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PREFACE

This is the second of four volumes devoted to the evolution of the folia, the saraband, the passacaglia, and the chaconne. An introduction to the set appears at the beginning of the first volume.

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THE EVOLUTION OF THE SARABAND

The saraband, unlike the folia, the chaconne, and the passacaglia, did not develop primarily into a variation form. Therefore different examples are, in general, less like one another, and similarities between them are more difficult to identify. This fact, coupled with the great number of sarabands written during the Baroque period, makes it almost impossible for any one scholar to embrace the entire literature or to compare it with other dances of the same period. The history of the saraband is thus being written very slowly, and I offer this present volume with the hope that it may add at least one small step along the way already established by the substantial contributions of Robert Stevenson and Daniel Devoto.1

The musical examples are divided into four categories, commencing with rasgueado guitar sarabands, mainly from Italian sources. These are arranged to demonstrate specific musical traits and are therefore not necessarily chronological. The other three sections are each in chronological order, presenting first the non-rasgueado examples from Italy, then those from France, and finally, grouped together, those from England, Spain, and Germany. In a few cases the works of a composer from one country seem more significantly related to the evolving saraband of another. Hence, I have included the examples of Praetorius with those from France; the works of Corbetta are divided, with the earlier ones in the Italian section, the later ones in the French. Several examples are sometimes included from a single source, in order to give some idea of the degree of variety employed by one composer or a group of related composers. In such cases the source is indicated by the number, each individual piece by a small letter following the number.

Although it seemed best to organize the musical examples thus by country, the historical evolution of the form will be considered according to three main

number of variants are given. Any of the measures in the first three columns can then combine with any of the three variants of the last column to form the second half of a phrase. The formula at the top of the first column shows 4 moving to 3, but interrupted by an échappée, a device already encountered in $b_4$ of Ex. 3. The échappée between two notes moving downward by step is one of the most typical melodic traits in the Italian version of the fast French saraband. It occurs in Ex. 3 between 2 and 1, in Ex. 5 between 4 and 3, and in an early example of Praetorius (63a) between 3 and 2.

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Examples showing $a_1$ from Ex. 5 attached to $d_1$ occur at the end of the opening phrase of Nos. 35a, 45d, 50d, 101b, and 104b, at the end of the first and second phrases of 38c, at the end of the last phrase of 47a, at the end of the first and last phrases of 47f, and at the end of each section in 47d. The four variants of the formula in the first column can be seen in the opening phrase of Nos. 35f, 55b, 110c, and 95f, respectively. Occasionally the échappée is absent and $a_1$ or $a_2$ becomes simply 4-4-3, as in 95d or 105c. The first formula in the $b$ column is coupled with $d$ at the end of Nos. 35a and 97; the three variants occur in 55c (sixth measure), 55c (end of first section), and 55c (the end of the piece). The formulae of column $c$ appear together with $d$ in 35e, 55b (fourth measure from the end), 55c (first phrase),
17. I-Fr, MS 2849, fols. 164v-165r. The text shown constitutes one four-line stanza and its two-line refrain, the latter recurring at the end of the second and fifth stanzas. A second refrain, also containing the word *sarabanda*, concludes the third and fourth stanzas.


20-21. The source of No. 18, fols. 14r and 7v. For each of the examples in No. 21, Briñño first gives the refrain with its guitar accompaniment, then two stanzas of text, each ending with the words of the refrain.


23. Carlo Milanuzzi, *Terzo scherzo delle ariose vaghezze* (Venice, 1623), copy in D-Hs, p. 51. In the tablature the letter is missing for the last chord, and the first repeat-sign occurs one quarter-note earlier.

24. I-Fr, MS 2774, fols. 77v, 83v, and 81r.

25. The source of No. 23, p. 51. The first two repeat-signs appear a quarter-note sooner in the tablature.


27. Foscarini, *I quatro libri della chitarra spagnola* (no place or date), copy at GB-Lbm, p. 4 (*Zarabanda p.*).

28. The work cited for No. 12, p. 37, top line; also the source of No. 42, p. 35, on C (see Plate II).

29. I-Fc, MS B 2556, fol. 13v.

30. The source of No. 12, p. 35 (title from the index).

31. The source of No. 23, p. 51.

32. The source of No. 18, fol. 13v.

33-34. The work cited for No. 12, pp. 38 and 34 (titles from the index).

35. US-SFsc, Bentivoglio lute MS, pp. 58 (a and b), 67 (c), 88 (d), 89 (e), and 93, second saraband (f). Concerning this MS, see Gustave Reese, "An Early Seven-
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(a) Antonio Carbonchi, 1640

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