PARTHENIA;
OR
THE MAYDEN-HEAD
of the first Musicke that ever was
printed for the VIRGINALLS.

COMPOSED
By three famous Masters: *William Byrd*, Dr. *John Bull*,
and *Orlando Gibbons*, Gentlemen of his Majesties Chappell.

Dedicated to all the Masters and Lovers of Musick.

Printed for *John Clarke*, at the lower end of Cheapside,
entring into *Mercers Chappell*. 1651.

Cum Privilegio.

HIRSCH
B M
LIBRARY

Mr: Hugh Holland

On his worthy frend W:H:
& his Triumuiri of Musicke.

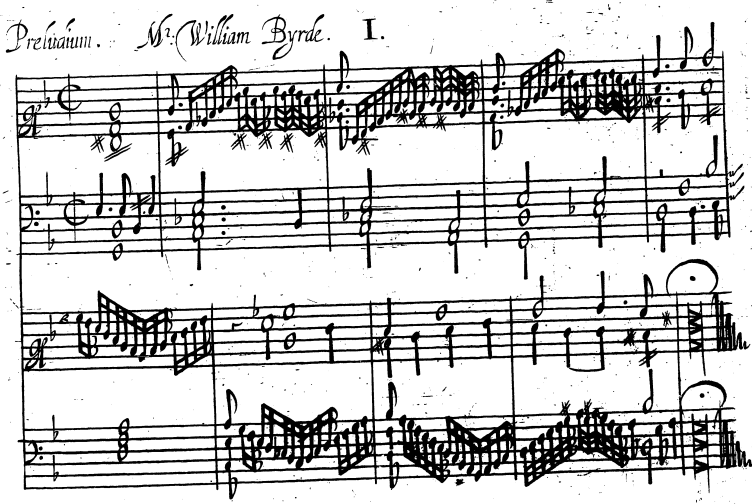
List to that sweete Recorder;
How daintily this BYRD his notes doth vary,
As if he were the Nightingalls owne brother!
Loe, where doth pace in order
A brauer BULL, then did Europa cary:
Nay let all Europe showe me such an other:
Orlando though was counted Musicks fath;
Yet this ORLANDO parallels di Lasso:
Whose triple praise would tire a very Tasso;
The heere in one these three men heare y rather
And praise thaire songes: & sing his praise who
Those notes so well wth they so sweetely varied. maried

Mr: Geo: Chapman

In worthye loue of this new worck,
and the most Autenticall Auctbors.

By theis choice lessons of theise Musique Mastrs;
Ancient, and heightn'd wth ye Arts full Bowles,
Let all our moderne, mere Phantastique Tasters,
(Whose Art but forreigne Noueltie extolls)
Rule and confine theyr fancies; and prefer
The constāt right, & depthe Art should produce;
To all lite flashes, by whose light they err;
This wittie Age, hath wisedome least in use;
The World, ould growing, Ould, wth it, grow Men;
Theyr skylls decaying, like theyr bodies strengthe;
Yonge Men, to oulde are now but Childeren:
First Rules of Art, encrease still wth theyr lengthe.
Which see in this new worck, yet neuer seene:
Art, ye more oulde, growes eur ye more greene.

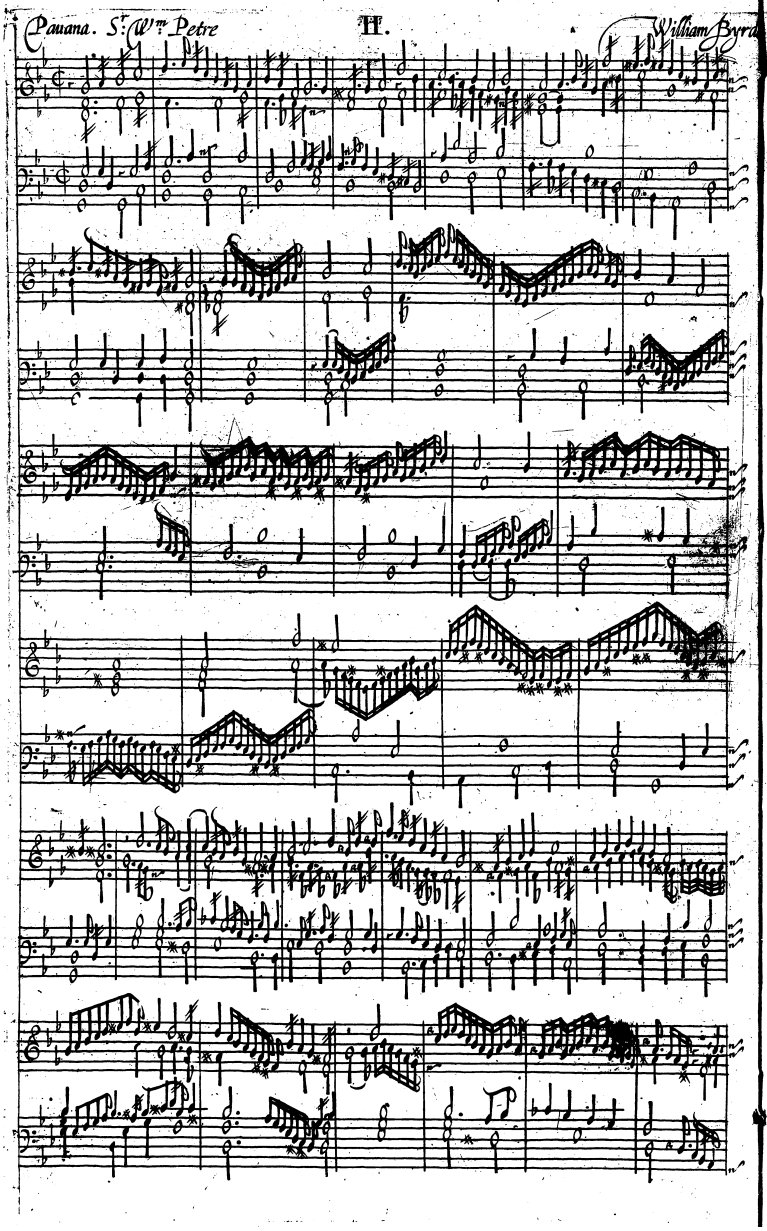
Preludium. Mr: William Byrde. I.



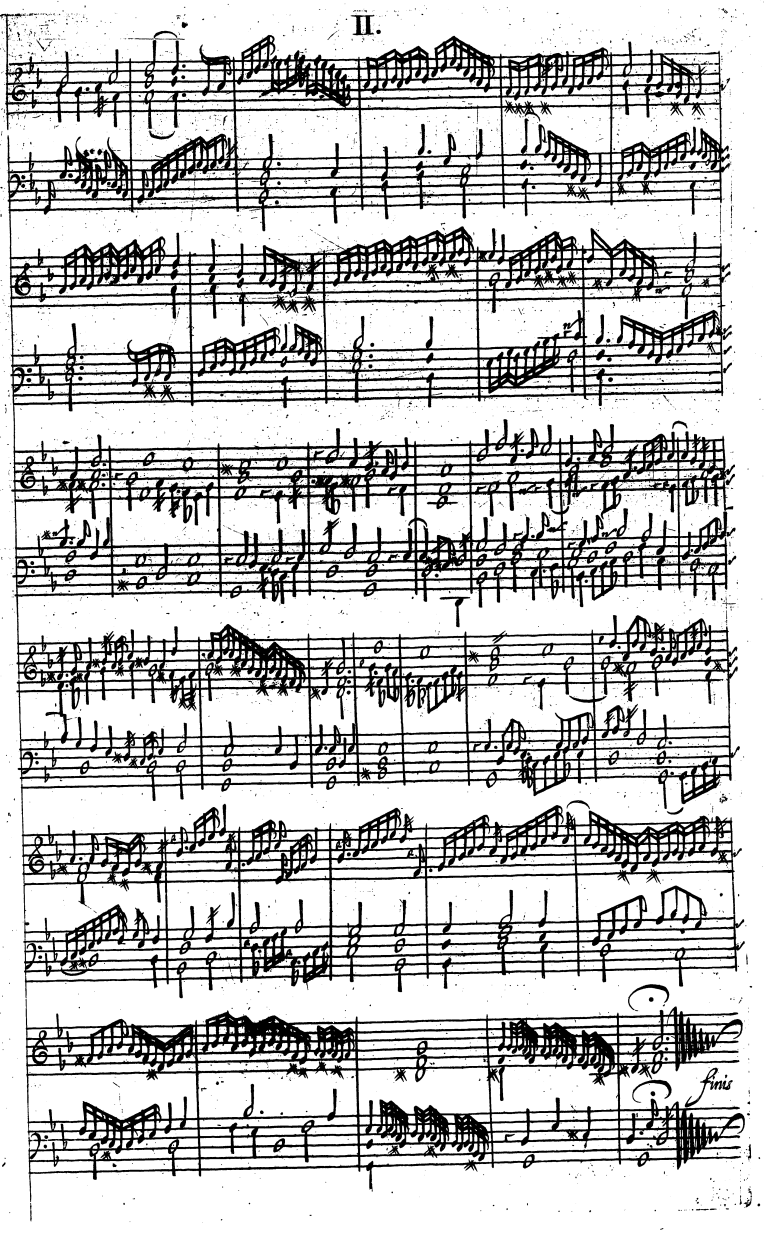
Pauana. S^r. W^m. Petre

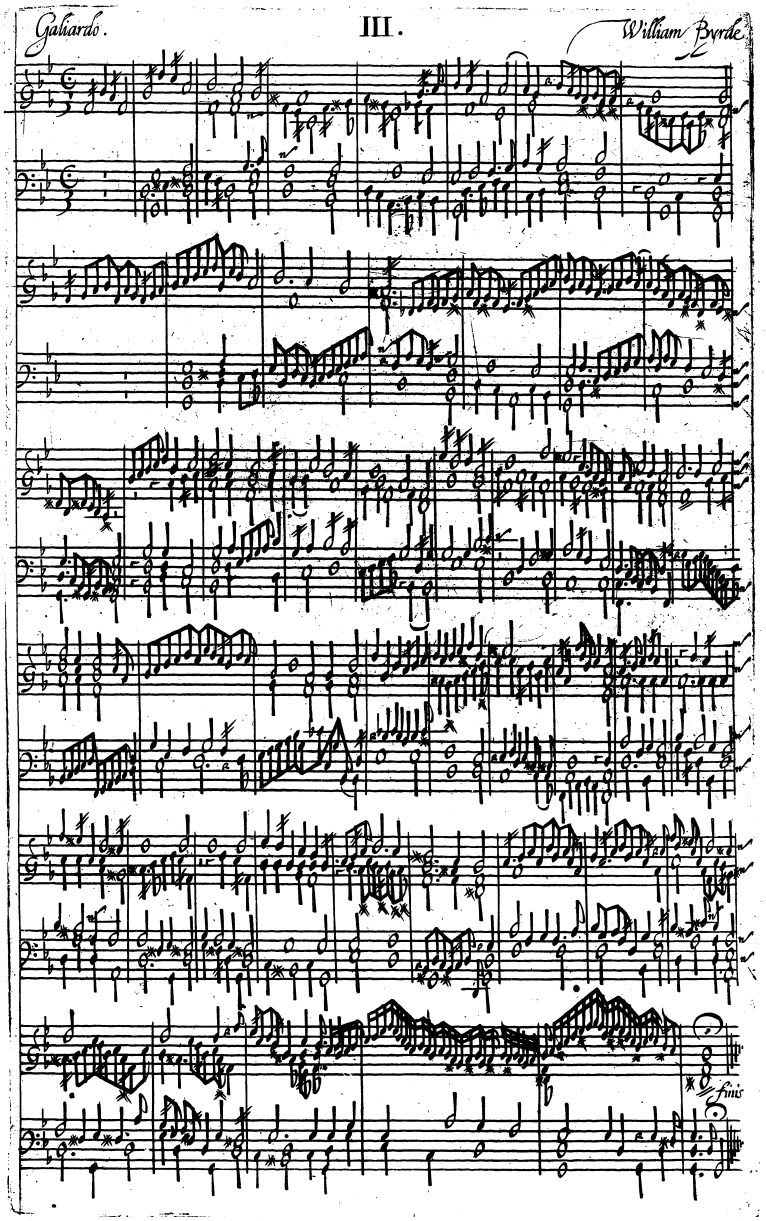
II.

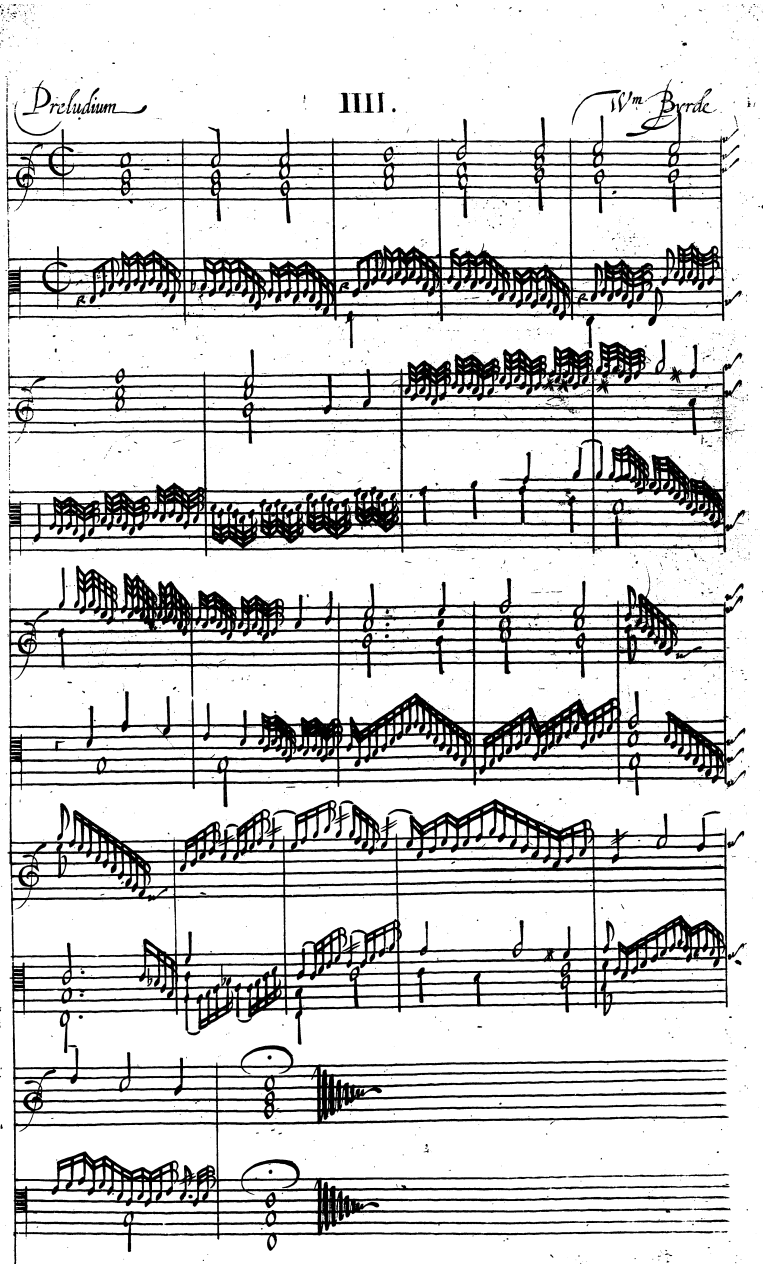
William Byrd



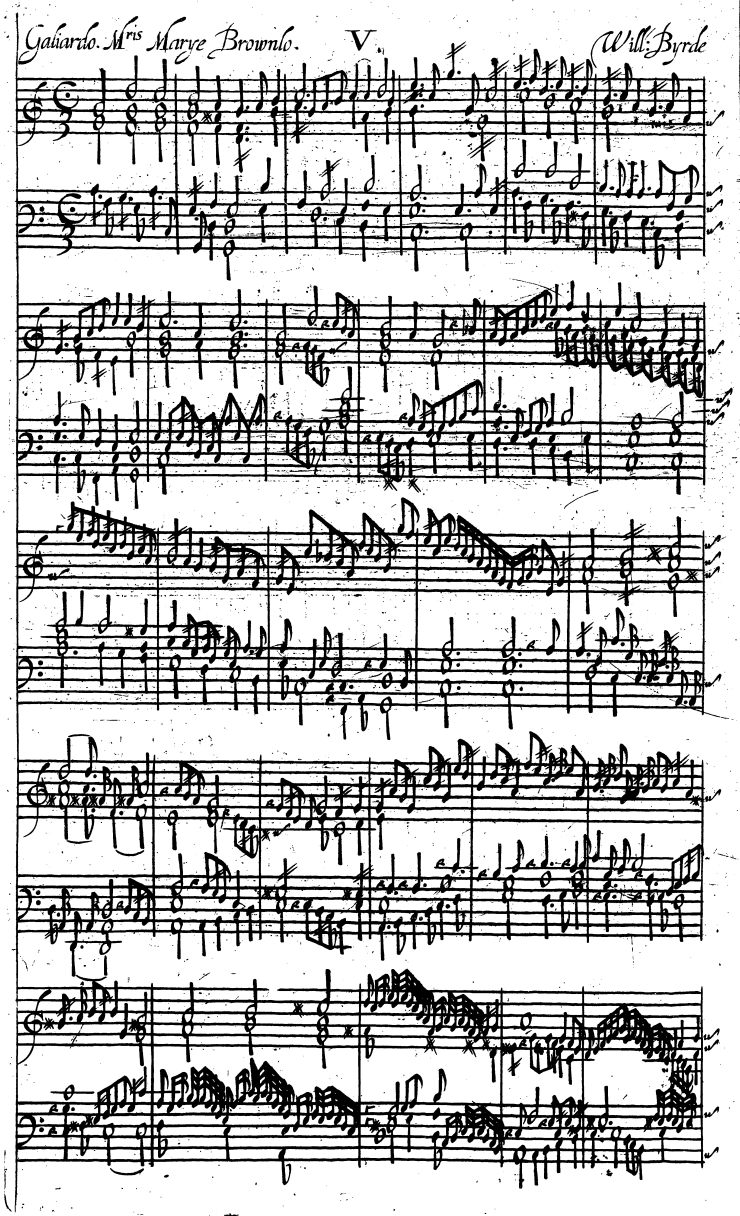
II.



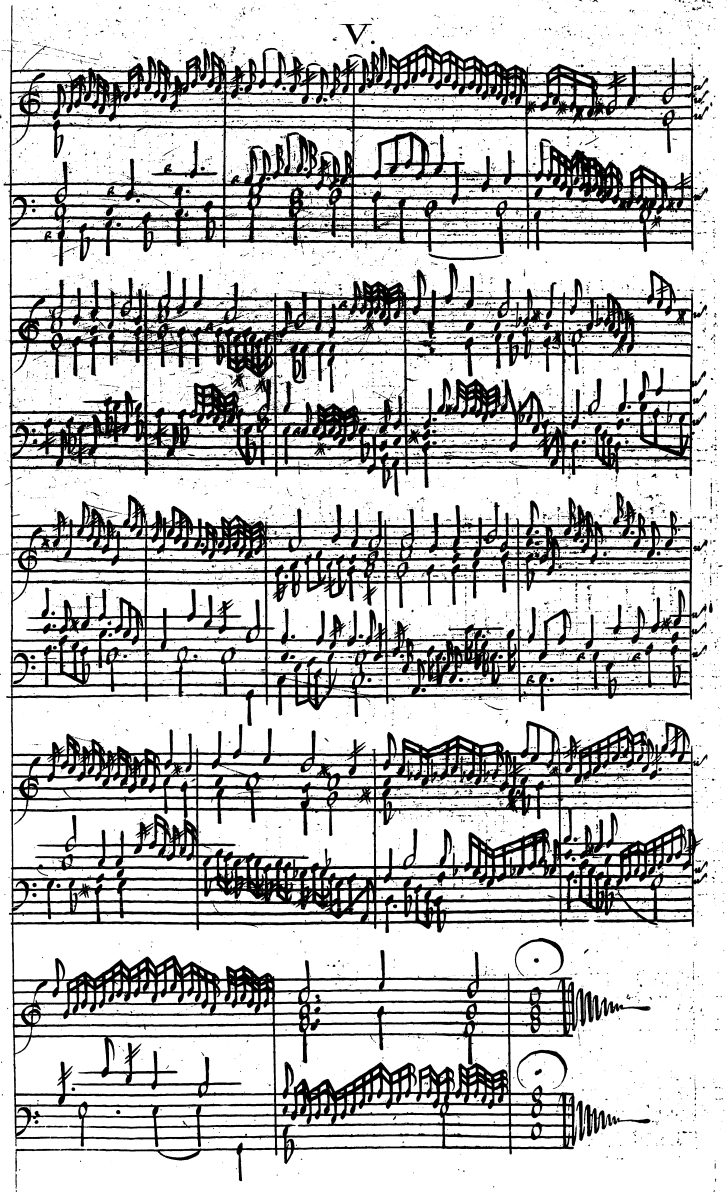

Galliardo.
III.
William Byrde
Finis

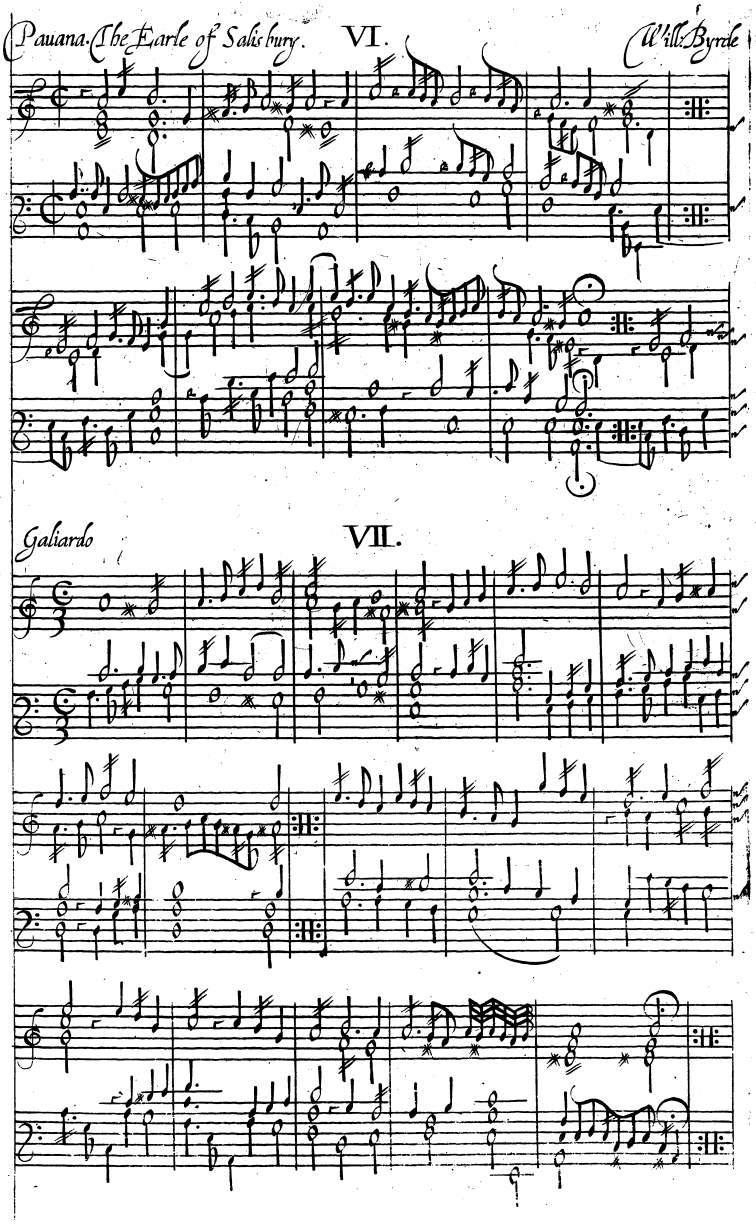

Preludium
IIII.
Wm Byrde

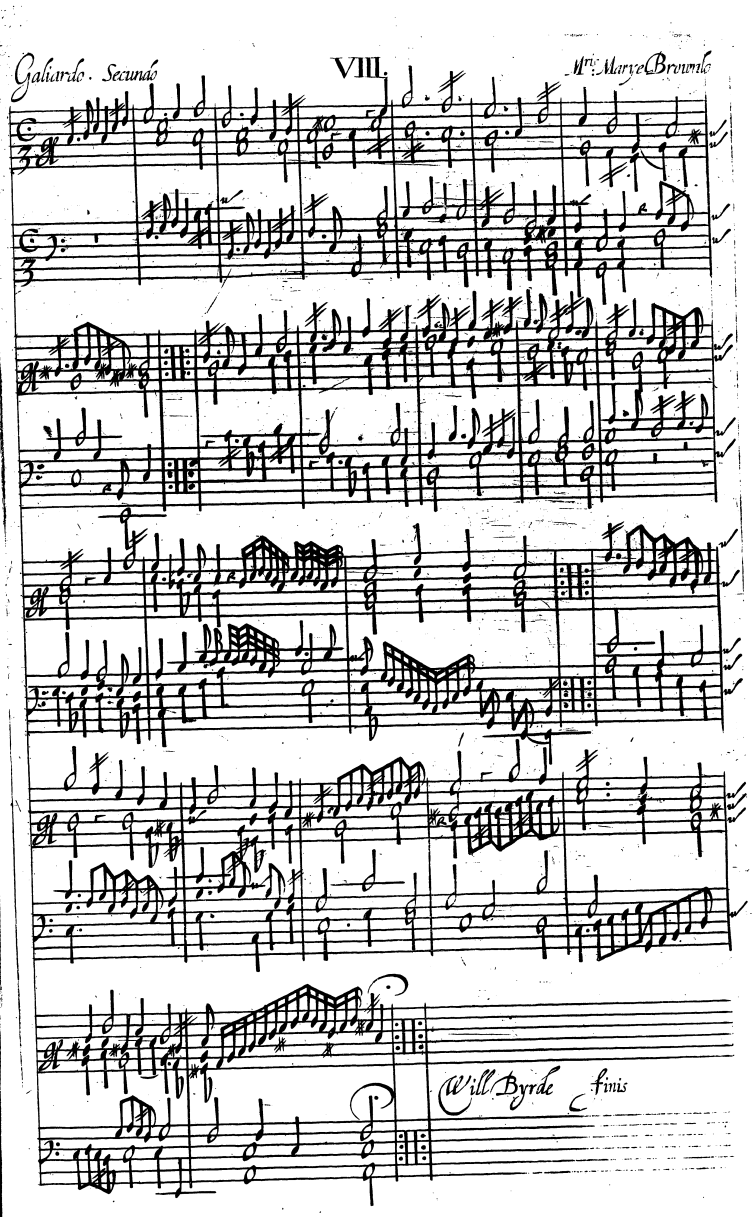
Galiardo. Mris Marye Brownlo. V. Will: Byrde

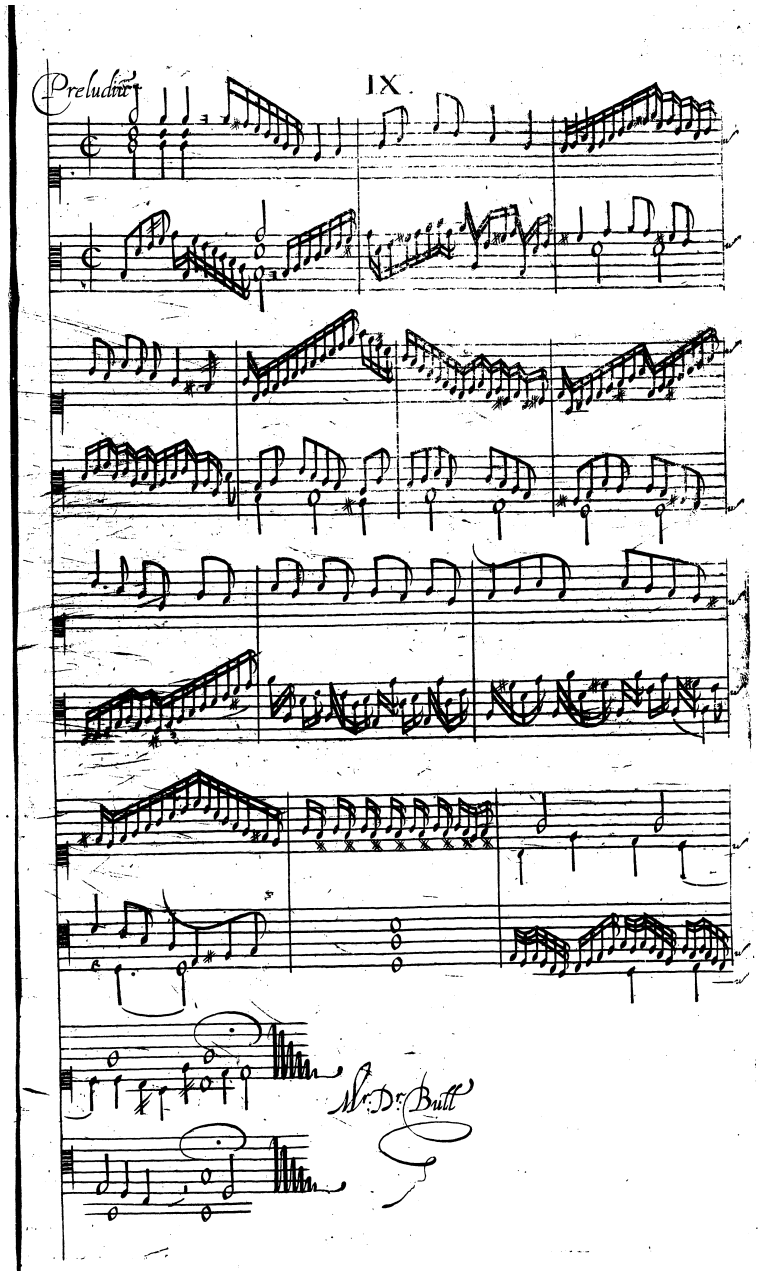


V.

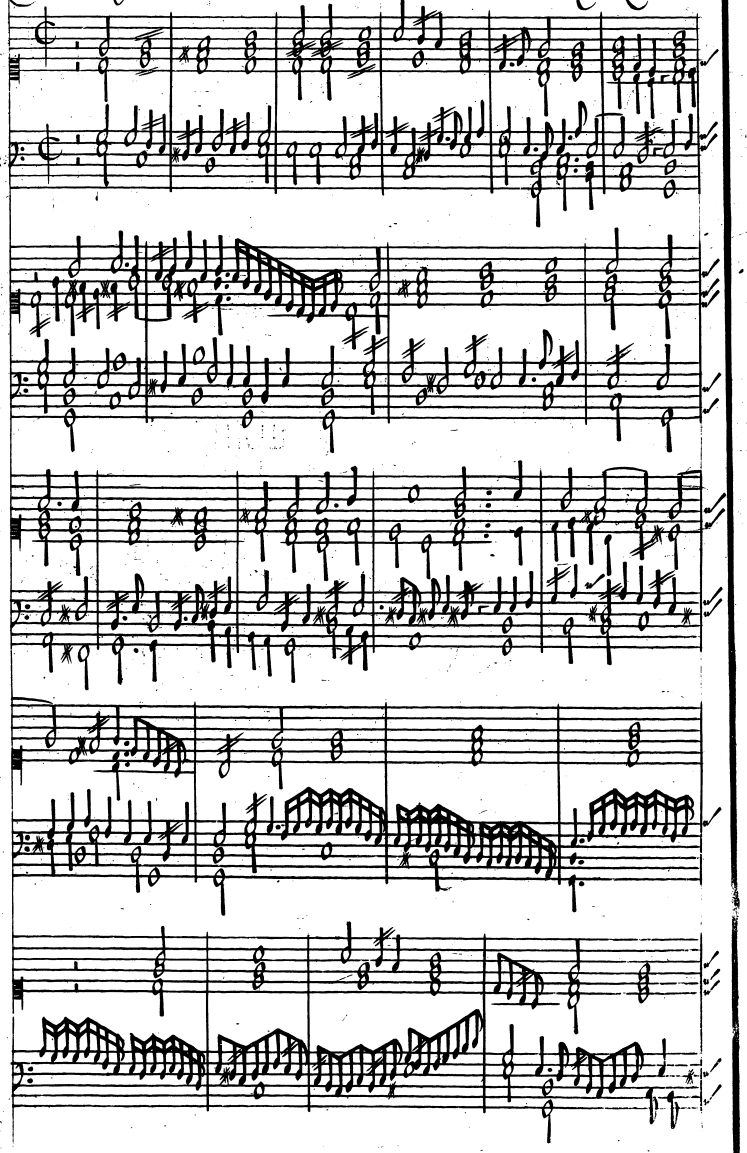



Pauana. The Earle of Salisbury.
VI.
Will: Byrde
Galiardo
VII.

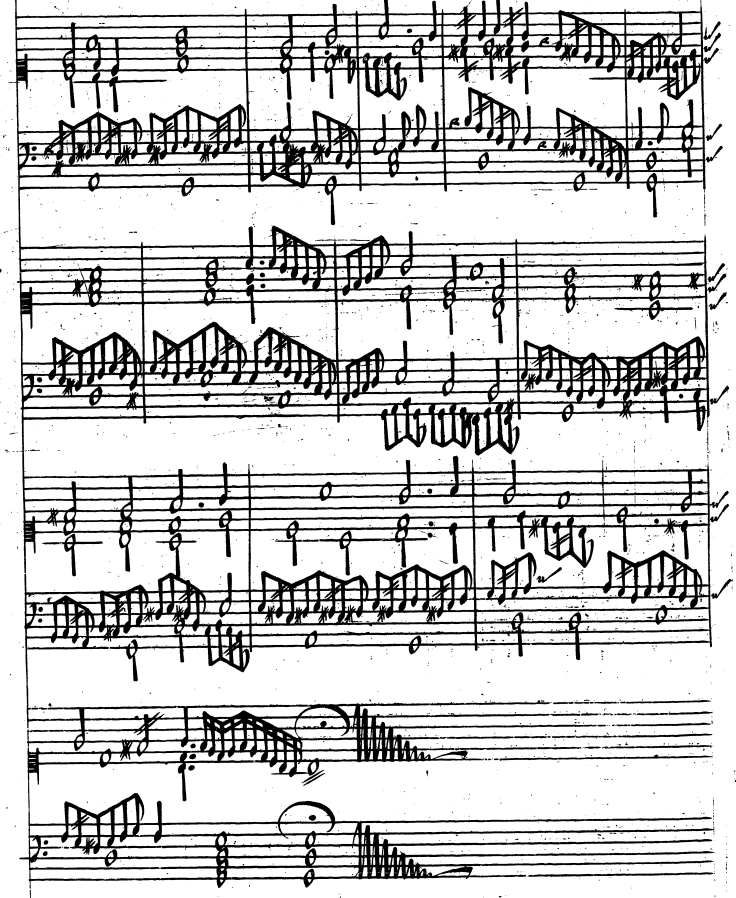

Galiardo. Secundo
VIII.
Mrs Marye Brownlo
Will Byrde finis


Preludium
IX.
Mr. Dr. Butt

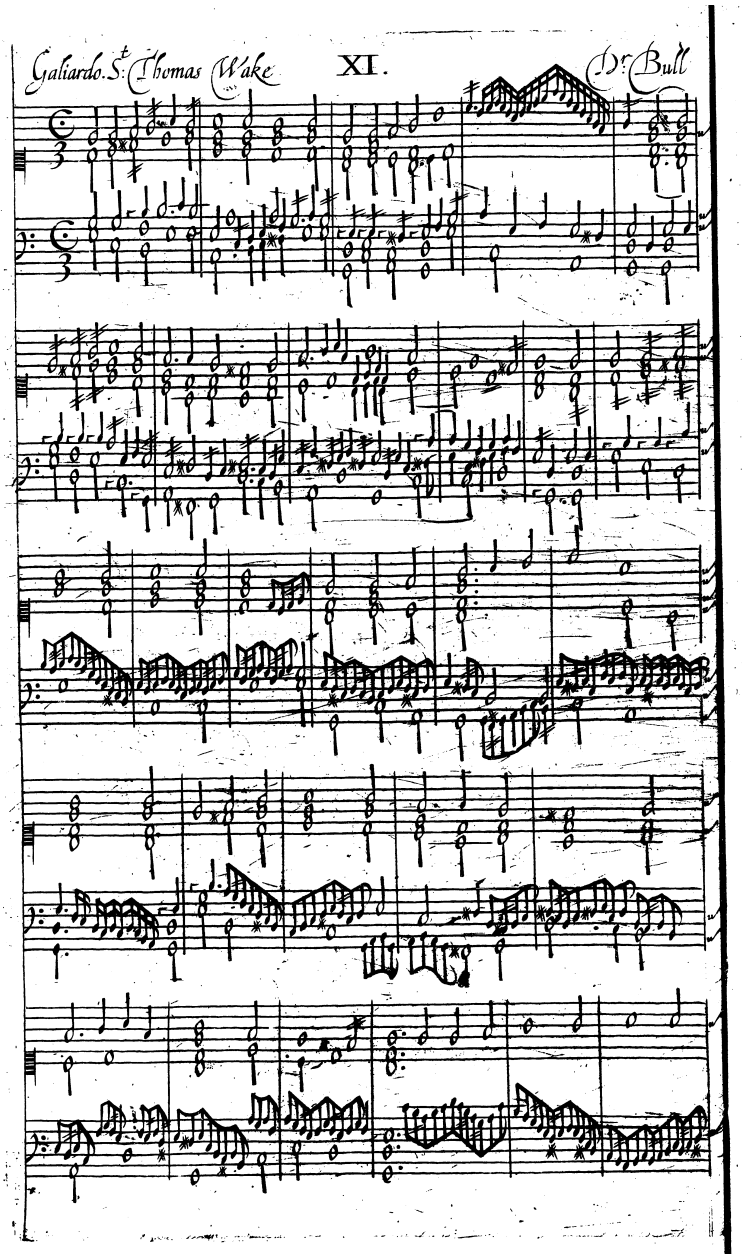
Pauana. S.t Thomas Wake X. Dr. Bull



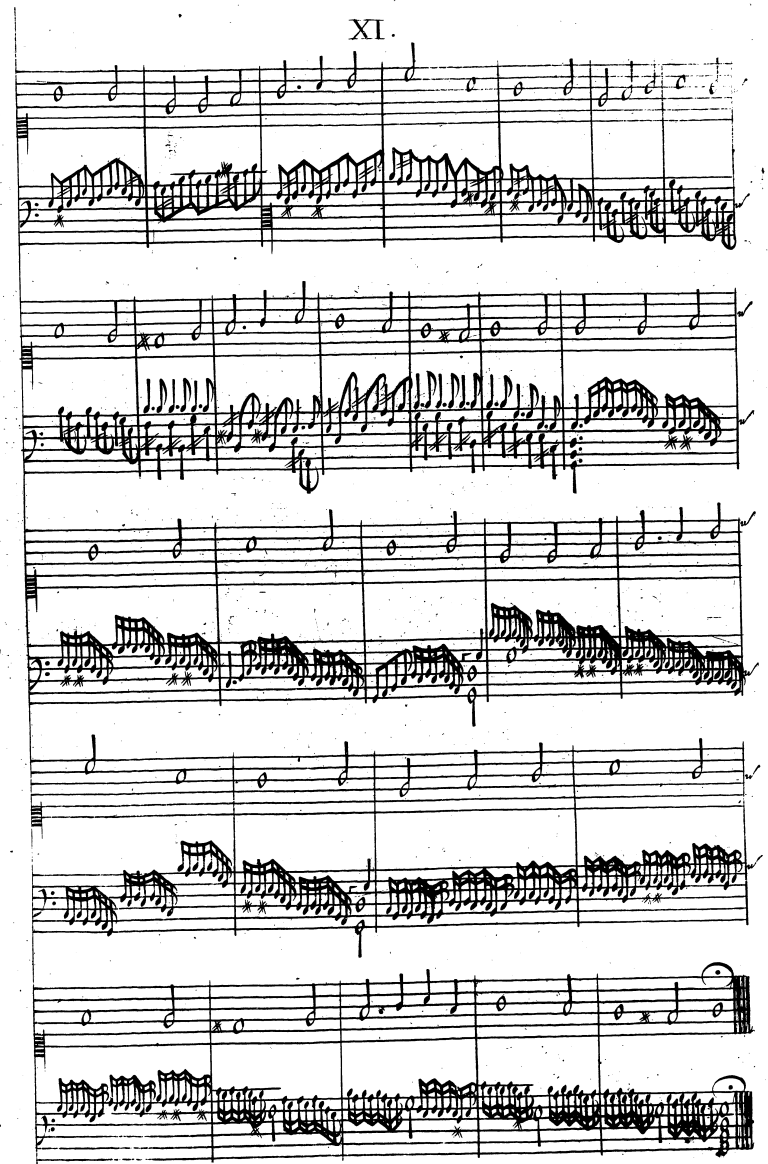
X.



Galiardo. S.t Thomas Wake XI. Dr. Bull

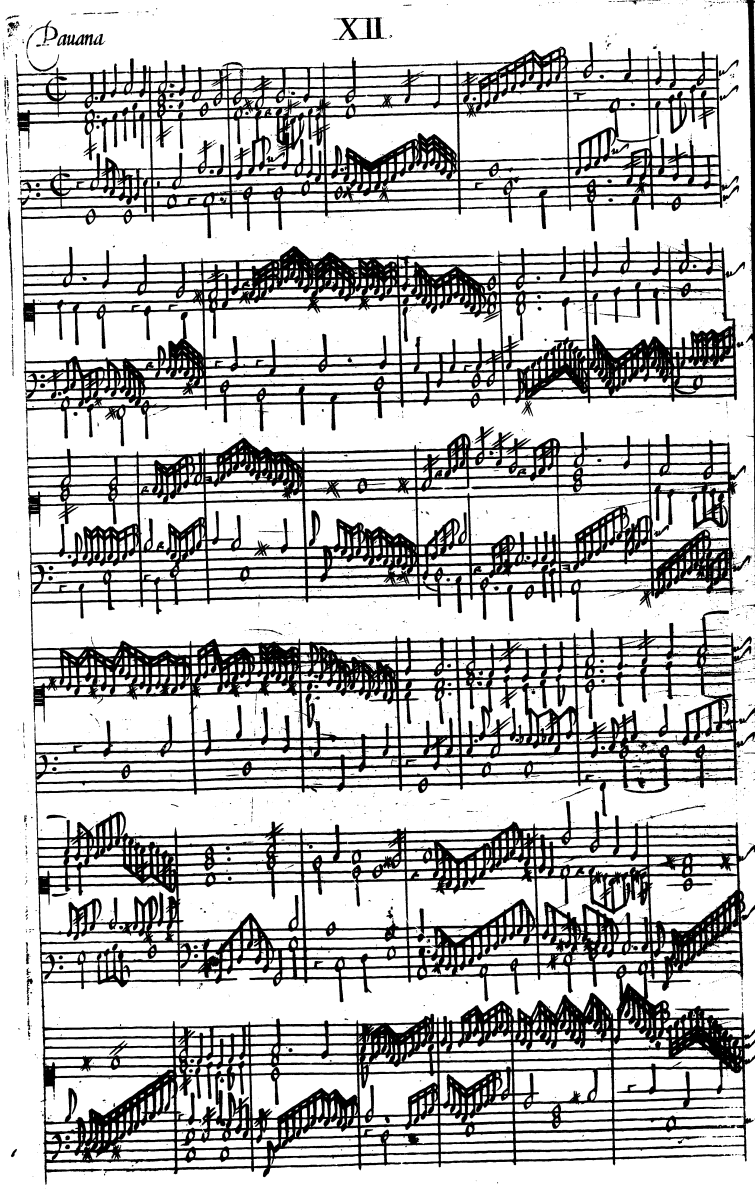


XI.

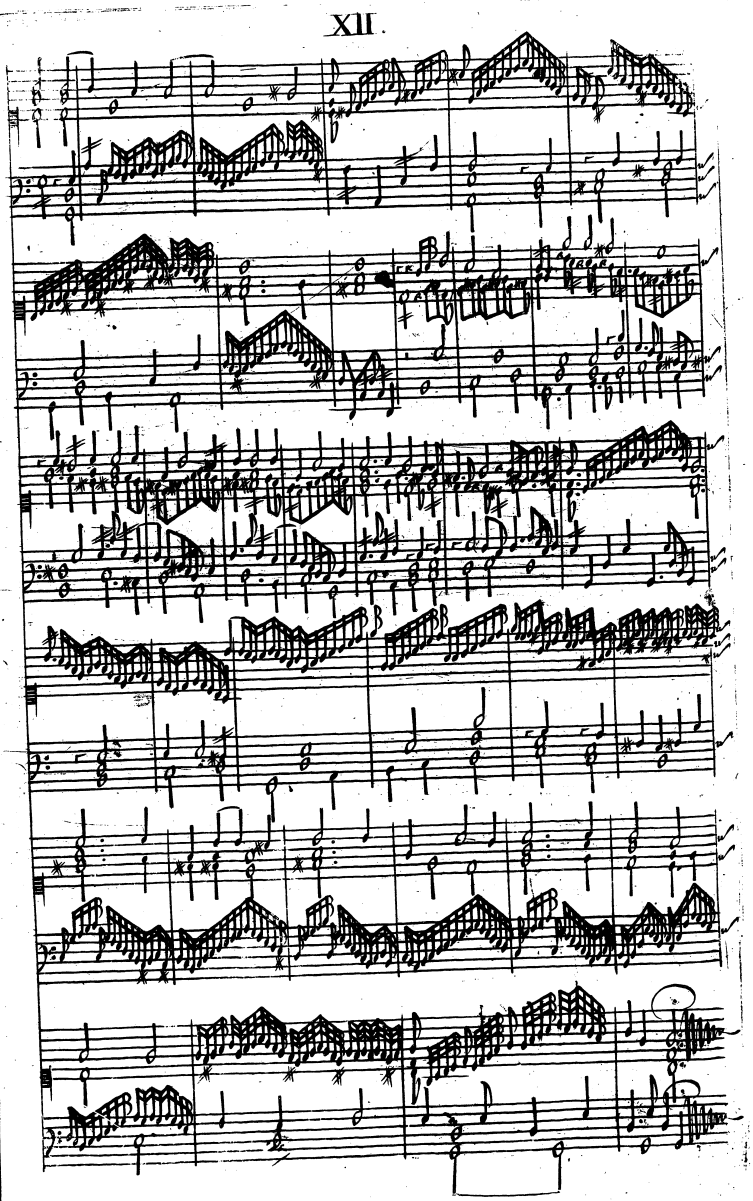


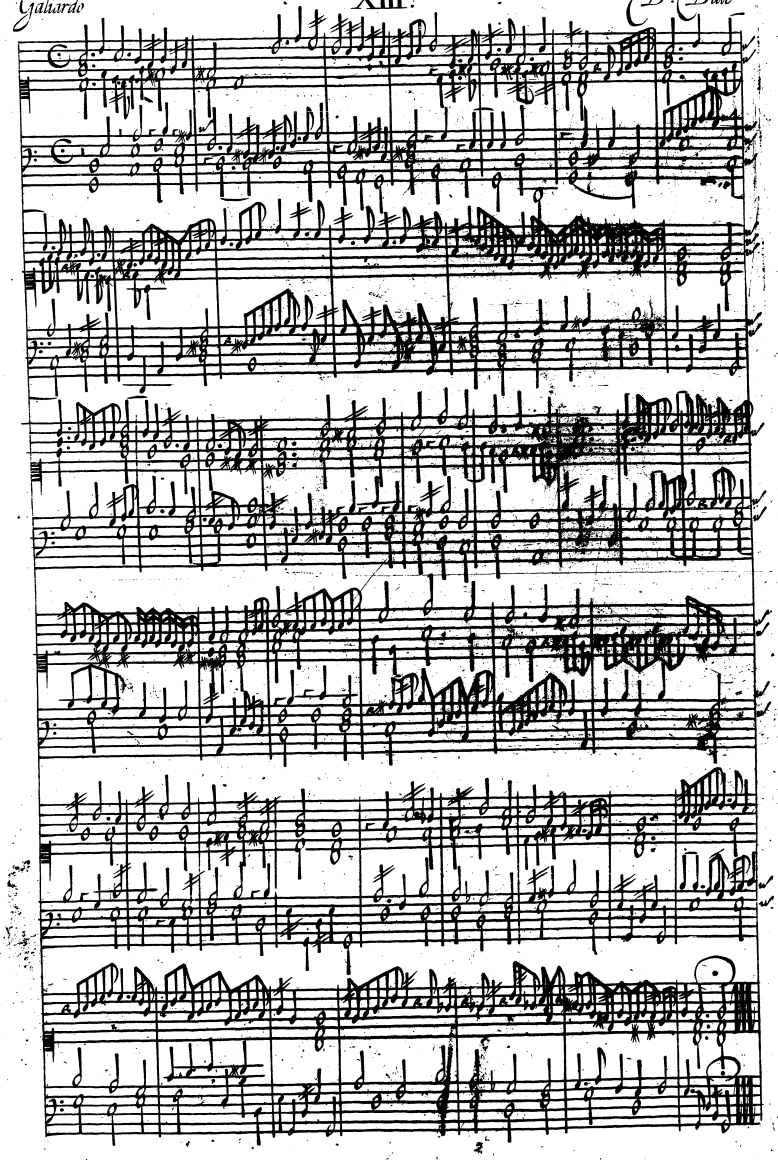
Pauana

XII.



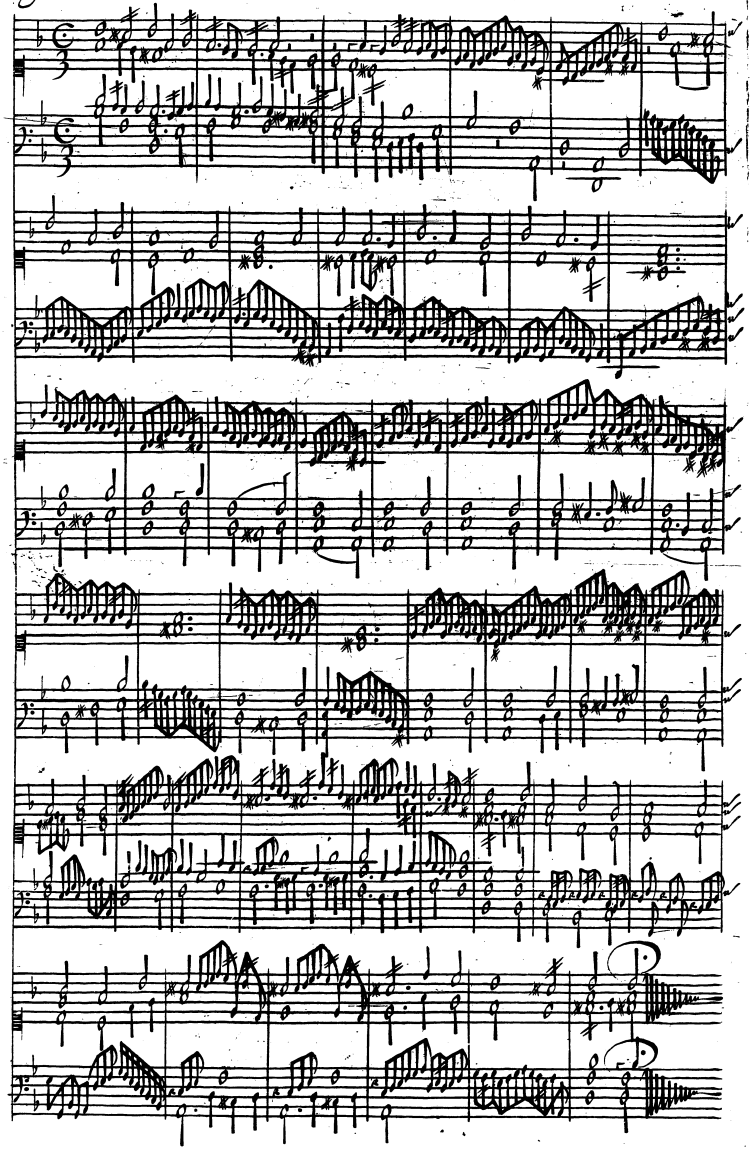
XII.

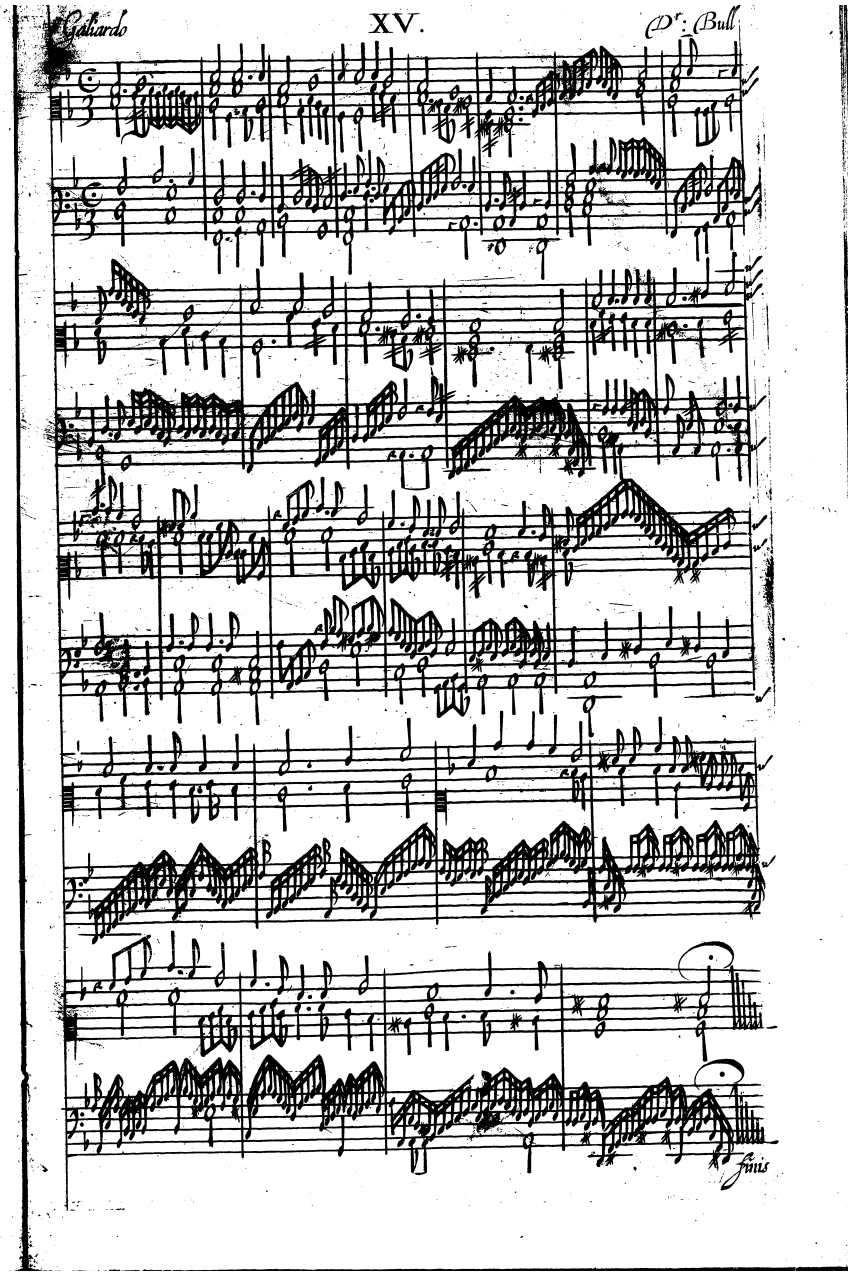




Galiardo

XIIII.

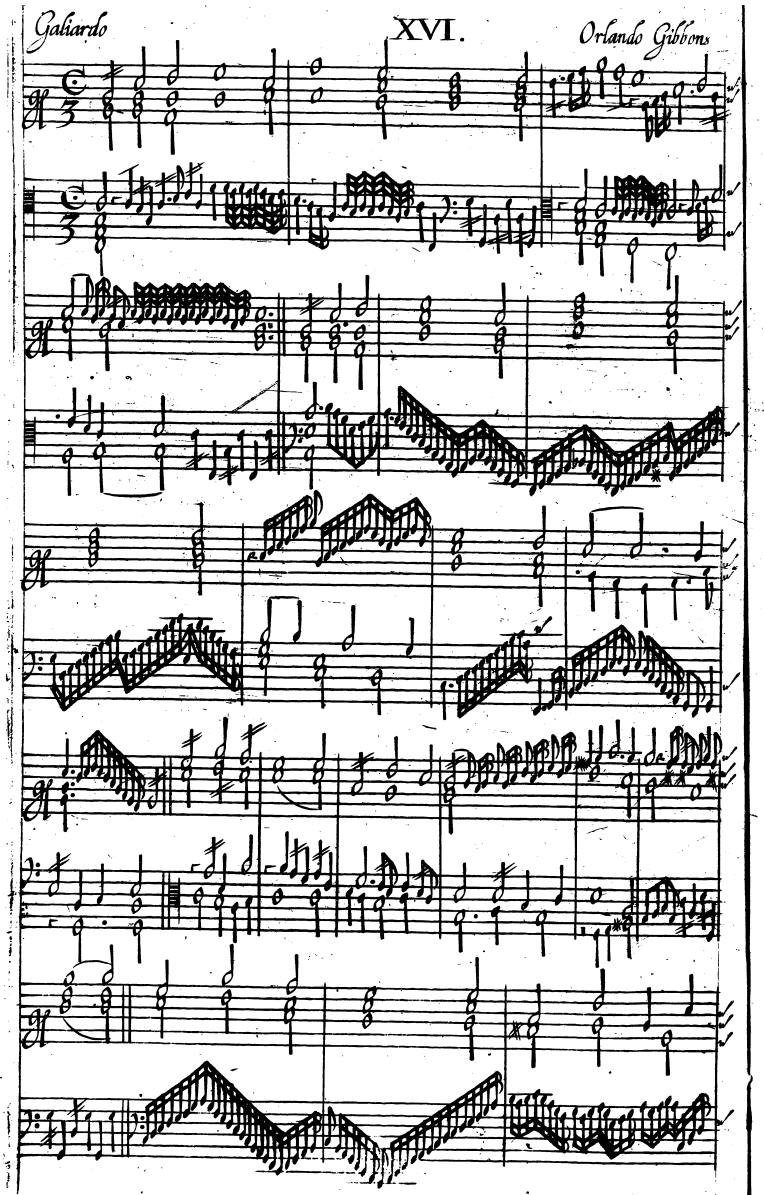



Galliardo
XV.
Dr: Bull
Finis

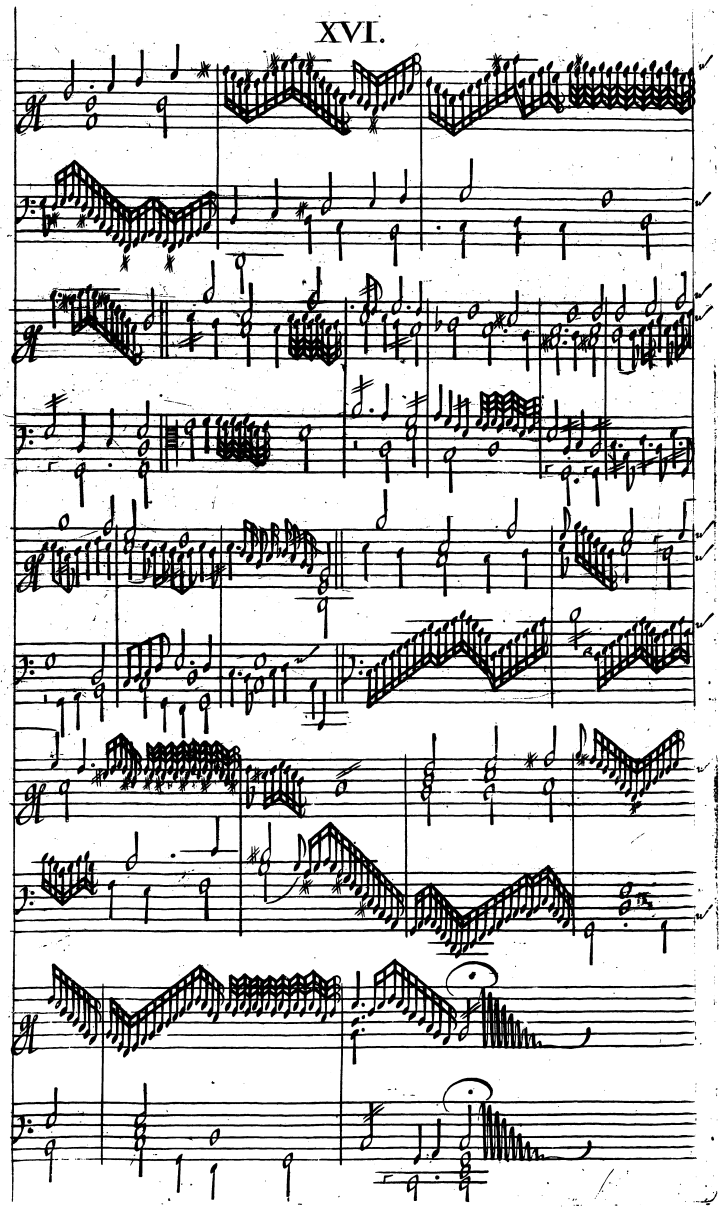
Galiardo

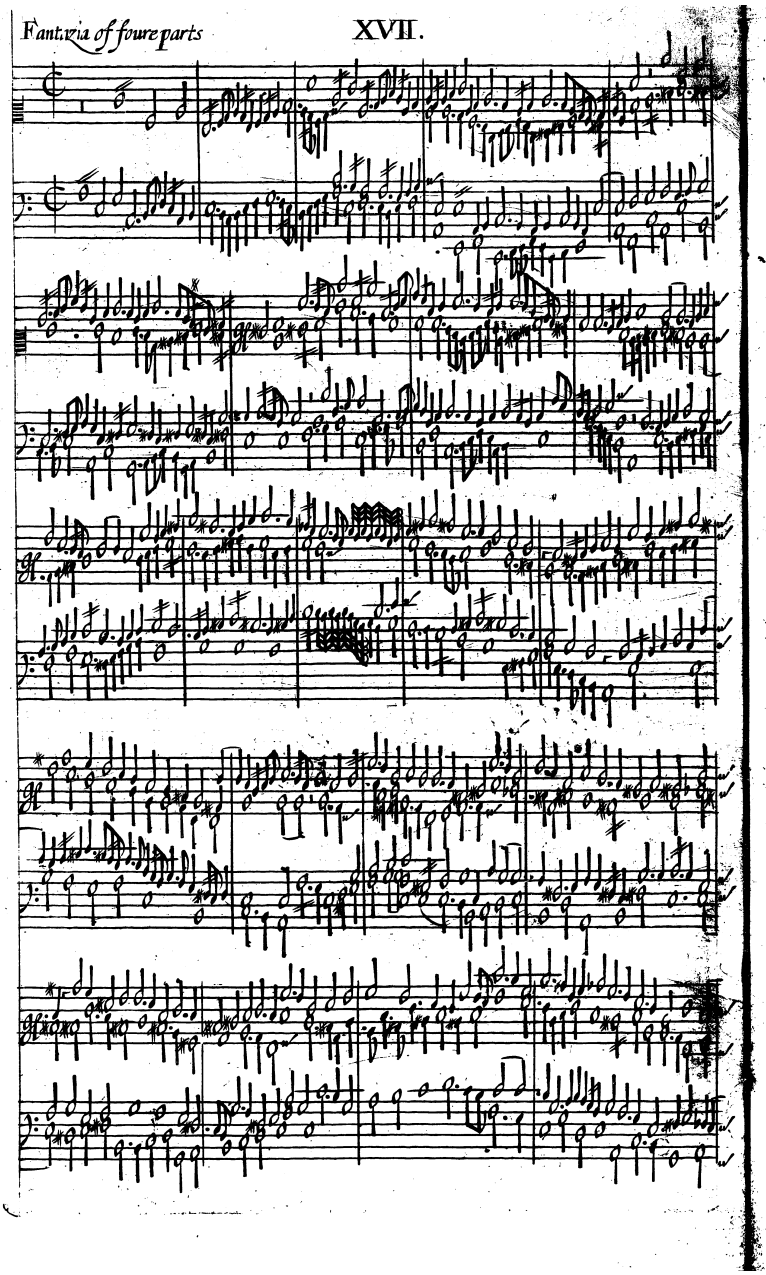
XVI.

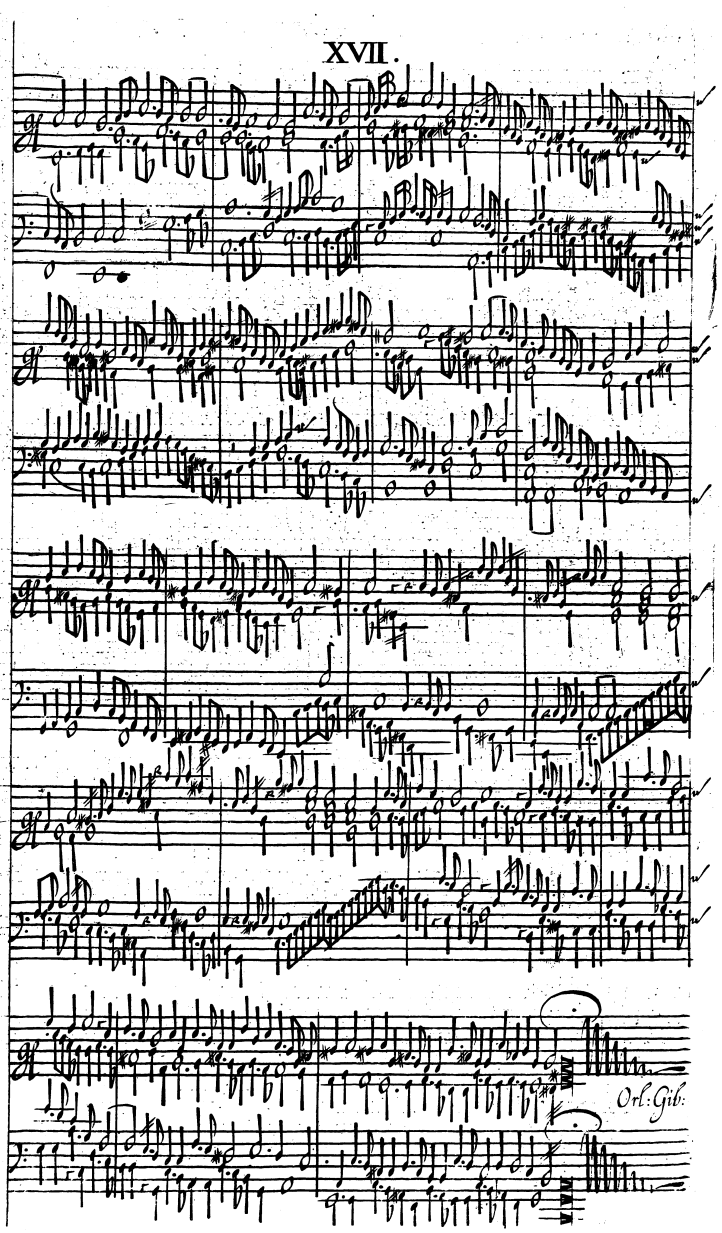
Orlando Gibbons



XVI.

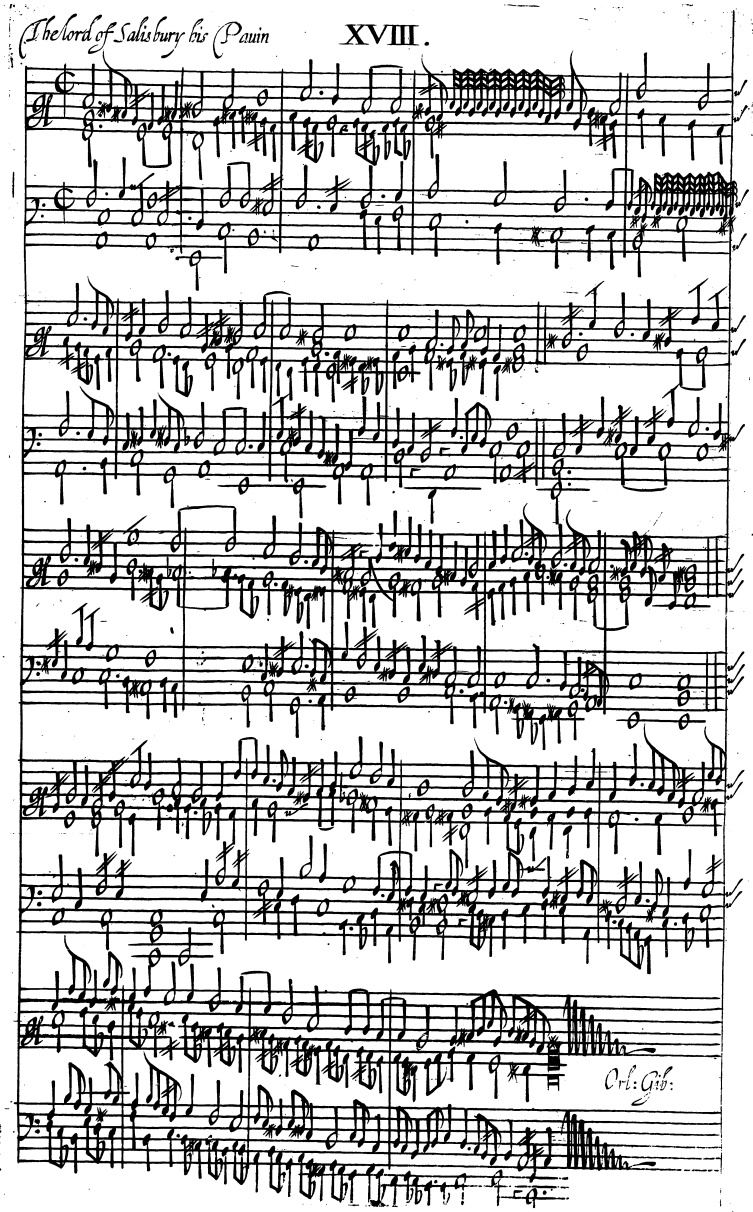





Orl: Gib:

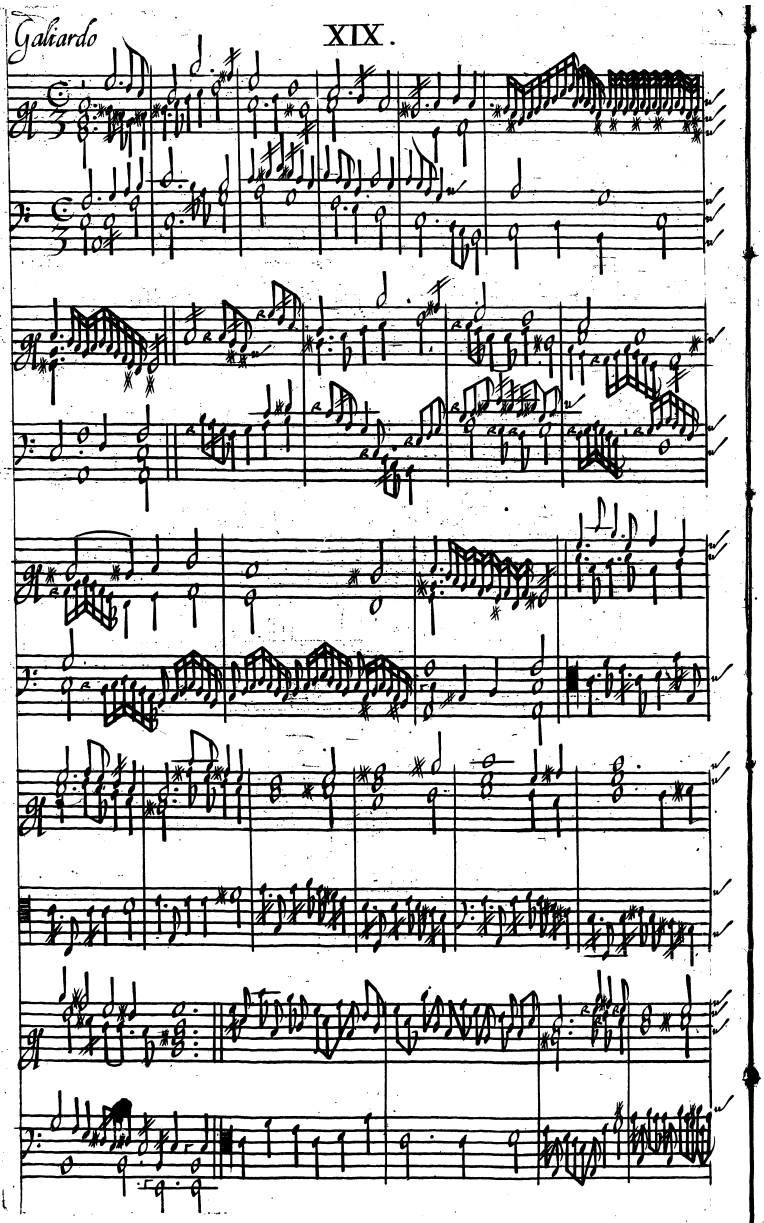
The lord of Salisbury his Pauin

XVIII.

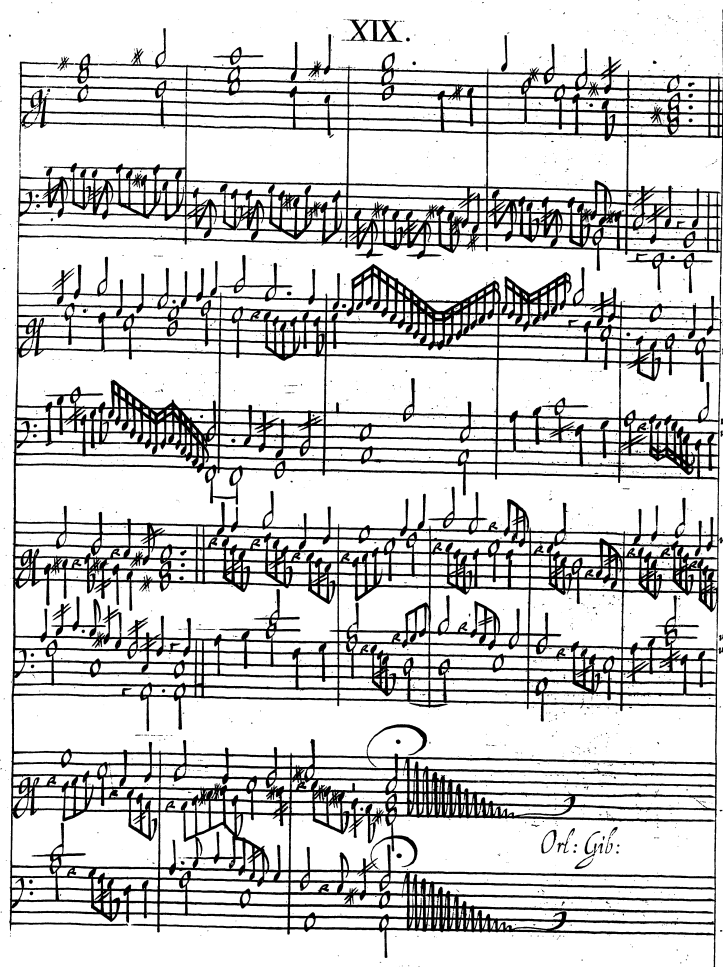


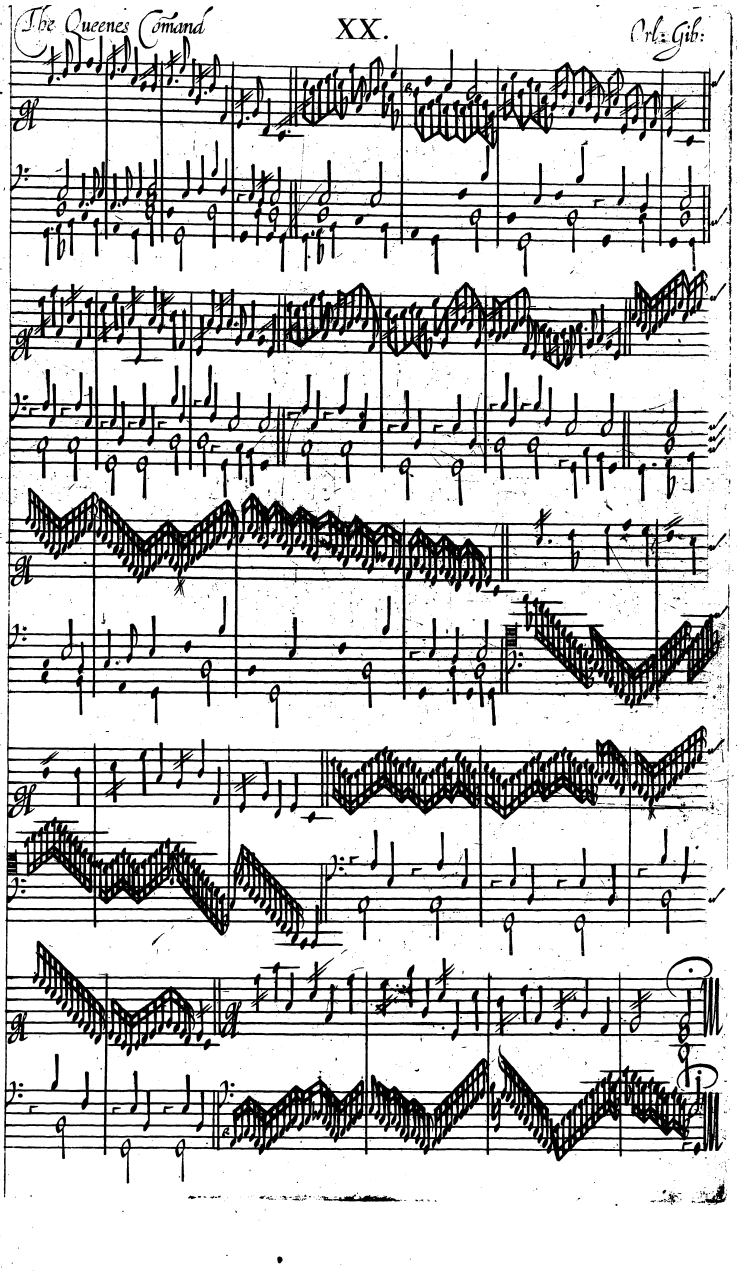
Galiardo

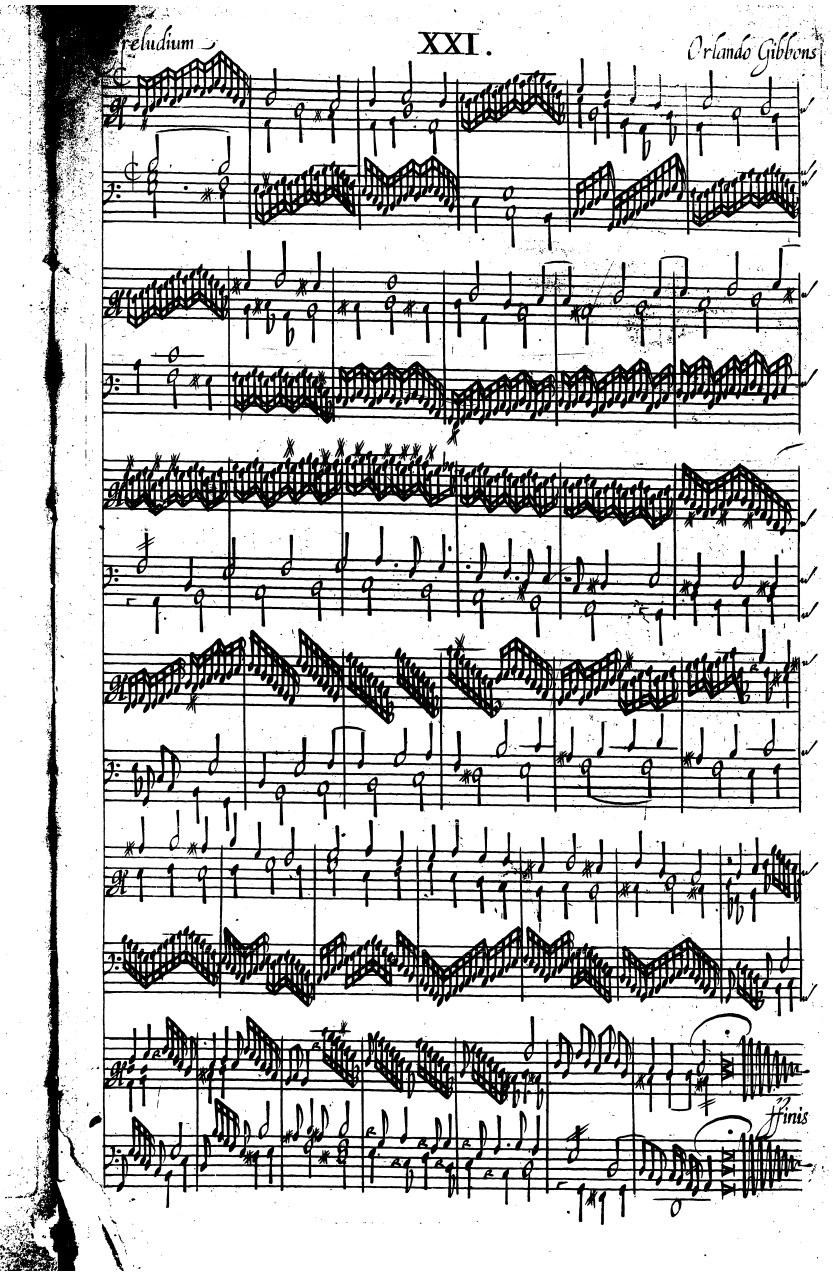
XIX.



XIX.




The Queenes Comand
XX.
Orl: Gib:


Preludium
XXI.
Orlando Gibbons
ffinis