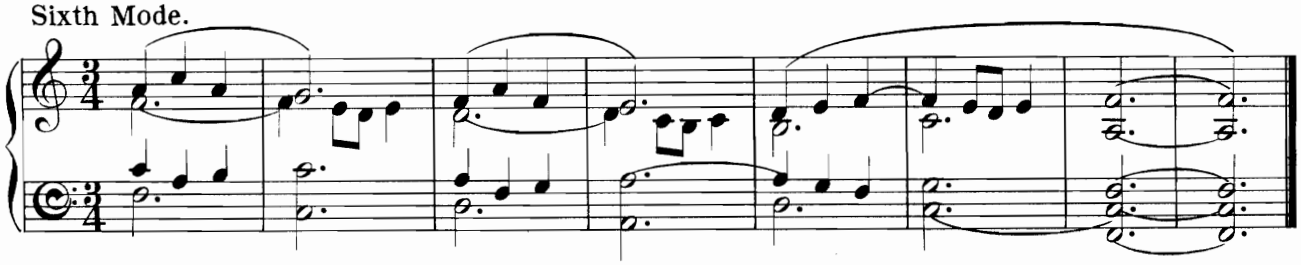

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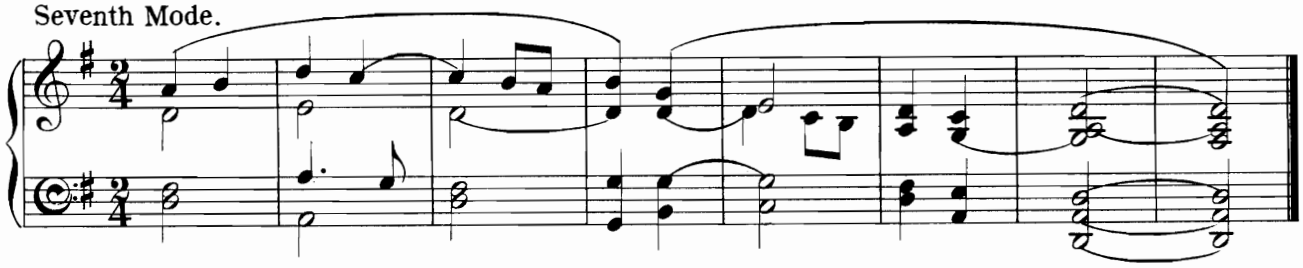

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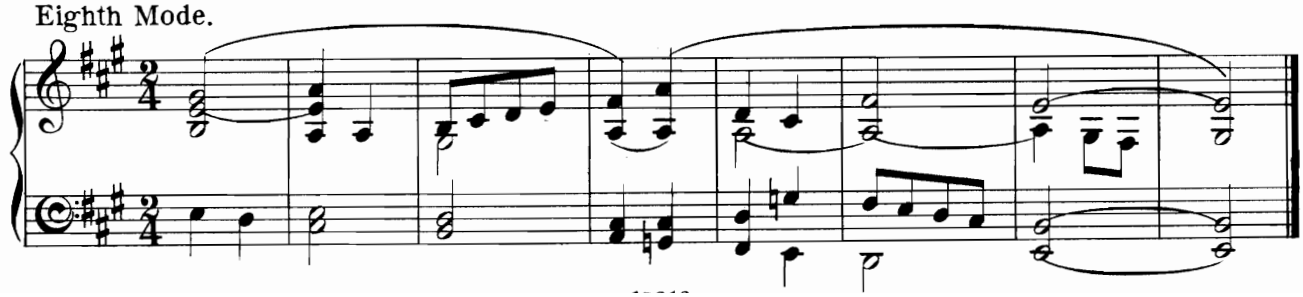
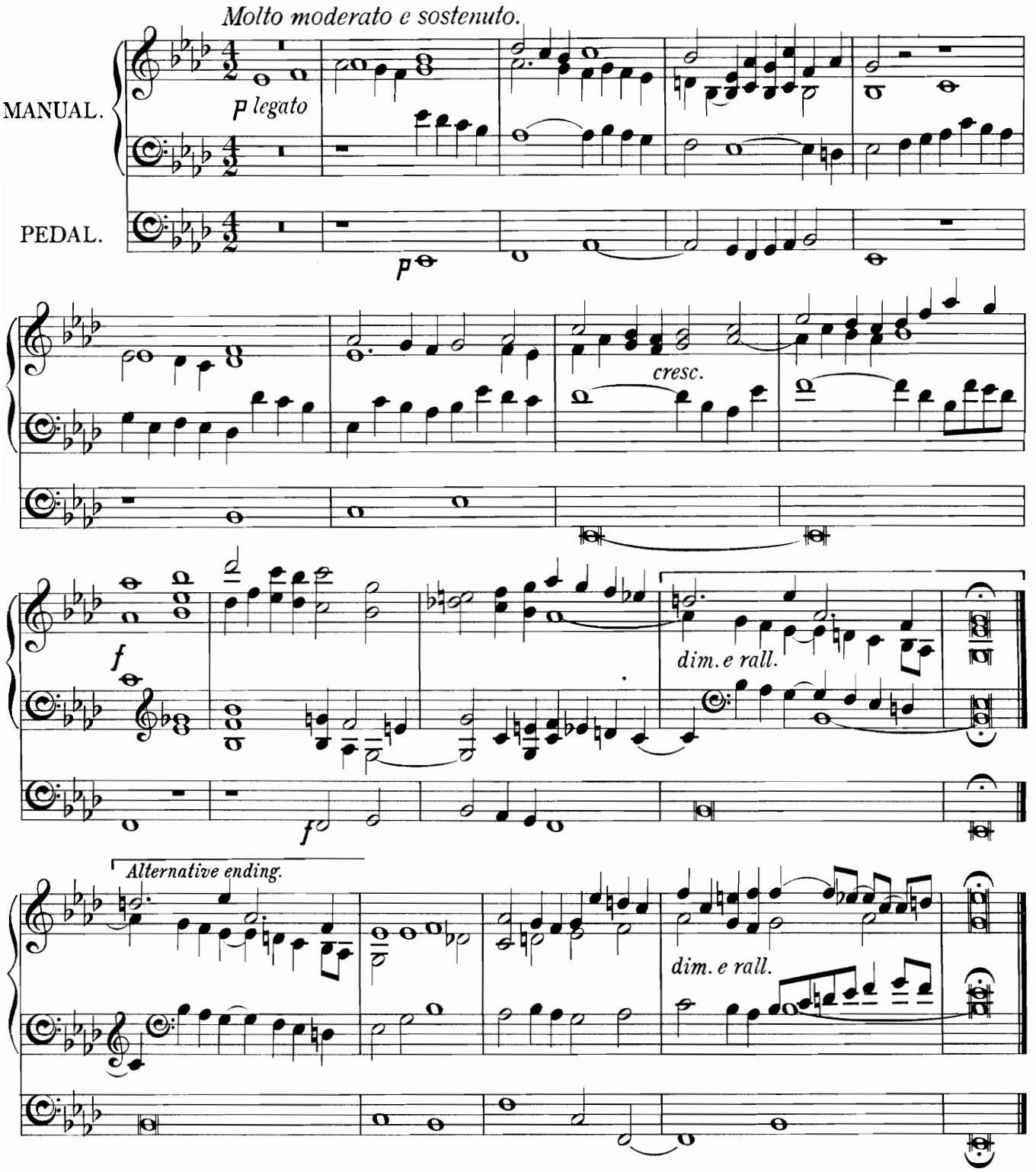


Prelude on the theme

ASPERGES ME.

William Sewell.



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THE Brébeuf Hymnal is not only a fantastic musical resource, it's also a great literary achievement: the diverse translations therein are accompanied by glosses filled with names, dates and analysis, reminding us of the richness of our Catholic tradition. As a lover of history, language, and poetry, I always enjoy comparing translations to see how these ancient prayers have evolved and how they've stayed the same. This hymnal fuses Faith and history in a detailed, eloquent and exhaustive (but concise) way.

—**Parishioner** (from a Parish with the Brébeuf hymnal)

CHURCH musician friends; Buy yourselves a copy of the Saint Brébeuf Hymnal. This is a revolution in Catholic hymnody. I am astounded into silence at the care put into this hymnal—its simplicity, its theological depth, everything. Just buy and swim in the theology! — **Anonymous**

MUSIC AT MASS should be an opportunity for worshiping God. May I suggest a movement to get the *Saint Jean de Brébeuf Hymnal* (published 24 December 2018) into your parish? I bought a copy because as a teen I was in five choirs: three constantly, two when they needed the young soprano. I love to sing. I had friends who graduated with degrees in sacred music/church music. I have sung a LOT of amazing church music, and the Catholic Church may be the One True Church but the hymnals…sigh! Sorry I probably sound like a commercial, but this hymnal is the most amazing one I have ever had my hands on, and I have a fair few on my bookshelves. It is designed to be a Catholic hymnal; the texts are theologically fabulous (I have a Masters in Theological Studies and am a Bible loving geek); and this is awesome—like having a catechism in the music! I also have a teaching certification, and this music would help teach the faith to children in a way they will never forget! "Sung learning" is internalized deeply as it is heard, read, and physically sung—so it sticks. This hymnal is full of SINGABLE tunes, many of them very old. The lyrics are translations of traditional songs that go way back—like 4th century—and they are just beautiful. The Latin is there, side by side with a more literal translation for understanding, and it tells you what tunes will fit the Latin. There are also carefully selected English translations—all footnoted so you can do research if you want—but there, and clear, and orthodox, and gorgeous! They limited the total number of tunes used to help a congregation to master the singing, so that they can gradually come to where they no longer have to struggle because the tunes will become familiar! This is better than any of the protestant hymnals. I keep spreading the word: THIS should be the hymnal in every Catholic parish; and just do all the singing from it! Everyone who is capable of singing will WANT to sing these songs. — **Anonymous**

THE *Saint Jean de Brébeuf Hymnal* is quite unlike any other (allegedly) Catholic hymnal you've ever seen. Because it actually is a Catholic hymnal—(so far as I know) no other so-called "Catholic hymnal" that's currently published consists solely and exclusively of music that's actually fully and completely Catholic in both origin and expression. Hymns selected from the Church's wonderful tradition and glorious treasury of sacred music, dating back through the centuries to the time of Ambrose and Augustine. […] And alongside these beautiful Latin hymns are printed—and designated as "Assistance for comprehension"—the best literal English translations of these hymns I've ever seen. By these criteria, no other Catholic hymnal of which I'm aware comes close to the new standard set by the *Saint Jean de Brébeuf Hymnal*. — **Anonymous**

Prelude on the theme

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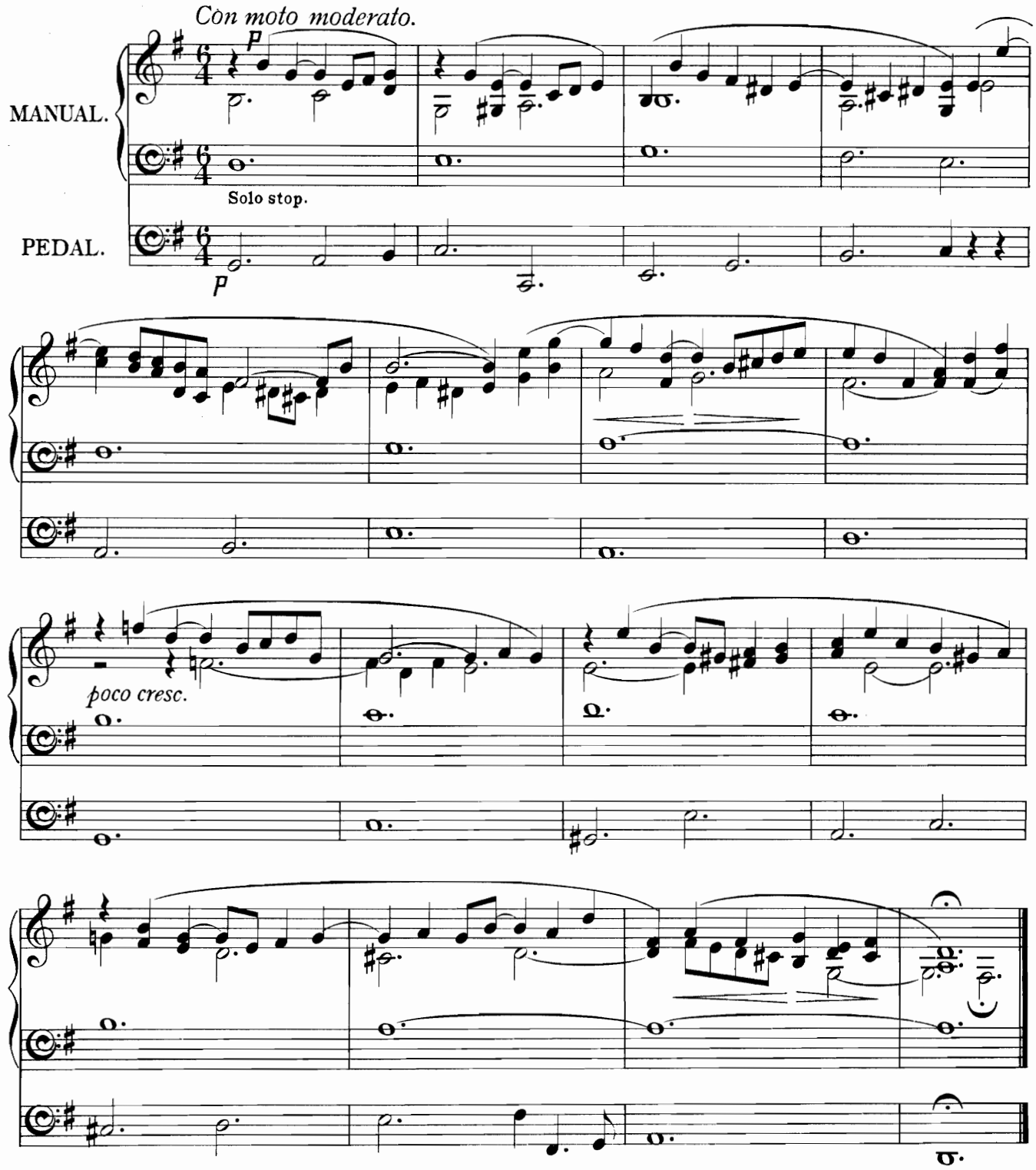
William Sewell.



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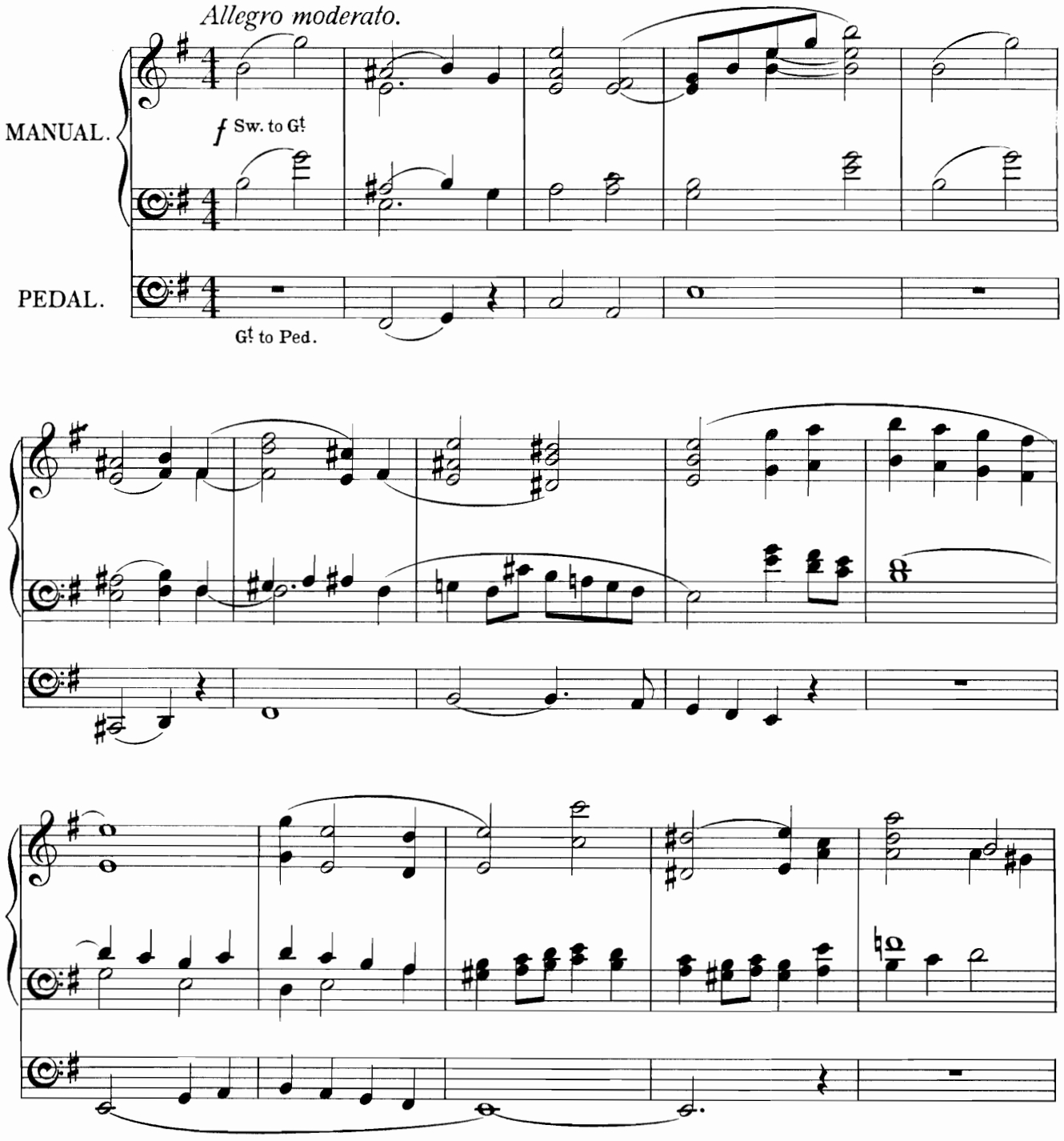

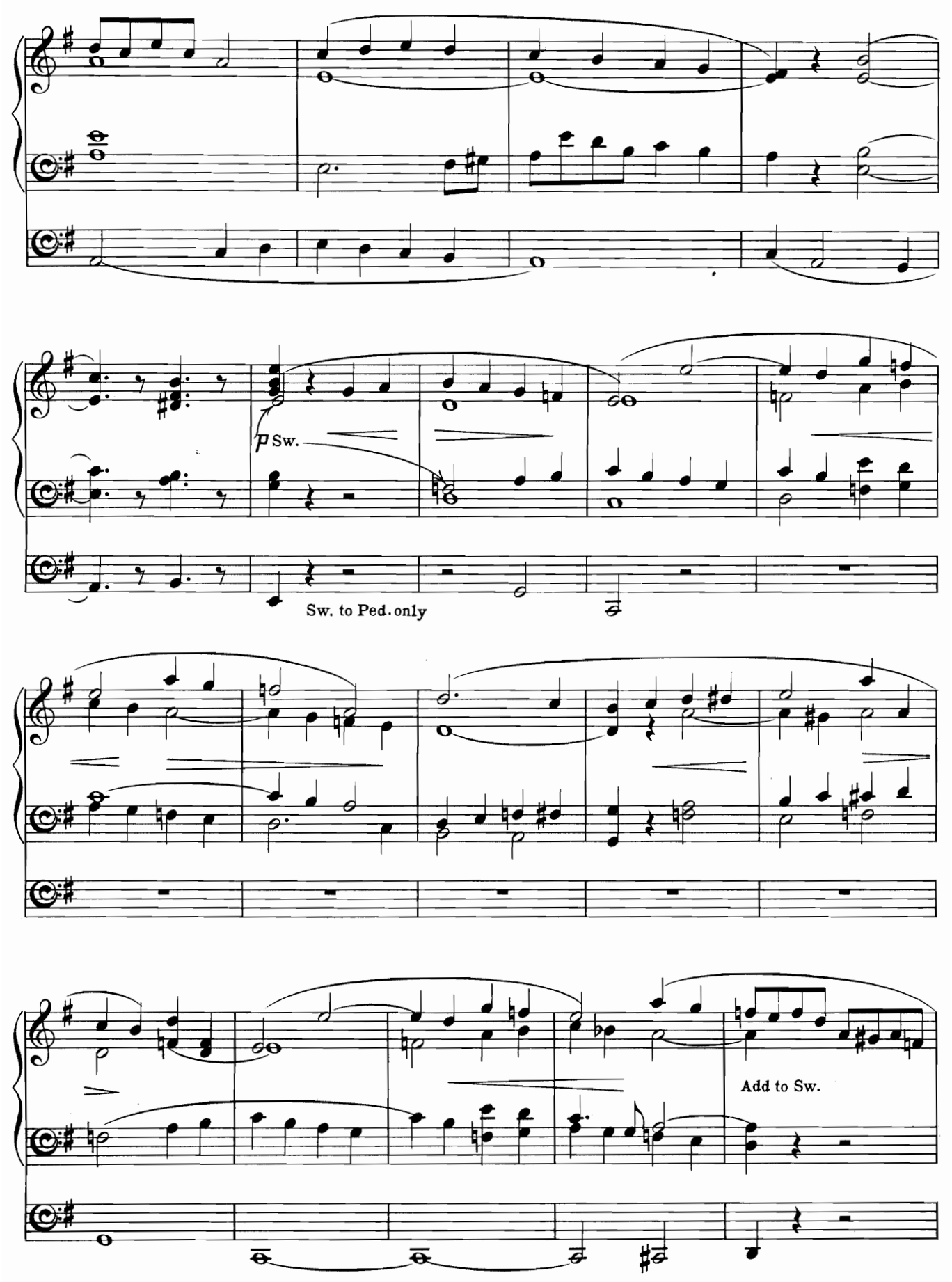
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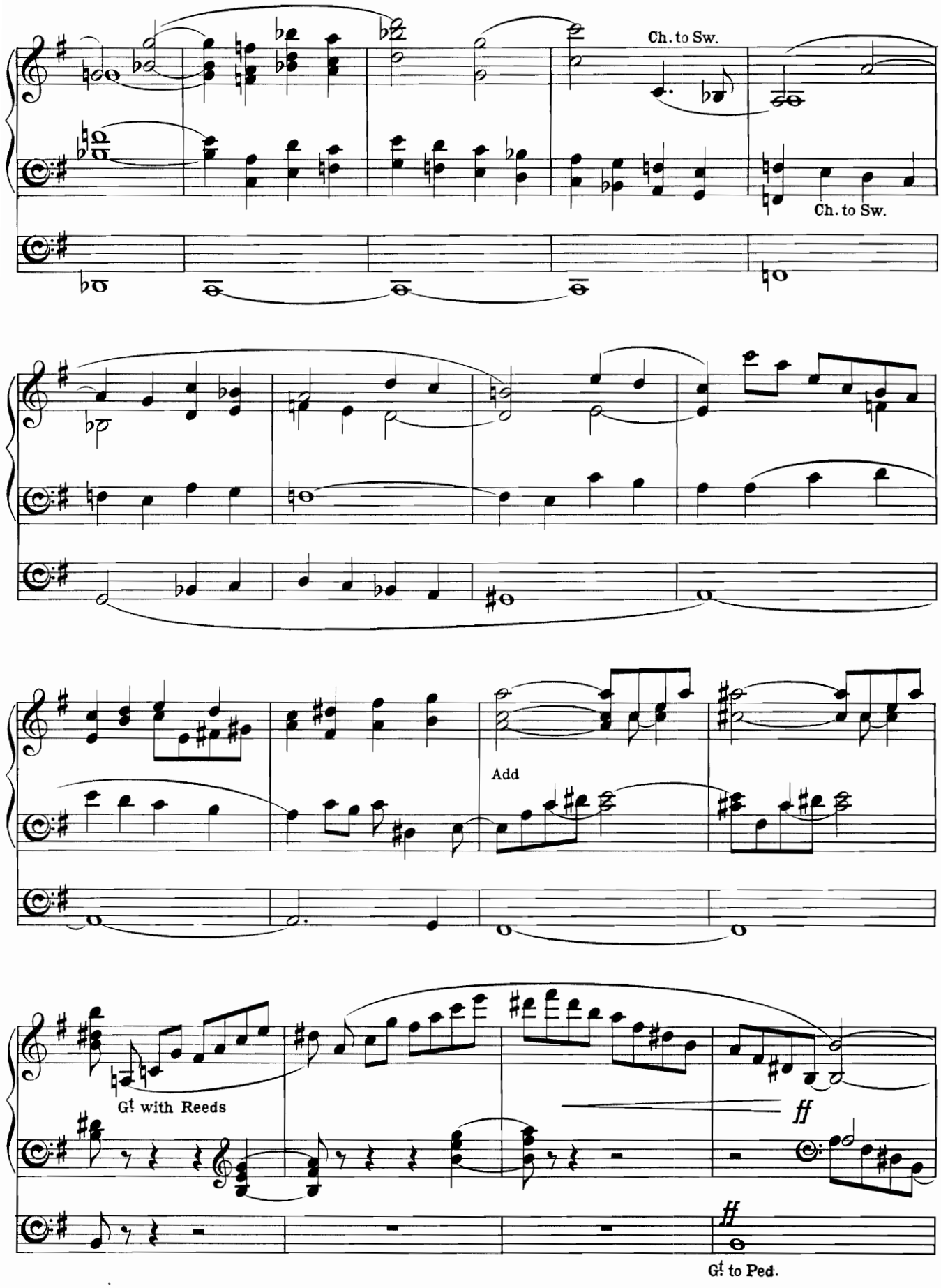
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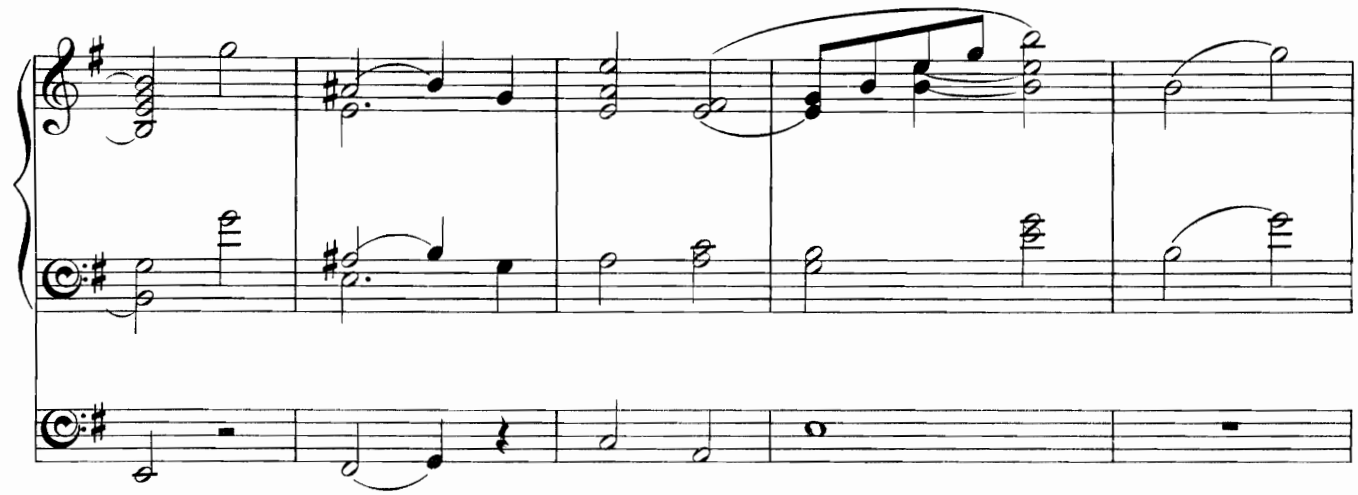

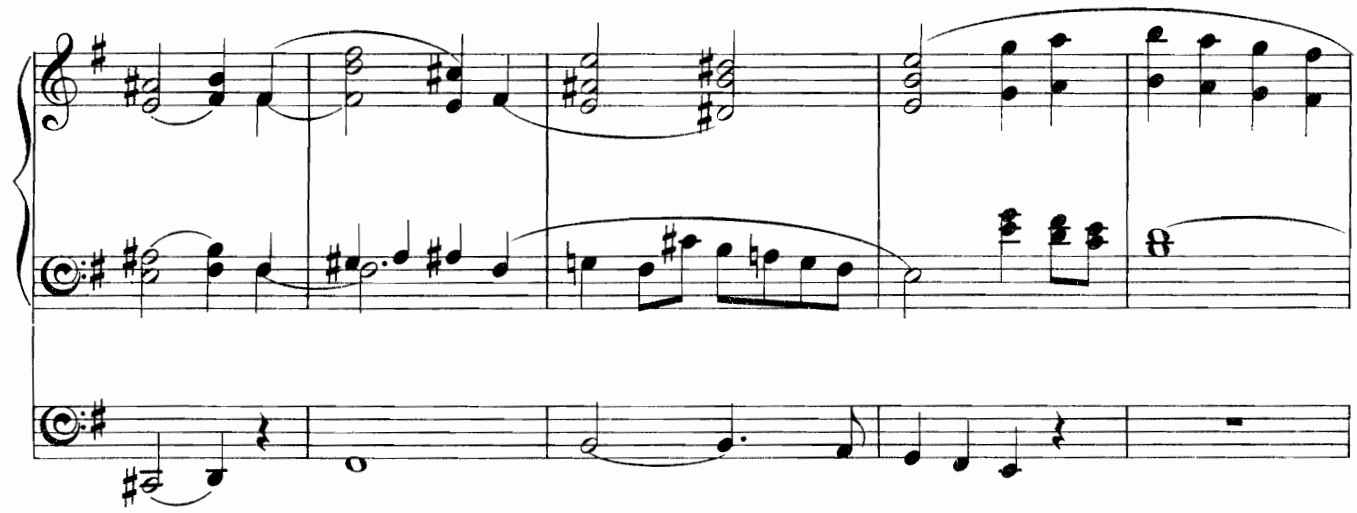

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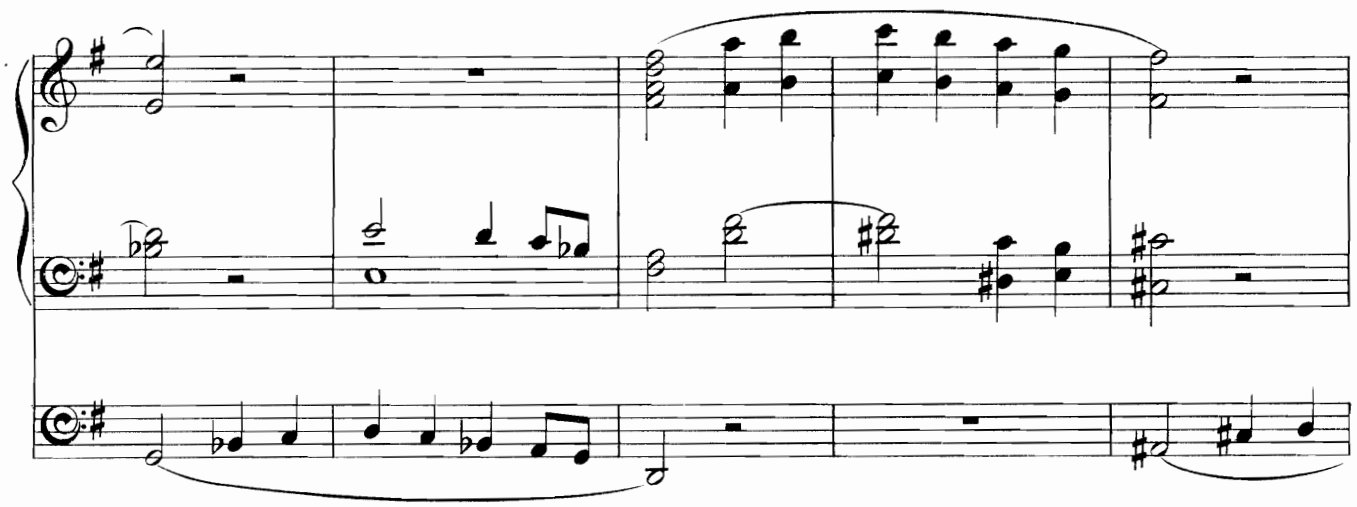

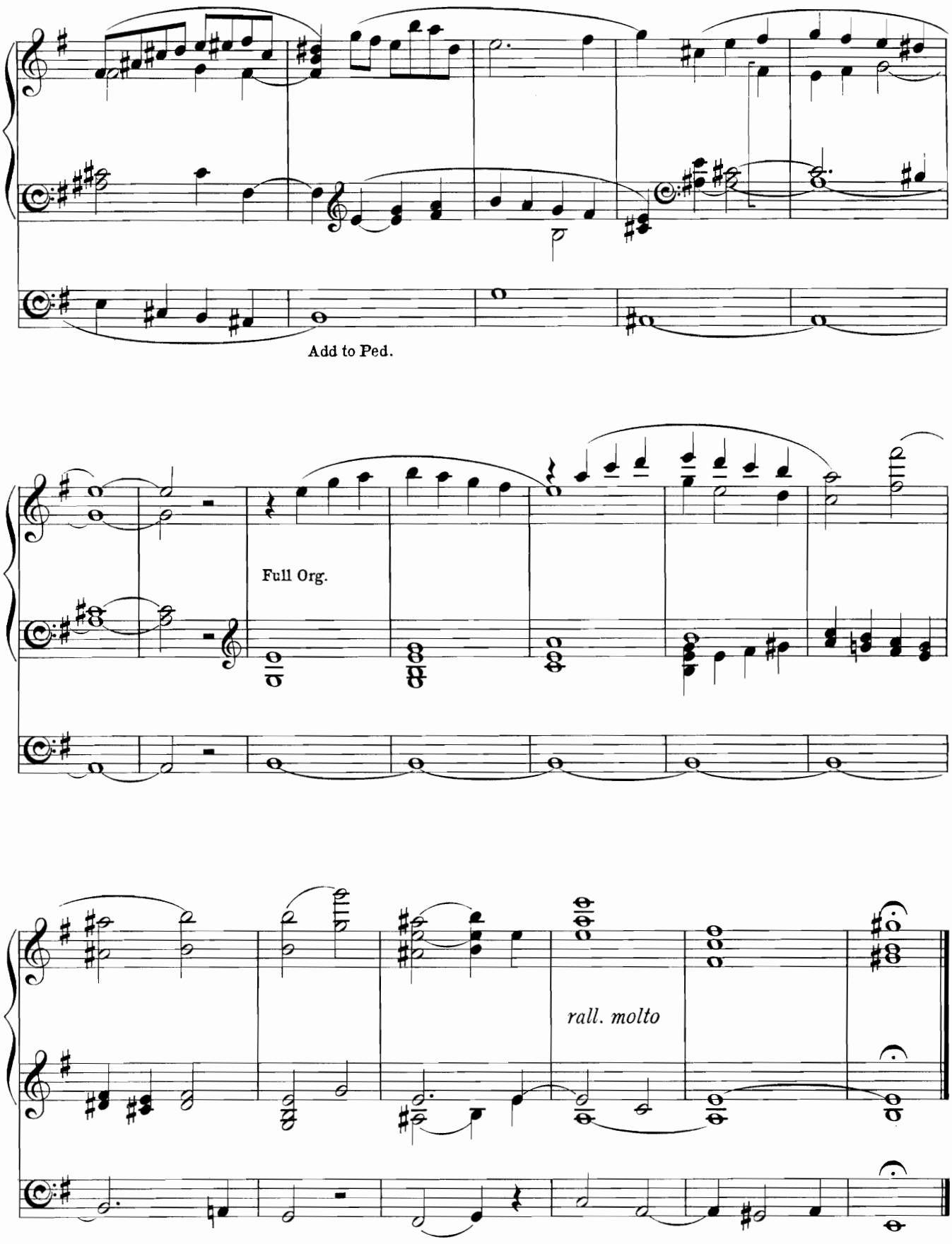
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TONUS PEREGRINUS.

J. S. Bach.
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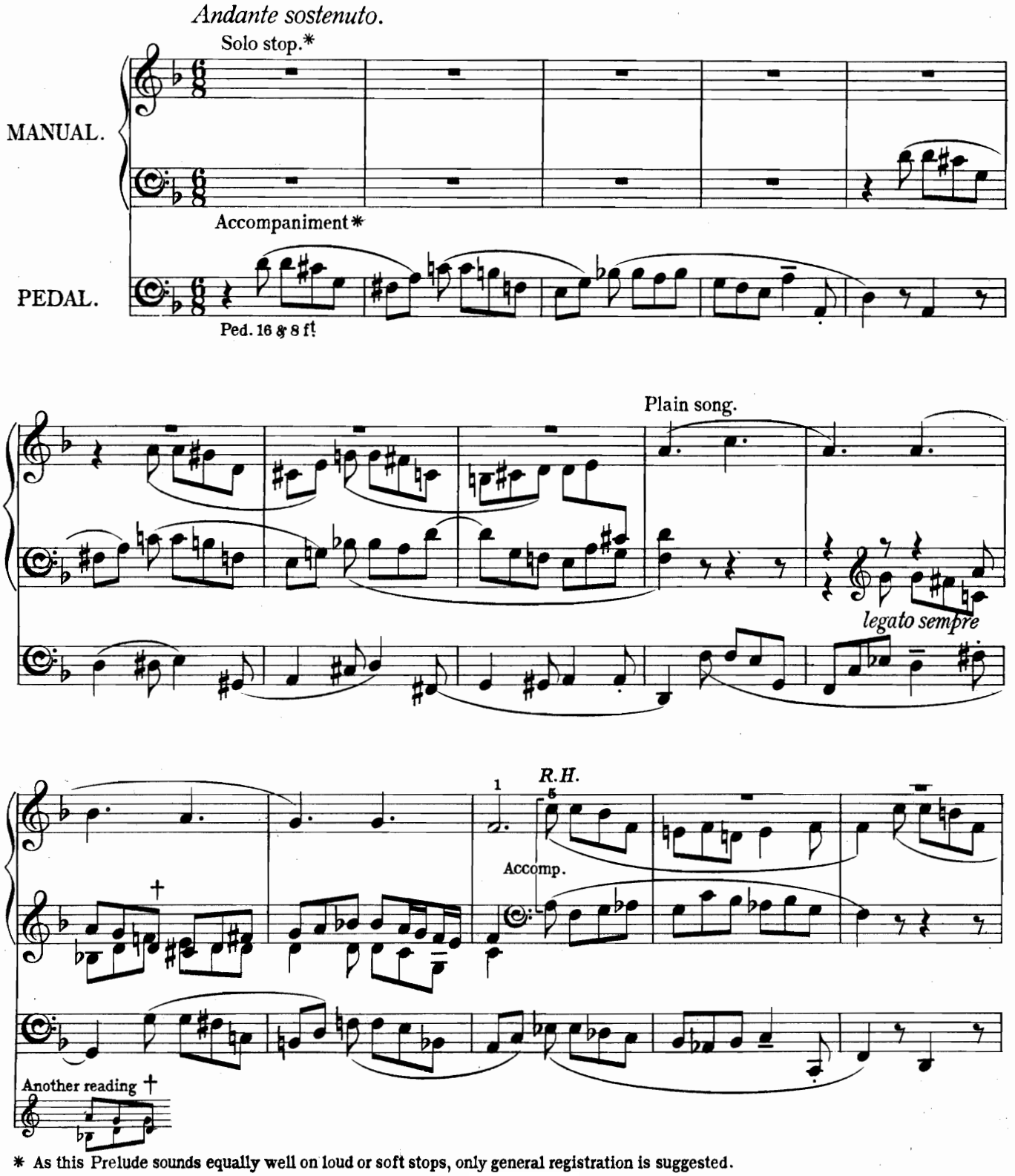

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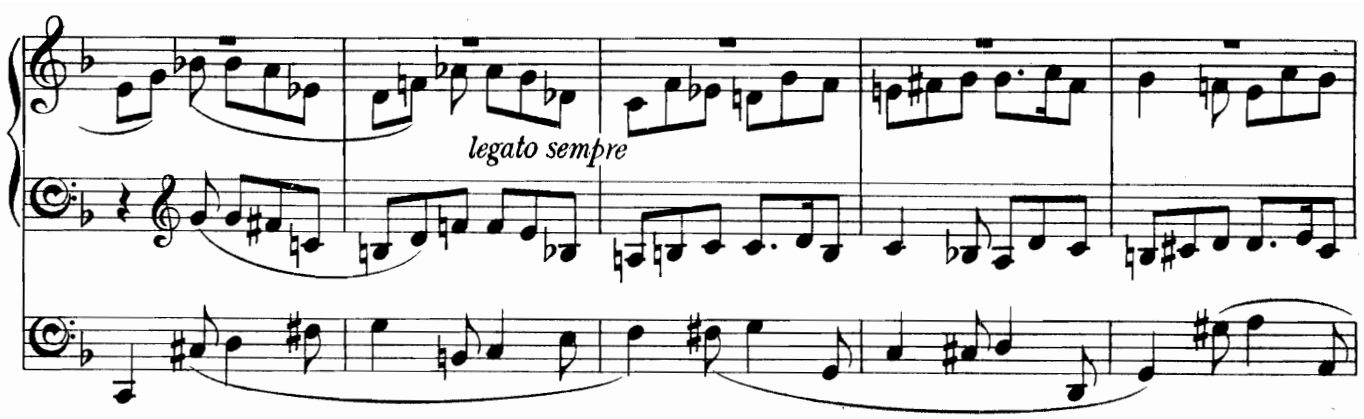

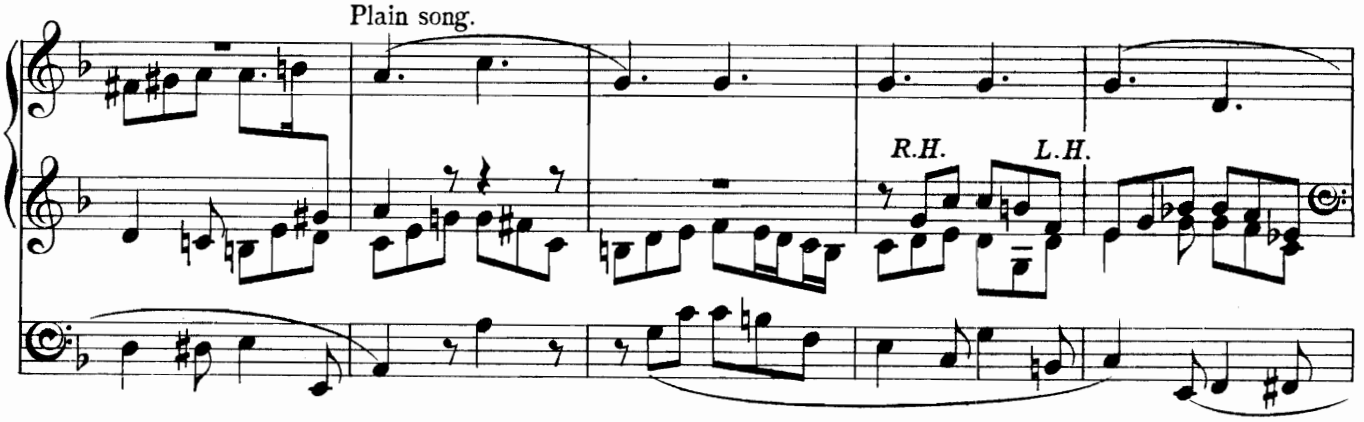

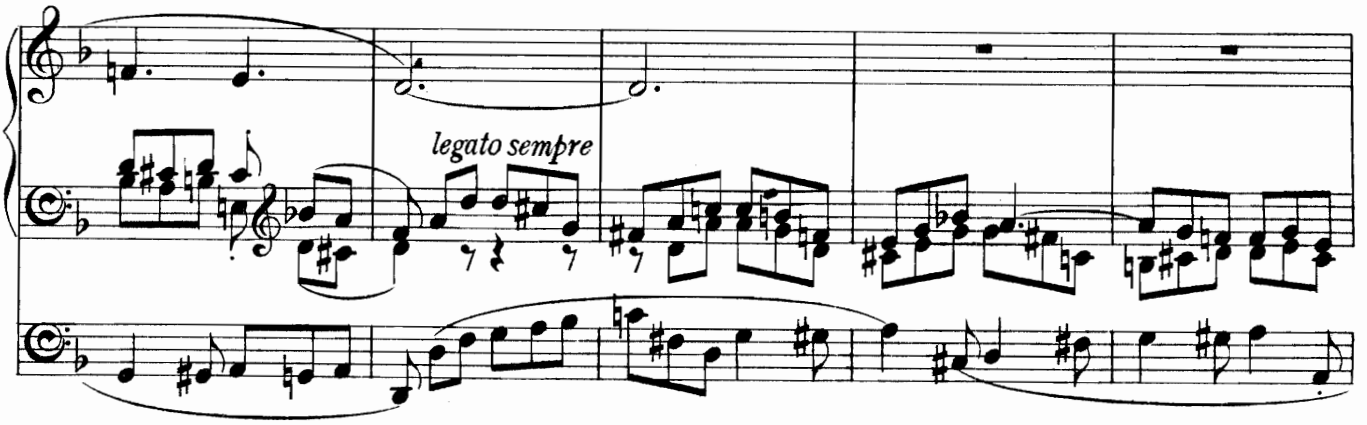

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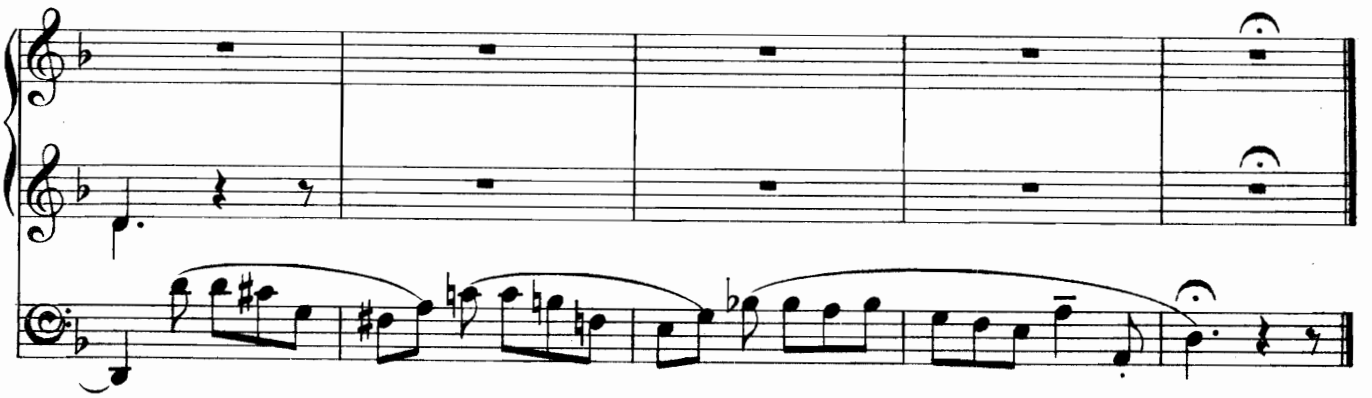

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ET IN TERRA PAX.

Georg Böhm. 1661-1740.
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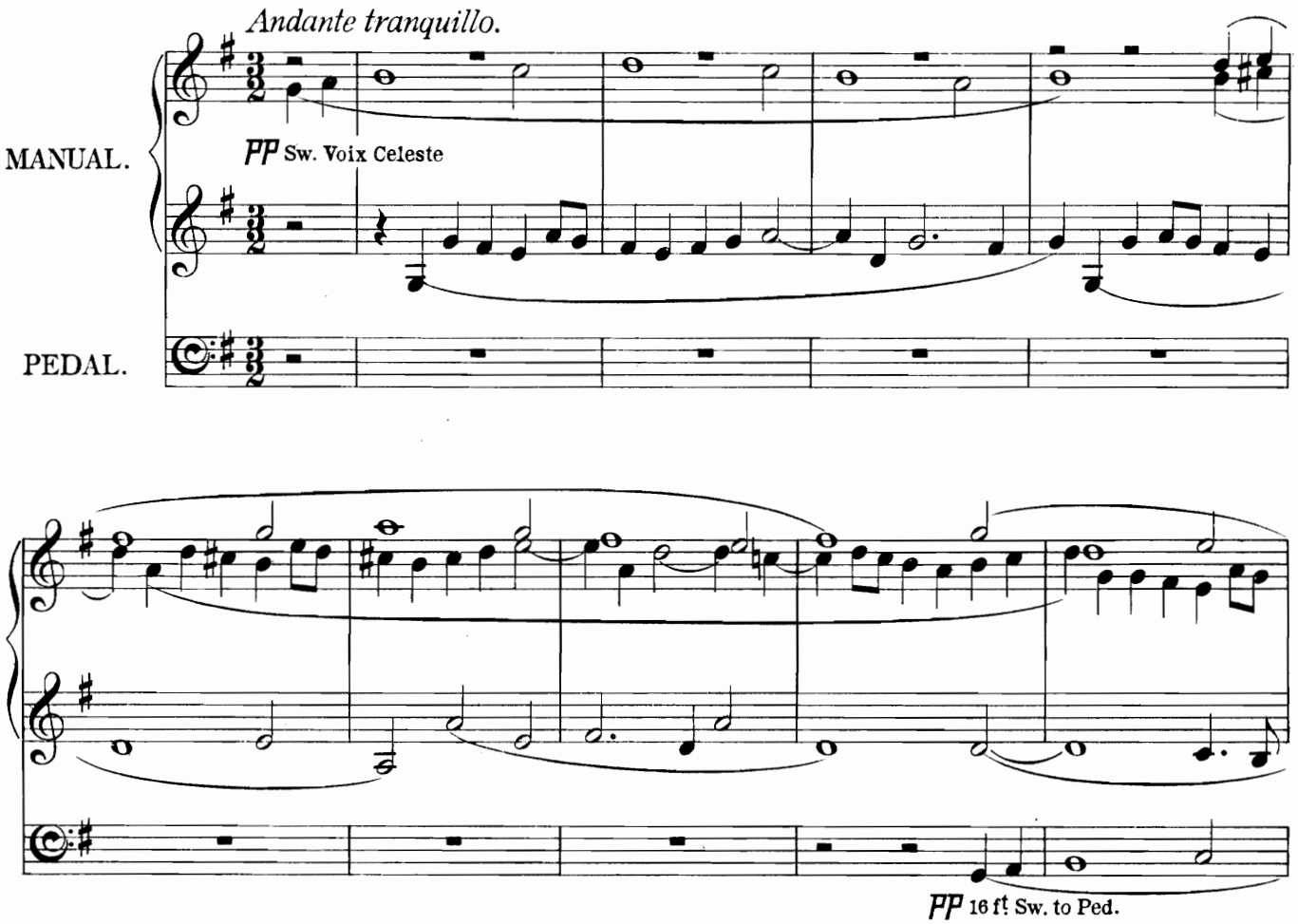

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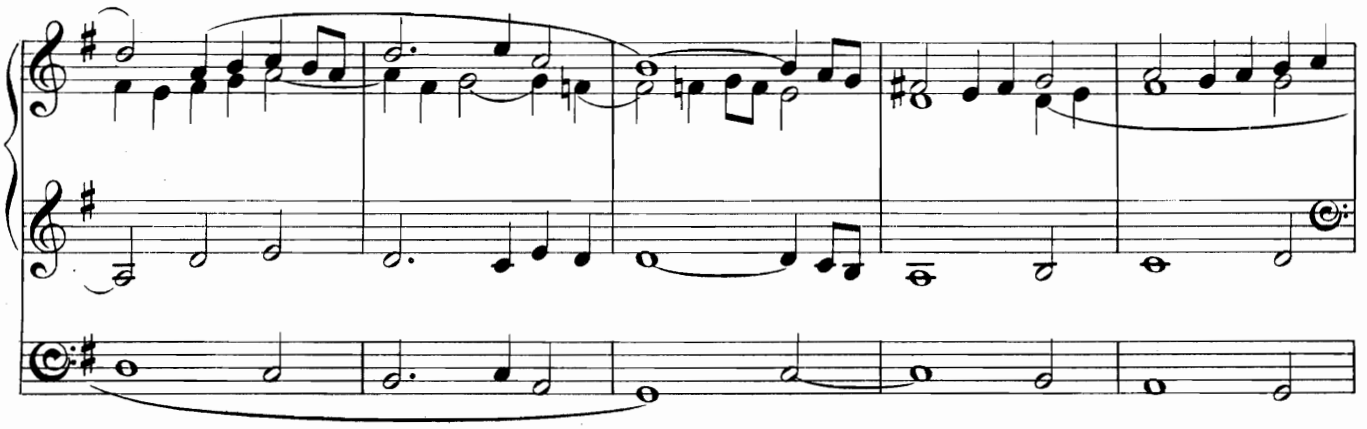

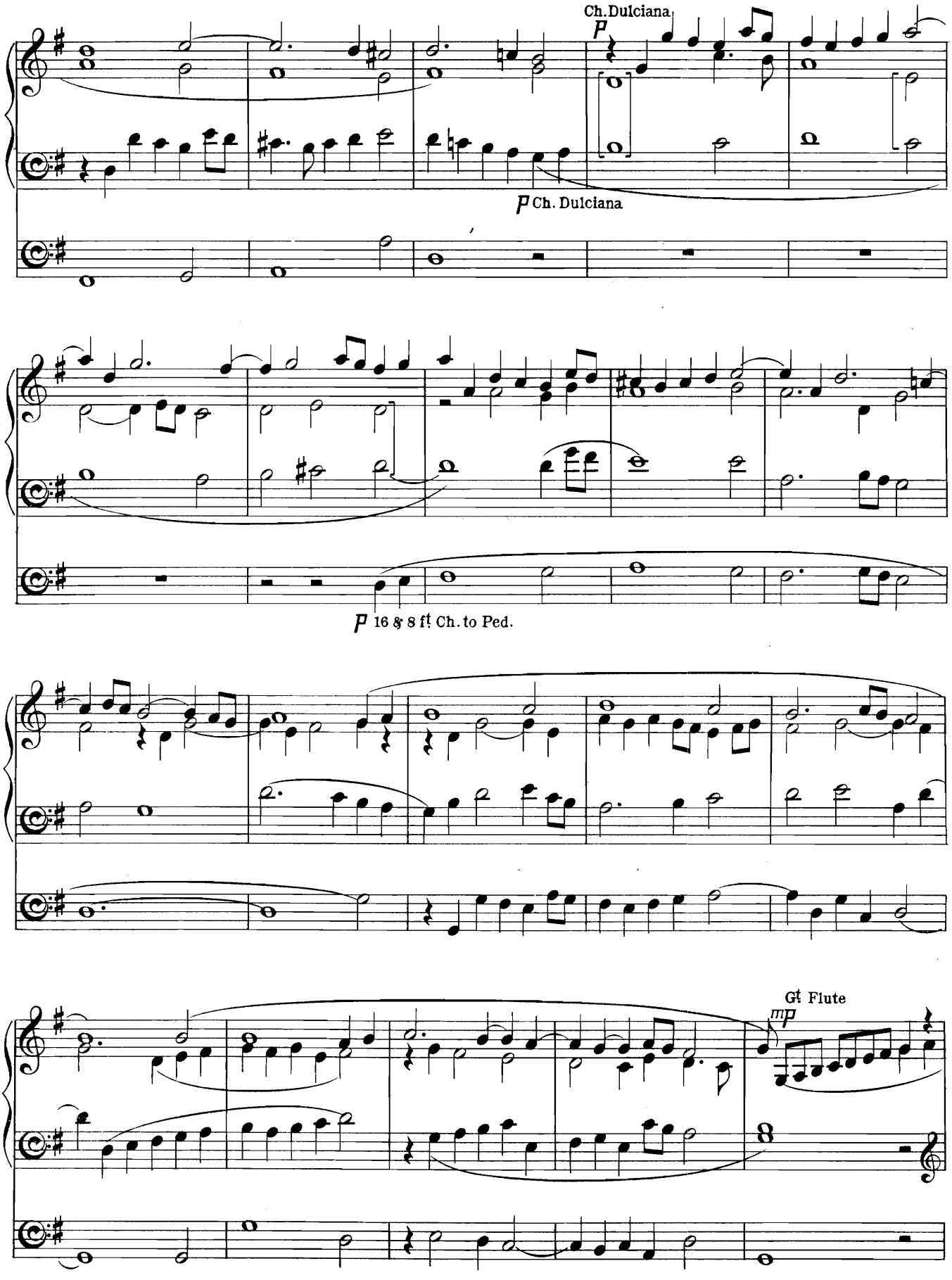
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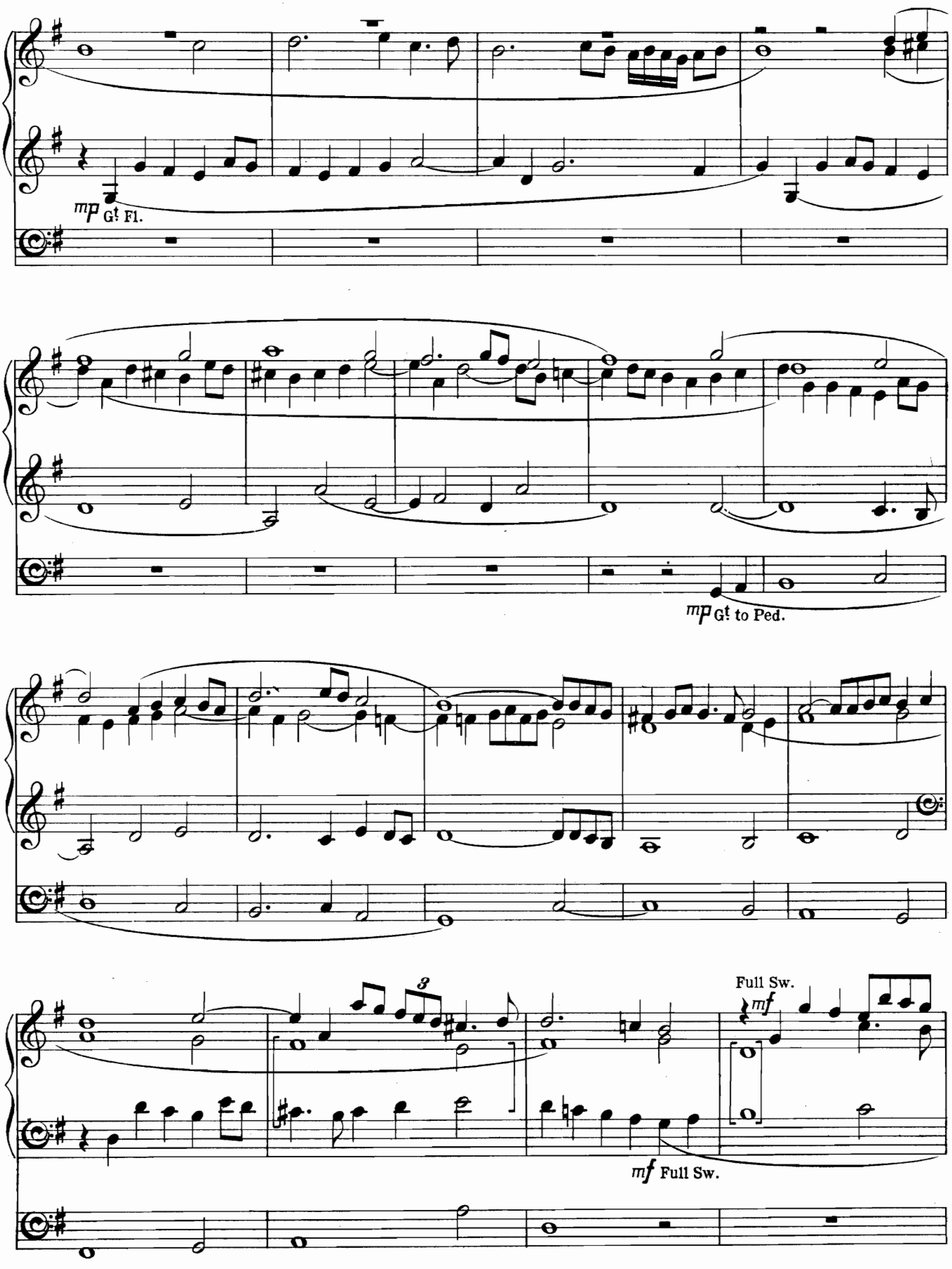
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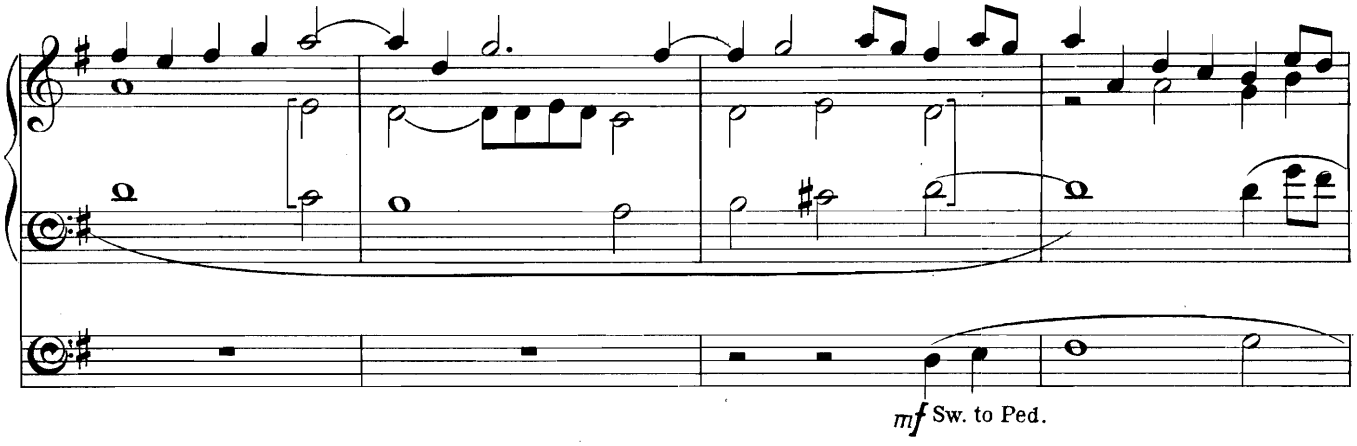

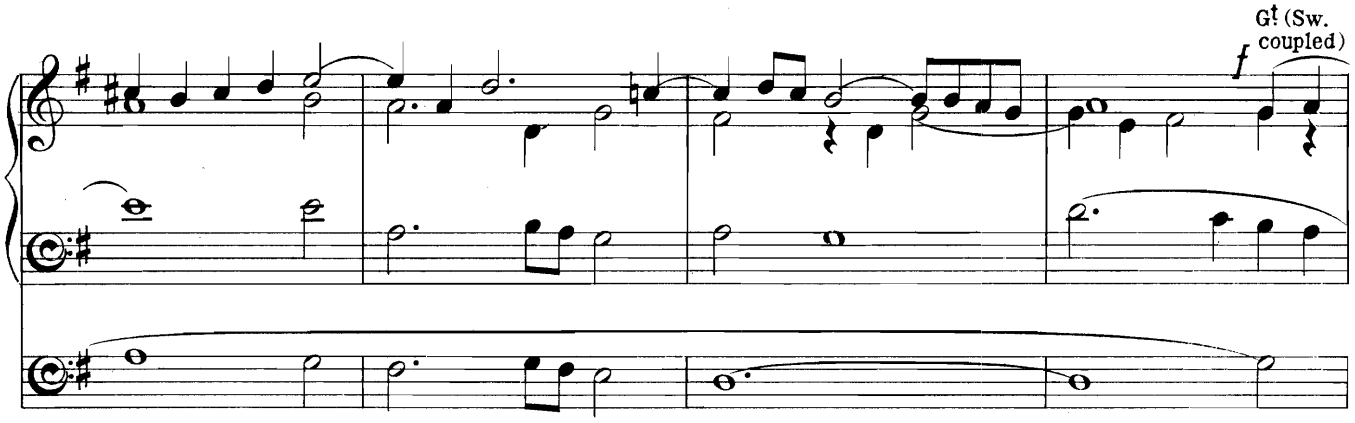

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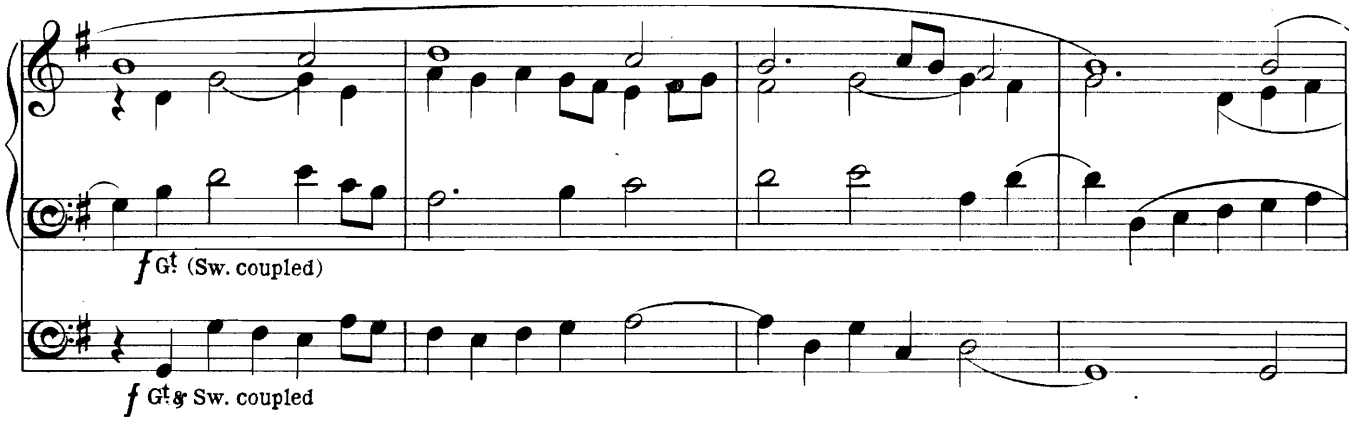

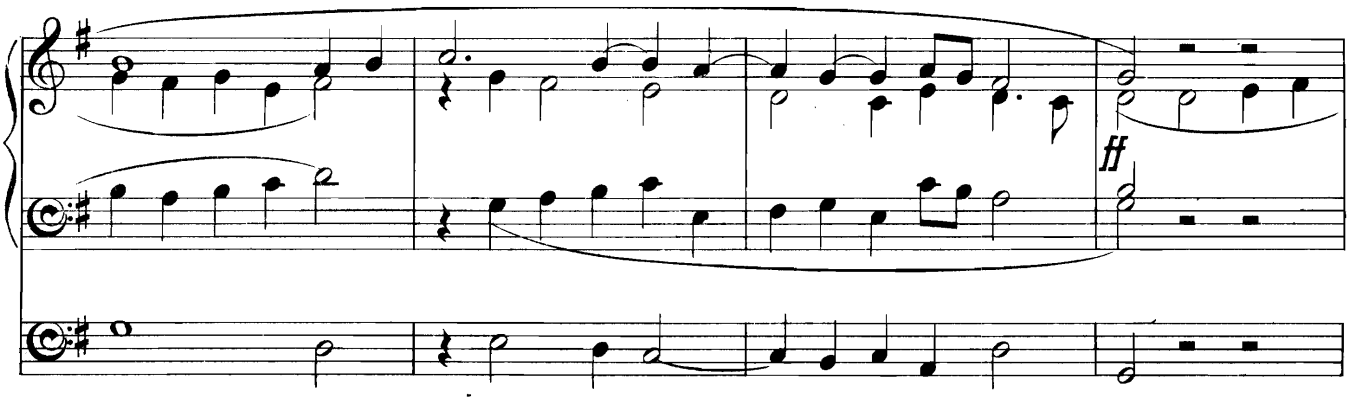

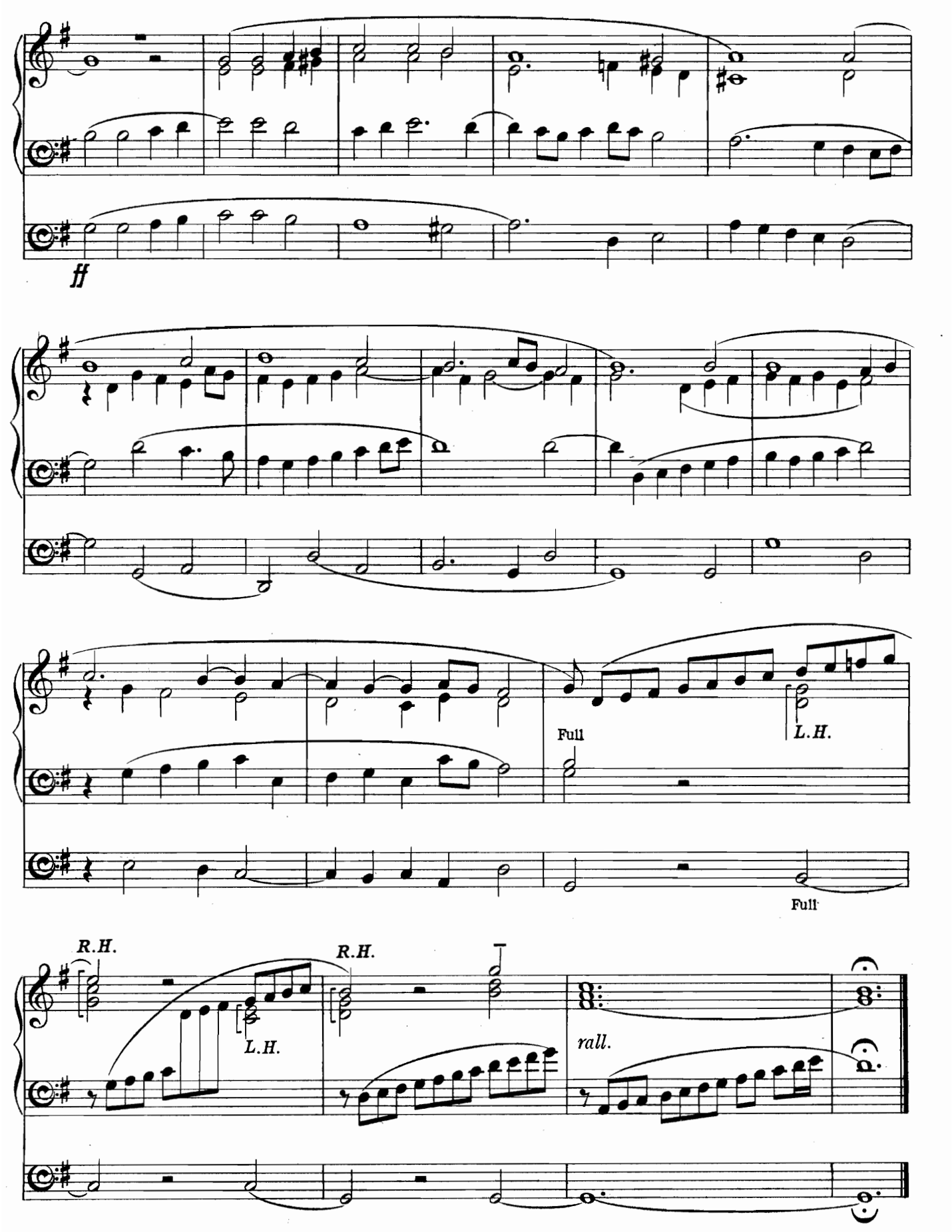
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Full
L.H.
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R.H.
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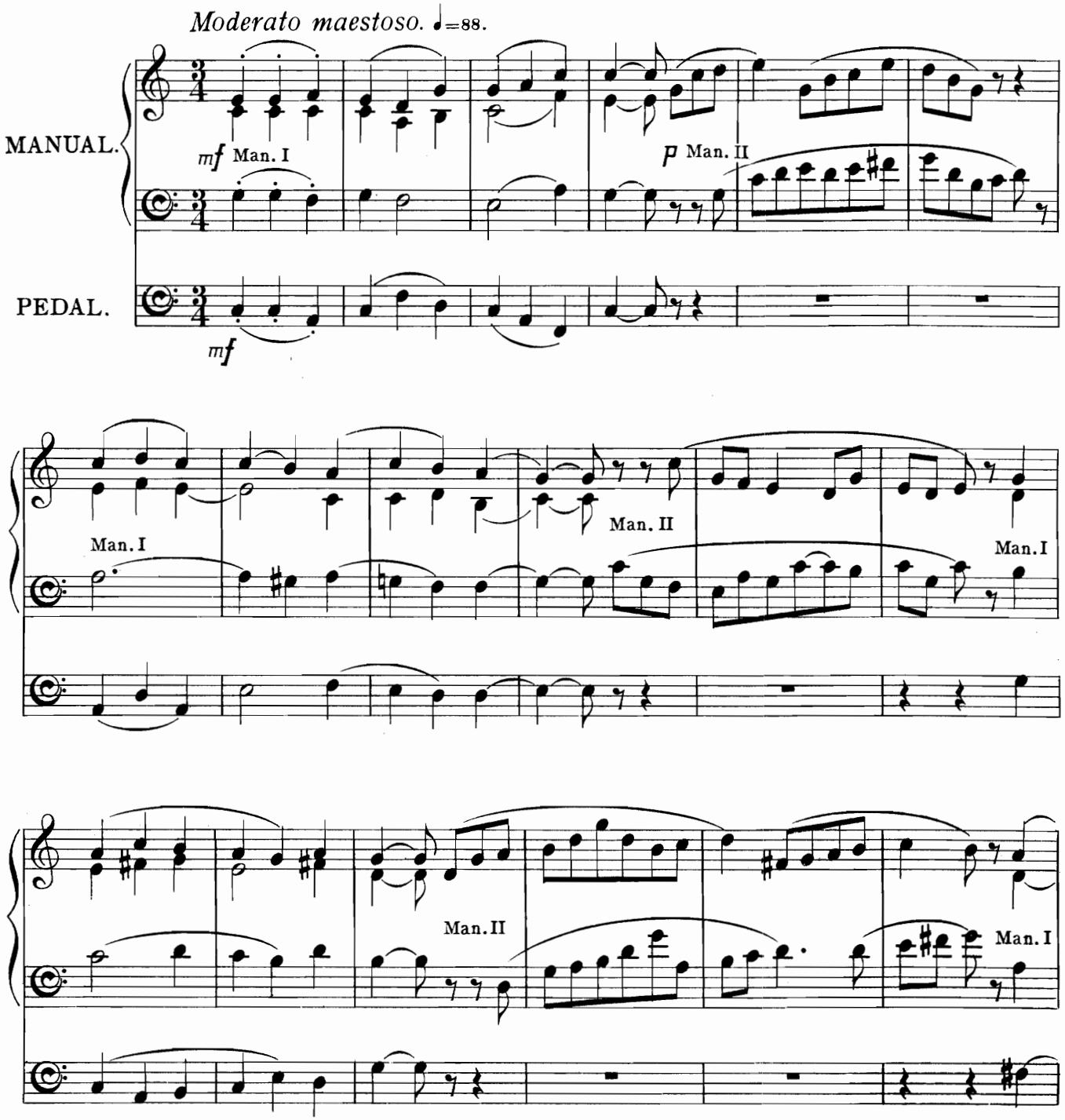
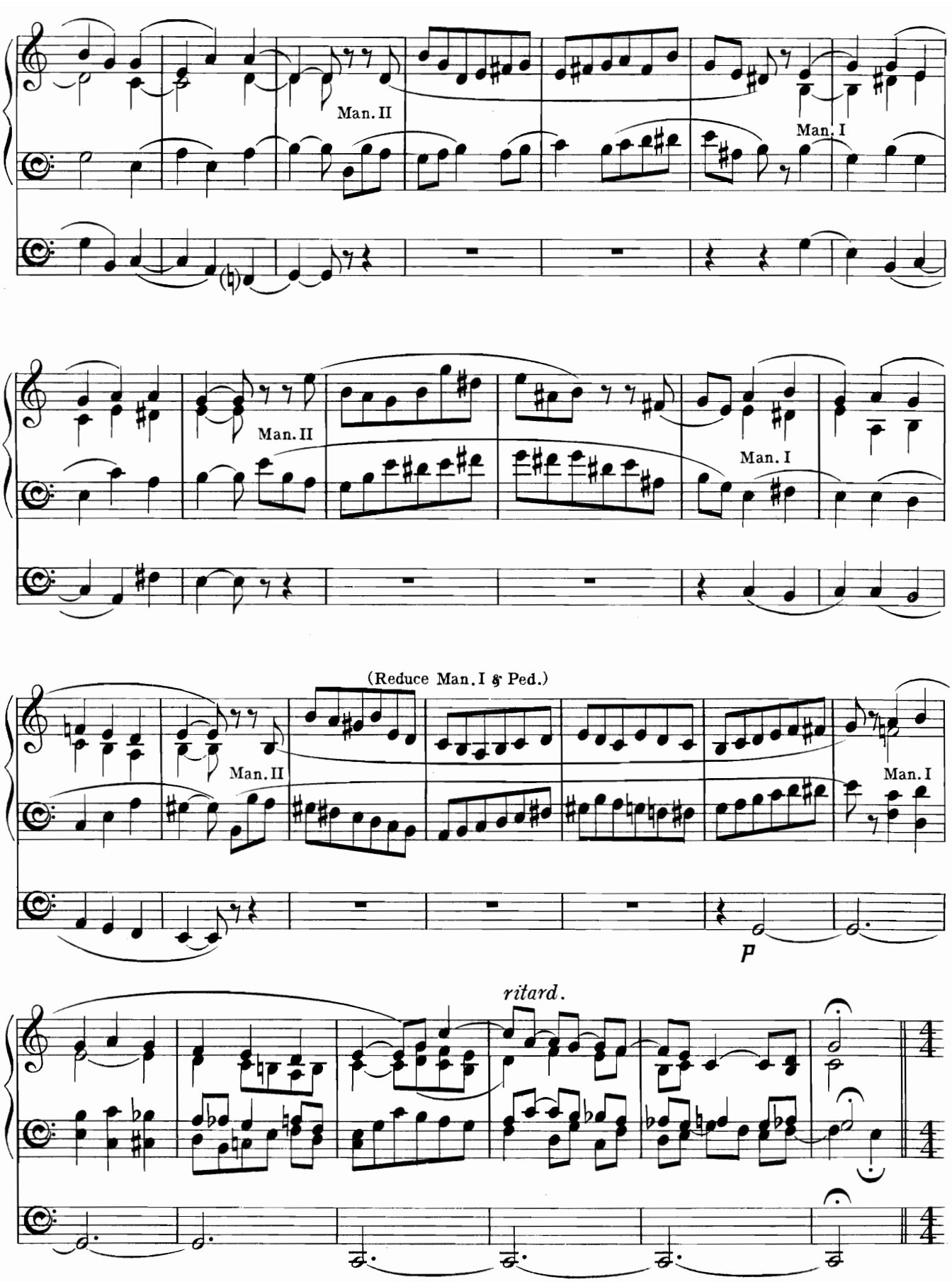
rall.

Meditation on the Ancient Hymn

PANGE LINGUA.

Francis Edward Gladstone.

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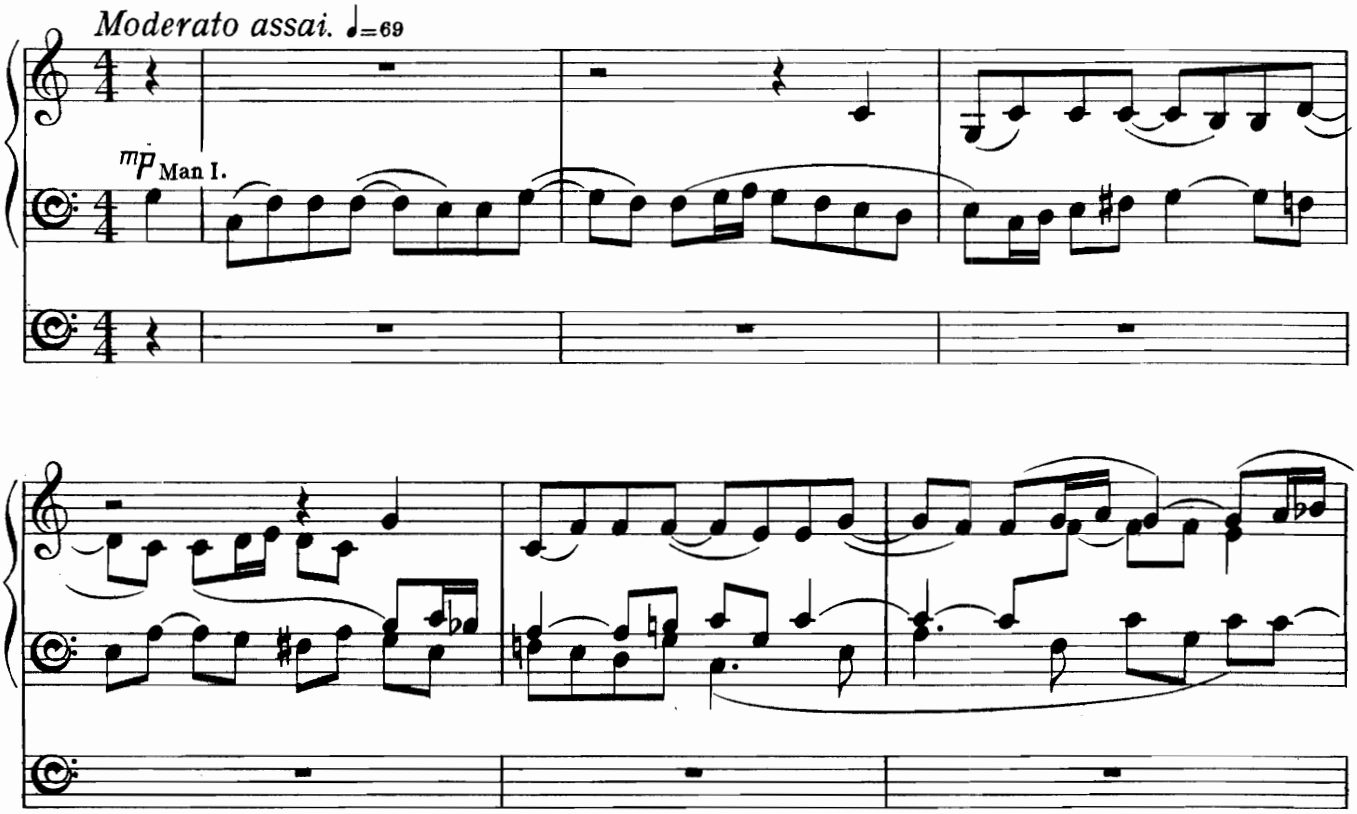

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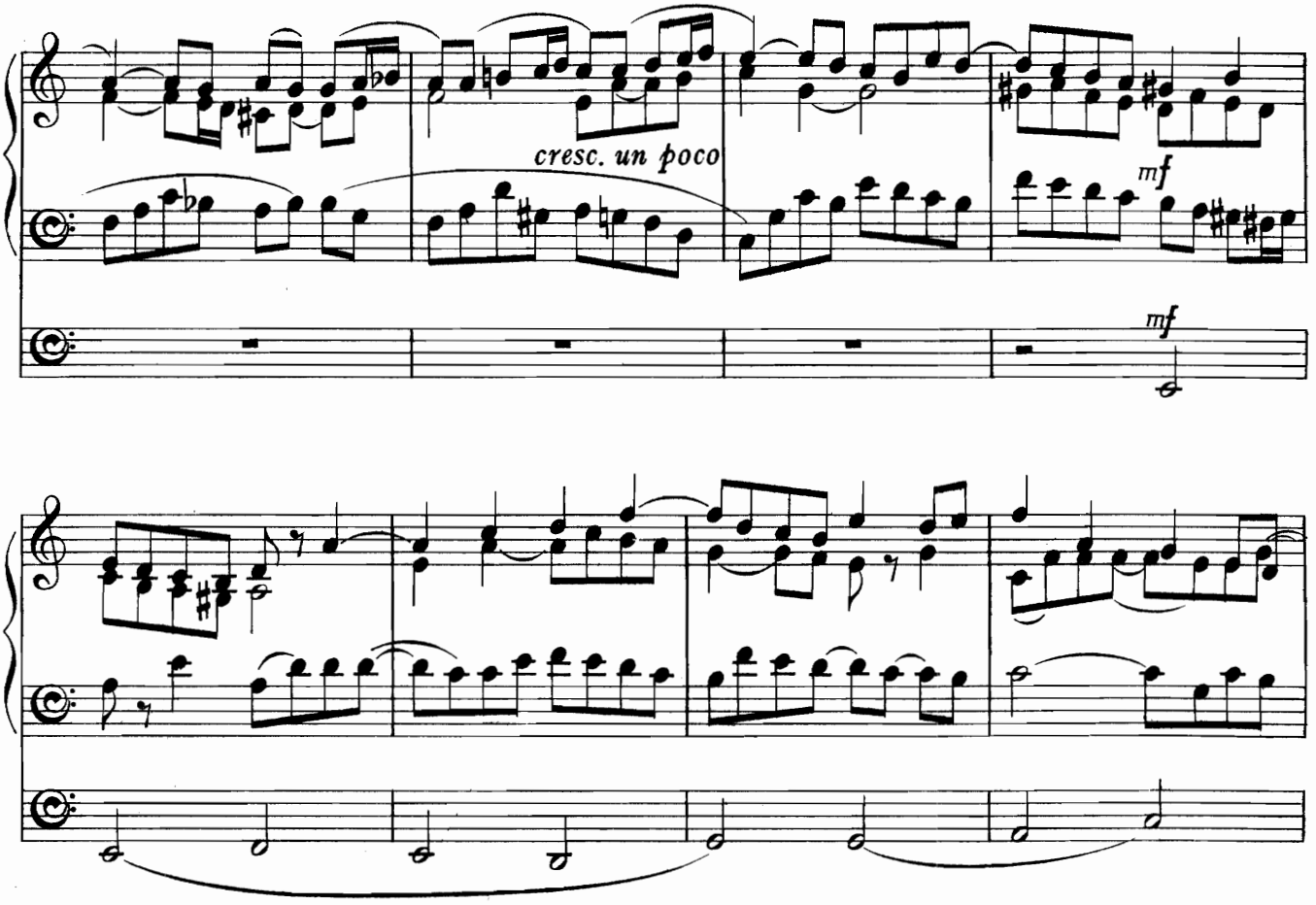

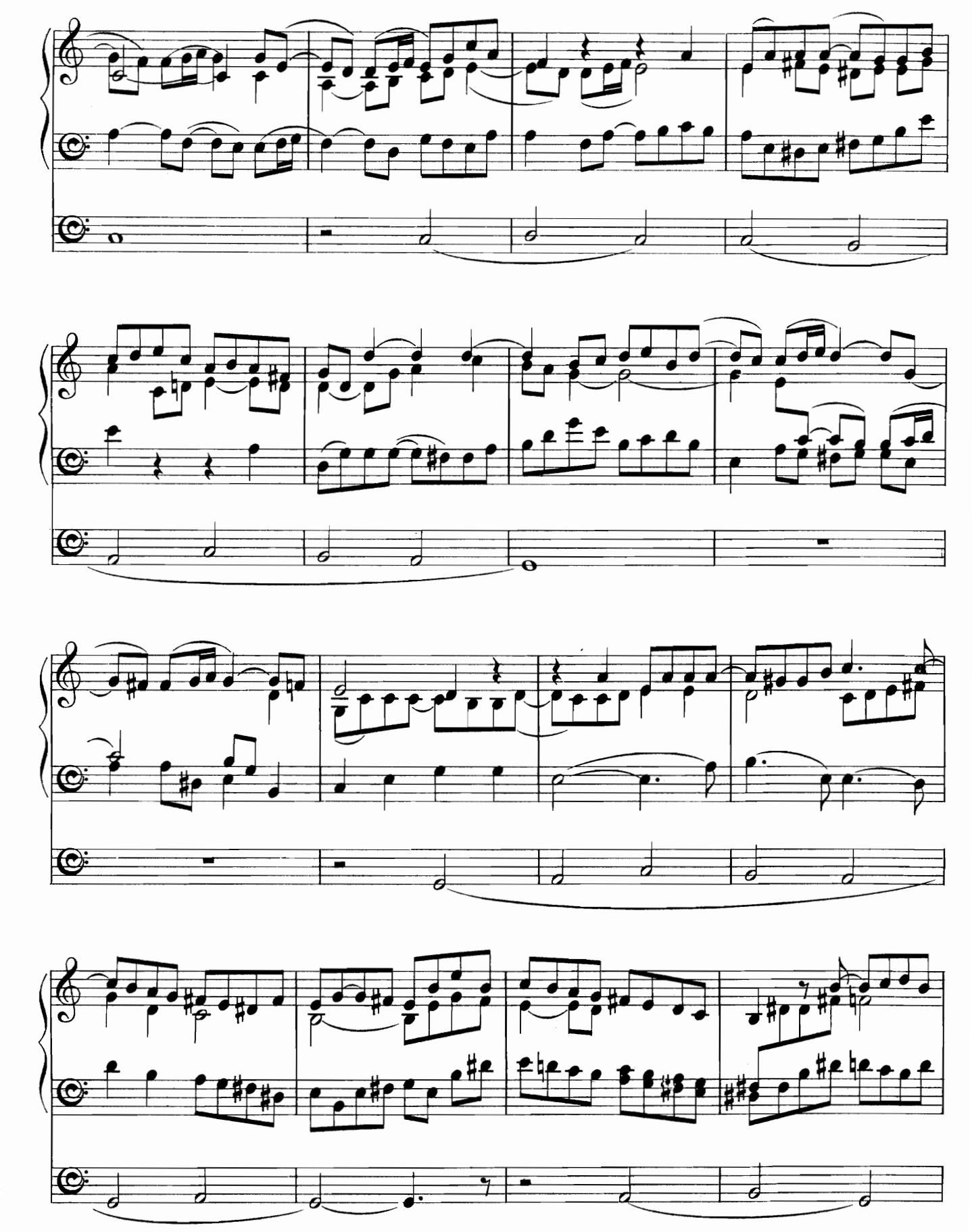

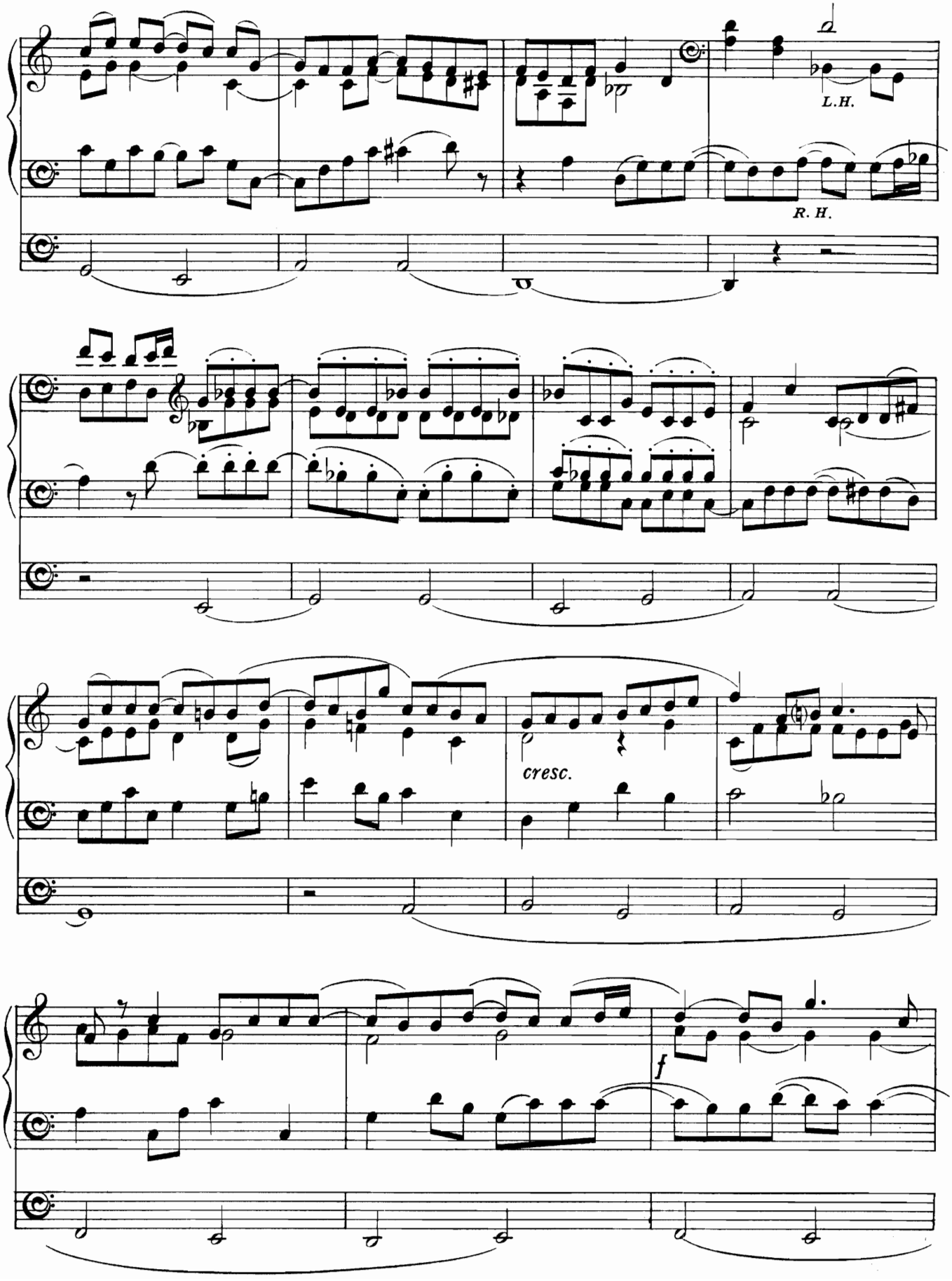
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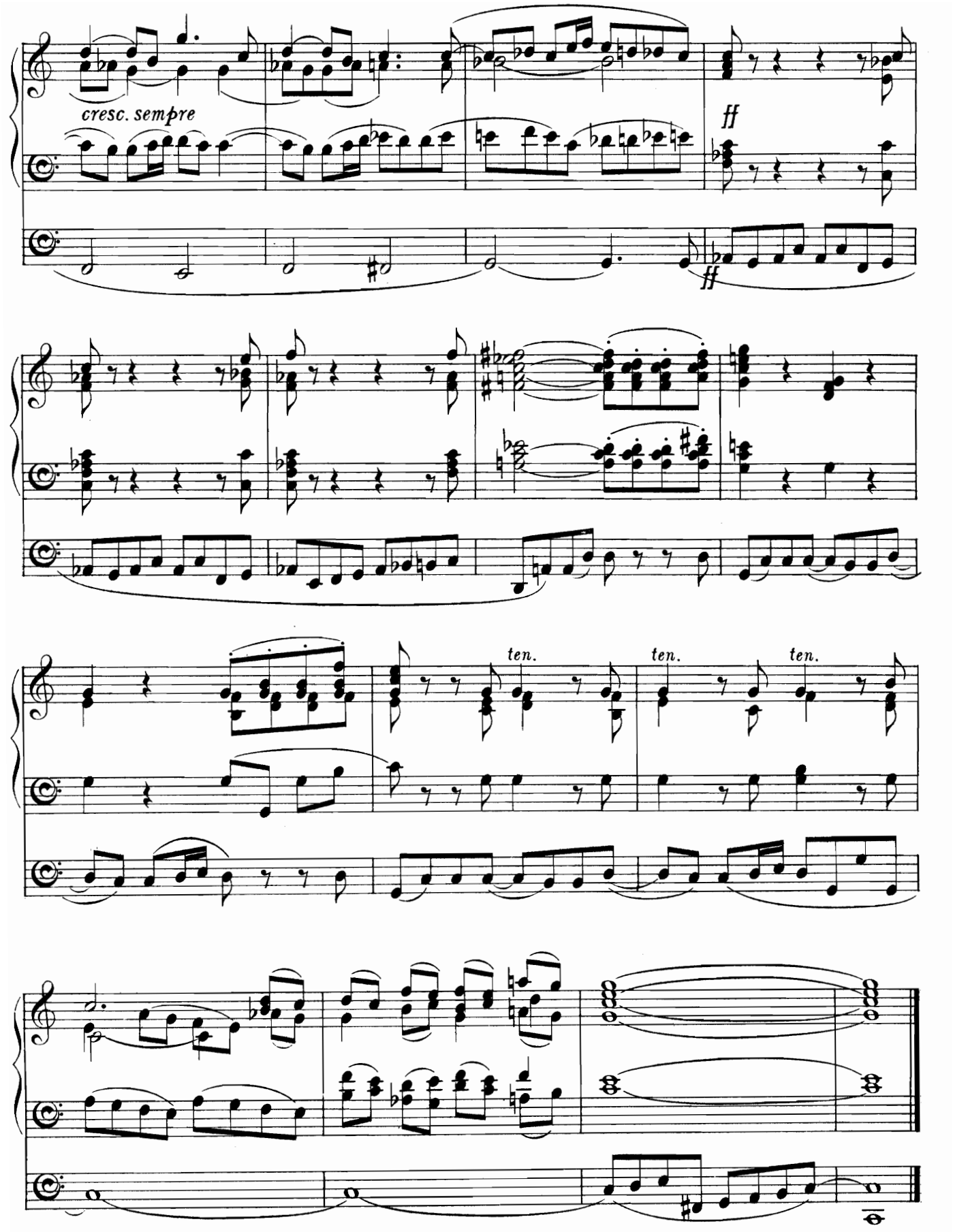
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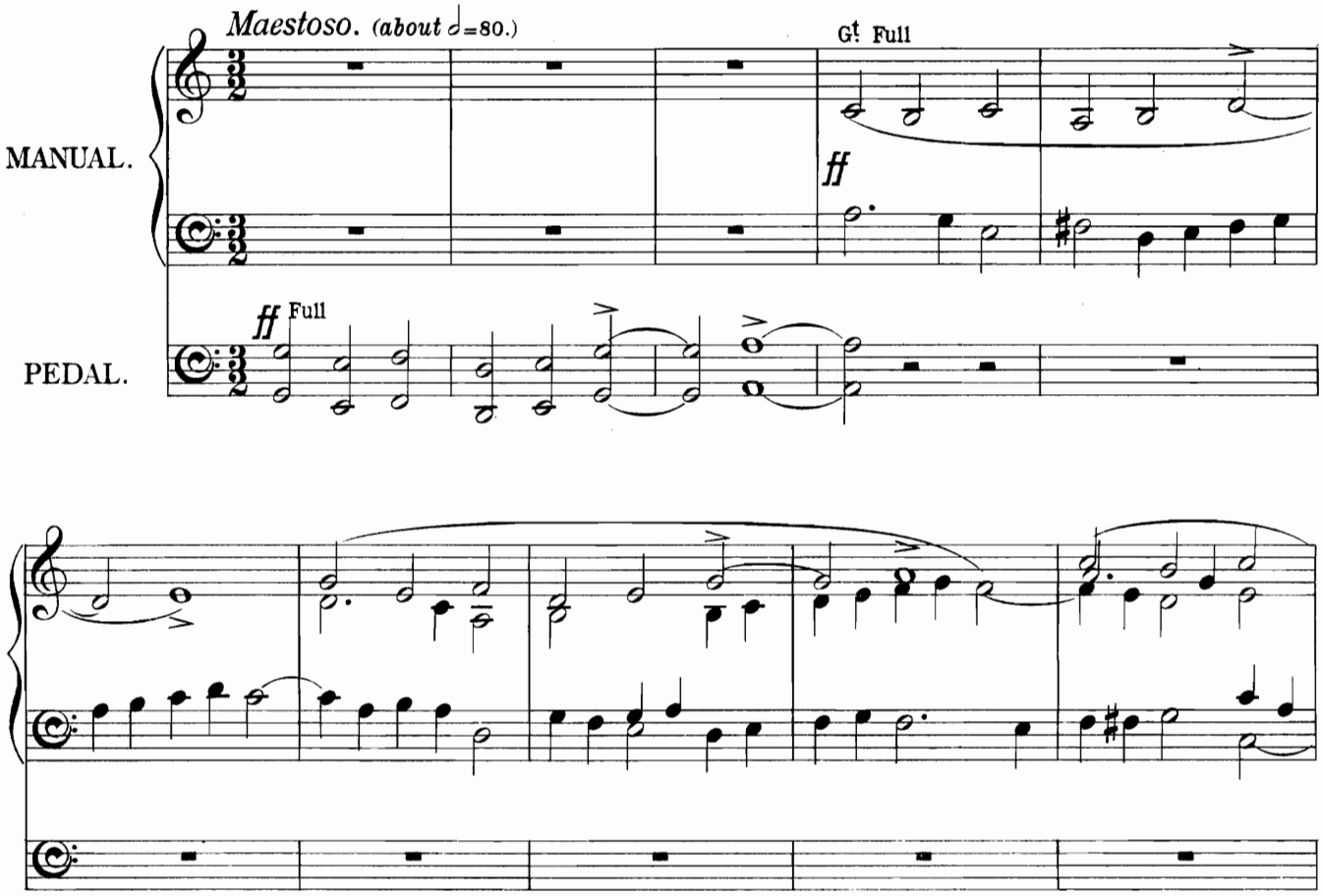
Solemn Fughetta on the theme
CREDO IN UNUM DEUM.

Charles W. Pearce.



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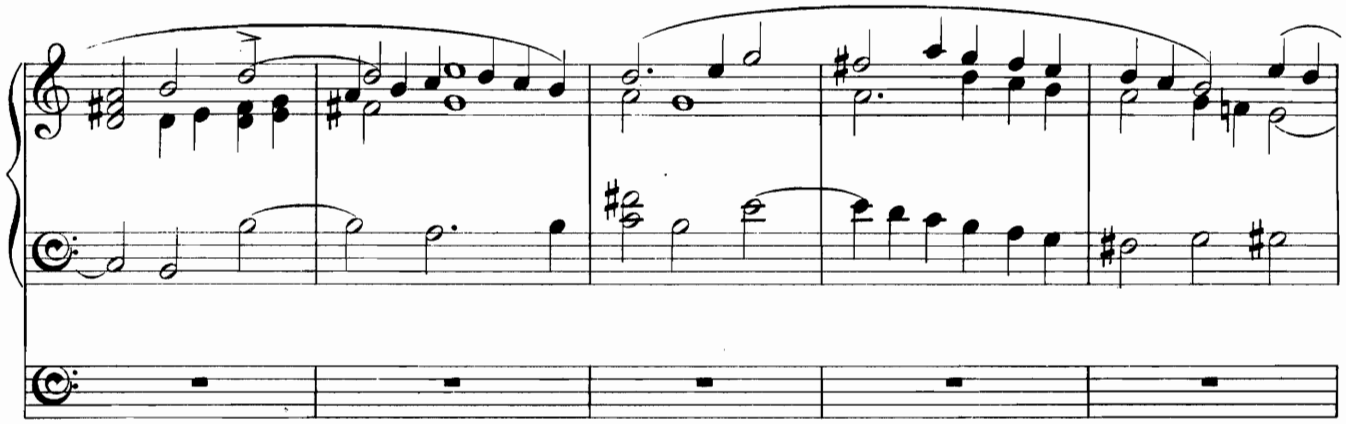

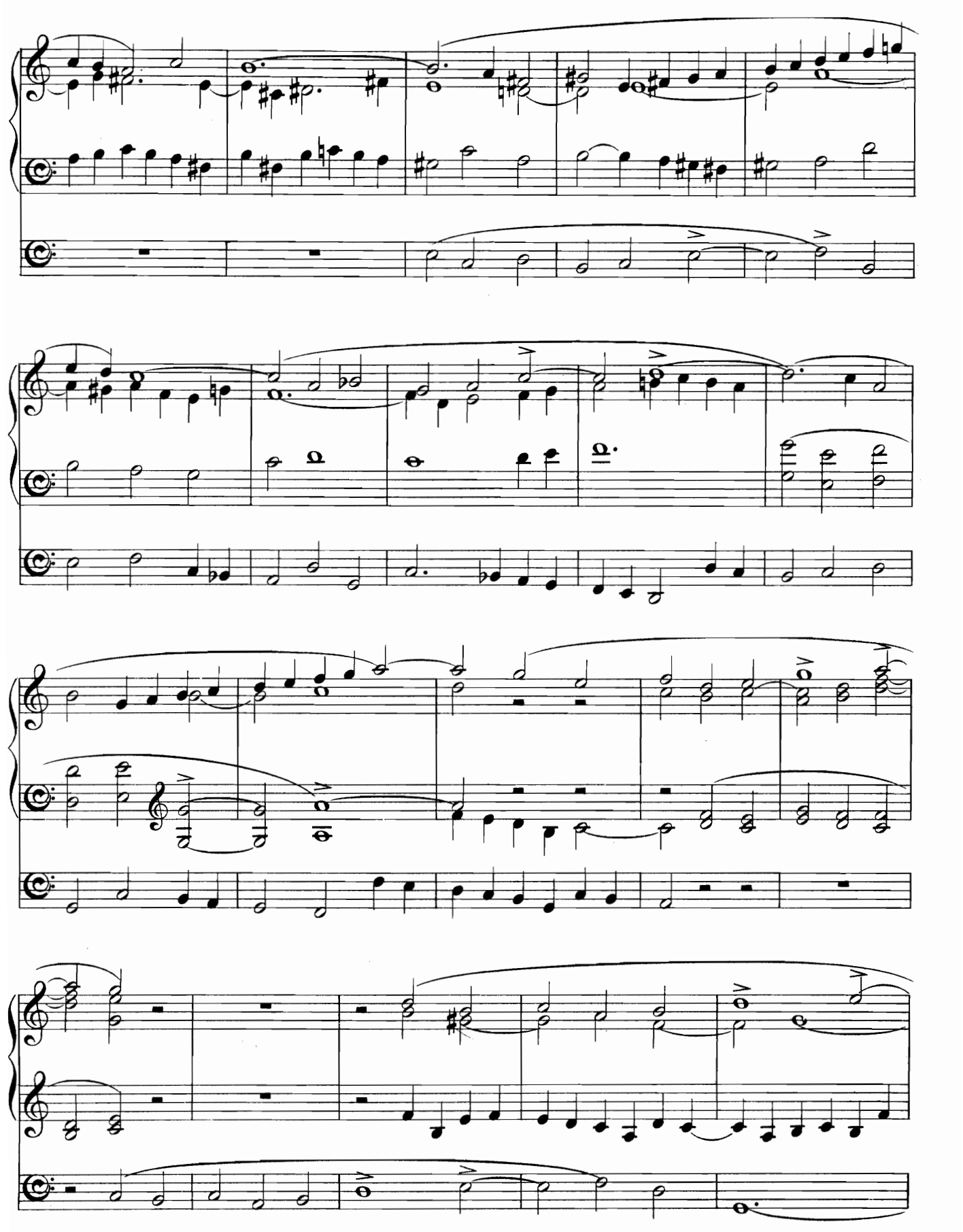

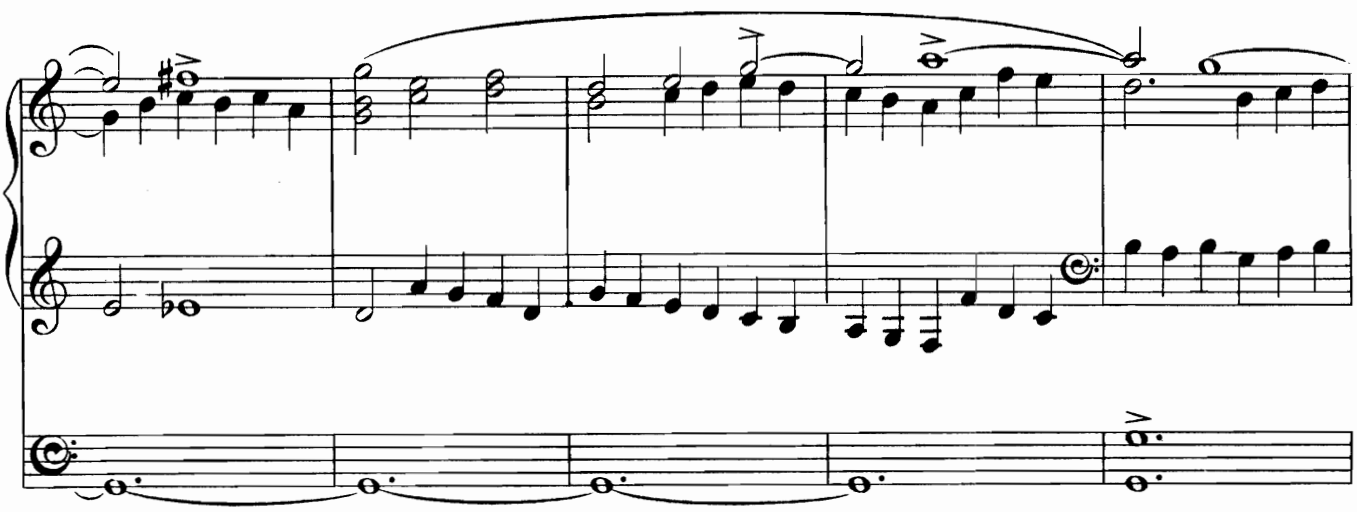

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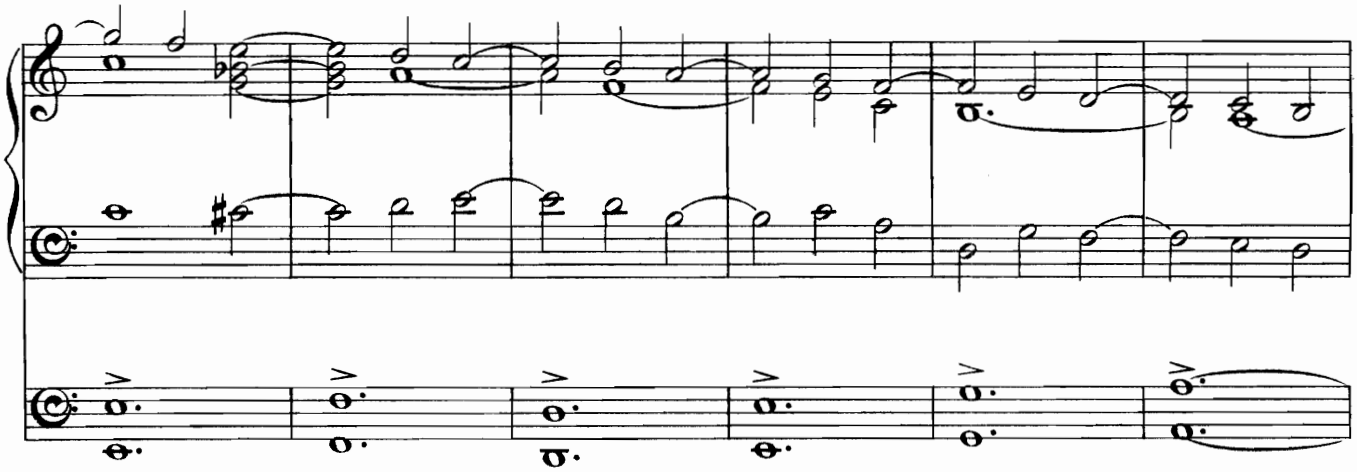
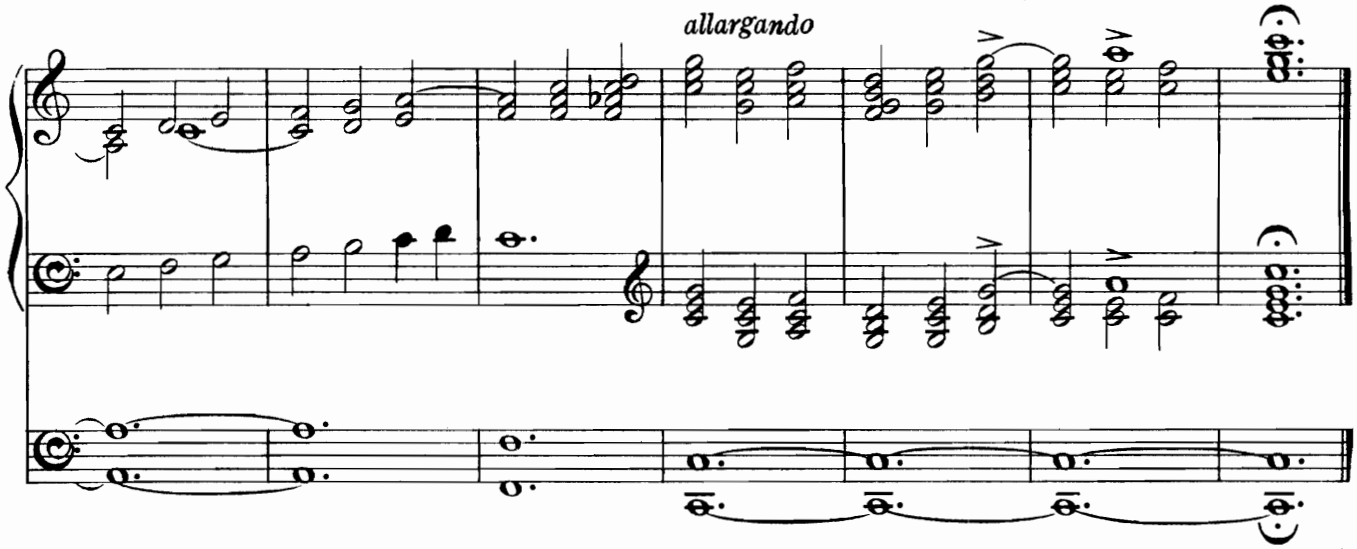


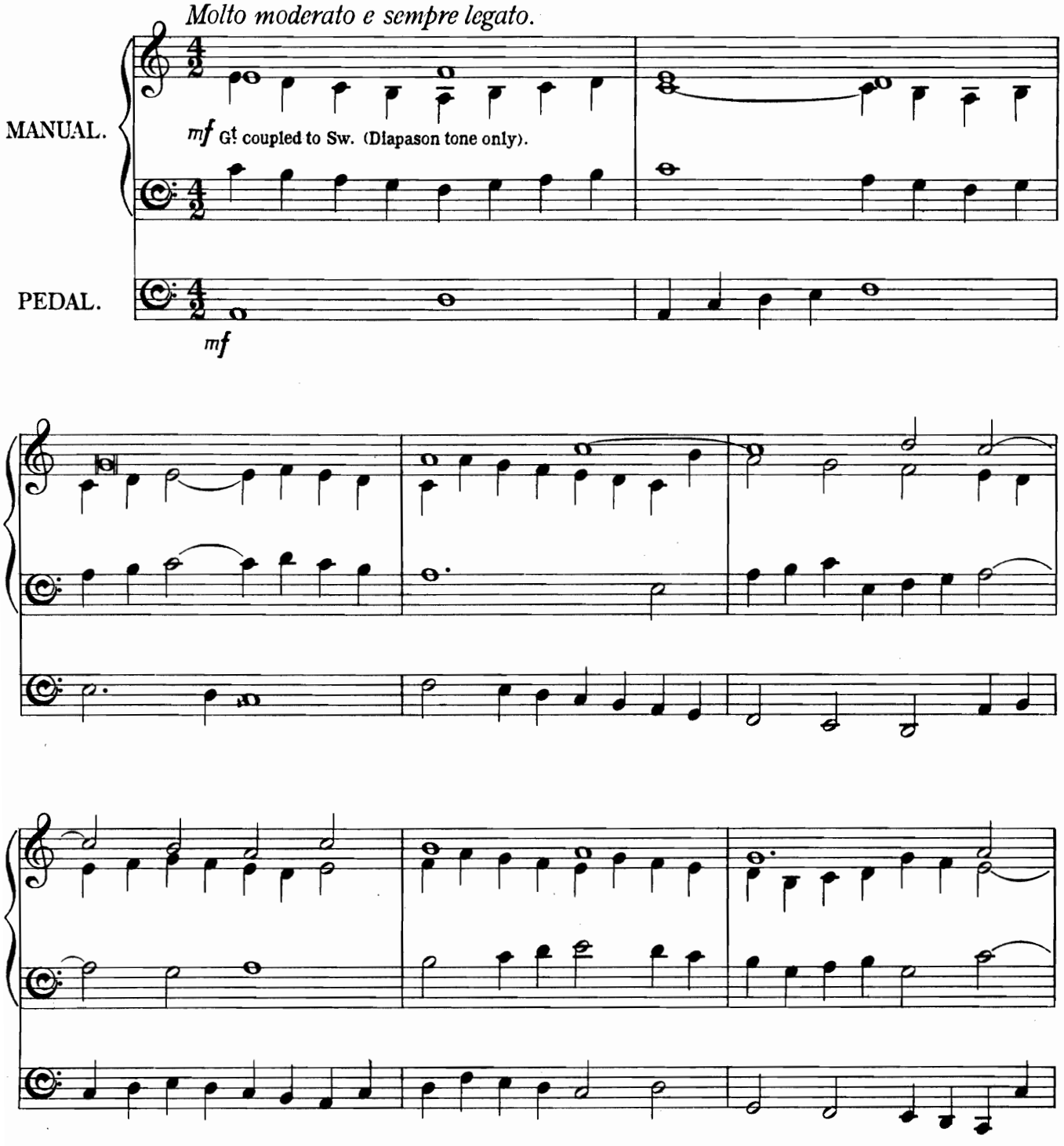


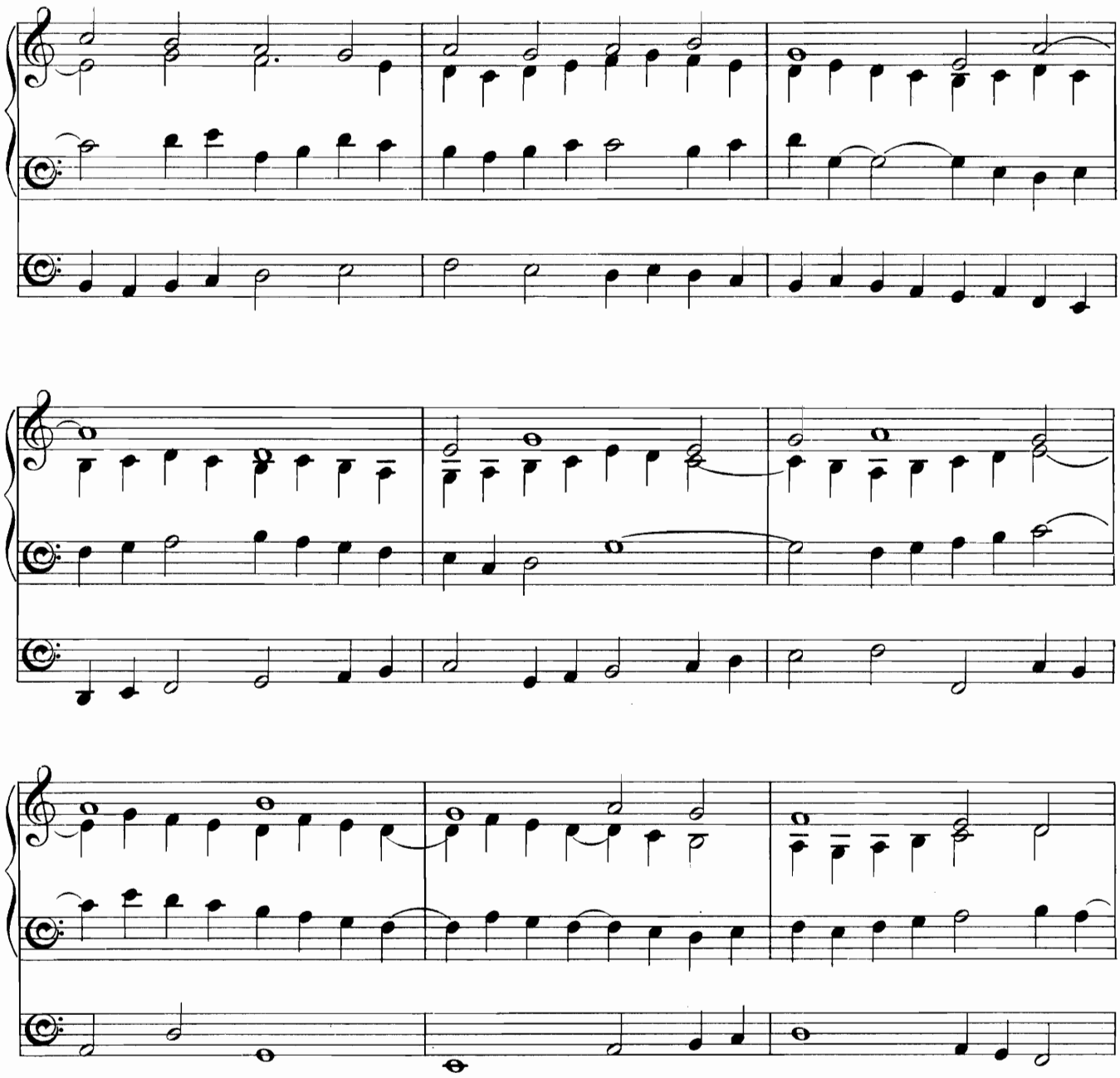
Processional Verses on the theme
PANGE LINGUA.

I. *Theme in soprano voice:*

William Sewell.

Molto moderato e sempre legato.





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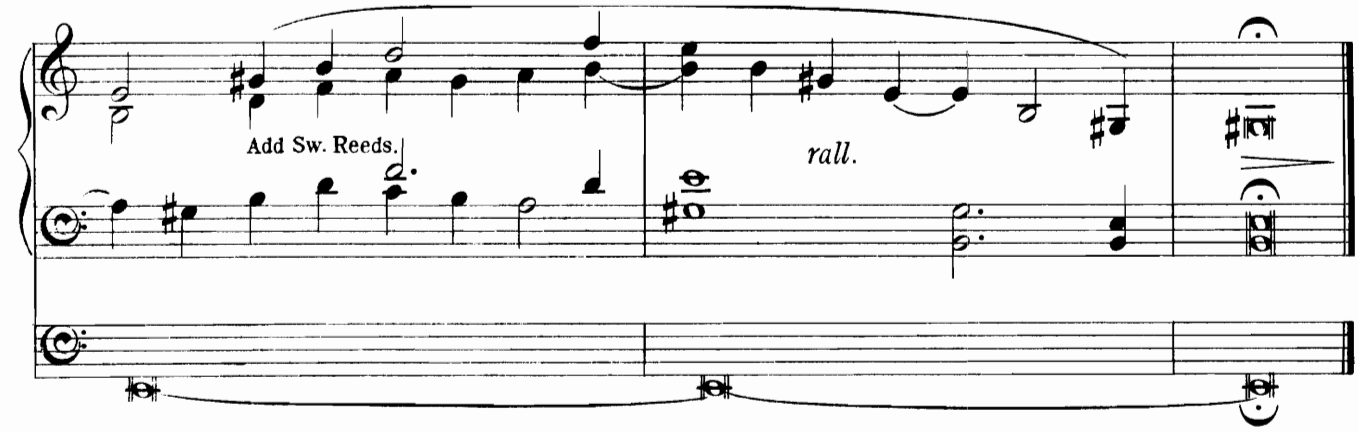

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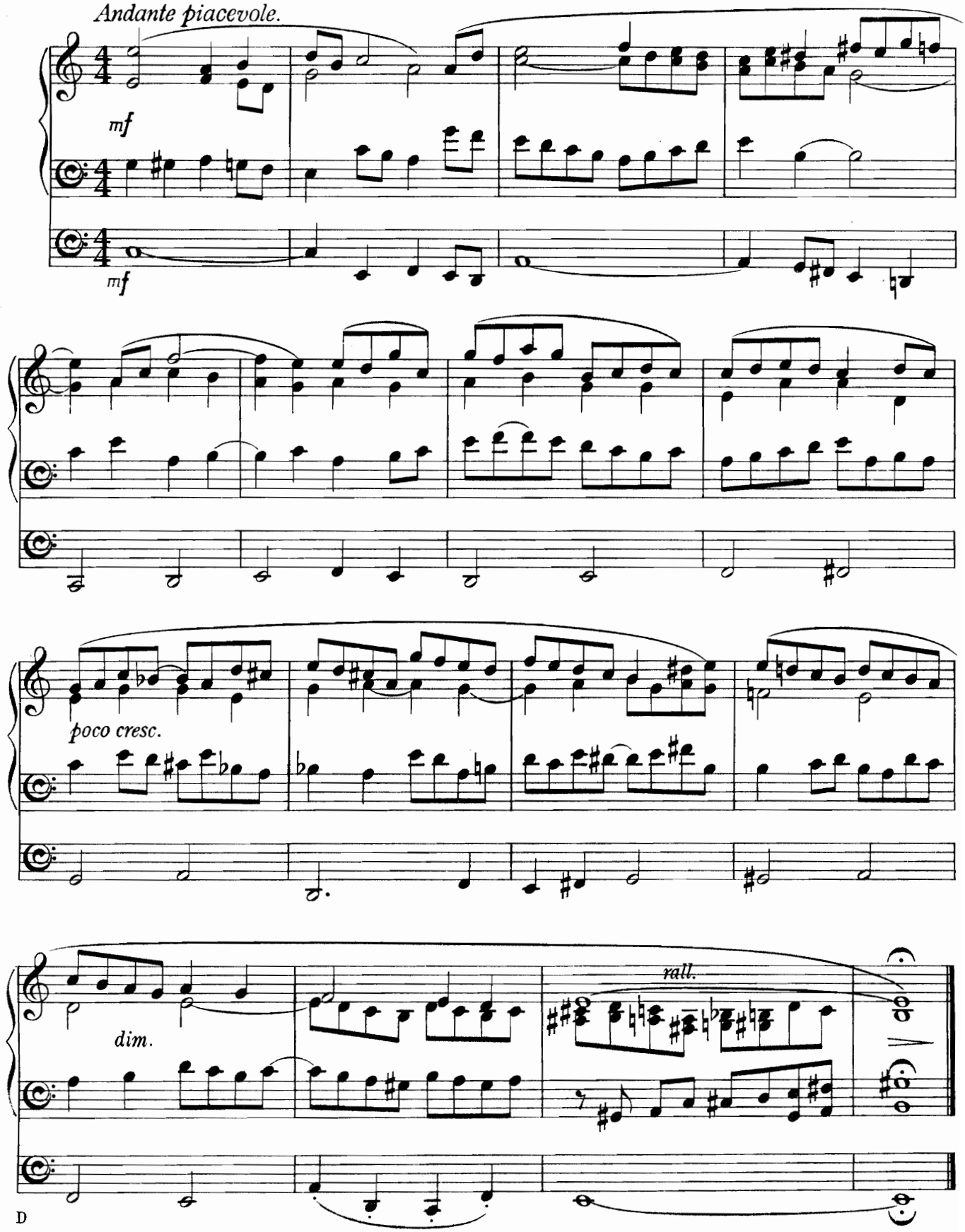

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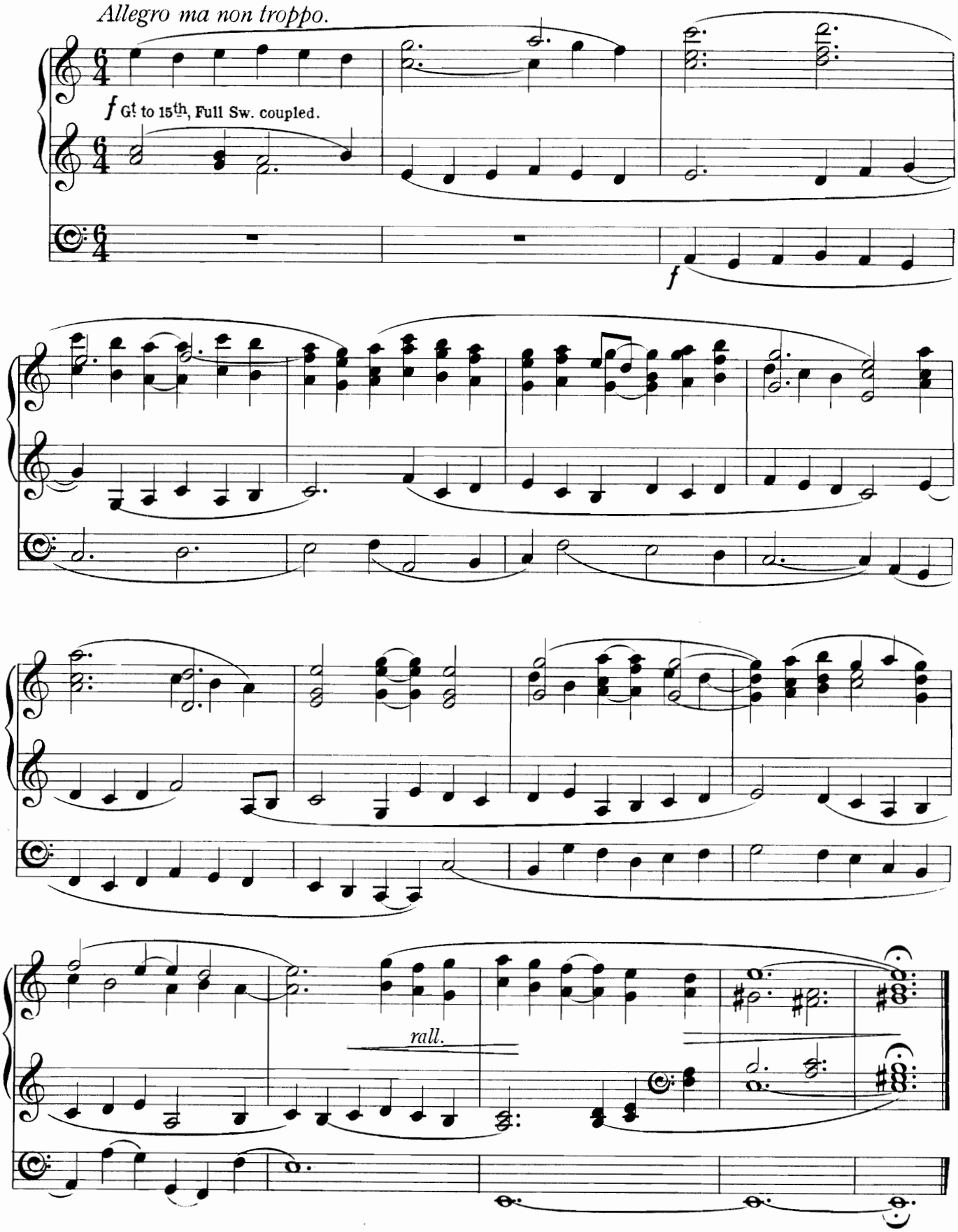

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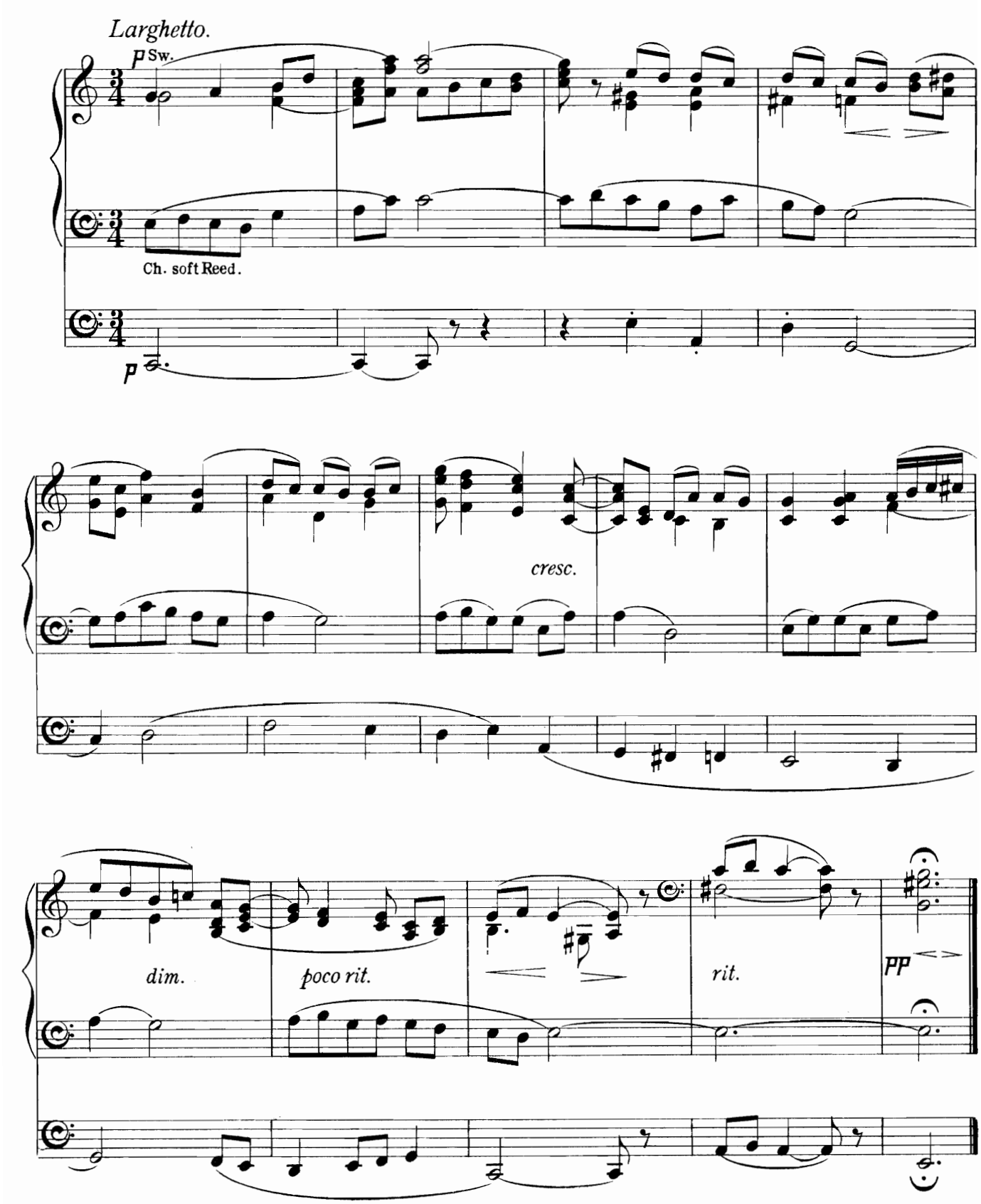

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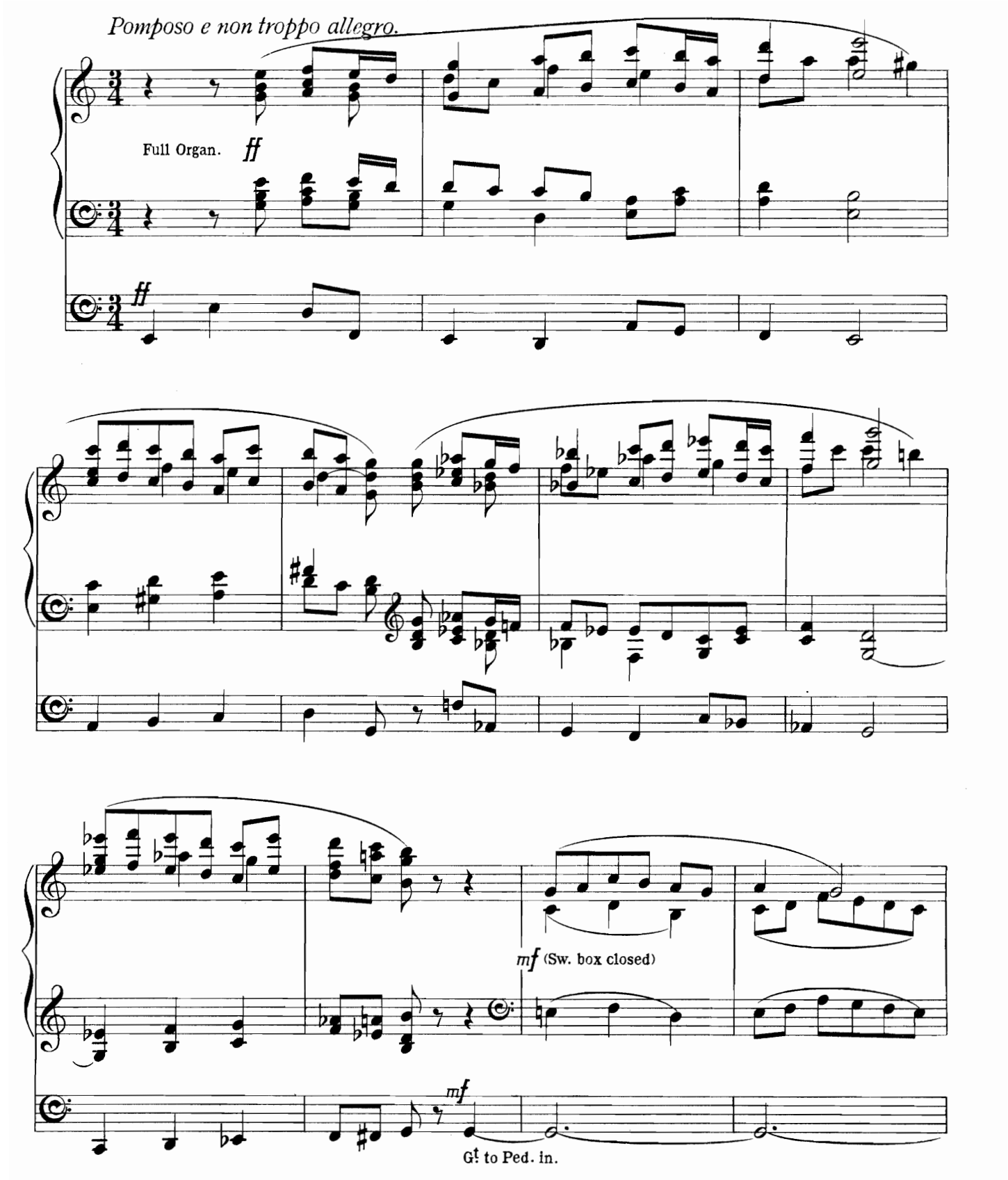

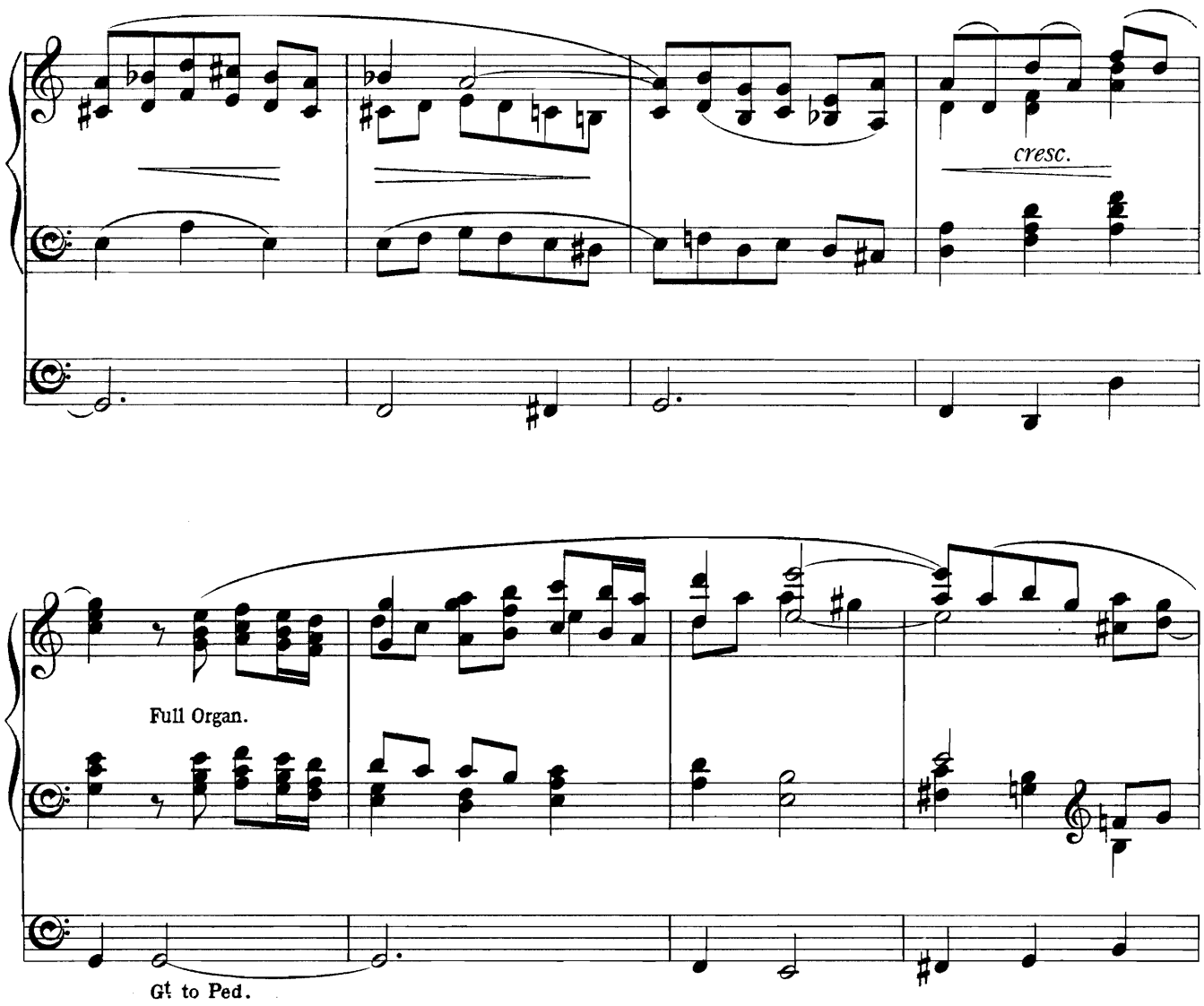
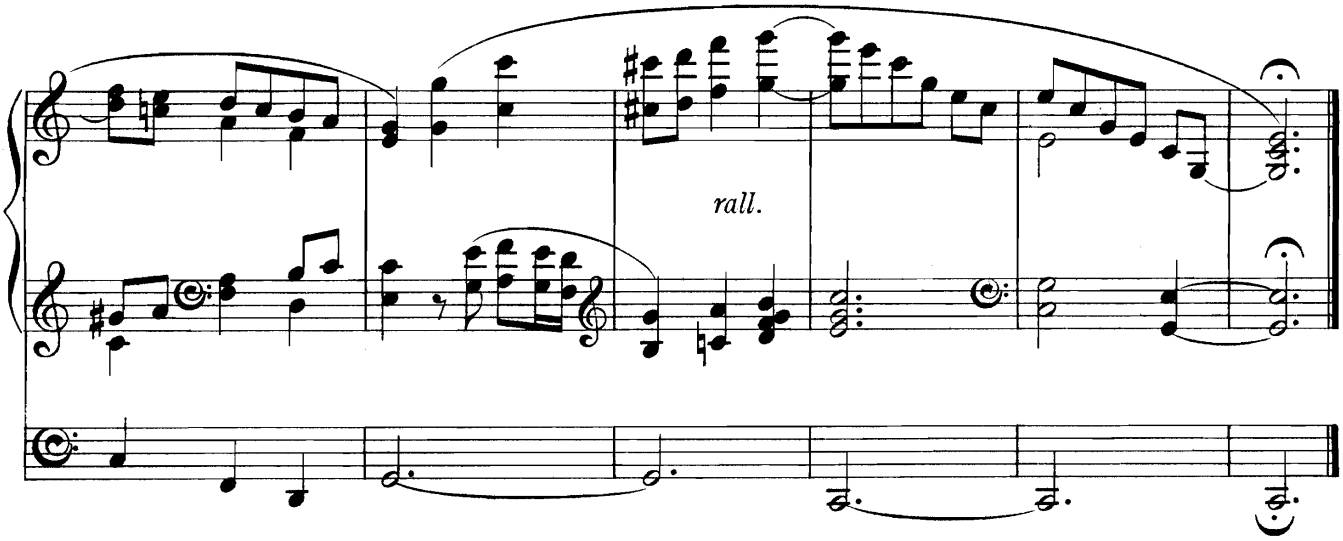
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