Ye Ancient Vets March

by: Voelker

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Voelker, Jr., George

DOB: March 3, 1860 (Richmond, Virginia)
DOD: November 14, 1928 (Richmond, Virginia)

George Voelker, Jr., was born in Richmond, Virginia, on March 3, 1860. His father, George Sr., was a musician who was born in Germany. After immigrating to the United States, George Sr. played trombone in the Richmond Academy of Music Orchestra before the War Between the States. Records of Richmond's Valentine Museum show his enlistment into the Confederate Army and mention that he was cited for his superior marksmanship. After the war, George Sr. was unable to support his family as a musician and manufactured cigars. He taught music in his spare time.

At the age of 18, he was chosen leader of the First Virginia Regiment Band and later became director of the Old Richmond Theatre Orchestra. He also organized the Voelker Band of Richmond, a group that gained much prominence in the cultural life of Richmond and its suburbs.

He had great success as a composer. Most of his works were published by Harry Coleman and were widely performed by the leading bands of the country. He was also noted as a fine arranger. For over 40 years, he devoted his energies to teaching, composing, and directing music, mostly in the Richmond area. Remaining a bachelor throughout his life enabled him to pursue his music career to the fullest.

Voelker became ill during 1926. Unable to care for himself, he moved to the home of a niece, where he lived until November 14, 1928. He was interred in Richmond's Oakwood Cemetery.[1]

Ye Ancient Vets March (march) was published in 1888 by the Harry Coleman publishing house of Pittsburgh, PA.

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[1] Rehig, William H., Bierley, Paul (editor). *The encyclopedia of band music,* Integrity Press, Westerville, OH. (2005), CD, used with permission.

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PICCOLO.

VOELKER.

Trio.

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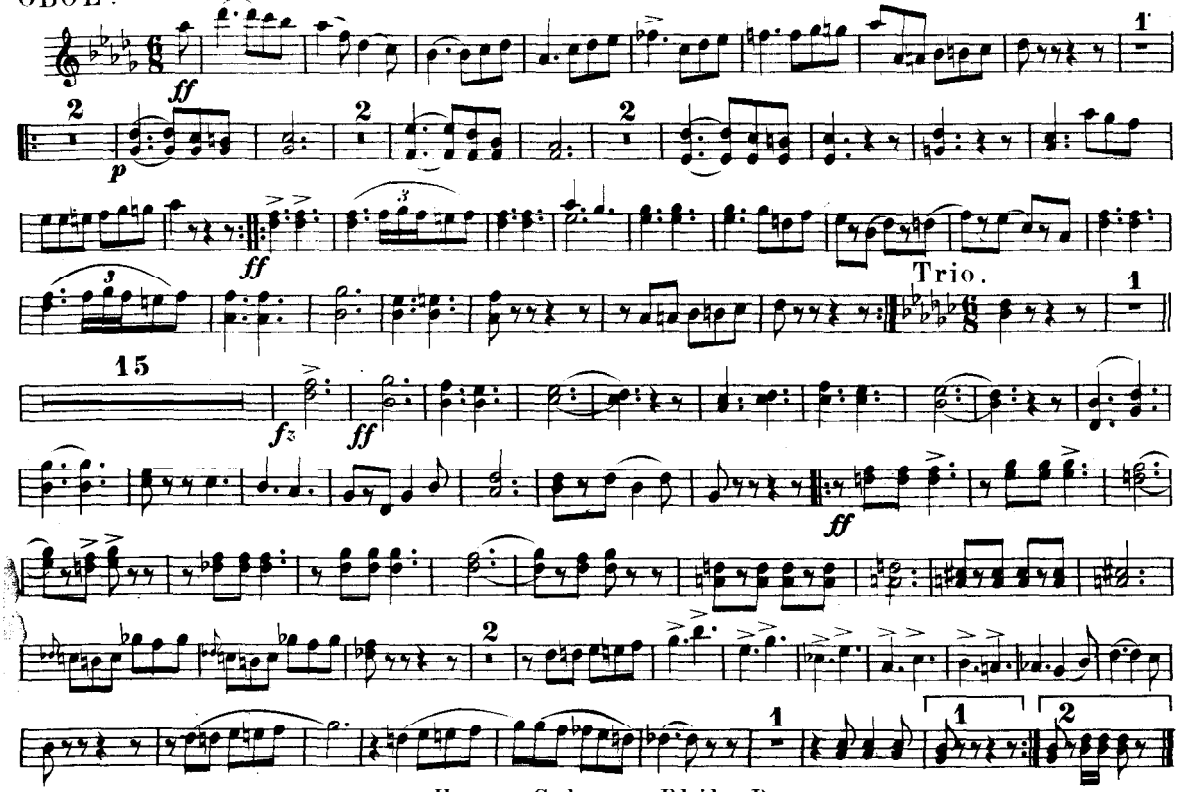
OBOE.

VOELKER



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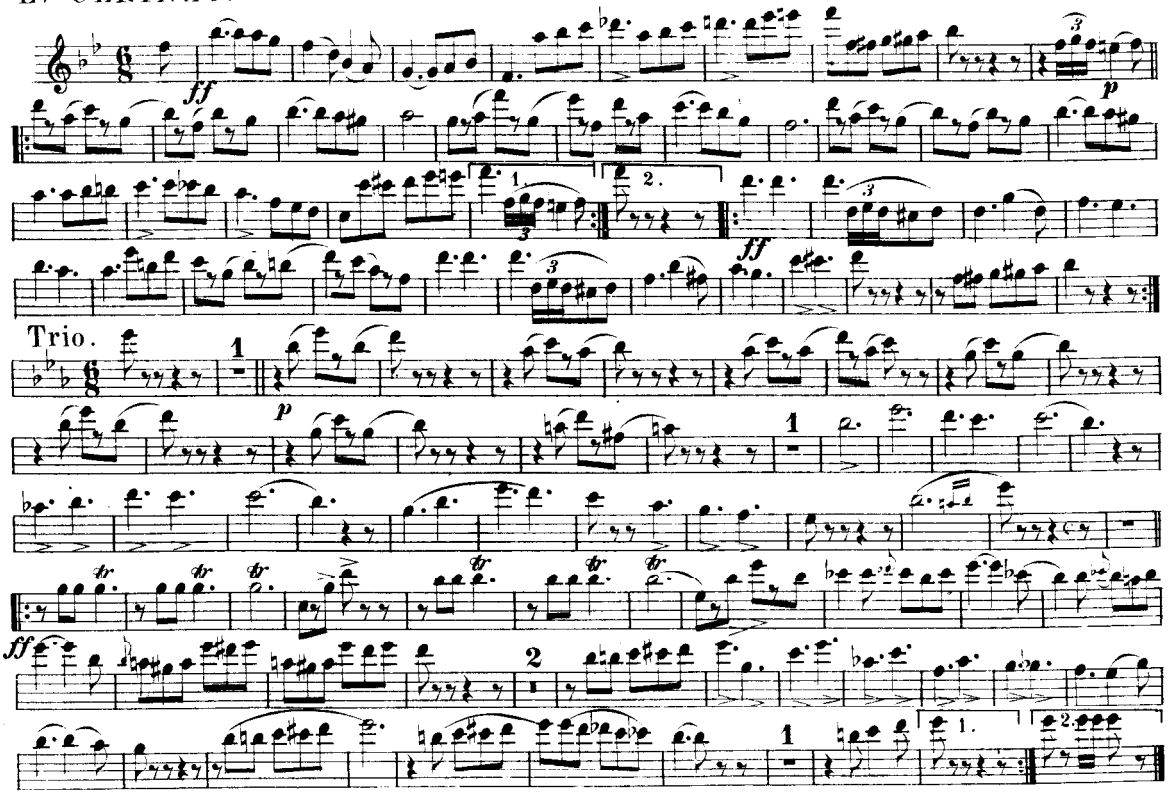
E♭ CLRINET.

VOELKER.



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1st B♭ CLARINET.

VOELKER.

Trio.

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2nd & 3rd
B♭ CLARINET.

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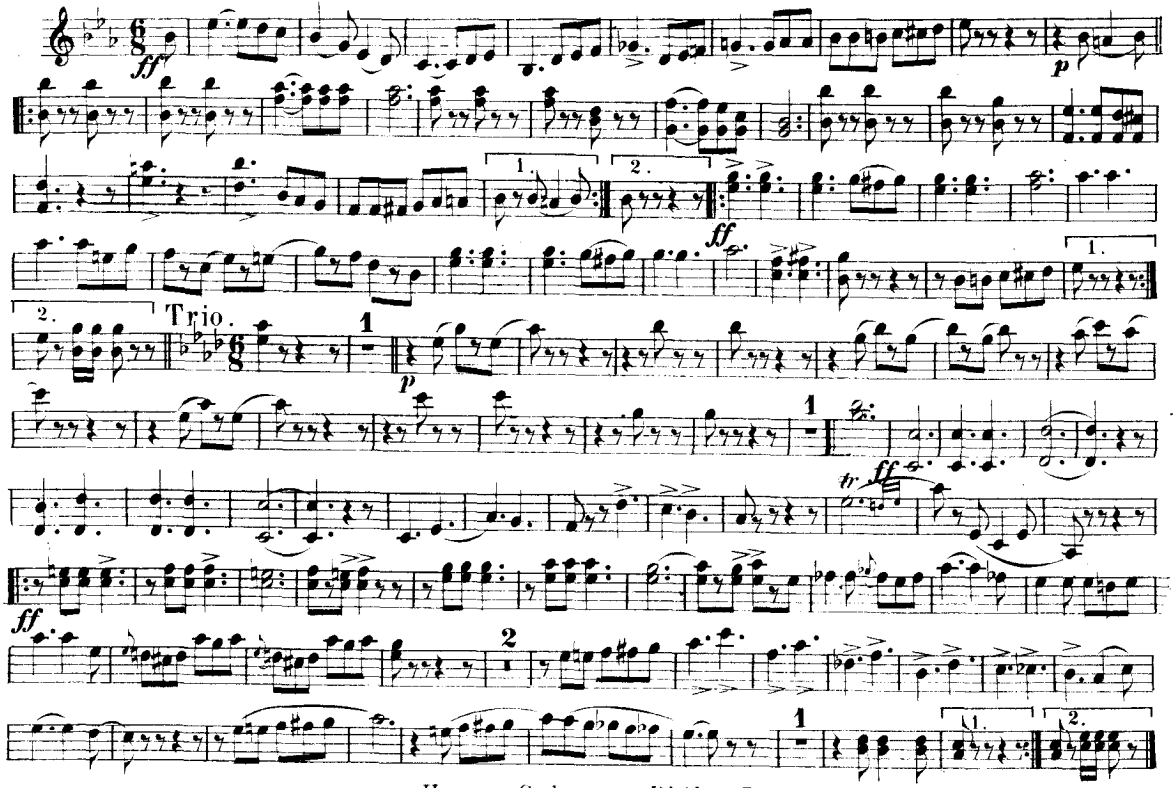
VOELKER.



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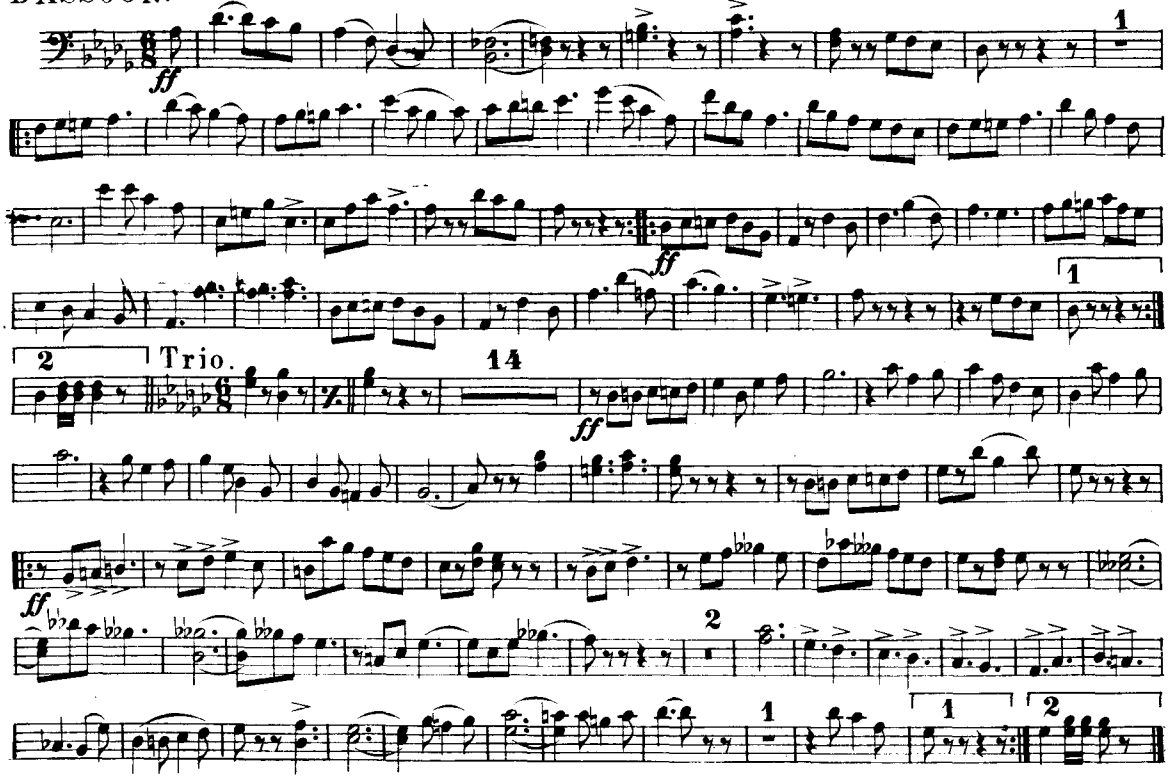
Ye Ancient Vets March.

BASSOON.

VOELKER



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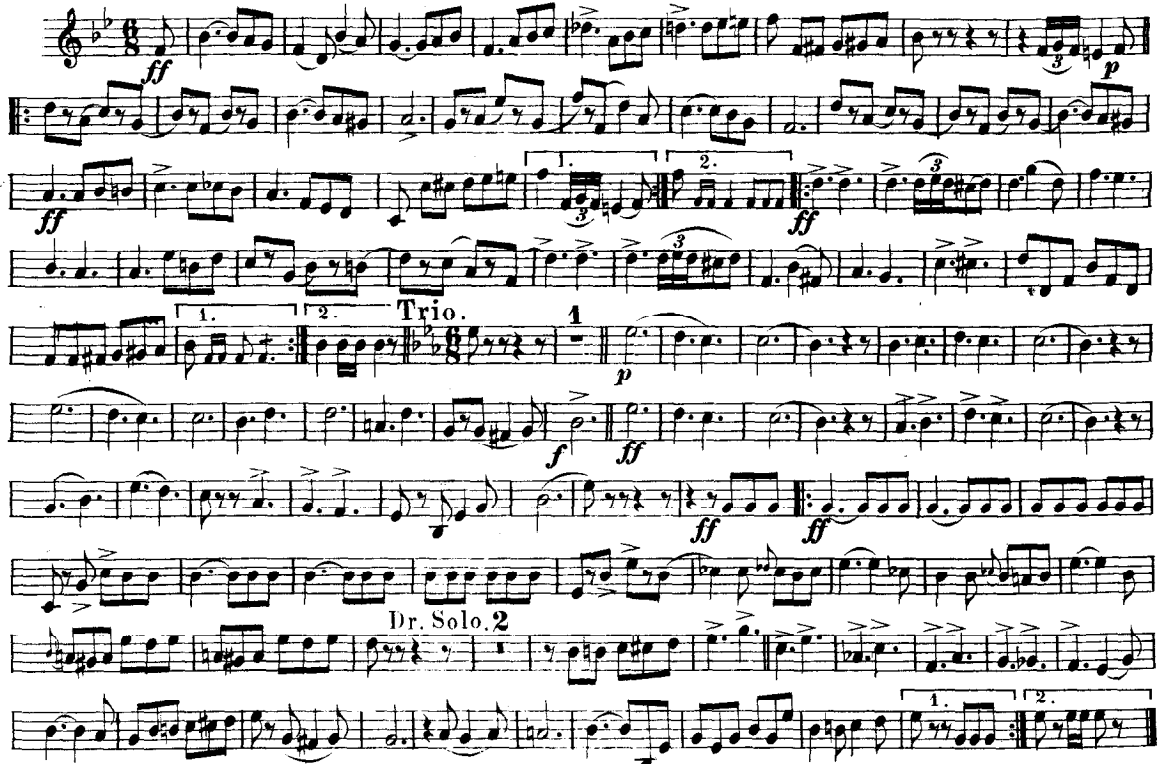
Ye Ancient Vets March.

E♭ CORNET.

VOELKER.



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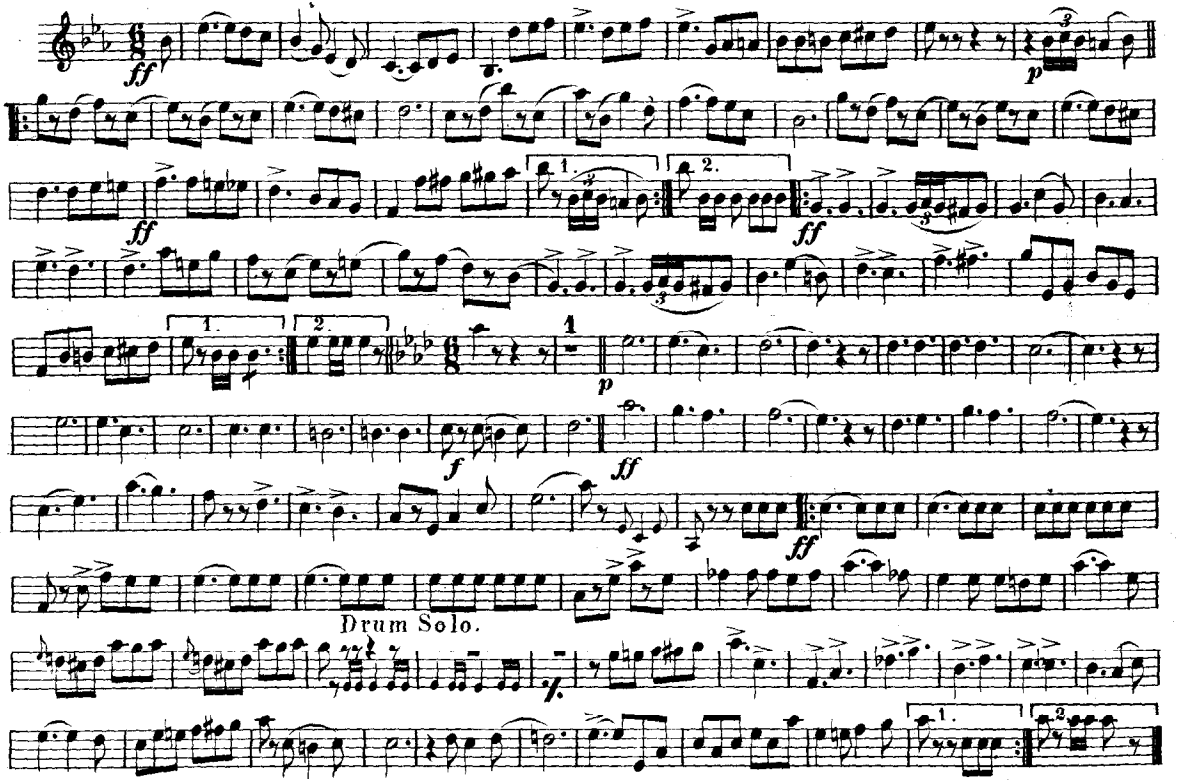
SOLO
B♭ CORNET.

Ye Ancient Vets March.

VOELKER.



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1st B♭ CORNET.

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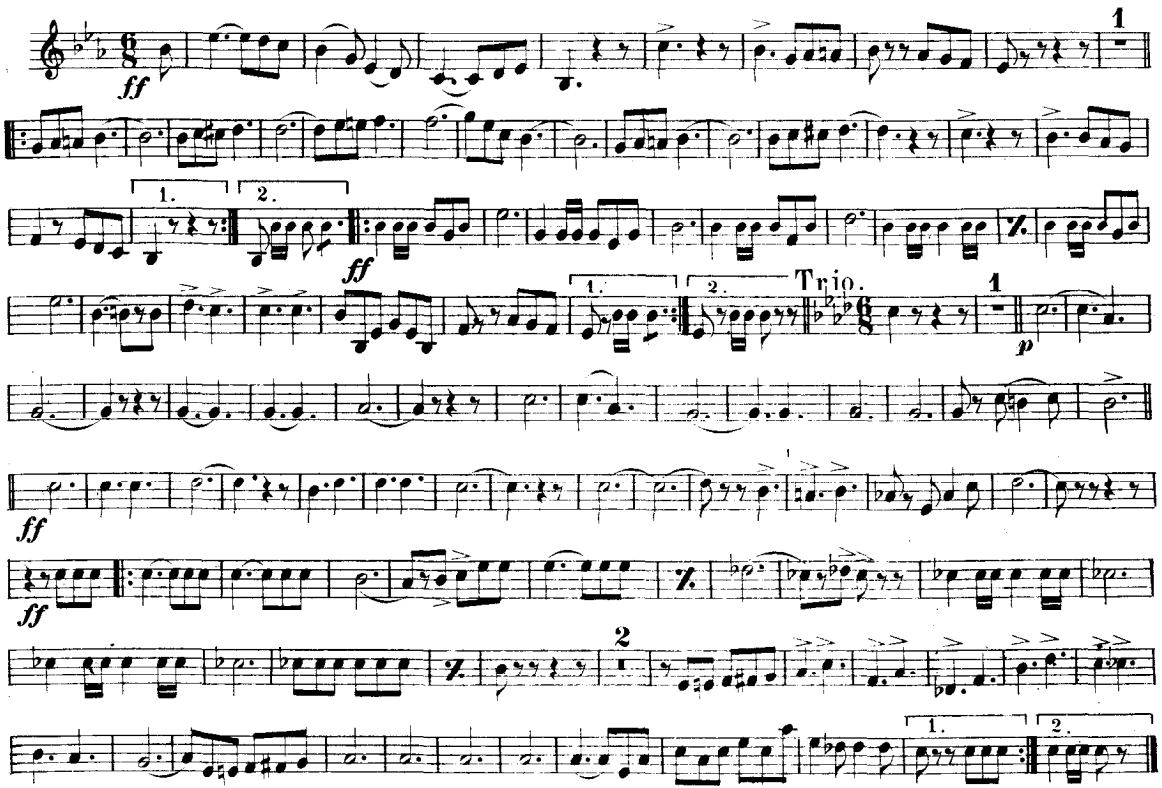
VOELKER.



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2nd & 3rd
B♭ CORNETS.

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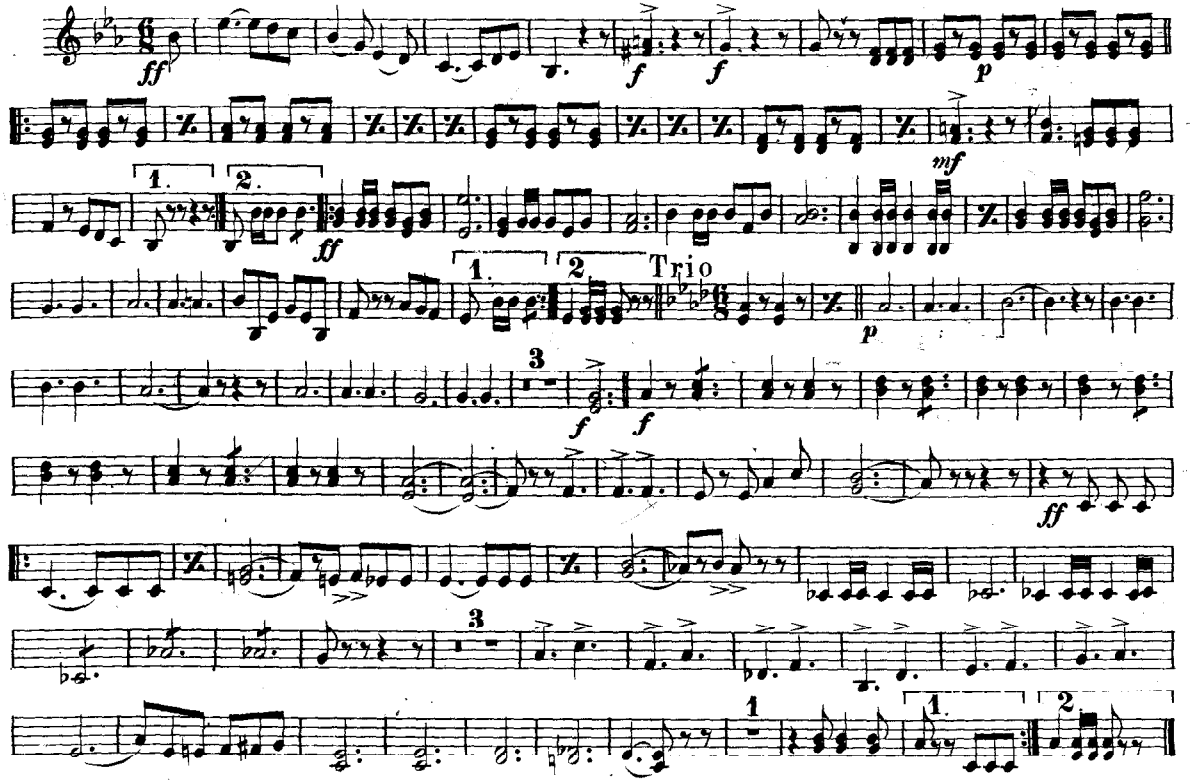
VOELKER.



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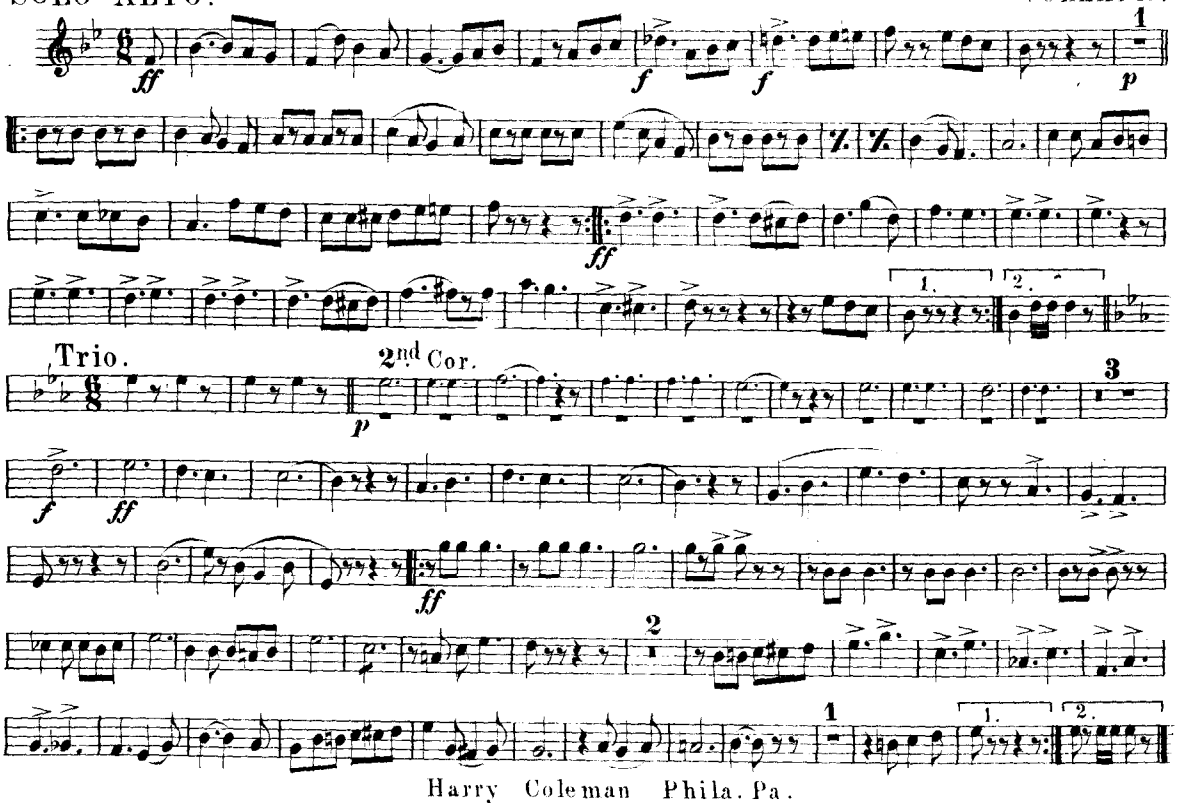
SOLO ALTO.

VOELKER.



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1st ALTO.

VOELKER.

ff

f

ff

f

1.

2.

Trio.

2nd Cor.

mf

p

f

ff

f

ff

2

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1.

2.

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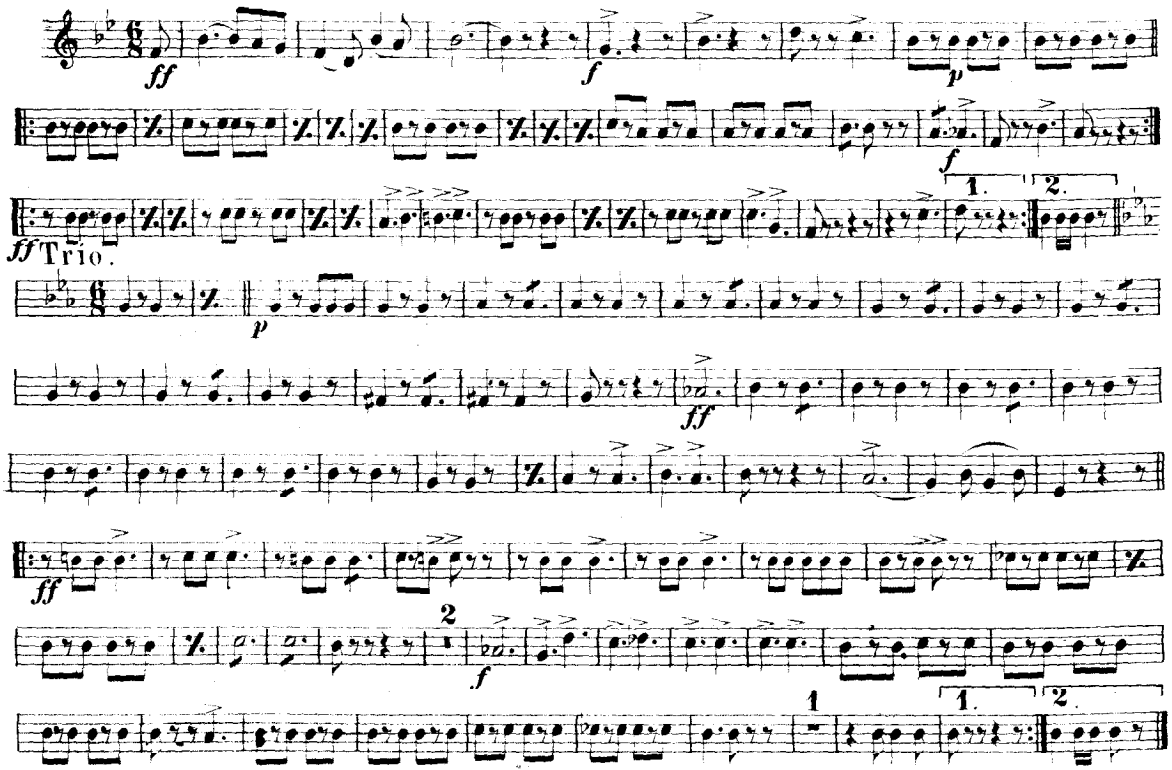
2nd ALTO.

VOELKER.



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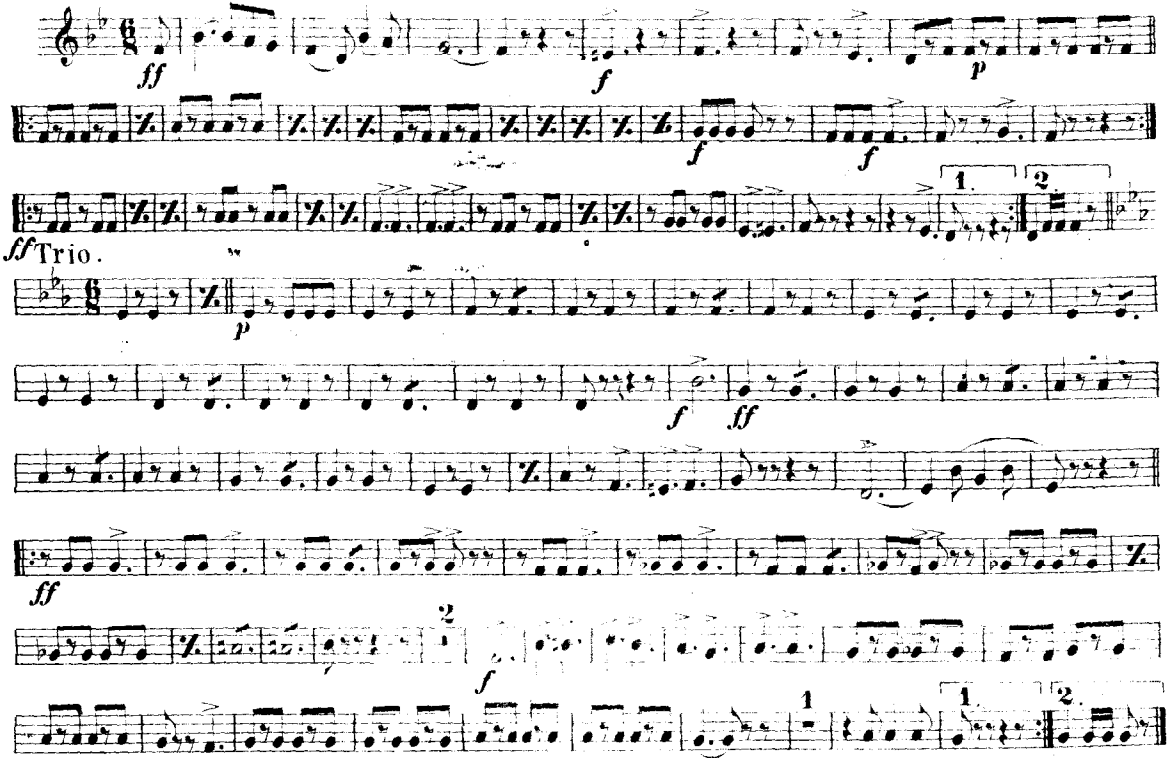
3rd ALTO.

VOELKER.



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Ye Ancient Vets March.

1st TENOR.

VOELKER.

Solo.

Trio.

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2nd TENOR.

VOELKER.

Solo.

Trio.

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1st TROMBONE.

VOELKER.

Solo.

Trio.

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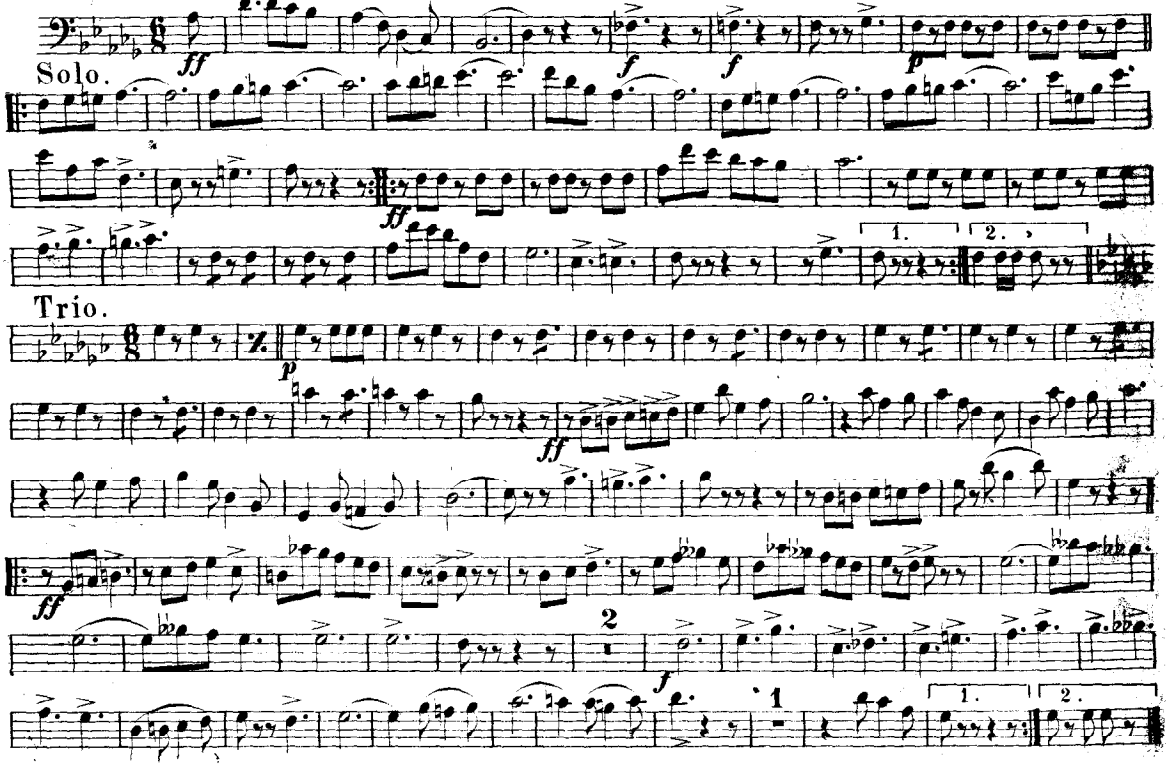
Ye Ancient Vets March.

2nd TROMBONE.

VOELKER.



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B♭ BASS
OR TROMBONE

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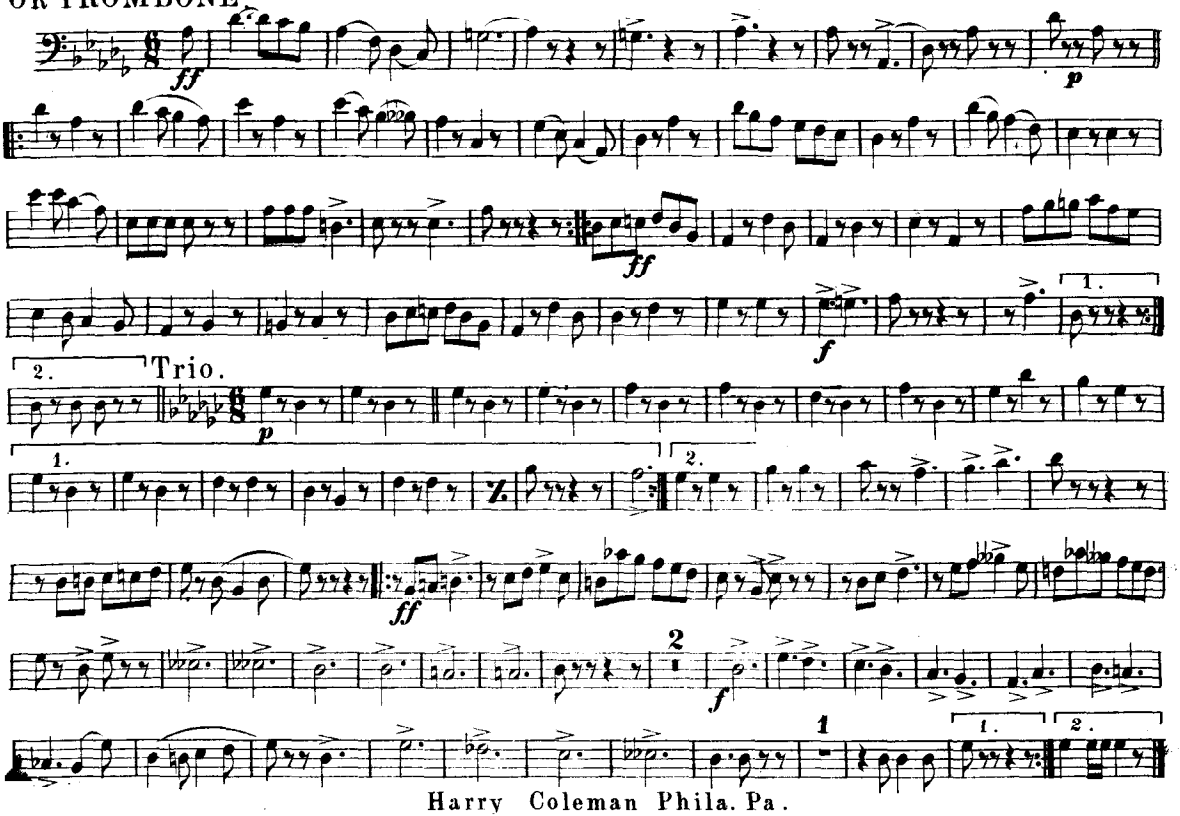
VOELKER.



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BARITONE.

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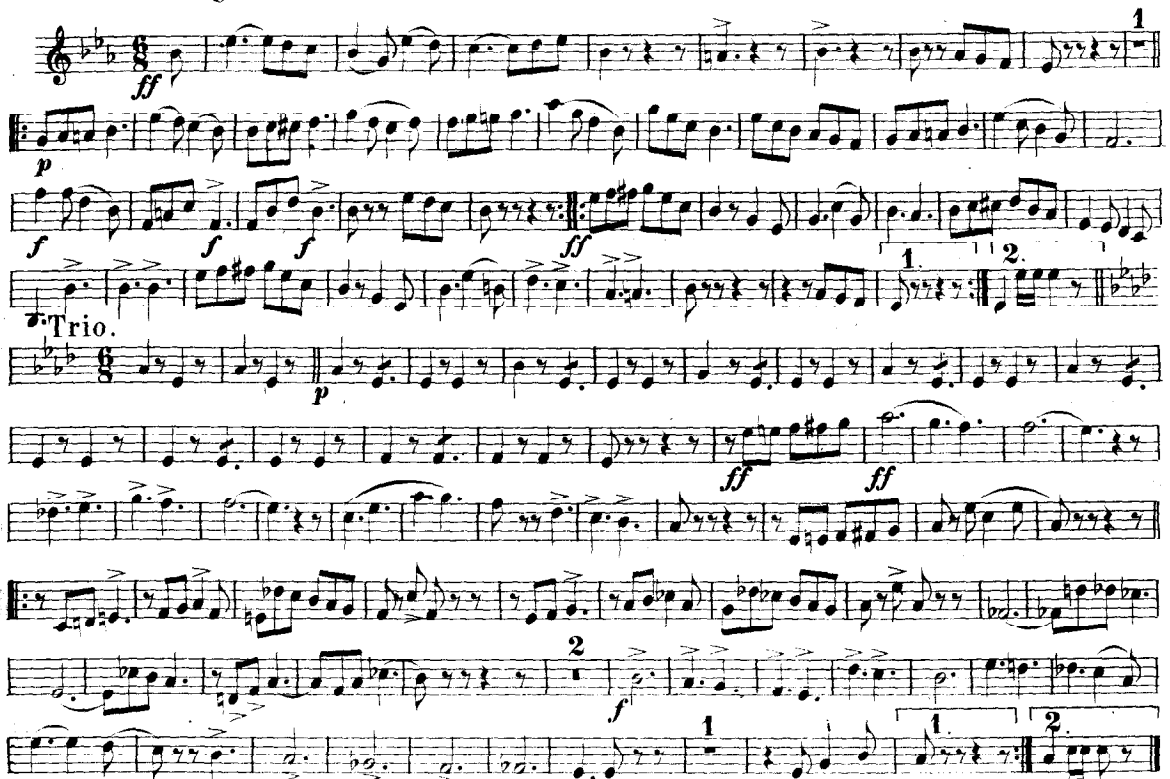
VOELKER.



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BARITONE.

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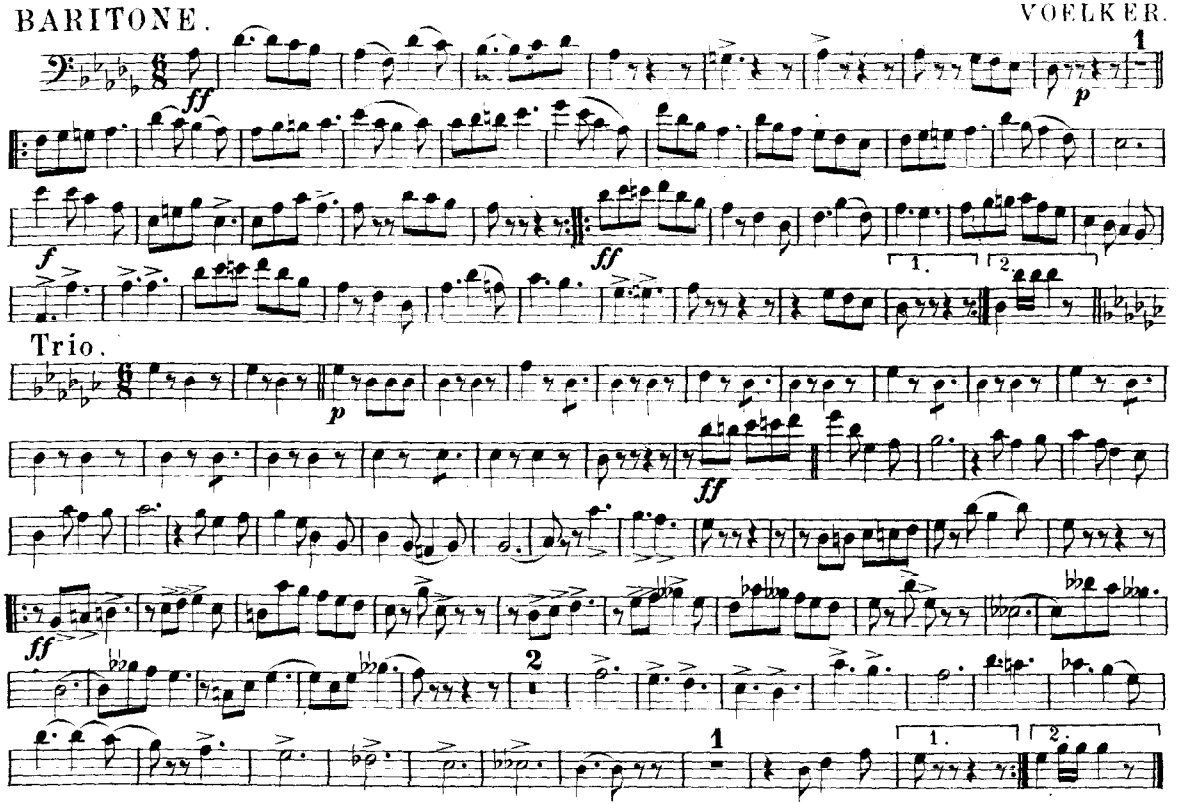

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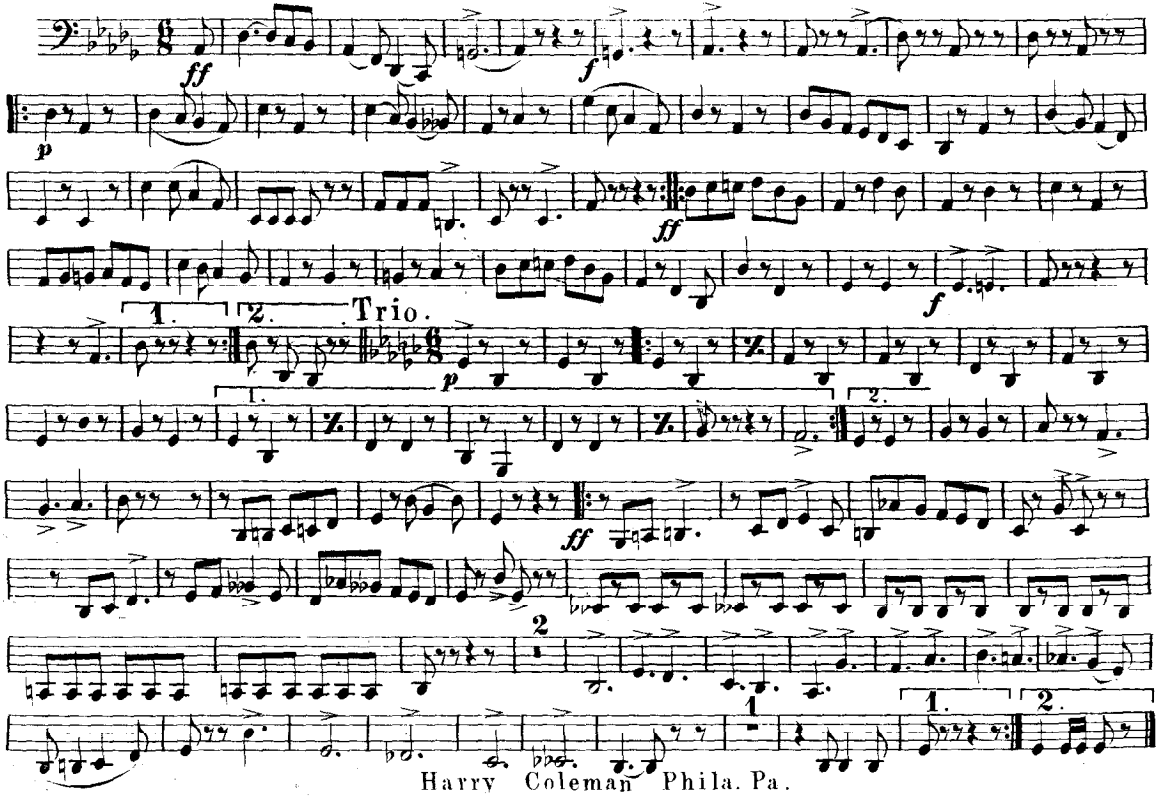
BASSES.

VOELKER.



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B♭ BASS.

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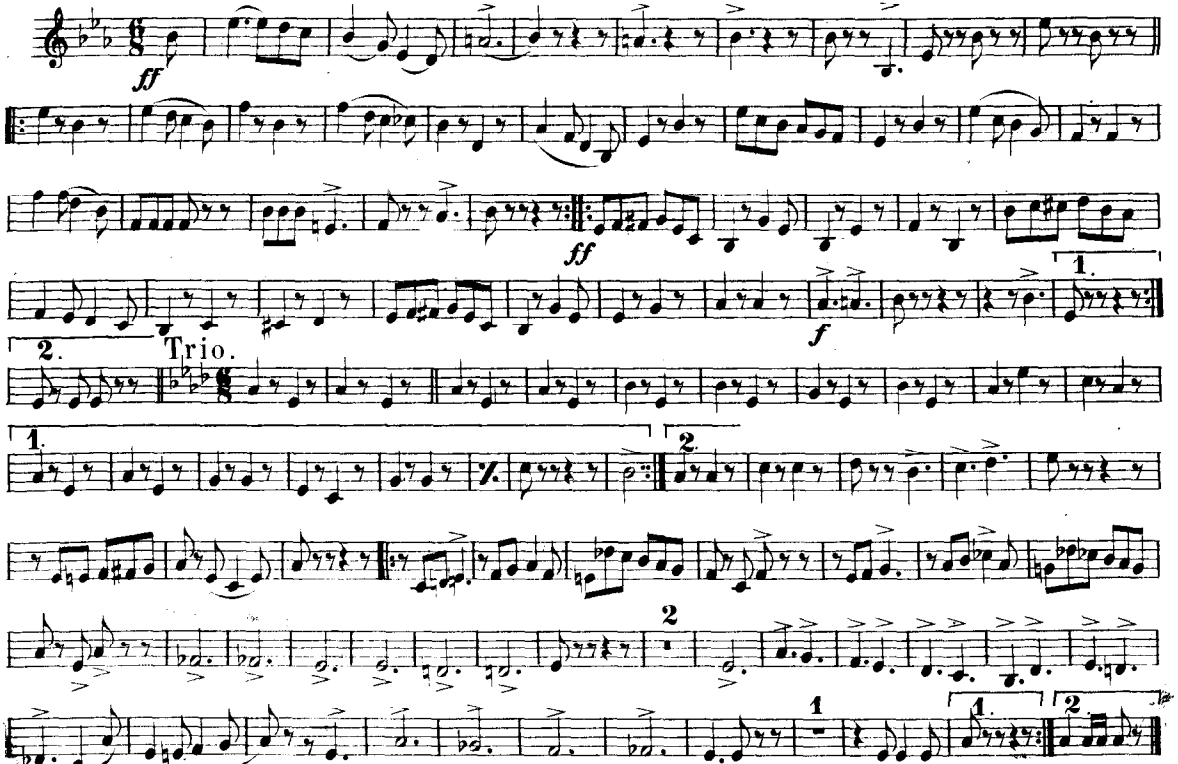

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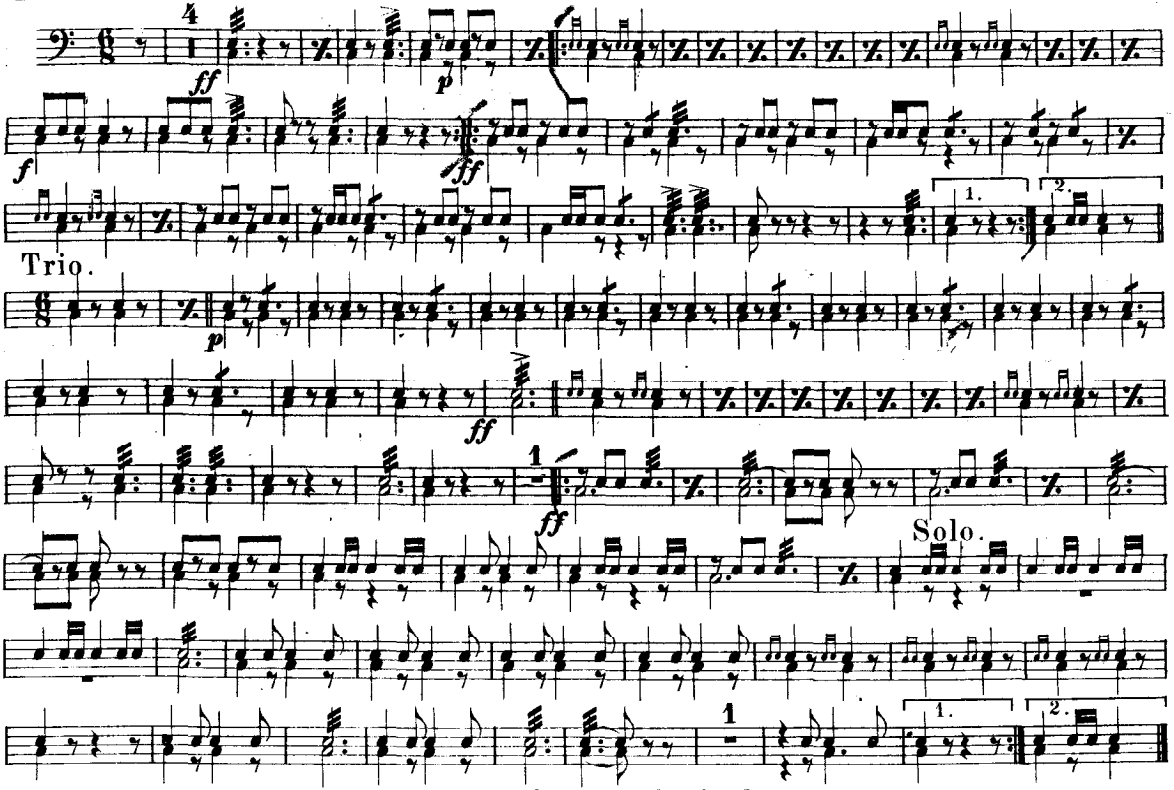
DRUMS.

VOELKER



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