Of Time and Cadence in Dancing.

A Measure therefore of Quadruple Time, is to be considered in Dancing, as if it were two Measures of Common Time, or Two Times; and this is the Reason that two Steps are put in a Measure of a Tune of Quadruple Time.

The same Observation is also to be made on Loures and slow Jiggs, which contain six Crotchets in a Measure; for each Measure of a Loure or slow Jigg, is the same with two Measures of Triple Time; for if you put another Bar in the middle of the Measure of a Loure, it will be then two Measures of Triple Time; as for Example.



There are still other Movements, in which each Measure may be divided into many others, as those frequently used by the Italians, in their brisk Movements of Quadruple Time, as is shewn by the first Example following.

These fort of Movements ought to be consider'd in Dancing, as Measures of Triple Time, like those in Passe-pieds or Minuets, by observing each Measure in respect to its Division; for if you put Bars between every three Quavers, as you may see by the pointed Lines in the second Example following, each Bar or Measure will produce four Measures of a Passe-pied; and if you make Crotchets of the Quavers, and Minums of the Crotchets, it will then make four Measures of a Minuet, as in the third Example.



Having now shewn how all Tunes for Dancing may be reduc'd to Common and Triple Time, I shall now proceed to the giving Rules for the Observation of the due Cadence of each Step, and how