

## FIRST MUSIC BOOK.



Said Ann to her sister Maria, one day,
If you wish it, my dear, I will teach you to play;
For as Music is now so well known, 'tis agreed, Not to play the Piano were silly, indeed.
You see these five lines with four spaces between : When we speak of the Staves, 'tis those lines that we

## mean;

The figures you see on these lines, are to tell Which is Treble, or Bass; so remember them well.

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## LINES AND SPACES.

## RIGHT HAND, OR TREBLE.



LEFT HAND, OR BASS J

These five lines with their spaces I think you will know By the aid of the hand, with notes sketched, here below.






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TREBLE CLEF.


Next, the Gamut, or Notes, you will learn, which see here I have sketched on a pretty new board for you, dear. We'll commence with the Treble, whose first note is C, On first ledger line placed; then follows note $D$, Below the first line. On the first line is E ; F on first space we find; on the second line, G. A on second space placed; on the third line is B. C in third space we find ; on the fourth line rests D . E on fourth space; F on the fifth line you will find; G above the fifth line you will next bear in mind. A is on the sixth line; which is followed by B Placed above the sixth line; on the seventh line is C.


BASS CLEF.


To the Bass, whose first note, too, is C, we now turn, On second ledger line, placed, be careful to learn; While beneath the first ledger line, here we find $D$; E on first ledger line; below first line we see That $F$ is now placed, while on first line is $G$. A is on the first space; on the second line B. As C on the second space here doth recline, It is followed by D , which is on the third line. E is on the third space; while F you see here, On the fourth line is placed; $G$, on fourth space, my dear. $A$ is on the fifth line; while above it rests $B$; And upon the sixth line, we find we have C.













LEDGER LINES.


And now, dear Maria, I wish to explain, That the line we call Ledger, is only a name For a line that is added, above or below : Its uses in Music you'll presently know; Without it, good lessons could not well be set. That Ledger means added, you will not forget.

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You now know so well what I've told you, that soon, The Time Table learned, we'll commence with a tune.

## TIME TABLE.

There's the Semibreve, longest and slowest of all,


Which is equal to those two, which Minims we call ;
These four Crotchets, in musical time, you perceive,


Are no more than two Minims, or one Semibreve.


Then the eight Quavers, next, which here you may see,


Will with those four Crotchets exactly agree ;
And of Semiquavers, sixteen are wanted,


To equal those Quavers, which last you have counted ; Then of Demisemiquavers, thirty-two in a line,


With the Ten and the six Semiquavers make even time.
Now, my dear, when this table you quite understand, You may venture to take some new music in hand; And when friends stand around the piano to hear, Think what pleasure 'twill give both to you and me, dear.

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