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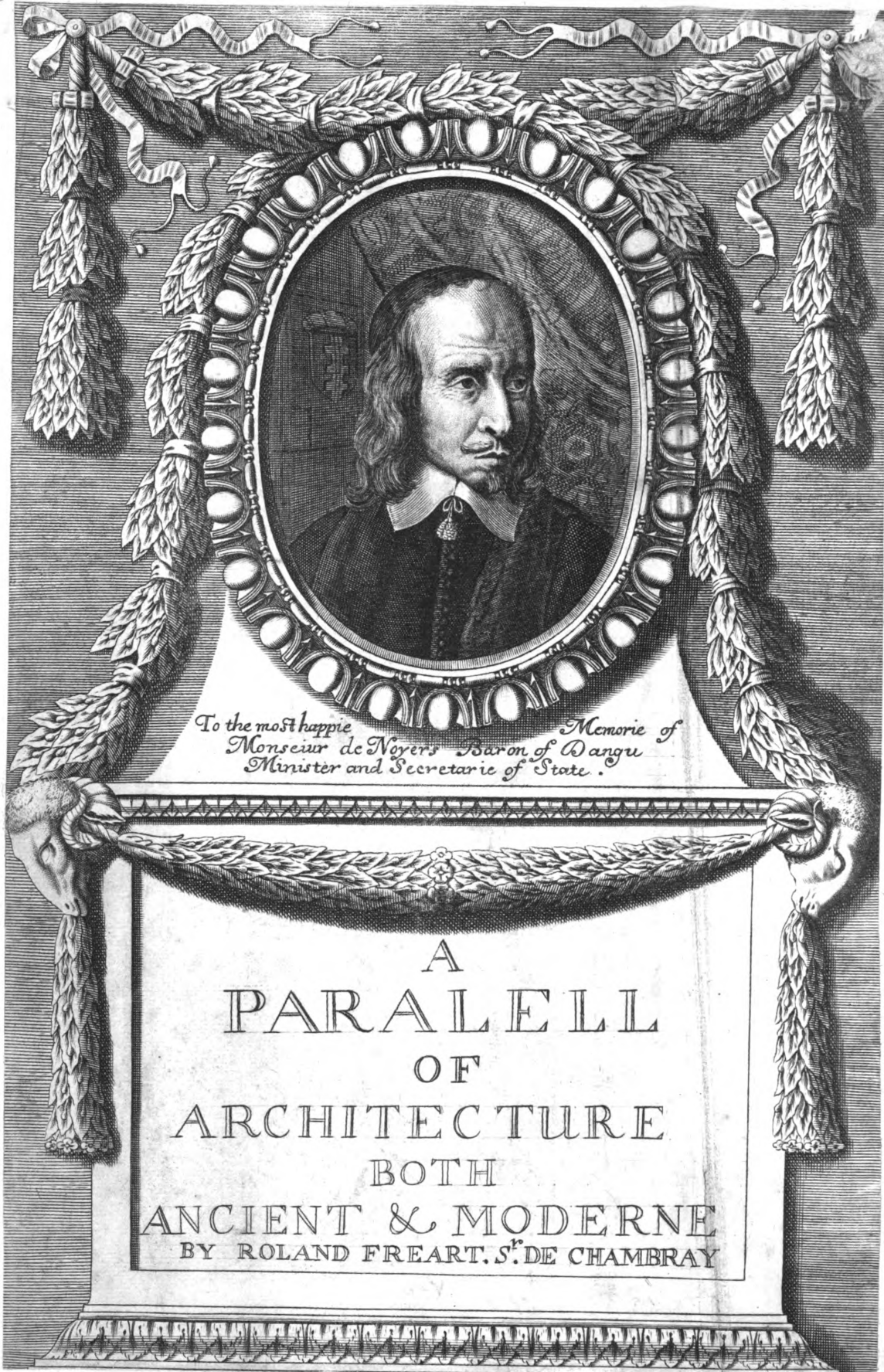
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Finally, the document concludes with a summary of the main points and a final statement on the significance of the work. The author expresses their appreciation for the support and assistance provided throughout the project.









To the most happie *Memorie of*
Monseieur de Noyers Baron of Dangu
Minister and Secretarie of State.

A
PARALELL
OF
ARCHITECTURE
BOTH
ANCIENT & MODERNE
BY ROLAND FREART. S.^r. DE CHAMBRAY

A
PARALLEL
 OF THE
ANTIEN T ARCHITECTURE
 WITH THE
M O D E R N,

In a Collection of *Ten Principal Authors* who have Written
 upon the **FIVE ORDERS,**

Viz. { PALLADIO and } { D. BARBARO and } { BULLANT and }
 { SCAMOZZI, } { CATANEO, } { DE LORME,
 { SERLIO and } { L. B. ALBERTI and } { Compared with one
 { VIGNOLA, } { VIOLA, } { another.

The three *Greek Orders*, **DORICK, IONICK and CORINTHIAN**, comprise the *First Part* of this *Treatise*.

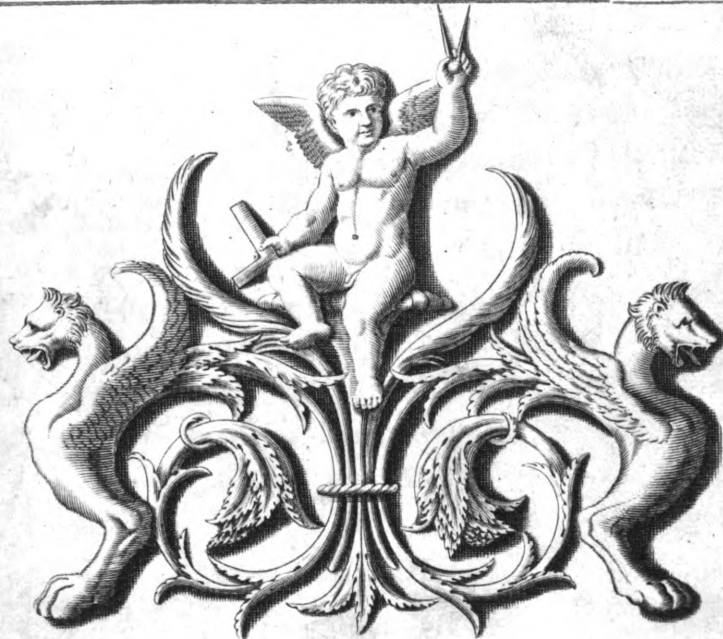
And the two *Latin*, **TUSCAN and COMPÓSITA** the *Latter*.

Written in *French* by **ROLAND FREART**, *Sieur de Chambray*;
 Made *Englisch* for the Benefit of *Builders*.

To which is added an *Account* of *Architects* and *Architecture*, in an *Historical* and *Etymological*
 Explanation of certain *Terms* particularly affected by *Architects*.
 With *Leon Baptista Alberti's* *Treatise* of **STATUES**.

By **JOHN EVELYN** Esq; Fellow of the **ROYAL SOCIETY**.

The Second Edition With Large Additions.



LONDON, Printed for *D. Brown* at the *Black Swan* without *Temple Bar*, *J. Walthoe* in the
Middle-Temple-Cloysters, *B. Took* at the *Middle-Temple-Gate* in *Fleet-street*, and *D. Midwinter*
 at the *Rose and Crown* in *St. Paul's-Church-Yard*. 1707.



TO THE
Most S E R E N E
M A J E S T Y
O F
C H A R L E S
T H E
S E C O N D.

SINCE the Great Augustus vouchsafed to Patronize a Work of this Nature which was Dedicated to him by Vitruvius; I had no reason to apprehend Your Majesty would reprove these Addresses of mine, if, in presenting You with those Antiquities on which that Excellent Master form'd his Studies, I intituled Your Majesty to a Work so little inferiour to it, and so worthy to go in Paragon with it. And indeed to whom could I more aptly Inscribe it? A Discourse of Building, than to so Royal a Builder, whose August Attempts have already given so great a Splendor to our Imperial City, and so Illustrious an Example to the Nation! It is from this Contemplation, Sir, that after I had (by the Commands of the
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Royal Society) endeavour'd the Improvement of Timber, and the planing of Trees, I have advan'd to that of Building as its proper and natural Consequent: Not with a Presumption to Incite, or Instruct Your Majesty, which were a Vanity unpardonable; but by it to take occasion of celebrating Your Majesties great Example, who use Your Empire and Authority so Worthily, as Fortune seems to have consulted her Reason when she poured her Favours upon You; so as I never cast my Eyes on that generous Delignation in the Epigram.

— Ut donem, Pastor, & Ædificem.

Credis ab hoc me Pastor opes
 fortasse rogare
 Propter quod vulgus, crassa-
 que turba rogat? &c.
 Est nihil ex istis: Superos, ac-
 sidera testor.
 Ergo quid? Ut donem, Pa-
 stor, & ædificem.
Mart. Ep. Lib. 9.

without immediate reflections on Your Majesty, who seems only to value those Royal Advantages You have above others, but that You may Oblige, and that You may Build. And certainly, Sir, Your Majesty has Consulted the Noblest Way of Establishing Your Greatness, and of Perpetuating Your Memory; since, whilst Stones can preserve Inscriptions, Your Name will be Famous to Posterity, and when those Materials fail, the Benefits that are Engraven in our Hearts, will outlast those of Marble. It would be no Paradox, but a Truth, to affirm, that Your Majesty has already Built and Repair'd more in three or four Years (notwithstanding the Difficulties, and the Necessity of an extraordinary Oeconomy for the Publick Concernment) than all Your Enemies have Destroy'd in Twenty; Nay than all Your Majesties Predecessors have Advanc'd in an Hundred, as I could easily make out, not only by what Your Majesty has so Magnificently design'd and carried on at that Your antient Honour of Green-Wich, under the Conduct of Your most Industrious and Worthy Surveyor; but in those Splended Apartments, and other useful Reformatons for Security and Delight, about Your Majesties Palace at White-Hall; the chargeable Covering, first Paving and Reformation of Westminster-Hall; Care and Preparation for Saint Paul's, by the Impiety and Iniquity of the late Confusions almost Dilapidated: With what Her Majesty the Queen Mother has ad-
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ded to her Palace at Somerfet-House in a Structure becoming her Royal Grandure, and the due Veneration of all Your Majesties Subjects for the honour She has done both this Your Native City and the whole Nation. Nor may I here omit (what I so much desire to transmit to Posterity) those noble, and profitable amœnities of Your Majesties Plantations, wherein You most resemble the Divine Architect; because Your Majesty has proposed in it such a Pattern to Your Subjects, as merit their imitation, and profoundest acknowledgements, in one of the most Worthy, and Kingly Improvements that Nature is capable of. I know not what they talk of former Ages, and of the now contemporary Princes with Your Majesty; These things are visible, and should I here descend to more Particulars, which yet were not foreign to the Subject of this Discourse, I would provoke the whole World to produce me an Example parrallel with Your Majesty, for Your exact Judgment, and marvelous Ability in all that belongs to the Naval Architecture, both as to its proper Terms, and more solid use, in which Your Majesty is Master of one of the most noble, and profitable Arts that can be wished in a Prince, to whom God has designed the Dominion of the Ocean, which renders Your Majesties Empire Universal; when by exercising Your Royal Talent, and knowledge that way, You can bring even the Antipodes to meet, and the Poles to kiss each other; for so likewise (not in a Metaphorical, but natural Sence) Your equal and prudent Government of this Nation has made it good, whilst Your Majesty has so prosperously guided this giddy Bark through such a Storm, as no hand save Your Majesties could touch the Helm, but at the price of their temerity. But to return to that of Architecture again (for it is hard not to slide into the Panegyrick, when once one begins to speak of Your Majesty) I am witness not only how pertinently You Discourse of the Art, but how judiciously You contrive; and as in all other Princely and Magnificent things Your Notices are extraordinary, so I cannot but augure of their effects, and that Your Majesty was designed of God for a blessing to this Nation in all that can render it happy, if we can have the Grace but to discern it, and be thankful for it.

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This is, Sir, the glorious Idea which I have conceiv'd of Your Serene Majesty, and which I propose for as emulous an Example as any Age has hitherto produc'd; nor can there any thing be added more, but that Permanency which the rest of Your Virtues do promise us: If such were those Glorious Hero's of Old, who first brought Men out of Wildernesses into walled and well built Cities, that chased Barbarity, introduced Civility, gave Laws to Republicks, and to whose rare Examples and Industry we are accomptable for all that we possess of useful in the Arts, and that we enjoy of Benefit to the Publick; How much Cause have We in these Nations to rejoyce, that whilst Your Majesty pursues these Laudable Undertakings, that Race of Demy-Gods is not altogether Extinct! And if after the support of Religion, and the Establishment of Laws, the Perfection of Sciences, be the next in order to to the Well-being of a State, This of Architecture (as one of the most beneficial, and useful to Mankind) owes her Renascency amongst Us to Your Majesties Encouragements, and to as many of those Illustrious Persons, as by their large and magnificent Structures transcribe Your Royal Example; in particular, my Lord High Chancellor of England, my Lord High Treasurer, and my Lord the Earl of Saint Albans, whose Memories deserve this Consecration.

*I have now but one thing more to speak, Sir, and that is for the Reputation of the Piece I present to Your Serene Majesty: It is indeed a Translation; but it is withal the Marrow and very Substance of no less than Ten judicious Authors, and of almost twice as many the most Noble Antiquities now extant upon the Bosom of the Earth; 'twere else a difficult Province to conceive how one should entertain Your Majesty without a Spirit and a Subject worthy Your Application. There is something yet of Addition to it, which is New, and of mine own, the Defects whereof do supplicate Your Majesty's Pardon; to say nothing of the Difficulty of rendring a Work of this Nature intelligible to
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the Vulgar, and not unworthy the Stile of a Gentleman; seeing it is not the Talent of every one who understands a Language, unless he also understand the Art; But these may seem to defer to my own Glory, which is conspicuous in nothing so much, as in laying it at Your Majesty's Feet, and the Permission of that Sacred Name to protect

*Says-Court
20. Aug. 1664.*

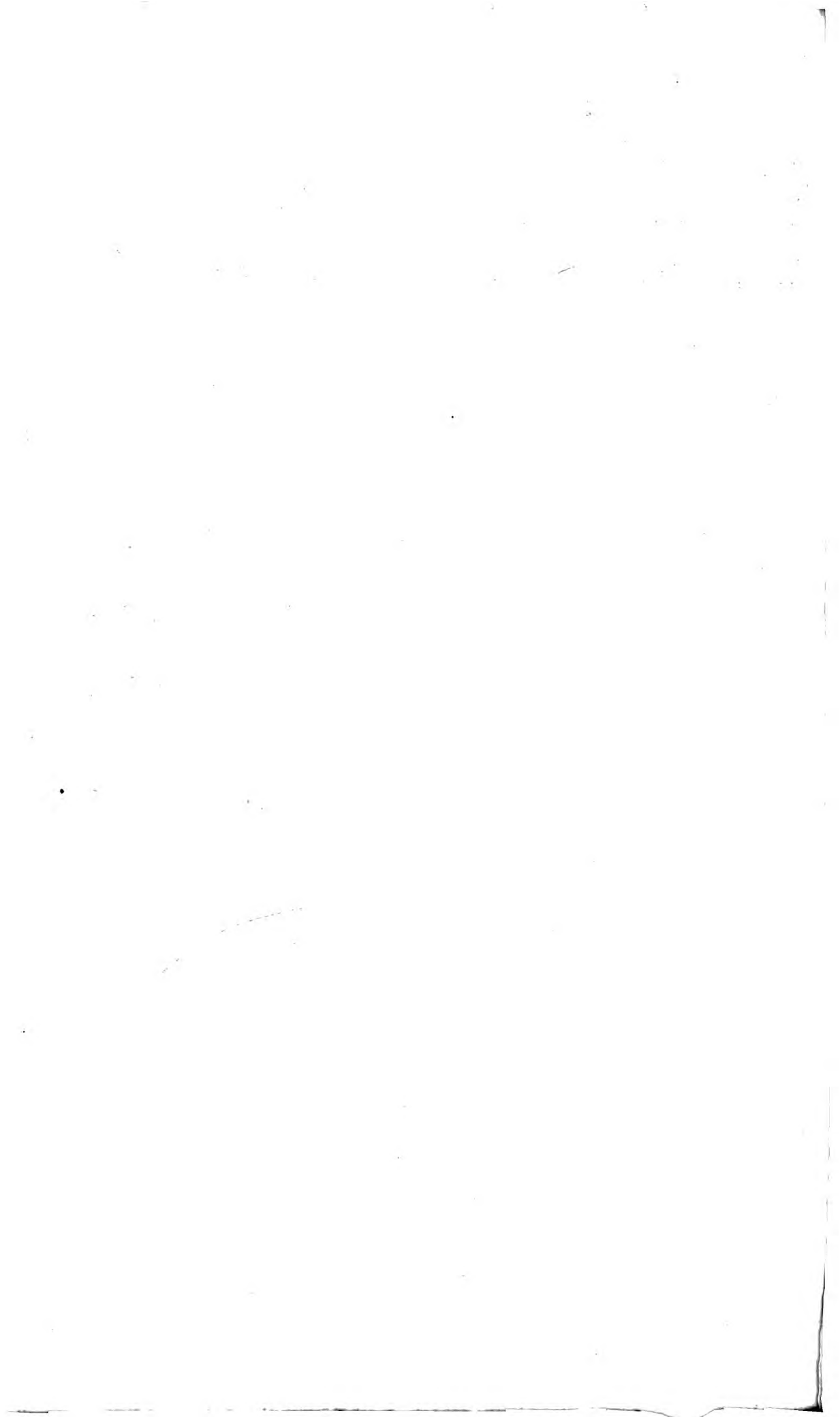
S I R,

Your Majesties ever Loyal,

Most Obedient, and

Faithful Subject,

J. EVELYN.



TO
Sir. JOHN DENHAM,
KNIGHT

OF THE
HONOURABLE ORDER

OF THE
BATH,

SUPERINTENDANT and SURVEYOR

OF HIS
MAJESTY'S

BUILDINGS and WORKS.

S I R,

IT is now some *ten* Years since, that to gratifie a *Friend* of mine in the *Country*, I began to interpret this *Parallel*; (which I think I first brought out of *France*) but other things intervented, it was laid aside, and had so continued without thoughts of reassumption, had not the passion of my Worthy Friend Mr. *Hugh May* to oblige the *Publick*, and in commiseration of the few assistances which our *Workmen* have of this Nature (compared to what are extant, in other Countries) found out an expedient, and by procuring a most accurate *Edition* of the *Plates*, encourage me to finish what I had begun; and to make a willing *Present* of my *Labour* and of whatever else I was able to contribute to so generous a Design.

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Sir,

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Sir, I am not to Instruct *you* in the merits and use of this excellent *Piece* ; but it is from your approbation and particular influence, that our *Workmen* ought to esteem it, and believe me too when I affirm it : That the Ten *Authors* in this *Assembly*, which compose both so many, and (for not being vulgar) unintelligible *Volumes*, will neither afford them so full instructions in the *Art*, nor so well inable them to judge, and pronounce concerning the true *Rules* and *Maxims* of it as this one *little*, but incomparable, *Collection*. You well know, that all the mischiefs and absurdities in the modern *Structures* proceed chiefly from our busie and *Gothick* triflings in the *Compositions* of the *Five Orders* ; and that an able *Workman*, who is *Master* of his *Art*, and has a true relish indeed, carries on all his undertakings with applause and satisfaction : That there is not in the whole *Catalogue* of *Authors* who have written on this Subject, a more safe, expedite and perfect guide than this *Parallel* ; where, from the noblest *Remains* of *Antiquity* accurately *Measur'd*, and perspicuously *Demonstrated*, the *Rules* are laid down ; and from a solid, judicious, and mature comparison of *Moderu Examples*, their *Errors* are detected ; so that were but a little more pains taken by our young *Architects* and their *Subsidiaries*, about the easier *Principles* of *Geometry*, the *Rudiments* of *Perspective*, and a ready address of well *Designing*, we might by the conversation of this *Author* alone, promise our *Country*, and the *Age* to come, a miraculous improvement of their *Buildings* in a short time. Nor would this be in the least, to the Augmentation of their *expenses* ; since there is nothing costs dearer, and displeases more, than our undigested contrivances, and those intollerable defects which we have enumerated. It is from the *Asymmetry* of our *Buildings*, want of *decorum* and proportion in our *Houses*, that the irregularity of our *humours* and *affections* may be shrewdly discerned : But it is from His *Majesties* great *Genius*, and the choice he has made of such an *Instrument*, that we may hope to see it all reform'd ; it being in so worthy an imitation of that magnificent *Emperor*, that touch'd with the like indignation at the *Encroachments* and *Deformities* of the publick *Edifices* and *Ways*, caused a like *Reformation* also ; so as we may now affirm of *London*, as the *Poet* once of *Rome*,

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Nunc Roma est, nuper magna taberna fuit.

that it now begins to have the Face of a *City* indeed. And truly it is an improvement so extraordinary which it has receiv'd since His *Majesties* gracious influence upon it, that should I have been silent in His *praises*, I might justly apprehend *mox lapides clamatueros*, that the very *Stones* would cry out and become vocal: But neither here must I forget what is alone due to you *Sir* for the Reformations of a thousand deformities in the *Streets*, as by your introducing that incomparable form of *Paving*, to an incredible advantage of the *Publick*; when that which is begun in *Holbourn* shall become universal, for the saving of *Wheels* and *Carriages*, the cure of noysom *Gutters*, the destruction of *Encounters*, the dispatch of *Business*, the cleanness of the *Way*, the beauty of the *Object*, the ease of the *Infirm*, and the preserving of both the *Mother* and the *Babe*; so many of the *Fair-Sex* and their *Off-spring* having perished by *mischances* (as I am credibly inform'd) from the ruggedness of the unequal *Streets*, &c.

Note, that these Directions were Printed, two Years before the Conflagration.

But I know not *Sir*, how these *Instances* may be relished and valu'd amongst the *vulgar*, nor am I much solicitous; sure I am, that *more* has been done for the *Ornament* and *Benefit* of the *Publick* in *two years* time, that your *Self*, with the *Commissioners* who undertook the *Inspection*, have acted, then in *five hundred* before: They were not a foolish or impolitick *People*, who from the very *Principles* of *Humanity*, destin'd for the ease of their *Subjects*, so many spacious *Ways*, cool *Fountains*, shady *Walks*, refreshing *Gardens*, and places of publick *Recreation*, as well as stately *Temples*

*Abstulerat totam temerarius institor urbem,
Inque suo nullum limine limen erat.
Jussisti tenues Germanice, crescere vicos;
Et modo qua fuerat semita, facta via est.
Nulla catenatis pila est praeincta lagenis;
Nec Prætor medio cogitur ire luto.
Stringitur in densa nec cæca novacula turba,
Occupat aut totas nigra popina vias.
Tonsor, Caupo, Coquus, Lanus sua limina servant.
Nunc Roma est, nuper magna taberna fuit.
Mart. Lib. 7. Epig. 60.*

The particulars of that reformation in Rome so much resembling what His Majesty has commanded for the cleansing, and enlarging the Streets, the demolition of Bulks, and other Obstacles, that the whole Epigram merits the application.

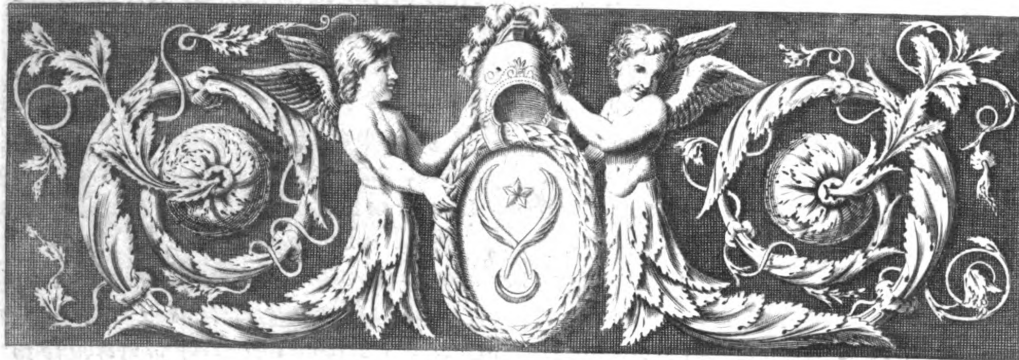
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ples, and Courts of Justice, that Religion and the Laws might be published with the more pomp and veneration: And if his Majesty with your pains and industry, hath contributed to something of all this, it is that for which the whole Nation becomes obliged; as the promoting of such publick and useful Works (and especially that of Building (a certain Indication of a prudent Government, of a Flourishing and happy People: So that if there remain but one thing more to be desired in order to the Consummation of its perfect felicity; how infinitely were it to be wished, that whilst the beauty and benefit of the City increased in one part, the Deformity and apparent Ruin of it might cease on the other: But this we are to hope for, when, to bring this monstrous Body into shape, and scatter these ungovernable enormities, either the restraint of Building irregularly shall polish the Suburbs, or (which I rather could wish) some royal Purchase contract and demolish them. But Sir, I have done, and I know you will pardon this Zeal, and accept of this expression of my profound respects from

S I R,

Your most humble Servant

J. EVELYN.



To my most Dear BROTHERS
JOHN FREART Esq;
 SIEUR DE CHANTELOU
 COUNSELLOR to the KING
 AND
 PROVINCIAL COMMISSARIE
 in *Champagne Alsatia Lorraine and Germany.*
 AND
PAUL FREART Esq;
 SIEUR DE CHANTELOU
 COUNSELLOR and MASTER
 of the HOUSHOLD in ORDINARY to the KING.

My Dearest BROTHERS



*I*s by your Commands, that I have finished this Treatise of the Ancient Architecture compar'd with the Modern, which I had altogether lay'd aside, and even effac'd out of Mind since the Decease of Monseigneur De Noyers to whom I had devoted it, as to the Mecænas of the Age, and more particularly, for being indeed the true Author of this Book; since I had never taken it in hand but by his special Order, and to afford him some little Entertainment during his Solitude of Dangu, where he was pleased, and indeed desir'd, I should follow him after his Retreat from the Court, there to enjoy with him that Sweetness and Tranquillity of Life, which we were never before acquainted with during the time of his being Minister of State. But this blessed Leisure, which you so often congratulated, was quickly interrupted by I know not what unlucky Genius, and by an intempestive and precipitous Death, which soon extinguish'd this Glorious Light of Vertue. In this great Loss (which was, my dear Brothers, common to us all, since we all had the Honour to be related to him both by our Services

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and Birth) I onely had the Affliction to be present at the lugubrious Object, and to behold it with mine Eyes. This has often caus'd me seriously to reflect upon the Vanity and Volubility of the Fortunes of the Court, of which I am now sufficiently disabus'd: For considering that so rare a Personage, the greatest Minister, the most Disinterested, most Laborious, most Successful, of so extraordinary and approv'd a Probity, so universal in all sorts of excellent Qualities, and, in a Word, so Extraordinary, after twenty Years Service and Employment in the greatest Offices of State, that a Subject (I say) of so great Merit, should come to conclude his Days in the Country like an Exile: I confess, my dearest Brothers, whilst I think of this, all things appear so transitory and uncertain in Greatness, that I find the Retreat of the Disgrac'd (provided they are honest Men) infinitely preferable to their Favour. Could Merit and considerable Services have for ever fixt and establish'd a Man at Court, or been a Rampart against that Envy and Jealousy, which are the immortal Enemies and Pests of Vertue, unhappily reigning in that Climate: The late Monfeigneur de Noyers was the most worthy to have finish'd his Days Gloriously in his high Employments; since he alone perform'd more, in less than ten Years space, than all his Predecessors together had done in an Hundred; whether we have regard to Works which are necessary for the Conservation and Good of the State, or consider Those onely which gave Splendour and Magnificence to the Kingdom. It is not my Design to repeat them here for your Instruction, because you know them much better than my self; Onely that I may leave some Memorials to the Publick, I shall mention a few of them. It may be affirm'd in general, that he had in his time exalted the noblest Arts to the supreamest Degree of Perfection that was ever seen in France: As Architecture both Civil, and Military; Painting, Sculpture, and Printing which he then made truly Royal when he lodg'd it at the Louvre; the very first Production whereof, were not only unparallel'd Master-pieces, but, as one may say, Libraries compleat; for in two Years there were publish'd threescore and ten great Volumes, in Greek, Latine, French and Italian; from one part of which, one may judge of the rest, viz. that general Collection of all the Councils, set forth in seven and thirty Volumes, which is certainly the most Noble, most Useful, and Royal Work that ever saw Light to this Hour: This incomparable Stamp was accompany'd with another very rich one, I mean the new Money, which Monfeigneur de Noyers plac'd also in the same Appartment of the Louvre, that he might allye together two of the most universal and most permanent Monuments of Kings, spreading themselves over all Nations, and remaining for so many Successions of Ages. The excessive Abuses which were found in the Years 1638, and 1639, both in the Title and Weight of the greatest part of the Moneys, as well of this Kingdom as of others, which had almost all of them been chang'd or disfigur'd, stood need of this excellent Man to reform them, whose Affection and Zeal to the Publick might produce so extraordinary Effects: But as it was impossible to remedy it on the sudden without putting Commerce into very great Disorder, he, from the ill course of those Moneys which for some time they were forced to connive at, well knew how to derive the greatest Advantages of State, and most signal Honour to the King. And in effect, 'twas none of the least pieces of Politicks, to permit and even authorize this Abuse by an Edict, which could not else have been so easily oppos'd; whilst in the mean time, it invited the People of the neighbouring States in hopes of Gain, to transport into France all the light Gold and Silver which they had,

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bad, and which remained there by reason of its being decry'd a few Months after, bearing now the Arms of France, with the Name and Effigies of Louis le Juste, by that noble Conversion which he order'd to be made of it. Whilst this strange Matter was united to ours, he sought out and discovered prompt and easie Expedients of giving it that excellent Form which it now bears, curing at the same instant, and by the same Remedy, both the present Inconvenience, and that to come: Thus we see, that its just and equal Roundness, the Grenetis, or Graining which is about it, and the Politure which is on the Flat of every Piece, not only defends it from the Clipping, the File, and Operation of Strong Waters, but even renders its Imitation in a manner impossible to our false Coyners; so as one may affirm of this Money, that it is the most Artistry contriv'd, and the most Commodious, that ever was used in Commerce. He caused to be Coynd in less than four Years above an hundred and twenty Millions, and that after fifteen or sixteen Years that the War had lasted, and the State seem'd to have been utterly exhausted by the great and continual Expences which were incessantly made, laid out in fortifying of Places, paying of Armies, and the Assistance of the Allies of the Crown. At the same time was the Louvre seen to augment and the Royal House of Fontainebleau, which owe not only a part of their Ornaments to the Care of this great Minister, but their Conservation also, and absolute Restauration; since, but for him, they had been at present but one vast Ruine, a very Carcass of Building, desolate and uninhabitable: The Castles of St. Germain and Versailles, which were then the ordinary Residence and Delices of the King, carry on them some Marks of the same Hand; The first by the Construction of the noblest Stables and Manege which is in France, with divers other Accommodations necessary for the lodging of a Royal Court; and the other, by a Terrasse de Grefferie, which is of the kind an incomparable Work, with a Circle of an hundred and twenty Yards Diameter: But whilst he thus Worthily acquitted himself in the Charge of Superintendent of the Royal Houses and Buildings of France (with which the King was pleased to gratifie him for four or five Years) he employed in the mean time his chiefeft Cares for the safety and enlargement of the Kingdom, dispencing all necessary Orders for the Armies both of Sea and Land; providing and furnishing the Magazines and Garrisons of Places, and a good part of the Provinces: But as things useful and necessary are to be preferr'd before Splendor and Magnificence, he first began with Military Architecture which he caus'd to march before the Civil: All our Frontiers are full of his Works; In Picardy the Port-royal of Calais, compos'd of two of the greatest Bastions of Massonry, the most regular and noble that are in Europe: All the Fortifications of Ardres; most of the Bastions of Peronne, of S. Quentin, of Han, of La Fere, Dourlans, Amiens, and of Montreuil, especially an Horn-work also of Massonry of extraordinary Beauty, and Magnitude; not to omit that Half Moon of Abbeville, where the Inhabitants not prevailing with him to have his Armes set on it, in acknowledgment of the favour which they had by this means received (permitting it in no place built by him, from a particular Sentiment of Honour to the King, and out of a most singular Modesty) planted two rows of Wallnut-trees, that under that Pretext they might call it by his Name: In Champagne, the Fortres of Mount Olympus, which serves Charleville for a Citadel: several other Works at Stenay, at Mezieres, Mouzon, and Rocroy. Then, in Lorraine, the Citadel of Nancy;

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Nancy; the Places de Vic, Moyenvic, and Marfal. In Normandy, Havre de Grace; where (besides the Fortifications of the Place) he excavated a large Basin of Masons work in the Port, near two hundred yards long, and above six-score wide, to contain Vessels always afloat: Also at Brouage in the Isles of Xaintong, which are two maritime Keys of the Kingdom. In Italy, Pignero, and all the new Fortifications of Casal. Now for Works and Curiosities of Painting and Sculpture (which are as 'twere the two Sisters of the Art I am now to treat of) it would require a large Discourse to particularize them one after another; besides that, one could not well do it, without a little Reproach to our Nation, which (by reflecting on the sudden Cessation of so many excellent things) one would almost believe had but one only Person capable of those rare Productions. It shall suffice then to say in general, that he made the Louvre the Center of the Arts whose Concourse thither in a few Years began to render it the most Noble and Magnificent Structure of the World. It was for this glorious Design, and for the Decoration of other Royal Houses, that the famous Monsieur le Pouffin had the honour to be sent for by the King at the beginning of the Year 1640. It was then that the late M. de Noyers dispatched us, You and my Self (dear Brother) towards his Holiness about an important Affair, with Order at our Return to make way for France to all the greatest Vertuosi of Italy; and as he was their Load-stone, we easily drew a considerable Number after him, whereof the Chief was that renowned and singular Painter M. le Pouffin, the Glory of the French in his Profession, and, as it were, the Raphael of our Age: To this Effect we likewise used great Diligence to get made, and collect together, all that the Leisure and Opportunity of our Voyage could furnish us, of the most excellent Antiquities, as well in Architecture as Sculpture; the chief Pieces whereof were two huge Capitals, the one of a Column, and the other of an angular Pilaster from within the Rotunda, which we chose as the most Noble Corinthian Models remaining of Antiquity: Two Modules of eleven Palms Diameter, taken from the Triumphal Arch of Constantine; threescore and ten Bas-reliefs moulded from Trajans Column, and several other of particular Histories, some of which were the next Year cast in Brass; others were employed in manner of Incrustation about the Compartment of the arched Ceiling of the Louvre great Gallery, in which M. le Pouffin most ingeniously introduced them, and that with an extraordinary Address and Consideration, to answer a certain Design which was then requir'd of him, not as the most magnificent, and superb he could have compos'd; but for an Ornament which should be speedily executed, and of moderate Cost, with regard to the time and impatient Humour of our Nation. A little while after that, you returned (my dear Brother) to obtain the Pope's Blessing of the two Crowns of Diamonds, and the Golden Babe carried by an Angel, which their Majesties sent you to present our Lady of Loretto in Acknowledgment, and as a Token of Gratitude which they rendred to the Virgin, for the most happy and almost miraculous Birth of our Dauphin, the King which now reigns; You continued to have divers Figures and Bass-relievo's wrought off, particularly the Flora and the Hercules in Farnese's Palace, of which there is now one cast at Paris: Two other Modules from the same Arch of Constantine, and both the Colosses of Montecavallo with their Horses, the greatest, and the most celebrated Works of Antiquity, which M. de Noyers designed to have also cast in Copper, to place them at the principal Entry of the Louvre. You beheld the Splendor which all this great Provision made in Rome, and how every
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Body wonder'd that the French, who were till now renown'd only for their Valour and invincible Courage in War, and seem'd to be affected only to the Arts Military, should shew so much Passion for These which assum'd the Reputation of being the most Glorious, by a Prerogative above others; as if the Hemisphere of France had been lately chang'd, and Mercury in conjunction with Mars began now to pour down new Influences upon her. For my own part, I can testifie how the Report of it spread as far as Constantinople, whither Fame had born the Name of Monseigneur de Noyers with so much Glory, that the Patriarch of that renowned City writ him Letters full of profound Admiration, which he address'd to Monsieur de Villeroy, a Noble Athenian Resident in France for the Duke of Parma, delivering them to my Lord at Dangu after his Retreat from the Court, and where I have had and kept them a great while, and read them to several of my Friends. They take notice chiefly, how new and unheard of a thing it was, that there should be found a Grand Vizier of our Nation so transcendent in all Excellencies; of which some Marks he had seen, easily perswad-ed him to believe all the other Marvels which were reported of him: (these Exemplars were the Books of the Royal Press, and some Pieces of Coin) His Letter was somewhat Prolix, and written in a more polite Style than the vulgar Greek now spoken in that Country: It were great pity that a thing so Memorable and Signal should be buried in Oblivion, and therefore I take Notice of it with more Circumstances than many others. But during all these mighty Projects, there happen'd a strange Revolution, which in less than six Months chang-ed the whole Face of the State, by the Death of that superlative Minister the great Cardinal de Richelieu, the vory Column and Ornament of Monarchy; and a short space after that, by the Recess of Monseigneur de Noyers; and immediately upon this, by that Loss to all France, the King himself; so as all these noble Beginnings had none that followed them, there remaining not one of those which enter'd afterwards into the Management of the publick Affairs, who had, with their Affections, the Knowledge and the Talents which were requisite for the Continuation of those great Designs. We then presently beheld the Work of the Louvre abandoned, the finishing of the great Gallery to cease; and generally all the Fortifications in France, without Hopes of seeing the Work reassum-ed and taken in hand again of a long time, it being necessary, for such an Enter-prise, to find assembled in the same Person (as it was seen in that of M. de Noyers) Virtues and Qualities both rare and extraordinary. Besides, to produce such a one as he was, of an universal Genius and Capacity, that loved the Arts with Judgment, and cultivated them; that would neglect his proper Interest, to preserve that of the State and of the Publick, who, amidst an Authority and ex-cceeding Favour, retaining still the Modesty of a private Man, thinks not of esta-blishing his House, and, against the ordinary Course so natural to all Men, should refuse to augment and heap up Riches, or seek Titles and Dignities for it, and that never took Thought, or laboured, as did he during an Employment of twenty Years (for the latter six of which he had almost the universal Management of State Affairs) but for the Safety, Enlargement, and Splendour of the King-dom; For such a Master-piece of Nature, I say, there needs the Efforts of many Ages: The Recompence of so many Virtues was very small on Man's part, but Great and Inestimable on God's, who Crown'd this Illustrious Life with a most happy Death. I reserve as a Treasure Inestimable a certain small Collection of the Sayings of this holy Courtier, our most dear Master, during the continu-

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ance of his Sickness, which was assisted by his Director the R. F. de Saint Jure, who was with him to the last: and as I have had the sad Consolation of being present at this last Act of his Life, during which I remember to have heard from his own Mouth all that is contain'd in this Recital, I am not able to read them without a great deal of Tenderness, and indeed without Tears. He died in his Castle of Dangu on Friday the twentieth of October, at one a clock after Noon, in the Year 1645, and in the six and fiftieth of his Age, two Years and a half after his Recess from Court, his Body being transported to the Church of the Novitiat belonging to the Jesuits, which he had built in Honour of St. Xaverius, and destin'd for his Sepulchre. This Church is look'd upon as the most regular Piece of Architecture in Paris; and tho' it be not so exceedingly charg'd with Ornaments as some others are, yet it appears very Noble in the Eyes of intelligent Persons; all that is there being done with an Attention and Care so extraordinary. But that which in it excels all the rest, is a Picture of one of the Miracles wrought by St. Xavier, which was Painted here at the same time, with that admirable Supper of the Apostles (which he caused to be plac'd at the Altar of the Chappel-royal of the Castle of St. Germain, where all the Figures exceed the Natural:) both of them the Works of our famous Master le Pouffin, and indeed Worthy his Pencil, tho' the first of them was Painted with extraordinary Hast, and during the Winter.

You see (dear Brothers) a small Draught of a part of the Life of our most precious and most honour'd defunct M. de Noyers, that incomparable Genius of France, never to be sufficiently Praised, never enough Regreted, because Comparable to the greatest Examples of Antiquity. I would by all Means place him in the Front of this Book of mine, to let the World see that I had no other Object in the finishing of this Work (of which he Honour'd me with the Charge) than to render the same Service and Veneration to his Memory being Dead, I could perform to his Person were he yet alive. However, in reassuming it at your Request; my first Ardour being much aloy'd, what was heretofore a liberal and diverting Study, during the Presence of my late Lord and Master, is now become a Difficulty and a kind of Constraint; since I have been forc'd to alter, and even retrench divers Particularies which were then very Essential to my Design, but but would now have been altogether Useless and Unseasonable. Receive then (my dear Brothers) this Fragment of a Book, so much at least as remains of it, and if there occurs any thing which may prove yet considerable in such clear and discerning Eyes as yours are, and that my Designs seem worthy of any place amongst your other Curiosities, you owe the Obligation of it to our common Friend Monsieur Errard, who was pleas'd to take a great deal of Pains to see it perfected; and has not only perswaded me (as well as you) to publish it to the World; but has, more than this, contributed likewise to it of his own Labour and particular E-lusubrations.

From Paris the
22. of May 1650.

Amico optimo & Charissimo

JOHANNI EVELYNO Armig.

E. Societ. Regali Lond. &c.

JO. BEALE S. P. D.

In ARCHITECTURAM ab ipso Anglicè redditam
& Graphicè exornatam.

SIC, ubi de *Cælo* quondam *primordia rerum*
Effulsere, *Chaos* discutiente *Deo*,
Hortus erat primus: Tunc *Tecta*, & *Mœnia*, & *Urbes*:
Tandem & *Pyramidum* nobile surgit opus.
His aliquis molem subjungit: In aëre pendet
Hortus; & unde venit, quærere jure licet.
Nec fatis est vitam ducamus in Arce beatam
Qualem agit æthereâ *Juppiter* ipse domo;
Sed Talis supereffe juvat post funera longa,
(Quamvis hîc cineres urnula parva capit)
Mansolæa exin cœlos tactura sepulcra
Inscriptum *Herôis* nomen ad astra vehunt.
Stat quoque, si favit *Victoria*, grande *Tropæum*;
Attollensque apicem tunc *Obeliscus* ovat.
Mox spirare truce[m] poteris jurare *Colossum*,
Sic movet, ut trepident, & mihi membra labent.
Sunt quibus excidium laudi est, & lata ruina;
Atqui exornandi gratia major erit.
Parcite *Mortales*, Famam prohibete *Nepotes*;
Ni scelus in causâ deteriore cadit.
Sunt quoque *Tenariis* quibus est suffulta columnis
Alta & larga nimis, sed minus apta domus:
Sumptibus hîc turgent operosa palatia vanis;
Materia exsuperat; splendor, & ordo deest.
Ecce *Avibus* nidos, *Apibus* compingere cordi est,
Pastor *Aristeus* quos stupet ipse, favos.
Aurea sic textrix subter laquearia *Arachne*
Divini Artificis provocat ingenium.
Hospitium sibi quæque parant animalcula gratum;
Solutus *Homo* impensis plectitur ipse suis.
Machina quid præstet *Thuscis* tractanda peritis,
Angligena ut discant, *Clare Evelyne*, facis.
Nec tantum debent *Volsæo* pristina sæcla,
Quantum debebunt posteriora tibi.
Creditor *Amphiou* molimina faxea quondam
Thebarum in muros concinuisse *Lyrâ*:
Tu *Saxa* & *Silvas* (nam sic decet *Orphea*) plectro
Aurato in *Regnum Tecta* coire doces.

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BEFORE I do altogether resign this *Book* to thy Judgment, I advertise thee, that 'twas not my Design in compiling it to teach any man, much less yet to satisfy those *Critical* Spirits which the World so much abounds with: Nor, is the Publick at all beholding to me; I have no thought of obliging it, an envious, and evil Judge: In a word, being nothing inclin'd to give them Satisfaction, I have easily gratified my Labour with the desir'd Success: My principal Drift was, First, to satisfy my self, nor has it cost me much Trouble; though we sometimes find certain Humors that are more averse, and difficult to themselves, than they would prove to others: For my part, I do not so use to treat my self: We have Enemies enough besides; and whatever I were able to do, I expect that Men should presently say of me, all that Jealousie does commonly suggest in reproach of Novelty. That being no *Artisan*, it did not become me to prescribe to others the Rules of their *Mystery*; That I teach nothing particular and extraordinary here; That the *Books* from whence I have gather'd all that I say being common and much ampler than mine, there was no need to have

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scumm'd them thus superficially over; That it had been better to have search'd, and produc'd something which the World had not yet seen: That the Mind is free, not bound, and that we have as good right to invent, and follow our own *Genius*, as the *Antients*, without rendring our selves their Slaves; since *Art* is an infinite thing, growing every day to more Perfection, and suiting it self to the Humor of the several *Ages* and *Nations*, who judge of it differently, and define what is agreeable, every one according to his own mode, with a world of such like vain and frivolous Reasonings, which yet leave a deep Impression on the Minds of certain half-knowing People, whom the Practice of *Arts* has not yet disabus'd; and on simple *Workmen*, whose *Trade* dwells all upon their Fingers ends only: but we shall not appeal to such *Arbiters* as these. There are others to be found (though truly very rarely) that having their first Studies well founded on the *Principles of Geometry* before they adventur'd to work, do afterward easily, and with assurance arrive to the knowledge of the Perfection of the *Art*: It is to such only that I address my self, and to whom I willingly communicate the Thoughts which I have had of separating in two Branches the *five Orders of Architecture*, and forming a *body* a part of the *Three* which are deriv'd to us from the *Greeks*; to wit, the *Doric*, *Ionick*, and the *Corinthian*, which one may with reason call the very Flower and Perfection of the *Orders*; since they not only contain whatsoever is excellent, but likewise all that is necessary of *Architecture*; there being but three manners of *Building*, the *Solid*, the *Mean*, and the *Delicate*; all of them accurately express'd in these three *Orders here*, that have therefore no need of the other two (*Tuscan* and *Composite*) which being purely of *Latine* Extraction, and but Forreigners in respect to *them*, seem as it were of another *species*; so as being mingl'd, they do never well together, as those to whom I discourse will soon perceive, when they shall have once put off a certain blind Respect and Reverence, which *Antiquity*, and a long Custom (even of the greatest Abuses) does commonly imprint in the most part of Men, whose Judgments they so pre-occupate, that they find it afterwards a difficult matter to undeceive themselves; because they defer too much, and hardly dare to examine what has been receiv'd by the vulgar Approbation for so long a time: Let them but consider, that we find no *antique example* where the *Greek Orders* are employ'd amongst the *Latine*, and that so many Ages of Ignorance have pass'd over us, especially in the Arts of *Architecture*, and *Painting*, which the War, and frequent Inundations of *Barbarians* had almost extinguish'd in the very Country of their *Originals*; and which were in a manner new born again but a few years since, when those great Modern *Masters*, *Michael Angelo*, and *Raphael*, did as it were raise them from the Sepulchers of their antient Ruins, under which these poor *Sciences* lay buried; and I shall have fair Hopes of their Conversion, and to see them of my Opinion. It is the very least of my Thoughts to broach *Novelties*: On the contrary, I would (were it possible) ascend even to the very Source of the *Orders* themselves, and derive from thence the *Images*, and pure *Ideas* of these incomparable *Masters*, who were indeed their first *Inventors*, and be instructed from their own Mouths; since doubtless the farther Men have wander'd from their *Principles*, transplanting them as it were into a strange Soil,

Soil, the more they are become degenerate, and scarce cognoscible to their very *Authors*. For to say truth, have we at this present any reason in the World to call those *three* by the name of *Orders*, viz. *Dorick*, *Ionick* and *Corinthian*, which we daily behold so disfigured, and ill treated by the *Workmen* of this Age? To speak seriously, remains there so much as a simple *Member*, which has not receiv'd some strange and monstrous Alteration? Nay, things are arriv'd to that pass, that a Man shall hardly find an *Architect* who disdains not to follow the best and most approved *Examples* of *Antiquity*: Every Man will now forsooth compose after his own Fancy, and conceives, that to imitate *Them*, were to become an *Apprentice* again; and that to be *Masters* indeed, they must of necessity produce something of New: Poor Men that they are, to believe that in fantastically Designing some one kind of particular *Cornice*, or like *Member*, they are presently the *Inventors* of a New *Order*, as if in that only consisted what is call'd *Invention*; as if the *Pantheon*, that same stupendous and incomparable Structure which is yet to be seen at *Rome*, were not the *Invention* of the *Architect* who Built it, because he has vary'd nothing from the *Corinthian Order* of which it is intirely compos'd? 'Tis not in the *Retail* of the *Minuter Portions*, that the Talent of an *Architect* appears: *This* is to be judg'd from the general Distribution of the *Whole Work*. These low and reptile *Souls*, who never arrive to the universal Knowledge of the *Art*, and embrace her in all her Dimensions, are constrain'd to stop *there* for want of Abilities, incessantly crawling after these poor little Things; and as their *Studies* have no other Objects, being already empty and barren of themselves; their *Ideas* are so base and miserable, that they produce nothing save *Mascarons*, wretched *Cartouches*, and the like idle and impertinent *Grotesks*, with which they have even infected all our *Modern Architecture*. As for those others to whom Nature has been more propitious, who are indu'd with a clearer Imagination, they very well perceive that the true and essential Beauty of *Architecture* consists not simply in the minute Separation of every Member *apart*; but does rather principally result from the *Symmetry* and *Oeconomy* of the *whole*, which is the Union and Concourse of them all together, producing as it were a visible Harmony and Consent, which those Eyes that are clear'd and enlightned by the real Intelligence of *Art*, contemplate and behold with excess of Delectation. The misery is, that these noble *Genius's* are in very small Numbers, whereas the vulgar *Workmen* like to *Ants* swarm prodigiously in all places. Would but our *Grande'es* once devest themselves of that Prejudice and Disdain which they conceive of the *Arts*, and of those who apply themselves unto them, and but consider the Necessity which they above all others particularly have of this of *Architecture*, there would be great hopes we should yet see them Reflourish, and be born again as 'twere from *New* to *Antique*: We have had fresh Experience of this under the *Reign* of *Francis* the first, one of the most Illustrious *Princes* that History has Recorded, and who from an Affection extraordinary which he bore to *Virtue* and great *Attempts*, Peopl'd his *State* with *Persons* the most Rare and Accomplish'd of the Age wherein he liv'd, who erected those glorious Monuments to the Memory of this incomparable *Monarch*. It is, in my Opinion, the only Expedient to re-establish all the *Arts* in that primitive Splendor from

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from whence this unworthy Neglect has precipitated them. The *Greeks* who were the first Inventors of them, and with whom alone they happily arriv'd to their supreamest Perfection, preserv'd them in so high Esteem amongst them, that the *Greatest Personages* of their *Common-wealths* were not asham'd to make open Profession of them, but after a manner nothing *Mercenary*: Their Works were pay'd with Honour; and as they propos'd to themselves the Glory only, and Immortality of their *Name* for recompence; so, nor did they make any thing save what was truly Great and Magnificent. It would appear Incredible, to relate only what we read of this *Nation*, were not the Credit of their *Ancestors* altogether Irreproachable, and that there did not remain even to this very Day, the most visible Marks of what is reported. There is not in the whole *Universe* any thing worthy of Renown, which that Divine *Country* did not once produce in its height of Excellency. Those great *Captains*, so many *Philosophers* of all Sects, *Poets*, *Orators*, *Geometricians*, *Painters*, *Sculptors*, *Architects*, and in sum, whatsoever hath stamp'd on it the Character of *Vertue* proceeded first from thence. Would we now do worthily? Let us not then forsake the Paths which these Excellent Guides have trac'd before us; but pursue their Footsteps, and generously avow, that the few gallant things which have yet reached down to us, are due only as deriv'd from them. This is the *Subject* that has invited me to assemble and begin this *Collection* by the *Greek Orders*, which I had first drawn out of *Antiquity* her self, before I so much as examined the Writings of our Modern *Authors*: For even the very best *Books* extant on this *Argument*, are the *Works* of these old *Masters* which remain to this Day, and whose Beauty is so perfect, and so universally receiv'd, as has for almost two thousand Years been admired by the whole World. It is to them we should repair to learn to accustom the Eyes, and to conform the Imagination of Young Men to the *Ideas* of those excellent *Spirits*, who being born in the midst of the Light and Serenity of the Fairest *Climate* under Heaven, were so Defecate and Inlightned, that they discern'd those things as 'twere naturally, which we discover with so much Pain, after a long and laborious In-dagation. I know 'tis for every one to esteem what pleases him best in the mix'd *Arts* such as is *this*, whose *Principles* being solely founded upon *Observation*, and the Authority of *Examples*, can challenge no precise *Demonstration*, and therefore I shall make bold to assume the same Priviledge which I leave to others, of Judging according to their Fancy: For my part, I find so excellent, and particular a Beauty in the three *Greek Orders*, that I am hardly at all concern'd with the other *two* of the *Latin* in comparision; and the Station which has been assign'd them, sufficiently demonstrates that there was no place for them, but after all the rest, as if indeed they had been refus'd by them both: The Rusticity and Meanness of the *Tuscan* having exil'd it from the *Cities*, has sent it to the *Country Cottages*; and as unworthy of entering into *Temples* and *Palaces*, 'tis become the very last, as even destitute of Employment: For the *other*, which would pretend to exceed, and refine upon the *Corinthian*, and what they name the *Composite*, 'tis in my Apprehension yet more Irrational, and truly methinks altogether unworthy to be call'd an *Order*, as having been the Source of all that Confu-
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sion which has been brought into *Architecture*, since *Workmen* have taken the liberty to dispense with those which the *Antients* had prescrib'd us, to *Engotbiss* (as one may say) after their own Capricious Humor an Infinite Number, which do all pass under this Appellation. Honest *Vitruvius* in his Time well foresaw the ill Consequence which those of the *Profession* would introduce out of their Love of *Novelty*, which already began it seems to incline them to *Libertinism*, and the disdain of the *Rules* of that *Art*, which ought to remain most Sacred and Inviolable; so that we must look on this as on a Grey-Headed Evil which grows worse and worse daily, and is become now almost Incurable: Notwithstanding, would our Modern *Architects* but yet fix any Limits to the Freedom they have taken, and keep themselves within the Precincts of the *Roman Order*, which is the Legitimate and true *Composite*, and which has likewise its *Canons* and *Rules* as well as the rest, I should find no Cause of Complaint, since we see Instances of it among the *Vestigia* and Footsteps of the most Flourishing Ages; as in particular, that of *Titus Vespasianus*, to whom the *Senate* (after the Sack of *Jerusalem*) erected a most Magnificent *Arch Triumphant*, compos'd of this *Order*: But then it should never be employ'd without Mature Advice, and always alone by it self; for so we find the *Inventors* of this *Order* us'd it, who well knowing its Defects (compar'd with the rest) did ever forbear to paragon them together: but our *Architects* never entring into this Consideration, have fallen into an *Errour* which admits of no Excuse, by forcing the Weaker to support the Stronger: *Scamozzi* is the first that has spoken of this in his *Treatise* of the five *Orders*, where he assigns to the *Corinthian* the most Eminent place: However, to avoid all contest, I find it safest, never to mix them together at any time, seeing it was never practis'd by the *Antients*; though *Philibert de Lorme*, and *Sebastian Serlio* fancy to have both of them seen it in the *Coliseum*, and produce likewise a *design* for an *Example* of their *Compos'd Order*. But believe it, the Observation is very Erroneous; for they are indeed two *Corinthians*, the one over the other: And albeit in the upmost, which forms the *Corona* of this great *Coloss* of Building, the *Cornice* resembles not the other, as being very particular; yet are the *Capitals* for all that of the same *Order*, as *Scamozzi* has not forgotten to observe. This may therefore suffice to advertise us, not lightly to credit what is deliver'd to us out of *Books*, when we have the Opportunity of repairing to the *Fountain*, and to be satisfied of the Truth from thence: For having oftentimes diligently examin'd the *Designs* of fundry *Masters*, on the same Subject, and made an exact Calculation of the *Measures* which they Establish, we seldom find them to agree amongst themselves, notwithstanding that all of them profess to have accurately observ'd them. But that we may wound no Man's Reputation, since every one does the best he is able, and that we have ever some Obligation to those who have so freely imparted their Labours to us, I will forbear to exemplifie. Let it suffice to have given you this *Caution*: Those who shall be so curious as to try, and which will (I assure them) be no Fruitless Attempt, shall soon find Difficulty enough in the extraordinary Confusion of the different Manners of those *Architects*, who instead of Working upon the Account of the *Models*

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of *Columns* (which is the most Natural *Method*, and particularly affected to the *Proportions* of *Architecture*) amuse us with *Palms*, *Feet*, and other general *Measures* (as meer *Masons* would do) which so Confounds the Imagination, that 'tis extream difficult to dis-intangle ones self out of them, and costs a World of time ere one comes at last to reduce and apply them to the *Scale* of the *Model*, without which, all their Industry becomes fruitless, and to no Purpose, To this I have Principally endeavour'd to apply a timely Remedy, reducing all the *Designs* of this *Treatise* to one *Common Model*, namely, to the *Semidiameter* of the *Column* divided into thirty *Minutes*, that so I may approach the *Precise* Measures as near as is possible: There are haply some *Workmen* who upon the suddain will not approve of it, as being not accustom'd to so exact an *Examen* of the Particulars which concern their Employment: However (to prevent their Censure) I shall refer them to the writings of *Andrea Palladio*, and *Scamozzi*, two of the greatest *Masters* which we have of the *Profession*, who in their *Treatises* of the *five Orders* (taking the entire *Diameter* for *Model*) have assign'd it no less then *sixty Minutes*, which yet they frequently subdivide into *Halves*, *Thirds*, and *Fourths*, according as they conceive it necessary, and as will appear in this *Collection*, where I have punctually reported their *Designs* parallel'd one with the other, by a *Method* so perspicuous, that one may instantly perceive both in *what*, and *how much* they differ among themselves: so that by help of this *Comparison*, every Man has the Liberty of pleasing his own Fancy, and following whether of the *Authors* I propose, as being all of them within the common Approbation. But to the End we may proceed Solidly, and make a *Judicious Election*, it will first be requisite to be throughly Instructed in the *Principles* of *Architecture*, and to have apply'd our Studies to *Antiquities*, which are the very *Maxims* and *Rules* of this *Art*: Not as if generally the *Ancients* were to be imitated indifferently; on the contrary, there are but very few of *them* good, and an Infinite number of them bad, which is *that* has produc'd this confused Variety amongst our *Authors*, who treating of the *Orders*, and their *Measures*, have differ'd so strangely from one another. It is therefore undoubtedly the safest Way to have Access to the *Sources* themselves, and to follow precisely the *Models* and *Proportions* of such ancient *Structures*, as have the Universal Consent and Approbation of those of the *Profession*. Such *Examples* we have at *Rome* in the *Theatre* of *Marcellus*, the *Temple* of the *Rotunda*, the three *Columns* near the *Capitol*, and some others of this sort, whose several *Profiles* I shall produce on every of the *Orders*, and after them, those of our more Modern *Architects*, that so in Confronting them to these glorious *Examples* which are the *Originals* of the *Art*, they may as to an Impartial *Touchstone* have recourse to *them*, for the Tryal and Examination of their *Works*, as I my self have done with extraordinary Satisfaction in compiling of this present *Treatise*, and which every one may do as well as I, and at a far less Expense by all that time I have spent in opening and preparing for them the Way. This is, *Reader*, what I thought fitting to Inform *Thee* of concerning my *Labour*, to the End thou mayest have a sincere and judicious Estimation of it.

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Concerning This

EDITION.

IN Reviving the *Parallel*, and Preparing it for a New Impression, I once had thoughts of Subjoining the exact and Critical Measures of *Monsieur de Gaudete*: Who reckoning from the Diameter of the *Base of the Column*, divided into Sixty equal Parts (on two *Models*) subdivides every Part so minutely, and those Parts and Subdivisions again into yet lesser Parts, that upon so very nice, and scrupulous an Examination of not only the several more *Essential Members*; but even of the lesser *Accessarys* of all the *Greek Orders*, yet extant, and of Undeniable Antiquity, (which the most Skillful and Famous of our Modern *Architects* have taken their Measures from, and propos'd for their Examples) he seems to call for, and exact a *New Account* of all that has hitherto been done. This falling chiefly on *Palladio*, *Serlio* and the rest, I think my self concern'd only for *Monsieur de Cambray* (Author of this Excellent Work). Not that I esteem those Scuples, and (hardly, if at all, to be discern'd) Exceptions (mention'd in their Places) to be very Material, (considering the Modest Liberty which has frequently been taken, by even the Ancients themselves upon Occasion; but to take off the Prejudice, which some haply may conceive, who might otherwise think them of more Importance, than perhaps, they really are; especially, since (beside many other) we have the Surffage of that able, and knowing *Architect*, the late *Monsieur Blouel*; who in his *Recension* of the most Famous *Architects*, *Ancient and Modern*, (has this Passage speaking of the *Parallel* :) " That most Incomparable and Judicious Work (says he) of *Monsieur de Chambray* I can never sufficiently Commend, filled and enrich'd as it is, " with a Thousand Learned and Judicious Remarks: Having compar'd the " several Manners of the chief and principal of our Modern *Architects* one " with the other, and assign'd them their respective *Classes*: That which " is of infinite Advantage, is also his having reduc'd all their heretofore " several

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“ several and different Measures, (which, till now, render’d them so exceedingly Troublesome and Perplexing) to one and the same single Division of Modules into thirty Parts; which being of such Universal Advantage, I know of nothing more Easy, Useful and highly Beneficial than that Excellent and Noble Work of his.

’Tis true indeed, *Monsieur Colbert* having in the Year 1674 procur’d the Establishment of an *Academy* for *Architecture* in *Paris*, and sparing no Cost to Encourage, Advance and Carry it on to the highest Pinnacle (after all that *Palladio* and the rest had perform’d of more Use and Accuracy than had ever yet been done; and by their Instructions, Travels and Experience, Publish’d and Approv’d of with such Applause) to send *Des Godetz* a Student in the *Academy* (with other Artists) to *Rome*, to perfect and improve themselves in *Architecture*, *Painting* and *Sculpture*, subservient to it; where he made a more exact and nice Research among the *Antiquities* of that City, Re-measuring and Recalling to a new *Calculation* what had been before so often done; and bringing back his new Designs, with the Admeasurements, and a Precision so Delicate (and even to a *Hair-breadth*, as they say) so scrupulously Nice) as reaches not only to single Feet, Inches and Lines alone, but even to the Minutest Part of a Part of a Line, curiously Engraven at the *French King’s* Charge, and Pompously set forth under the Title of the *Ancient Buildings* of *Rome*, with Discourses upon them.

But now, Whether after all this Critical and Elaborate Scrutiny, they amount to any considerable Advantage in the main, is left to the Judicious; and those who shall think it worth the While to examin and collate them with the *Plates* and *Figures*, where one shall meet several other Designs and Descriptions of ancient Buildings (besides what are extant at *Rome*) perform’d (as to the Graving Part) with extraordinary Accuracy by the *Burines* of *Marot*, *Le Cler*, *Boissiere*, *Chastillon*, *Pautus*, *Guerard*, *Bonart*, *Tournier*, &c. all of them incomparable Artists, and of *Paris* alone, where they abound with excellent Gravers; whilst our whole Nation hardly affords us One comparable to any I have nam’d, or indeed, that’s almost Tolerable.

This I mention to stir up an *Emulation*, and if possible, to encourage our Country-Men (whose *Genius* may lead them to so laudable a Quality and Address) by Applying themselves more seriously to it: And that we may not for ever be out-done by the *French* and *Dutch*, to the Reproach of those shameless Bunglers of Ours, who daily disgrace so Noble and Ingenious an Art with their wretched *Sculps* of *Frontis-pieces*, lame *Figures*, *Landskips* and *Prospects*, without *Design*, *Symmetry*, or any regard to *Perspective*.

One thing more I cannot but applaude before I have done with *Monsieur Des Godetz*, which is this; That whereas other *Architects* have generally represented those Venerable and Famous *Ruins* of the Antients as entire, as when first Erected, or rather, such as they fancied them before their Demolition (when all this while there perhaps remains not standing above two or three *Columns*, broken *Capitels*, *Busts*, *Bates*, *Cornices*, and other miserable Fragments of Collapsed *Temples*, *Theaters*, *Aqueducts*, *Amphitheatres*, *Triumphal*

phal Archæes, &c. and other heretofore glorious Structures) Monsieur *Des Godetz* has design'd and given us them as they are at present, or with very little Restoration, unless where some principal Member was Defective in the *Foliage* or *Voluta* of a *Capitel*, &c. whilst what remain'd sound and entire, left no Occasion of doubting, that what he supply'd was really the same when Perfect.

That yet our *Parallel* may not suffer thro' any material Oversight; where *Des Godetz* more finish'd *Researches* may in any sort contribute to its Perfection, I have not spared the giving Notice of them: That when our Workmen shall well consider of how small Importance the Particulars consist, (and how easily reform'd where necessary) they may proceed; and with the more Courage and Assurance, rely upon our *Parallel*.

This Admonition (together with what of my own may attend it) I leave, out of the great *Affection*, as well as the *Relation* I have to the Prosperity of that *August*, and truly *Glorious Foundation*, which is now Erecting at *Greenwich*; to be a *Standing Seminary* for the Supply, *Entertainment*, *Relief* and Encouragement of *Emerited* and *Deserving Sea-men*; next under *God alone*, the *Guardians* and *Protection* of these *Dominions*.

NON NOBIS SOLUM NATI SUMUS: SED PARTIM
PATRIAE.

EXCEPTIONS.

M. <i>Des Gaudetz</i> .			M. <i>De Chambray</i> .		
Page		Plate	Page		Plate
28	29	VIII	66	67	<i>Portico of the Pantheon.</i>
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294	295	III	16		17 <i>Altar of Marcellus.</i>
296	297	IV	As before		
298	299	V	40		41 <i>The same.</i>

OBSERVATIONS.

As to the *Measures*; Would one in earnest think it much worth the pains, or to any great prejudice of Monsieur *de Chambray*, that some few *Members* and *Membretti*, were by a 20th part, and 25th part of a part too High or too Low? A 19th part and 24th part of a part too Narrow or Broad? Or eleven 36th parts of a part too Long or too Short? A *Projecture* too far *Saliant* by 1. The *Guttæ* under a *Triglyph* too Broad by $\frac{17}{14}$ parts of a part?

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That an *Astragal* beneath the *Eggs*, was too Low by $1 \frac{7}{12}$ parts of a part? Or that among the *Ornaments* and *Accessories*, a plain *Water Leaf* was put instead of an indented one? That in a *Chaplet*, the *Beads* did not fall exactly under the *Eggs*, with *Darts* between the *Foliage*, where other Leaves should have been Carv'd? *Acanthus* in a *Capitel*, instead of *Olive* or *Parsley*, and a small slender *Caulicle*, between the larger *Foliage* of a *Composite Capitel*? Making the hollow of the *Voluta* plain, and without Ornament; and embellishing the *Edges* of Another with a *Fret*? Sticking a *Rose* in the middle of the *Plinth*? A *Cyma recta* in place of an *Ovolo*? Extending the *List* with a return above the *Architrave*, and over the *Triglyphs*, which should be even and streight; and the upper part of the half *Channel Chamfer'd*, &c.

Such in truth, and the like, are frequently the *Minutiæ* and *Animadversions* so nicely insisted on (tho' I do not say there are none more material) but whether worth his Travelling so far and Suffering so much to bring Home, after his being Redeem'd from the *Barbarous Pyrats* and *Corfaires* (into whose Hands he fell at his Return) I leave to others. What his *Observations* and *Exceptions* are on those of *Palladio*, *Serlio* and their Companions in the *Parallel*, I am not much solicitous about; since the *Curious* may consult and confront the *Designs* and *Plates* themselves. Those in the mean time, which concern Monsieur *De Chambray*, (not exceeding a Dozen) would have been less Chargeable to have been added by the *Bookseller* than by the *Buyer*: But he despairing to meet with any tolerable *Graver* among us, (capable of Approaching those whom Monsieur *Des Gaudetz* employ'd) I could not impose it on him: Nor was it thought of so great Importance; considering (as already noted) the Modest Liberty, which 'tis known has now and then been taken, even by the *Antients* themselves. Let therefore our *Students* in *Architecture*, and *Industrious Workmen* proceed with good *Assurance*; that following the *Author* of our *Parallel*, they Copy after an Excellent and Approv'd *Master*.



PART. I.

CHAP. I.

Of the Orders in General.

IT is sufficiently difficult to determin precisely, what the Name of *Order* may signifie amongst our *Architects*, though it be indeed very necessary to understand it well. Of all the *Moderns* who have written upon the five *Orders*, there is none, save *Scamozzi*, who has once remember'd to give us the Definition, and it is in the 1. *Chap.* of his *second Part*, *Line* 42. where he saith, That it is a kind of Excellency, which Infinitely adds to the Shape, and Beauty of Buildings, *Sacred* or *Profane*. But in my Opinion, he had even as good have held his Peace, as the rest have done, as to have spoken in such wandring Terms, and with so little Solidity. The Father *Vitruvius* in C. 2. L. 1. calls it *Ordonance*, and the Term is at present in huge vogue amongst our *Painters*: When they would expresse the Elegant Composition of a *Piece*, or the Distribution of *Figures* in an *History*, they say, that the *Ordonance* is good: Notwithstanding this is not yet exactly the Intention of *Architects*; and *Vitruvius* (in pain to expresse it to us) adds, That it is *An Apt, and Regular Disposition of the Members of a Work separately; and a Comparison of the Universal Proportion with Symmetrie*. Perault *Translates* it. *An Apt and Regular Disposition of the Members of a Work separately, with respect to the Proportion or Symmetrie of the Whole*. Another peradventure more subtile and penetrant than I am, might find out the Mystery of these Words, which I confess I Comprehend not; and therefore it is, that I have *Translated* them purely from the *Latin* Text Word for Word, that I may the more Naturally propose them to those who shall desire to Profit by them: *Daniel Barbaro* (who hath given us two Excellent *Commentaries* upon this *Author*) has been very Industrious to clear this Passage, which yet is not without some Difficulty; *Philander*, on the same Chapter, found out a shorter way to say nothing at all, and amuses himself upon other Matters far more unnecessary: so that to get out of this *Labyrinth* we must even take it in Pieces, and consider the things apart, that so it may, as it were, touch our Imagination, and distinctly form its *Idea's* in us, which is the Business we are to enquire after: For the *Art of Architecture* does not consist in *Words*; the *Demonstration* ought to be sensible, and Ocular. It is very Perspicuous to all those

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those of this *Mystery*, that the Principal Piece of an *Order* is the *Column*, and that its *Entablature* being once placed on the *Capitel* produces the entire *Composition*. If therefore we will define it exactly, and give the most express Meaning of it, we must, as it were, make a very *Anatomy* of the Parts, and say, that the *Column*, with its *Base*, and *Chapiter*, Crown'd with an *Architrave*, *Frize* and *Cornice*, forms that kind of *Building* which Men call an *Order*; seeing all these Individual Parts do generally encounter, and are found through all the *Orders*; the Difference amongst them consisting in no other particular, than in the Proportion of those *parts*, and the Figure of their *Capitels*. They have yet indeed some peculiar Ornaments, as *Triglyphs*, the *Dorick*; *Dentelli*, or Teeth, the *Ionick*; and the *Corinthian* her *Modillions*: but they are none of them of so general and Indispensable Obligation, but that even the most Regular of the *Antients* themselves, have upon some Considerations frequently dispensed with them. For *Ornaments* are but Accessories in the *Orders*, and may be diversly Introduced as occasion requires; principally in that of the *Corinthian*, where *Artists* being to represent an Effeminate and Virginal Beauty (as we may easily deduce from what *Vitruvius* has recounted to us of *Callimachus*. 1. *Chap. 4. Book*) ought to omit nothing which may contribute to the Perfection and Embellishment of the Work: and the *Antients* have prescribed us so many Examples of this *Order*, in which they have been so Profuse and Luxurious in Ornaments, that one would swear, they had drawn their Imagination quite dry to Crown this Master-piece of *Architecture*. But it is not with the other *Orders* after this sort, where there is a more Masculine Beauty requir'd; especially in the *Dorick*, the Solidity whereof is totally repugnant to the Delicateness of these Ornaments; since it succeeds so much better in the plain and simple Regularity of its Proportions. *Garlands* and *Posies* suit not with *Hercules*; He is best adorn'd with a rough-hewn and Massie Club: For there are Beauties of several kinds, and those often times so unlike, as what is agreeable to the *one*, is quite contrary to the *other*. As for the *Ionick Order*, 'tis as it were in the middle of the two Extrems, holding in a manner the Balance 'twixt the *Dorick* Solidity and Gentileness of the *Corinthian*; for which reason we find it diversly Employ'd in Ancient Buildings, simple and plain according to the Genius of the *Architect*, or Quality of the *Structure*. So as these *three Orders* may very well furnish all the *Manners* of Building, without being at all oblig'd to have Recourse to the *Tuscan Order*, or that which is *Compos'd*, both which I have therefore expressly reserv'd for the Conclusion of this *Treatise*, and separated from the rest, as in truth but Supernumeraries and almost Inutile. For the Excellency and Perfection of an *Art* consists not in the Multiplicity of her *Principles*; but contrarily, the more simple they are and few in Number, the more worthy they are of our Admiration: This we see manifested in those of *Geometry*, which is in truth the very Foundation and universal Magazine of all those *Arts*, from whence *This* has been extracted, and without whose aid it were impossible it should subsist. Well therefore may we conclude, That the *Orders* being no other than the very *Elements* of *Architecture*, and these *Three first*, which we have deduc'd from the *Greeks*, comprehending all the *Species* of Building; it were but a superfluous thing we should pretend to augment their Number.

C H A P. II.

Of the Dorick Order.

IT is no small Advantage for the *Dorick Order*, to demonstrate that it has been the very first regular *Idea of Architecture*; and that, as the First-born and Heir of this *Queen of Arts*, it has had the Honour also to have been the first Builder both of *Temples* and *Palaces*.

The Antiquity of its Original (according to all those who have written thereof) is, in a manner, Immemorial; notwithstanding *Vitruvius* refers it (and that with sufficient appearance) to a Prince of *Achaia*, named *Dorus*; who being Sovereign of *Peloponnesus*, built in the famous City of *Argos* a Magnificent *Temple* to the Goddess *Juno*, which was the very first *Model* of this *Order*: In Imitation whereof, the neighbouring People erected divers others; amongst which, the most Renown'd was that which the Inhabitants of the City *Olympia* dedicated to *Jupiter*, whom they furnam'd *Olympicus*. The Island of *Delos* built another very Famous one to the God *Apollo*, in Memory of his Birth in that Place, and of whom there are to this Day some *Vestiga* remaining. And in this it was that the first *Triglyphs* were made in the Form which we now behold them, representing the Figure of an antick *Lyre*, of which Instrument this *God* had been the Inventor. In *Elys* a City of the same Country there were divers memorable *Fabricks* consisting all of this *Order*, whereof the principal were a large *Peristyle* or *Porch*, serving for a publick Place, having about it a triple Range of *Portico's* built on Columns, and three magnificent *Temples*, as *Pausanias* in his fifth Book makes mention; the one Consecrated to the Goddess *Juno*, environ'd with huge marble Pillars; the other to *Dyndima*, the Mother of the Gods; and a third to *Minerva*, which bore the Name of their City: And this last was without doubt a most incomparable Master-piece, having been built by the famous *Scopas* competitor with *Praxiteles* in the Structure of that stupendious *Mausoleum* which the Queen *Artemisia* erected in Memory of her Husband. In his *Preface* to the seventh Book, *Vitruvius* makes mention of others, amongst which he celebrates those of *Ceres*, and *Proserpine* in the City of *Eleusis*, as a Work of prodigious Grandure. But it would be but unprofitable for us to make any further Disquisition concerning these Edifices, since those who have treated of them, have left us no particular Remarks touching their Form, from whence we might derive any thing of Advantage for our Imitation. They talk much also of the Names of many great *Architects* of this Age, who themselves writ the *Rules* of their Professions, amongst whom, one named *Silenus* had generally treated of the *Dorick* Proportion; and a certain *Theodorus* made the Description of a *Temple* of the same *Order*, erected to the Goddess

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Juno by the Inhabitants of the Isle of *Samos*, with fundry others mention'd in the same Place, whose Books and Works are not now to be found ; so that after the loss of so many incomparable *Authors*, who were the very Source and Fountain of the *Art* whence we might at present extract the Purity of its *Original*, we must of Necessity content our selves with the Observations and Conjectures which the *Moderns* have made upon certain Tracks and Footsteps of *Antiquity*, which in this Conjunction serve us instead of *Books*, and wherein all those *Masters* which I have here assembled, as to an *Oecumenical* and general Council of *Architecture* have finish'd and perform'd their Studies.

But for as much as naturally every Man abounds in his own Sense, and dresses up a Beauty after his particular Mode, I conceiv'd it expedient from the Designs which they have left us for *Rules*, to have continual Recourse to the *Antients*, as to the best and most invariable *Compass* which we can possibly steer by ; amongst whom we shall find sufficient Variety, reasonably to satisfy the *Gust* of such as are desirous of Choice. And for this Purpose, I shall upon every *Order* exhibit two or three *Examples* drawn from the *Originals* themselves, and very accurately measur'd by the account of the *Module* of the *Column*, with the very *Division* which I have observ'd in the *Designs* of other *Masters* ; that so all concurring in one Uniformity, and under the same *Scale*, the Comparison and Examen may become the more easie and intelligible: For the multiplying of *Operations* is ever Disadvantageous, by reason of the Confusion which it ordinarily produces in the Minds of those who Work, and that it also wastes more time ; both which Inconveniencies are of very great Importance. And when all the Fruit of my Travel in this Assembly of *Authors* should be of no further Profit to the Studious in this *Art*, than to have thus adjusted them together, I conceive they ought to be very well satisfied.

But let us return to the *Dorick Order*, and consider its *Form*, *Proprieties*, and *Difference* from the others in Gross, before we enter into the Parcels of its Proportions, since general Rules are ever to precede particular. Having then propos'd for a Foundation, that this *Order* represents *Solidity* to us, as its *Specifick* and principal Quality, we ought not to employ it but in great massie Buildings and Edifices of the like Nature ; as for *Ports* of *Citadels*, and *Fortresses* of *Towns*, the Outside of *Churches* or *publick Places*, and the like, where the Delicateness of the Ornament is neither Convenient, nor Profitable ; for as much as the heroic and gigantine Manner of this *Order* does excellently well in those Places, discovering a certain *masculine* and natural Beauty, which is properly that the *French* call *la grand Maniere*.

Upon this Subject I am observing a thing which in my Opinion is very Curious touching the beginning of the difference of *Manieres* ; whence it proceeds, that in the same Quantity of *Superficies*, the one seems Great and Magnificent, and the other appears Poor and but Trifling. The Reason of which is very pretty, and not ordinary. I say then, that to introduce into *Architecture* this *Grandure* of *Maniere* of which we speak, we ought so to proceed, that the *Division* of the principal Members of the *Orders* consist but

but of few parts, that they be all *Great* and of a bold and ample *Relievo* and Swelling; that the *Eye* beholding nothing which is little and mean, the *Imagination* may be more vigorously touch'd and concern'd with it. For Example: In a *Cornice*, if the *Gola* or *Cymatium* of the *Corona*; the *Coping*, the *Modillions*, or *Dentelli* make a noble shew by their graceful Projectures; and that we see none of that ordinary Confusion which is the result of those little Cavities, Quarter-rounds of the *Astragal*, and I know not how many other intermingl'd Particulars, which Produce no Effect in great and massie Works, and which very unprofitably take up place to the prejudice of the principal Members; it is most certain, that *this* manner will appear Solemn and Great, and *that*, on the contrary, become pitiful and mean by reason of the Multitude of these smaller Ornaments which divide and scatter the Angles of the Sight into so many Beams, and so press'd together, that the *whole* appears but a Confusion. And though one would judge upon the sudden, that the Multiplicity of Parts should contribute something to the appearance of the Grandure and State; yet notwithstanding it happens quite otherwise, as we may easily perceive in examining it by *Examples*, and in the *Designs* of the *Masters* which I have here Collected together, where in the same instant a Man may discern both the Quality of their *Genius's*, and the Variety of their Judgments: For some of them esteem *that* to be Delicate and Rich, which others Term Mean and Confus'd; and *that* which seems to us of the *Grand Maniere*, in their Eyes appears to be but Gross and Heavy; and indeed it would so prove if one should exceed the Terms of Proportion, and did encline too much to either Extreme: But be this only spoken *en passant*. We proceed now to our *Orders* in general.

The *Columns* of the *Dorick Order* have this remarkable amongst the rest, that in the fairest Works of *Antiquity* in which they have been employ'd, we find them without *Bases*; as in the *Theater* of *Marcellus* at *Rome*, in that at *Vicenza*, and in a very Magnificent *Triumphal Arch* at *Verona*; and *Vitruvius* having Treated of this very *Order* more exactly than of any other, speaks not so much as a Word of its *Basis*, albeit he hath sufficiently describ'd the Measures of the *Ionick*, and of the *Attick* for the *Corinthian*, without having so much as omitted that of the *Tuscan*; though there is not one of our *Modern Architects* but make some Cavil at it, forming *one* to themselves after their own Invention.

For my part, I should make a great Scruple to condemn these Old *Masters* who did all with so much Circumspection. One had much better endeavour to discover their Intention, who did certainly proceed with great Judgment; than to add any thing preposterously to this *Order*, and which may prove repugnant to its Principles.

Let us take therefore the thing from its Original, and consider upon what Account they added *Bases* to the Feet of *Columns*, and what *there* they represent, that thence we may infer whether they are likewise as proper to these we speak of here, as they be to the other.

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Vitruvius tells it us in the first Chapter of his fourth Book, and had not it seems so much as once spoken of it, but upon occasion of the *Ionick*, which he affirms to have been compos'd after the *Module* of a feminine Beauty, to which he suits all the rest of the Parts; as the *Voluta's* of the *Capitel* to the Mode of the *Head-tire* and *Tresses* of Womens-Hair. The *Vivo*, or Shaft of the *Column*, to their Airy and delicate Shape: The *Flutings* and Channelling to the plaits of their Robes: And the *Base* to the *buskin'd* Ornament of their Legs and Feet.

In the same place he compares our *Dorick* to a robust and strong Man, such as an *Hercules* might be, whom we never represent but on his bare Feet: So as from hence we may reasonably judge, that to the *Dorick Order* also *Bases* are no ways proper.

But the Custom which has Licentiously been Introduc'd among so many Examples as we find among the *Anticks*, has so strangely debauch'd and possess'd the Imagination, by I know not what false appearance of Beauty; that it now transports it quite besides Reason. Nevertheless such as are Clear-sighted, being advertis'd of this Abuse, will soon rectify, and undeceive themselves: And, as what seems most *likely* is then detected to be erroneous when 'tis diligently examin'd; so also the Appearances of Beauty, when they are against Reason, become in fine but the more Extravagant.

This Observation being establish'd upon those great Examples which I have cited, and Reason serving for its guide, let it pass for *Demonstration*.

But we will now consider the rest of the Order.

His *Entablature* is more Massie and Tall, than any of the following Orders; because the Strength of the *Column* being greater, prepares him also for the greater Burthen. It has ordinarily one fourth part of the *Column*, whereas in the other he has very often but a fifth, and sometimes less. The *Cornice* would not be deck'd with any *Foliage*, or like trimming; but in case you allow him *Modillions*, they should be Square and very Plain. The *Freeze* has a regular Ornament, which are the *Triglyphs*, the *Compartment* whereof Obliges one to a very great Inconvenience, and which was heretofore so cumbersome, that even the Skillfulest *Masters* had much ado to disengage themselves. But *Vitruvius* has found a very sufficient Expedient, as may be seen in his fourth Book, *Cap. 3*. In the interim let it suffice to affirm here, that all the Inconveniency consists in so contriving the matter, that the *Triglyph* be precisely plac'd over the middle of the *Column* which it encounters; and that the *Metops* (that is to say) the spaces 'twixt the *Triglyphs*, be perfectly Square; for that is so essential in this *Order*, that one should never dispence with it. That which renders the Execution difficult proceeds from the Distribution of the *Intercolumniations*, which have also their Distances Regular and Determin'd, which does not justly quadrate and suit with those of the *Triglyphs*. See *Chap. 2*. of the *Third Book* of *Vitruvius*, Commented by the Reverend *Daniel Barbaro*, where all this is rarely well Explain'd, both by Discourse and Figure.

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The *Architrave* hath also its Ornament particular, which consists in certain pendent *Drops* under the *Triglyphs*, that seem after a sort to be fastned to it, as if they were all of a piece; for that one never sees the one, without the other.

The entire Body of the *Architrave* ought to appear Solid and very Substantial; for which effect I would not have it exceed one full *Face*, lest parting it in two, it appear Feeble and Weak, according to the Principle which we have newly Establish'd upon the Diversity of *Manners*; Nevertheless this is but of small Consequence *here*, provided one be careful not to break it in three *Faces* as in the other *Orders* they do; in which Case, the Fault would be Remarkable.

Behold then in gross as 'twere a rough Draught of the *Dorick Order*, upon which one may with ease find out all the several Parts of its Members in particular, with their respective Measures, which is by this Expedient found always within the regular Terms of its Extent.

I shall touch some of the Principal only, that I may facilitate the way; referring you for the rest, to the *Designs*, where every thing is so clear and punctual, that having once conceiv'd the *Module* (which I make use of throughout) to be the *Semidiameter* of the *Column*, divided into thirty *Minutes*; and, that I continually begin to Measure the *Projectures* of every *Profile* from the *Central Line* of the *Column*, to have (in the mean time) with the Proportion of the Members, the right Position and just Level of the *Pillar*, all the rest admits not of the least Imaginable Difficulty: For presently you'll find, that thirty *Minutes* making the *Semidiameter*, sixty must Compose the whole *Diameter*, and forty five, *Three Quarters*; forty, *Two Thirds*; twenty, *One Third*; fifteen, *A Quarter*, and so of the rest, as I have expressly observ'd it, that I may by the same means make you comprehend, how I have reduc'd all the Measures of my *Designs* by *Minutes*, without making use of the Terms of *Module*, *Diameter*, *Thirds*, *Quarters*, or the like Proportions, to avoid Perplexity, and cumbring the *Designs* with so much Writing; and indeed, for that they are not precise enough, and would have often oblig'd me to superadd the *Minutes*, and to repeat one *Module* and three *Minutes*, two thirds of a *Module* and four *Minutes*, a quarter of a *Module*, half a *Module* and two *Minutes*, with a Number of such like Fractions, which would have created much unprofitable Labour, and bred infinite Confusion.

This Establish'd, let us proceed to the Application, and take our *Dorick Order* again in pieces. But lest the Variety which we frequently encounter amongst the *Designs* of the Modern Authors that I have here Collected, should hinder us from resolving upon something fix'd and determin'd, I will only pursue that *Antient* Example taken out of the *Theater* of *Marcellus*, as being the most regular of all the rest, by the universal Suffrage of those of the Profession; and so conformable to what *Vitruvius* has Written concerning the general Proportions of this *Order*, that some are of Opinion he was himself the *Architect* of this Magnificent Work. But I must confess, I am not of their Faith, because of the *Dentelli* which are cut in the *Cornice*; for *Vitruvius* in the *second Chapter* of his *first Book*, plainly interdicts them

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the *Dorick Order*, as being naturally affected to the *Ionick*: But this *Question* concerns not our present Discourse. I find then, that the whole *Shaft* of the *Column* has in Length *seven times* its *Diameter*; which on the Foot of the Division of the half *Diameter* in *thirty Minutes* (for in all this Treatise I ever take the *Semidiameter* of the *Column* for the *Module* of the *Orders*) make *four hundred and twenty Minutes*, which amounts to *fourteen Modules*. The Height of the *Chapter* contains *thirty Minutes*, which make *one Module*; as does likewise the *Architrave*: The *Freeze* with its *Fillet* (which is that flat and thin *Band* or *List*, which separates it from the *Cornice*) has *one Module* and a *Quarter*, which are *thirty seven Minutes* and a *half*; so that all these *Modules* computed together, and the Number of their *Minutes* reduc'd to a *Total Sum*, the Altitude of the entire *Order* amounts to *eighteen Modules* and *three Quarters*; which make up *five hundred sixty two Minutes* and an *half*; and the *Entablature* (which is the *Architrave*, *Freeze* and *Cornice*) being to contain one quarter Part of the *Column* (which is its regular Proportion) comprehends just an *hundred twelve Minutes* and an *half*, which are *three Modules* and *three Quarters*; and which I expressly Repeat, that I may yet add, that though all the *Examples* of this *Order* (which may be as well found amongst the *Antients* as the *Moderns*) have not always the *Entablature* comprehended within the same Terms of *Modules* that *this* has here, they may yet notwithstanding be according to Rule in the general Proportion; provided that the *Entablature* contain a quarter of the *Column*; which is neither limited to *fourteen Modules*, nor yet to *fifteen*, but may sometimes advance even to *sixteen* and more as occasion presents it self: So that a *Column* of *sixteen Modules* shall have a higher *Entablature* than one of *fourteen*. But then it is necessary, that all this difference of one *Entablature* to the other happen only in the *Cornice*, in regard that the *Freeze* and the *Architrave* have always their precise and determinate *Measures*: The one has a *Module*, the other a *Module* and an *half*, without any respect to the Different Height of the *Columns*. Now the *Cornice* being to supply what is deficient to arrive to the fourth part of the *Column*, 'tis evident that its particular Proportion must depend on that of the *Column*; and that the *Cornice* of one *Profile*, can never serve for another, though it be of the same *Order*, unless the Height of the *Columns* be likewise equal in them both, which thing ought very diligently to be consider'd: That from this Observation a Man may arrive to a good and judicious Examen of all those *Profiles* which the *Moderns* have given us of this *Order*; and understand such as are worthy the being follow'd: For the general Proportion being once defectuous, 'tis in vain to search for it in the *Retail*, or *minuter* Parts; because *that* is necessarily Relative, and that the one cannot possibly subsist without the other.

But to the end we may render what we have discuss'd easie to the Reader, who haply, for want of Practice may find himself at a loss, I am going to deliver him a *Method* extraordinary short and Expedite, by means whereof he may instantly make it without the least Disorder or Confusion.

He must take the whole Height of the *Entablature* of the *Design* which he would Examine, and thereof make a *Multiplication* conformable to the Proportion which it ought to bear with its *Column*, having still a regard to the

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Order which it represents. Put case, for Example, one Quarter, as in this of the Dorick; he must Multiply the Entablature by four; if it be a fifth (as we shall see in some of the following Examples of the Corinthian) he must Multiply it by five, and so of the rest: For the Total of this Multiplication ought to give us precisely the Height of the Column; and wherever this does not Quadrate, certain it is, the Profile is Irregular.

I should be too Prolix if I pretended to Decyfer thus by smaller Scruples and Minutes all that belongs to these Principles, and whiles I think to render my self Intelligible, by a tedious Discourse and Calculations, become in fine both Confus'd and Troublefome to my Reader, who doubtless will sooner comprehend it all by seeing my Designs, since Words are never so exprefs as Figures.



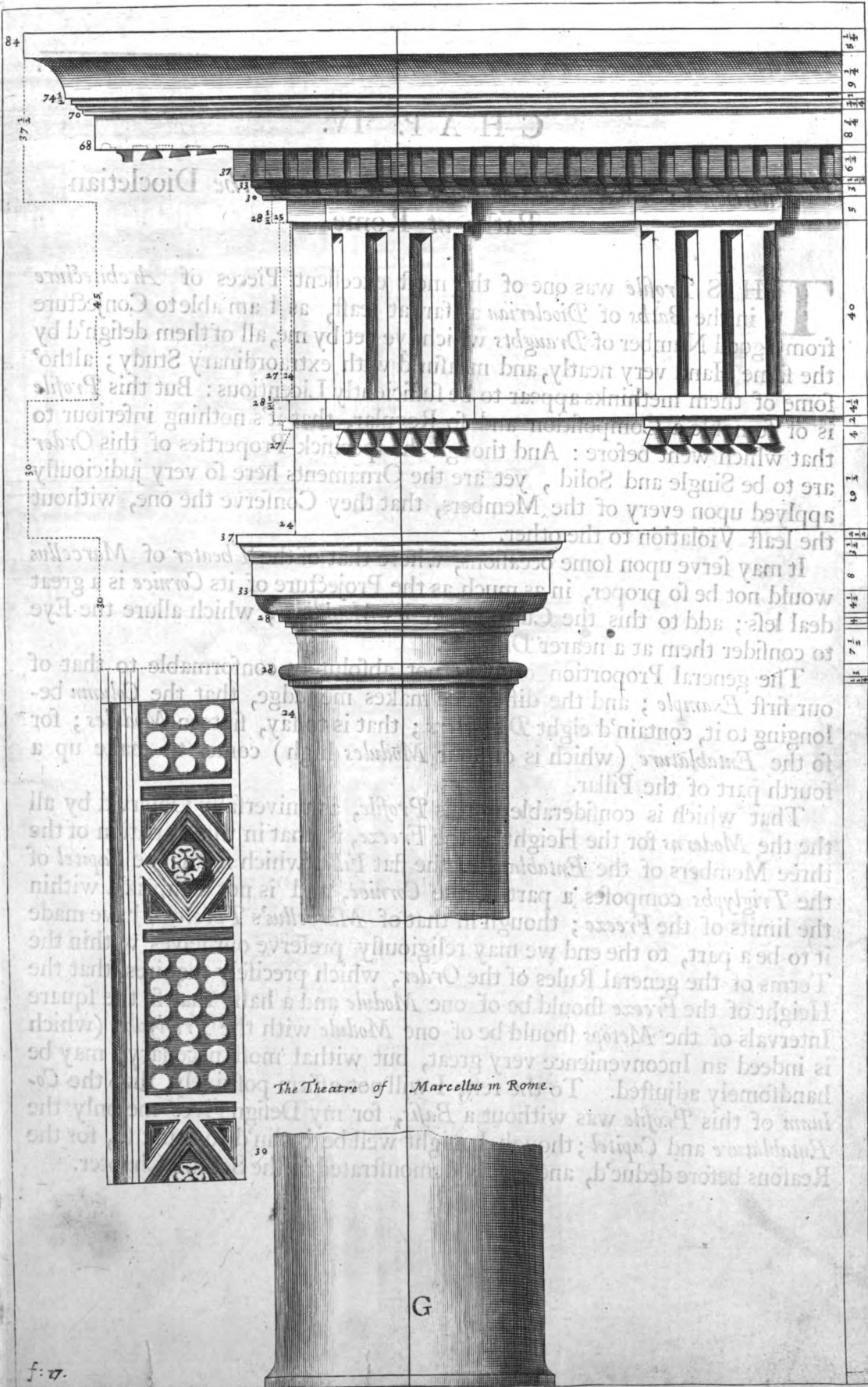
The Module or Generall Scale for all the following Profiles.

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C H A P. III.

A Particular remarkable in the Profile, drawn from the Theater of Marcellus.

I Admire that of all our Modern Architects, the greatest part whereof have seen, and spoken of *this* Example, as of the most excellent *Dorick* Model which has been left us by the Antients; there is not so much as one of them who has followed, or perhaps well observed in the Original the just *Compartment* of the Members of the *Capitel*, nor the Height of the *Freeze* the which I find *here* visibly less than that which they allow to their Designs; though some of them (particularly *Vignola*) have proposed the very same *Profile* for the Rule of the *Order*; but with so much alteration in its Members, that there is not one of them remains entire: A Man shall easily find it by conferring them together; all the *Designs* of this *Assembly* being therefore fitted to the same *Scale*. As for the *Capitel*, they do all without Exception, affect the dividing of it into three parts, as *Vitruvius* will have it in his *fourth Book, Chap. 3.* giving one to the *Hypotrachelion*, or Neck of the Pillar; the other to the *Echinus*, Bracelets, or small Mouldings; and the third to the *Abacus* or *Plinth* of the *Capitel*; whereas they ought to have considered, that the *Text* of this *Author*, besides that it is oftentimes suspicious, and especially *then* when he is not conformable to the Practice of the *Antient Masters* his Contemporaries, it is by no means just, that he should presume thus to carry it against such Examples as this here, which is without all Reproach and Exception. It had been more reasonable that they who propose it for their Model, had at least been so Discreet as to have added nothing, but left him in his Original Proportion. As for those others who have formed Designs after their own Fancies, they are no more to be blamed for having followed the Opinion of *Vitruvius*, and obliged themselves to the Terms which he has prescrib'd, though they might haply have well dispens'd with it, and with more reason have imitated the *Antients* where this irregularity is not to be found. The *Crown* of the *Cornice* is also sufficiently observable for its extraordinary Projecture, and which is after a sort augmented by the Sloops which the *Architect* has given to the *drops* which compose the Ornament of the nether Face, and which fall on the *Triglyphs*. Now albeit this piece of *Opticks* be admirable in this huge *Coloss* of *Building*, yet is it by no means to be indifferently us'd every where, and upon all occasions, for in places much inclosed, where there is not ample space and freedom for the Eye, as the inside of *Churches*, &c. it would produce but an ill effect. Wherefore I have thought it necessary to propose *here* divers *Antient Examples* upon each *Order*, that I may thereby give opportunity to those of the *Profession* to make use of them judiciously, regard being duly had to the Place, and the Occasion.



The Theatre of Marcellus in Rome.

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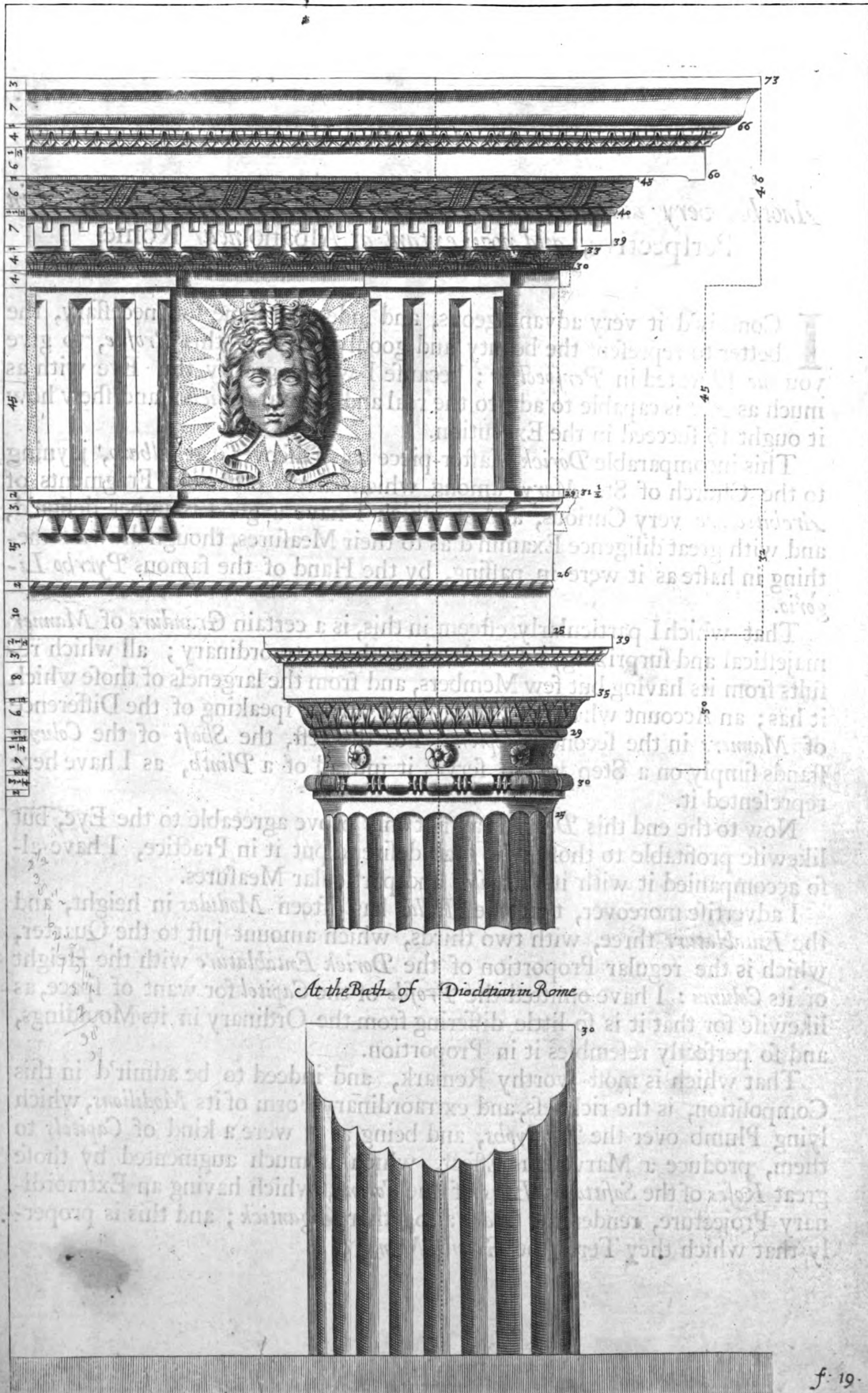
Another Profile taken from the Fragment of the Diocletian Baths at Rome.

THIS *Profile* was one of the most excellent Pieces of *Architecture* in the *Baths* of *Dioclerian* as far, at least, as I am able to Conjecture from a good Number of *Draughts* which I ye yet by me, all of them design'd by the same Hand very neatly, and measur'd with extraordinary Study; altho' some of them methinks appear to be sufficiently Licentious: But this *Profile* is of so noble a Composition and so Regular, that it's nothing inferiour to that which went before: And though the specifick Properties of this *Order* are to be Single and Solid, yet are the Ornaments here so very judiciously applyed upon every of the Members, that they Conserve the one, without the least Violation to the other.

It may serve upon some occasions, where that of the *Theater* of *Marcellus* would not be so proper, in as much as the Projecture of its *Cornice* is a great deal less; add to this the Curiosity of its *Mouldings*, which allure the Eye to consider them at a nearer Distance.

The general Proportion of it is not absolutely conformable to that of our first *Example*; and the difference makes me judge, that the *Column* belonging to it, contain'd eight *Diameters*; that is to say, sixteen *Modules*; for so the *Entablature* (which is of four *Modules* high) comes to make up a fourth part of the Pillar.

That which is considerable in this *Profile*, as universally Observ'd by all the *Moderns* for the Height of the *Freeze*, is, that in this Partition of the three Members of the *Entablature*, the flat *Fillet* which forms the *Capitel* of the *Triglyphs* composes a part of the *Cornice*, and is not compriz'd within the limits of the *Freeze*; though in that of *Marcellus's Theater* I have made it to be a part, to the end we may religiously preserve our selves within the Terms of the general Rules of the *Order*, which precisely requires, that the Height of the *Freeze* should be of one *Module* and a half, that so the square Intervals of the *Metops* should be of one *Module* with the *Triglyphs* (which is indeed an Inconvenience very great, but withal most necessary) may be handsomely adjusted. To the rest, I will not affirm positively, that the *Column* of this *Profile* was without a *Basis*, for my Design gives me only the *Entablature* and *Capitel*; though I might well be inclin'd to think so, for the Reasons before deduc'd, and amply demonstrated in the Second Chapter.



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Another very antient Profile after the Grand Maniere elevated in Perspective, and now extant at Albano near Rome.

I Conceive'd it very advantageous, and indeed in some sort necessary, the better to represent the beauty and goodly Effect of this *Profile*, to give you *one* Elevated in *Perspective*; because I would gratify the Eye with as much as *Art* is capable to add to the real and natural *Relievo*, and shew how it ought to succeed in the Execution.

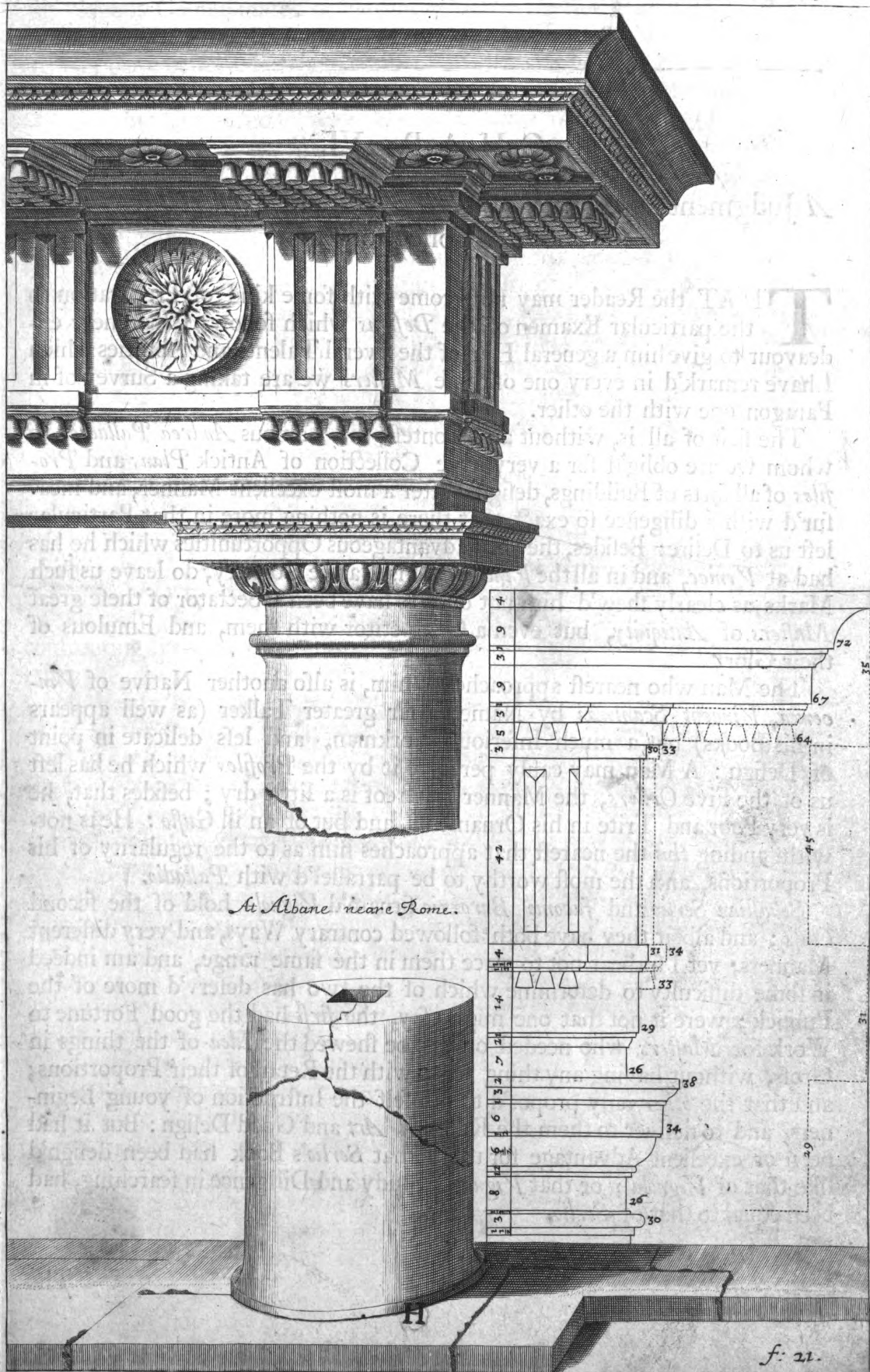
This incomparable *Dorick* Master-piece was Discover'd at *Albano*, joyning to the Church of *St. Mary*, among which divers other old Fragments of *Architecture* very Curious, and of which I have a good Number design'd, and with great diligence Examin'd as to their Measures, though drawn something in haste as it were in passing, by the Hand of the famous *Pyrrho Ligorio*.

That which I particularly esteem in this, is a certain *Grandure* of *Manner* majestic and surprizing, which is altogether extraordinary; all which results from its having but few Members, and from the largeness of those which it has; an Account whereof I have already given, speaking of the Difference of *Manners* in the second *Chapter*. For the rest, the *Shaft* of the *Column* stands simply on a *Step* which serves it instead of a *Plinth*, as I have here represented it.

Now to the end this *Design* may not only prove agreeable to the Eye, but likewise profitable to those who shall desire to put it in Practice, I have also accompanied it with its *Profile*, and particular Measures.

I advertise moreover, that the *Pillar* has fifteen *Modules* in height, and the *Entablature* three, with two thirds, which amount just to the Quarter, which is the regular Proportion of the *Dorick Entablature* with the Height of its *Column*: I have omitted the *Profile* of the *Capitel* for want of space, as likewise for that it is so little differing from the Ordinary in its Mouldings, and so perfectly resembles it in Proportion.

That which is most worthy Remark, and indeed to be admir'd in this Composition, is the richness, and extraordinary Form of its *Modillions*, which lying Plumb over the *Triglyphs*, and being as it were a kind of *Capitels* to them, produce a Marvellous Effect, which is much augmented by those great *Roses* of the *Sofitto* or *Eaves* of the *Corona*, which having an Extraordinary Projecture, render the *Order* altogether *Gigantick*; and this is properly that which they Term the *Grand Maniere*.



C H A P. VI.

A Judgment in general upon all the Authors summon'd together in this Collection.

THAT the Reader may now come with some kind of Preparation to the particular Examen of the *Designs* which follow, I shall here endeavour to give him a general Hint of the several Talents and Abilities which I have remark'd in every one of those *Masters* we are taking a Survey of in Paragon one with the other.

The first of all is, without any Contest, the Famous *Andrea Palladio*, to whom we are oblig'd for a very rare Collection of Antick *Plans* and *Profiles* of all sorts of Buildings, design'd after a most excellent Manner, and measur'd with a diligence so exact, that there is nothing more in that Particular left us to Desire: Besides, the very advantageous Opportunities which he has had at *Venice*, and in all the *Vincentine* his Native Country, do leave us such Marks as clearly shew'd him not only to have been a Sectator of these great *Masters* of *Antiquity*, but even a Competitor with them, and Emulous of their Glory.

The Man who nearest approaches to him, is also another Native of *Vincenza*, *Vincent Scamozzi* by Name, a far greater Talker (as well appears in his Books) but a much Inferiour Workman, and less delicate in point of Design: A Man may easily perceive it by the *Profiles* which he has left us of the *Five Orders*, the Manner whereof is a little dry; besides that, he is very Poor and Trite in his Ornaments, and but of an ill *Gusto*: He is notwithstanding *this* the nearest that approaches him as to the regularity of his Proportions, and the most worthy to be parrallel'd with *Palladio*.

Sebastian Serlio and *Facomo Barozzio* firnam'd *Vignola* hold of the second *Class*; and albeit they have both followed contrary Ways, and very different Manners, yet I forbear not to place them in the same range, and am indeed in some difficulty to determine which of the two has deserv'd more of the Publick; were it not that one might say, the *first* had the good Fortune to Work for *Masters* who needed only to be shewed the *Idea* of the things in Gross, without having any thing to do with the Retail of their Proportions; and that the *other* only propos'd to himself the Instruction of young Beginners, and to deliver to them the Rules of *Art* and Good Design: But it had been of excellent Advantage for us all that *Serlio's* Book had been design'd like that of *Vignola*; or that *Vignola's* Study and Diligence in searching, had been equal to that of *Serlio*.

The Famous Commentator of *Vitruvius*, *Daniel Barbaro Patriarch* of *Aquila*, with very great Justice we may fitly style the *Vitruvius* of our Times, shall in this place be seated in the middle of all the *Masters* to be their President, as being indeed the *Interpreter* and *Oracle* of the very Father of *Architects*; and his Companion *Pietro Cataneo* (whom I assign only to preserve an equal Conformity in my Designs of Comparing Modern *Authors*) shall serve only as a petty *Chaplain* in the Retinue of this great *Prelate*, though he might well claim *Peerage* even with the most part of the rest.

Among the other latter Four, I have a particular Esteem for one above the rest, and that is *Leon Baptista Alberti*, the most Ancient of all the Modern, and haply too, the most knowing in the *Art* of *Building*, as may be easily collected by a large and excellent *Volume* which he has published, wherein he Fundamentally shews whatever is necessary for an *Architect* to know. But as to the *Profiles* of the *Orders* themselves and his Regulation of them, I cannot but strangely admire at his negligence in drawing them no more correctly, and with so little Art himself being a *Painter*; since it had so notably contributed to its Recommendation, and to the Merit of his Works. But this I have reform'd in our following *Collection*, and believe in so doing to have perform'd him no little Service, as haply in danger to have otherwise never been follow'd; there being hardly any appearance, that whilst the Designs of his *Book* were so pitifully drawn, being made use of in Work, they should ever produce so good Effect.

To the most *Antient* I would assign for *Corrival*, the most *Modern*, that by confronting them to each other, we might the better come to discover whether the *Art* it self improves and proceeds to any further Perfection, or does not already begin to impair and decline. This last Author, namely *Viola*, is of the *Categorie* of those which the *Italians* call *Cicaloni*, Eternal Talkers to no Purpose. He, whilst he proposes to himself to write of the *Orders* and *Proportions* of *Architecture*, of the *Rules* of *Perspective*, of some *Elements* of *Geometry* and other the like Dependencies on his principal Subject, amuses himself, poor Man, in telling Stories; so that instead of a *Book* of *Architecture*, he has made (e're he was aware) a *Book* of *Metamorphoses*. Besides he has *this* in common with *Leon Baptista Alberti*, that his Designs are both very ill-contriv'd and executed; notwithstanding he follows a more elegant Manner, and conformable enough to that of *Palladio*; but the *Method* which he uses in his Partitions is so Gross and *Mechanick*, that he reckons all upon his Fingers, and seems to have never so much as heard speak either of *Aritmetick* or *Cyphers*.

Concerning the two which remain, a Man cannot well affirm them to have been inferiour to those who preceded them, nor yet to have been of the same force with the first, though I conceive they may well compare with three or four of them at least. And,

These are two *French-masters* sufficiently renown'd both by their Works and Writings; *Philibert de Lorme* and *John Bullant*, whom yet I do not here place in the last Range, as being at all their inferiours; but only that I may separate them from the *Italians* who are in far greater Numbers.

C H A P. VII.

Palladio and Scamozzi upon the Dorick Order.

LET us now then pass to the Ocular Demonstration of the precedent Chapter by the *Parallel of the Architects*, which I have there assembled together, and whose *Designs* I am hastning to examine, by comparing them with our three *Antick Designs*, that according to their more or less Conformity with these Original *Modules*, we may pronounce concerning their Merit, and see what Esteem they indeed deserve. From this Consideration it is, that of all the *Choice* of the other *Masters*, I have extracted *Palladio* and *Scamozzi*, who having propos'd to themselves the Imitation of the *Antient Architects*, by Studying those admirable Monuments yet remaining in the City of *Rome*, have follow'd a *Manner* infinitely more Noble, and *Proportions* more Elegant than those of the School of *Vitruvius*.

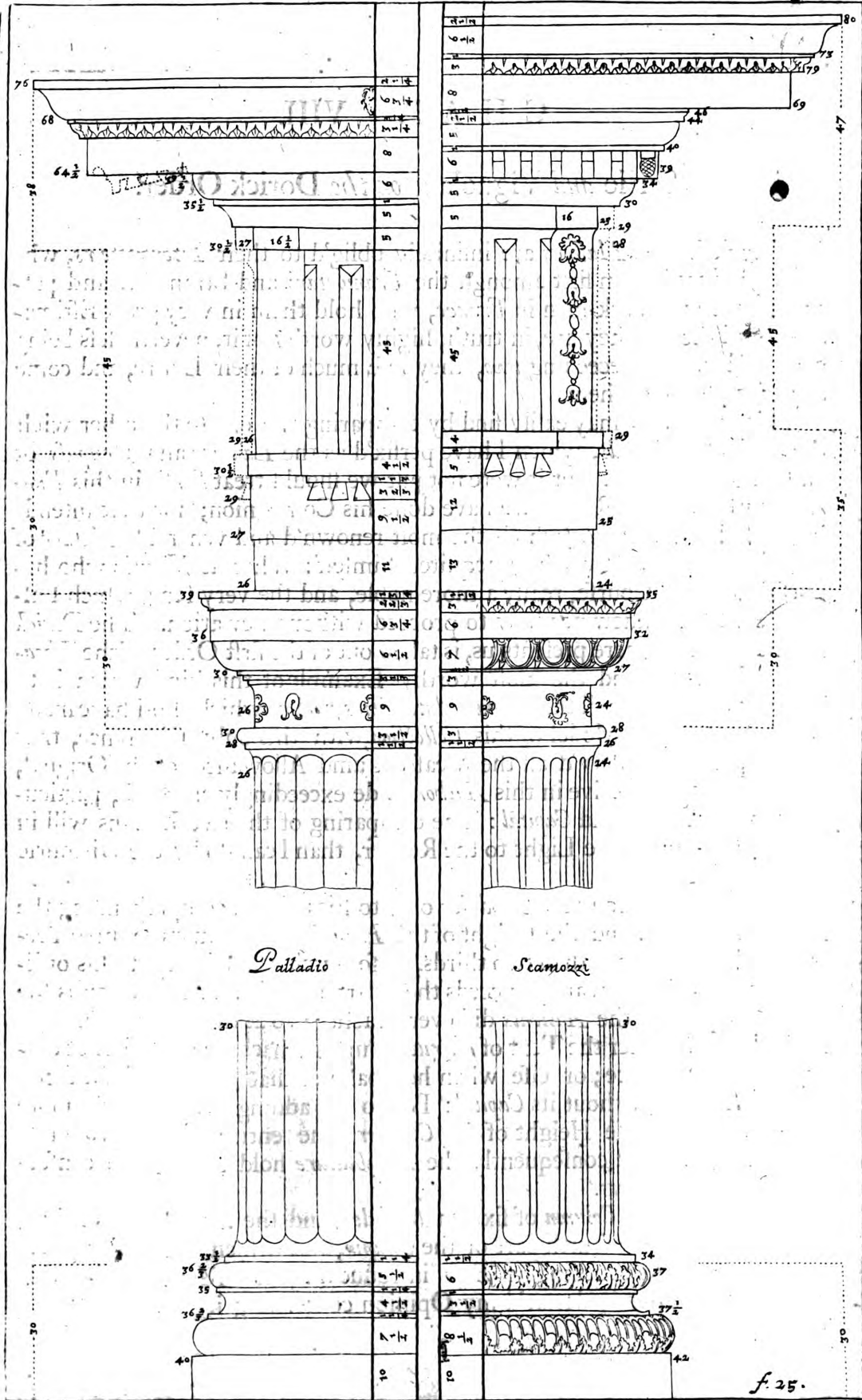
The first *Profile* of *Palladio* hath a great Affinity with our second *Antick Example*, taken out of *Diocletian's Bathes*; for excepting only the *Dentelli* which he may have with reason omitted, all the rest of the *Entablature* is upon the matter the same.

He has likewise been so Discreet (being peradventure oblig'd to follow the vulgar Error, which will have the *Base* of a *Column* of this *Order* to be one with the others) to advertise before hand by an *Example*, which was none at all, that the *Antients* did never use it after this manner.

He allows but fifteen *Modules* to the *Column* without *Base*, and with its *Base* he makes it of sixteen, and sometimes proceeds even to seventeen and a third. The rest of the Measures are so distinctly mark'd upon the *Profile*, that it were superfluous to explain them.

Scamozzi gives ever precisely seventeen *Modules* to his *Columns*, accommodating it with the same *Base* that *Palladio* does; but to a great deal less purpose, in as much as he thinks fit to deck the *Tore's* with I know not what delicate *Foliages*, which does not at all become the *Order*, no more than does the *Ionick Fluting*, which is abusively employ'd in this place instead of the Natural *Dorick*. His *Entablature* (as well as that of *Palladio*) sufficiently resembles our second *Module*, to which he has only added a small Cavity betwixt the *Corona* and the greater Round, a thing not at all considerable.

The Composition of his *Profile* taken in gross, and altogether simple, appears of a very great *Idea*, but the Ornaments are to be rejected.



Palladio

Scamozzi

C H A P. VIII.

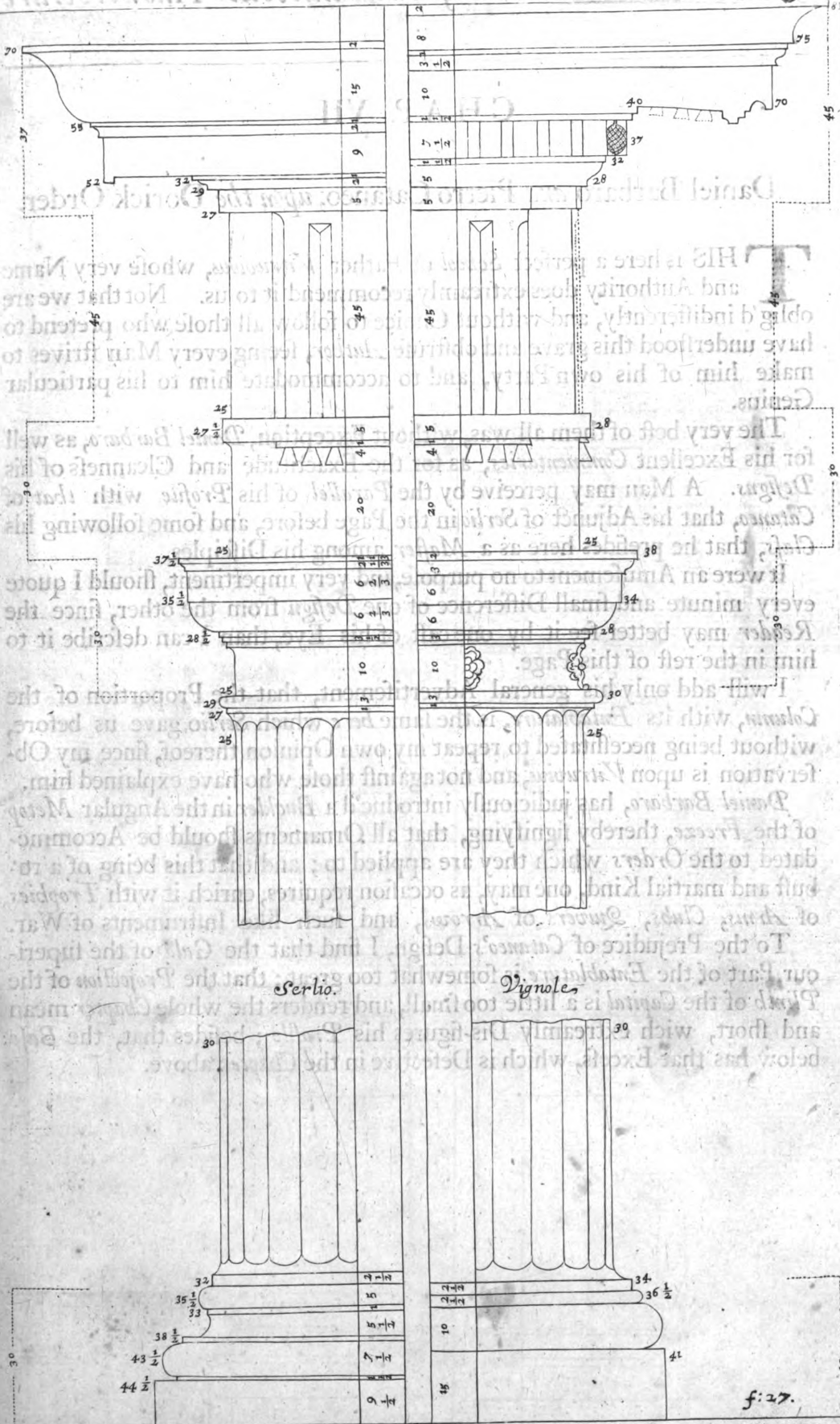
Serlio and Vignola upon the Dorick Order.

THESE two *Masters* are infinitely oblig'd to their *Interpreters*, who produced them first amongst the *Tramontani* and Strangers, and particularly to our Work-men in *France*, who hold them in very great Estimation: And though they are, in truth, highly worthy of it, nevertheless being compar'd to the preceding two, they lose much of their Lustre, and come exceeding short of them.

This the *Reader* may easily find by comparing the one to the other with the Antients *Originals*, which I have prefix'd as the *Lantern* and *Compass* of all true *Architecture*. But it were not just we should treat *Serlio* in this *Examen*, with the same Rigour we have done his Companion; for that intending to follow *Vitruvius* (who is the most renown'd and venerable *Author* of the *Antients*) he has worthily acquitted himself: Whereas *Vignola* who has pursu'd another Course, really a more noble, and the very same which I also observe here, knew not how to proceed without Deviation. The *Dorick* Profile which he here presents us, is taken out of the first Order of the *Theater* of *Marcellus*, and the most worthy Example of this kind which is to be met with amongst all the *Roman Antiquities*, and of which also I have made choice for the first Model of this *Collection*, with this only Difference, that I have precisely observ'd all the Measures and Allowances of the Original, which you will perceive in this *Author* to be exceedingly changed, particularly in the *Cornice* and *Capital*: The comparing of the two Designs will in one Instant afford more Light to the Reader, than I can do by the Discourse of an entire Page.

Serlio gives here fourteen *Modules* only to his *Column*, comprehending the *Base* and *Chapter*; and the Height of the *Entablature* amounts to three *Modules* and a little more than two thirds, in so much as (contrary to his ordinary Custom) he extremely exceeds the quarter of his *Column*, which is the largest Proportion the *Antients* did ever Practice; so as this great excess puts me in doubt whether the Text of *Vitruvius*, upon which he relies, be not corrupted in that place; or else when he spake of that *Column*, he did not mean the *Shaft* without its *Capital*: For so by adding one *Module* more (which is the precise Height of the *Chapter*) the entire *Column* would be fifteen *Modules*, and consequently the *Entablature* hold Proportion conformable to the *Antients*.

Vignola forms his *Column* of sixteen *Modules*, and the *Entablature* of four, which is exactly the fourth part of the *Column*, and which makes it appear very Regular: As touching the *Base* introduc'd by the *Moderns* into this Order, I have already declar'd my Opinion concerning it.



Serlio.

Vignole.

CHAP. VII

Daniel Barbaro and Pietro Cataneo, upon the Dorick Order.

THIS is here a perfect *School* of Father *Vitruvius*, whose very Name and Authority does extremely recommend it to us. Not that we are oblig'd indifferently, and without Choice to follow all those who pretend to have understood this grave and obtruse *Autor*, seeing every Man strives to make him of his own Party, and to accommodate him to his particular Genius.

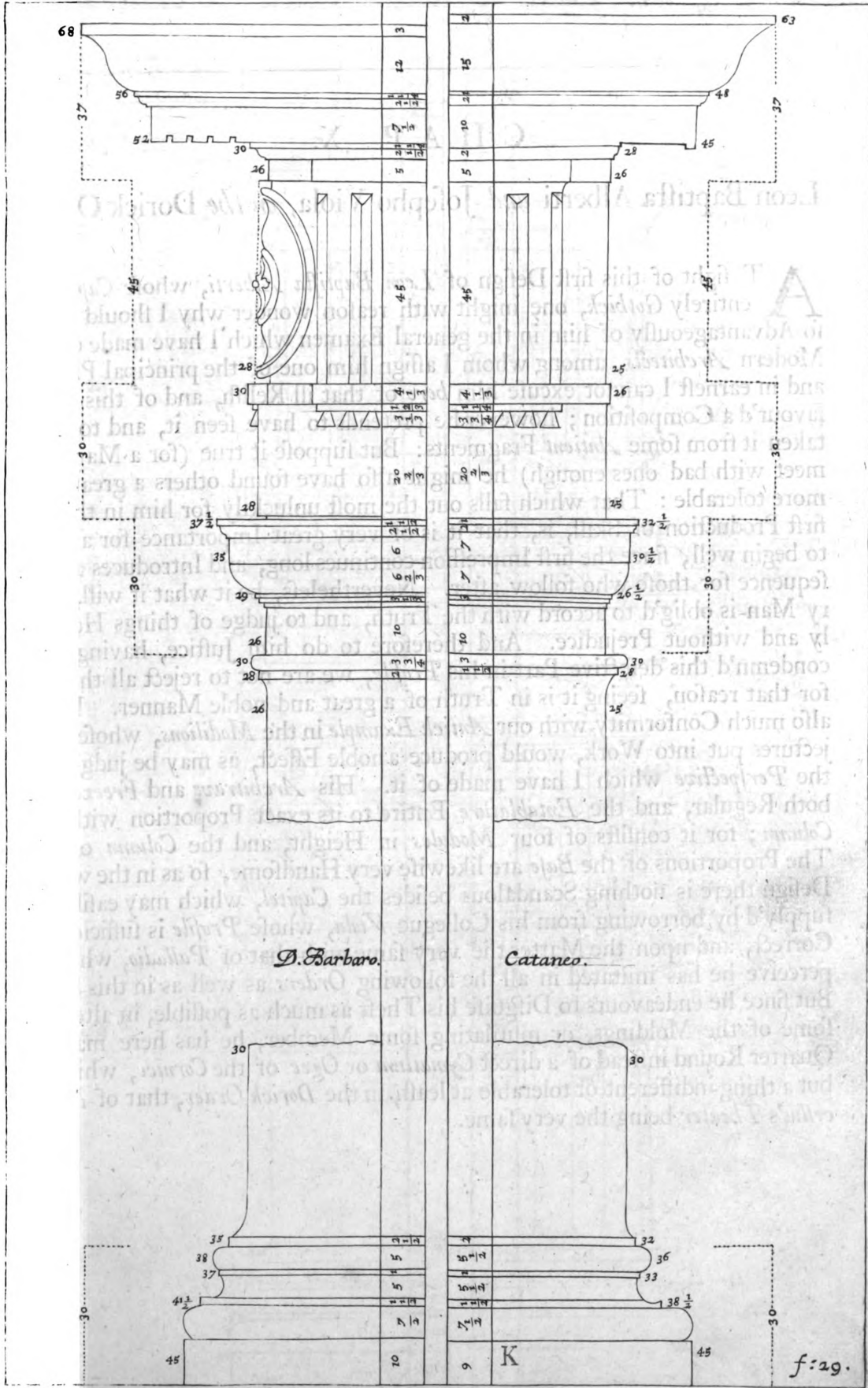
The very best of them all was, without Exception, *Daniel Barbaro*, as well for his Excellent *Commentaries*, as for the Exactitude and Cleanness of his *Designs*. A Man may perceive by the *Parallel* of his *Profile* with that of *Cataneo*, that his Adjunct of *Serlio* in the Page before, and some following his *Class*, that he presides here as a *Master* among his Disciples.

It were an Amusement to no purpose, and very impertinent, should I quote every minute and small Difference of one *Design* from the other, since the *Reader* may better see it by one cast of his Eye, than I can describe it to him in the rest of this Page.

I will add only his general Advertisement, that the Proportion of the *Column*, with its *Entablature*, is the same *here* which *Serlio* gave us before, without being necessitated to repeat my own Opinion thereof, since my Observation is upon *Vitruvius*, and not against those who have explained him.

Daniel Barbaro, has judiciously introduc'd a *Buckler* in the Angular *Metop* of the *Freeze*, thereby signifying, that all Ornaments should be Accommodated to the *Orders* which they are applied to; and that this being of a robust and martial Kind, one may, as occasion requires, enrich it with *Trophies* of *Arms*, *Clubs*, *Quivers* of *Arrows*, and such like Instruments of War.

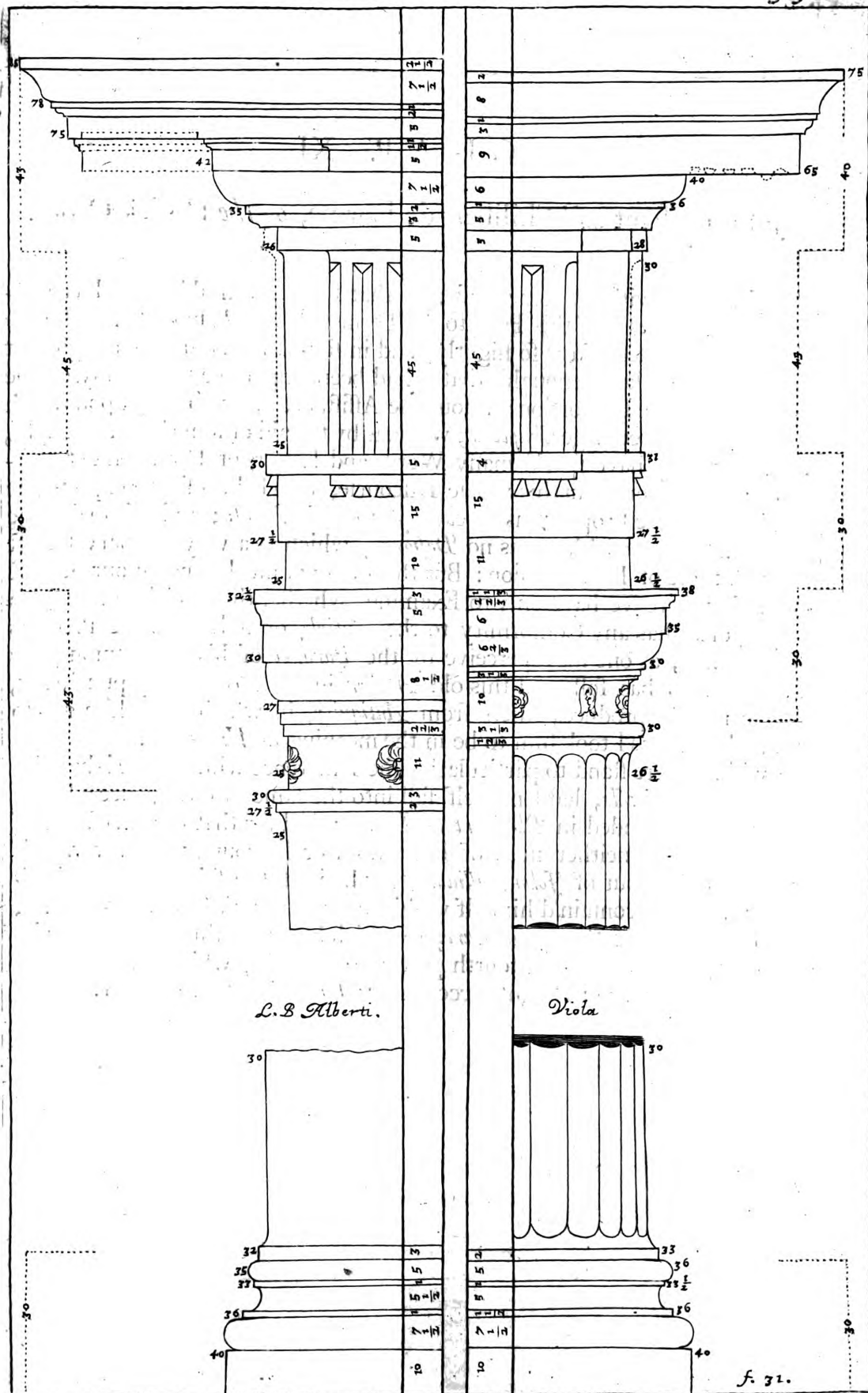
To the Prejudice of *Cataneo's* Design, I find that the *Gula* of the superior Part of the *Entablature* is somewhat too great; that the *Projection* of the *Plinth* of the *Capital* is a little too small, and renders the whole *Chapter* mean and short, wick extremely Dis-figures his *Profile*; besides that, the *Base* below has that Excess, which is Defective in the *Chapter* above.



C H A P. X.

Leon Baptista Alberti and Josepho Viola, on the Dorick Order.

AT sight of this first Design of *Leon Baptista Alberti*, whose *Capitel* is entirely *Gotbick*, one might with reason wonder why I should speak so Advantageously of him in the general Examen which I have made of the Modern *Architects*, among whom I assign him one of the principal Places; and in earnest I cannot excuse him here of that ill Relish, and of this so ill-favour'd a Composition; however he pretends to have seen it, and to have taken it from some *Antient* Fragments: But suppose it true (for a Man may meet with bad ones enough) he might also have found others a great deal more tolerable: That which falls out the most unluckily for him in this his first Production of Skill, is, that it is of very great Importance for a Man to begin well, since the first Impression continues long, and Introduces a consequence for those who follow after. Nevertheless, be it what it will, every Man is oblig'd to accord with the Truth, and to judge of things Honestly and without Prejudice. And therefore to do him Justice, having first condemn'd this defective Part in his *Profile*, we are not to reject all the rest for that reason, seeing it is in Truth of a great and noble Manner. It has also much Conformity with our *Antick Example* in the *Modillions*, whose *Projectures* put into Work, would produce a noble Effect, as may be judg'd by the *Perspective* which I have made of it. His *Architrave* and *Freeze* are both Regular, and the *Entablature* Entire to its exact Proportion with the *Column*; for it consists of four *Modules* in Height, and the *Column* of six. The Proportions of the *Base* are likewise very Handsome, so as in the whole Design there is nothing Scandalous besides the *Capitel*, which may easily be supply'd by borrowing from his Collegue *Viola*, whose *Profile* is sufficiently Correct, and upon the Matter the very same with that of *Palladio*, whom I perceive he has imitated in all the following *Orders* as well as in this here. But since he endeavours to Disguise his Theft as much as possible, in altering some of the Moldings, or mutilating some Member, he has here made a Quarter Round instead of a direct *Cymatium* or *Ogee* of the *Cornice*, which is but a thing indifferent or tolerable at least, in the *Dorick Order*, that of *Marcellus's Theater* being the very same.

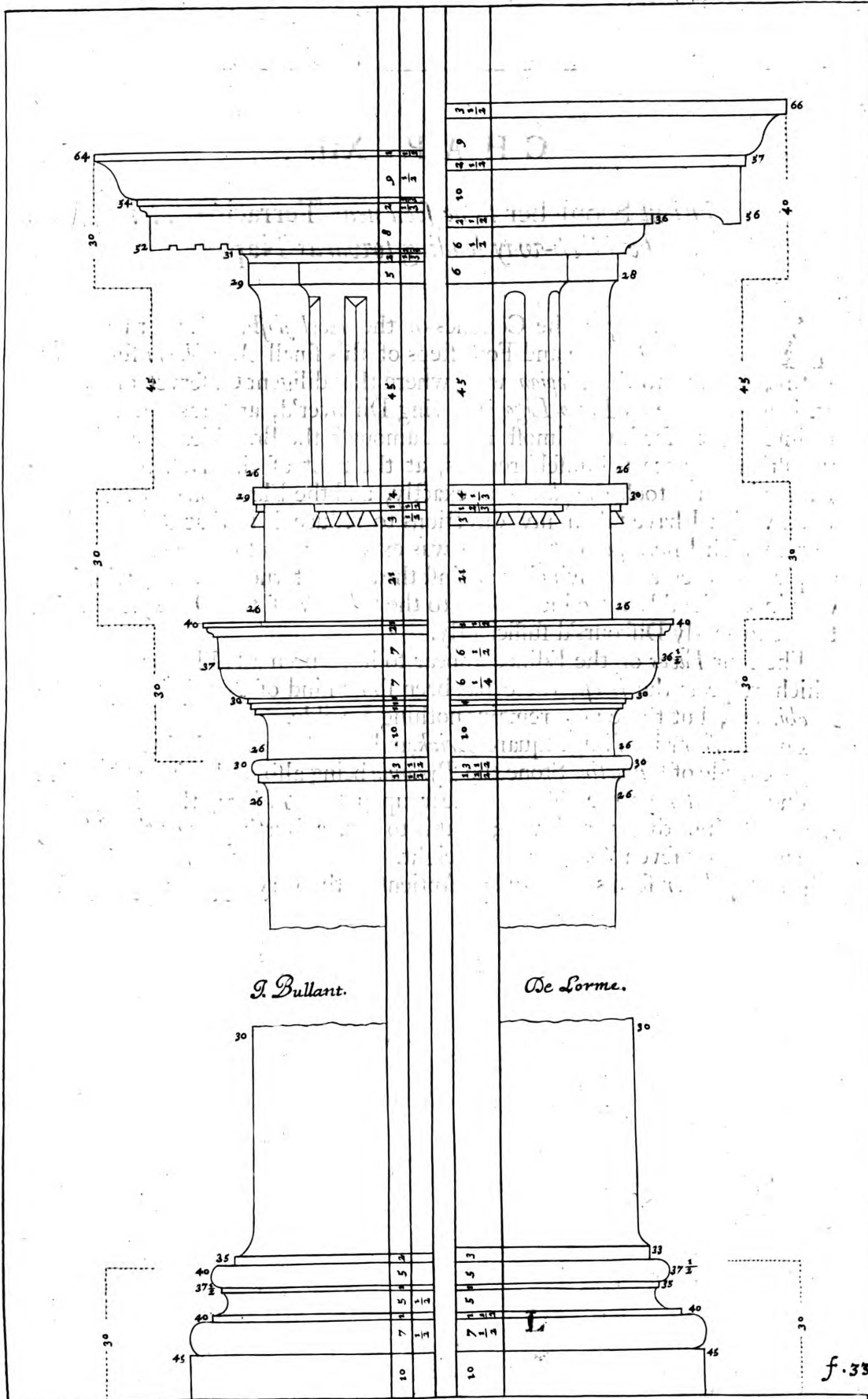


C H A P. XI.

John Bulliant and Philibert de Lorme, on the Dorick Order.

TIS not without some difficulty that I have been able to reduce a second *Profile* of this Page to the Terms you here behold it, *Philibert de Lorme* having design'd it so slightly, and in so small a Volume (though that in his Book be large enough) that it had been impossible to give any of the Members its due Proportion without the Assistance of the Text, upon which he has made three large *Chapters*; whereas by the aid of some better Draught, he might easily have spar'd many Words and Letters of Direction extremely Confus'd throughout his whole Discourse, which he uses to express the particular of the Proportions of each part of his *Profile*; and this makes me judge that the good Man was no *Designer*, which is a very ordinary Defect amongst those of his Profession: But this does not much concern our Subject in hand, where we have only to Examine, whether the *Dorick Order* which he proposes, has any Conformity to the *Antick*, or at least to the Precepts of *Vitruvius*; as one may perceive by the *Parallel* of his Companion *John Bulliant*, who has followed this old *Author* in his *Profile* very punctually, though he also produces others from *Antiquity*, in which I find him not so Just and Exact as I took him to be in the meaning of *Vitruvius*.

I will not here stand to particularize the Difference which there is betwixt these two *Architects*, lest I my self fall into the same Inconvenience which I but now reprehended in *Philibert de Lorme*; and for that the Exactness of my *Designs* have neither need of Illustration or Discourse: However, this I may add in favour of *John Bulliant*, that he is of the sole Sectator of *Vitruvius*, who has contain'd himself within the regular Terms of his *Master*, as to the Height of the *Entablature*, to which he allows three *Modules* and a half, that precisely make the fourth part of the *Column*, which ought to have but seven *Diameters* in Height, according to *Vitruvius Lib. 4. Cap. 1.* which amounts to fourteen *Modules*.



C H A P. XII.

A very Antient Sepulcher to be seen near Terracina, at the side of the High-way leading towards Naples.

AT *Terracina* upon the Confines of the *Ecclesiastick State*, there is yet extant the *Vestigia* and Foot-steps of this small *Mausoleum* sufficiently entire, joyning to the *Appian* way, where that diligent Observer of all these antient Monuments *Pirro Ligorio* having Discover'd, and (as one may say) disinterr'd it (for 'twas almost Buried amongst the Brambles of a wild and uncultivated place as himself reports, at the Foot of the Design which he has made of it) took the *plan* most exactly, and the Elevation of the *Profile*; upon which I have taken my directions to reduce it to that *Ichnographical* Form which I here present you. I was extremely glad to encounter an Example so exprefs and convincing against the abuse of the *Moderns*, who have very inconsiderably introduc'd *Bases* to the *Columns* of this *Order*, of which I have formerly Discours'd sufficiently.

The four *Faces* of the Edifice appear to have been all alike, and on that which respects the *West*, there has been some kind of *Inscription* upon the *Architrave*, but there now remains nothing Legible.

The *Massonry* is of huge square *Brick*, and the *Columns* with their *Entablature* are made of *Tiburtime Stone*, the *Pyramid* being also of the same Material.

The *Diameter* of the *Columns* is near upon two *Palmes*, the *Entablature* makes a fifth of the entire *Order*; that is to say, a fourth part of the *Column*, which was but seven *Diameters* in Height.

This *Sepulcher* seems to be full as Antient as the very *Appian* way it self.



C H A P. XIII.

Of the Ionick Order.

THE first Productions of *Arts* have always been exceedingly rare, because it is so difficult to invent, but it is not the same of Imitation: For after Men had once seen regular Structures, and those famous *Temples* of the *Dorick Order* mention'd by *Vitruvius* and some others, *Architecture* did not long remain in its Infancy; the Concurrance and Emulation of the Neighbouring People advanc'd its growth, and made it soon arrive to its Perfection. The *Ionians* were the first Competitors with the *Dorians* in its Divine Art, which seem'd to be Descended from the *Gods* themselves, to gratifie Mankind with more opportunity of Honouring them; and though these had neither the Advantage nor the Glory to be Inventers of it, they endeavour'd yet to improve and raise it even above the very Authors. Considering therefore that the Figure of a Mans Body, on which the *Dorick Order* had been form'd, was of a Shape too Robust and Masie to fit Holy Places, and become the Representation of *Celestial Things*, they would needs Compose an *Order* after their own Mode, and chose a *Model* of a more Elegant Proportion, wherein they had more regard to the Beauty than to the Solidity of the Work, which gave the first occasion of calling it the *Feminine Order*, as indeed Degenerating towards an effeminate Softness. And the truth is, the *Order* of the *Caryatides* quickly sprung up after it, which was an extraordinary Affront to this poor *Sex*, and a very Shame to *Architecture* it self, for having so irrationally employ'd a Feeble and delicate Thing to perform an office where strength and solidity were the only necessaries. *Vitruvius*, and divers of the *Moderns* since him, mention the Original of this *Order*, and tells us, that the Inhabitants of a certain *City* of *Peloponnesus*, Named *Carya*, having made a League with the *Persians* against their own Nation the *Greeks*, after the Rout of the *Persians*, were afterwards besieg'd by the Conquerours, and so Barbarously Saccag'd, that putting every Man to the Sword, Consuming the *City* to Ashes, and carrying the Women away Captive, their Vengeance being not yet extinct, they resolv'd to Eternise their Repentment, by causing publick Edifices to be Erected, wherein for a Mark of the Servitude of these Captives they Ingraved their *Images* instead of *Columns*, that so they might overwhelm them likewise under the weight of the Punishment which they had Merited by the Guilt of their Husbands, and leave an everlasting Memory thereof to future Ages: This is the Example which *Vitruvius* has made use of to prove how necessary it is that an *Architect* should be knowing in History, to the end he introduce nothing impertinently in his Works, and without good Reason. The *Gothick Order*, which is the Folly and very *Ape* of *Architecture*, in imitation of the *Caryatides* has Compos'd certain lame Figur'd *Mutills* or *Corbells* instead of *Cartouzes*, substained by I know not what *Chimera's* and ridiculous *Monkeys*, to be met with in every Corner of our old *Churches*; but some of the *Moderns* having (with very good Reason) found fault that such Extravagances should be seen in Holy Places where Reverence and Modesty are so Essential, and considering how much more Decent it were to fit those Places with some Devout Representations,

ons, without any respect at all to their Profession, or for want rather of understanding the Propriety of the *Orders* of *Architecture*, have amused themselves to place the Figures of *Angels* and other *Saints* instead of the *Caryatides*; making them like so many *Slaves* to carry huge *Cornices*, and even entire *Altars* upon their Shoulders, Testifying thereby how Preposterously and without Judgment they Consulted *Vitruvius* upon the occasion of the Original of the *Caryatides*: For they would otherwise have understood that this *Order* cannot be employ'd or indifferently enter into all sorts of Buildings, and that it requires no small Discretion to be aptly and discreetly Plac'd: Above all, that it should never be us'd in *Churches*, which are the Houses of *God*, and *Asylum's* of *Mercy*, where *Servitude* and *Revenge* ought never to appear. They had proceeded much better to have only used the plain *Regular Order* which we are now going to Describe according to an excellent *Antick Example*, taken from the Temple of *Fortuna Virilis*, at present the Church of *St. Mary the Egyptian* in *Rome*, the *Profile* whereof has been Fortunately met with amongst some Papers of mine of that great Antiquary *Pyrrho Ligorio*, whose *Manuscripts* and *Designs* are conserved as a very rare Treasure in the *Bibliothek* of the *Duke of Savoy*, which has furnished me with a means to Examine and Verifie divers Measures that at present a Man would hardly know where to take; and to repair the *Cornice* with its proper Ornaments, which are now so impaired thro' Age, that it is extremely difficult to discern them. This is then the Model I shall follow, and which shall here serve for the *Rule* of this *Order*, having with Mature Consideration, and for divers Reasons prefer'd it before that which is in the *Theater* of *Marcellus*, from whence I have taken the *Dorick*; which nevertheless I shall propose in what follows, remitting others who concur not with my Opinion to their own Affection and Fancy.

But before I enter upon the Retail of its Proportions (for Recommendation of this *Order*, and the Curiosity of the *Reader*) I will here recount to you the Names of some famous *Temples* Built by the People of *Ionia*, whose Antiquity is at the least of *Two Thousand Years*. The most Memorable, tho' not most Antient, is that Renowned *Temple* of *Diana*, erected (as some think) by the *Amazons* in *Ephesus*. This was a Work of so Stupendious a Grandure, that there was spent above *Two Hundred Years* in Finishing it, all *Asia* Contributing to this inestimable Expence. *Vitruvius* in his *Third Book, Cap. 1.* says, it was of the *Dipterick* Figure; that is, environ'd with a two-fold Range of *Columns* in Form of a double *Portico*: It was in Length 425 Foot upon 220. All these *Columns* were of *Marble* 70 Foot in Height. The *Architect* of this proud Edifice, according to the same *Vitruvius*, was one named *Ctesiphon*, whom he mentions in his *Tenth Book*, where he speaks of an excellent *Machine* that he invented to Transport the *Columns* of this *Temple*; which for being of so prodigious a Length, that no ordinary force was able to move and bring from their Quarries, had been all to no purpose, had not this extraordinary *Genius* discover'd some artificial Forces to supply the Defect of others. This Structure is esteem'd for one of the *Worlds Seven Wonders*: There were yet in the same *City* of *Ephesus* many other *Temples* of this *Order*; whereof two (one Dedicated to *Apollo*, the other to *Bacchus*) are principally Remarkable, as having been in some sort comparable to this first, had they received their ultimate Perfection; but they were left off unfinished, by reason of the Wars against the *Persians*, who were in conclusion the utter Ruin and Subversion of this People: For *Cyrus* having Subjugated *Asia*, Plunder'd

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der'd all this Country, Saccag'd their *Cities*, Demolish'd the *Temple*, and made so universal and barbarous a Devastation, that there hardly remain'd any thing of such an infinity of stupendous Monuments which this noble *Nation* had Erected thro' out all *Greece*: Notwithstanding this, he spar'd that of *Diana* of *Ephesus*, whose astonishing Beauty serv'd as a *Bulwark* to the Fury and Rage of this mighty Conquerour. In *Athens* one of the most flourishing *Cities* of the World, there was also of the same *Ionick Order* a very great Number of *Temples*, amongst which, that of the *Delphick Apollo* and his Son *Æsculapius* were highly Celebrated. There is yet to be seen in the same place certain *Vestigia* reduc'd to the form of a *Citadel*, which they report to have been heretofore the *Temple* of the Goddess *Juno Attica*. I could enumerate Divers others like these, of which the *Antiquaries* we have cited report Marvels; but in general Terms, and without any benefit to the *Studius* of the *Art*, who stand in need of some more essential Remarks and Instructions. I will therefore manage the rest of his *Discourse* in Describing the *Composition*, and the parts of this *Order*, Conformable to the *Profile* which I have chosen for our *Model*, and which is precisely taken from the *Antick*.

C H A P. XIV.

The Ionick Profile taken from the Temple of Fortuna Virilis at Rome, which is at present the Church of St. Mary the Ægyptian.

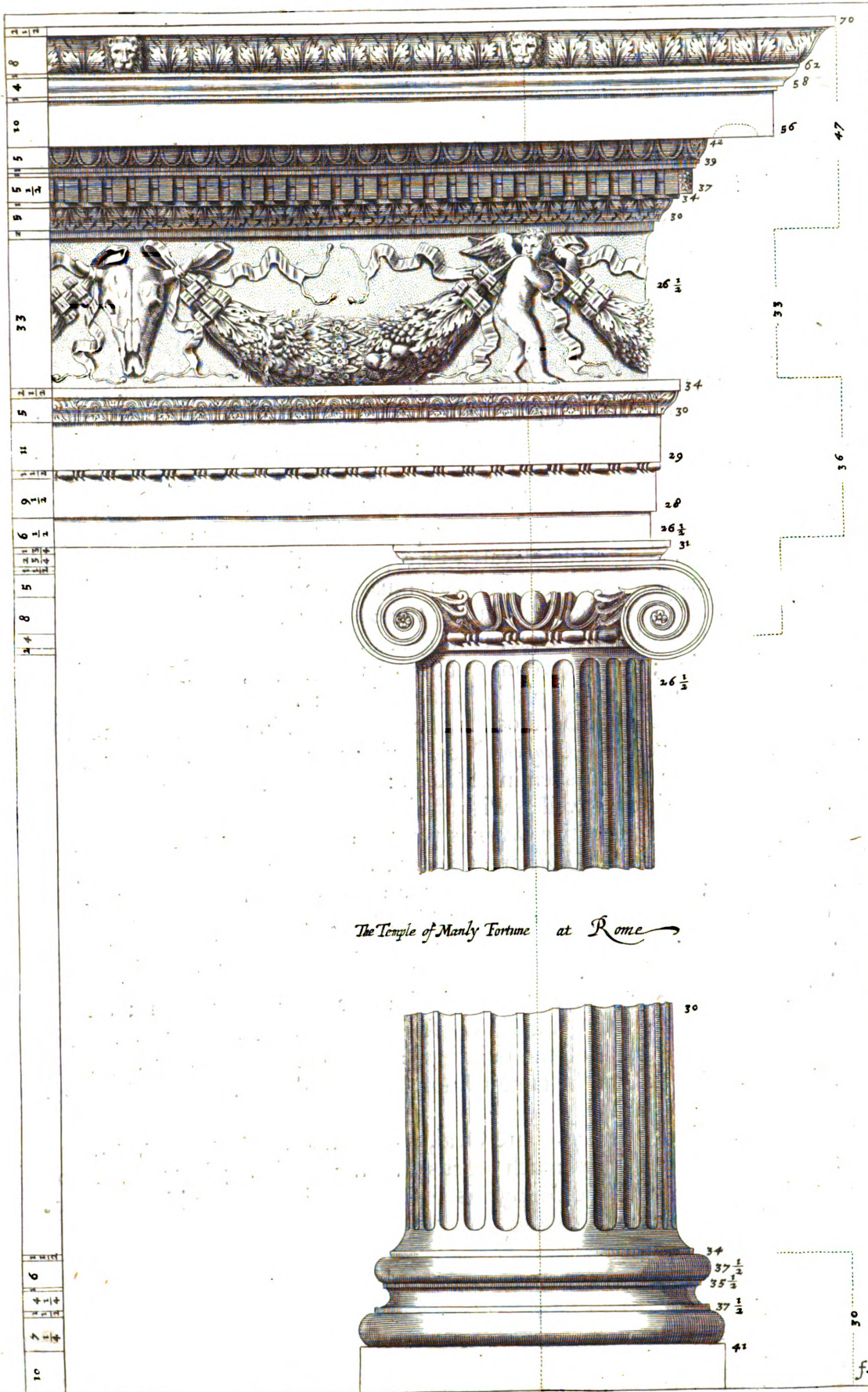
According to the Opinion of that threefold grand *Antiquary*, *Painter* and *Architect* *Pyrrho Ligorio*, of whom I have heretofore spoken, and from whom I have borrowed this *Profile*, I may safely propose it for one of the most regular Examples of the whole *Ionick Order* which is now extant of antient *Architecture*: Add to this the Instance which *Palladio* makes of it in his fourth *Book* and thirteenth *Chapter*, being the only one of this *Order* which he has inserted amongst the whole *Collection* of his Studies; so as these two great *Masters* approving the Election and Judgment I have made thereof, it is not to be doubted for a *Master-piece* of supream Perfection. I will therefore make the general Description thereof, Deducing the principal Members and Proportions in *Gross*, without amusing my self with the smaller Retail of the Measures of each particular part, which the *Design* ought to supply.

The entire *Order* from the Superficies of the *Area* to the *Cornice*, contains eleven *Diameters* of the whole *Column*, which amounts to twenty two *Modules*.

The *Column* with the *Base* and *Chapter* has eighteen *Modules*.

The *Entablature* (that is to say, *Architrave*, *Freeze* and *Cornice*) contain four *Modules* lacking four *Minutes*, which are not considerable upon the Total; and this Height making two ninths of the *Column*, produces a proportionate Mediocrity 'twixt that of the *Dorick Order* before Describ'd (whereof the *Entablature* composes one quarter) and that of the *Corinthian* (as we shall see hereafter) to which the *Moderns* do ordinarily attribute a fifth part.

The *Voluta* of the *Capitel* is after an oval Form, producing a very noble Effect, notwithstanding that none of our *Architects* have put it in Practice; but the reason in my Opinion, is, the difficulty of turning it with a Grace, and for that they are generally accustom'd to do all with *Rule* and *Compass*, which are here in a manner useless.



C H A P. XV.

Another Ionick Profile taken from the Theater of Marcellus at Rome.

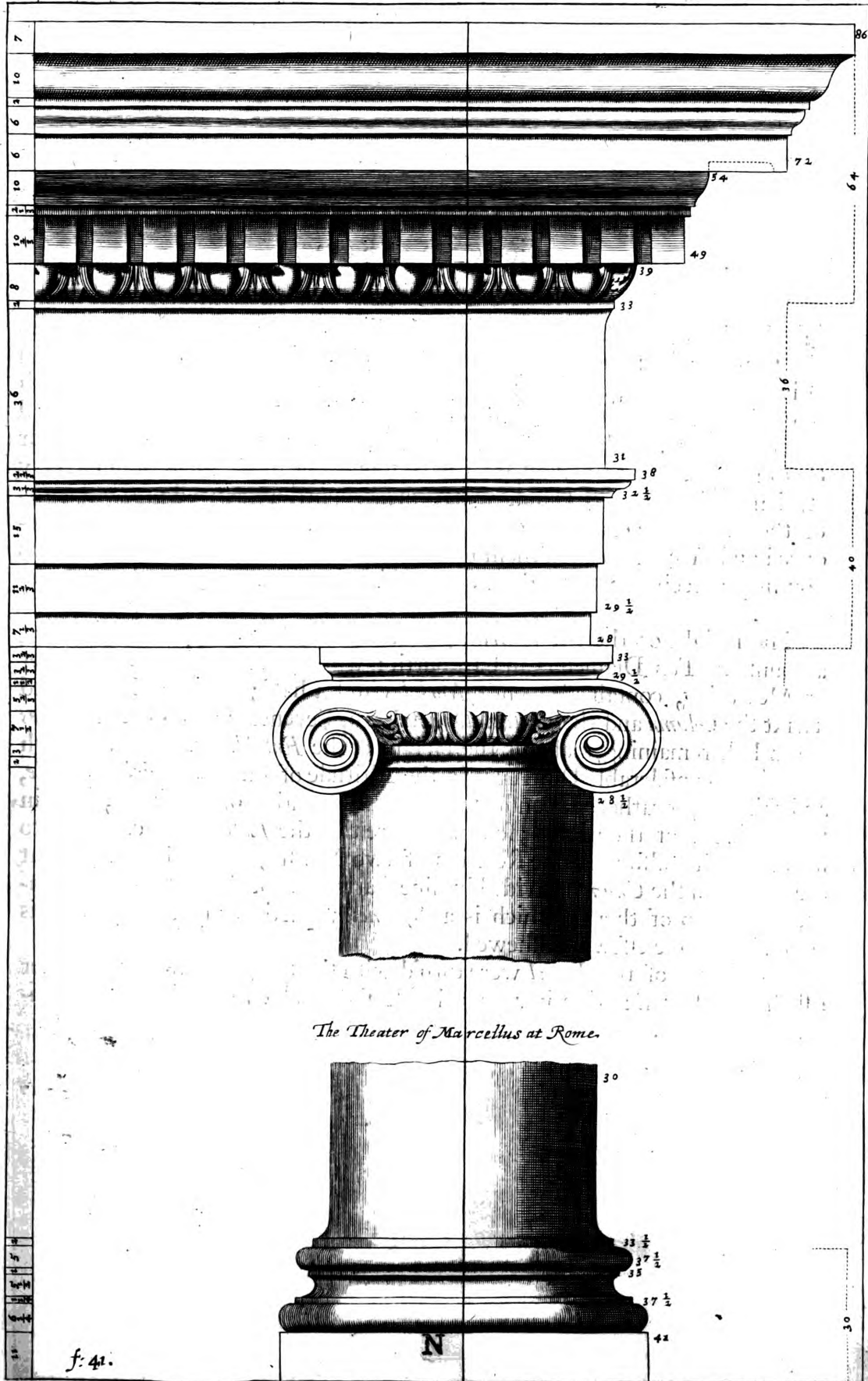
SOME may imagine that I ought to have establish'd my *Ionick Order* upon this *Example*, being as 'twere the Twin-brother of the first *Dorick* with which I have commenced this *Collection of Architecture*, being both of them extracted out of the same Edifice, which is the *Theater of Marcellus*. And to speak Truth, it was my first Design: But second Cogitations being ordinarily the more Judicious, I have since considered that the Ampleness of *Entablature* with its extraordinary Plainness, was a particular Effect of the *Architects* Discretion, who resolving to place this *Order* in an exceeding large Building, and also upon an elevated Place, where the sight could hardly enjoy those Ornaments wherewithal it is usually enriched, had regard only to the reformation of that by a Rule of the *Opticks*, which the Eye might possibly find fault within the Grace of its general Proportions from the Distance of its Elevation; so that we may affirm of this *Profile*, that it does excellently well in *Work* as 'tis plac'd in the *Original*; but would not succeed so well in another of more Mediocrity; and above all in a Work of one only *Order*, unless it were of a *Colossean* Magnitude; which is yet in truth neither Proper nor Natural to its feminine Kind: However I will here present you with its Proportions as well as with the others.

The Height of the entire *Order* is twenty two *Modules* and two thirds.

The *Column* with her *Base* and *Chapter* hath but eighteen, and those precise enough; so as the whole *Entablature* consisting of four and two thirds, it happens to be of an extraordinary Grandure, in as much as it exceeds a quarter of the *Order*, which is the largest *Proportion* can justly be given even to the *Dorick* it self.

The *Projecture* or *Fette* of the *Cornice* is also a little Extravagant; but the *Architect* has for all that, shew'd himself very Judicious, having respect in that to the entire Mass of the Building, and to the Eminence of the site of this second *Order*: For the same Reason he afforded but very little Diminution to the *Column* above.

The *Voluta's* of the *Capitel* are Oval, as in the precedent *Order*, and this shape of the *Voluta's* was much practis'd by the *Antients*; but the Method of turning them with the *Compass* is somewhat difficult, and has never as yet been Demonstrated.



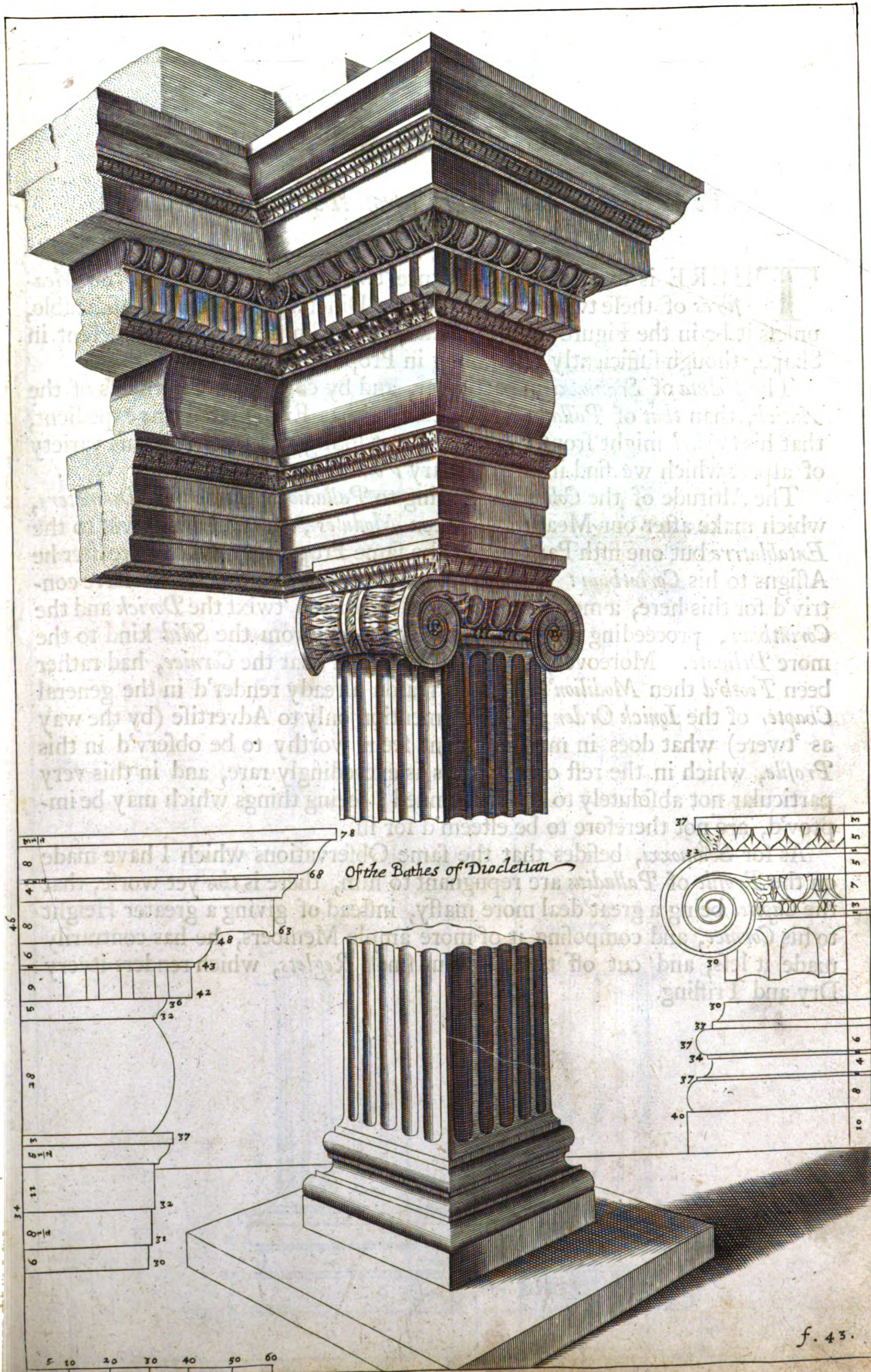
C H A P. XVI.

The Perspective Elevation of a Profile drawn from the Baths of Diocletian at Rome.

I Would needs make an Elevation in *Perspective* of this *Profile*, that so I might add some variety to my Designs, and for that likewise it is an Advantageous means to represent the *Idea* of an *Order*, and the effect which it produces being put in Work, for their sakes who are not much practis'd in the Mystery. This piece stood in the *Baths* of *Diocletian* at the *Angle* or *Coin* of the return of a Wall, as I have found out by a *Design* of mine very Antient and of a good Hand, where the Proportions as well of the *Plan* as of the *Profile* are exactly Noted, even to the least Particulars. I have Reduced and Accommodated them to the Division of my ordinary *Module*, as you may perceive them on the *Profile* which is under the *Perspective Entablature*.

The Height of the whole *Order*, from the *Base* to the top of the *Cornice*, amounts to Ten Diameters and a Fourth; which, according to our manner of Measuring, contains Twenty *Modules* and a half; which being divided 'twixt the *Column* and the *Entablature*, takes up Seventeen and Three *Modules* and a half remaining, make up the Height of the *Entablature*: Now though there be a considerable Difference in the Altitude of our first *Ionick Example*, and this *here*, it rather yet consists in the total Quantity of the *Order*, than in the *Proportion* of their Parts; for I find here that the *Entablature* compar'd to its *Column* has also the same Relation of two Ninths; which is to say, that the Height of the *Column* Divided in nine Parts, *that* of the *Entablature* Comprehends two of them; which is a *Symmetry* particularly affected to this *Order*, as I have elsewhere shewed.

The *Volua's* of the *Capitel* were turn'd with the *Compass*s, after the manner I shall hereafter Describe in a Page by its self, and with which I shall conclude this *Order*.



C H A P. XVII.

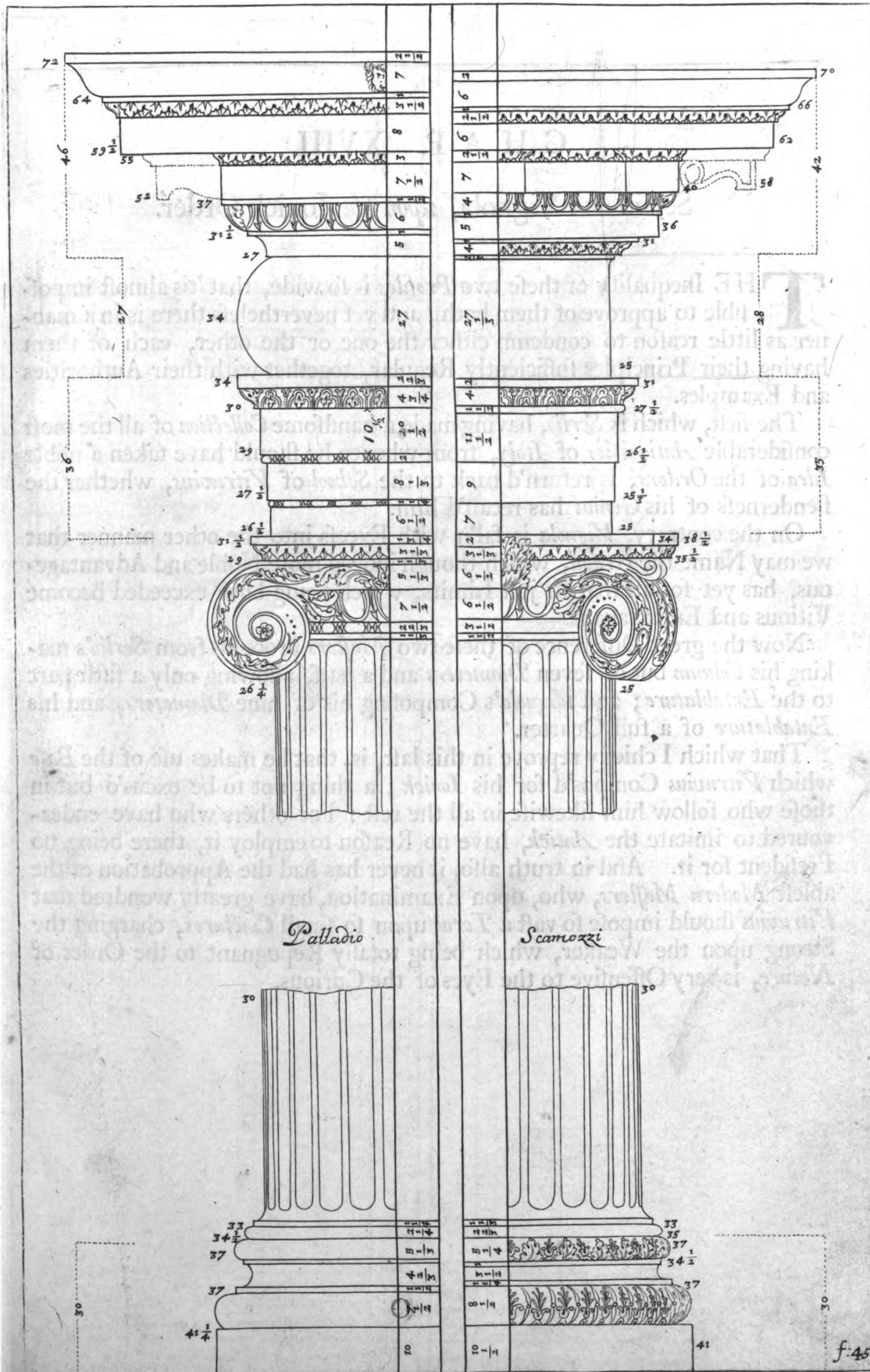
Palladio and Scamozzi upon the Ionick Order.

THERE is so great a resemblance 'twixt the *Mouldings* and the *Measures* of these two *Profiles*, that the Difference is hardly considerable, unless it be in the Figure of the *Capitels*, which in truth is very different in Shape, though sufficiently resembling in Proportion.

The *Voluta* of *Scamozzi* in particular, and by consequence hath less of the *Antick*, than that of *Palladio*: But *Scamozzi* has Excogitated this expedient, that his *Capitel* might front on all sides, not liking (it may be) this variety of aspect which we find in the ordinary *Voluta*'s.

The Altitude of the *Column* according to *Palladio* contains nine *Diameters*, which make after our Measure eighteen *Modules*; of which he gives to the *Entablature* but one fifth Part, being the same Proportion which hereafter he Assigns to his *Corinthian*: He had yet peradventure done better to have contriv'd for this here, a more Proportionable *Medium* 'twixt the *Dorick* and the *Corinthian*, proceeding by a certain Gradation from the *Solid* kind to the more *Delicate*. Moreover, I could have wish'd that the *Cornice*, had rather been *Tooth'd* than *Modilion'd*, for the reason already render'd in the general Chapter of the *Ionick Order*; which I mention only to Advertisé (by the way as 'twere) what does in my Judgment seem worthy to be observ'd in this *Profile*, which in the rest of the parts is exceedingly rare, and in this very particular not absolutely to be Condemned; seeing things which may be improv'd, are not therefore to be esteem'd for ill.

As for *Scamozzi*, besides that the same Observations which I have made on the *Profile* of *Palladius* are repugnant to him, there is *this* yet worse, that the *Capitel* being a great deal more massy, instead of giving a greater Height to his *Cornice*, and composing it of more ample Members, he has contrarily made it less, and cut off three or four small *Reglets*, which renders it very Dry and Trifling.



C H A P. XVIII.

Serlio and Vignola, upon the Ionick Order.

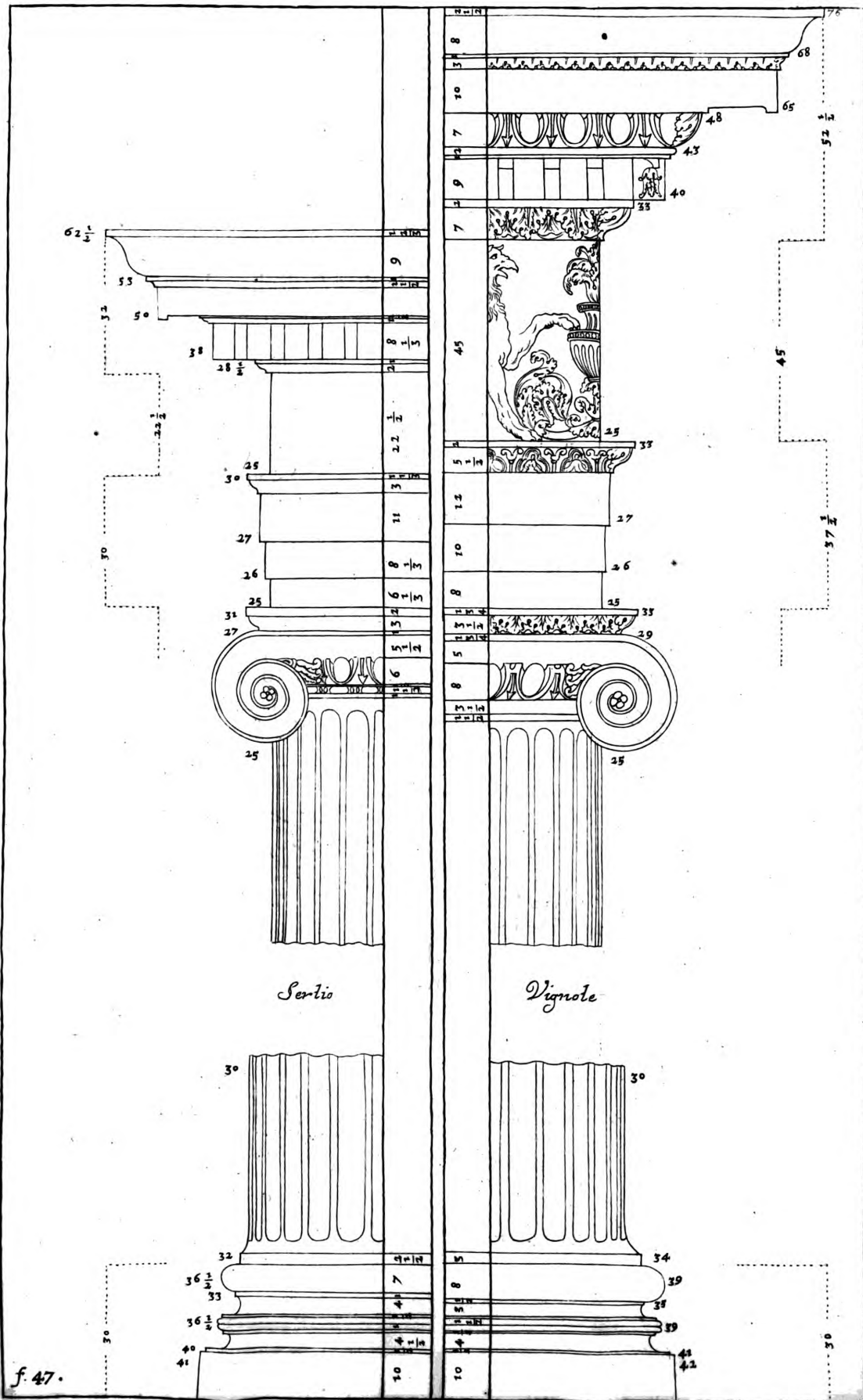
THE Inequality of these two *Profiles* is so wide, that 'tis almost impossible to approve of them both ; and yet nevertheless there is in a manner as little reason to condemn either the one or the other, each of them having their Principles sufficiently Regular, together with their Authorities and Examples.

The first, which is *Serlio*, having made a handsome *Collection* of all the most considerable *Antiquities* of *Italy*, from whence he should have taken a noble *Idea* of the *Orders*, is return'd back to the *School* of *Vitruvius*, whether the slenderness of his *Genius* has recall'd him.

On the contrary, *Vignola* is fal'n with Excess into the other manner that we may Name the *Grand*, which though indeed more Noble and Advantageous, has yet for all that its just Limits, which being once exceeded become Vitious and Extravagant.

Now the great Difference of these two *Masters* proceeds from *Serlio's* making his *Column* but of seven *Diameters* and a half, allowing only a fifth part to the *Entablature* ; and *Vignola's* Composing his of nine *Diameters*, and his *Entablature* of a full Quarter.

That which I chiefly reprove in this last, is, that he makes use of the *Base* which *Vitruvius* Compos'd for his *Ionick* ; a thing not to be excus'd but in those who follow him likewise in all the rest : For others who have endeavoured to imitate the *Antick*, have no Reason to employ it, there being no Preident for it. And in truth also, it never has had the Approbation of the ablest *Modern Masters*, who, upon Examination, have greatly wondred that *Vitruvius* should impose so vast a *Torus* upon so small *Cinctures*, charging the Strong upon the Weaker, which being totally Repugnant to the Order of *Nature*, is very Offensive to the Eyes of the Curious.



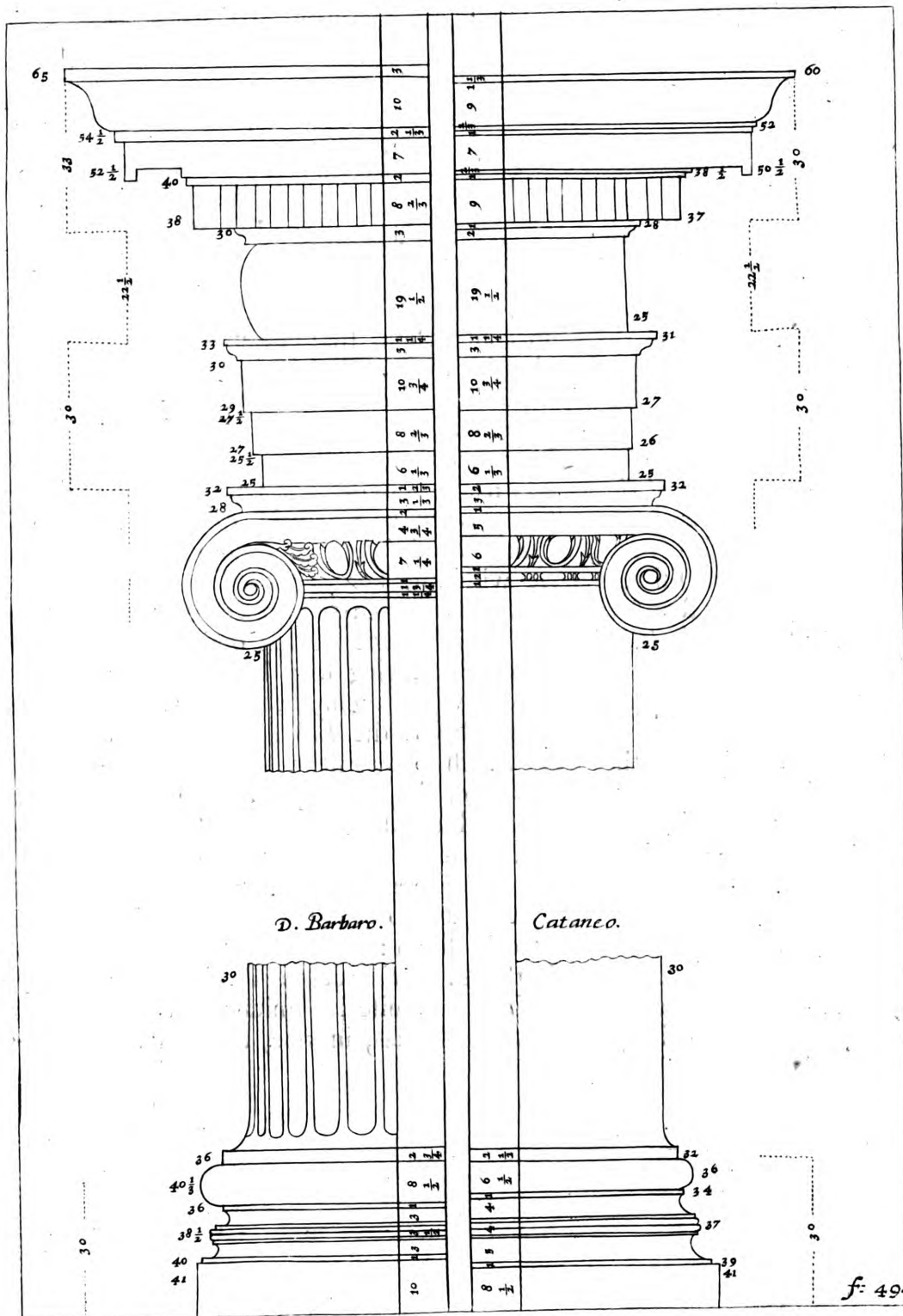
C H A P. XIX.

D. Barbaro and P. Cataneo upon the Ionick Order.

YOU have here the very fame Style that *Serlio* has observed in the precedent *Chapter*; And though there be much Resemblance in the *Profiles* of all the three *Masters*, nevertheless we must reckon that as to the Meaning of *Vitruvius* (to whose *Doctrine* they have Universally endeavour'd to conform themselves) *Daniel Barbaro* is the Captain and chief Conductor, as may easily be discern'd from the Pattern of the *Contours* only belonging to the *Voluta* of the *Capitel*, which is a most essential Piece in this *Order*, and whose true Draught was never so much as known to our modern *Architects* before *Daniel Barbaro*, to whom we are obliged for the Recovery of this excellent Master-piece of *Antient Architecture*, though he has had the Goodness to divide the Glory of it with his Contemporary and intimate Friend *Palladio*, by whose Conference and Help, he acknowledges to have been assisted in the Delineation of all his Designs.

I reserve it for the Conclusion of the *Ionick Order*, to make a Page apart of this manner of *Voluta*, where I shall shew a way to trace it Regularly, according to our *Author's* Intention. And since it is more Compendious to Paint than Describe it, I shall better give you the Demonstration by *Rule* and *Compass*, than by employing a tedious Discourse about it.

I find nothing Observable in these two *Profiles* besides a certain Over-simplicity and Plainness: For the rest, the Difference of the *Entablature*, as well in relation to the Height, as Shape, is so small, that it is nothing at all Considerable: What is more Worthy of Remark in the Design of *Daniel Barbaro*, is this; that he gives to every Face of the *Architrave* a certain *Slope* or kind of downward and inclining Stroke, as 'tis expressly ordained in *Vitruvius's* Third Book, towards the period of the last *Chapter*: But I find that the Rule of *Perspective* upon which he grounds it, is more refin'd and subtile for its Discourse, than any way solid in the Execution; and besides, I never saw any Example of it in any Work whatsoever.

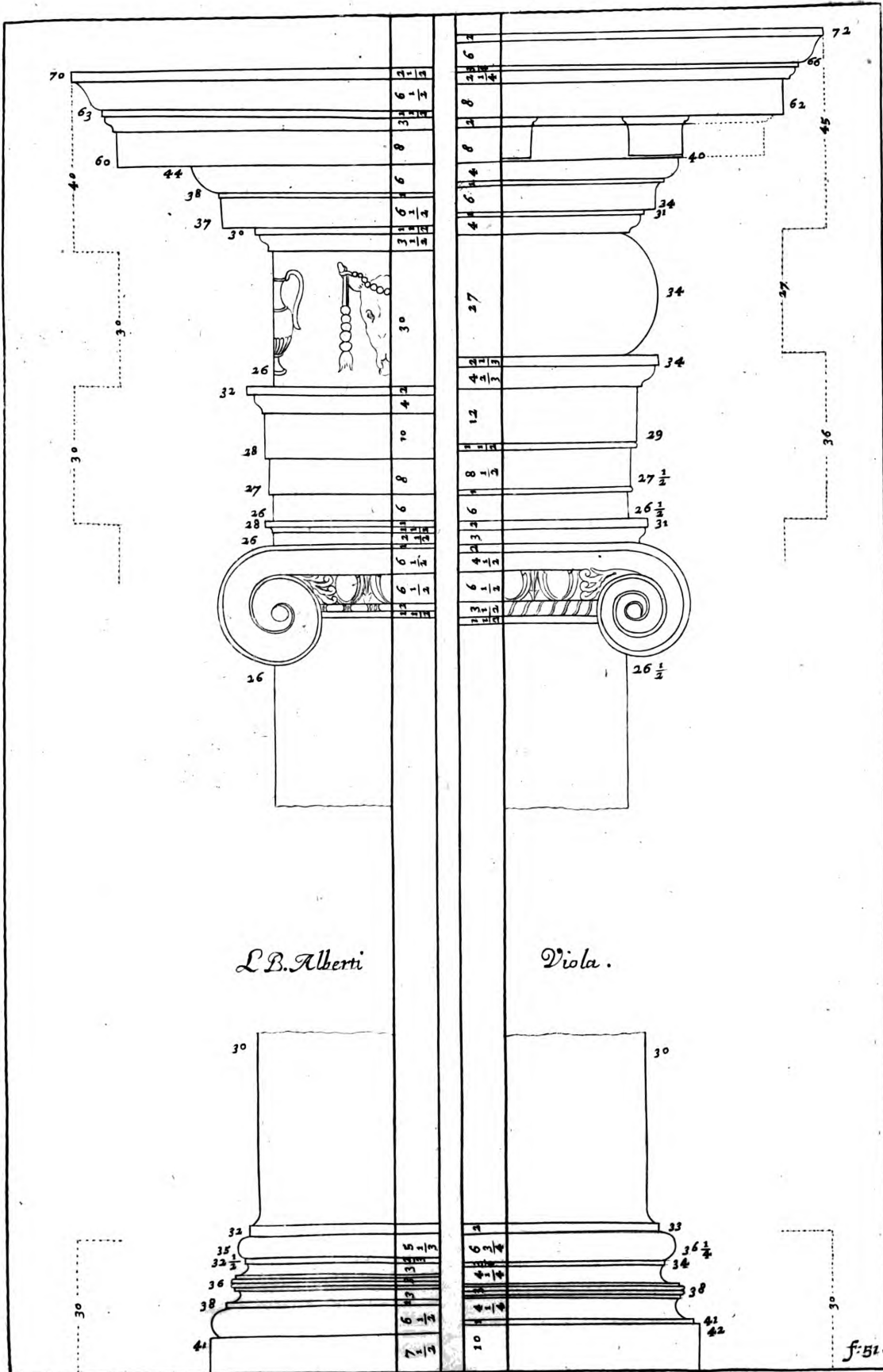


C H A P. XX.

L. B. Alberti, and Viola upon the Ionick Order.

THE Conformity of these two *Designs* to those of *Andrea Palladio* and *Scamozzi* is so conspicuous, that one may easily judge of their mutual Assistance of each other: *Viz.* That *Viola* made bold with that of *Palladio*, as he did before in the *Dorick*: And that *Scamozzi* has imitated *L. B. Alberti*, who is his Senior above an Hundred Years. For the rest, it were a difficult thing to decide which of these two *Profiles* is to be preferred, in regard the *Ionick Order* has been so diversly treated of by the *Antients*, as may appear in the Examples I have produc'd, of which there are some enrich'd with *Mouldings* and *Ornaments*, others more Naked and Simple. That which I shou'd have wish'd for here, as conducing to a greater and more exact Regularity, should have been to have cut the *Dentelli* upon the flat *Band* of *L. B. Alberti's* Design, since he has omitted *Modillions* there, which his Companion *Viola* for observing may be the better excused of: Though for my part, I should have rather employed *Dentelli* there, as an Ornament more particularly affected to the *Ionick Order*, and have reserved the *Modillions* for the *Order* which follows next.

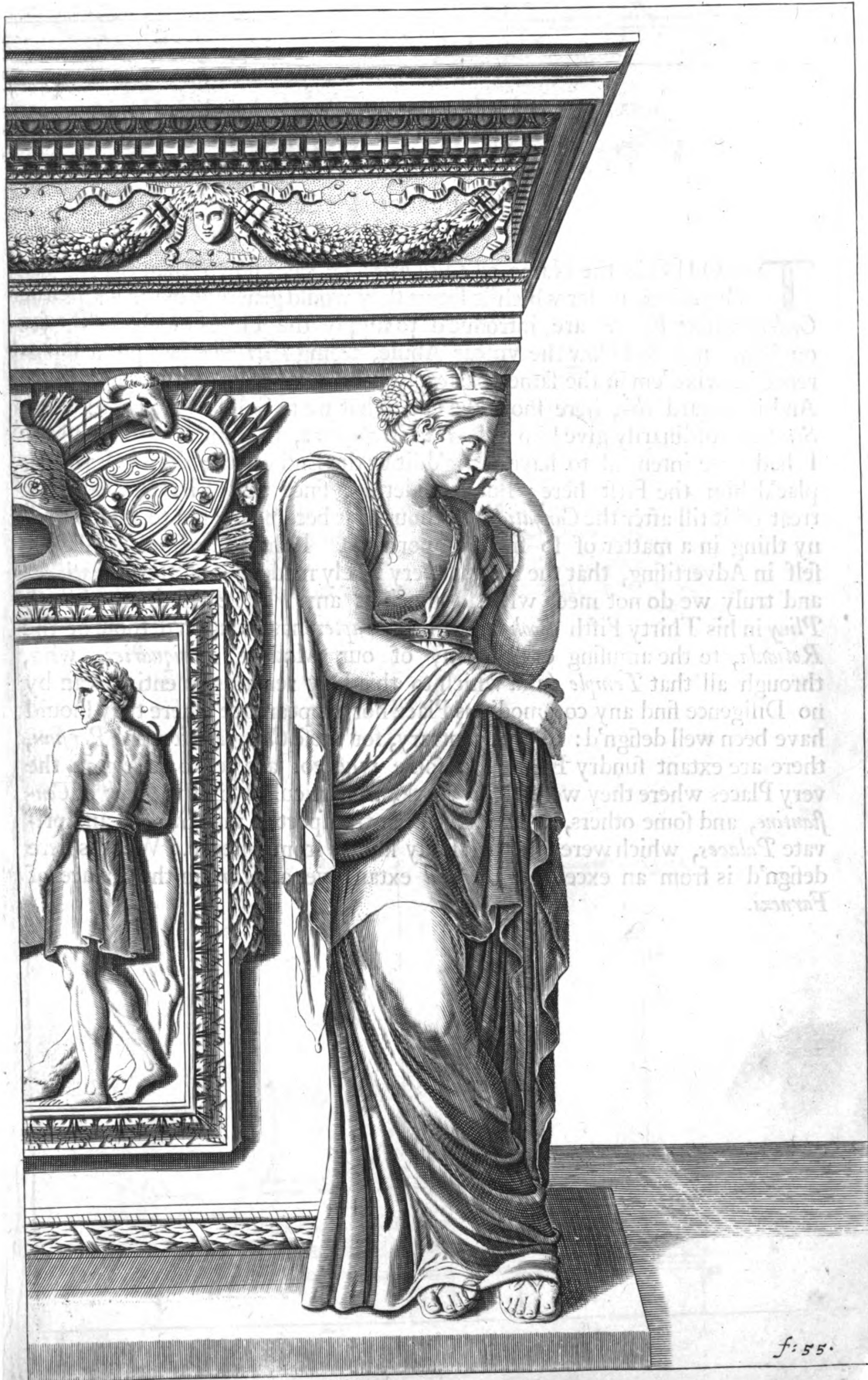
The Reader may remember, or else, looking back on some Pages, reflect upon what I have there observed on the *Profiles* of *Palladio* and *Scamozzi*; because it so much agrees with that of *Viola* here; to which I may yet super-add, as a new Charge, that he has done ill to employ another *Base* different from that of the *Attick*, since he saw how his Master *Palladio* had preferr'd it before that of *Vitruvius's* Composition: He had also done much better to have followed precisely the *Proportions* of the *Cornice* in the same Design of *Palladio*; for in attempting to disguise his Imitation, by adding of some *Members* and changing of *others*, he has, in fine, rendred it but the more Mean and Trifling.



C H A P. XXI.

Bulliant and de Lorme upon the Ionick Order.

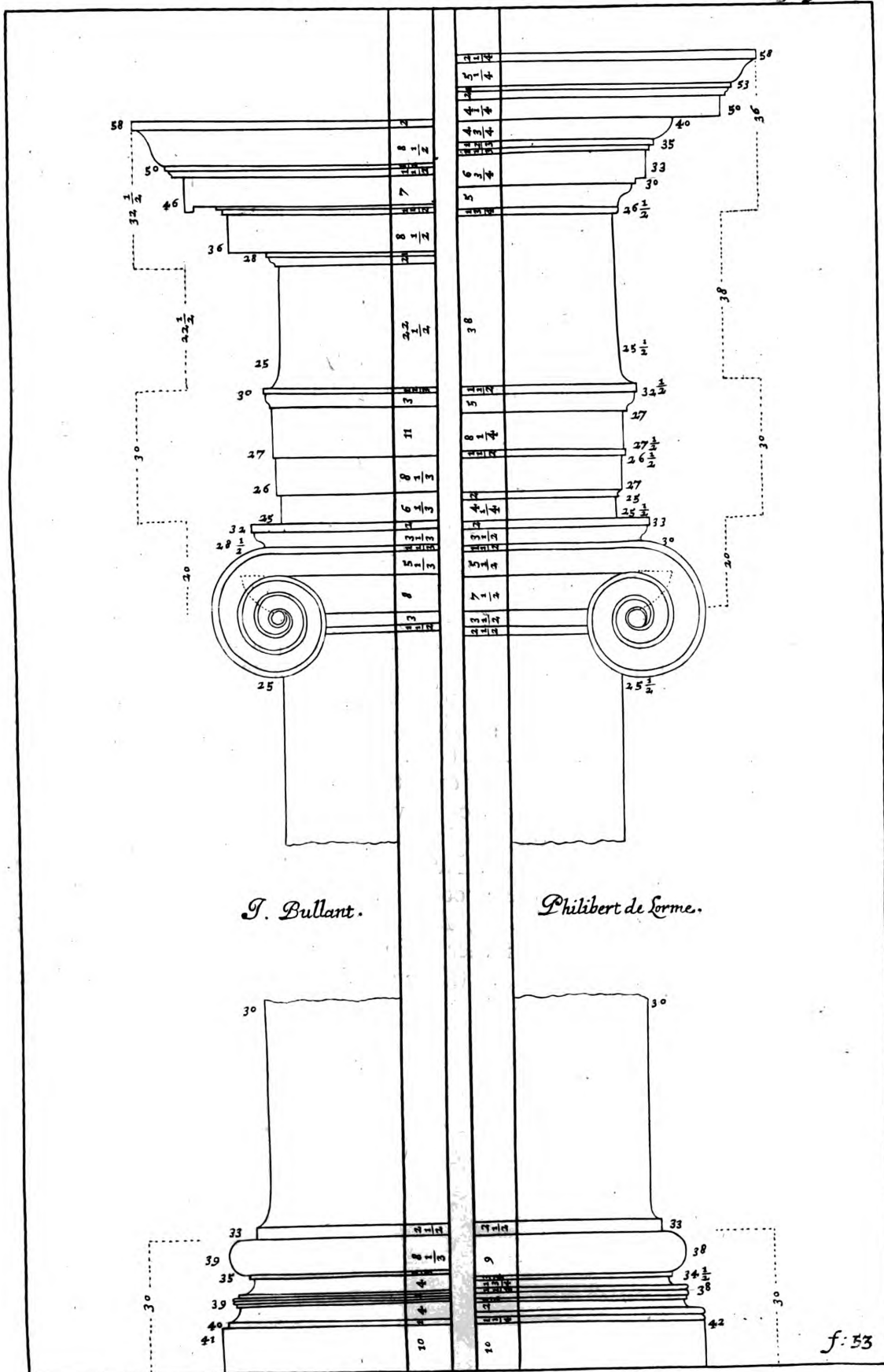
THIS first Profile is exactly after *Vitruvius*, as well as that of *Serlio*, *Cataneo*, and *Daniel Barbaro* which you have already seen: But there is in the other nothing at all worthy of our Imitation, as being neither Conformable to any of the *Anticks*, nor to *Vitruvius*, nor in the least regular in its Parts: For first, the *Cornice* is *Camuse* and Blunt, the principal *Members*, viz. the *Cymatium* and *Coping* Small and Poor; The *Freeze* is larger than the *Cornice*, and the *Base* of the *Column* changed both in Shape, and the Proportion of its Parts, as appears by the excessive Dimensions of the *Tore*, compared with the two *Scotia's* underneath; besides that extravagant Repetition of the two *Astragals* upon the *Plinth*. The *Voluta* of the *Capitel* is also too Gross, and so is the *Collar* of the *Pillar* together with its *List*: In a Word, the entire *Composition* is deservedly ranged in this Place: But after all this, I cannot but Admire, that a Person of this *Author's* Condition, who was so extremely Industrious (as may be easily deduced from what himself has Publish'd in his Book of Observations made at *Rome* upon the *Antiquities* there) who had so great a natural Propensity to *Architecture*, and so many Opportunities of studying at his Ease, and of Instructing himself; Who proceeded by so direct a *Method* of the *Art*, and in fine, was Master of so many handsome Occasions of putting his Studies into Practice; That, I say, a Man furnish'd with so many Advantages, should nevertheless Emerge so ordinary an *Artist*. But this shews us, that we are many times deceived by our own *Genius*, and carried to Things for which we have no manner of Talent.



C H A P. XXIII.

Of the Persian Order.

THOUGH the Name of this *Order* be less known than that of the *Caryatides*, under which it seems they would generally express all those *Orders* where *Figures* are introduc'd to supply the Places of *Columns*; yet ought we not to follow the vulgar Abuse, seeing *Vitruvius* has put a Difference betwixt 'em in the same *Chapter*, where he speaks of the *Caryatides*: And in regard *this*, here shou'd be somewhat more Solid in reference to the *Sex* they ordinarily give him a *Dorick Entablature*, in Consideration whereof I had once intended to have rang'd it at the End of the *Dorick Order*, or plac'd him the First here; But considering, since that *Vitruvius* does not treat of it till after the *Caryatides*, I thought it became me not to innovate any thing in a matter of so small Importance. I shall therefore satisfy myself in Advertising, that the *Romans* very rarely made Use of the *Caryatides*; and truly we do not meet with so much as any *Vestiga* of them, though *Pliny* in his Thirty Fifth *Book* and Fifth *Chapter* has mention'd those of the *Rotunda*, to the amusing of so many of our Modern *Antiquaries*, who, through all that *Temple* (and which to this Day remains so entire) can by no Diligence find any commodious Place nor Appearance where they should have been well design'd: On the contrary, for these *Captives* after the *Persian*, there are extant fundry Examples, some whereof are yet to be seen in the very Places where they were set in Work, as particularly in the *Arch* of *Constantine*, and some others, which have been transported into *Gardens* and private *Palaces*, which were taken no Body knows from whence. What is here design'd is from an excellent *Original* extant yet at *Rome* in the Palace of *Farnesi*.



C H A P. XXII.

The Order of the Caryatides.

I Intend not here to repeat the *History* from whence this *Order* has deriv'd its *Original*, having already so amply deduced it in the general Chapter of the *Ionick Order*, whereof this is here but a *Species*; all the Difference consisting in the sole Alteration of the *Column*, metamorphos'd into the Figure of a *Woman*, which for appearing sometimes incommodious to *Architects* from the extreme Over-largeness of the *Vests* and *Garments* cumbering and disordering the *Passage* and *Symmetry* of the *Intercolumniation*, caused them to reduce it only to the Carving of *Heads* in Place of the *Capitals*, where they adjust'd and compos'd the *Dressing* and *Tyre* to the Resemblance of *Voluta's*, without any Alteration in the rest of the *Column*, unless where they cut *Channels* or *Flutings* on it, to represent after a Sort the *Plaitings* and *Folds* of these *Matron's* *Garments*; since this Ornament is found to change neither the *Diameter* nor *Height* of the *Shaft*, which are the *Bases*, and as it were, *Foundations* of *Architeſtonical* Proportions.

That which I assert'd before concerning the *Caryatides* in the general Chapter of the *Ionick Order*, sufficiently discovers how few the Occasions are where they can be employed judiciously; notwithstanding so many of our modern *Architects* take so great a Liberty of introducing them indifferently into all Sorts of Works: For not only the *Palaces* of great *Princes* without and within, but even the *Houses* of private *Persons*, *Churches* and *Sepulchres* themselves are filled with them, without any Regard either to the *Reason* of the *History*, or to just *Decorum*: Nay oftentimes, out of an insupportable Extravagance, in Lieu of these poor and miserable *Captives*, they set the venerable Figures of the *Vertues*, *Muses*, *Graces* and *Angels* themselves; whereas they should in Truth rather chain and confine the *Vices* there.

But it is sufficient to have advertis'd you of this Abuse without any further declaiming against it.



C H A P. XXIV.

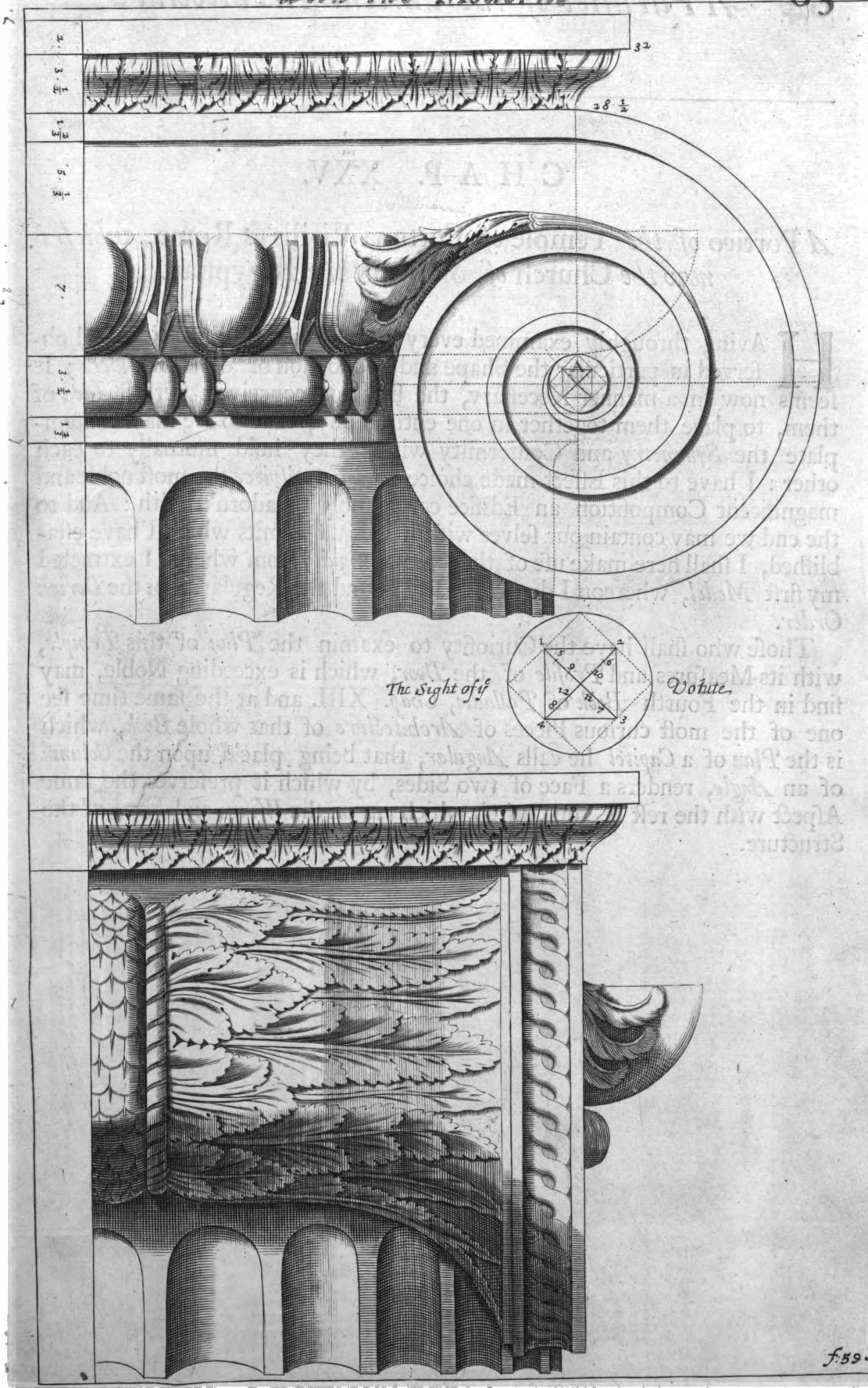
Of the Contour or Turning of the Ionick Voluta.

TH E Body of this *Capitel*, without its *Voluta* or Scroul, bears a great Conformity to that of the *Dorick*, as may be easily discerned by conferring their *Profiles* the one with the other : For the Diversity of their Form, which at first Blush appears so large to the Eyes of such as have never examined the Particulars of the *Members* that compose it, consists altogether in the Application of the *Voluta* upon the *Abacus*, which gives a most advantageous Variety to the *Ionick* ; in as much as the Draught of its *Contour* does consist of the most industrious Operation of the *Compass* which is practised in the whole *Art of Architecture* ; So as who ever of our modern *Masters* he were that retriev'd it (for 'twas a long time lost, and totally unknown to those of the *Profession*) he has render'd doubtless a very considerable Piece of Service to the Art.

That famous Painter *Salviati*, Contemporary with the *R. Daniel Barbaro*, and by consequent also with *Palladio*, printed a small loose Sheet, which he Dedicated to *D. Barbaro* as to the most famous *Arbiter* of *Architecture* in his Time, who also understood it, and had communicated it with *Palladio*, who accidentally, and as it were by chance, had been the first Investigator of the Practice of it, while he met amongst some antient *Fragments a Capitel* of this *Order*, on whose imperfect and rough-hewn *Voluta* he observ'd the thirteen *Centers* of this *Spiral Line*, which gives so noble and ingenious a *Turn*.

I will not here engage my self on a tedious Discourse about its Description, it being so much a shorter and more demonstrative Way to advance to the direct *Method* of its *Delineation* : Thus then in general you are to proceed.

The Height of the *Chapter*, and Partition of each Member being design'd, one must regulate the Extent and Proportion of the *Abacus* conformable to the Measure decipher'd upon the *Profile* at the Point of 32, and at the Point 28½ a little beneath. Where the *Cymatium* encounters the *List* of the *Scroul*, make a little perpendicular Line, so as it may pass through the very *Center* of the *Eye* of this *Voluta* marked A, till falling upon a *Right-angle* by the Co-incident of another Line proceeding from the middle of *Collerine* or *Chaplet*, the Point of *Intersection* give you the just *Center* of the *Eye* : Then about this *Center* describing a *Circle* of the wideness of the *Collerine* (which *Circle* (as was said) points the precise Dimensions of the *Eye*, and its true place of Position) you shall form therein a small *Square*, through whose *Angles*, having drawn two *Diagonals* (Which cut into four *Triangles*) divide each Moity of the *Diagonals* into three equal Parts, and each of these Points shall serve for consequetive *Centers* one after another, by which to form those several Quarters of *Circles* which compose the *Spiral Line* of the *Voluta*. They are distinguished by *Numbers* on the *Design*, according to the Order by which you are to proceed.



C H A P. XXV.

A Portico of the Temple of Fortuna Virilis at Rome, which is now the Church of St. Mary the Ægyptian.

HAVING throughly examined every Part of the *Ionick Order*, and observed in particular the Shape and Proportion of all its *Members*; It seems now in a manner Necessary, the better to conceive a perfect *Idea* of them, to place them together in one entire Body, that so we may contemplate the *Symmetry* and Conformity which they hold mutually to each other: I have to this Effect made choice of a *Frontispiece* the most noble and magnificent Composition an Edifice can possibly be adorn'd with: And to the end we may contain our selves within the just Limits which I have established, I shall here make use of the same *Antiquity* from whence I extracted my first *Model*, whereon I do principally Found the Regularity of the *Dorick Order*.

Those who shall have the Curiosity to examin the *Plan* of this *Temple*, with its Measures and *Profile* of the *Door*, which is exceeding Noble, may find in the Fourth *Book* of *Palladio*, *Chap. XIII.* and at the same time see one of the most curious Pieces of *Architecture* of that whole *Book*, which is the *Plan* of a *Capitel* he calls *Angular*, that being plac'd upon the *Column* of an *Angle*, renders a Face of two Sides, by which it preserves the same Aspect with the rest of the *Capitels* which are on the *Wings* and *Front* of the Structure.

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C H A P. XXVI.

Of the Corinthian Order.

THE highest Degree of perfection to which *Architecture* did ever aspire, was erected for it at *Corinth*, that most Famous and formerly most Opulent and Flourishing City of *Greece*, although at present there hardly remains any Footsteps of the Grandure which rendred it even Formidable to the People of *Rome* it self, but which was also the Cause of her Ruin: For this *Nation* impatient of Competitors, on pretence that the *Corinthians* had done some displeasure to the *Ambassadors* which she had sent, took occasion of denouncing War against her; so as the Consul *Lucius Mummius* going thither with a great Army reduc'd their City to Ashes, and in one Day destroyed the Work of more then nine *Ages* from the Period of its first Foundation.

It was from thence that our *Corinthian Order* assum'd its Original; and although the Antiquity of it be not precisely known, nor under whose Reign that *Callimachus* lived, to whom *Vitruvius* attributes the Glory of this Excellent Production; it is yet easie to judge by the Nobleness of its Ornament, that it was invented during the Magnificence and splendor of *Corinth*, and not long after the *Ionick Order* to which it hath much resemblance, the *Capitel* only excepted; for there's no mention that *Callimachus* added any thing of his own besides that stately Member.

Vitruvius in the first *Chap.* of his Fourth *Book* reports at large upon what occasion this Ingenious *Architect* Form'd the *Idea* of this great Master-Piece which hath born away the Palm of all *Architecture*, and rendred the Name of *Corinth* immortal: And though the *History* which he there mentions may appear somewhat fabulous in the Opinion of *Villalpandus*, who treats also of this *Capitel* in his second *Tome Lib. V. Chap. XXIII.* nevertheless it were very unjust that the particular conceit of a *Modern Writer* should prevail above the Authority of so grave an *Author*. Let us see then what *Vitruvius* says of it.

A *Virgin* of *Corinth* being now grown up, fell sick and Died: The Day after her Funeral, her *Nurse* having put into a *Basket* certain small Vessels and Trifles with which she was wont to divertise her self whilst she lived, went out and set them upon her *Tomb*, and lest the Air and Weather should do them any Injury, she covered them with a *Tyle*: Now the *Basket* being accidentally placed upon the Root of an *Acanthus*, or great *Dock*, the Herb beginning to sprout at the Spring of the Year and put forth Leaves, the Stalks thereof creeping up along the Sides of the *Basket* and meeting with the Edge of the *Tyle* (which jetted out beyond the Margine of the *Basket*) were found (being a little more ponderous at the extremes) to bend their tops downwards, and form a pretty kind of natural *Voluta*. At this very time it was that the Sculptor *Callimachus* (who for the delicateness of his Work upon
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Marble, and Gentleness of his Invention was by the *Athenians* furnamed *Catatechnos*, (that is to say, *Industrious*) passing near this *Monument*, began to cast an Eye upon this *Basket*, and to consider the pretty Tenderness of that ornamental *Foliage* which grew about it, the Manner and Form whereof so much pleased him for the Novelty, that he shortly after made *Columns* at *Corinth* resembling this *Model*, and ordained its *Symmetries*, distributing afterwards in his Works Proportions agreeable to each of its other Members in Conformity to this *Corinthian* Mode.

You see what *Vitruvius* reports: But *Villalpandus* who will needs gives this *Capitel* a more Illustrious and antient Original, pretends that the *Corinthians* took it first from the Temple of *Solomon*, of which *God* himself had been the *Architect*; and the better to elude what *Vitruvius* but now taught us, would make us believe, that the *Capitels* of the *Acantbus* were rarely used by the *Antients*, who were wont Ordinarily to Carve them with *Olive-leaves*; and proves in that which follows by *Texts* out of the *Bible*, and some other *Historians* who have given us the Description of this divine *Architecture*, that the true Originals of the *Temple* were of *Palm-branches* bearing *Fruit*, to which the *Leaves* of the *Olive* have a nearer Correspondence. The *Desion* which we shall hereafter describe with the whole *Entablature* of the Order, drawn precisely according to the Measures which *Villalpandus* has Collected, and which I expressly followed, without regarding the *Profile* which he has caused to be Engraven, will better discover that I know not how to decry the Beauty of this Composition: In the mean time, to be Constant and preserve my self within the Terms of the *Corinthian Architecture* which has been practised by those great *Masters* of Antiquity as well *Greeks* as *Romans*, and of whom there yet remain such wonderful Foot-steps and even entire *Temples* which may serve as so many express and demonstrable Lectures of the Proportions of this Order; I have made choice of one of the most Famous amongst them, to which I totally conform my self, without any Respect to the Opinion of the *modern* Authors; seeing they ought to have pursu'd the same Paths, and regulated themselves with me upon these *Original* Examples.

The *Rotunda* (heretofore called the *Pantheon*) having ever obtained the universal Approbation of knowing Persons, as being the most regular *Corinthian* Work, and indeed the most Famous among all the Remainders of *Antient Rome*, appears to me to be the very best *Model* which I could possibly make choice of, though there are indeed others to be found which are much Richer in Ornaments, and of a Beauty more Elegant: But as our *Tastes* do generally differ, I have preferred mine own, which rather affects Things *Solid* and a little *Plain*, for that indeed to me they appear fullest of Majesty. Nevertheless, forasmuch as 'tis Necessary that an *Architect* accomode himself to the Person's *Humor* which employs him; and for that One meets with Occasions where Magnificence is Proper, as in *Triumphal Arches*, *King's Palaces*, *Temples* and publick *Baths*, which were much in Use among the *Antients*, and in divers the like ample Structures, where Splendour and Profusion are chiefly consider'd. I will produce some Examples of the most renown'd of *Antiquity*, the First whereof shall be that great Relique of the *Frontispice* of the *Torre di Nerone* so call'd, which has been demolished
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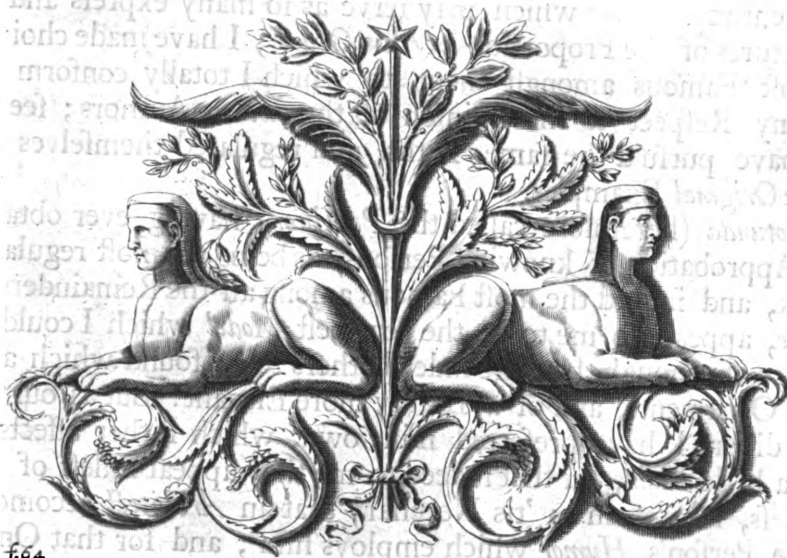
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within these last thirty Years, to the great reproach of this Age, by the Avarice of some particular Persons.

This was one of the rarest Pieces of *Antiquity*, as well for the Beauty and Richness of its Ornaments, as for the composures of the Members of the Order, which even in *Paper* it self appears bold and terrible; the Judicious *Architect* of this Work very well understanding how to introduce a *Grandure* of manner into his Design, which should equal that Mass of Stones he heap'd up and contriv'd into the Structure of this *Gigantick* Edifice, whereof the *Columns* contained six Foot Diameter.

It is not precisely known who it was that caused it to be built, nor yet to what Purpose it served: Some imagine it was a *Temple* erected by the *Emperor Aurelianus* and Dedicated to the *Sun*: Others that 'twas only a particular *Palace*. The vulgar have a *Tradition* that *Nero* rais'd it of that Height to behold the *Conflagration* of *Rome*, which is very improbable, as being too great a Work to have been accomplished in so short a time: But whatever it were, certain it is, that it has been the most magnificent and goodliest Order of *Corinthian* Work which all *Rome* could boast of, as one may well perceive by the Design which I shall present you of it after *that* of the *Profile* of the *Portico* belonging to the *Rotunda*, being the *Model* on which I regulate the *Proportions* of the *Corinthian*.

The ensuing *Design* is a simple representation of the *History* of *Callimachus* which I but now reported, and is placed here only for Ornament-sake.





C H A P. XXVII.

A Corinthian Profile taken from the Portico of the Rotunda at Rome.

THE whole Height of the Order from the *Base* to the *Cornice* amounts to Three and Twenty *Modules* and two Thirds; whereof the *Column* with its *Base* and *Chapter* contains nineteen, and the *Entablature* four and two thirds; so as the whole *Entablature* (which is the *Architrave*, *Freeze* and *Cornice*) makes a quarter of the *Column*: And albeit it may seem reasonable to follow the opinion of some *Authors*, who allow it but a fifth; yet we find, that the most famous of the *Antick*, for Example, this Frontispiece of *Nero*, and the three Pillars of *Campo Vaccino* at *Rome*, which in the Judgment of *Architects* pass for the noblest reliques of *Antiquity*, challenge an entire fourth part for their *Entablature*: Upon this Account, I conceive it safest to preserve our selves within the Limits of our Example from the *Rotunda*, lest endeavouring to render this Order more Spruce and Finical, it become in fine but the more contemptible.

Behold here its Composition in general, and the Proportions of the principal Members, of which the *Module* is ever the *Semidiameter* of the *Column*, divided into thirty *Minutes*.

The entire height of the Order contains twenty three *Modules* and two thirds, which amount in *Minutes* to _____ 710

The *Base* has one *Module* precisely _____ 30

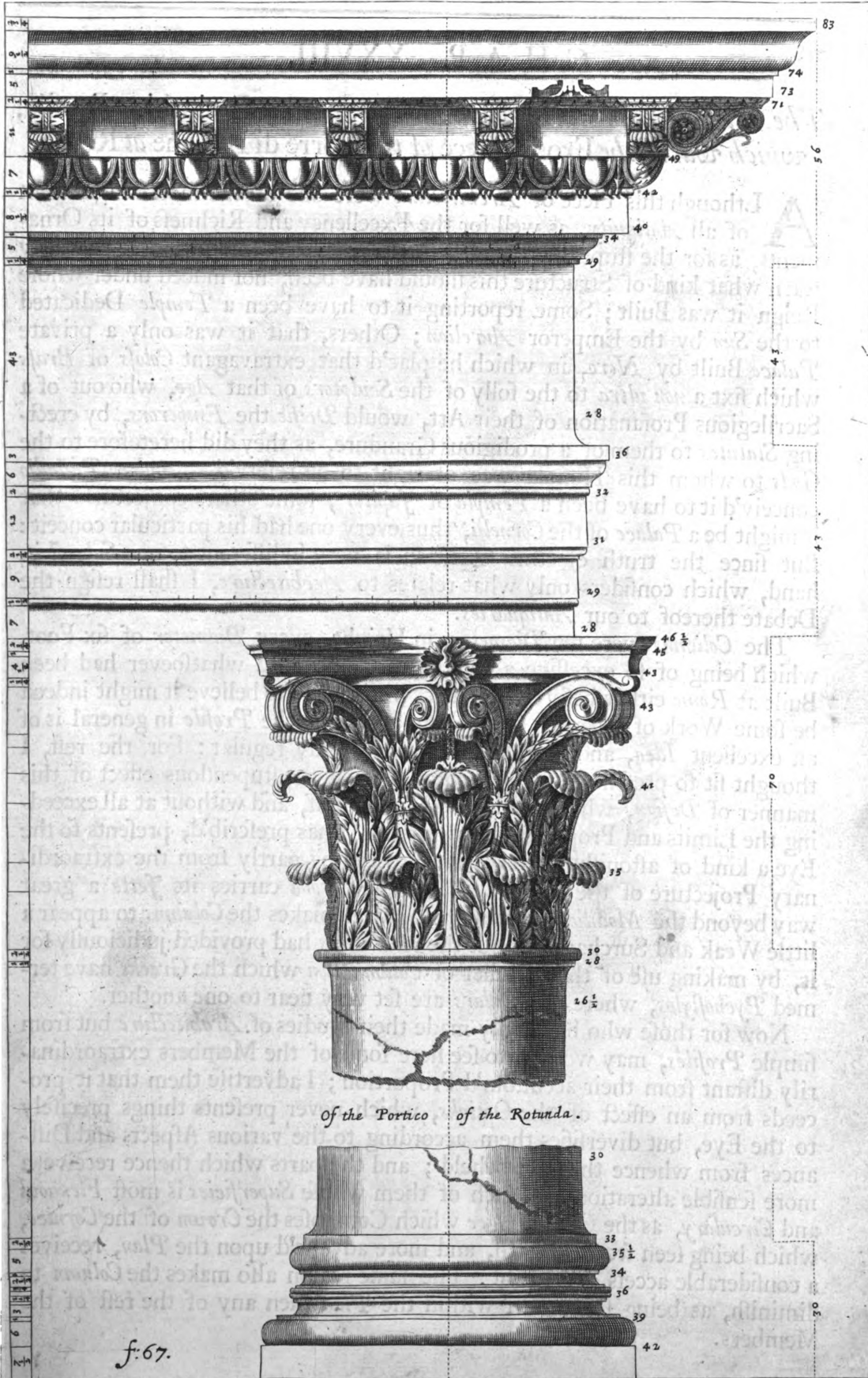
The *Shaft* of the *Column* fifteen *Modules* and two Thirds, wanting two *Minutes* _____ 468

The *Chapter* contains two *Modules* and a third only _____ 70

The *Entablature*, viz. *Architrave*, *Freeze* and *Cornice* four *Modules* and two Thirds, two *Minutes* over; _____ 142

Concerning the small Divisions of each part, it would be too tedious and indeed superfluous to specify them here, since the Design Demonstrates them more intelligibly.

I have towards the end of the second *Chapter* of this *Book*, taught how one should make the *Calculation* of an Order for the Examining the Proportion which the *Entablature* bears with its *Column*, and thereby to see if it hold regular: It would be no loss of time to the Reader, did he make proof of his Skill upon every *Profile*: But I advise him before hand that there are three different Proportions all of them Beautiful, and which may very well agree with this *Corinthian Order*: That is to say, the *Fourth*, as in this and the following *Profile*; The two *Ninths*, which are the mean Proportions of the *fourth* to the *fifth*, as in the third *Profile* taken from the *Baths* of *Diocletian*: And lastly, the *fifth*, as in the *Profiles* of *Palladio* and *Scamozzi* not so frequently encounter'd amongst the *Antients*.



Of the Portico of the Rotunda.

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C H A P. XXVIII.

The Elevation in Perspective of an excellent Corinthian Profile, which was in the Frontispiece of the Torre di Nerone at Rome.

ALTHOUGH this Piece of *Architecture* were one of the most Magnificent of all *Antiquity*, as well for the Excellency and Richness of its Ornaments, as for the stupendousness of the Work; yet could I never certainly learn what kind of Structure this should have been, nor indeed under whose Reign it was Built; Some reporting it to have been a *Temple* Dedicated to the *Sun* by the Emperor *Aurelian*; Others, that it was only a private *Palace* Built by *Nero*, in which he plac'd that extravagant *Coloss* of *Brass* which fixt a *non ultra* to the folly of the *Sculptors* of that *Age*, who out of a Sacrilegious Profanation of their Art, would *Deifie* the *Emperors*, by erecting *Statutes* to them of a prodigious Grandure, as they did heretofore to the *Gods* to whom this Honour was of right to be reserv'd. *Andrea Palladio* conceiv'd it to have been a *Temple* of *Jupiter*; some others conjectur'd that it might be a *Palace* of the *Cornelii*, thus every one had his particular conceit: But since the truth of this Question is very indifferent to our *Subject* in hand, which considers only what relates to *Architecture*, I shall resign the Debate thereof to our *Antiquaries*.

The *Columns* were ten *Diameters* in Height, every *Diameter* of six Foot, which being of so excessive a bigness as transcended whatsoever had been Built at *Rome* either before or since it, inclines me to believe it might indeed be some Work of *Nero's*. The Composition of the *Profile* in general is of an excellent *Idea*, and each Member sufficiently regular: For the rest, I thought fit to present it in *Perspective*, to shew the stupendous effect of this manner of *Design*, which even upon *Paper* it self, and without at all exceeding the Limits and Proportions which the *Art* has prescrib'd, presents to the Eye a kind of astonishing Grandure, proceeding partly from the extraordinary Projecture of the *Entablature*, whose *Corona* carries its *Fette* a great way beyond the *Modillions*, and which indeed makes the *Columns* to appear a little Weak and Surcharg'd: But the *Architects* had provided judiciously for it, by making use of that manner of *Columnation* which the *Greeks* have termed *Pycnostylos*, where the *Pillars* are set very near to one another.

Now for those who have only made their Studies of *Architecture* but from simple *Profiles*, may wonder to see here some of the Members extraordinarily distant from their accustom'd Proportion; I advertise them that it proceeds from an effect of the *Opticks*, which never presents things precisely to the Eye, but diversifies them according to the various Aspects and Distances from whence they are beheld; and the parts which thence receive a more sensible alteration, are such of them whose *Superficies* is most *Flexuous* and *Circulary*, as the *Gula* or *Ogee* which Composes the *Crown* of the *Cornice*, which being seen from beneath, and more advanc'd upon the *Plan*, receives a considerable access of Height: The same reason also makes the *Column* to diminish, as being set further within the *Plan* than any of the rest of the Members.



C H A P. XXIX.

Another Corinthian Profile exceedingly enrich'd and full of Ornament, taken from Diocletian's Baths at Rome.

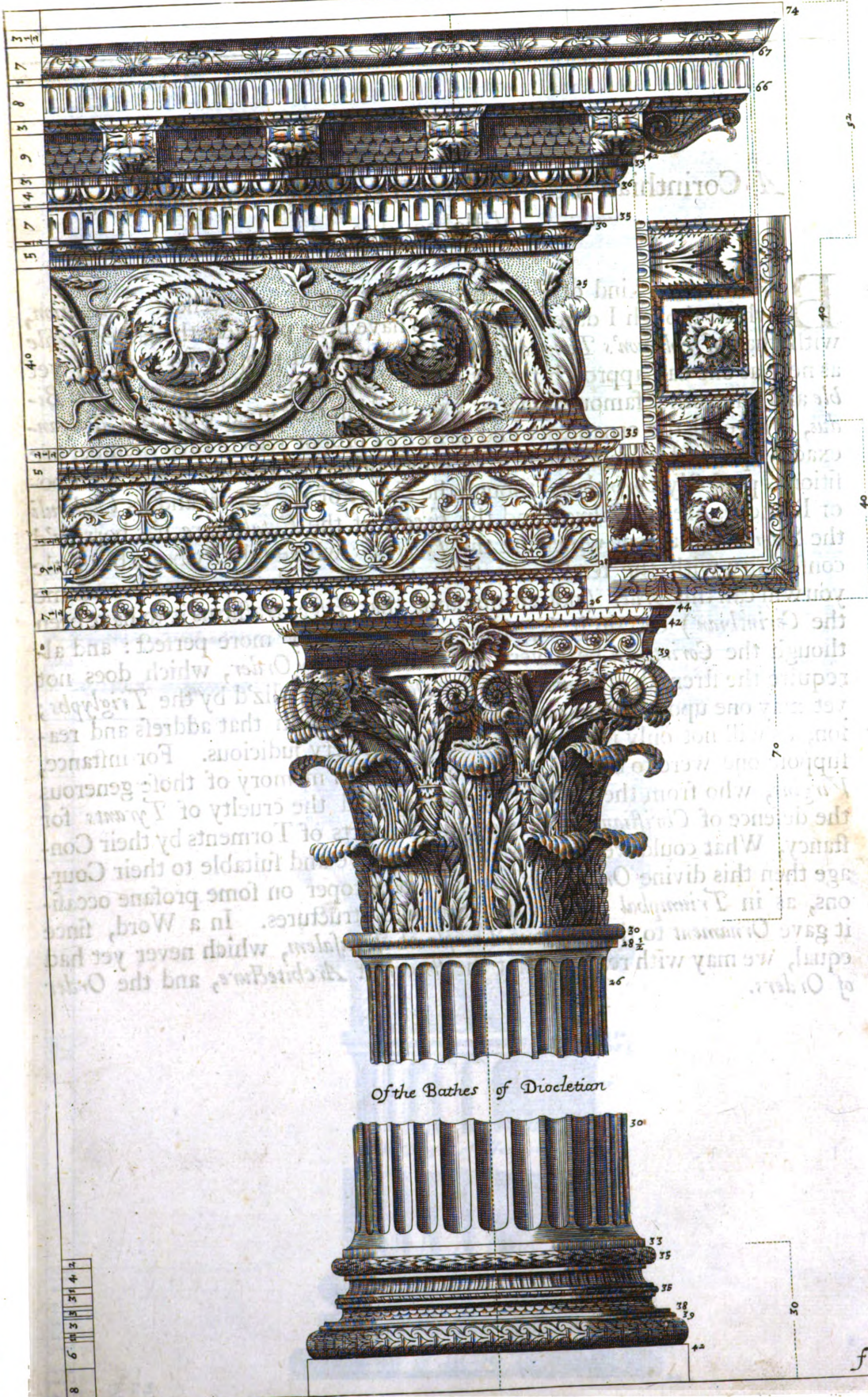
AFTER this *Corinthian* Example we are no more to expect any thing Rich in *Architecture*, but it belongs to the Judicious only to put it in practise, for the abundance of *Ornaments* is not always to be esteemed, nor of advantage to a Building; On the contrary unless the *Subject* oblige one to it by considerations very powerful, one should never be too profuse, since they but disturb the proportions and produce a confusion among the *Parts* which offends the Eyes of those who are truly knowing, and carries a certain antipathy to the very name of Order.

It is not therefore to be employed but in great and publick Works, Houses of *Princes*, and such *Palaces* that are built for magnificence only; as were heretofore at *Rome* the *Baths* of *Diocletian*, of *Antoninus*, and *Trajan* whereof there are yet to be seen such goodly remainders, and from whence this *Profile* had been taken notice of and design'd by that famous *Architect* *Pyrrho Ligorio* in the year 1574; since which time these great *Theaters* of *Architecture* have been dismantled of sundry of their *Columns* with their ornaments, and of a number of other incomparable pieces, whose *Designs* I have from the hand of several *Masters* who had there made very curious and profitable Observations from many noble things which are now no more to be found.

The *Diameter* of the *Columns* of this *Profile* amounted to four *Palmes*; The *Chapter* had this in particular, that its *stalks* and *flexures* of the leaves were made in the form of *Ramms horns*, but the rest after the ordinary proportions and *foliage*. In summ the whole Ornament in general was so artificially elaborated, and finish'd with that affection and politeness, that *Pyrrho Ligorio* having accomplish'd the design, writ this underneath it, That by the delicateness of the work, one would believe, the *Sculptors* had wrought with their *Tools* perfum'd.

The Proportions of the Order.

The *Column* together with its *Base* and *Chapter* has twenty *Moduls*, which reduc'd to *Minutes* (thirty whereof make a *Modul*) amounts to ——— 600
 The *Architrave* hath a *Modul* and a Third ——— 40
 The *Freeze* in like manner one *Modul* and a Third ——— 40
 The *Cornice* two *Moduls* within eight *Minutes* ——— 52
 The whole *Entablature* amounts to two ninths of the height of the *Column*, which is a noble proportion, and shews handsomely in work.

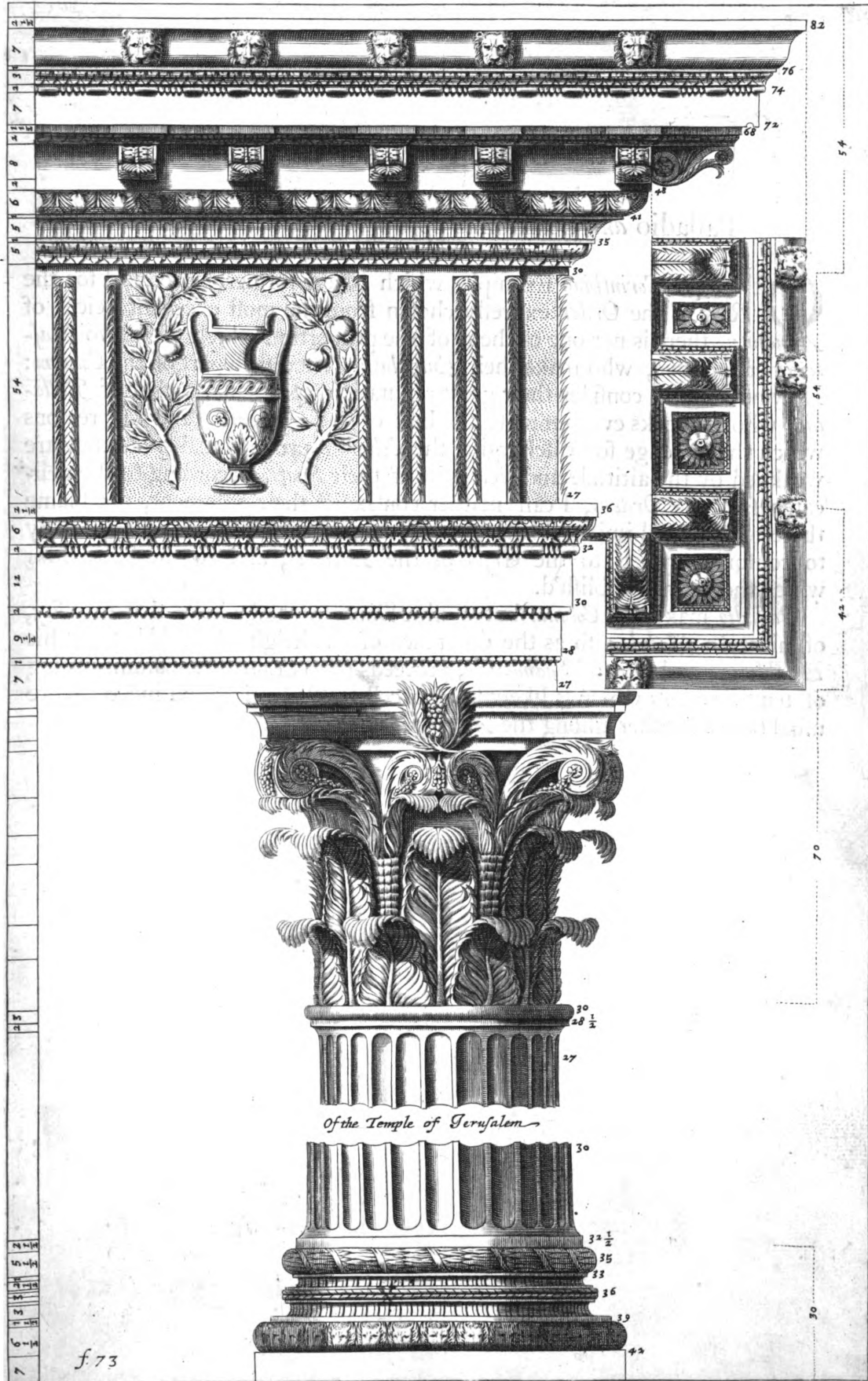


Of the Bathes of Diocletian

C H A P. XXX.

A Corinthian Profile of the Temple of Solomon out of Villalpandus.

BEhold here a kind of Particular Order, but of an excellent Composition, which though I dare not affirm to have been precisely the same Profile with that of Solomon's Temple (the Model which I propose to my self) yet as near as one can approach to that divine Idea from its description in the Bible and some other famous Histories mention'd in that great work of Villalpandus, where all the ornaments and principal proportions of each member are exactly specified, I conceive it to be sufficiently conformable. The Composition is perfectly Corinthian, though the Foliage of the Capitel and its Cauliculi or Branches are of Palms, and the Freeze of the Entablature has borrow'd the Dorick Ornament which are the Triglyphs whose solidity bears but little conformity with the tenderness of the Corinthian: But by what ever name you will call this Order (notwithstanding that Josephus affirms it to have been the Corinthian) certain it is, there was never any more perfect: and although the Corinthian be a very soft and maidenly Order, which does not require the strength and virility of the Dorick, symboliz'd by the Triglyphs; yet may one upon certain occasions introduce it with that address and reason, as will not only render it excusable, but very judicious. For instance, suppose one were to build Churches or Altars in memory of those generous Virgins, who from their tender age vanquish'd the cruelty of Tyrants for the defence of Christianity; surmounting all sorts of Torments by their Constancy, What could we imagine more expressive and suitable to their Courage than this divine Order? It may also be proper on some profane occasions, as in Triumphal Arches and the like Structures. In a Word, since it gave Ornament to that famous Temple of Jerusalem, which never yet had equal, we may with reason call it the flower of Architecture, and the Order of Orders.

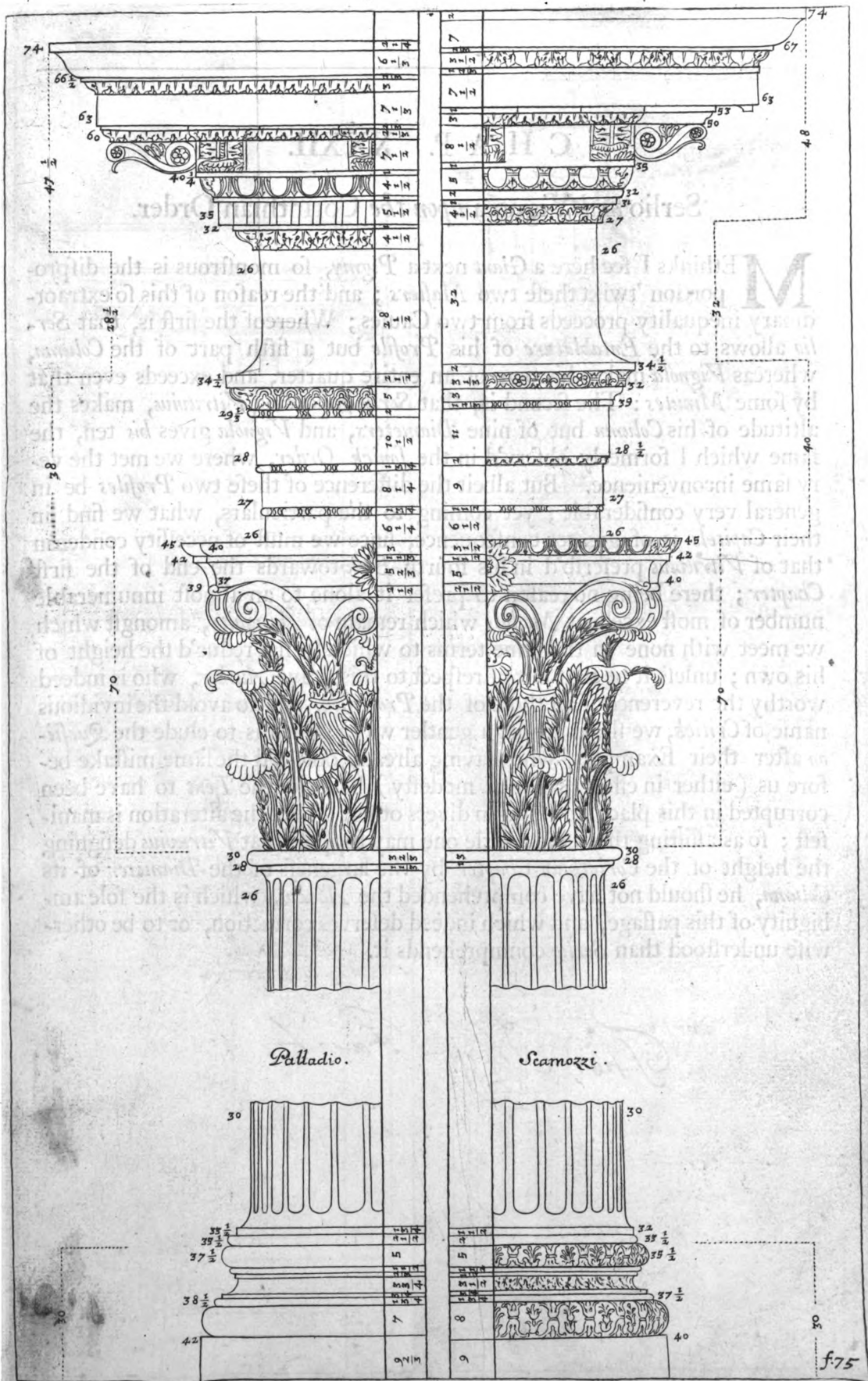


C H A P. XXXI.

Palladio and Scamozzi upon the Corinthian Order.

OF all the *Corinthian* Examples which I have formerly produc'd for the *Rule* of the *Order* expressly chosen from the most excellent peices of *Antiquity*, there is not one of them of the proportion which these two *Masters* here observe, who make their *Entablature* but a fifth part of the *Column*: However when I consider their great reputation (particularly that of *Palladio*, whose Works even emulate the best of the *Antients*) and the reasons which they alledge for discharging the *Columns* proportionably as they are weakned by the altitude and *diminution* of their *Shaft*, according to the delicateness of the *Orders*, I can neither contradict their judgment, nor blame those who would imitate them; though my own *Maxim* be ever precisely to conform my self to the *Gusto* of the *Antients*, and to the *Proportions* which they have establish'd.

Palladio makes his *Column* but of nine *Diameters* and a half, that is to say, of nineteen *Moduls*; so as the difference of the height observ'd betwixt his *Entablature* and that of *Scamozzi's*, proceeds from *Scamozzi's* Columns being of ten *Diameters* which is likewise an excellent *Proportion*, and indeed more usual than the other among the *Antients*.

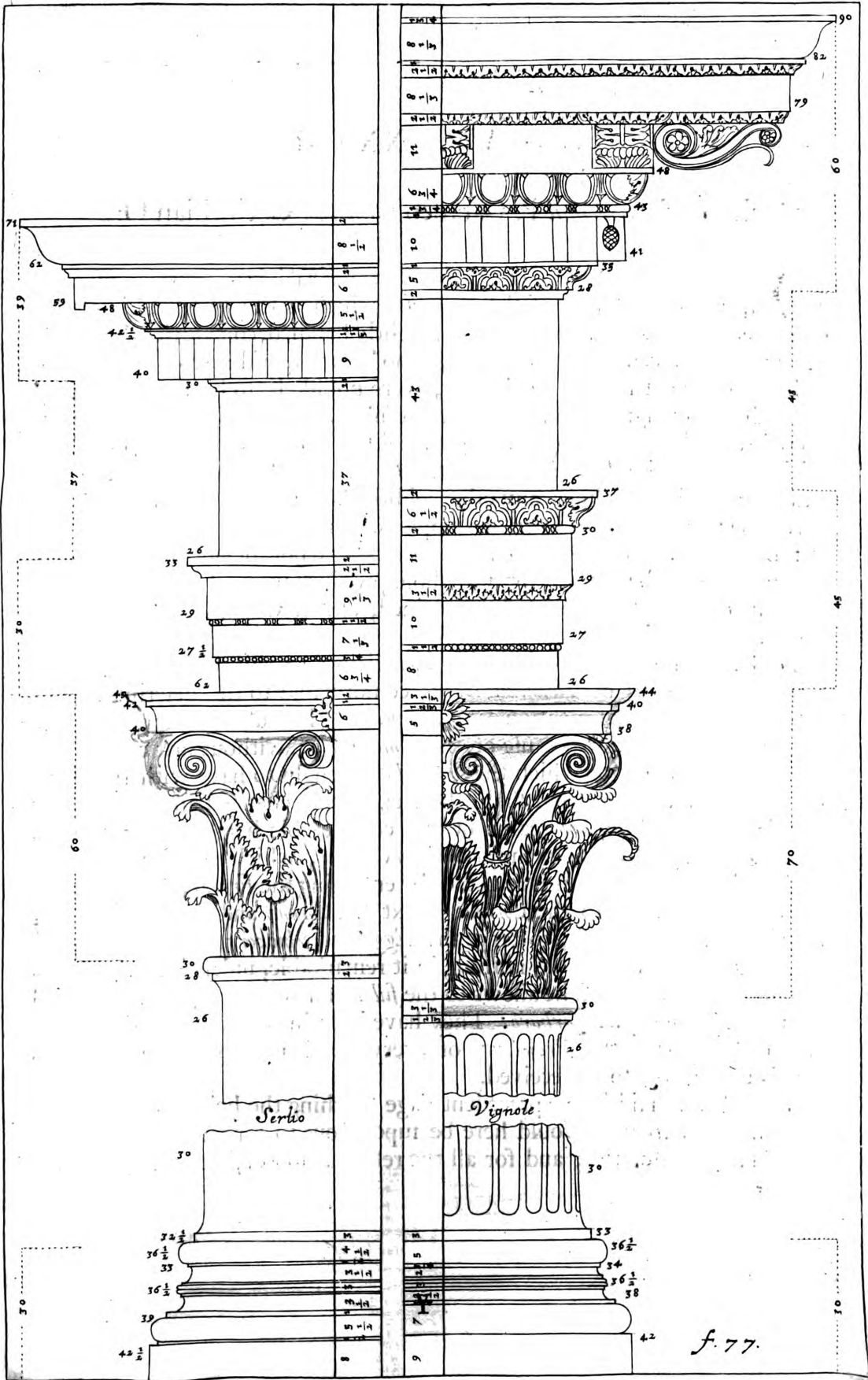


C H A P. XXXII.

Serlio and Vignola upon the Corinthian Order.

MEthinks I see here a *Giant* next a *Pigmy*, so monstrous is the disproportion 'twixt these two *Masters*; and the reason of this so extraordinary inequality proceeds from two *Causes*; Whereof the first is, that *Serlio* allows to the *Entablature* of his *Profile* but a fifth part of the *Column*, whereas *Vignola* makes his own of an entire quarter, and exceeds even that by some *Minutes*: The second is, that *Serlio* following *Vitruvius*, makes the altitude of his *Column* but of nine *Diameters*, and *Vignola* gives his ten, the same which I formerly observ'd in the *Ionick Order*, where we met the very same inconvenience. But albeit the difference of these two *Profiles* be in general very considerable; yet coming to the particulars, what we find in their *Capitels* is of greater consequence, since we must of necessity condemn that of *Vitruvius* prescrib'd in his fourth *Book* towards the end of the first *Chapter*; there being no reason to prefer it alone to an almost innumerable number of most excellent *Moduls* which remain of *Antiquity*, amongst which we meet with none in the same terms to which he has reduc'd the height of his own; unless it be that out of respect to this grave *Author*, who is indeed worthy the reverence of all those of the *Profession*, and to avoid the invidious name of *Critick*, we should chuse a gentler way, which is to elude the *Question* after their *Examples*, who having already observ'd the same mistake before us (either in effect or out of modesty) believ'd the *Text* to have been corrupted in this place as well as in divers others where the alteration is manifest; so as assisting the *Sense* a little one may suppose that *Vitruvius* designing the height of the *Corinthian Chapter* by the largeness of the *Diameter* of its *Column*, he should not have comprehended the *Abacus*, which is the sole ambiguity of this passage, and which indeed deserves correction, or to be otherwise understood than *Serlio* comprehends it.

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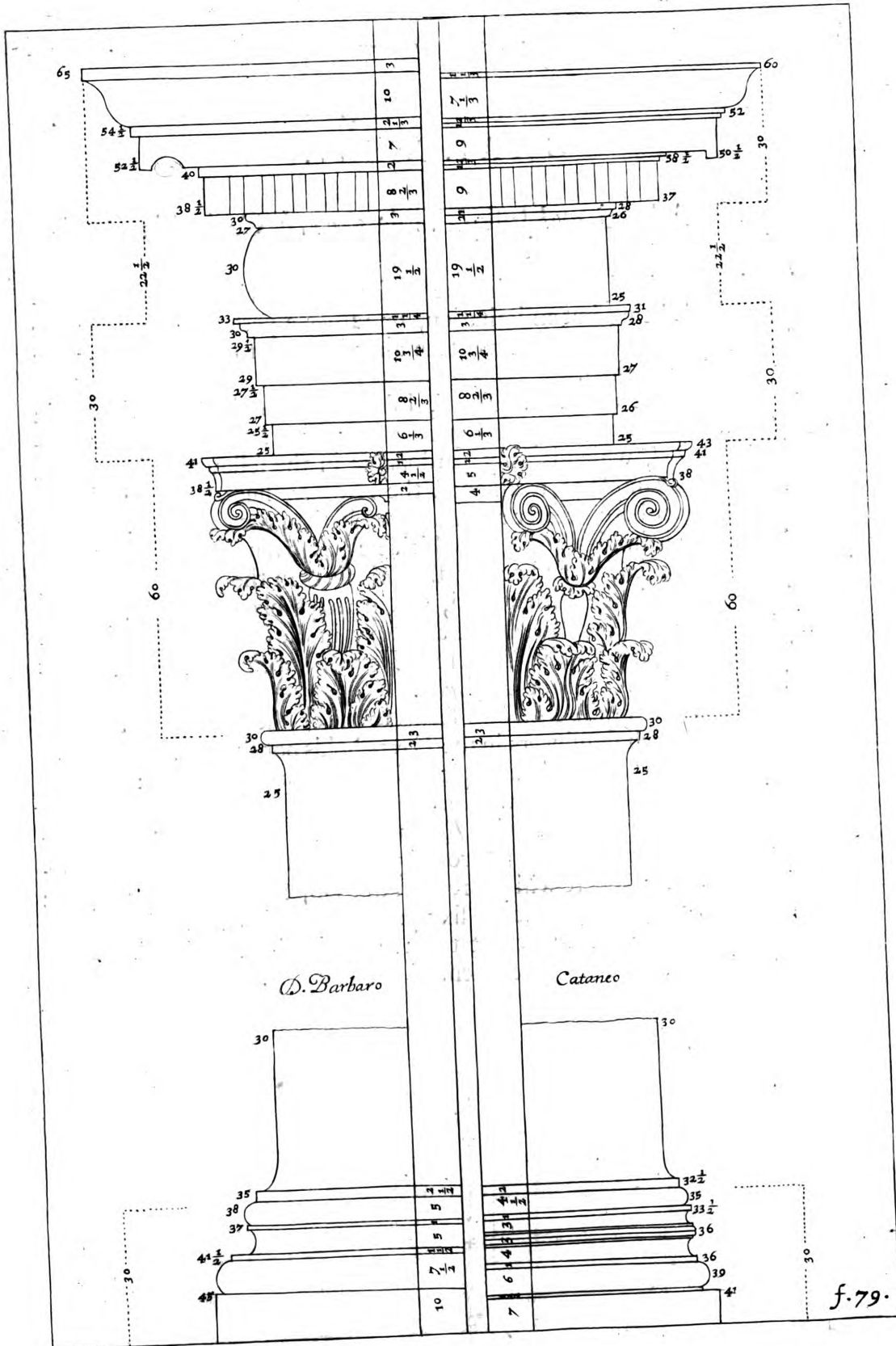
Daniel Barbaro, and P. Cataneo upon the Corinthian Order.

OF all the four *Orders* of *Architecture* descri'd by *Vitruvius* (for he speaks not a Word of the *Composita* which is the *fifth*) This of the *Corinthian* appears to me to be the most slightly handled, considering the nobleness and magnificence of its *Inventors*, who having spar'd no cost to render it rich and excellent beyond all the rest, were not likely to borrow any thing from those amongst whom they were ranked. I conceive that *Vitruvius* therefore at the beginning of his fourth *book* had no reason to affirm, that they used to employ the *Entablature* and the *Ionick*, and sometimes even the *Doric* *Column* also, without any other addition save the *Capitel* of their own invention; since by the antient Examples of this *Order* we find the contrary: But the *R. Daniel Barbaro* his *Commentator* whose design is before us, is by no means to be blamed for it, whose province was only to express the meaning of the *Master* whom he explained, and of which he has very worthily acquitted himself.

He has therefore fitted an *Ionick Entablature* to this *Corinthian Profile*, forming the *Capitel* of *Acanthus-leaves* conformable to the description and history of its original mention'd by *Vitruvius*. I would not for all this advise any *Workman* to make use of this *Composition*; without first considering the relative proportion which the *Entablature* ought to have with the *whole* of the *Order*, a thing that I find is here extremely changed and a great deal less than it should be, by reason of the considerable height which the *Column* has received by that of the *Corinthian Chapter*, which is two thirds higher than the *Ionick*; but this is remedied by enlarging the *Freeze*, and by adding some new *Moulding* to the *Cornice* 'twixt the *Corona* and the *Dentelli*, as a quarter of a Circle or so, to carve the *Eggs* and *Anchors* in.

The *Design* of *Cataneo* has nothing in it remarkable, unless it be the extravagant *Projecture* which he allows to the *fillet* of his *Dentelli*, as we also find it in the *Design* of *D. Barbaro*: They have both in this followed that *Maxim* which regulates the *Projecture* of every member to its height, but this rule is not always to be received.

What I have said in the precedent Page touching the height of the *Capitel* according to *Vitruvius*, would here be superfluous to repeat: It may therefore serve both for this, and for all the rest that follow, being of the same *Species*.



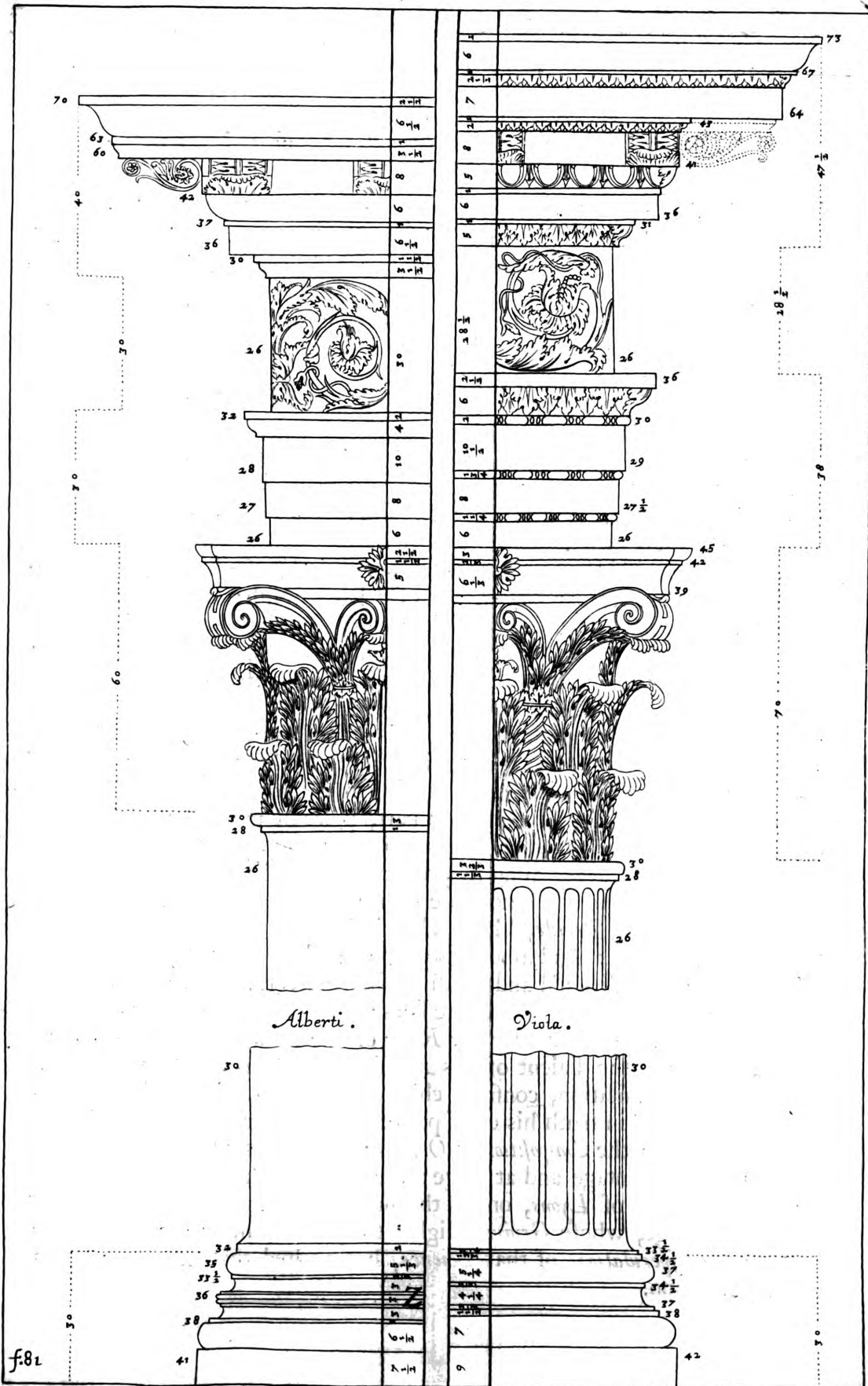
C H A P. XXXIV.

L. Baptista Alberti, and Joseph Viola upon the Corinthian Order.

I shall here need only to examine the *Design* of *Alberti*, That of his Companion *Viola* being but an imitation, or rather a perfect *Coppy* after the *Profile* of *Palladio*, which we have seen already, and to which I refer the *Reader* as to its Original.

As touching that of *L. B. Alberti*, I find two remarkable particulars in his *Design* which seem worthy of reprehension: The first is the low proportion of the *Capitel*, which is only pardonable in the followers of *Vitruvius*, for we find no Example of it amongst the *Antients*, since even he himself imitates a Manner both greater and more noble than the *Vitruvian*: The other observable is in his *Cornice*, to which he has given no *Corona* though it be a Member so essential and one of the principal in the *Entablature*: But though this liberty be somewhat bold, and perhaps blame-worthy, yet remains there one considerable example at *Rome*, in the *Cornice* of that famous *Temple of Peace*, built by the Emperour *Vespasian*, being one of the greatest and most superb *Relicks* of *Antiquity*.

The *face* likewise of the *Modillions* seems to me of the largest, and besides that the *Foliage* which domineers in the *Freeze* holds not sufficient conformity with the *Cornice*, as too simple and plain for so rich an Ornament: But the remedy is at hand by adding a few *Leaves* or other *Carvings* on the *Cymatium's* of the *Cornice* and *Architrave*, with *Eggs* upon the quarter round; unless it be that you would rather save that work by abating somewhat of the Ornament of the *Freeze*: There will yet remain this Objection still in the *Design*; That the *Author* resolving rather to fix upon the *Capitel* of *Vitruvius* than on those of the *Antients*, he ought not to have carv'd them with *Olive-leaves*, since *Vitruvius* does expressly order them of the *Acanthus*.

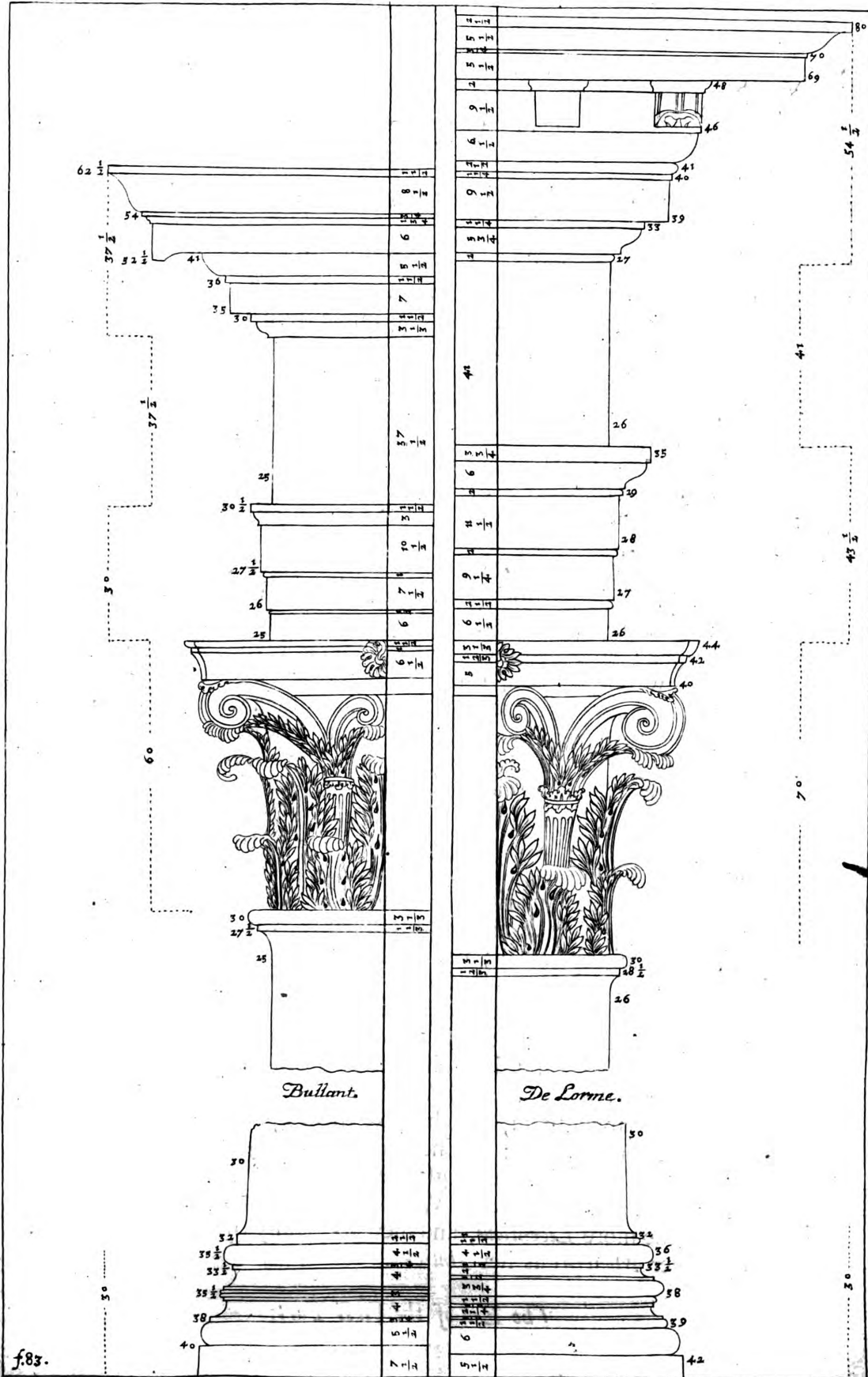


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Bullant, and De Lorme upon the Corinthian Order.

I Should do an injury to one of our prime *French Architects* *John Bullant* by name, if by the Examen of this *Profile* I should rank him with those of the *School of Vitruvius*, since he has after this given us others of a nobler form, which he has copied from the *Antients*; but not finding him so perfectly exact in the measures which he assigns them, I therefore omit 'em: He appears in this *design* to have imitated *Serlio*, and indeed the difference between them is very inconsiderable; notwithstanding I observe something in this that is more refin'd, as the *Projecture* of the *Dentelli* (or rather of the plain *fillet* on which they should have been cut) which is extremely regular, whereas *Serlio's* is excessive, besides the impertinent repetition of a small *Ogee*, which is thrice within the space of the *Cornice* only, but which *John Bullant* has had the discretion to diversifie: He also gives his *Capitel* more grace, the leaves and branches whereof are better shaped.

I could have wish'd for conclusion of our *Corinthian Order*, that *De Lorme* had left us a more regular *Design*, and of a better relish: But the good man, though very studious, and a lover of the *Antick Architecture*, had yet a modern *Genius*, which made him look upon those excellent things of *Rome* as it were with *Gotbic Eyes*: as appears plainly in this *Profile*, which he pretends to be conformable to those of the *Chappels* of the *Rotunda*. For the rest, his *Style* is so exceedingly perplex'd, that it is oftentimes very difficult to comprehend his meaning: The *Reader* will smile to see how he explains himself on the Subject of this *Cornice* ('tis in the fourth *Chapter* of his sixth *Book*) For having cited all the Measures of each part, piece by piece, he says, that as to the height of the *Architrave*, he had divided it into three and forty parts and an half, to give every thing its proportion, but that not falling out as it ought, he's resolv'd to speak no more of it; and these are his very *Terms*: As to the *Base* of this *Profile*, I have taken it from the end of the second *Chapter* of the same *Book*: And albeit its proportion be very extraordinary, he affirms yet to have design'd and measur'd it from certain *Vestigia's* very *antick* (these are again his own expressions:) You may likewise take notice that the stalks or *Cauliculi* under the *Roses* of the *Abacus* rise too high in this *Capitel*: In summ, the Talent of this *Architect*, who has for all this acquir'd a great deal of reputation, consisted chiefly in the contriving and surveying of a *Building*; and in truth his chief perfection lay more in the Art of *Squaring Stones* than in the *Composition* of *Orders*; and of this he has indeed written with most advantage and at large: But since him, and that very lately, the *Sieur Desargues* of *Lyons*, one of the most exquisite and subtile *Geometricians* of this Age, whose *Genius* delights to render familiar and useful the most excellent *speculations* of that *Science*, has exalted that *Art* to a much higher Perfection.



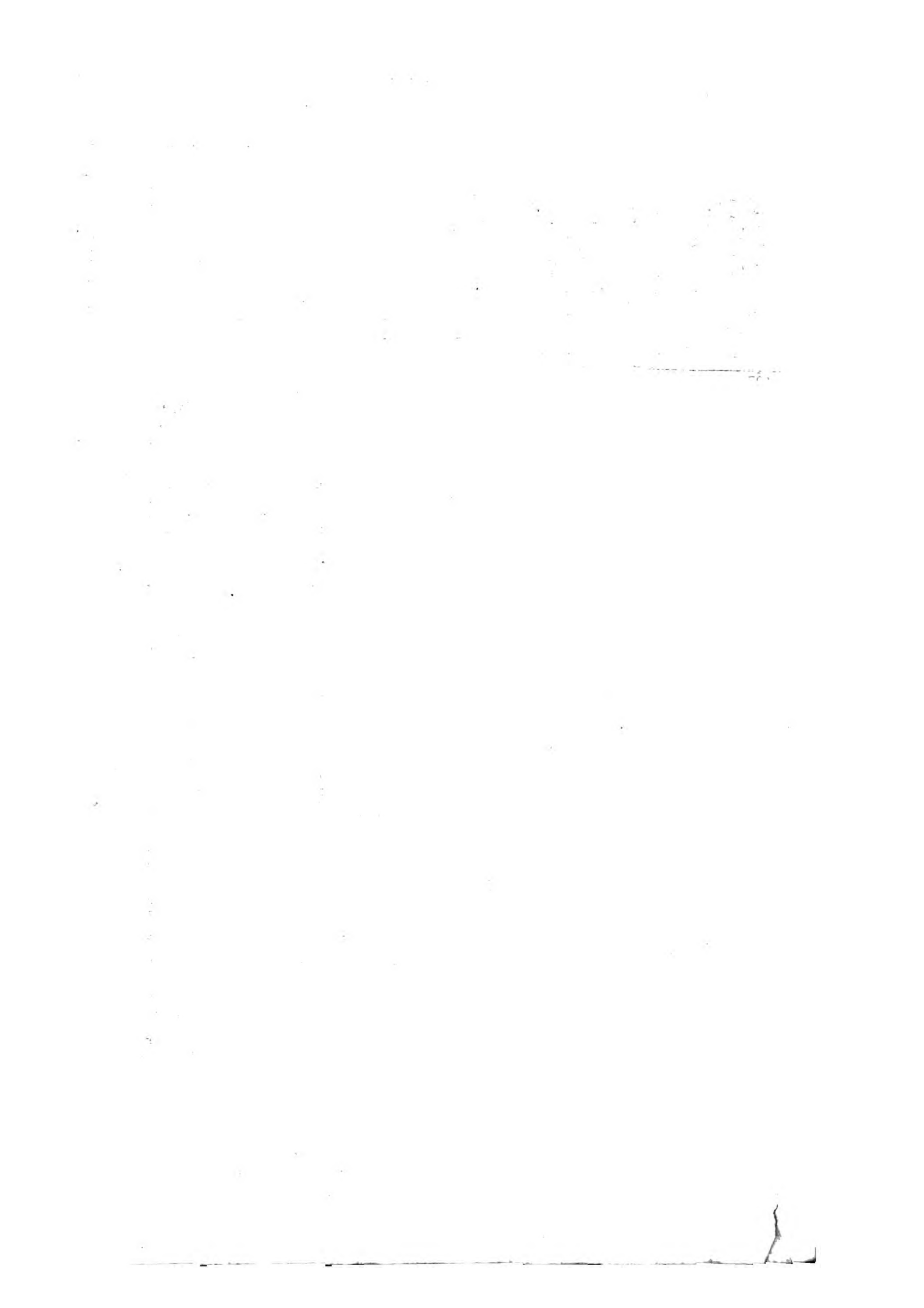
C H A P. XXXVI.

The Orthography of one of the Altars of the Rotunda.

NOT to leave the mind of our *Reader* altogether intangled amongst the *Moderns*, and haply also deviating from the right Path of *Architecture*, I am presenting him with an Example from the goodlest *Temple of Antiquity*, which is one of the *Tabernacles* now standing in the *Rotunda*; that so he may return and be again reduc'd to this noble and perfect *Idea* of the *Art* which I have still been proposing to him in my fix'd discourse before every *Order* by the like *Examples*; upon which, as upon the most permanent and immoveable Foundations he ought to fix and establish his *Studies*: For, compar'd to this, the writings of the *Moderns* are but loose *Earth*, and ill-bottom'd, upon which one can erect nothing that is substantial and solid: But having already sufficiently treated of the *Mouldings* and *Proportions* of the *Corinthian Orders*, and that the *Design* which I here propose is too little for the precisely measuring of each Member, I shall only touch two or three particulars here, which more import the general composition of the *Design* than the regularity of the *Order*; The first whereof is, that its now become as it were the *Mode*, I should say rather an universal *Madness*, to esteem nothing fine, but what is fill'd and surcharged with all sorts of *Ornaments*, without choice, without discretion or the least affinity either to the *Work* or the *Subject*: So as the composition of this *Altar* would be esteem'd very mean in the Opinion of our small *a la Mode* Masters, who to enrich it, would in lieu of the single *Column* which at each side sustains the *Frontispiece*, make a Pile of four or six and haply of more, with two or three accumulations of *Mouldings* in the *Cornice*, to break the Order and exact evenness of the *Members*, whose regularity is anxious to them: One *Fronton* would be likewise too few for them, they add frequently two and sometimes three, and that one within the other; nor do they think it fine unless it be *broken, carv'd* and *frett*, with some *Escutcheon* or *Cartouch* at least: Nay even the *Columns* themselves which are the Props and Foundation of the *Orders*, scape them no more than the rest; for they not only abuse and counterfeit them in their *Capitels* and *Bases*, but in their very *Shafts* also: 'Tis now esteem'd a *Master-stroke* to make them *wreatb'd* and full of *rings*, or some other *Capricious* Ligatures about them, which make them appear as if they had been *glew'd* together and *repair'd*: In fine, one may truly say, that poor *Architecture* is very ill-treated amongst them: But it were not just, to impute this great reproach to our *French* Work-men only; the *Italians* themselves are now become more *Licentious*, and shew us plainly that *Rome* has at present, as well her *Moderns* as her *Anticks*.

The End of the First Part.







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C H A P. I.
Of the Tuscan Order.

IT is an Abuse so visible in the *Architecture* of the *Moderns*, their confounding the *Greek Orders* amongst the *Latine*, that I am astonished at the general inadvertency of so many *Authors*, as treating of their *Symmetries*, and the Particularities of their *Proportions*, have so dispos'd of them, as plainly discovers how ignorant they were of their *Proprieties* and *specific Differences*, without which it is so very difficult to make use of them judiciously.

I had already hinted something in the *Preface* of the First Part of this *Treatise*, to prepare the *Reader* for the new *Order* which I am here observing; but which being contrary to vulgar Opinion and current Practice, will have much ado to establish it self, and doubtless provoke many Adversaries. But since the Foundations of this *Art*, are principally fixt upon such *Examples* of *Antiquity* as are yet remaining, I hope, that in time my opinion may prevail, seeing I tread but upon their footsteps, and rather *demonstrate* the thing than *discourse* of it.

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Hitherto all our *Architects* have generally held that the *Tuscan Order* was a kind of *Building* which differ'd from the others only in the plainness of its *Moldings*, solidity of its Parts; but in the rest, consisting of the same *Members*, and of like Usage: And truly I should be injurious to condemn it, since *Vitruvius* has in his fourth *Book* made a particular *Chapter* of the manner how to build *Temples* after the *Tuscan Order*. Notwithstanding, however one might interpret what he there says, it would be very difficult to invent an handsome *Idea* of *Entablature*, fit to place upon those *Columns*: And therefore I conceive, that the only piece of this *Order* which deserves to be put in Work, and that can properly recommend it to us, is the simple *Column* it self without any *Architrave* at all, as we find it employ'd by the *Antients*: For whereas by the ordinary usage of it, 'tis ever rang'd in the last Place. These great *Masters* have assign'd it one wholly independent from the others, and treated it so advantageously, that it may for its Beauty and Nobleness stand in competition with all the rest of the *Orders*: Nor will this I presume be denied, when they shall have consider'd that renowned *Example* which I am producing of the *Column* of *Trajan*, one of the most superb remainders of of the *Roman* magnificence to be now seen standing, and which has more immortaliz'd the Emperour *Trajan*, than all the *Penns* of *Historians*. This *Mausoleum*, if so we may call it, was erected to him by the *Senate* and *People* of *Rome*, in recognition of those great Services he had rendred his *Country*; and to the end the Memory of it might remain to all succeeding Ages, and continue as long as the very *Empire* it self; they order'd them to be engraven on *Marble*, and that by the richest Touch that was ever yet employ'd. It was *Architecture* her self which was here the *Historiographer* of this new kind of *History*, and who since it was to celebrate a *Roman*, chose none of the *Greek Orders*, (though they were incomparably the more perfect and in use even in *Italy* it self, than the two other Originals of the *Country*) lest the Glory of this renown'd *Monument* should seem to be divided; and to instruct us also, that there is nothing so plain and simple but what *Art* knows how to bring to Perfection: She chose therefore a *Column* of the *Tuscan Order*, which till that time was never admitted but in gross and *Rustick* works; and of this rude and inform *Mass* made to emerge the richest and most noble *Master-piece* of the *World*, which *Time* that devours all things, has preserv'd and kept entire to this very Day in the midst of an infinity of *Ruines* which even fill the *City* of *Rome*. And 'tis indeed a kind of *Miracle* to see, that the *Coliseum*, the *Theater* of *Marcellus*, those great *Circus's*, the *Baths* of *Dioclesian*, of *Caracalla*, and of *Antonius*, that proud *Moles* of *Adrian's* *Sepulture*, the *Septizonium* of *Severus*, the *Amphitheater* of *Augustus*, and innumerable other Structures, which seem'd to have been built for *Eternity*, should be at present so ruinous and dilapidated, that its hard even to Divine what their original Forms were; whilst yet this *Column* of *Trajan* (whose Structure seem'd much less durable) remains extant and entire, by a secret of *Providence*, which has destin'd this stupendous *Obelisk* to the greatest *Monarch* that ever *Rome* enjoy'd, the chief of the *Church* *St. Peter*, who possesses now the *Seat* of that *Emperour* to whom it hath been rector. But to preserve my self within the Limits of my Subject, which is only to give you its description

cription according to the *Design* of the *Architect* who was the *Author* of it, I shall leave to such as are contemplative the *moralizing* on this so wonderful *Vicissitude*; since it would be here from our purpose, and very impertinent to the *Art* we are illustrating.

Let us then again return to our *Column*, and its singular use among all the *Orders* of *Architecture*, where the rest of the *Pillars* do in comparison of this, appear but as so many *Servants* and *Slaves* of the *Edifices* which they support, while ours is a *Queen* of that *Majesty*, that reigning as it were alone she is exalted on the *Throne* of her *Piedestal*, deck'd with all the *Treasures* of *Glory*, and from whence she as freely imparts her *Magnificence* to all those whom she vouchsafes to look upon: The first and most illustrious of her *Favourites* was *Trajan*, upon whose *Monument* I am now forming an *Idea* of the *Order* which I would call *Tuscan*, without troubling my self with what all the *Moderns* have written of it, who making no difference 'twixt it and the *Rustick*, do no great honour to the *Tuscan*, while they gratifie him with so poor an *Invention*: But lest our *Criticks* take it ill, we should name that a *Tuscan Order* which had its first *Original* at *Rome*, let them if they please call it the *Roman Order*; since they may with much more reason do it, then those who so name the *Composita* of which we shall speak hereafter. For my part I regulate my self upon the *Profiles* of the *Capitel* and *Base*, which I here find to be the same which *Vitruvius* attributes to the *Tuscan Column*: The most important difficulty in my *Opinion*, would be how our *Column* having no *Entablature*, could be properly reckon'd in the *Catalogue* of *Orders*, that being so principal a *Member*, and in some degree the very *Head* of the *Order*. But the *Architect* of this our *Model* well foresaw, that something was to be substituted in its place, and so contriv'd it after a most excellent manner: He propos'd doubtless to himself the imitation of those miraculous *Memphitick Pyramides* which the *Egyptians* (those divine Wits to whom we are so much oblig'd for many excellent Arts) had formerly erected to the *Memory* and *Asbes* of their *Kings*, who from the immense and prodigious greatness of their *Tombs*, one would believe had been *Giants*, and as it were *Gods* amongst *Men*: Their *Urns* and *Statues*, crowned the *Summities* of these artificial *Mountains*, from whence, as from some august and terrible *Throne*, they seem'd to the *People* to reign after their *Death*, and that with more *Majesty* than when they liv'd: Our *Prudent Architect* being to render the same *Honour* to *Trajan*, the worthiest *Prince* that till then had born the *Title* of *Emperour*, and whom the *City* of *Rome* did strive to immortalize; reflected seriously upon those stupendious Works, whence he drew this high and sumblime imitation which we so much admire, and which has since become a *Rule*, and been follow'd on sundry other *Occasions*: Two most renowned *Examples* of this are yet remaining; the *Column* of *Antoninus* at *Rome* also, and that at *Constantinople*, erected to the *Emperour Theodosius* after his *Victory* against the *Scythians*; which sufficiently testifie by their resemblance to that of our *Trajan*, that this kind of *Architecture* pass'd currently for an *Order* amongst the *Masters* of the *Art*, seeing they always employ'd it ever since upon the same *Occasions*, together with *Tuscan Profiles* both at the *Base* and *Capitel*: This established, the rest will easily follow, so as not to subject it henceforward to the *Opinion* and diversity of the *Gusto's* of those of

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the Profession, since we have the *Original* for our *Model*, to which we ought of necessity to conform, lest we transgress the Terms and regularity of the *Order*: Now suppose an *Architect* be on some occasion obliged to introduce, or change any thing in it, as the time and quality of this design may require; he is yet to proceed with extraordinary circumspection, and without in the least altering the *Form* of the principal *Members*; in which one shall perceive the Address of his Spirit, and the Gallantry of his Invention: This is a *Maxim* so universal through the *Orders*, that without it one should never pretend to give Rules, nor propose indeed any Example for imitation; so naturally obnoxious indeed are our inclinations to Novelty, and so blind in our own Productions: See then from what source the confusion of that *Order* sprung, which they name the *Composita*, and which the presumption and ignorance of *Workmen* has begotten, like an extravagant *Monster* blended with so many Natures, and sometimes so averse and contrary, that 'tis impossible to distinguish their *Species*: I have reserved their full *Examen* for the conclusion of this *Treatise*, where I shall make choice of what, I meet with of most conformity to the Rules of *Art* and of good *Architecture*, and where I shall produce some of the most famous *Examples* of *Antiquity*, that at least Men may have faithful Guides through this *Labyrinth* of Confusion.

Our *Trajan Column* which we here substitute instead of the *Tuscan Order*, by the Prerogative of its excellent composition has this advantage above the other *Orders*, that there seldom hapning occasions worthy of it; that is to say, such as are particular and noble enough to merit the putting it in practice; Our *small Masters* incapable of so high an Employment, have spoken nothing of it, and by this means she has remained in her original purity: But the first which was ever made in imitation of it, and that exceedingly confirm'd the establishment of this new *Order*, was the *Column* of *Antoninus* which is yet very entire, and the only *Paragon* to ours, though it concede somewhat to it in the execution and *magisterial* handling; but in recompence of this it surpasses it in the greatness of its *Mass*, a thing very considerable in this *Order*, whose *specifick* beauty consists in being vast, and of a manner *Colossal*: For the rest, the *Composition* and *Ordinance* of the whole design are very alike.

I will now shew in general the effect and form of the principal Members, and of what one ought to be careful in the application of *Ornaments*, which are to be disposed with great discretion, as being of the very *Essence* and body of the *Order*: The first, and as it were the Foundation of the whole Structure is the *Piedestal*, which is here no less necessary then is the *Cornice* to the *Columns* of the other *Orders*; and its proportion though square and solid requires an enrichment of handsome *Modenatures*, and of all other sorts of *Ornaments* at the *Plinth* and *Cymatium*, but above all in its four *Faces*, which are as it were the *Tables* of *Renown* where she paints the *Victories* of those *Heroes* to whom she erects such glorious *Trophies*: It is there that we behold all the *Military Spoils* of the vanquish'd, their *Arms*, the *Machins* they made use of in fight, their *Ensigns*, *Shields*, *Cymeters*, the *Harnes* of their *Horses* and of their *Chariots*, their *Habiliments* of *War*, the marks of their *Religion*, and in a word what ever could contribute to the pomp and magnificence of a *Triumph*: Upon this glorious *Booty* our *Column* as on a
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Throne is erected and revested with the most rich and splendid Apparel which *Art* can invent, and indeed provided the *Architect* be a judicious Person, it cannot be too glorious: I repeat it again, that this ought in no sort to alter or in the least confound the *Proportions* and *Tuscan Profiles* of the *Base* and *Capital*, as being the very keys of the Confort and harmony of the whole *Order*. The last but principal thing, because it sets the *Crown* upon the whole Work, is the *Statue* of the *Person* to whom we erect this superb and magnificent Structure; This hath an *Urn* under his Feet, as intimating a renaescency from his own *Asbes*, like the *Phenix*, and that the *Vertue* of great Men triumphs over *Destiny* which has a Power only over the vulgar.

As to what concerns the regular *Proportion* of this *Figure* and *Urn* with the altitude of the *Column*, I can here conclude nothing precisely, this part being repair'd in the *Original*, and that in a manner too modern and wide of the first intention of the *Architect*, to derive any advantage thence for our Subject. It may yet be said with likelihood enough, that since 'tis as 'twere the *Entablature* of the *Order*, one should allow it a fourth part of the *Column*, as to the *Trabeation* of the *Dorick Order* to which this bears a very great resemblance: I conceive also, that the *Figure* ought so to be proportioned by the Rules of *Opticks*, that it may appear of a size somewhat exceeding the *Natural*, and of an elegant *Symmetry*, that so it may be taken notice of above all the rest; but with this discretion yet, that being of necessity to stand on its feet, it appear of a firm position, and that the *Mafs* of the *Urn* which serves it for *Piedestal*, have a solidness agreeable to this effect: For 'tis a thing greatly obliging in *Architecture*, to make every thing not only solid and durable, but that it likewise so appear and thereby avoid that *Gothic* indecorum which affects it as a beauty, the making of their Works seem as 'twere hanging in the *Air* and ready to fall upon ones head, which is an Extravagance too visible for us to spend any time in confuting.

By this time I think I have left nothing unsaid which concerns the general *Composition* of our *Column*: As for the lesser retail of the *Proportions* and *Profiles* of each *Member*, the *Design* shews them so perspicuously that 'twere but a childish and impertinent labour to name them over one by one, as those first Inventors of *Painting* did, who to supply the weakness of the *Art*, not yet arriv'd to so natural a representation of the things they imitated, were forc'd to write under them, This is an *Ox*, a *Tree*, a *Horse*, a *Mountain*, &c. There will be no need of this here, the effect of the *Design* having so far exceeded the expression of all words, that it shews us more things in an instant, and that with infinite more preciseness, then could have been described by discourse in a very long time. I will therefore conclude by this rare kind of *Language*, which has neither need of *Ears* nor *Tongue*, and which is indeed the most divine *Invention* that was ever yet found out by Man.

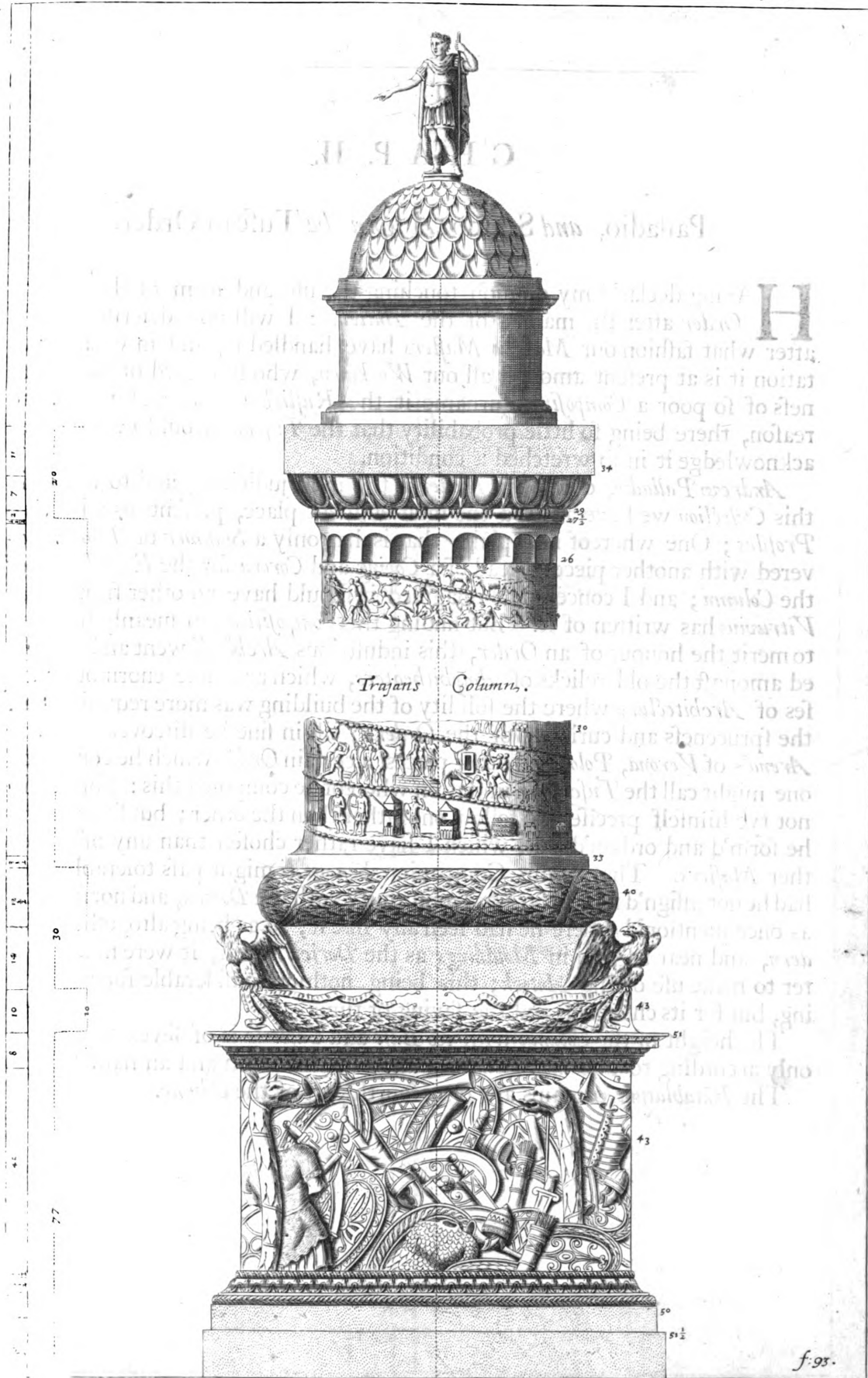
For the rest you will in my *Profile* of the *Trajan Column* perceive with what diligence and exactitude all these things conform to the *Original*, even to the very least Ornaments, and thereby judge how exceedingly careful I have been in other things of greater consequence. If the *Reader* be intelligent, and that he have attentively view'd and with a masterly Eye, this rich
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and incomparable piece which I describe, the satisfaction he will derive from the accurate Observations I have made and here present him will be proportioned to his ability: For in these particulars our Eyes see no further than our understanding purges them, nor do their admirable Beauties reveal themselves at once, nor to all the World in general; They will be curiously observed and discovered with Industry: There are likewise several kinds which every one considers according to the force of his Wit, and as they conform to his *Genius*: Some there are who seek only the Grace and Neatness of *Ornaments*; others consider the nobleness of the *Work* and novelty of the *Invention*; the most knowing have regard to the *Proportions* chiefly, and the regularity of the whole with its Parts, to the judicious Composition, the greatness and solidity of the *Design*, and such essential Beauties as are only visible to the Eyes of the most intelligent *Architects*; from whence it often falls out, that the same Work in which all these parts are not equally perfect, is variously esteem'd by those of the *Profession* (for there but few like this of ours so qualified as to merit an universal approbation,) and the misery of it is, that the best things have for the most part many fewer *Admirers* than the *indifferent*, because their are more *Dunces* than *able Men*.

The Module of the following *Design*, and the Method of *deciphering* is the same with what went before; *viz.* That passing a *Perpendicular* through the *Center* of the *Column* the whole height of the *Order*, I divide the *Semidiameter* of the *Pillar* at the foot into thirty *Minutes* which compose the *Module*, upon which I afterwards regulate all the *Members* as well for their height as sailings over, and *projeſture* of their *Profiles*, still beginning by this *Central* line of the *Column*, that so the position of each individual part be exactly adjusted and precisely in its place. This is so perspicuous, and has been so oft repeated, that there can remain no possible difficulty.

As to what now concerns the whole *Mass*, the *Column* contains seventeen *Moduls*, comprehending the *Base* and *Capitel*. The *Piedestal* with its entire *Bassament*, *Cymatium*, and that *Zocolo* or *Plynth* above wrought with a *Festoon* (which in my judgment makes a part of it, as rendring it a perfect *Cube*, of all *Geometrical* proportions the most regular and solid and consequently most agreeable to this Structure) has in height three *Moduls*, a very little less: The *Base* of the *Column* contains precisely one, and the *Capital* two thirds of a *Modul*.



C H A P. II.

Palladio, and Scamozzi upon the Tuscan Order.

HAVING declar'd my opinion touching the use and form of the *Tuscan Order* after the manner of the *Antients*; I will now describe to you after what fashion our *Modern Masters* have handled it, and in what reputation it is at present amongst all our *Workmen*, who in regard of the meanness of so poor a *Composition* surname it the *Rustick Order*, and that with reason, there being so little probability that the *Tuscans* would ever own or acknowledge it in so wretched a condition.

Andrew Palladio, of all the *Moderns* the most judicious, and to whom in this *Collection* we have assign'd the most eminent place, presents us with two *Profiles*; One whereof is so plain, that is has only a *Summer of Timber* covered with another piece instead of a *Coping* and *Corona* for the *Entablature* of the *Column*; and I conceive he imagined it should have no other from what *Vitruvius* has written of it. But finding this *Composition* too meanly handled to merit the honour of an *Order*, this industrious *Architect* went and searched amongst the old relicks of *Amphitheatres*, which are those enormous masses of *Architecture* where the solidity of the building was more requisite than the spruceness and curiosity of the *Orders*; till in fine he discover'd in the *Arena's* of *Verona*, *Polo*, and other places, a certain *Order* which he conceived one might call the *Tuscan*, in imitation whereof he compos'd this: For he did not tye himself precisely to follow one rather than the other; but from many he form'd and ordain'd this, which I have rather chosen than any of the other *Masters*. That of his Companion *Scamozzi* might pass tolerably well had he not assign'd him a too great conformity with the *Dorick*, and not so much as once mention'd where he had seen any like it; so as being altogether *Modern*, and near as rich in *Mouldings* as the *Dorick* it self, it were much better to make use of the *Antick*; this being nothing considerable for a building, but for its cheapness and the saving of time.

The height of the *Column* with its *Base* and *Capitels* is of seven *Diameters* only according to *Palladio*: *Scamozzi* allows to his seven and an half.

The *Entablature* contains always a fourth part of the *Column*.

C H A P. III.

Serlio and Vignola upon the Tuscan Order.

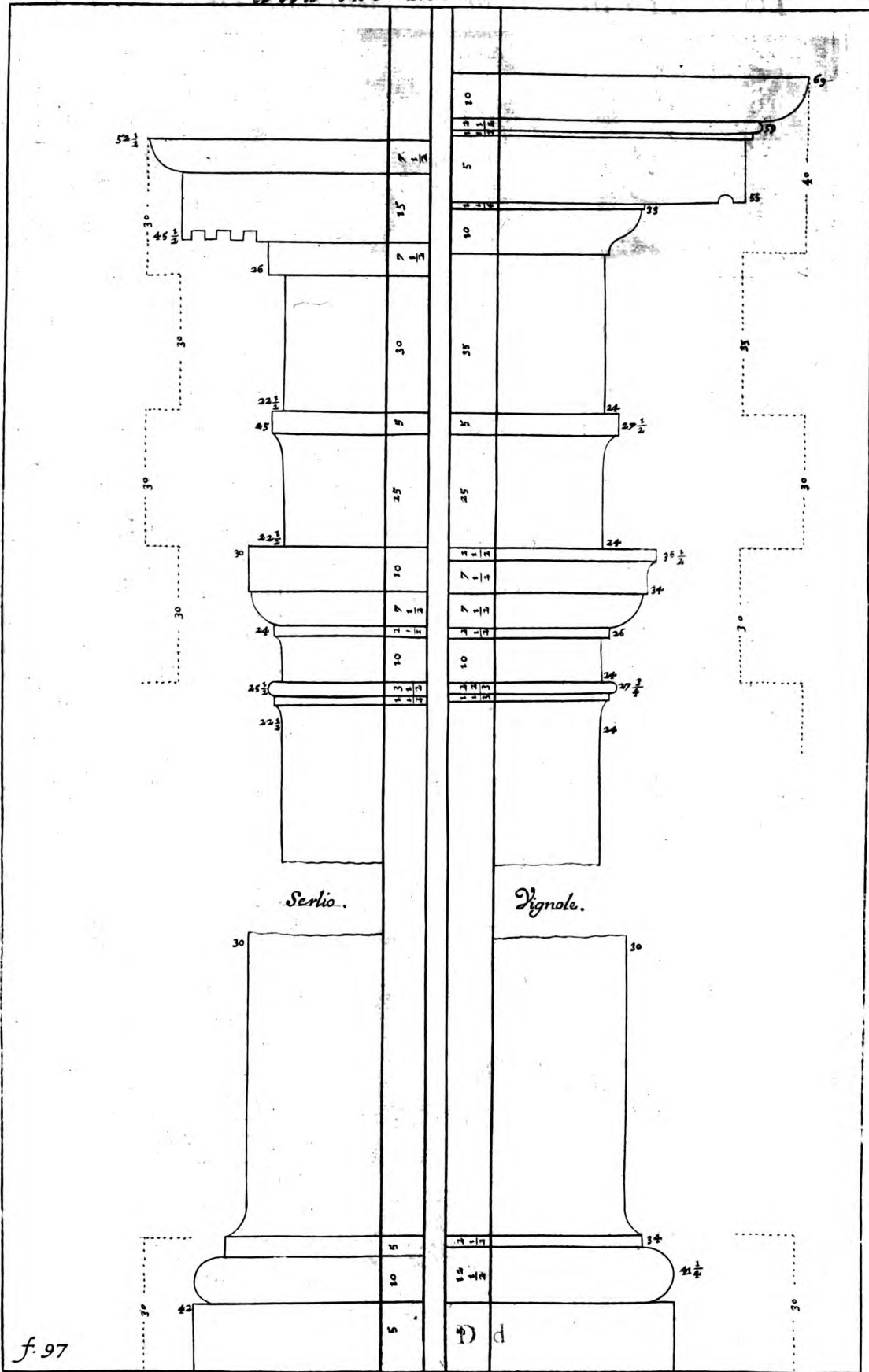
WE have seen in the precedent *Chapter* the *Tuscan Order* of our Modern *Architects* in its most advantageous lustre; but methinks it is extremely decay'd here, especially in the *Profile* of *Serlio*, where the whole is indeed too plain and particular, being the only Person who has allow'd to every Member of the *Order* in general, *Base*, *Capitel*, *Architrave*, *Freeze* and *Cornice* like an altitude; this equality being here but a false kind of *Proportion*, and wholly repugnant to what *Architecture* has borrowed from the *Opticks*.

Vignola has in this respect proceeded more rationally, adding to each Member what it might diminish of its magnitude by the distance from the Eye; and therefore he has made the *Cornice* somewhat higher than the *Freeze* or *Architrave*.

Serlio allows his *Column* but six *Diameters*; though *Vitruvius* (whom he always strives to follow) gives it seven in his *Chapter* where he treats of Building *Temples* after the *Tuscan* manner, which is the seventh of his fourth *Book*.

Vignola, as to what imports the *Column*, conforms himself to *Vitruvius*; but for the Mouldings of the *Capitel* and *Cornice* is govern'd wholly by his particular Fancy.

The *Entablature* both in the one, and the other of these two *Profiles* consists of a quarter of the *Column*.





To the READER.

WERE altogether a fruitless *Study*, and but labour lost to continue any longer in quest of this *Order* after other *Architects*, besides those *four*, whose *Designs* I have lately produc'd : I am therefore resolv'd to proceed no farther ; considering withal, that those who remain, are (for the most part) of *Vitruvius's* School, from whence it is exceedingly difficult to collect any thing more essential to the *Tuscan Order*, than the meer simple form of the *Base* and *Capitel*, which are already describ'd in the *Profile* of *Serlio*, whereof the Repetition would be but superfluous. As to what concerns the *Entablature*, since there remains extant no antient, well-confirm'd and positive *Example*, nor indeed so much as any intelligible Description of it in the Writings of *Vitruvius*, I shall make no great reckoning of their *Inventions*. I have likewise observ'd, that *Leon Baptista Alberti* (the very best of those which remain after *Daniel Barbaro*) has spoken of it but cursorily only, as in truth making no account of it, and without giving us so much as a *Profile*. As little does he esteem the *Composita*, of which *Vitruvius* too has been altogether silent.



C H A P. IV.

Of the Compounded Order.

THE *Compounded Order* which has hitherto obtain'd the first rank amongst the *Moderns*, will find it self extremely debas'd in this severe and exact review, which I have made upon the five *Orders*; and where (without at all regarding the Opinion of the *Vulgar*, and the Judgment of others that have written before me) I value nothing unless it be conformable to some famous and antient *Example*, or to the Precepts of *Vitruvius* that *Father* of *Architects*; that so (if possible) I may at last re-establish the *Art* on its genuine *Principles*, and original purity from whence those licentious *Compositions* of our late *Workmen* have so exceedingly perverted it (under the pretext, forsooth, of this *fain'd* Name of the *Compounded Order*) that there hardly remains so much as the least *Idea* of regular *Architecture* in it, so strangely those *Orders* which contributed to it degenerated into Confusion, becoming even *Barbarous* themselves by this extravagant Mixture. But as 'tis a thing very difficult to subdue and reduce some Spirits to their Devoir when once they have taken a bent and are abandon'd to *Libertinism*; so, nor do I pretend to gain any *Disciples*, or be so much as heard by those who have thus presumptuously taken upon them to be *Masters*, because they are either grown too old in their deprav'd *Gusto*, or ashamed to acknowledge their mistake; resolving rather to perish in their own *Opinion* by obstinately defending it, than be so ingenious as to reform it. I address my Discourse then to those Persons only, who having not as yet their Imaginations prepossess'd, preserve their Judgment more entire, and are better dispos'd to discern those charming Beauties and Originals of the Antient *Architecture*, acknowledg'd for so many *Ages*, confirm'd by such a multitude of *Examples* and so universally admired. Now for as much then as it is a thing of main Importance that we season our young Spirits with an early Tincture, and begin betimes to settle in them these *Idea's*, I do ever at first propose to them the same *Models* that have been left us by those great *Genius's*, as so many *Pilots* and *Compasses* steering the direct *Course* to the *Art* and saving them from that Propension which they naturally have to *Novelty*, the very *Rock* and *Precipice* of the first Inclinations of the *French*, which being once overpass'd, Reason does then begin to take the *Helm*, to conduct and let them see things such as they ought to be, that is to say, in their *Principles*, without which it will be altogether impossible to acquire more than a very ordinary and superficial comprehension of them; and those who travel by any other Path grope like blind Men in the dark, and walk unsecurely, without ever finding any real satisfaction in their *Work*: For the vain complaisance of Ignorant Men, be it that they take it from themselves (as commonly they do) or that it be deriv'd to them from such as are like them, 'tis so empty and false a Joy as it oftentimes turns to shame and confusion; whilst the true and solid

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solid praise which is attributed to the Merit of knowing *Masters*, and the excellency of their *Workmanship*, is never obnoxious to this self-deception. Now how little soever it be a Man posses of the *Idea* of this high *Manner* of the *Antients* and the greatness of their Thoughts, he should soon perceive the meanness and Impertinency of our *Modern Compositions*, when in the midst of so many *Examples* of the incomparable and only *Architecture* of the *Greeks*, which was the ornament and splendour of the *Antient Rome* (whose very *Ruines* and *Vestia's* render her yet *August* above all the *Cities* of the *World*) these wretched and trifling Spirits indigent in the midst of so great abundance, depart from the right way which these great *Masters* have opened to them, taking a devious path to pursue an abortive of *Architecture*, or the evil *Genius* of the Art rather, which has introduc'd it self amongst the *Orders* under the Title of *Composita*, the favour of Mens ignorance, and the indiscreet Presumption of I know not what pitiful new *Architects*, who have made it their *Fools bauble*, and clad it in so many *Apish* and *Capricious* Modes, that 'tis now become a ridiculous *Chimera*, and like a *Proteus* not to be fixt to any constant Form; so as it would be altogether Labour in vain, an idle and foolish Enterprize for us to search after it here through all its wild and unlimited extent, since it has neither *Rules* nor *Measures*, *Principles*, *Species*, nor particular *Propriety*, and so by consequence not to be comprehended under the name of an *Order*. It would in truth (in my Opinion) be necessary for the good of the *Art*, and the Reputation of *Architecture*, that this *Monster* were altogether smother'd, and that some more pertinent and specifick name were given to those excellent *Profiles* which we encounter amongst some *Antiquities* of the *grand Design* which (from I know not what *Tradition*) are called of the *Compounded Order*; a Name altogether Novel, not so much as once mentioned by *Virruvius*, and which is in earnest too general and uncertain to sute with a regular *Order*: and that since they refer the Glory of its Invention to the *Romans*, it were much more proper to call it the *Roman* or *Latin Order*, as *Scamozzi* has judiciously enough done, and moreover observ'd, that its *Capitel* (by which alone it differs from the *Corinthian*) is of a more massy and less elegant *Composition*, whence he conceives this *Order* should not be plac'd upon the *Corinthian*, lest the weak be burthen'd with the stronger: To which he might also add, that they can never consist in the same Work together, as I have elsewhere demonstrated, and that this is so perspicuous that it admits of no possible extenuation: However, those who would take Advantage of this evil Practice and Abuse of the *Moderns* to do the contrary, might have a way to escape by this *Asinine-Bridge*: For the Importance is very inconsiderable in comparison to that unbridl'd Licence which now-a-Days reigns amongst our *Compositers* of the *Composita*, who not only change the rank of the *Orders*, but reverse and overturn even all their *Principles*, undermining the Foundations of true *Architecture* to introduce a new *Tramontane* more barbarous and unsightly then even the *Gothick* it self. But to all this let us reply (in confusion of its *Inventors*) That an *Architect* should no more employ his Industry and Study in finding out new *Orders*, to set a value upon his *Works*, and render himself an able Man; then should an *Orator*, to acquire the Reputation of being *Eloquent*, in-

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invent and mine new *Words* that were yet never spoken ; or a *Poet* compose *Verse* of another *Cadence* and measure than what are prescrib'd and are in use ; this Affectation being altogether *puerile* and impertinent : Or, admit one would upon some occasion to take any such Liberty, it ought to be such Discretion, and so to the Purpöse, that the reason thereof should to any one appear immediately : Thus it was the *Antients* made use of it, but with so great *Caution*, as that they have confin'd their entire Licence to the sole Form of the *Capitel*, of which they have devised an hundred gentle *Compositions*, and to some Subjects *peculiar*, where they succeeded incomparably ; and out of whose *Limits* one cannot (whithout manifest impertinency) employ it any work whatsoever. I will therefore choose two or three *Examples* amongst a good number of *Designs* which lye by me of that most famous *Pyrro Ligorio*, found out and observ'd by him in several Places of *Italy*, with a diligence inestimable. But let us first conclude our prime *Subject*, which is to form the *Roman Composita*, and make of it here as regular and precise an *Order*, as any of the former Four. I propose (for this effect) two antick *Profiles*, both of them excellent in their Kinds ; one very rich and full of Ornament taken from the *Arch of Titus* at *Rome* ; and the other much plainer indeed, but great and proud, being that of the *Arco de Leoni* at *Verona*.

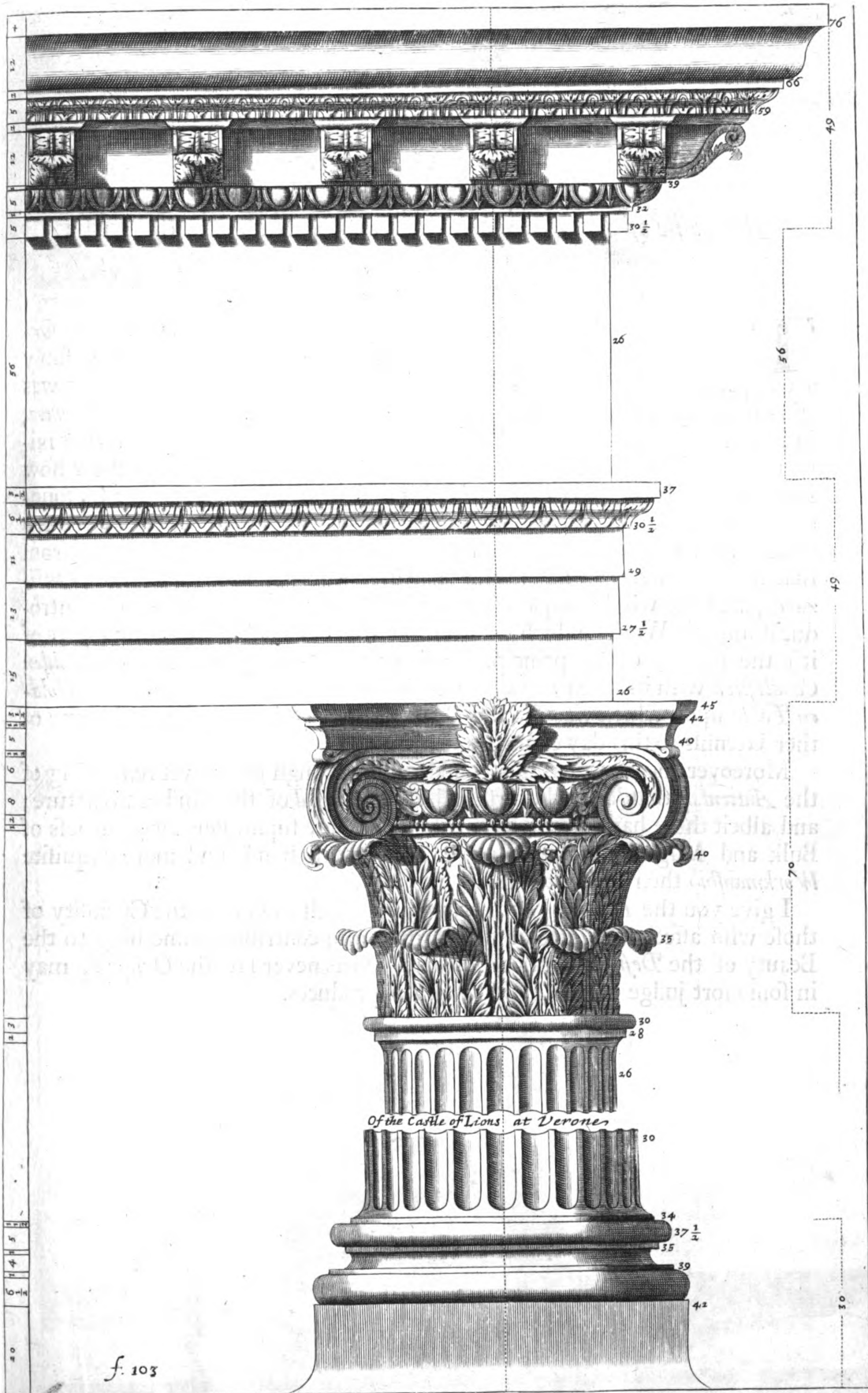
If these two Instances suffice not our *Reader*, he may make his Election of others more to his liking, or fix upon any of those who best pleases him of the *Author's* following, which I have therefore expressly collected together, and amongst which I acknowledge my particular esteem for *Palladio*.



C H A P. V.

A Profile Composita taken from the Arco de Leoni at Verona.

BEfore I propose this *Composita* for *Model*, I shall first endeavour to prevent and elude certain *Objections* which our *Criticks* possibly raise, lest they impute it to my inadvertency should I pass them by in silence. The first is, that the *Cornice* is defective for want of the *Corona*: The other is the naked placing of the *Dentelli*, without any separation on the *Freeze*: Thirdly, the excessive height of the *Freeze*: and lastly, that the three *Faces* of the *Architrave* are all inverted from the ordinary Position: and finally, that the *Plinth* of the *Base* is a great deal too high, being compared to the rest. To all these *Objections* I might reply in a word, that in a Business of *Architecture* the reason is allowable since I produce an antick Example, universally approv'd and such as this is: Besides I add, that the very name of *Compounded* seems to infer a kind of *Liberty*, and that therefore an *Architect* might sometime be justly permitted to take it, as occasion may suggest, either by introducing into the *Order*, or retrenching from it what he thinks most conducive and proper to his *Design*; provided it be discreetly manag'd, as it has been judiciously observ'd in this *Profile*, where the *Author* being to make an extraordinary large *Freeze* for the more commodious placing of many *Figures* which concern'd his Subject, would spare from the *Cornice* what he had usurped of more then the regular Proportion of the *Freeze* did permit him. To this purpose it was he cut off and abated the *Corona*, though intruth a considerable Member, but which is yet (as far as I can collect from other Instances) not absolutely necessary; since in the *Temple of Peace* at *Rome* (one of the most stupendious Works of *Antiquity*) the *Cornice* though *Corinthian* has no *Corna* at all, notwithstanding that the *Architect* had the Field so open before him. And *L. Baptista Alberti* (whose Authority is greatly prevalent amongst our modern Masters) without any other reason for it then that of his own *Gusto*, has given none to this *Corinthian Order*. Now as concernig the *Compartment* of the *Swaths* and *Fasciæ* of the *Architrave*, whose position here seems somewhat preposterous, 'tis (to speak seriously) a little extraordinary, however I well remember to have seen others which were like it, and *Palladio* produces us one *Example* of it towards the end of his fourth *Book* taken from a *Temple of Polo* in *Dalmatia*, of the *Corinthian Order*, the *Architecture* whereof is exceedingly rare and antick; and there I also find that the *Base* of the *Column* hath a *Plinth* likewise of an excessive thickness, as indeed ours has, which supplied the Place of a *Zocolo*. Thus you have both *Reason* and *Example* sufficient for the Answer of every *Objection*. But from hence one may also judge, that this *Profile* should not be employ'd in Work without extraordinary Discretion, and indeed some kind of Necessity. That which I shall produce in the following Instance is more regular to Particulars, and by consequence more agreeable to all sorts of *Works*: But the general *Proportion* both of the one and other is sufficiently equal. The *Column* it self has ten *Diameters*, and the *Altitude* of the *Entablature* amounts to a fourth part of the *Column*.



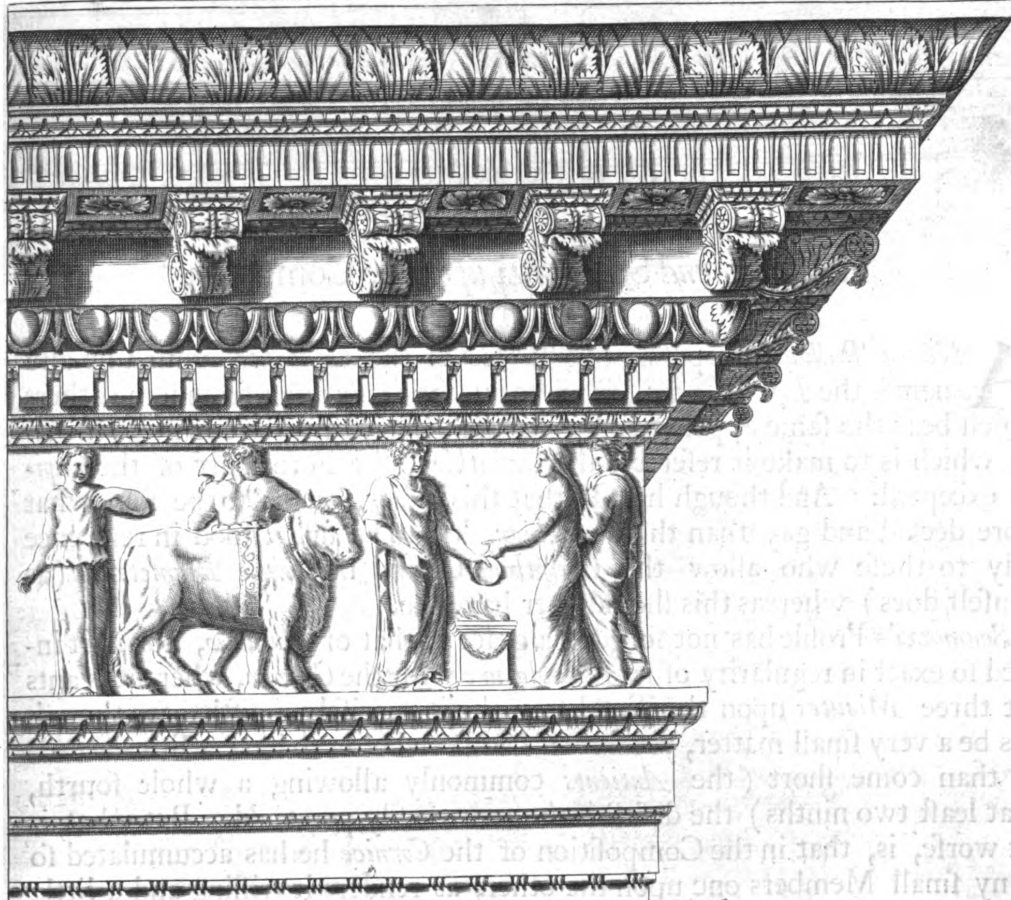
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*A Profile of the Composita taken from the Arch of Titus
at Rome.*

THE incomparable *Idea* of this *Composita*, and the richness of its *Ornaments* makes me conjecture that the *Inventor* thereof might possibly accompany *Titus* at the *Expedition* and *Siege* of *Jerusalem*; and that it was *there* he had contemplated the divine *Architecture* of the *Temple* of *Solomon*, in imitation of which (though in a very slender *Copy*, compar'd to that miraculous *Edifice*, and especially in a different *Order*) he would shew how studiously he had consider'd it. This Conjecture of mine has for its foundation that the *Triumphal Arch* from whence I have drawn it is the very same which they erected to the Glory of that *Emperour* at his return from that famous enterprize: And the *Architect* who happily contriv'd the *Ordinance*, and the whole Preparation of the Day of *Triumph*, judiciously introduc'd into his Work (which was to make the most noble and lasting part of it) the *Figures* of the principal *Spoils* of the *Temple*, as that of the *Golden Candlestick* with its seven *Branches* which stood in the *Sanctuary*, and the *Golden Table* upon which was set the *Bread of Propositiion* together with some other *Utenfils* to this day extant in the Work.

Moreover the *Arch* has this considerable amongst others yet remaining of the *Antients*, that 'twas the first and very *Original* of this kind of Structure; and albeit there have been since made some more sumptuous for greatness of Bulk and Magnificence, this is yet of a better hand, and more exquisite *Workmanship* than any of them.

I give you the *Elevation* in *Perspective* as well to gratifie the Curiosity of those who affect this *Art*, as that I may also contribute something to the Beauty of the *Design*; and besides that such as never saw the *Original*, may in some sort judge of the *Effect* which it produces.



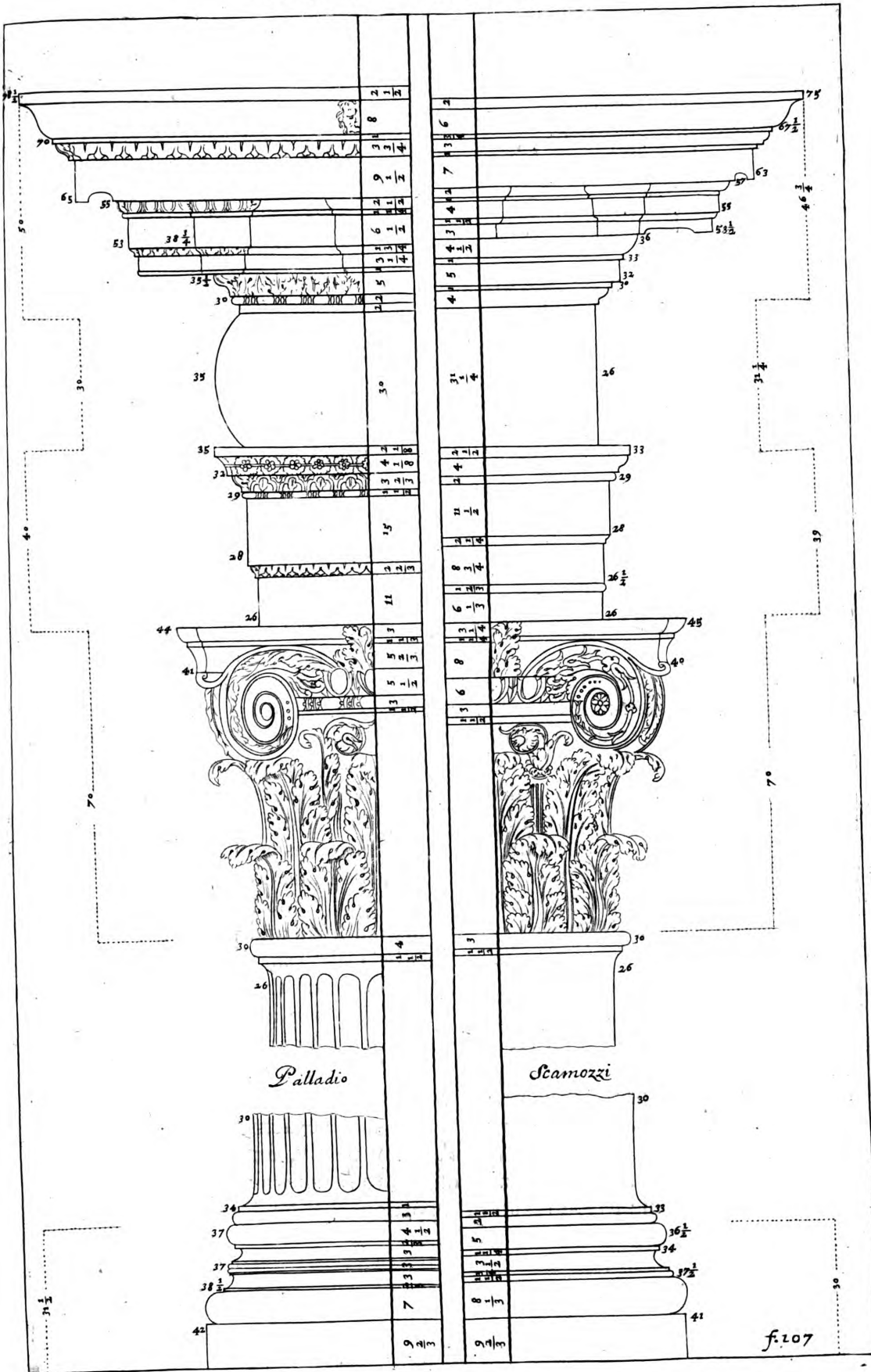
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C H A P. VII.

Palladio, and Scamozzi upon the *Composita*.

Andrea Palladio proposing this *Profile* of the *Composita*, which he also names the *Latin Order* (to make it *specifically* differ from some others which bear the same appellation) gives us a general *Maxim* for its *Proportion*, which is to make it resemble the *Corinthian*, the Form only of the *Capital* excepted. And though he add that this *Order*, ought to be somewhat more deck'd and gay than the *Corinthian*, 'tis to be understood in reference only to those who allow the *Corinthian Column* but nine *Diameters* (as himself does) whereas this should ever have ten.

Scamozzi's *Profile* has not so good a grace as that of *Palladio*, nor is it indeed so exact in regularity of its *Entablature* with the *Column*, where it wants but three *Minutes* upon the Total to make it precisely a fifth; for though this be a very small matter, yet since it had been better to have a little exceeded than come short (the *Antients* commonly allowing a whole fourth, or at least two ninths) the defect is the more easily perceiv'd. But what is yet worse, is, that in the Composition of the *Cornice* he has accumulated so many small Members one upon the other, as renders it trifling and a little confused.

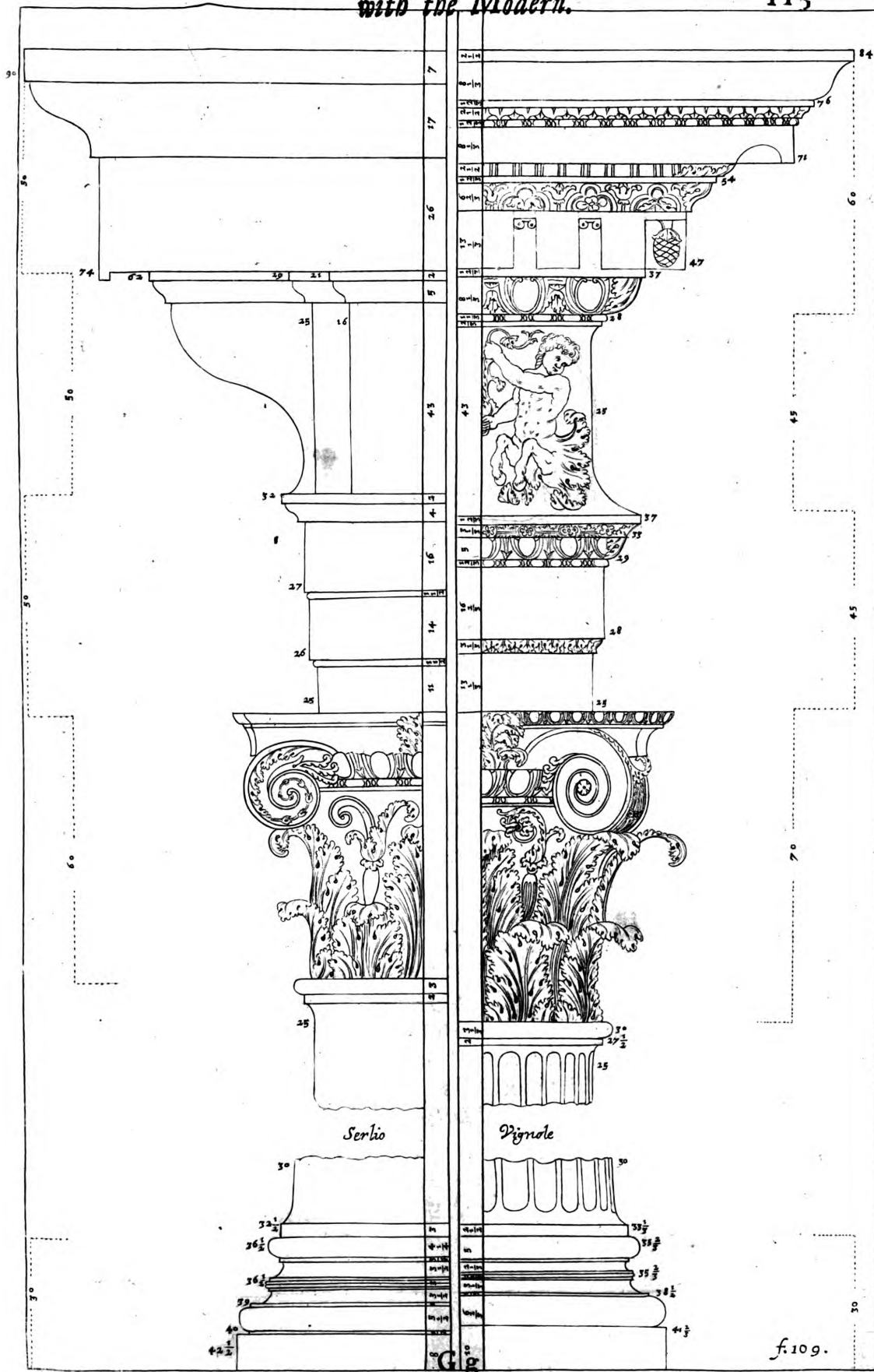


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Serlio and Vignola upon the Composition.

I Am astonish'd at this last Production of poor *Serlio*, who having till now reasonably well conducted the first *Orders* of *Architecture* under the direction and Government of *Vitruvius* fails miserably at the very Port just as his *Pilot* has deserted him: And what does most of all surprize me, is, that the Man's *Genius* (which was to intimate a mean and trifling Manner) should revolt in such an instant and change into so strange an Excess. I was at first resolv'd to have suppress'd this *Profile* (for the Credit of the Person) had it not been to wrong his Competitor *Vignola*, and so frustrate him of the great Advantage which upon this occasion he has over him, since in the precedent *Orders* I have sometimes conceived him his inferiour. I shall not dwell long upon the particulars which in this *Composition* to me seem defective; because I shall sooner have finish'd in saying once for all, that there is nothing as it should be, though the *Cornice* be taken from, and (as the *Author* pretends) follow'd stroak for stroak after that of the fourth *Order* of the *Colosseum*, which is indeed one of the most renowned *Vestigia's* of *Antiquity*, and an admirable piece of *Architecture*. But one had need of a very steady head to be able to climb such an height without shaking ones judgment. He should have consider'd that this *Collofsean* Structure being a *Mass* of a prodigious altitude had need of some *Sophistications* from the *Opticks* to make it appear regular to the Eye; and that therefore there would be an Error and Mistake in summing up the dimensions and *æquipondium* of its Members at a more moderate distance with the same Measures and Proportions. This inadvertancy has made him slip into another Fault much more gross and unpardonable; for he places upon a small and pitiful *Capitel* (after his own Mode) the whole weight of the *Colosseum*, that is to say, a *Gigantick Entablature* which composes the *Corona* of this prodigious Edifice. This so monstrous Medley appears more here than in the *Author*; because he has design'd it very slightly, and in so small a Volume (in his fourth *Book* and ninth *Chapter* where he explains this last *Order*) that one can hardly discern the Form of the Principal Members.

Vignola has proceeded with a great deal more exactness and judgment in his *Designs*, which he has also *Profil'd* very neatly, and in a large *Volume* that renders it commendable and of use to *Workmen*: He allows in this *Composition* the same Measures and Proportions that he does to the *Corinthian*.



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Dignole

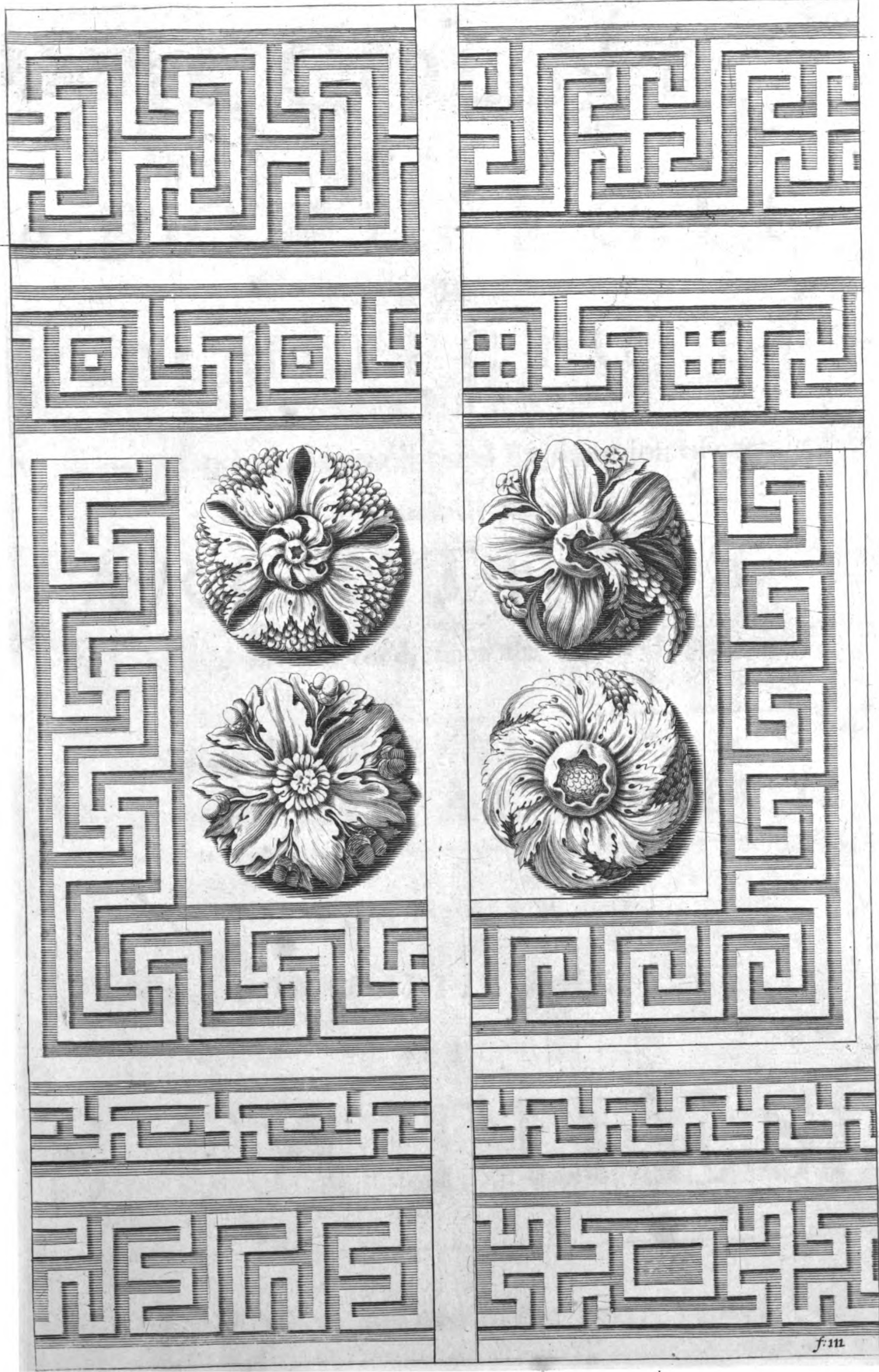
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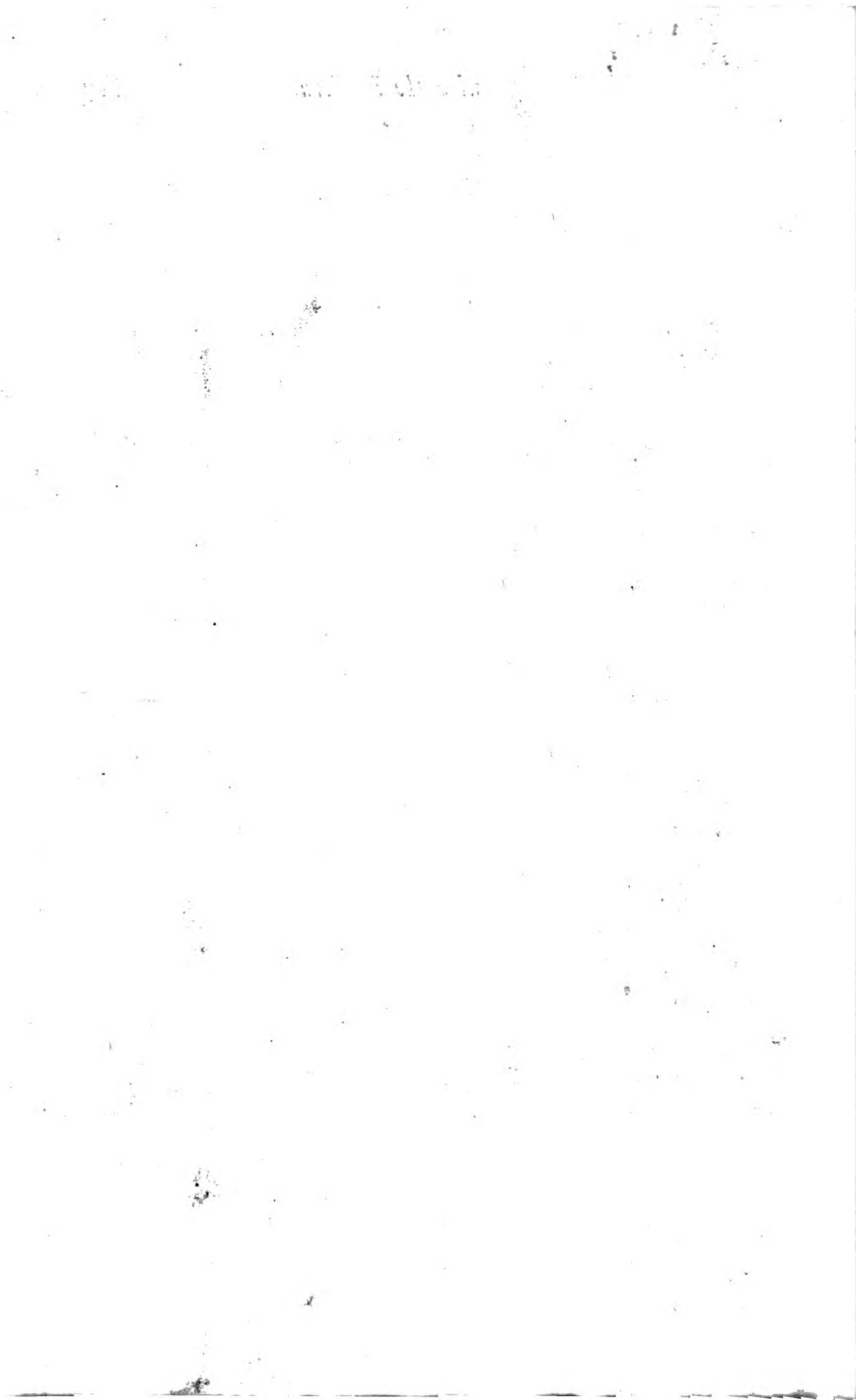
Of a certain Ornament called the Fret.

Architecture is in all this *Treatise* so extremely jealous of those *Liber-tines* that have the Rashness of daring to corrupt the Forms of her *Profiles* by their capricious *Inventions*, that she even refuses Entrance to all kind of *Novelty* whatsoever: This it is which has put me in Mind of the Promise I made to present you here with some extraordinary *Designs* of *Capitels* drawn from the *Anticks*: But considering that they can serve for no use in any sort of Structure at present, as being only proper for the *Pagan Deities*, and that we have now no more *Jupiters*, *Neptunes*, or other *Gods* of that Age, for whose *Temples* these kind of *Capitels* were singularly appropriated, by Representations *specifical* to every *Subject*; I conceiv'd it better to remove those *Baits* which serv'd likewise but to awaken the ill *Genius* of our *Workmen* to imitate and copy after them. To supply then their Places with some other Thing which should be profitable and without Reproach I have made a very curious and rare Collection of a certain *Ornament* which they call the *Fret*, and of which the *Ancients* made great use, taking infinite Delight in composing variety of Sorts, as this Design will shew you. This *Ornament* consists in a certain *interlacing* of Two *Lists* or small *Fillets*, which run always in *parallel* Distances equal to their Breadth with this necessary Condition, that every Return and Intersection they do always fall into *right Angles*; this is so indispensable that they have no *Grace* without it, but become altogether *Gothick*. There is One (amongst the *Ten* I here present you) that consists but of a single *Fillet*, which nevertheless fills it space exceedingly well, and makes a very handsom shew. The *Ancients* did ordinarily apply them upon even and flat *Members*, as upon the Face of the *Corona* and *Eves* of a *Corince* under the *Roofs*, *Plancers* and *Cielings* of *Architraves*; also about the *Doors*, and on the *Plinths* of *Bases*, when their *Torus* and *Scotia's* were carv'd also they do rarely about *Platfonds* and upon *Gound-Works*.

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My most Honoured Friend,

Sir *CHRISTOPHER WREN*, K^t

Surveyor of His Majesties Buildings and Works.

S I R,

THat I take the Boldness to Adorn this *Little Work*, with the Name of the *Master of the Works*, (whose Patronage alone can give it Reputation) I have no Excuse for; but an Ambition of Publicly Declaring the great Esteem I have ever had of Your Vertues and Accomplishments, not only in the *Art of Building*, but thro' all the learned *Cycle* of the most *Usefull* Knowledge and *Abstruser Sciences*, as well as of the most Polite and Shining: All which is so justly to be allow'd You, that You need no *Panegyric*, or other *History* to Eternize them, than the *greatest City of the Universe*, which You have *Rebuilt* and *Beautified*, and are still improving: Witness the *Churches*, the *Royal Courts*, *Stately Halls*, *Magazines*, *Palaces*, and other Publick Structures; besides what You have Built of Great and Magnificent in both the *Universities*, at *Chelsey*, and in the Country; and are now advancing of the *Royal Marine Hospital at Greenwich*, &c. All of them so many *Trophies* of Your Skill and Industry, and Conducted with that Success; that if the whole *Art of Building* were lost, it might be *Recover'd* and *found* again in *St. Pauls*, the *Historical Pillar*, and those other *Monuments* of Your Happy Talent and extraordinary *Genius*.

I have named *St. Pauls*, and truly, not without Admiration, as oft as I Recall to Mind (as frequently

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ly I do) the sad and deplorable Condition it was in, when (after it had been made a *Stable* of *Horses*, and a *Den* of *Thieves*) You, (with other Gentlemen, and my self) were by the late *King Charles*, nam'd *Commissioners* to Survey the *Dilapidations*, and to make Report to His *Majesty*, in Order to a speedy *Reparation*: You will not, I am sure, forget the *Struggle* we had with some, who were for patching it up any how, (so the *Steeple* might stand) instead of *New-Building*, which it altogether needed: When (to put an end to the Contest) five Days after, that *Dreadful Conflagration* happen'd, out of whose *Asbes* this *Pbænix* is Risen, and was by *Providence* Design'd for You: The *Circumstance* is too *Remarkable*, that I could not pass it over without Notice. I will now add no more, but beg Your Pardon for this Confidence of mine; after I have acquainted You, That the *Parallel* (to which this was Annex'd) being out of Print, I was Importun'd by the *Book-Seller*, to add something to a *New Impression*; but to which I was no way Inclined, till not long since, going to *St. Paul's*, to Contemplate that *August Pile*, and the Progress You have made, some of Your *Chief Work-men*, gratefully Acknowledging the Assistance it had afforded them; I took this Opportunity of doing my self this Honour, who am,

27 Aug.
2 Sept.
1666.

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Feb. 1697.

Your most Humble Servant,

J. EVELYN.

To

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TH E Author of the *Parallel of the Ancient Architecture with the Modern*, (which many Years since I made *English*) had at the end of his Treatise begun to explain a few of the hard Words, Technical Terms belonging to the Art; the Etymologies whereof he thought necessary to interpret: And as I said, they are but a few indeed, compared to those which remain, about a Dozen at the most; nor was it necessary he should exceed that number, in a Country where Workmen are generally more intelligent in the proper Expressions of the Terms of the Arts unto which they addict themselves, than ours for the most part are; and therefore, if waving the formal Translation of that Page (for it exceeds very little more) I have in lieu thereof considerably enlarg'd upon this Occasion, by a more finish'd and compleat enumeration of the several Parts and Members of the Orders, as they gradually succeed one another in Work, illustrated with more full and exact Definitions (than by any has yet been attempted for the Benefit of our Countrymen.) I hope my Adventure may find both Pardon and Acceptance. Nor let any Man imagine we do at all obscure this Design by adorning it with now and then a refin'd, and Philological research; since whilst I seek to gratify the Politer Students of this Magnificent Art, I am not in the least disdainful of the lowest Condescensions, to the Capacities of the most Vulgar Understandings; as far at least as the Defects, and Narrowness of our Language will extend, which rather grows, and abounds in Complemental and Impertinent Phrases, and such froth (as Sir H. Wotton well observes from Gualterus Rivius's incomparable Version of Vitruvius in the German Tongue, and is now so far out-done by the Learned Perault) than in the solid Improvements of it; by either

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*preserving or introducing what were truly needful: And really, those who are a little Conversant in the Saxon Writers, clearly discovered by what they find Innovated, or now grown Obsolete, that we have lost more than we have gain'd; and as to Terms of useful Arts in particular, forgotten and lost a World of most apt and proper Expressions which our Forefathers made use of, without being Oblig'd to other Nations: And what care the French have taken upon this Account only, may in part be judged from that pretty, though brief Essay des Merveilles de Nature, & des plus Nobles Artifices, &c. but especially by the late Dictionaries, wherein the proper Terms of the most Vulgar, as well as more Polish'd Arts are Industriously delivered, whilst (to speak Ingenuously) I find very little Improvement in the most Pretending Lexicons and Nomenclators yet Extant; that of Bernardinus Baldus only upon Vitruvius excepted; which yet is neither after my Method, nor for our Workmens turn, being a Book of Price, and written in the most Learned Tongue. It is a very great Deficient indeed, and to be deplor'd; that those industrious Compilers did make it no more their Business to gratifie the World with the Interpretation of the Terms of so many useful Arts, I mean the Mechanical: Adrianus Junius has deserved well on this Occasion, to his great Commendation; and much it were to be Wisht, that some Universal and Practical Genius would consummate what he has so happily begun, and that not only in the Arts Illiberal (as they are distinguished) and things Artificial; but furnish us likewise with more exact Notices of the several and distinct Species of Natural Things; such as are the True Names of Birds, Fishes, Insects, Stones, Colours, &c. in which divers Worthby * Members of the Royal Society, have already made so considerable a Progress; since it is then, and not till then, our Lexicons will have arrived to their desired Perfection, and that Men will be taught to speak (like Orators indeed) Properly on all Subjects, and obliged to Celebrate their Labours.*

*Mr. Willoughbie.
D.D. Merel, Charleton, Waller, Ray, &c.
And Mr. Harris in his late most usefull Lexicon Technicum.

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ARCHITECTS and ARCHITECTURE,

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*With an Historical, and Etymological Explanation of certain TERMS
particularly Affected by ARCHITECTS, &c.*

THE Knowledge of this Sumptuous, Magnificent and Useful *Art* for having been first deriv'd to us from the *Greeks*, we should not without infinite Ingratitude either slight, or innovate those *Terms* which it has pleas'd them to Impose upon the particular *Members* and *Ornaments* belonging to the several *Orders*; and that as well for the Veneration which is due to *Antiquity*, as that by Comprehending the Signification of them, we may with the more Facility and Address, attain to the Intelligence and Genuine Meaning of what the *Masters* in this *Profession* have deliver'd to us in their several Writings and Works; not to insist upon (what is yet not to be despis'd) the Decorum of speaking *Properly*, in an *Art* which the greatest *Princes* and *Potentates* of the *Earth*, have Vouchsafed to Honour by so many Signal and Illustrious Monuments, as do to this Day consecrate their Memories to Posterity.

Since the *Agent* does always precede the *Action*, and the *Person* or *Workman* is by Natural Order before his *Work*; we are by an *Architect*^{Architect-} to understand, *A Person Skilful in the Art of Building*: The Word^{us.} is 'Αρχιτέκτων, a Compound in the Original, and signifies *Fabrūm præfectus*, or if you will, *Informator*, which the *President*, *Superintendent*, or *Surveyor* of the *Works* does fully express; his 'Αρχὴ being relative to the *Fabri* that are under him, as the *Operæ* or *Labourers* are Subserving to them.

Budæus calls him, *Structorum Princeps*; and such a Person as is capable of rendering a Rational, and Satisfactory Account of what he takes in Hand. *Ratiocinatio autem est, quæ res fabricatas solertia, ac ratione proportionis demonstrare atque explicare potest. Virr. l. 1. c. 1.* So our *Master*; and such a one it seems was that *Philo* the *Athenian Architect*, of whom the Orator, *Neque enim si Philonem illum Architectum, qui Atheniensibus Armamentarium fecit, constat perdiserte populo rationem operis sui reddidisse, existimandum est Architecti potius*

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artificio disertum, quam Oratoris fuisse, de Orat. 1. Seeing his Knowledge and Ability in this Faculty did not at all Eclipse and Diminish his Eloquence and other excellent Parts, but rather added to them; and this I urge to shew that it was no mean thing for a Man to arrive to the Talents of an accomplish'd *Architect*; as he that shall take his *Character* out of *Vitruvius* will easily conclude; *Itaque Architecti* (says he) *qui sine literis contenderunt, ut manibus essent exercitati, non potuerant efficere ut haberent pro laboribus Authoritatem*; as if *Hands* could do little in this *Art* for their Credit without *Letters*: Nay, so Universal will this great *Dictator* have him; that in those *Duodecim necessaria*, he sums up no less than *Twelve* rare *Qualities* which he would have him furnish'd withal; *Itaque eum & Ingeniosum, &c.* I will but only touch them: 1. He must be *Docil* and *Ingenious*. 2. He must be *Literate*. 3. Skillful in *Designing* and *Drawing*. 4. In *Geometry*. 5. *Opticks*. 6. *Arithmetick*. 7. *History*. 8. *Philosophy*. 9. *Musick*. 10. *Medicine*. 11. Nay, in *Law*; and 12. *Astrology*; and really, when (as in the following Chapter) he there assembles his Reasons for all this, you will be both satisfied with them, and Justify his Curiosity. Not that an *Architect* is obliged to be an Accurate *Aristarchus* in *Grammar*, or an *Aristoxenus* in *Musick*, an *Appelles* or a *Raphael* for *Designing*; in sum an exact *Professor* in all these Faculties, *sed in his non Imperitus*: Sufficient it is he be not totally a Stranger to them; since without *Letters* he cannot consult with *Authors*: Without *Geometry* and the *Graphical Arts*, he will never be able to measure out, and cast the *Area*; draw the *Plot* and make the *Scale*: Being Ignorant of the *Opticks* he can never well understand the due placing of his *Lights*, Distance, Magnitude and Dimensions of *Ornaments*: By the assistance of *Arithmetick* he Calculates the Proportions of the several *Orders*, sums up his *Accompts*, and makes an Estimate of the Charge: Being Read in *History* he comes to Discourse of the Reasons, and Original of many particular *Members* and Decorations, the Height, Improvement, and Decay of this *Art*; why the *Greeks* instituted the Order of the *Caryatides*, and the *Persian Entablatures* were supported by *Slaves*; how the *Corinthian* Capitels came to be adorn'd with *Foliage*, the *Ionique* with a *Matron-like Voluta*, &c. By the study of *Philosophy* he arrives to the Knowledge of Natural Things, and is able to discern the quality of the *Elements*, and the Materials which he makes use of: From some Insight in *Medicine* he can Reason of the Temperature and Salubrity of the *Air*, and Situation: *Musick* will assist him in contriving how in *Churches*, *Tribunals* and Publick *Theatres*, Men may with best Advantage hear the *Preachers*, *Magistrates* and *Actors* Voices: Without some Tincture in the *Laws*, he cannot be secure of his *Title*; and being wholly Ignorant of *Astrology*, Position and Influences of the *Cælestial Bodies*, the *Days*, *Winds*, *Weather*, *Equinoxes*

noxes, and Course of the Heavenly Orbs (as to Bruits) pass over without Observation, Benefit, or Prevention of their Effects. To this Purpose (though much more at large) *Vitruvius*: But by this you may see how necessary it is, that an accomplish'd *Master-Builder* should be furnish'd beyond the Vulgar, and I have been the longer in the Repetition, not only that I may advance his Reputation, and for Encouragement; but to shew that in the proper Notion (and as the great *Plato* has somewhere design'd him) *Nullus Architectus utitur manuum Operâ, sed utentibus præest*. An Architect is not to be taken for the commonly illiterate *Mechanick* (which may bring it into Contempt) but for the Person who *Superintends*, and *Presides* over him with so many Advantages: Yet neither is this to the Dishonour of the meanest of those Excellent *Workmen*, who make use of their *Hands* and *Tools* in the grosser Materials, since *God* himself, and *Nature*, the Universal Builders, are by *Translation* truly styl'd *Architects*, both as to what they have excogitated so wisely, and wrought so Artificially.

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Be this then spoken of the *Superintendent* in particular, whom for Distinction sake and the Character assign'd him we may name *Architectus Ingenio*: For since to the Perfection of an accomplish'd Building there were three *Transcendencies* required: 1. *Strength*, 2. *Utility*, and 3. *Beauty*, for the apt *Distribution*, *Decor* and fitness, *Symmetrie* and Proportion; there was likewise necessary as many Capacities; and that besides the judicious *Head* there should be a Skilful *Hand*, to which let us add, *Architectus Sumptuarius*, a full and overflowing *Purse*: Since he who bears *this* may justly be also stiled a *Builder*, and that a *Master one* too; as being the Person at whose Charge, and for whose Benefit the *Fabrick* is erected; and it is indeed the *primum mobile* which both begins, and consummates all designs of this Nature; for if that ingredient come once to fall short, Men build their *Monuments*, instead of their *Houses*, and leave Marks of Dishonour for *Tables* of Renown, *Homo iste cepit ædificare & nequivit perficere*, This Man began to Build, and was not able to finish. Yet thus have I known some Excellent Persons abus'd; who trusting to the Computation of either Dishonest, or Unskilful *Artists*, have been forc'd to desist, sit down by the Loss, and submit to the Reproach: But so it seems would not the *Greeks* suffer themselves to be Over-reach'd; when those great Builders of *Ephesians* (who knew sufficiently what a Mischief it was to the Publick, as well as Private Men) ordain'd it for a Law; That if a *Clerk* undertook a *Work*, and spent more than by his Calculation it amounted to, he should be obliged to make it Good out of his own Estate; whilst they most Liberally and Honourably rewarded him, if either he came within what was first design'd, or did not much exceed it. And this was esteem'd so reasonable (upon consideration how many Noble

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Persons had been undone, and Magnificent Structures left Imperfect) that *Vitruvius* writing to the great *Augustus* concerning this Subject; wishes the same Constitution were in force at *Rome* also: But thus I have done with our *Architectus Sumptuarius*. I come to the

Manuarius the third and last, but not the least of our *Subsidiaries*; for in him I comprehend the several *Artizans* and Workmen, as *Masons, Stone-cutters, Quarry-men, Sculptors, Plasterers, Painters, Carpenters, Joyners, Smiths, Glaziers*, and as many as are necessary for carrying on of a *Building* till it be arriv'd to the Perfection of its first *Idea*. But tho' it is not (as I said) expected that these should trouble themselves with much Learning, or have any thing to do with the Accomplishments of our *Master Superintendent*: Yet, since an Exact and Irreproachable Piece of *Architecture* should be *καλοραδὴν totius Matheseos*, the Flower, and Crown as it were of all the *Sciences Mathematical*, it were infinitely desirable that even every *Vulgar Workman* whose Calling is Conversant about *Building*, had attained to some Degree of competent Knowledge in the more easy and useful Principles of those *Lineary Arts*, before they were admitted to their *Freedom*, or employed in Designs of Moment. And truly, if a thorough Insight of all these (as undoubtedly they are) be necessary to a good *Artist*; I know no Reason but such a Person (however it hath pleased our *Universities* to Employ and Decree their *Chaires*) might with very just Reason be also numbred *inter liberalium disciplinarum Professores*, and not thrust out as purely *Mechanical, inter opificis*, a Conversation hitherto only admitted them; as if *Talking, Speculation* and *Theories*, were Comparable to useful *Demonstrations* and *Experimental Knowledge*; in a Word, the very *Name* Imports an Excellency above other Sciences; so as when the * *Orator* would Express a Superiority above them, for its vast Extent and Comprehension; he mentions *Architecture* with the *First*, distinct from the *Illiberal*: Great Pitty then I say it is, that amongst the *Professors of Humanity* (as they call it) there should not be some *Lectures* and *Schools* endowed and furnish'd with *Books, Instruments, Plots, Types* and *Modells* of the most excellent *Fabricks* both in *Civil* and *Military Architecture*, where these most Noble and Necessary *Arts* might be Taught in the *English* and *Vulgar Tongue*, retriev'd to their Proper, and Genuine Significations; and it is to be hoped, that when his *Majesty* shall perfect his *Royal Palace of White-Hall* according to the Design, he will in Emulation of those Heroes, *Francis the First, Henry the Fourth, Cosimo de Medices, the Dukes of Urbin, Richlieu*, and other Munificent Spirits, Destine some *Apartments* for the Ease and Encouragement of the ablest Workmen in *this*, as in all other *useful, Princely* and *Sumptuous Arts*: I mean for *Printers, Painters, Sculptors, Architects, &c.* by such *Liberal Honoraries* as may draw them from all Parts of the World to Celebrate his *Majesty* by their Works to

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Posterity, and to Improve the Nation: From such a Bounty and Provision as *this* it appears to have been, which made *Vitruvius* to leave us those his incomparable Books, that we have now enjoy'd for so many Ages; For so he acknowledges it to the Great *Augustus*, *Cum ergo eo beneficio essem Obligatus, ut ad exitum Vitæ non haberem inopiæ timorem, &c.*

I might upon this Occasion speak something here concerning the *Matter* and *Form* of Buildings, which after the *Persons* who undertake them, are their most Solid and Internal *Principles*; but I purposely pass them over at present, because they do not properly belong to this Discourse, but to some more intire Treatise of the whole *Art* than is yet extant amongst us, and to be delivered by some Industrious Person who shall oblige the *Nation* with a thorough Examination of what has already been written by *Vitruvius* l. 2. c. 3. ad 9. *Palladio* l. c. 2. *Leon Alberti* l. 2. c. 45. 46. *Don Barbaro* l. 11. Sir *H. Wotton* in his Concise and useful *Theorems*, *Desgodes*, *D'Avilar*, *Perault*, *Blondel*, and others; and in what shall be found most Beneficial for our *Climat*; it were I say, becoming our great Needs that some Ingenious Person did take this in Hand, and Advance upon the *Principles* already establish'd, and not so Acquiesce in them as if there were a *Non Ultra* Engraven upon our *Columns* like those of *Hercules*, after which there remained no more to be discovered; at least in the Apprehension of our Vulgar Workmen, who for want of some more solid Directions, Faithful and easy Rules in this Nature, fill as well whole *Cities* as *Private Dwellings* with Rubbish and a thousand Infirmities, as by their want of Skill in the Profession, with the most shameful Incongruities and Inconveniences in all they take in Hand; and all this for want of *Canons* to proceed by, and *Humility* to learn; there being hardly a Nation under Heaven more conceited of their Understandings and Abilities, and more impatient of Direction than our Ordinary *Mechanicks*: For let one find never so just a Fault with a *Workman*, be the same of what *Mystery* soever, immediately he shall reply, Sir, I do not come hither to be Taught my *Trade*, I have serv'd an *Apprenticeship*, and have wrought e're now with *Gentlemen* that have been satisfied with my Work, and sometimes not without Language of Reproach, or casting down his Tools, and going away in Wrath; for such I have frequently met withal. I do not speak this to diminish in the least from the Capacity and Apprehension of our *Nation* who addict themselves to any of the most Polite and Ingenious *Professions*, but to Court them to more Civility, and to Humble the Ignorant: For we daily find that when once they arrive to a thorough Inspection and Address in their *Trades*, they Paragon, if not Exceed even the most Exquisite of other Countries, as we may see in that late Reformation and Improvement of our *Lock-Smiths* work, *Foyners*, *Cabinet-makers* and the like, who from very
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Vulgar and Pitiful *Artists*, are now come to Produce *Works* as Curious for the *Filing*, and admirable for their Dexterity in *contriving*, as any we meet with abroad, and in particular to our *Smiths* and *Joyners*, they Excell all other Nations whatsoever.

But as little Supportable are another Sort of *Workmen*, who from a good Conceit of their Abilities, and some Lucky *Jobb* (as they call it) do generally Ingross all the Work they can hear of, while in the mean time they Disdain almost to put their own Hands to the *Tool*, but for the most part employ their *Apprentices*, or some other Ignorant *Journey-men*; as if the Fame of their *Masters* Abilities did any thing contribute to the well Performance of Work undertaken, whilst in the Interim *He* hardly appears himself till all the Faults be slubber'd over, the Remedy either impossible or expensive, and our *Master* ready to receive his Money, which such *Gentlemen-Mechanicks* commonly consume on Ease and Bravery, being puffed up with an empty Conceit of their own Abilities, which (*God* knows) is very Indifferent, and the less for want of Exercise and Humility: A Practice contrary to the Usage of all other *Nations*, that even such as by their Knowledge in this Kind, have Meritoriously attained to the Titles of *Military* Dignity, have notwithstanding pursued their Employments and Callings in Personal Cares and Assiduous Labours, to their eternal Fame so long as one Stone shall lie upon another in this World, as I could abundantly exemplifie in the Works of *Cavalieri Fontane, Bramanti, Sansovino, Baglione, Bernini, Fiamingo, &c.* whose egregious Labours, both before, and since the Accumulation of their Honours, do sufficiently justify what I report concerning them. And that all such may know I reproach no Man out of Spleen or the least Animosity to their Persons (for such as are not Guilty will never be offended at my Plainness, or take this for a *Satyr*) I cannot but exceedingly Redargue the want of more Acquaintance in these so necessary and becoming *Arts* even in most of our *Nobility* and *Gentry*, who either imagine the Study of *Architecture* an absolute *Non-necessary*, or Forsooth a Diminution to the rest of their *Education*, from whence proceeds that miserable loss of so many irrecoverable Advantages during their *Travels* in other *Countries*, as appears at their return; whereas if they were truly considered, there is nothing which does more properly concern them, as it Contributes to their external Honour, than the Effects of this Illustrious *Art*: Besides, these being Persons of better Parts, are most likely to be furnish'd with the best Abilities to learn, and so consequently enabl'd to examine, and direct such as they shall set on Work, without reproach either to their Conveniency or Expence when they at any time Build, not forgetting the Ornament and Lustre which by this means Rich and Opulent Structures do add to the *Commonwealth*; there remaining at this Day no one particular, for which

which *Egypt, Syria, Greece, nay Rome her self* (beheld in all their *State, Wisdom and Splendor*) have been more admir'd and celebrated, than for the *Glory, Strength and Magnificence* of their Incomparable *Buildings*; and even at present, the most noble *Youth of Italy* are generally so well furnish'd with Instructions touching this Laudable *Art*, that the Knowledge of *Architecture* (and to speak properly in its *Terms, &c.*) is universal, and so cherish'd, even in Men of Obscure extraction, that (as is already instanc'd) *Architects* (I mean the *Manuary* as well as *Ingeniary*) have been, and are yet often rewarded with *Knighthood*, and the *Art* profess'd as a most becoming and necessary Accomplishment in divers of their *Academies*: Add to this the *Examples* of so many great and illustrious Persons as (without mentioning those our *Master* has recorded in the *Preface* to his seventh Book) I might here bring upon this *Theatre*, famous for their Skill and Encouragement of this Sumptuous Art: *Emperours, Kings, Popes, Cardinals* and *Princes* innumerable, who have all of them left us the permanent Monuments of it in the several places of their Dominions, besides the infinite Advantage of well managing of great and *Publick* Expences, as well as the most *Private* and *Oeconomical*, an handsom and well contriv'd House being built at a far less Charge, than commonly those irregular *Congestions*, rude and brutish Inventions, which generally so deform and incommode the several Habitations of our *Gentry* both in *City* and *Country*.

But I have done, and I hope all that love and cherish these *Arts*, and particularly that of *Architecture*, will not be offended at this *Zeal* of mine in bespeaking their Esteem of it; since if I have said any thing in Reproof of the *Errors* either of the *Persons* who pretend to it, or of the *Works* which they do to its Disgrace; I have only spoken it that both may be reformed and made the better. But least whilst I thus discourse of the *Accomplishments* of our *Artists*, and defects of the *Pretenders*, I my self be found *Logodædalus*, and as they say, *Architectus Verborum* only, I proceed from the *Person* to the *Thing*.

Architecture, consider'd as an *Art*, was doubtless (as all others were) very Mean and Imperfect at first; when from dark *Caverns*, hollow *Trees*, despicable and sorry Hovells and *Cabanes*, made with their rude Trunks, cover'd with Sods of Turf or Sedge, to protect themselves from the Injuries of the Weather, and Wild-Beasts (as at present Savage People do) Men liv'd not much better Accommodated, than Beasts themselves, wandering from Place to Place; either to Hunt, and in quest of Food, or to find Pasture; where like the *Nomades*, with little Care or Labour, they make them *Huts* again, to shelter themselves as before; till coming into some more Fertile and Fruitful Country, and finding no more necessity of straying farther, or removing so often; they then 'tis likely begun to Build more Substantially and Commodiously; and as Plenty, their Families and Ci-

vility increas'd ; began to Inlarge, and make their Habitations, as well less Rudely, as more Convenient ; proceeding in tract of time to great Politeness, and to that height of Splendor and Magnificence ; as at last, Ingenious Men, from long Experience still advancing in Improvements, began to frame such *Rules* and *Precepts* for *Building*, as should answer to all those *Perfections* desirable in a *Building*, namely, *Solidity*, *Use*, and *Beauty*, and this *Art* was called,

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Architectura, a Term deriv'd from the Greek Substantive Ἀρχιτεκτόνημα, and which is by *some* taken for the *Art* it self, by *others* for the *Work*, *ædificio ipso & Opera*, (by *us* for *both*) is thus defin'd ; *Scientia pluribus disciplinis, & variis eruditionibus ornata, cujus judicio probantur, omnia quæ à cæteris artibus perficiuntur, opera.* *Architecture* (says our Master *Vitruvius*) is a *Science* qualified with sundry other *Arts*, and adorn'd with variety of *Learning*, to whose Judgment and Approbation all other Works of *Art* submit themselves. Or rather in short, and as effectual *cujus præceptis diriguntur, & judicio probantur, &c.* for so it seems to be more explicite ; since in a *Geometrical* Problem there are both the *Construction*, or *Direction Operis faciendi*, which these *Præcepta* define ; and also, the *Demonstration* or *Probation Operis jam facti*, which is specified by the *Judicium* in the *Vitruvian* Definition. I conceive therefore the *first* part to be the more *Essential* and *Inseparable* ; the *latter* to be but the *Result* of the *former*, and no more *Ingredient* into the *Art*, than the *Image* of ones *Face* in a *Glass* is constitutive of the *Man*.

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But to forbear any farther *Gloss*, you see what a large *Dominion* it has, and I might go on : *Ea nascitur ex fabrica & ratiocinatione*, to shew that she is the *Daughter* of *Building*, and *Demonstration*: Then, (for so I affect to render it) that *Building is the result of an assiduous and manual Practice or Operation upon apt Materials according to the Model propounded* ; and lastly, That our *Ratiocination is an Ability of Explicating what we have done by an Account of the just Proportions* ; In a *Word*, it is the *Art of Building well*, which (taken in the large *Sense*) *Comprehends* all the sorts and kinds of *Buildings* whatsoever, of which there are more especially *Three* ; which tho' differing in their *Application*, *Design* and *Purpose*, are yet of neere *Relation* to one another, and therefore not improperly, under the same *Denomination*, with their respective *Adjuncts* of *Distinction*: For Instance, The *Building* of *Ships*, and other *Vessels* for *Sailing*, *War* and *Commerce, &c.* is call'd *Naval Architecture* : The *Art* of *Fortification* and *Defence* of *Places* *Military Architecture* ; which, tho' under the same *Rules* and *general Principles*, whereby to work and proceed (but indeed making use of different *Terms* of *Art*) yet pass they under the same *general Name* of *Architecture*. Now for as much as there's only *One* of these, which properly concerns the present *Subject* (as being indeed the most *Eminent*, and *First* in *Order*.)

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We are here to understand by *Architecture*, the *Art* and *Skill* of *Civil Building* for Dwelling-Houses, Commodious Habitations, and more publick Edifices.

What pretence this part of *Architecture* has to both the other kinds, namely, the *Naval* and *Military*; the Foundation and Building of *Cities*, *Walls*, *Towers*, *Magazines*, *Bridges*, *Ports*, *Moles* and *Havens*, abundantly shew; together with what our Great Master *Vitruvius* has taught in the Construction of divers *Machines*, and Warlike Engines, as well for Offence as Defence: and to shew how Reconcilable all these different sorts of Building are to one another; we have a *Modern*, but an *Illustrious* Instance, in that Surprisingly Magnificent Piece of *Art*, the *Pentagonal Palace* erected for *Cardinal Alexander Furzeze* at *Caprarola* (within twenty Miles of *Rome*) by that Excellent and Skillful *Architect Vignola*, one of the First Rank and *Class* of Artists in the foregoing *Parallel*.

With Reason therefore, as well as Right, has the *Surveyor* of his *Majesties Works* and *Buildings*, both the *Military*, as well as *Civil Architecture*, properly under his Intendency and Inspection, by a *Grant* (as I have heard) of many Hundred Years past. But

To Enlarge on the several Heads of *Civil Architecture* (of which there are very many) would be to Extend this Discourse to a length not so proportionable to that which is design'd: Let it then Suffice to take Notice, That it is the *Ancient Greek* and *Roman Architecture* only, which is here Intended, as most entirely answering all those Perfections requir'd in a Faultless and Accomplish'd Building; such, as for so many Ages were so Renowned and Reputed, by the Universal Suffrages of the Civiliz'd World, and would doubtless have still subsisted, and made good their Claim, and what is Recorded of them; had not the *Goths*, *Vandals* and other Barbarous Nations, Subverted and Demolish'd them, together with that Glorious *Empire*, where those stately and pompous Monuments stood; Introducing in their stead, a certain Fantastical and Licentious manner of Building, which we have since call'd *Modern* (or *Gothic* rather) Congestions of Heavy, Dark, Melancholy and *Monkish Piles*, without any just Proportion, Use or Beauty, compar'd with the truly *Antient*: So as when we meet with the greatest Industry, and expensive *Carving*, full of *Fret* and lamentable *Imagry*; sparing neither of Pains nor Cost; a Judicious Spectator is rather Distracted and quite Confounded, than touch'd with that Admiration, which results from the true and just *Symmetrie*, regular Proportion, Union and Disposition; Great and Noble manner, which those *August* and Glorious Fabrics of the *Ancients* still Produce.

It was after the Irruption, and Swarms of those Truculent People from the *North*; the *Moors* and *Arabs* from the *South* and *East*, over-running the Civiliz'd World; that wherever they fix'd themselves,

selves, they soon began to Debauch this Noble and Useful Art ; when instead of those Beautiful *Orders*, so Majestical and Proper for their Stations, becoming Variety, and other Ornamental Accessories ; they set up those Slender and Misquine *Pillars*, or rather bundles of *Staves*, and other incongruous Props, to support incumbent Weights, and pondrous Arched Roofs, without *Entablature* ; and tho' not without great Industry (as *M. D'Aviler* well observes) nor altogether Naked of Gaudy *Sculpture*, trite and busy Carvings ; 'tis such as rather Gluts the Eye, than Gratifies and Pleases it with any reasonable Satisfaction : For Proof of this (without Travelling far abroad) I dare Report my self to any Man of Judgment, and that has the least Taste of Order and Magnificence ; If after he has look'd a while upon *King Henry* the VIIIth's *Chappel* at *Westminster* ; Gaz'd on its sharp *Angles*, *Jetties*, Narrow Lights, lame *Statues*, *Lace* and other *Cut-work* and *Crinkle Crankle* ; and shall then turn his Eyes on the *Banqueting-House* built at *White-Hall* by *Inego Jones* after the Antient manner ; or on what his *Majesties* present *Surveyor* *Sir Christopher Wren* has lately advanc'd at *St. Paul's* ; and consider what a Glorious Object the design'd *Cupola*, *Portico*, *Colonads* and other (yet Unfinish'd) Parts, will then present the Beholder : Or compare the *Schools* and *Library* at *Oxford* with the *Theatre* there ; or what he has lately Built at *Trinity College* in *Cambridge*, and since all these at *Greenwich* and other Places (by which time our *Home-Traveller*, will begin to have a just *Idea* of the *Antient* and *Modern Architecture*) I say, let him well consider, and compare them judiciously, without Partiality and Prejudice ; and then Pronounce, which of the two *Manners* strikes the Understanding as well as the Eye with the more Majesty, and solemn Greatness ; tho' in so much a Plainer and Simple Dress, Conforme to the Respective *Orders* and *Entablature* ; and accordingly determine, to whom the Preference is due : Not as we said, that there is not something of solid, and *Odly* Artificial too, after a sort : But then the Universal and unreasonable Thickness of the Walls, Clumsy Buttresses, Towers, sharp pointed Arches, Doors, and other Apertures, without Proportion ; Non-Sense Insertions of various Marbles impertinently plac'd ; Turrets, and Pinacles thick set with *Munkies* and *Chimæras* (and abundance of buisy Work and other Incongruities) dissipate, and break the Angels of the Sight, and so Confound it, that one cannot consider it with any Steadiness, where to begin or end ; taking off from that Noble *Aier* and *Grandure*, Bold and Graceful manner, which the *Antients* had so well, and judiciously Establish'd : But, in this sort have they, and their Followers ever since fill'd, not all *Europe* alone, but *Asia* and *Africa* besides, with Mountains of Stone, Vast, and Gygantic Buildings indeed ; but not Worthy the Name of *Architecture* : Witness (besides frequent *Erections* in these Kingdoms, Inferior to none for their utmost Performances)

ances) what are yet standing at *Westminster, Canterbury, Salisbury, Peterborow, Ely, Wells, Beverly, Lincoln, Gloucester, York, Durham,* and other *Cathedrals* and *Minsters*: What at *Utrecht, Harlem, Antwerp, Strasburg, Basil,* in the lower and upper *Germany*: At *Amiens, Paris, Roan, Tours, Lyons, &c.* in *France*; at *Milan, Venice, Florence,* nay in *Rome* her self: In *Spain,* at *Burges, and Seville,* with what the *Moors* have left in *Athambrant, Granada.* The *Santa Sophia* at *Constantinople*; That of the *Temple of the Sepulchre* at *Jerusalem* (at the Decadence at least of the Art.) The *Zerifs* Palace at *Morocco, &c.* besides the innumerable *Monasteries* and *Gloomy Cells,* built in all these Places by the *Christians, Greeks, Latines, Armenians, Moors,* and others since the Ruin of the Empire; and compare them (almost numberless as they are) with *One St. Peter's* at *Rome* only, which, with the rest of those venerable *Churches, Superb and Stately Palaces* there and at *Naples, Florence, Genoa, Escorial, Paris, Amsterdam, &c.* were yet all but sorry Buildings, till *Bramante, Raphael, Mich. Angelo, Palladio, (Bernini)* and other *Heroes* and *Masters* of our *Parallel,* Recover'd and even Raised this *Art* to Life again, and Restor'd her to her *Pristine Splendor and Magnificence,* after so tedious and dismal a *Night of Ignorance and Superstition,* in which *Architecture* had lain Buried in Rubbish, and sadly deform'd for so many Ages: The same may likewise be affirm'd of all those other *Arts* attendant upon her, *Sculpture* and *Painting* especially, and indeed of *Letters,* and all good *Learning* too, which had about this time, their *Resuscitation* also; In a *Word,* and after all that has been said of *Architecture* Ancient, or Modern; 'tis not we see enough to Build for *Strength* alone (for so those *Gothic Piles* we find stand their Ground, and the *Pyramids of Ægypt* have out-last'd all that Art and Labour have to shew) or indeed for bare *Accommodation* only, without due *Proportion, Order* and *Beauty,* and those other *Agreements,* and *Genuine Characters* of a Perfect, and Consummate Building; and therefore an *Art* not so easily attain'd by every Pretender, nor in Truth at all; without a more than ordinary *Disposition,* accompanied with *Judgment, Industry* and *Application*; due *Instruction,* and the *Rules of Art* Subserving to it. Thus Accomplish'd, an *Architect* is perfectly qualified to answer all the *Transcendences* of this Noble *Art,* which is to Build *Handsomly, Solidly* and *Usefully.*

We have already spoken of *Workmen,* and *Manuery* Assistants, in the foregoing *Paragraphs,* without whose more than ordinary Skill and Diligence, the Learned'st *Architect* mistakes the Shadow, for Substance, *umbram, non rem consecutus videtur,* and may serve to rear a *Tabernacle,* not Build a *Temple,* there being as much difference between *Speculation* and *Practice* in this *Art,* as there is between a *Shadow* and a *Substance*; but with what Advantages those Persons proceed who both know, and can apply, I have already

Demonstrated; and when we consider that the whole *Art* consists in the most Exact and Elegant Order imaginable, it is not to be wondered there have been so few able Men of the *Profession*: Sir *H. Wotton*, who reckons those two Parts for one, that is, the fixing of the *Model* to a full Expression of the first *Idea*, passes (with our *Master*) to the *Species* or kinds of this *Disposition*.

Taxis.

Taxis, or as *Architects* call it, *Ordonance*; as defined by our *Master*, to be that which gives to every part of a Building the just *Dimension*, relating to its Uses. Mr. *Perault* supposes neither so explicit, nor as the Thing it self requires, or answerable to the Intention; which he takes to consist in the *Division* of the *Plan* or spot of Ground on which one intends to Build; so to be apportioned and laid out (as to the Dimension of the respective parts, referring to their Use) as consists with the Proportion of the whole and intire Fabric; which in fewer Words, I conceive differs little from the Determinate Measures of what's assigned to Compose the several *Appartments*; to which some add, That which gives the utmost Perfection to all the Parts and Members of the Building: But (to proceed with the Learned Commentator) 'tis the judicious Contrivance of the *Plan* or *Model*, which he means by *Ordonance* here: As when, for Instance, the *Court*, the *Hall*, *Lodgings* and other Rooms are neither too large, or too little: *v. g.* That the *Court* afford convenient Light to the *Appartments* about it, and be large enough for usual Access; That the *Hall* be of fit Capacity to receive Company: The *Bed-Chambers* for Persons of Quality, and others: Or else when these Divisions are either too great, or too small, with Respect to the Place: As a very large *Court* would be to a little *House*, or a little *Chamber* in a Great and Noble *Palace*: Whereas *Diathefis*, *Disposition*, is where all the Parts and Members of a Building are assign'd their just and proper Places, according to their Quality, Nature, Office, Rank and Genuine Collocation; without Regard to the Dimension or *Quantity*, which is another Consideration, as Parts of *Architecture*; tho' still with Relation to its Perfection. Thus the *Vestibule* or *Porch*, should precede the *Hall*; The *Hall* the *Parlor*, next the *Withdrawing-Room*, which are of Ceremonie, I speak (as with us in *England*) where the *First Floore* is commonly so Composed of: The *Anti-Chambers*, *Bed-Chambers*, *Cabinets*, *Galleries* and Rooms of *Parade* and *State* in the Second Stage, suitable to the Expence and Dignity of the Owner: I say nothing of the *Height*, and other Dimensions; because there are Establish'd *Rules*: But it is what I have generally observed, Gentlemen (who are many times at considerable Charges in otherwise Handsome and Convenient Houses) most of all to fail in; not allowing Decent *Pitch* to the respective Roomes and *Appartments*, which I find they constantly Repent when 'tis too late: One should seldom therefore allow less than *Fourteen Feet*

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to the *First Floore* ; *Twelve*, or *Thirteen* to the *Second*, in a dwelling House of any considerable Quality ; to greater Fabrics, and such as approach to *Palaces*, 16, 18, 20, &c. with Regard to other Capacities : Nor let the less Benign Temper of the *Clime* (compar'd with other Countries) be any longer the pretence ; since if the Building and Finishing be Stanch ; the *Floors* well lay'd ; *Appertures* of *Doors*, and *Windows* close ; that Objection is answer'd ; The same Rules as to the Consequence of Rooms and *Oeconomie* is to be observed in the Distribution of the other *Offices*, even the most Inferior, in which the Curious consult their *Health*, above all Conveniency ; by designing their best Lodging-Chambers towards the *Sun-rising* ; and so *Libraries*, *Cabinets* of *Curiosities* and *Galleries*, more to the *North* ; affording the less Glazing and fittest *Light* of all other to *Pictures*, &c. unless where some unavoidable Inconvenience forbid it. Another great *Mistake*, I likewise have observ'd to be the Cause of many Errors as Incurable ; namely, a Fond, Avaritious, or Obstinate Resolution of many ; who having choice of Situations ; for the sparing of an old *Kitchin*, *Out-House*, *Lodge* or *Vulgar Office*, nay and sometimes of an *Antient Wall*, a fine *Quick-set Hedge*, particular *Tree* or two or the like ; continue to place the *New-Building* upon the *Old Foundation*, tho' never so much awry and out of all Square ; and (as often I have seen) neere some Bank of Earth, which cannot be mov'd ; pleas'd with *Front* or *Gaudy Out-side*, whilst all is Gloomy and Melancholy *within*, and gives Occasion of Censure to the Judicious, and Reproach to others ; In a Word, I have very rarely, or as seldome found a *New-Building* joyn'd with any tolerable Decency or Advantage, to an Old one, as a *Young and Beautiful Virgin*, to an Old, Decay'd and Doating *Husband* : I might almost affirm as much concerning *Repaires*, where there are great Dilapidations ; Since by that time they have Calculated all Expences of pulling down and patching up ; they might have Built Intirely New from the Ground, with the same, and oftentimes, with less Charge ; but with abundance more Beauty and Conveniency : Frequent Instances of like Nature might I produce, and of such as have too late Repented ; But I am to beg Pardon for this *Transgression*, for which I have no other *Apology*, than that since another *Edition* of this Piece is never likely to come under my Hand again ; I have taken the Liberty of *this* to speake my Thoughts the more freely ; not without hope, that some may be Edified by it, and have Cause to thank me for it.

To return therefore whence I diverted ; I now proceed to the proper Argument, and Design of this Discourse, which concerns the *Terms* of *Architecture*, with such Improvements as fall in with the Subject : Not that our *Politer Workmen* do not understand them well ; but for the Benefit, and Instruction of the less knowing ; or such

such, who, tho' Learn'd, and knowing in other Arts, may haply not have much consider'd this, and the first is,

Ichthographia. *Ichthography*, by which we are to understand the very first *Design* and *Ordinance* of a Work or Edifice, together with every *Partition* and *Opening*, drawn by *Rule* and *Compass* upon the *Area* or *Floor*, by *Artists* often call'd the *Geometrical Plan* or *Plat-forme*, as in our Reddition of the *Parallel*: The *Greeks* would name it *Ἰχθυογραφία* *Vestigii Descriptio*, or rather *Vestigium Operis*, the superficial efformation of the future Work, which our *Ground-plot* does fully interpret. This is properly the Talent and Work of the Chief *Architect* or *Surveyor* himself (and indeed the most Abstruse and Difficult) by which he expresses his Conception and *Idea* for the Judicious Collocation, Idoneous and apt Disposition, right Casting and Contrivement of the several *Parts* and *Rooms* according to their distinct *Offices*, and *Uses*; for as *Ordonation* imports the *Quantity*, so does *this* the *Quality* of the *Building*, but of this already, to this succeeds

Orthographia. *Orthography*, or the erect Elevation of the same in *Face* or *Front* describ'd in Measure upon the former *Idea*, where all the *Horizontal* Lines are *Parallels*: Some do by this comprehend the *Sides* likewise (but so will not I) to be seen as well within as without the *Model*. It is in Truth but the simple Representation of that Part opposite to the Eye of the Beholder, and thence by *Italian l' Alzato* or *l' Impiedi*, *facciata* and *Frontispiece*, without *Shadows*, or other deceptions, and the Second *Species* of *Disposition*. The last is,

Scenographia. *Scenography*, or (as some) *Sciography*, which is the same *Object* elevated upon the same *Draught* and *Centre* in all its *Optical* Flexures, Diminutions and *Shadows*, together with a fore-shortning of a *Third* Side, so as the whole *Solid* of the *Edifice* becomes visible in *Perspective* (as they say) because compos'd of the *Three* Principal *Lines* used in that Art, *viz.* that of the *Plan* or *Plot*, belonging to the first *Idea*; that of the *Horizon* or *Eye-line*, which denotes the *Second*; and the *Line* of *Distance* which makes the *Third* with all its *Adumbrations* and shadowings, which distinguishes it from what they call the *Profile* signified by the Edging strokes by some call'd out Lines, and *Contours* only, without any of this *Solid* finishing. From all which it appears, That not the bare *Idea*, or *Species* (as the Term is in *Vitruvius*) or as others, the various Kinds of *Disposition* is to be understood; but the several *Designs* and Representations of the *Division*: Seeing in Truth, these three *Draughts* upon Paper, belong as much to the *Ordonance* as the *Disposition* shewing and describing the Measures and Dimensions of the Inspective Parts, *Order* and *Position*: From these three *Ideas* then it is, that same *Eurythmia*, Majestic and *Venusta species Ædificii* does Result, which Creates that agreeable Harmony between the several Dimensions; so as nothing seems Disproportionate, too long for this, or too broad for that, but Corresponds in a Just and Regular

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Symmetry and *Concent* of the Parts with the whole : For *Symmetry* ^{*Symmetria*} is the Parity and Equality between the Parts Opposite ; so as one be not bigger, higher, longer, shorter, closer, or wider than the other : Suppose a *Column* swelling more at one side than the other ; and not as those who thought it to Consist in the proportion of some Principle Part or Member only, *Capitel* or *Cornice*, grosser or projecting farther than the *Order* permits ; which seem two different Things ; whilst *Proportion* among *Architects* consists in such an agreement and consent as we find in every well limb'd and compos'd *Living Animal*, of whatever *Species* or kind soever, where the due *Make* of each Member of the Body denominates the Compleateness of the *Figure*, be it *Statue*, or the *Life* ; and the same in *Building*, and the parts thereof ; in a Word, where *Convenience*, *Strength* and *Beauty* meet and render it accomplish'd. Lastly,

Decor, which is not only where the *Inhabitant*, and *Habitation* ^{*Decor.*} suite, seeing that is many times accidental ; but where a *Building*, and particularly the *Ornaments* thereof, become the *Station* and *Occasion*, as *Vitruvius* expressly shews in appropriateing the several *Orders* to their Natural Affections ; so as he would not have set a *Corinthian Column* at the Entrance of a *Prison*, nor a *Tuscan* before the *Portico* of a *Church*, as some have done among us, with no great Regard to the *Decorum* : Here therefore it is, That the *Judgment* of an *Architect* ought to be Consulted, since even in the Disposition of the *Offices* of our most private Houses, we find no where greater Absurdities committed, whilst we many times find the *Kitchen* where the *Parlour* should have been, and that in the first and best Story, which should have been damned to the lowermost and the worst.

Philander seems to be in some doubt whither the *Architect* did after all this make a *Model* of his future Work, but at last resolves it in the *Affirmative* for many Reasons, *ita enim futura deprehenduntur errata, & minimo impendio, nulloque incommodo, &c.* for so (says he) future *Errors* may be timely prevented, with little cost, and without any trouble before the Remedy proves incorrigible. Now tho' perhaps an accomplish'd *Architect* needs it not, yet as there is nothing certainly spar'd to less purpose, and more to the detriment of Builders than the small Expence of making this *Prototype* ; so it has been known that some Excellent *Masters* have without Reproach, caused several to be made of the same Building, and for the better and which should be fram'd with all its *Orders*, and *Dimensions*, by the Assistance of some skilful *Joyner*, or other Ingenious *Artist* in some slight Material, which may be to remove, uncover and take in pieces, for the Intuition of every *Contignation*, *Partition*, *Passage*, and *Aperture* without other Adulteration by *Painting* or gaudy Artifice, but in the most simple manner as Sir *H. Wotton* prudently advises,

for Reasons most Material and Unanswerable ; This is by some supplied with a *Perpendicular Section* of the *Orthographical Elevation*, which lets the Eye into the Rooms in front only ; the *Model* into the whole ; but from all which we may deduce how absolutely necessary it is, that an *Architect* have more than a *Vulgar Dexterity* in the Art of *Designing* and *Drawing*, *Quæ autem conferant, imo, quæ sint Architecto penitus necessaria ex artibus, hæc sunt, Pictura & Mathematica ; in cæteris doctusne sit, non laboro* : So the *Patriarch*, lib. 9. upon that of our *Master*, lib. 1. c. 1. *Peritus Graphidos*, &c. and then concludes, *Necessaria igitur est Architecto Graphidis (i. e.) designationis ut Itali dicunt peritia*, as being a thing altogether indispensable ; but of this already, for by the *Method* of a *Compleat Course* or *Body* of *Architecture*, one should proceed to the more particular *Distributions* of this *Art*, whither in Respect to *Private* or *Publick* Buildings, but I leave it for some perfect Edition of what remains of the incomparable *Palladio* ; when either by the same it is begun, or by some other Charitable Hand, That, or our *Master*, *Vitruvius* himself, as Publish'd by the Learned *Perault* shall be taught to speak *English* ; and the *Title* of this *Discourse*, which minds me of a through *Explanation* of the more difficult *Terms* of this *Art*, for being principally, if not only *Conversant* about the five *Orders* and their *Ornaments* (the subject of our *Learned Parallel*) calls me back to a distinct Survey of them, and I will begin at the *Foundation*.

Now tho' all that is buried in the Ground to the *Area* be so call'd, yet properly *Foundation* is the very *Cofer* or *Ground-bed* search'd *ad solidum*, & *in solido*, as our *Master* advises, and upon which a wise Man would only Build and raise the *Proto substruction*, or first beginning of his *Wall*, and ought commonly to be double the thickness of the *Superstruction*. This the *Greeks* call'd,

Stereobata στερεοβάτης *solidum fulcimentum*, for its artificial firmness, as immediately succeeding the underfilling of the former (for so we name those dry *Materials* upon the *Surface*) to be the *Basis* of the whole *Edifice* : I am not ignorant that some contend about this *Office*, confounding it with the *Stylobata* and *Pedestals* of *Columns*, assigning them a regular thickness of half as much more as the *Orders* they support ; and then the *Italians* call it the *Zoccolo*, *Pillow* or *Die* (because of its *Cubique* and solid Figure : But I rather take it for the *Basamento* of the whole, which I would therefore rather augment than contract to that stinted dimension : The Reverend *Daniel Barbaro*, c. 8. l. 2. describes us all the kinds of them, and calls this in particular (and which confirms this division) the concealed part, or *fundatio in imo* : And then by this elegant *distinction* defines *Structura* to be that of *Fronts* ; *Instruction*, that of the *middle* Parts ; and *Substruction*, of the *Lower* ; though this last Notion does likewise many

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many times import some vast and magnificent Building ; for so *Baldus* has cited that passage in *Liv.* l. 6. where he names the stately *Capitol* a *Substruction* only, and other Authors *Substructiones insanas*, for such vast and enormous Fabricks : But that we may not omit the *Pedestal* (though of rarer use amongst the *Ancients*) I come next to the

Stylobata ; For our *Pedestal* is *vox Hybrida* (a very mungrill) not *à Stylo*, as some imagine, but *à Stando*, and is taken for that solid *Cube*, or square which we already mentioned to be *that* to the *Column* imposed, which the *Superstructure* is to *this*, *Fulcimentum Columnæ* : It is likewise call'd *Truncus* the Trunk (though more properly taken for the *Shaft* or *Body* of an *Order*) contained between the *Cornice* and *Base* (for *Pedestals* have likewise those *Ornaments* inseparably) also *Abacus*, *Dado*, *Zocco*, &c. which is sometimes Carv'd with *Bass-relievo* in *Historical Emblems*, as that of *Trajans* at *Rome*, and ours on *Fish-street Hill* : But as it was rarely used among the *Ancients* ; so they were all *Square* alike to all the *Orders* : till from good Examples, by later *Architects*, (and especially *Palladio*) reduc'd to Proportion and very graceful. Those which are more large than high, are called *double Pedestals* supporting double *Columns*, and some which are continu'd thro' the whole Building. Also *Poggio*, from its Office of supporting, and then 'tis constantly adorn'd with a *Cornice* consisting of a *Cymatium* on a *Corona* with *Lists*, and sometimes *Scotia* or shallow *Cavities* and an addition of an upper *Zocco* or *Plinth* of a smaller hollow and part of the *Cymatium*, upon which the *Scamilli impares Vitruviani* were set, if design'd for *Statues* : Or, if without, for *Columns*. The *Base* has likewise an *Ornament* of a *Cymatium inverted* upon a *Plinth*, as may be seen in the *Corinthian Stylobata* : The general Rule is to divide the whole into 19 Parts ; the *Pedestal* shall have 4, the *Entablature* 3, but if a *Column* be without *Pedestal*, Divide the height but into 5 equal Parts, 4 to the *Column*, and to the *Entablature* 1 : But, as we affirm'd, the *Ancients* did seldom use *Pedestals* at all, unless where *Railes* and *Balusters* were requisite, and *Parapet* walls for *Meniana*, *Pergolas* and *Balconies*, and where they serv'd for *Podia* or *Posaries* of a leaning Height, for which they had a slight *Cornice* assign'd them ; and this minds me of the *σιναι* among the *Greeks*, as indeed seeming to have been deriv'd from the Eastern *שַׁנַּי* used, and to the *Jews* (we read) enjoyn'd upon their flat-roofed Houses, these *Balusters* being in truth but a kind of petty *Columns* under the *Railes* or *Architrave* between *Pedestal* and *Pedestal* for that moral Reason, the security of the Walkers, especially at what time they used to spread *Tents* upon them, as frequently they did : But if (as we said) for the better eminence of *Figures*, then with the Imposition of

scamilli. *Scamilli impares*, of which there is so much contention amongst our *Hypercritical* Architects, though in fine they prove to be but certain Benches, *Zoccos* or Blocks elevating the rest of the Members of an *Order*, *Column*, *Signum* or *Statue* from being drowned or lost to the *Eye*, which may chance to be plac'd below their *Horizon*; that is, beneath the Projectures of the *Stylobata Cornices* and other *Sail-lies*, by an agreeable Reconciliation of *Geometry* with the *Opticks*: In a Word, the *Pedestals* of *Statues* do well express them, and those half-round Elevations, or other unequal Eminences upon the *Stylobata*, be they *one* or more *Plinths*, like so many steps succeeding one another for the Advantage of what stands upon them: In the mean time, we find no *Proportions* or form assign'd for the placing *Statues*, *Busts* or other *Figures*, which seems to be left *Arbitrary*, with regard to the Subject: The lower *Pedestals* best suiting with the higher, contrary to *Busts*, or where more than one together, as *Groups* sitting, and *Cumbent* Figures, which require longer, &c. with such Ornament and Decoration as best becomes them; as to *Nymphs*, *Tritons*, *Sea-Gods*, *Escalop-Shells*, &c. to *Deesses*, the more Delicate, to *Satyrs*, *Rustic Work*, &c. But to proceed to the *Orders* and their several *Members* as they Naturally rise in Work.

Basis. The *Base* deriv'd from the Greek Verb *βαίνω* imports the Sustain, Prop or Foot of a Thing, and is in *Architecture* taken not for the lowermost Member of an *Order*, but for all the several Ornaments and Mouldings from the *Apophyses* or rising of the *Columns* shaft, to the *Plinth*: Sometimes also for the *Spire*; which lying on the *Plinth* like the *Coile* of a Cable derives thence its Name, though something improperly methinks, considering these Members do not run *Spiral*, but *Obliquely* rather and *in orbem*: In sum, the *Basis* is to the *Column* and its *Entablature*, what the *Stylobata* is to the *Basis*, and the *Stereobata* to the *Pedestal*. Here Note, that when a *Cornice* is added to a *Base*, it becomes a *Pedestal*, and that to the *Corinthian* or *Composita* the *Attic Base*, and tho' fairest of all, and us'd in other *Orders*; by no means so properly: It is often enrich'd with Sculpture, especially in the *Composita*; for *Bases* differ according to the *Order*: *Tuscan* has a *Torus* only; the *Doric* an *Astragal* more, by some esteem'd a modern Addition: The *Ionics* *Torus* is larger on a double *Scotia*, betwixt which are two *Astragals*: The *Composita* an *Astragal* fewer than the *Corinthian*. The *Attic Base* (or as some, the *Attic-Curgi*) consists of a *Plinth*, two *Torus's* and *Scotia* properly plac'd under the *Ionic* and *Composita*, and indeed as was said, to all, *Tuscan* excepted, which has its peculiar *Base*: But to proceed to other particulars.

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The *Plinth* is the first, and very lowest Member of the *Base*. ^{Plinthus.} The Word denotes a *Brick* or square *Tyle* of which happily they were usually made, but rather for the resemblance; because of the weight it was to bear, and therefore more probably of something more solid to preserve the Foot of the *Column* from rotting, when first *Pillars* were made but of the Tapering Bodies of *Trees*, as we shall shew hereafter: *Plinth* is likewise taken for a like Member about the *Capitel*, but then always with its Ajunct, *the Plinth of the Capitel*, &c. because placed just above the *Echinus* as in the *Doric*, *Ovolo* or quarter round in the other *Orders*. The *Italians* familiarly name it *Orlo*, which importing a round Welt, Hem or Brim, methinks is not so properly applied to it: By *Plinth* is also to be Understood any flat, thick *Moulding* in the Fore-Walls of any Building, ranging like a broad *List* with the several *Floors* or *Stages*. The next is,

Torus, the third Member of the *Base* (of which there is *Superior* and *Inferior* in the *Bases* of all the *Orders*, the *Tuscan* excepted) comes from $\tau\acute{\rho}\upsilon\sigma$ denoting the roundness and smoothness of it; *Torus enim quiquid rotundum*, or rather as *Scaliger*, *quod artificialiter elaboratur & tornetur*, because artificially made so; but why not from its swelling and brawniness? It much resembles the Shape of a round Cushion, *Torques* or *Wreath*, thence $\tau\acute{\rho}\upsilon\sigma$, and the imposed weight makes it seem to swell out as if indeed it were stuffed, and that with Reason say the *Critics* for the more easy and safe Position of the

Trochile, from $\tau\acute{\rho}\acute{\iota}\chi\lambda\omicron$ or $\tau\acute{\rho}\acute{\iota}\chi\alpha$ a Rundle or Pully-Wheel which it ^{Trochilus} much resembles, and is that Cavity appearing next to the *Torus*: The *Italians* name it *Bastone*, or more properly *Cavetto*, and *Cortice*, *tantumquam baculi cortex*, the hollow Rind of a Tree, as *Barbaro*. Our Workmen retain the Ancient *Scotia*, from $\sigma\kappa\omicron\tau\iota\alpha$, its obscurity proceeding from the Shade of the hollowness, but more vulgarly they call it the *Casement*, and it is ever the Cavity between the former *Torus*'s, and also beneath the *Doric Cornice* separated from the plain Margin or *Regula* call'd *Mentum* and *Corona* by a small *Cymatium*, or sometimes a *List* only: The Capital Letter C is almost a perfect resemblance of this *Moulding*, and it is indeed frequently bordured or rather shut in with *Lists*. Lastly,

The *Astragal*, which besides divers other Things (as the *Septem* ^{Astragalus} *spinæ Vertebræ* near the Neck) has here its Analogy from that Bone a little above the *Heel*, whence the *French* name it the *Talon* or *Heel* it self (as our Author of the *Parallel*) nor improperly; but by the *Italians*, *il Tondino* being a kind of half *Torus*, sometimes wrought in the richer *Orders* like an Over-cast Hem or Edge to the larger *Tore*, which frequently is plac'd between, as in the *Ionic* *Base* with two *Scotias*, and sometimes (though rarely) just about the *Plinth* of the *Base*, as some marshal it: Otherwhiles again it is taken for the *Hoop*, *Cincture* or *Coller* next the *Hypotrachelium* and diminution of a

Column lifted on both Edges; and it runs also under the *Echinus* of the *Ionic*. Our *Englisber* of *Hans Bloome* names it a *Bolteſſ*, or *Fillet* in any part of a *Pillar*, but I take a *Fillet* to be more flat, this more swelling, and (as I say) *Torus*-like. Moreover we sometimes find it dividing the *Fascia* of the *Corinthian Architrave* where it is wrought in *Chapletts* and *Beads, Olives* or *Berries*; and finally in two places, both above and beneath the *Liffs* joyning immediately to the *Square* or *Die* of a *Pedestal* where *Stylobata* is introduced; and so we have done with the *Ornaments* and *Mouldings* of the *Base*: We come now to the *Column* it self.

Στάλη nakedly, and strictly taken, is that Part of an *Order* only, which is the Prop or *Columen*, plac'd to support something Superior to it, and is here properly that round and long *Cylinder* diversly named by Authors, *Scapus, Vivo, Tige, Shaft, Fuſt, Trunke, &c.* containing the Body thereof from the *Spire* of the *Base*, or lately mentioned *Astragal*, to the *Capitel*: Sometimes for the Substance and Thickness of the bottom of the *Pillar*, and in Authors for the *Checks* of a Door *Secundum Cardines & Antepagmenta*, of which consult the Learned *Baldus* in the Word *Repl. de Sig. Voc. Vitru.* also the Perpendicular *Post* of a *Winding staires*; but for the most part for that *Solid* of a *Column* which being divided into three Parts, has (as some delight to form them, but without any Reason or good Authority) an *Entasis* or *Swelling*, and under the *Collerine* or *Cimba* of the *Capitel*, a *Contracture* and comely *Diminution*, by Workmen call'd the breaking of the *Pillar*; which in Imitation of the natural *Tapering* of *Trees*, is sometimes too much contracted, in others excessively swell'd. The manner of Operation by applying a thin flat *Flexible Rule*, of the length of the whole *Column*, divided into three equal Parts, beginning at the Perpendicular of the lowest, is so well known, that I need say nothing more of it, than that there is hardly any sensible *Swelling* to be perceiv'd in the best Examples, and therefore to be sparingly us'd, and with Discretion if at all: or as *Disgradet* and some affect, tapering very insensibly all the way: *Monſieur Perault* prescribes another Method for this *Diminution* (speaking of *Nicomedes's* first *Conchoid*, in his learned Comment, l. 3. cap. 2d. But (returning to where we left) the primary Issue or Rise of the *Shaft* next the *Astragal* and neather *Cincture* is call'd the *Apophyges* from the *Greek* Word Ἀποφυγή; because in that part the *Column* taking as it were a *Rise*, seems to Emerge and Fly from the *Bases* like the *Processus* of a Bone in a Man's Leg; and so it is now and then applied to the *Square* of *Pedestals* likewise. In short, 'tis no more than an imitation of the *Rings* or *Feruls* heretofore used at the *Extremities* of *Wooden Pillars*, when formerly they were made of that Material, to preserve them from splitting, afterward imitated in *Stone-Work* as an inseparable part thereof; and thence doubt-

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doubtless it is they took their original Contraction: Such Trees as grew in the most upright Tenor and comely Diminution, being chosen for this Employment.

These being resembled in *Stone* (that is of one entire one) by *Solidæ* were distinguish'd from the *Structiles*, or were such *Pillars* as were Compounded of many:

But it is not here only that these *Rings* have place, but next the above describ'd *Astragal* likewise, and where-ever encounter'd by the Names of *Annulus*, *Cincta*, *Cimbia*, *Listello*, *Fillets*, *Regula*, &c. broader or more narrow as best suits with the Consecutive Member; like those very small *Listellos* or *Annulets* under the *Echinus* of the *Doric* Capitel, by the *Italians* call'd *Gradetti*, Degrees, and by the Interpreters of *P. Lomazzo*, Rulers; and so in like manner the *Cimbia* beneath the *Astragal* immediately above the *Contraction*. But *Regulæ* and *Fillets* are somewhat larger in places where they edge and shut in the *Cymatium* of a *Cornice*, *Abacus*, or *Voluta*: Moreover I Note, That *Listello* and *Cincta* are broader than *Annulets* which I take to be the very least of all the *Mouldings* in an *Order*.

The *Capitel*, with its *Ornaments* comes now to be the next collective Member. Capitel.

We have already shew'd what we are to Understand by a *Column*, which nakedly considered, does not assume the Name of *Order*, till it be dressed and habited with its distinguishing *Ornaments*, the *Capitel*, &c. For tho' by *Ornament* Architects in one Word, signifie *Architrave*, *Frieze* and *Cornice*, which ever Accompany and Compleat the *Order*; yet 'tis the *Capitel* only which gives its distinction and denomination: And albeit their differences may indeed be also taken from the Height, Shape and Substance, yet hardly without their *Heads*, as the *Ionica* and *Corinthian*. We proceed therefore to the Second Member towards the upper Part or *Diminution* of a *Column* (which is always the less abated if very tall, because the Distance effects that in them, which *Art* produces in the lower) is the

Hypotrachelium, which from the Greek *ὑποτραχελιον* *colli pars infra cervicem*, denotes the Neck of the *Column*, being that part of *Scapus* below the *Astragal*: It is as it were the *Freeze* of the *Capitel*, and so by some term'd, as also the *Coller* and *Gorgerin*, where the *Pillar* is most Contracted and seems as if it were strangled, and may well be taken for a part of the *Capitel* it self, having both in the *Tuscan* and *Doric* another *Annulus* or *Cincta* about it next to the

Echinus, a *Bottle* cut with an Edge, as in our *Bloome* 'tis rudely explained: It is indeed a quarter round, and sometimes more, swelling above the *Cinctures*, and commonly next to the *Abacus*, Carv'd with *Ovals* and *Darts* (by our Workmen call'd *Eggs* and *Ankers* as little Politely) which is frequently shut up with a smaller *Ovolo* of *Beads* and *Chaplets*, or like Ornament; but so adorn'd,

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it commonly runs under the *Ionic Voluta* and that of the *Composita*, and next the *Doric Abacus*; as in that singular Example of the *Trajan Column* it creeps under the *Plinth* of the *Capitel*. Such as pretend to *Etymologies* for every thing they hear, will have it ἐκινῶσθαι τὸ ἔχειν, or σιωλεῖν ἑαυτὸν because of a kind of Self-contraction; others more rationally from the resemblance and roughness in the Carving ἐχέου τεραχύνεσθαι as bristling with its Darts like a *Hedge-Hog*, or rather the thorny Husk of a *Chest-nut*, which being open'd discovers a kind of Oval Figur'd Kernell, which dented a little at the Top, the *Latins* call *Decacuminata Ova*. Under this, as we said, is a smaller *Bracelet* again which incircles the *Capitel* under the *Voluta* in the *Composita*, taken for the *Fuserole*; and so likewise in the other *Orders* where the *Ovolo* or *Echinus* properly enter, having a small Moulding beneath it by *Palladio* nam'd *Gradetto*, but of this already: In the *Corinthian* an *Echinus* frequently comes in betwixt the *Corona* and *Dentilli*.

Voluta.

The *Voluta*, or as we term it properly enough, the *Scroul*, is not the derivative of any *Greek* Word, but the *Latin*, *Voluta*, à *Volvendo*, for that it indeed seems to be roll'd upon an *Axis* or *Staff*; *Alberti* calls them *Snails* Shells from their *Spiral* turne: It is the Principal, and only appropriate Member of the *Ionic Capitel* which has *Four* in imitation of a *Femal* Ornament, as both our *Master Vitruvius*, and the Author of the *Parallel* have Learnedly Illustrated. The *Face* of it is called *Frons* the *Fore-head*, a little hollow'd between the *Edge* or *List*, and the *Return*, *Pulvin* or *Pillow* betwixt the *Abacus* and *Echinus* resembles the *Side-plaited Tresses* of *Womens* Hair, to Defend as it were the *Ovolo* from the weight of the *Abacus* (over which the *Voluta* hangs) and superior Members, for the same Reason as was intimated in the *Torus* of the *Base*.

There are also *Voluta's* in the *Corinthian* and *Compounded Capitels*, whereof the first hath *Eight*, which are *Angular*, the rest consisting rather of certain large *Stalkes* after a more *Grotesco* Design, as may be gathered from those *Rams Horns* in the *Capitel* of the *Columns* taken out of the *Bathes* of *Dioclesian*: And in Truth they are only the pretty *Flexures* and *Scrowlings* of *Vitici* like the *Tendrells* of *Vines*, whereof the *Four* larger ones bend under the *Horns* or *Corners* of the *Abacus*, the other *Four* of lesser Size, just under the middle of the *Arch* thereof, beneath the *Flower*: Then the Bottom or Foot of the *Calathus* or *Panier* (for that's divided into three equal Parts as will hereafter appear) shows in Front *two* entire *Leaves*, and as many half ones, *viz.* at the *Angles*, and betwixt those again two *Stalkes*, which, with a *Tall one* in the middle (that touches the midst of the *Arch* (as we said) it puts forth a *Flower* upon the Brim of the *Abacus*) make in all *sixteen* in number. To be yet as accurate as may be in so Nice and Florid an *Ornament*, these *Leaves* did of old resemble

semble either the *Acanthus* (though a little more Indented and Disguised) from the Inventor *Callimachus*, or (as some) the *Olive* and *Palme*, for so it is warranted by *Villalpandus* from that *Capitel* of his Description standing in the *Temple of Solomon*. At the Extremes of these Leaves do issue the *Caules*, and *Codd's* breaking with the *Helices*, the rest of the *Stalkes* adorn'd and furnish'd with Buds and tender Foliage by the Discretion and Invention of the Ingenious *Carver*. But the Domineering *Tendrills* and *Flexures* consist of greater, or smaller *Volutas*, emerging from between the *Abacus* and *Echinus* in smaller Leaves and Stalks, *Midling* and *Inferior* Foliage, as they are distinguish'd by Workmen in the three above nam'd Divisions of the *Calathus*; but instead of those *Helices*, at our *Corinthian* Horns, the *Composita* has her *Voluta* much more resembling the *Ionica*, and in lieu of those, divers Capricious Fancies, as *Horses Heads*, *Eagles*, and the like; *sed ea doctis non probantur*, they are rejected by all good *Architects*, says *Philander*. *Voluta* is likewise among the Ornaments of *Mutuli*, *Curtouses*, &c.

Now the *Center* or *Eye* of the *Ionic Voluta* is made by *Artists* with a *Cathetus*, which (not over nicely to distinguish from *Perpendicular*, because the Operation of them proceeds from distinct Terms) is meant by a *Line* let down from above, intersecting the *Line* of the *Collar* (as 'tis demonstrated in *Chap. 24.* of the *Parallel*, with the *History* of its Investigation) and that small Circle at this Point of *Intersection* is Metaphorically *Oculus*, the *Eye*, from whence the Perfect turning of the *Voluta* has been after an exquisite manner (tho' by few observ'd and practis'd) found out; it being here indeed that our *Workman* will be put to the Exercise of his *Arithmetic*, as appears by that accurate Calculation in *Nicholas Goldmanus's* Restitution of this becoming Ornament. Lastly,

The *Abacus* (from *αβαξ* or *αβανον* which signifies a Square *Trencher*, or *Table*) is that *quadrangular* piece commonly accompanied with a *Cymatium* (except in the *Tuscan*) and serving instead of a *Corona* or *drip* to the *Capitel*, whereof it is the *Plinth* and Superior, as has already been noted. This it is which supports the neather *Face* of the *Architrave*, and whole *Trabeation*: In the *Corinthian* and *Composita* the *Corners* of it are nam'd the *Horns*, and are somewhat blunted and hollowed, the *Intermedial Sweep* and *Curvature* with the *Arch*, has commonly a *Rose* or some pretty *Flower* Carv'd in the middle of it.

Thus we have finished that *Head* of our *Column*, which being taken in *General* for all these *Members* together, is commonly distinguish'd by the Name of *Capitel* (an Essential Member of every *Order*:) taken, I say, for the intire Ornament from the *Astragal* and first *Cincture* of it, to the *Plinth* which bears up the *Architrave*: But it is not to be omitted, that the main Body of the *Corinthian*

Chapiter (of which we have given a large Description under the Title of *Voluta*) consists of a *Bell*, or *Basket* rather, which is that plain and solid part under the *Caulicali*, *Stalks*, and out of which they are Carved with *Helices*, *Tendrells* and *Flowers* already mentioned, and which in order to their triple *Series* of *Foliage* (which seems to include and shadow the Body of it as 'tis represented in that curious design of *Callimachus's* Invention) is divided into *three* equal Parts: But of this hereafter. There is likewise another *Capitel*, or rather a Diminutive of it, by the *Greeks* call'd *νεπαλιδιον*, which does not only signify (as sometimes) the former *Calathus* and *Basket*, but more properly that *Braid* or *List* above the *Triglyph* in the *Freeze*.

Moreover, to the Bodies or *Shafts* of some *Columns* appertain

Striges, which (not to insist upon what the Learned *Vossius* and other *Critics* have contended) are those excavated *Channells*, by our Workmen call'd *Flutings* and *Grooves*: These are particularly affected to the *Ionic* Order (rarcly the *Doric*) *uti stolarum rugæ*, in imitation of the *Plaits* of *Womens Robes*, as our *Master* resembles them; and some of these *Channells* we find to go winding about *Pillars*, &c. but it is not approved. Between these are the *Striæ*, we may properly *English* them *Raies* or *Lists*; which being twenty in the *Doric*, in the *Ionic* 24 in number, are those plain Spaces between the *Flutings* in the *Ionic*, *Doric*, *Corinthian* and *Composed* Orders; which *Ornament* the *three* last have (with some small Difference) borrow'd from the *Ionic*. And in some of those (as in that *Dioclesian Doric* Example) they are so made, as to reduce the *Rays* to a sharpe Edge only, by their Contiguity without any Spaces at all. But sometimes we find the *Striges* to be fill'd up with a Swelling, a third Part from the *Base*, and these we may call *Stav'd*, or *Cabl'd Columns*; for so I think fit to Interpret the *French Embastone*, and *Alberti's Rudens*. Thus we find some *Corinthian* Pillars often treated; the *Stria* being commonly a third or fourth Part of the widnefs of the *Flutings*, (in the *Doric* not too deep) and diminishing with the *Contraction* of the *Scapus*, unless the *Shaft* be very high, in which Case the distance does it without the Aid of the Workman; sometimes also we have seen them totally filled, and sometimes wrought, but better plain: Note that where they exceed Twenty or Twenty four they make the *Columns* appear Gouty. We should now come to the *Entablature*, but a Word of

Paraftatae. *Pillasters*, or square *Columns*, call'd by the *Greeks* (if standing single) *Paraftatae* or by the *Italians* *Membretti*. Observing the same *Module* and *Ornament* in *Base* and *Capitel* (if alone) with that of the intire *Column*; but so they do not for their *Prominencie*, which being to gain room and to strengthen Works (Fortifie and Uphold capacious *Vaults*) reduces them sometimes to the *Square*, whereof one of the sides is frequently applied to *Walls*, by which alone some will

will only have them to differ from *Columns* themselves; but that ought to be understood of such as have no *Imposts* and *Arches*, upon which occasions the *Lights* they let in do much govern their Proportions, as *Palladio* has Judiciously shew'd in *l. 1. c. 13.* &c. Likewise, where they happen to be at *Angles*, and according to the surcharg'd weight; and therefore a *Rustic* superficies (as Sir *H. Wotton* has Discreetly observ'd) does best become them, as well as a greater Latitude, for so they have sometimes been enlarg'd to almost a whole *Vacuity*; unless where for their better Fortifying, we find *half*, and sometimes whole *Columns* applied to them. As to the Extancy, engag'd in the Thickness of the Walls, (for so we must suppose them to be) they sometimes shew above a Fourth, Fifth or Sixth Part of their Square, but this is Regulated according to the Nature and Difference of the Work, which not seldom reduces it to an *Eight*, without any nice Regards to what were requisite if they stood alone seeing they are often destin'd to Stations which require the most substantial Props. For the rest, they carry the same Proportion with their respective Orders, and are very rarely *Contracted*, unless where they are plac'd behind whole *Columns*: If *Fluted*, with not above Seven or Nine at most: Be this also observed; That as in the *Fronts* of Large and Noble Buildings, they shew very gracefully benign plac'd one over the other before the first and second *Stories*; so in lesser *Fronts* and Houses they look but poorly: Lastly, be this farther Noted; That tho' we find the *Doric Pillaster* with *Triglyph* and *Metap* plac'd about the *Cupola*, 'tis by no means to be broken in any sort, to humor the Angle of an *Upright Wall*, tho' there happen to be a *Cornice* above it, as we frequently find, allowing half to one *Face*, and as much to the other:

Pillasters are likewise smaller or shorter applied to *Balconies*, &c. with now and then *Bases*, *Plinth* and *Capitel*, and so in Ruails upon *Stayers*, *Battlements*, &c. They also do properly and handsomely where they are set to support *Cornices* and *Freezes* in *Wainscoted* Rooms; provided their due proportion be observ'd, without those ridiculous Disguizements of *Pedestals* and Idle fancie commonly wrought about them: They also well Adorn *Door-Cases*, *Chimney-Pieces*, *Gallerie-Fronts*, and other places whence they are call'd

Ante, not improperly (as *Mons. Perault* shews) from the *Latine* *Antæ*, for their being plac'd *Before* the Ancient *Temple Walls* and *Coines* standing out to secure them, and so at the sides of *Doors*: In short, they are generally own'd among *Pillasters*, observing the same Rule in advancing out of the Work, as *Columns* themselves also do; otherwise (as was said) *Pillasters* us'd to appear very little beyond the Perpendicular of the Wall or Work, where there happen'd to be no *Ornament* above, which fallied farther, in which case, the Projecture of both ought to be alike, or rather comply with that of the *Pillaster*. The

Imposts

Incumbæ. *Imposts* (by *Vitruvius* call'd *Incumbæ*) which I mention'd, are nothing but their *Capitels* or more protuberant Heads, upon which rest the ends of the *Arches*; which also must conform to their *Orders*; so as the *Tuscan* has a *Plinth* only; the *Doric*, two *Faces* around; The *Ionica* a *Plancere* or Cavity betwixt the two *Faces*, with now and then carved Mouldings, as has likewise the *Corinthian* and *Composita* a *Freeze*; so as the *Sallies* of the *Imposts* exceed not the Body of the *Pillaster*: Sometimes again the *Entablature* of the Order serves for the *Impost* of the *Arch*, which is very Stately, as we see in divers *Churches*, to which the height exceedingly contributes, where the *Projecture* is suitable; in the mean time where they exceeded the *Square* and regular *Thickness*, they were nam'd

Pilæ. *Pilæ*, and their *Quadra's* or *Tables* (as we yet see them in antient *Altars* and *Monuments*) were employ'd for *Inscriptions*; but if shorter, and more Massy, they serve for the *Arches* of *Bridges*, for *Buttresses* and the Sustainment of more solid Works, as indeed they need to be, standing in the *Water*; and gradually built as far as its *Level*; nor ought their *Breadth* be less than a *Sixth* part of the *Wideness* of the *Arch*, nor more than a *Fourth*: They were sometimes made half *Circular*; but the *Antients* prefer'd the pointed at *right Angles* as better to resist the impetuous *Current*, before the more *Acute* and *Sharper*.

Camera. *Arches* or *Vaults* consisting generally of simple *Half-Circles*, and now and then of some lesser *Point*, of all other, require the Conduct of an able *Architect* well Skild in *Geometry*: I shall not need to Criticize on the several *Species*, of *Fornices* and *Cradle* Works, as of late Subdivided into more than we find among the *Antients*, which were not above *Three* or *Four*: The simple *Fornix*, or *Hemicircular*, *Straite* or *Turning*: The *Testudo* or more circular, and that which by the *French* is call'd *Cul de Four* and *Oven-like*; and the *Concha*, which like a *Trumpet* grows *Wider* as it *Legthens*, &c. Of these some are single, some double, cross, *Diagonal*, *Horizontely* on the *Plaine*, others *Ascending* and *Descending*, *Angular*, *Oblique*, *Pendent*; some that *Sallie* out suspending an incumbent *Burden*, of which there are both *Concave* and *Convex*, as for the giving *Passage* under upon *Occasion*: But of whatever *Form*, or *Portion* of the *Circle*; Care must be had, that where they cross, the *Reins* or *Branches* springing from the same *Point*, and their *Moulding* alike, they neither crowd to neere one another, nor intangle confusedly; but meeting from *Angle* to *Angle*, unite at the *Key-stone*, which is commonly carv'd with a *Rose* or some other *Ornament*; it being in this *Disposition* of the *Nerves* and *Branches*, wherein consists the *Artist* great *Address*, and that the *Concamerated* *Spaces* be exceeding close *Joynted*, needing no *Pegs*, or fillings up with *Mortar*; and above all, that the *Butments* be *Substantial*: As now in *Cellars*,
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Churches, &c. *Vault* and *Arch-Work* in warmer *Climats*, both in the First and Second Stories, not without frequent and costly Sculpture, various *Fretts* and *Compart'ments*, of which we have Examples *Antient* and *Modern* far more Rich, Grave, and Stately, than those *Gothic Soffits* gross and heavy, or miserably trifling: Another great Address in *Vault-Work* is to render them light and cheerful, where they are rais'd above Ground, as well as Solid; especially, where there is occasion to contrive them as flat as possible; such as are to be seen in many *Bridges*, especially at *Pisa* over the *Arno* so flat, as the *Curvature* is hardly discernable; and tho' it consists of three *Arches*, yet they are very large; and there are many at *Venice*, but not neere of that Length; That of the Famous *Rialto* over the *Grand-Canale*, is more exalted, being in the *Base* neere 200 Foot, the *Chord* much less than half the *Diameter*, *Arches* being ever strongest, as they approach the half Circle: The *Masonry* at the Front of these being cut by a peculiar *Slope* of the *Stone* is call'd *Pennanted*, till it come to joyn with the

Mensula which (*quasi mensa*) seems to be locked to the *Pennants* in Guize of a *Wedge*, and therefore by our Artists nam'd the *Key-stone*: we have shewed their use where two *Arches* intersect, which is the strongest manner of *Cameration*. Under the Title of *Arch-Work*, may not improperly come in those *Scalæ Cochliodes*, *Spiral*, *Annular*, *Oval*, and of whatsoever Shape, *Pensile*, and as it were, hanging With or without *Column*, receiving light from above; all of them requiring the Skillful *Geometrician*, as well as a *Master-Mason*; Stairs in general being one of the most useful and absolutely necessary Parts of an House; and therefore to be contriv'd with good Judgment, whither of Stone or Timber; and so as with *Ease* and *Cheerfulness* one may be led to all the Upper Rooms. With *Ease* I mean, That the *Flights* be not too long, before one arrives to the *Reposes* and *Landings*, without criticizing concerning the Number of Steps (which the *Antients* made to be odd) provided they exceed not 5 *Inches* in *Height*, or be less than 15 in *Breath*, one Foot being scarcely Tolerable: And albeit the Length cannot so positively be determin'd, but should answer the Quality and Capacity of the Building; it ought not be shorter than *Five* and an *half*, or *Six* Foot; that two Persons may commodiously ascend together; I speak not of those (*Scalæ occultæ*) *Back-Stayres*, which sometimes require much Contraction (and are more obnoxious to *Winding Steps*) But a Noble and Ample House may extend even from 8 to 12 Foot in Length. And here I think not amiss to Note, That the *Antients* very seldom made use of *Arched Doors* or *Windows*, unless at the entrance of *Castles*, *Cittys*, and *Triumphal intercolumnations* for the more Commodious Ingress of *Horse-Men* arm'd with *Spears*, and *Ensigns*, &c. This *Barbarity* therefore we may look upon as purely *Gothique*,
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who considering nothing with *Reason*, have introduc'd it into private Houses, and been imitated but by too many of our late *Architects* also, to the no small Diminution of the rest which is better Conducted. By *Intercolumnations* I do likewise Comprehend all *Terraced* and *Cloister'd*-Buildings, *Porticos*, *Galleries*, *Atria's*, &c. as before, contiguous to, or standing out from the Body of *Edifices* in which Cases they are becommingly proper: And this does naturally lead me to our *Pillars* again, and to consider the *Spaces* between them.

Intercolumnatio. *Intercolumnation* (antiently much the same in all the *Orders* without *Arches*, where Spaces may be wider than betwixt single *Columns*) signifies the distance or void between *Pillar* and *Pillar*, but this not sufficiently explaining the various Distance of the several *Orders* in Work, renders it, even in divers of our *English* Authors where they treat of this *Art*, of fundry Denominations: For thus it was usually call'd

Insulata. *Insulata Columna*, where a *Pillar* stood alone like an *Island* or *Rock* in the *Sea*, the one environ'd with *Ayr* as the other with *Water*:

Areostylos. *Areostylos* belonging chiefly to the *Tuscan Order*, was where the *Intercolumnation* is very wide, as at the entrance of great *Cities*, *Forts*, &c. upon which occasions at the least four or five *Modules* (taken for the whole *Diameter*) may be allowed, and commonly requires a *Timber Architrave*. Others almost contrary, when they stand at only a moderate Distance.

Diastylos. *Diastylos*, though sometimes improperly taken for any *Intercolumnation*, is most natural to the *Doric* and may have three or four *Diameters*, nay sometimes more in the *Ionic*, as fittest for *Gates*, *Galleries*, and *Porches* of *Pallaces* or lesser Buildings, and thence were call'd *Tetrastylos* and *Hexastylos*.

Systylos. *Pycnostylos.* The *Systylos* nam'd also *Pycnostylos* (as much as to say *thick* of *Pillars*, because seldom allow'd above a *Module* and an half, though some distinguish the first by an half *Module* more for the *Corinthian*) belongs chiefly to the *Composita*, and it was us'd before *Temples*, and other Public and Magnificent Works of that Nature: As at present in the *Peristyle* of *St. Peter's* at *Rome*, consisting of neere 300 *Columns*; and as yet remain of the Antients, among the late discover'd *Ruins* of *Palmyra*. But where in such Structures the *Intercolumnation* did not exceed two *Diameters*, or very little more, (as in the *Corinthian* and especially the *Ionic*) the Proportion of Distance was so Esteemed for its Beauty and other Perfections, that it was by a particular Eminence termed *Eustylos*, as being of all other the most Graceful: But it is not now so frequent as of old, to be at that vast Charge, as the Number and Multitude of *Columns* (which were usually of one intire Stone exceeding all the other Parts and Ornaments of Building;) would ingage the most opulent *Prince*: Whilst we find those enormous
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Structures, of Temples, Amphitheatres, Naumachia, Circus, Baths, Porches, Tribunals, Courts, (and other places of Public Convention) were built and advanced not only by the general Contribution of the People, or out of the *Fisc* and charge of the State: But very often by the *Munificence* of Emperors, who (glorying in nothing more, than in that of Beautifully and adorning of the most famous Cities in the several Provinces) us'd to Imploy *Thousands* of their *Slaves*, to hew and work in the *Quarrys*, abounding with all sorts of the richest *Marbles*, or with *Serpentins*, *Ophites*, *Porphyris* and such as for hardness and difficulty of Polishing, our Tools will now hardly enter: And when the *Pillars*, (and *Attire* about them) were finish'd, to send and bestow them *Gratis*, towards the Encouragement and Advancement of those Public Works, &c. But after this *Constantine the Great*, meditating the Translation of the *Imperial Seat*, (from the *West* to the *East*) took another Course (tho' by no means so Laudable) Causing most of the most Magnificent Buildings to be deprived of their *Columns*, *Statues*, *Inscriptions*, and Noblest Antiquities, to be taken away, and caryed to *Byzantium* (now *Constantinople*) to adorn his new *City*, with the *Spoyles* of *Rome*; whilst what Ruins and Fragments were left, (and had escap'd the *Savage Goths* and *Vandals*) were strip'd of all that yet remained of Venerable and Useful Antiquity, by the succeeding *Pontifs*, for the Building of Stately *Palaces*, *Villas* and *Country-Houses* of the *Up-Start Nepotisme*, as are standing both at present in the *Citys*, and the Sweetest and most Delicious Parts of the Country about it; Proud of what yet stood of the Miserable demolition of *Temples*, *Arches*, *Mausoleas*, &c. So justly *Perstring'd* in that *Surcasm*, *Quod non facerunt Barbari, facerunt Barbarini*, and indeed, the superl *Palaces* of *Card. Antonio*, *Panfilio*, &c. Nephews to *Pope Urban* the VIII. and his Successors are Instances of this: So as I hardly can tell of any one ancient Structure, (not excepting the *Pantheon*) but what has suffer'd such ignominious Marks and Disguises; As that the Learned *Author* of the *Parallel*, together with all the Assembly of the most Skilful *Artists*, (which he has brought together) have hardly been able, (with infinite Pains, Charge and Industry) to recover the just Proportions, and necessary *Adjuncts* of the *Antient Orders*. But to return where we left speaking of *Columns*; we are not there obliged to reckon any of them, as meaning different *Orders*, *Kinds* or *Species* of Building (as in the following Enumeration) but as relating to the several dispositions of them, agreeable to their *Intercolumnation*. For where the sides had ranges of *Columns*, as in those large *Xystas*, *Temples*, *Porticos*, *Atrias* and *Vestibula* of the *Greeks* and *Romans* (which were certain Arched or plainly *Architrav'd* Buildings in form of *Cloysters* and *Galleries*, commonly standing out from the

the rest of the *Edifice*, and now and then alone, and within also) the *Antients* named no fewer than *Seven*; according as they were applied to the several *Species*, *Disposition* or *Composition* of the Fabric; or more plainly, such as were more proper for a *Temple*, according as it was built and plac'd designedly for more or fewer Ranks of *Columns*, at the entrance only, on every side about it, without or within; not regarding their Proportion or Ornament, which is a different Consideration (for so I think *Vitruvius* may be taken) Of these. The First is

1. *Antes*, of which we have already spoken.
2. The *Prostyle*, whose Station being at the Front, consisted of only four *Columns*.

3. *Amphiprostyle*, where the Building had a double *Pronaos* or Porch, consisted but of four at each.

4. *Periptere*, where the *Columns* range quite about the Building: Six in Front, the *Intercolumnation* two *Diameters* of whatever *Order* it Consist: the Pillars standing downward:

5. *Pseudodiptere* (Bastard or Imperfect) as consisting of a single Rank only, yet of eight *Columns* in Front at two *Diameters* distance; so as left space enough for another row from the main Building: Whereas the

6. *Diptere* has a double row of as many quite about, and *Ostostyle* in Front also, at the Distance of *Eustyle*, that is, two *Diameters* and a Quarter; This made as it were a double *Portico*, which we call *Isles*. Lastly, the

7. *Hypethre*, consists of two Ranks of *Columns* all about, with Ten at each Face of the Building, and a *Peristyle* within of single *Columns*; the rest being expos'd to the Air, that is not walled in, (and placed as the *Pycnostyle* closer to one another) we have call'd *Peristyle*, which tho' importing a *Colonnade*, or Series of *Columns* ranging quite about; yet are not all which are so plac'd to be call'd so, unless standing *within* the Walls, which is Essential to their Denomination; since otherwise, as well the *Periptere*, as *Monoptere* (both consisting but of a single Range or Wing a piece) should then be *Peristyles*, which they are not: Besides, the *Monoptere* is only where a *Roof* is supported without any Wall or Closure whatsoever, as in that Example of *Vitruvius*. Lib. 4. Cap. 7. All which I have only mention'd for the Benefit of our Country *Workmen*, who do frequently, even amongst our *English* Translators of *Architectonical* Treatises, meet with those hard Names without their Interpretation, when they Discourse of these open and Airy *Ornaments*, whether adjoining to, and supporting more *Contignations* and *Stories*; or environing them, and prominent from them; and because it is for this, that our Master *Vitruvius* so passionately wishes that his *Architect* should be (as of old they styl'd *Callimachus*) *Philotechnos*

an industrious searcher of the Sciences, which is the same that a good *Philologer* is amongst our *Literati*.

Moreover instead of *Columns* the *Antients* (as now the *Modern* but too often) used to place the whole Figures of *Men* and *Women* to support and bear up intire *Cornices*, and even huge *Masses* of *Buildings*; but of this at large in *Cap. 22. 23.* of the *Parallel*. Part I. These they also nam'd *Telamones* or *Atlas's*, the *French Consoles* where they usually set them to sustain the *Architrave*, which for being the next *Member* in order to the *Capitel* we come next to Explain.

The *Greeks* nam'd that *Epistilium*, which we from a mungril Compound of two Languages $\alpha\rho\chi\mu$ ---*Trabs* (as much as to say the principal *Beam* and *Summer* or rather from *Arcus* and *Trabs*.) call *Architrave*; *Ut velint trabem hanc Arcus vices sustinere qui à Columna ad Columnam sinuari solet*, as *Baldus* with reason from its Position upon the *Column*, or rather indeed the *Abacus* of the *Capitel*. It is the very first *Member* of that which we call *Entablature* in our Translation of the *Parallel*; and formerly in the *Tuscan* Order framed for the most part of *Timber* in Regard of the distant *Intercolumnation*: It is also frequently broken into two or three divisions, call'd by *Artists*

Fascias, or rather, plain *Faces*, a little Prominent, the lowest being ever the narrowest: These *Breaks* arriving sometimes to 17, sometimes to 18 *Minutes* in breadth, some rather choose to call *Faces* than *Fascias*, *Swathes*, *Fillets* or *Bands*, by which they are usually distinguish'd into *First*, *Second* and *Third*, especially in the three latter *Orders*; for in the *Tuscan* and *Doric* they do not so properly enter, though our *Parallel* yield us two approv'd Examples: These are frequently, and indeed for the most part, separated with a small *Astragal* cut into *Heads* or some such slight *Carving*; the *Fascias* of the *Architrave* likewise curiously wrought, as in that wonderful Instance of a *Corinthian Entablature* taken out of *Dioclesians* Bathes. *Fascia*, in the Notion I would rather take it, should be for that narrower *band* about the *Tuscan* and other *Basis* as some call it; or rather the square *List* under the superior *Torus* in some *Pedestals* nam'd *Supercilium*, and not properly the *Torus* it self, as in divers *English Profiles* they erroneously make it; for *Supercilium* seems to be a kind of *Corona* or *Drip* to the Subjacent *Members*. In *Chimneys* the *Architrave* is the *Mantle*; and over the *Antepagmenta* or *Jambes* of *Doors* and *Lintells* of *Windows* the *Hyperthyron* which the *Italians* call *Soppra frontale*, and our *Carpenters* the *King-piece* immediately under the *Corona* as a large *Table* to supply the *Freeze*, especially in the *Doric* Order, and chiefly over *Portics* and *Doors*; Whilst as to the precise Rule for the *Fillet* of the *Architrave*, the *Tuscan* Challenges one;

the *Doric* and *Composita* two; the *Corinthian* three; sometimes interrupted to let in a *Table* for an *Inscription*.

The uppermost *Fascia* of the *Architrave* for the most part is, and indeed always should be (the *Tuscan* only excepted) adorn'd with a *Lysis*, or

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Cymatium.

Cymatium inverted, which is no more than a wrought or plain *O-gee* as our Workmen barbarously name it; The term is *Κυμάτιον undula*, and signifies a *rouling Wave* to the resemblance whereof it is moulded. By some it is call'd the *Throat*, as from the *Italian* and *French*, *Gola*, *Geule*, or *Doucine*, and of these there are two kinds, the *First* and *Principal* hath always its *Cavity above*, and doth constantly jett over the *Corona* or *Drip* like a *Wave* ready to fall, and then is properly call'd *Sima*; the *other* has its hollow below, and is nam'd *Inversa*, the one *Convex* the other *Concave*: The Letters ξ thus placed do reasonably well express these kind of *Mouldings*, which not only enter into the Member of the *Architrave* where 'tis ever *inverted*, but (as we said) perpetually above the *Corona*, where they do frequently encounter and meet together with a small *Regula* between them, which as it were separate, the parts as the *Frize* from the *Cornice* and the like; but then the neather is the *Lesbyan* ever *reversed*, and very narrow; though oftentimes both of them Carv'd and Adorn'd with *Foliage*, &c. In the *Doric* Order the upmost *Cymatium* of the *Entablature* is somewhat different, as consisting but of a single hollow only under the *List*: In the mean time, there is no small nicety among *Architects* about this necessary Ornament, both as to the Name and placing; giving to the *Larger* the Name of *Cymatium* revers'd, or *Doucine*; to the *Smaller*, that of *Simus* or *Flatnos'd*; commonly plac'd beneath the other, under a small *Fillet*; yet not so essentially, but that it has been supplied by the *Astragal*: However the most natural place of the great *Cymatium*, is upon the superior *Cornice* where our *Master* gives it the Name of *Epicltheates*, and should ever cover the sloping sides of *Frontoons* or *Tympanum*.

Sima.

Cymatium is also about the Heads of *Modillions* and constitutes part of them, as likewise it enters into *Abacus*, and on *Pedestals* as in *Stylobatæ Corona*, and the *Base* thereof, where we find them both *inverted*; though I remember to have seen the upmost with the *Recta* also in the *Cornice* abovemention'd. But instead of *Cymatium* separating the *Architrave* and *Freeze*, *Tænia* oftentimes supplies the room,

Tænia.

Tænia is properly *Diadema*, a *Bandlet* or small *Fillet* with which they used to bind the Head; and rather those *Lemnisci* and rubans which we see Carv'd and dangling at the ends of *Gyrlands*. The Interpreter of *Hans Bloome* names it the top of a *Pillar*, but very insolently; it being indeed the small *Fascia* part of the *Doric Architrave* (or as *Perault*, strictly belonging to the *Cornice* alone) sometimes

times (but seldom) with a narrow *Cymatium*, or *Regula* under it, as *that* runs under the *Triglyphs* as a kind of *Base*: Some call it the neather *Tænia* (as *Philander* frequently) to distinguish it from the *Bandage* which composes the *Capitelli* of the *Triglyphs* and continues between them over the *Metops* and not seldom under a *Cavetto* or small *Cymatium* with which *Suidas* and other learned *Critics* many times confound it. In a Word, 'tis that in the *Doric Architrave*, which *Cymatium* is in the other Order, and separates the *Epistylum* or *Architrave* from the

Freeze, the Word in *Greek* is Ζωοφόρος, and does genuinely import ^{Freeze.} the imaginary *Circle* of the *Zodiac* depicted with the twelve *Signs*; ^{Zophoros.} but by our *Architeſts* 'tis taken for the *Second* division of the *Entablature* above the *Columns*, being like a *Fair* and *Ample Table* between the former *Tæniæ*, and which though oftentimes plain should be *Pulvinatus* pillow'd, or swelling in the *Ionic* Order; but in the *Doric* enrich'd with the *Triglyph* and *Metops* and with a *Thousand Historical Symbolic, Grottes.* and other *flored Inventions* in the rest of the *Orders* (*Tuscan* excepted) especially the *Corinthian* and *Composita*, and sometimes with *Inscriptions*. Our term is deriv'd either from the *Latin Phrygio* a *Border*, or from the *Italian Freggio* which denotes any *Fring'd* or *Embroider'd Belt*: *Philander* ſaies à *Phrygionibus*, not from the *Phryges* a *People* of the *Minor Asia* as some erroneously, but *Phrygiones* a certain *Broidery* or *flow'r'd Needle Work*, as one should ſay *Troy-stitch* (whence haply our *True-stich*) in imitation whereof they wrought *Flowers* and *Compartiments* upon the *Freeze*; which is commonly no broader than the *Architrave*: In the *Ionic* if plain, a fourth Part leſs; if wrought, a fourth larger, of which ſee more where we ſpake of *Ornaments*.

Besides *this* of the *Entablature*, the *Capitels* of both *Tuscan* and *Doric* have the *Freeze* likewise commonly adorn'd with four *Roses* and as many smaller *Flowers*, for which cauſe 'tis called the *Freeze* of the *Capitel* alſo as we noted, to diſtinguiſh it from the other; likewise *Hypotrachelium*, from its poſture between the *Aſtragal* and the *Regula* or *Annulus* of the *Echinus*: This *Tuscan Freeze* is plain and very ſimple; but in the reſt of the *Orders* it is employed with the *Echinus*, as in the *Ionica*, and the *Capitel Cauliculi* or ſtalkes in the other two; theſe *Roses* are alſo ſometimes *Inſculped* under the prominent *Horns* or *Angles* of the *Doric Abacus*.

The *Triglyphs* which I affirm'd to be charg'd on the *Doric Freeze*, ^{Triglyphus} is a moſt inſeparable Ornament of it. The Word τετρυφ in *Greek* imports a three-Sculptur'd piece, *quasi tres habens Glyphas*: By their *Triangular Furrows*, or *Gutters* rather, they ſeem to me as if they were meant to convey the *Guttae* or *Drops* which hang a little under them; though there are who fancy them to have been made in imitation of *Apollo's Lyre*, becauſe firſt put in *Work* (as they

they affirm) at the *Delphic Temple*: You are to note that the two angular *Hollows* are but half *Chanell'd*, whence they are call'd *Semicanaliculae*, to distinguish them from the *Canaliculi* whose *Flutings* are perfect, and make up the *three* with their *Interstices* or *Spaces*, being as many flat and slender *Shanks* for so we may interpret the *Latine Femora*: One of these is ever plac'd 'twixt two *Columns*, and should be about the breadth of half its *Diameter* below: The *Italians* name them *Pianetti* small *Plains*, and so do we; and they constantly reach the whole *Diameter* of the *Freeze* being crown'd with the formerly mention'd *Capitel*, part of the upper *Tænia*, and determining with the *neather*, where it intercepts them from the *Prominent*.

Guttae. *Guttae* or *Drops*. It is certainly the most conspicuous Part of the *Doric Freeze*, supposed to have been at first so Carved upon *Boards* only that had been clap'd on the *Extremities* of the *Cantherii*, *Joists* or *Rafters* ends which bore upon the upper *Fascia* of the *Architrave*, to take off from the Deformity, as also were the *Triglyphs*: How indispensably necessary they are both to be placed in a just and due *Square* from each other, and *Perpendicularly* over their *Columns*, the Author of the *Parallel* has shew'd: *Chap. 2. Part 1.* as in that of the *Temple of Solomon* according to *Villalpandus's Design*, how they have been admitted into the *Corinthian Freeze*, but without the *Guttae*; and so in the *Persique*. These *Guttae* are as I said those six Appendant *Drops* or *Tears* affected only to the *Doric Order*, seeming as it were to trickle down and flow from the *Channels* and *Shanks* of the *Triglyphs* through the *neather Tænia*, and small *Reglet* or *Moulding* under it.

Guttae are sometimes made in Shape of *Flat Triangles*, sometimes swelling like the *Section* of a *Cone* or *Bell*, (but square at the bottom) and therefore so call'd by the *French Architects*. They are also under the *Planton* and the *Modillions* which support the *Cornice*, eighteen in Number, exactly over the *Triglyphs*, as in that most Conspicuous elevation of the *Profile* after the stately relique at *Albano* near *Rome*, than which nothing can be imagin'd more Noble and Magnificent. *Alberti* calls these *Guttae*, *Clavos*, as conceiving them to be in Resemblance of *Nails*, but without any Reason for his Conjecture.

Metopæ. *Metopæ*, are the next in Order, and are nothing else save those empty *Spaces* in the *Freeze* 'twixt the *Triglyphs* in the *Doric Order*, either *Puræ* and *Plain*, or *Figur'd*, for that is not necessary always, to the great ease of *Architects* who oftentimes find it so difficult to place them at just distances; that except in *Church-Works*, they frequently leave them out: The Word is deriv'd of $\mu\tau\omicron\pi\alpha$ and $\omicron\mu\eta$ which is *foramen*, *intervallum inter Sculpturæ cava*, or if you will, *Intertignium*, as importing here rather the forenamed *Spaces*, than what those pretend

pretend who will fetch it from the *Μέτωπον* or forehead of the Beasts whose Skulls (remaining after the *Sacrifices*) were usually Carved in these Intervals; because in these Vacuities were the Passages for the ends of the *Joists*, *Timbers* and *Rafters* which rested upon the *Architrave*; and were to fill up that Deformity, they usually made it up with some such Ornaments, suppose of *Skulls*, *Dishes*, and other Vessels, nay sometimes with *Jupiters Squib* or Thunderbolt, *Targets*, *Battle-Axes*, *Roses*, and such other *Trophies*, as was found most apposite to the occasion, and not preposterously filled them (as our Workmen too often do) without any Relation to the Subject; so as I have frequently seen *Oxes Heads* Carv'd on the *Freeze* of an *House of Pleasure* in a *Garden*, where *Roses* and *Flowers* would have been more proper. There are sundry other Ornaments likewise belonging to the *Freeze*; such as *Encarpa*, *Festoons*, and *Frutages* tyed to the *Horns* of the *Skulls* with *Tæniæ* and Ribbands tenderly flowing about this Member, and sometimes carried by little *Puti*, *Boys*, *Cupids* and a Thousand other Rich Inventions to be found in good Examples: But we are now arriv'd to the *third* and last Member of the *Entablature* separated from the *Freeze* by the superior *Tænia*, the *Cornice*.

The *Cornice*, *Coronis*, or as it is collectively taken for its several and Distinct Mouldings and Ornaments, comprehends a small *1. Regula*, *2. Cymatium*, *3. Dentelli*, *4. Ovolo* or *Echinus*, *5. Modillions* or Bedding-mouldings which support the *Corona*, *6. Sima recta* and *inversa* (rarely a *Cavetto*) *7.* and lastly another *Regula* which concludes the whole *Order*. We will begin with the *First*, being sometimes a small *Scotia* consisting of an half or quarter round, that now and then also both in the *Tuscan* and *Doric* divides the *Freeze* from the *Cornice* in place of the *Tænia*, as does the *Cymatium* in the rest of the *Orders*. The

Ovolo is next in the plainer *Orders*; but it is enrich'd in the *Corinthian* like the *Echinus*, which (if you please) you may take for the same thing in an *Italian Dress*, some like *Eggs*, some like *Hearts* with *Darts* Symbolizing *Love*, &c. In the *Tuscan* and *Doric* 'tis turn'd like a *Scima* or *Cymatium*, and is substituted for support of the *Corona*; but in the *last* 'tis usually accompanied with a slender *Regula* above it, and in the *Corinthian* both above and beneath, where it is likewise frequently Carv'd and adorn'd with a broad *Welt* like a *Plinth*.

Dentelli, are the *Teeth* (a Member of the *Cornice*) immediately above the *Cymatium* of the *Freeze*, by some named also *Afferi* from their square Form; I say in the *Corinthian* and *Ionic*, &c. for in the *Doric Order* they were not antiently admitted, or rather not *Properly*, according to the Opinion of our *Master*, though we must needs acknowledge to have found them in the most Authentical pieces extant:

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As for their *Dimensions* they kept to no certain Rule, but made them sometimes thicker, sometimes thinner, square, or long, and more in number; but commonly the *Spaces* less by an half, sometimes by a third part than the *Teeth*, which were themselves twice as *High* as their *Breadth*, and frequently (especially in the more polite *Orders*) beginning with the *Cone* of a *Pine*, pendent at the very point over the *Angular Column*: *Lomatius* is yet more precise in this particular, and gives them as much height as the middle *Fascia* of the *Architrave*, *Projecture*, equal, (somewhat too much) *Front* twice the *Breadth* of their *Height*, and a third part less than their *Breadth* for *Vacuity*. The *Dentelli* have oftentimes a small *Regula*, and now and then more than one, as usually in the *Ionica*, where it has likewise an *Ovolo* or *Echinus* for the bedding of the *Corona*; but if enriched, and that two of them encounter, one should be simple and plain, as where it happens to be inserted beneath it: Next to this superior *Echinus* are the *Modillions*; but instead of them *Dentelli* are thought to have been first instituted, and for that Reason superfluously joyn'd where *Mutules* are; and therefore where we find *Tænia* under *Modillions* it is not properly divided into *Teeth*, nor is it rashly to be imitated, though we have some great Examples to countenance it. That of the *Pantheon* may safely guide us herein, where it is left *Plain* for this very Cause, and that the Reason of the Thing does not in Truth allow it: However, it must be acknowledged, nothing has been more grossly abused even amongst our most renown'd *Masters*.

Modillioni. *Modillions*, being certain supports in form of *Corbells*, *Cortouzes* and *Mutules* are a kind of *Bragets* to the *Corona*, and in those *Orders* where they enter, supply the part of the *Bedding-moulding* as our Workmen style the *Ovolo* in this place; for so they frequently do in the *Doric* and *Ionic*, but then without any other Ornament than a slight *Cymatium* to edge them, and to be always plac'd over the *Triglyphs*: In the *Corinthian* and *Composita* (which is their true place) they are enrich'd with all the delicateness and curiosity imaginable (especially in the *Corinthian*) capp'd, as I said, with a curiously Carv'd small *Cymatium*, where they are contiguous to the *Planceere* or *Roof* of the *Corona*. Our ordinary *Workmen* make some distinction between *Modillions* and those other sorts of *Bragets* which they call *Cartells* and *Mutules*, usually Carv'd like the handles of Vessels Scroul'd, Flower'd, and sometimes Sculptur'd with the *Triglyph*; and such were the *Ancones* amongst the *Greeks*: And such are often found supporting little *Tables* for *Inscriptions*; the *Stools* of *Windows*, which jetty out, and *Shields*, and *Compartments* for *Coats of Arms*, &c. That there should be no *Gutta* under *Mutules* (or *Dentelli* under *Modillions*,) is the Opinion of divers learn'd *Architects*, though (as was said) we frequently find them *Chanell'd* like

like the *Triglyph*, and that in authentick Examples: *Philander* is for it, and pronounces them more proper than even under the purest *Triglyph*, for signifying (says he) *Canteriorum Capita, unde stillicidium fieri certum est*, drops and Ifficles commonly hanging at the ends of our *Rafters* upon every weeping Shower, whereas *Triglyphi* import only the *Projectures* of the *Beams* and *Timbers* nothing so much exposed: But this I leave to the more Judicious: Whilst as to their Shape, they should be Square under the *Corona* at double their Breadth the Interval, and just over the middle of the *Columns*, how otherwise us'd, see in *Tympanum, Mutules*.

Mutules quasi *μῦλαι* (a kind of *Modillions* also, or rather the same under an *Italian* term) have their Name from their Defect, as being made thinner and more abated below than above, and therefore naturally and discreetly destin'd to places where they are but little burthen'd with weight, as here under that little remainder of the *Cornice*, are to bear up, little *Statues, Busts, Vasas, &c.* and so where they are set under the *Pedaments* and *Lintels* of *Doors* and *Windows*: Most prepost'rous therefore and improper is our frequent affigning such weak supporters to such monstrous *Jetties* and excessive *Superstructures* as we many times find under *Balconies, Bay-Windows* and long *Galleries*; where instead of *Mutules* the *Antients* would have plac'd some stout Order of *Columns*: But by these unreasonable *Projectures* (obscuring the Lights of the Rooms under them) it comes to pass, that in time our strongest Houses are destroyed, and drawn to their irrecoverable Ruin. For the proportion of *Mutules*, I commonly find them a Fourth Part higher than their Breadth, their *Intervals* being as wide as two; but neither do I find these so constantly regular, only that there be ever one plac'd at the *Corners* and returns of the *Corona*; and then if they interchangeably differ as to the Spaces, and as the *Rafters* direct, there are Examples abundant for their Justification: After all, they little differ from *Modillions*, save that they are most proper to the *Doric Cornice*, representing and covering the ends of the *Rafters*, whereas *Modilion* serves for any Order.

I shall not need to define what is meant by *Projectures*, when I have said it is the same our *English* Authors call the *Sailings* over and Out-*Jettings* of any *Moulding* beyond the upright Wall: The *Italians* name them *Sporti*, the *Greeks* *Ecphoras*, and for the same Reason all *Margins* whatsoever which hang over beyond the *Scapus* of a *Column* are *Projectures*; and for a general Rule it should be equal to the breadth of what Projects, relation being discreetly had to the height, which best determines it.

Corona, is next the last considerable Member remaining of the intire *Entablature*, and (tho' but a part only of the *Cornice*) seems indeed to set the *Crown* upon the whole Work: I say *Considerable*, because

because being regularly plac'd so near the uppermost *Ovolo*, or *Mutules*, it serves to defend all the rest of the *Edifice* from the *Rain* and injuries of the *Weather*, and therefore has its *Projectures* accordingly; and should be one of the strongest Square Members of the *Cornice*: It is sometimes taken for the intire *Cornix* or *Cornice* with all its Ornaments, but *strictly*, for that part of it above the *Modillions*, *Ovolo*, *Echinus*, or *Ogee* by a turn under the *Planceere*. We find the *Corona* omitted and quite left out of that stately *Arco di Leoni*, but it is worthily reprov'd by our *Author* of the *Parallel*, as being a Member of indispensable use. *Corona* is by some call'd *Supercilium*, but rather I conceive *Stillicidium* the *Drip* (*Corona elvcolata Vite*) and with more Reason, so the *French Larmier*, *Gocciolatoio* and *Ventale* by the *Italians* to denote its double Office of protecting both from *Water* and *Wind*: For this reason likewise have our *Latine* Authors nam'd this broad *Plinth Mentum a Chin*; because it carries off the *Wet* from falling on the rest of the *Entablature*, as the prominence of that part in *Mens Faces* keeps the sweat of the *Brows*, and other liquid distillations, from trickling into the *Neck*; and in imitation hereof the *Antient Potters* invented the *brimming* of their *Vessels*, by turning over some of the *Ductile Matter* when the *Work* was on the *Wheel*. Sometimes there have been two *Corona's* in a *Cornice*, as in that *Corinthian* Instance of the *Rotunda*; and so it is frequently used in the *Stylobatae* under *Gula inversa*; and truly it may be justly repeated, as the exposure and occasion requires (so it be not too near one another) all *Projectures* being but a kind of *Corona* to the *Subjacent Members*; and therefore their *Projectures* are accordingly to be assign'd, and by no means to be cut and divided to let in *Window*, or *Tables*: *Corona* is also taken for the interior and exterior *Curvature* of an *Arch* or *Vault*.

The under part of the *Roofs* of *Corona's* (which are commonly wrought hollow, by sometimes (as we said) making part of the *Cymatium*) are by our *Artists* call'd *Planceeres*, and those the *Cofers* wherein are cut the *Roses*, *Pomgranades*, *Flowers* or *Fretts*, which adorn the *Spaces* betwixt the *Heads* of the *Modillions* and *Mutules*. This *Ceiling* the *Italians* name *Soffito*, and it signifies not only that part of *Corona* which falls over, but the *Lacunar*, *Lacus* or *Plain* of all other *Roofs* made of *Tabulations* and *Boards* appearing between the *Foists*, and which (as now, especially in other Countries) were also formerly *Gilded*, *Carv'd* and most magnificently *Emboss'd* with *Fretts* of wonderful *Relievo*; nay sometimes to the Excess of *Inlayings* with *Ivory*, *Mosaique* and other rich and chargeable Works. *Pliny* l. 35. cap. 11. tells us of one *Pamphilius* the *Master* of *Apelles*, to have been the first which brought this *Roof-painting* into *Vogue*: But I refer the *Reader* who thirsts after more of this, to the Learned *Salmasius* on *Solinus* p. 1215. Nor is yet the

the *Corona* perpetually plain as we commonly see it ; sometimes (though rarely indeed) I find it *Carv'd* also, as in that incomparable *Composita* of *Titus's* Arch, and that of *Dioclesians* Baths in the *Corinthian* Order, and as is indeed every individual member of that intire *Entablature* to the utmost excess of Art ; but how far this may be imitable, consult the *Judicious Parallel* ; while 'tis yet considerable that it is *there* but with a kind of *Sulcus* or Channel, in imitation of *Triglyph*, or a short *Fluting* rather, being indeed more proper for the carrying off the *Water*, than any other Work could have been devised. *Corona* has over it a small *Regula*, or an enrichment of some sleight *Chaplet* in the *Corinthian*, &c. after which *Cymatium*, as in that of *Titus's* Arch before rehearsed ; sometimes likewise with an *Ovolo* or *Echinus* cut with *Ovals*, and *Darts*, (or as we call them *Eggs* and *Ankers*) as in that Example of *Nero's* *Frontispiece*, and upon this again the double *Cymatium*, whereof the first is inverted, and ever the *neathermost* and most narrow, the other *Recta*, very large and prominent, being now and then adorn'd with *Lyons* Heads plac'd just opposite to the *Medilions* (of which see that curious research of the Learned *Dr. Brown* in his *Vulgar Errors*) though sometimes they are adorn'd with *Foliage* only. Lastly, for a final *Finis* or *Super-imposition* (if I may be indulg'd so to name it) we are now clim'd to the most supream *Projecture*, and ultimate part of the whole *Cornice*, namely the

Regula, which some make a part of the *Sima* or *Gula Recta*, by *Regula* *Palladeo* the *Intavolato*, and which I think to be the sole Member which I never remember to have seen any where *Carv'd*, but always *Plain*, though in some of the *Orders* of near eight *Minutes* in breadth. It is very true, that *Scotia* (which I now and then call *Cavetto* or small hollow) does in some laudable Examples support this Member instead of *Cymatium*, but not so frequently ; and that the *Tuscan Cornice* terminates in a *Cymatium* without this *Regula*, or rather in an *Ovolo* as in those Examples after *Sebastian Serlio*, &c. but it is not after a true *Gusto*, and the *Fancy* is particular. *Regula*, call'd also *Listello*, *Cincta*, &c. (of which something already hath been spoken) is always that *Supercilium* or superior Member of the *Cornice*, though it be likewise taken for that which is by some call'd *Quadra*, being those two Lists commonly including *Scotia*, as we find it in the *Ionic Spira* both above and beneath : Sometimes also it signifies the *Rings* or small *Feruls* begirting the *Scapus* of a *Column* near the *Apophyges*, or the *Plinth* of a *Pedestal* : Therefore I distinguish them, though yet they may be accounted the same, seeing they usually import any small plain *Fillet* dividing greater Members ; for so *Philander* calls almost all simple parts broader or narrower, which like *Fillers* encompass the rest ; or rather as *Sycis*, separates the Members from contiguity, both for variety and distinction,

ion, as in the *Doric-Trabeation, Regula, Sima, Cymatium, &c.* In the *Capitel, Regula, Cymatium, Plinthus*: In the *Cornice* of the *Seylobata* also *Regula, Cymatium, Afragalus*: But where it is no less conspicuous, is in that part of the *Triglyph*, which jets out under the *Tænia*, and from which the *Gutta* depend, where it seems to be a part of the very *Architrave* it self. Lastly, before I altogether leave the *Cornice* (which is indeed the top of all, and may be call'd the *Crown* of the *Corona* it self) it may not be amiss to add this short Note, for *Joyners* and such as make *Cornices* of *Wainscot*, or *Fret-Work*, concerning the *Projectures*, which having relation to the Height, an Inch allow'd to every Foot suffice for a room of 15 Foot pitch, which is one Foot three Inches, where there is *Freeze* and *Cornice*, if much higher, and that there be the whole *Entablature*, each shall require a tenth part. To conclude, the very meanest Building, *Farm*, or *Out-house* deserves a Moulding, *Cornice* with a quarter round or *Ovolo*, a *Cymatium* and *Fillet*.

Trabeatio. And may thus much suffice to have been spoken of the *Cornice* or upper Member of the *Trabeation*, which we mean by the *Entablature*, for both these terms signifie but one and the same thing. *viz.* The *Architrave, Freeze*, and *Cornice*: which I therefore the more precisely note, because some Writers apply it only to the very cover and upmost top of the *Orders*; but so does not our Country-man *John Shute*, whose Book being Printed Anno 1584. (and one of the first that was published of *Architecture* in the *English* Tongue) keeps rather to the *Antient Terms* than by mixing them with such *barbarous* ones as were afterwards introduc'd, indanger the Confusion of Young *Students* and such as applied themselves to the Art. Finally, to reform another mistake, I think good to note that where we find *Coronix* in our Authors, it is rather meant for all that *Moulding* projecting over the *Dye* or square of the *Pedestal* (by some call'd also *Cima*) then this conclusive Superior Member of the *Entablature* which we name the *Cornice*: But I have done, nor needs there more be added for the perfect Intelligence of the most Minute Member and Ornament mentioned in this *Parallel*, or I conceive in any other *Author* whatsoever treating concerning this *Art*, and naturally applicable to the *Order*, by which we are all along to understand certain *Rules* and Members agreed on for the proportions and differences of *Columns*, the *Characters, Figures* and *Ornaments* belonging to every Part and Member; whither bigger or lesser, plain or enrich'd: Or as others, a Regular Arrangement of the principal, and constituent Parts of a *Column*, from whence there Results that Composition which gives it usefulness with Grace and Beauty: This for consisting then of the several *Shapes* and *Measures*, obliges us to say something more of *Proportion*, as being indeed the very Foundation of *Architecture* it self; rising as we shew, from the Representation of
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Natural Things: Nor is it in this *Art* only applicable to the *Dispositions* and *Kinds* of those Edifices (which we have already spoken of) but to every individual *Member* of an *Order*, which *Vitruvius* will have taken from the Regular Dimensions and Proportions of the parts of the *Humane Body*, in relation to any one moderate Measure of the same Body, differently multiplied in several Parts: As for Instance, the *Head* for an *Eighth* part of the whole; *Twice* from the point of one *Shoulder* to the other extremity, &c. *Thrice* in the *Arm*; four times from the *Hip* downwards, &c. or as *Albert Durer*, by Multiplying the *Face* from the bottom of the *Chin*, to the upper part of the *Forehead*, reckons the whole length to be ten *Et sic de ceteris*; according to which the *Diameter* of a *Column* shall be ten times in the height of the *Corinthian*; the *Intercolumniation Eustyle*, two and a quarter, &c. of which let the curious consult our Master learned Interpreter, *lib. 3d. cap. 1.* where he Discourses of *Positive* and Unalterable Establishments; whilst that which we mean by *Proportion* here, is the *Scale* by which all the *Parts* are Regulated as to their just *Measures* and *Projectures*; and this has by *Artists* been call'd the

Modul, or as *Vitruvius* (and some will have it) *Ordonation*; explained by *Modica commoditas*, to be taken for the *Parts* or *Quantities* by which the several *Members* of an *Order* are Calculated and Adjusted in their Composition. In the mean time to avoid all uncertainties and Perplexity of *Measures* differing in most Countries; some dividing into more, others into fewer Parts, to the great ease of both *Architects* and *Workmen*; by * *Modul* is to be understood the *Diameter* or *Semidiameter* of a *Column* of whatever *Order*, taken from the Rise of the *Shaft* or Superior Member of the *Base*, namely, at the thickest, and most Inferior Part of the *Cylinder*, from whence *Monfieur de Chambray* (following *Palladio* and *Scamozzi*) taking the *Semidiameter* divided into 30 equal Parts or *Minutes*, make it to be the *Universal Scale*: Now tho' *Architects* generally measure by the *whole Diameter* (excepting only in the *Doric*, which they reckon by the *half*) it makes no alteration here, so as the *Workman* may take which he pleases; We proceed next to the *Orders* themselves: Nor let it be thought a needless Repetition, if having given the Learner (for to such I only speak) so Minute and full a Description of all those *Parts* and *Members* whereof the several *Orders* are compos'd and distinguish'd; I go on to shew how they are put together in *Work*, by what they have in common, or peculiar to denominate the *Species*, and bring the hitherto scattered and dispersed Limbs into their Respective Bodys.

We have already shew'd (speaking of *Capitels*) that a *Column*, which is strictly the *Naked Post* or *Cylinder* only; does not assume the Name and Dignity of any *Order*, till compleatly qualified with those

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* Note that to distinguish is from Modell, by which is signified the Type (or Geometrical representation of a Building) this is to be read with the fifth Vowel, that by the Second.

Parts and Accessories, which give it *Name Praeminente* and Rank; but being so distinguish'd, they are to *Architects* what the several *Modes* are in *Music*, and the *Carminum genere* among the *Poets*: All *Buildings* whatsoever coming properly under the Regiment of some one or other of them, or at least, ought to do, and they are *Five*, (according to the *Vulgar Account*) namely, *Tuscan*, *Doric*, *Ionic*, *Corinthian* and *Composita*: But since the *First* and *Last* of these are not admitted by our great *Masters*, as *Legitimat Orders* (to which indeed the *Antient Greeks* claim only Title) we might with *Vitruvius*, and our Author of the *Parallel*, leave them to bring up the Rear; did not *Custom* as we said, and common use sufficiently Justify our assigning this place for the

Tusc. *Tuscan*, Rustic, or by whatever name dignified, or disgrac'd; for being seldom found in the *Antient Fabrics* of the *Romans* themselves, by which name it is also call'd; it seems yet to Challenge some regard from its resemblance to those plain and simple Rudiments of those primitive Buildings, where they laid a *Beam* on the top of two forked *Posts*, newly cut and brought out of the *Forest*, to support that which gave Covering and Shade to the first *Architects*, such as they were, and we have describ'd; till Time and Experience, which Mature and Perfect all things, brought it into better Form and Shape; when the *Asiatic*, *Lydians*, who are said first to have Peopl'd *Italy*, brought it into that part of it, call'd *Tuscany*: Nor let it altogether be despis'd, because of its Native plainness, which rarely admits it into Buildings, where Ornament is expected; since besides its strength and sufficiency (which might commute for its want of other Beauty, and give place at the Ports and Entrances of great Cities, Munitions, Magazines, Amphitheatres, Bridges, Prisons, &c. that require Strength and Solidity) we find it capable also of such Illustrious and Majestic Decorations, as may Challenge all the *Grecian Orders* to shew any thing approaching it, so long as those three Famous *Columns*, those of *Trajan*, and *Antoninus's* at *Rome*, and a third of *Theodosius's* at *Constantinople* stand yet Triumphant, and braving so many Thousands of the other *Orders*, which lie Prostrate, buried in their Dust and Ruins. Nor is this the first Example (as some pretend) as appears by that *Antient Pillar* erected to *Valerius Maximus*, surnam'd *Corvinus*; on which was plac'd a *Raven*, in Memory of what happen'd in the Famous Duel between that *Hero* and the *Gygantic Gaule*: Thus whilst the rest of the *Orders* are assist'd to support their Charge and heavy Burdens by their Fellows, and a Conjugation of Entablature, (not allow'd to this) the *Tuscan* stands alone like an *Island*, steady and as immovable as a *Rock*.

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This *Column* with its *Base* and *Capitel*, is in Length *Seven Diameters*, taken at the thickest part of the *Shaft* below; the *Pedestal* one; the *Base* one *Module* or half Diameter, which divided into *Two* equal Parts, one shall be the *Plinth*, the other for the *Torus* and *Cincture*, which being but a fourth part of the breadth in this *Order* only, makes a part of the *Base* (peculiar to it self alone) as in the other it does of the *Shaft* it self.

The *Capitel* is one *Modul*, which divided into three equal Parts, one shall be for the *Abacus*, the other the *Ovolo*, the *Third* parted into *Seven*, whereof one is the *List*, and the remaining *Six* for the *Column*: The lower *Astragal* is double the height of the *List* under the *Ovolo*: Note, That *Vitruvius* makes no difference 'twixt the *Capitel* of this *Order* from the *Doric*, as to Proportions, tho' Artists dispute it; who (as was said) allow it a *Semidiameter*.

Now, tho' they have not granted it any fixt and certain *Entablature*, but chosen what they thought fit out of other *Orders*; yet they seldom give it less than a *Fourth Part* of the height of the *Shaft*, like the *Doric*, which commonly, and very properly, supplies the Place of the *Tuscan*, and that with a great deal of more Grace, where they stand in Confort; as in *Arches*, and the like: The distance or *Intercolumnation* of this *Order*, sometimes amounting to four *Diameters*, sometimes requires an *Architrave* of *Timber*; or if of *Stone*. to be plac'd much nearer, unless (as we said) in *Vaulting* and *underground Work*, to which some almost wholly Condemn it.

The *Doric*, so nam'd from *Dorus* King of *Achasis*, reported to have been the first who at *Argos* built, and dedicated a Temple to *Juno* of this *Order*, is esteem'd one of the most Noble, as well as the first of the *Greeks*, for its Masculine, and as *Scamozzi* calls it, *Herculean Aspect*, not for its Height and Stature, but its Excellent Proportion, which fits it in all Respects, and with Advantage, for any Work wherein the *Tuscan* is made use of, and renders that *Column* (among the Learned) a *Supernumerary*, as well as the *Composita*.

The *Doric*, *Base* and *Capitel*, challenges *Eight Diameters* set alone; but not so many by *One*, in *Porticos* and *Mural Work*.

The *Capitel* one *Modul*, with its *Abacus*, *Ovolo*, *Annulets*, *Hypotrachelium*, *Astragal* and *List* beneath the *Capitel*. making a part of the *Shaft* or *Column*:

The *Entablature* being more substantial than in the rest of the *Greek Orders*, requires a *Fourth Part* of the Height of the *Columns*; whereas the others have commonly but a *Fifth*.

The *Architrave* one *Module*, compos'd but of a single *Fascia*, as best approv'd, (tho' the Modern sometimes add a *Second*) with a *Tania* or *Band* which Crowns it.

The *Freeze* with its *List*, which separates it from the *Cornice*, is $\frac{1}{2}$ Modl. $\frac{1}{2}$. The *Cornice* holds the same Proportion, with this Note, That when the *Column* is above 7 *Diameters*, both *Freeze* and *Architrave* have their Regulated Measure, one being of a single *Module*, the other being *Three Quarters*, and the remainder being a fourth Part of the *Column* is cast into the *Cornice*.

This *Order* had of Old no *Pedestal* at all, and indeed stands handsomely without it, but where it is us'd, *Palladio* allows it Two *Diameters* and a third of the *Column*, and is often plac'd upon the *Attic-Base*; for antiently it had none: We find it sometimes *Fluted* with a short *Edge* without *Interstice*, as there is in other *Orders*; But that which is indeed the proper and genuine *Character* of the *Doric*, is (with very moderate *Enrichment* besides) the *Triglyph* and *Metop* in the *Freeze*, with *Gutta* in the *Architrave* beneath; the due Collocation and placing of which, often subjects our *Architects* to more difficulty, than any other *Accessory* in the other *Orders*; because of the *Intercolumnation*, which obliges them to leave such a space 'twixt two *Columns*, as may not be less than for one *Triglyph* to five, counting what falls just on the Head of the *Columns*; which if plac'd at the entrance of a Building, the distance must be for *Three*; which to adjust is not very easy; seeing the *Intercolumnation* ought to correspond with the distance of the Spaces of the *Triglyphs* and *Metops*; which point of Criticism, is the Cause we often find them quite left out in this *Order*, which suits so well in the *Pycnostyle* and *Acrostyle*.

Jonica. The *Jonic*, invented, or introduc'd by *Jon*, sent by those of *Athens* with a *Colony* into that part of *Greece* bearing his Name, (and where he erected a Temple to *Diana*) consists of proportions between the solid and manly *Doric*; the delicate and more *Feminine Corinthian*; from which it but little differs, save in the *Matron-like Capitel*: It contains *Eighteen Modules* or *Nine Diameters* (tho' by one less at first) together with the *Capitel* and *Base*, which last was added to give it *Stature*.

The *Entablature* is allowed a Fifth part of the height of the *Column* of which the *Base* takes one *Module*, (with sometimes a small *Moulding* of *Twenty Minutes*) the *Capitel* very little exceeding a Third: But its distinguishing *Characteristic* is the *Voluta*; concerning which sundry *Architects* have recommended their peculiar *Methods*, for the *Tracing* and *Turning* that *Ornament*; especially *Vignola* and *Goldman*: The *Famous Mich. Angelo* had one after his own *Mode*, and so others; but that which has been chiefly follow'd, is what *Philip de L'Orme* contends to be of his own *Invention*.

This *Column* is *Fluted* with *Four* and *Twenty* *Plaits*; the *Spaces* or *Interstices* not sharp and edg'd like the *Doric*, (which is allowed but *Twenty*) tho' of the same *depth*, and hollow to about a Third Part
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downward, where they are convexly *flav'd*, and thence nam'd *Radiant*, by some *Rudent*, tho' of old we find them *Fluted* the whole length: Thus as the *Capitel* resembl'd the modest *Tresses* of a *Matron*; so did the *Fluting*, the *Folds* and *Plaits* of their *Garments*.

The *Pedestal* is of two *Diameters* and as many *Thirds*: Several other *Observations* pretend to this *Order*, to render it *Elegant*, which are left to the curious, but these are the more *Essential*.

The *Corinthian* had her Birth from that *Luxurious City*; trick'd ^{Corinthian} up and adorn'd like the *Wanton Sex*, and is the *Pride* and *Top* of all the other *Orders*: For the rest it agrees with the *Proportion* of the *Jonic*, excepting only in the *Capitel*: In a *Word*, it takes with its *Base* *Nine Diameters* and three *Quarters*, and sometimes *Ten*: If *Fluted*, with as many as the *Jonic*, half as deep as large; the *Listel* or *Space* between the *Groves*, a *Third* of the depth; yet not so precisely, but that according to the *Compass* and *Station* of the *Column*, the *Flutes* may be *Augmented* to *Thirty* and above.

Our *Modern Architects* for the most part, allow but one *Fifth* of the *Height* of this *Column* to the *Entablature*, comprehending *Base* and *Capitel*; I say for the most part; but in the noblest, and most intire *Examples* of *Antiquity*, which is that of the *Roman Pantheon*. The *Entablature* is indeed somewhat deeper; but with this *Circumspection* to be *Imitated*, that the *Fabric* to which it is applied, be *Great* and *Magnificent*, as that *Famous Temple* is, and which will depend on the *Judgment* of the *Architect*.

The *Capitel* is of one *Diameter* or two *Modules* in height; the *Abacus* a *Sixth* or *Seventh Part* of the *Diameter* taken at the bigger End of the *Column*, which is universally to be understood in the *Measure* of all the *Orders*: The rest shall be divided into *Three* equal *Parts*; *One* for the *First Border* or *Tour* of *Leaves*; the other for a *Second*; the *Third Part* divided in *Two*, and of that which is next the *Abacus*, the *Volutas* are form'd of the other the *Cauliculi*: The *Bell* or *Furft* under the *Leaves*, resembling *Callimachus's Basket* under which they are *Carv'd*; fall exactly with the *Hollow* of the *Flutings*: In the mean time, there is no small inquiry about the *Foliage*, of what species of *Thistle* the *Antients* form'd; this *Florid Ornament*; which is generally attributed to the *Branchæ Ursinæ*; but of a tender, more *Indented* and *Flexible* kind, than the wild and prickly, which we see us'd in the *Gothic Buildings*; whilst the *Composita Capitels* stuck it with *Laurel* and *Olive* *Leaves*, emerging out of the *Vessel*, with the *Voluta* above the *Echinus*, and as *Palladio* would have it (especially of the *Olive*) the *Sprigs* plac'd from *five to five* like the *Fingers* of ones *Hand*, as becoming it better than *Four*, and commends some *Capitels* he had seen whose *Cauliculi* were fac'd with *Oaken* *Leaves*;

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Note, that the Scrolls seeming to be form'd out of the *Cauliculi*, the *Roses* in the middle of the *Abacus*, was sometimes by the Antients of the same breadth, which since they make to bend on the middle *Voluta*.

The *Base* of this *Order* is Fifteen *Minutes* of a *Module*: The *Pedestal* requires a *Fourth* Part of the Height of the *Columns*, and shall be divided into *Eight* Parts: *One* to the *Cymatium*; *two* for the *Base* (which is the *Attic*) the rest for the *Zoccole* or *Die*: And thus do the *Three Greek Orders* represent those *Three* Species of Building; The *Solid*, the *Modest-Mean*, and the *Delicate*, between the *simple plain*, the *Gay* and *Wanton*, which are the *Latine* Extreames; whilst the *Gothic* is rissen from the Corruption of them all: For after all, there's none has been more grossly abused, than this Flourishing and Noble *Order*, by such as with their Impertinence, have sometimes rendred it neither *Corinthian* nor *Composita*, which is the Fifth and Last.

Composita. The *Composita*, being the *Junior* of all the rest, and Forreigner to the *Greek*, is of a *Roman* Extraction, and therefore by some call'd *Italian*; and tho' not without sufficient Insolence, taking place of the *Corinthian*, between whom and the *Jonic* she's but a Spawn and Mungrell, as well as the *Tuscan*, and so reckoned among Judicious *Architects*, and by our *Master* himself, not so much as own'd an *Order*, as not thinking it possible to invent a more Noble and Compleat, than the *Corinthian*: They would fain it seems, have one to bear the Countries Name, and that as they Insulted over and brav'd the rest of the *World*, should sit Triumphant over the rest of the *Orders*, from whom they have pluck'd their Fine and Gawdy Plumage; priding it over the *Corinthian*, from whom and the *Jonic*, she only differs one *Diameter* more in height:

The *Capitels* four Angular *Scrolls*, take up all that space, which in the *Corinthian* is partly fill'd with the *Cauliculi* and Stalks, and now and then an *Eagle*, *Griffon* is found to nestle among the Foliage, of which it has a Series of two rows, and under the *Ovolo* the *Jonic* Neck-Lace; whilst others affirm, that the variety of the *Capitel* changes not the *Species*, which consists (as *Perault* will have it) in the Length of the *Schaft* only; so as no body is to wonder at the prodigious Licentiousness, which some we find have run into, to gratify their Ambition. The *French* (of all the Nations under *Heaven*, being the fondest of their own Inventions, how Extravagant soever, and to Impose them on all the *World* beside) call it, Forsooth, the *Gallic Order*, and with a Confidence peculiar to themselves, to alter and change what for almost Two Thousand Years, none has been so bold to Attempt with that Exhorbitance: For they have Garnish'd this *Capitel* with *Cocks-Feathers* and *Cocks-Combs* too among the *Flowrdeluces*, ridiculously enough; hanging the
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Leaves and Stalks about with the *Chains* and *Ribbons* of the *Orders* of the *St. Esprit* and *St. Michael*, with its dangling *Cockle-Shells*; in imitation doubtless of *Xerxes's* tying the *Scarfs* and *Garters* of his *Concubine* and *Misses*, among the *Boughs* of the *Famous Platan*; whilst one would think we might be content, with what the *Romans* have already set for a *Pattern* on those antient *Columns* of this *Order*; as I am sure the *Judicious Author* of the *Parallel* would have been, who contrary to the *Genius* of his *Country-Men*, had the greatest *Aversion* to the least *Innovation* in this *Profession*; what (as we said) the *Romans* have left us being abundantly more *Graceful*, and rather in *Excess*: Wherefore by another nice distinction, this learn'd *Commentator* calls that the *Composita*, which keeps to its fix'd *Rules* and stated *Proportions*; and that which others every *Day Invent*, the *De Composit*, or as his term is, *Compo-Composit* and so sets it up for a *Sixth Order*. But to proceed.

The *Entablature* has by some been allow'd a *Fourth Part* of the *Column*, but by *Palladio* only five, as to the *Corinthian*.

The *Base* is as the *Attic*, or a *Compound* of it and the *Jonic*. The *Pedestal* has a *Third* of the *Height* of the *Shaft*: Not but that any of these *Proportions* so establish'd (as sometimes, and upon just *Occasion*) may be *Varied* according to the *Quality* and *Grandure* of the *Building*, as to the *Inlarging* or *Diminishing* of a *Member*, if the *Judicious Architect* see *Cause*, and to be more *Graceful*, which is a good *Rule* in all such *Cases* in the other *Orders*, and for which *Vitruvius* gives excellent *Precepts*, as he likewise does to their number and placing in *single* or *double Ranks*, with their different *Application*, as whether close to the *Wall*, or to the *Angle* and *Extremes*, where if *Insulat* and without touching, more thickness is allowable; since being surrounded by the *Air* only, it is made appear so much the *Slenderer*, as that some which have been found but of seven *Diameters* only, have become their *Stations* better than if they had held their intire *Dimensions*. There now remains the

Caryatides, of which, and of the *Persian*, we have an ample Account in the *Parallel* out of *Vitruvius*, introduc'd as a *Mark* of *Triumph* over the *Caryans* of *Peloponesus*; whom the *Greeks* having vanquish'd with their *Confederates*, they caus'd the *Images* and *Resemblances* of both *Sexes* and *Nations* (as *Slaves*, *Atlantes*, and *Talamones*) to be plac'd and stand under *Massie Weight* and *Superstructure* instead of *Columns*: The *Women* to signify those of *Carya*, whom they only spared; and the *Men*, as *Captive Persians*, which gave *Denomination* to the *Order*, if at least they may be call'd so for distinction sake only; since they differ in nothing either of *Height*, *Substance*, or *Entablament* from the *Feminine Ionic*, and *Masculine Doric*: But how, or where they had originally been employed

employed in any remarkable Building, is not so perspicuous, from any Antient *Vestigia* at present remaining; but as they seem most properly to be plac'd at Entrances, and before *Arches* and *Porticos* instead of *Pillasters*; so doubtless they gave occasion to many *Gothic* Absurdities, and Extravagant Postures of *Men*, *Monkys*, *Satyrs*, &c. for the bearing up of *Cornices*, in place of *Mutuls*, and *Cartouses*, to that shameful Impudence, as we see them not seldom in our very Churches.

There remaine yet of *Columns* divers other Sorts (to mention only the *Duilian*, *Rostral*, *Mural*, *Obsidional*, *Funebral*, *Astronomical*, and other Symbolical Monuments, which may upon some particular occasions have their Places,) but no more that can honestly derive a Legitimate Pedegree: For some are *Wreath'd*, others *Spiral* and the like: But as we meet them not in any approved Author, or Antient Fabric; so are they very sparingly to be made use of, if at all: Indeed the Famous Architect, *Cavalier Bernini*, has cast a Set of these *Torsed Columns* of a vast height; twisted about again with Branches, among which are *Puti*, little *Angels*, *Pope Urbans Bees*, and other imbossed Sculptures, all of Gilded *Copper*, to sustain the *Baldacchino* or sacred Canopy over the high *Altar* under the Cupola at *St. Peter's*, which are exceedingly Magnificent: But it does not always succeed so well where it is practic'd: 'Tis yet reported that there was an Antient *Wreath'd Column* found somewhere, wound about with a *Serpent*, (as *Painters* represent the *Tree* in *Paradise*) taking nothing away from the straightness of the Shaft; for so the Antients prefer'd the Solid and Substantial in all their Works, admitting nothing to bear any weight that should seem in the least to plie, yield or shrink under it, as those sorts of *Columns* appear to do: But as the great *Masters*, and such as *Mich. Angelo*, &c. Invented certain new *Corbells*, *Scrolls* and *Modillions*, which were brought into use; so their Followers, animated by their Example (but with much less Judgment) have presum'd to Introduce sundry Baubles and trifling decorations (as they Fancy) in their Works; Ambitious of being thought *Inventors*, to the great Reproach of this noble Study; so dangerous a thing it is to Innovate either in Art or Government, when once the *Laws* and *Rules* are prudently settl'd and Establish'd, without great consideration and necessity: And therefore, tho' such Devices and Inventions, may seem pretty in *Cabinet-Work*, *Tables*, *Frames* and other *Joyners-Work*, for variety, to place *China-Dishes* upon; one would by no means encourage, or admit them in Great and Noble Buildings. Lastly,

As to the *Placing* of the *Orders* and Stations of *Columns* in Work; the simplest, strongest, and most substantial, are ever to be assign'd to support the Weaker. The *Romans* indeed sometimes set the *Composita*

posita above the *Corinthian*; but 'twas not approv'd of by the Judicious, nor in truth should they appear *together* in the same Building: Generally then, the *Rule* is this, to place the Highest and Richest *Order* over the more Solid and Plain; especially, where they are to decorate the *Face* and *Fronts* of Buildings, consisting of two or three Stages: But whether at all, or not; their *Proportions* should be chang'd or abated, is nicely disputed by our *Architects*, of which see *Monsieur Perault* on *Vitruvius*, *Lib. VII. Cap. 7.* speaking of *Scenes*; Concluding, that it ought to be done very sparingly, and with great Consideration: In the mean time, *Columns* plac'd over *Arches*, produce this Inconvenience, that the *Arches* of any of the five *Orders*, if well proportion'd (suppose for Instance, *Doric*) it will become defective, in the *Jonic* and *Corinthian*, by Reason of the *Intercolumnation*; the Distance hindring their Collocation so exactly over one another, as become them. There is after all, a *Lesser* sort of *Column*, than any we have spoken of, which now and then we find plac'd over a much *Greater*, next the *Roof*, or rather a kind of *Pilaster* after the *Attic* Mode: To Conclude.

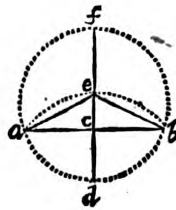
The Position of double *Columns*, upon the same *Pedestal*, I find quite condemned by *M. Blondel* as intollerable, accounting it *Licentious* ever among the *Antients*; which (as great *Artists* do not always agree) *Monsieur Perault* as learnedly defends, and vindicates; and that one is not so precisely oblig'd to Rules, and Examples; but that in some Cases, they may safely be departed from for the better; since it were to put a stop to the Improvements of all *Arts* and *Inventions* whatsoever, none of which were consummately perfect at the first; besides, that there is nothing *Positive* in the Case: However, as to this particular, the *Antients* did frequently use to Joyn *Columns*, two and two very near to one another upon the same *Pedestal*, leaving a distance of two *Intercolumnations* in *One*; which tho' *Perault* holds to be a little *Gothic* and much affected by his Country-Men the *French* (as they do all Novelties) so they would have it pass for a peculiar manner of *Disposition*: The *Pseudostyle* is yet we find made use of by great *Architects*, and therefore to be referr'd to able Judges.

Notwithstanding, inasmuch as there do yet happen some *Superstructures* which both in *Works* and *Books* of this Magnificent *Science* have likewise *Names* of doubtful signification, and to satisfy all that may be farther desir'd for the rendering of this undertaking more useful and instructive, I will in brief proceed to what is used to appear further in *Buildings*, where they did not flatten the *Roofs* and Cover of *Edifices*, and which tho' certainly of all other the most Graceful; is of necessity alterable according to the Climate.

Those *Roofs* which exalted themselves above the *Cornices* had usually in *Face* a *Triangular plain* or *Gabel* within the Mouldings
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(that when our Workmen make not so Acute and pointed they call a *Pedament*) which the *Antients* nam'd

Tympanum *Frontispiece* from the *Cornice* to the upmost part of the *Fastigium* or superior Angle of it, and is commonly circumscrib'd with the same *Cornice* that the subjacent *Order* is of. It is properly plac'd at the *Front* and *Entrance*, and over the *Porches*, *Windows*, *Niches*, &c. to protect them from the Injuries of the Weather; and therefore very impertinently *Broken*, or *Flatted* by some, which exposes all that is under, to many Inconveniencies, nor should it be at all allow'd save where an absolute necessity of setting in sight (not otherwise to be had) pleads for it: Now tho' they are commonly made *Triangular*, we frequently find them *Semi-Circular* (or of some other Section) whereof the *Base* is the *Diameter*: Some again have a double *Tympanum*, as in that *Tuscan* Example describ'd by *Perault*, *Vitr.* l. 3. where the standing out of the *Porch* from the rest of the main Wall of a *Temple* of that *Order*, requires it; I say before a *Temple*; since they were never made in the Fronts of any other Buildings; the *Antients* Dwelling-Houses being generally flat at the Top, *Julius Cæsar* being the first whom they Indulg'd to raise his Palace in this *Fastigious* manner: As *Salmasius* tells us in *Solin*: I need not add, that the *Die* of a *Pedestal*, and other flat and naked Parts in out-side Work and Pannels of *Wainscot* is sometimes call'd *Tympana*; since it may be to better purpose, to give some Directions about the Proportion and Accessaries belonging to it; it being much disputed; *Vitruvius* allowing neither of *Dentelli*, or *Modilion*, but a simple *Cornice* onely; tho' we find them both very ornamentally applied; some affecting to place them according to the *Slope*, others perpendicular to the *Horriзон*, and not to the *Cornice* which they seem to support, as well as Beautifie; or rather to the Posture of the *Rafters*-ends, which they represent. We sometimes find *Dentelli* under the *Modilion*, but by none approv'd; a single row of *Teeth*, or a plain *List* only more becoming on those occasions, as well as for the Height of the *Drum* or *Tympan* (by which some distinguish the *Round* from the *Pointed* which they name *Frontons*) which some Noble *Statue*, or *Bass-Relieve* may require a more than ordinary Elevation of; In the mean time, *D'Aviler's* Figure following may give some Direction to Workmen:



Divide the Line ab (which suppose the *Hypotenuse* of the *Base*) into two equal Parts at the Point c , let down the *Perpendicular* fe d indefinite, in which ed being equal to ab from d as the Centre, describe the Arch aeb and where it intersects the *Perpendicular* as at e there shall be the *Fastigium* or Point of the *Tympane*.

There are other Methods in *Serlio*, and the Masters; some *Isocele*, whose Angles opposite to the *Base* are more obtuse; others yet lower, and higher even to a full *Diameter*, as were those *Plinæ* call'd *Plastæ* for *Statues* and taller Figures, as also at the *Cima* or Point, and at each *Angle*, there stood of those smaller *Pedestals* we spake of for the placing of *Statues*, *Busts*, *Urnes*, *Lamps* of *Fire*, *Pine Cones*, *Bowles*, or the like *Ornaments*, and these *Stylobata* were call'd

Acroteria, from ἀκρῶν *summa pars*, we may properly name them *Acroteria*. *Pinacles*, for so *Pinnæ* and *Batlements* were made sometimes more sharp, *Towering* or *Spiry*, as pleased the *Workman*; but where they stood in *Ranges* (as not unfrequently) with *Rail* and *Balausters* upon flat Buildings, they still retain'd their name, with this only difference, that such as were plac'd between the *Angular* Points were (like ranges of *Pillars*) styl'd the *Median* or middle *Acroteria*; For the most part a small *Die* without any *Base*, in proportion somewhat less than the Breadth of the Neck of the *Column* (if there stand any directly under it) and equal in Height to the middle of the middle *Tympane*; and that at the very *Fastigium* may be allow'd an eight Part more.

They did likewise sometimes cover (especially *Temples*, and such *Magnificent* and *Sacred* Buildings) with a *Cupola*, which is that *Dome* or *Hemispherical* Concave made in resemblance of the *Heavens*, and admitting the *Light* at the top *Center* or *Navil* only, without any *Lantern*, as is to be seen in that incomparable piece of the *Pantheon* yet extant: This is much in *Vogue* yet in *Italy*, and of late in *France*, especially at *Rome* and *Florence*, but it is commonly with the *Lantern* and other *Apertures* to let in *Day* without exposure to the *Weather*, as appears by that on the summit of *Saint Peters*; but it takes away, in my poor Judgment, something from the solemnness, and natural resemblance of the other which yet are happily better to be endur'd in the more *Eastern* Countries where the *Weather* is constant; as we see it Practic'd in what the Pious *Helena* erected in the *Holy Land*, and her Son *Constantine the Great*, or rather, that at present, by the Emperor *Justinian*, (one *Anthemius* of *Trales*, and *Isidor* the *Miletan* being the Architects) upon that *Magnificent* Structure of *Santa Sophia* yet remaining at *Constantinople*, and to this Day imitated by the *Turks* for the Covering of their *Mosques*; and that it was an *Oriental* Covering and Invention, the ὀροῦ of the *Greeks* was doubtless deriv'd

riv'd from the Hebrew *תלה* *Thala* signifying to *Suspend* or hang as it were in the *Air* ; but the *Italian* Name seems to come from *Cuppa* a *Cove* or great *Washing-Bowl*, which it much resembles. As to the Name *Dome*, whether from the *Greek* *δῆμα*, a *Covering* (as *Du Lange*) or as *Vossius*, *Domus*, I am not concern'd (but when they call it *Dome*, it ever signifies the *Cathedral*) 'tis commonly erected over the middle of the *Building* where the *Isles* cross, and ought to be in Height, *half* the *Diameter* of the *Church*, meaning the *Cuppa*, only (by some nam'd the *Pyramis*) and not the *Lantern* or *Flos*, by *Architects* so call'd, from some *Flowre*, or like Ornament which was plac'd upon it : In the mean time, we find some of these Coverings in other Shapes, and *Multangular*, not exceeding *Eight* ; but they are nothing so graceful as the *Dome-Spheroid* : Sometimes also they are made to let in greater Light by a sort of *Lucarr* Windows ; by which are meant those *Subtegularian* Windows that appear in our *Roofs* above the *Cornices* ; of which some are *square* with *Pedaments* ; others *Round* or *Oval* and *Oxe-Eyed* as they term them, most accommodate to the *Cupola*, and had need have twice and an half the Height of Breadth, by reason of the distance, with circular *Frontoons*, whilst *Windows* in upright *Walls*, ought not to be above a Fifth part less wide. than those beneath them, which are ever to be even with the *Cornices* of the *Ceiling* : Antiently, *Windows* were open to the very *Floor*, or only clos'd with a *Ballustre* and *Raile*, much safer, and as *Commodious* altogether to look into *Streets*, or enjoy the *Prospect* as our late *Meniana* and *Balconies*, are which jettie out, and rest only upon *Scrolls* and *Mutules* for Reasons already mention'd : *Arched Vaults* in *Cellars* should have *Arched Aperture* and *Windows*.

Other *Accessories* and *Ornaments* are also used in *Buildings* which I will only touch.

Niches, *quasi Nidi*, *Nests*, of old *Concha*, are a kind of *Pluteus* or smaller *Tribunals* (as they are yet called in *Italy*) wherein *Statues* are placed to protect them from the down right *Injuries* of the *Weather*, as well as for *Ornament* to plain and simple *Walls* : As to their regular *Sections* (tho' as we have already *Noted*, there be nothing determin'd) one may allow them *double*, *half*, or *quarter* more of their *Bredth*, and half for the *Cavities*, whether *Circular* or *Square* : The rest suitable to the *Character* of the main *Building*, and proportion of the *Statue* design'd, and therefore in placing an *Hercules*, *Commodus* or larger *Figure*, a *Rustic*, or *Doric* *Work* and *Ornament*, would become them better than the *Corinthian* or *Composite* delicacy ; fitter for the less *robust*, and more *effeminate*, whether *naked* as the *Greeks* *Statues*, or *clad* as were the *Roman* : And so in respect to *situation* ; if *low*, or even to the *Area*, or much higher ; the *statelier* and taller *Figures* should be plac'd in the lower

Niches :

Niches: The shorter, over those, and their *Niches* thrice the height of the breadth, tho' the *Figure* exceed not that of the *Imposts*. *Square Niches* have a *third* of their largeness in depth, and twice the height: When there happens a very large *Peere* or *Square* (as sometimes between the *Windows*) they should observe the proportion of the *Aperture* both for height and breadth, with suitable *Decoration*: But between *Columns* or *Pillasters* standing one upon the other, *Niches* are not so proper; because they fill the Spaces too much; and where more than one is plac'd, the Interval should be equal to their Breadth; and never to admit them at the *Coinces* of a Building, as frequently we see them abroad to Inshrine some *Saint*; that the Image may be seen in several Streets: In a Word, they too thick, and frequent *Niches* becomes no Building, and are unsufferable where a *Cornice* is broken to let them in to *Groups*, and *Assemblies* of more *Figures*, as the *Action* may require; the *Niche* is to be suited, and should begin at the Floor or *Pavement* with *Plinth* or *Pedestal*, higher than for a standing *Figure*, which is ever to be allow'd the first: And if plac'd in a spacious Court or Garden, the *Pedestal* should be higher; so as the *Statue* may be viewed round about: As to farther *Decoration*, it were absurd to Carve a *Mask*, *Satyrs* or *Lyons* Head, as we sometimes see them, upon the *Key-stone*; least standers by, take the *Statue* for some two-headed Monster; nothing more becoming it within, than the usual *Esculop*, whether wrought in the *Stone*, or *Plaster*: Indeed *Niches* shew best without much *Ornament*, *Columns* or *Pillasters*; unless plac'd at the end of some long *Gallery*, *Portic*, or *Vestibule* of *Church*, *Exchange* or *Courts* of *Justice*, &c. *Oval Niches* do handfomely for *Busts*, and *Vasas*, if not set in too deep; and therefore may be allow'd to stand on a *Scroll* or *Mutule*: Lastly, when *Niches* are made very much larger and higher, beginning from the *Pavement*, they were call'd

Tribunals, as of old it seems applied to all high and eminent ^{Tribunal:} Places, where the *Tribunes* of the People us'd to sit as Judges: We have a Noble Resemblance of *this* in that magnificent *Throne* describ'd 1 *Reg.* 10. 19. built by *Solomon*, which seems to me to have been such an ample *Nich* in which a *Principal* Person might sit, as it were half *Canopied* over within the thickness of the *Wall*.

In *Walls* likewise did they insert many noble and most exquisite *Sculptures* and *Historical Fables*, half wrought up, *Emboss'd* and swelling, and sometimes more then half, which *eminencies* they now call in *Italy* by the name of *Basse*, and *Mezzo rilievo*: These were sometimes wrought in *Marble*, as in that famous *Abacus* and *Stylobata*, yet extant, of *Trajan's Pillar*. Their ordinary placing was in the *Fronts* of *Edifices*, as is yet to be seen in divers *Palaces* at *Rome*, and especially in their *Villas* and *Retirements* of *Pleasure*, which

which are frequently incrust'd with them, but vilely imitated in our expos'd *Fretworks* about *London*, to the Reproach of *Sculpture*, especially where it pretends to *Figures* on the out sides of our *Citizens Houses*. I well remember there was in one of the Courts of *Nonsuch*, several large Squares of *Historical Relieue* moulded off, or wrought in *Stucco* by no ill Artist (I think *Italian*;) which upon the Demolition of that Royal Fabrick, I hear, have been translated, and ornamentally plac'd by the late most Honourable *Earl of Barkley*, at his delicious *Villa Durden's* in *Surry*, not far from *Nonsuch*; which is thus describ'd by *Camden* (as lately publish'd by the very learn'd *Mr. Gibson*) where speaking of that Kingly Palace, he calls it *Magnificent to so high a pitch of Ostentation, as one would think the whole Art of Architects were crowder'd into this simple Work*: And then as to the *Relieuo* (which appears to have stood expos'd there ever since the Reign of *Henry VIII.* who built the House) *so many Images to the Life, upon the Walls thereof, so many Wonders of an Accomplish'd Workmanship, as even Vie with the Remains of Roman Antiquity*. Indeed, this sort of *Decoration* has of late been supplied by *Painting in Fresco*, and that by very able Hands, especially *Signior Verrio, &c.* as 'tis frequently in *Italy* by the most Famous *Masters*; which I wish the Inclemency of our severer *Climate*, were as favourable to, as the Work deserves.

Ornaments, however Gay and Fine they appear to the Eye, and are in many Cases very laudable and necessary; there is yet no small Judgment requir'd, how, and when to place them appositely; so as they do not rather detract from the Beauty of the Work, than at all contribute to it: Now by *Ornament* we understand whatsoever of *Sculpture* and *Carving* is not of constant use, or absolutely necessary in all Members; such as *Frutages, Fastoons, Chaplets, Wreaths* and other *Coronary Works*: *Frets, Guilloches, Modillions, Mutuls, Chartoches, Dentelli, Metops, Triglyphs, Ovola, Pine-Cones*: *Niches, Statues, Busts, Relievos, Urns, &c.* In a Word, all sorts of *Mouldings*; *Vitruvius* under the name of *Ornament*, reck'ning the whole *Entablature*; in which the *Frize* seems to be the most proper Field for *Decoration*, as the most conspicuous place, and where, tho' the *Sculptor* shew'd his Address and Invention; The Antients (who spared nothing which might accomplish the Publick Buildings) were not at all so lavish, in over frequent and unnecessary Gayities: Their *Temples, Amphitheaters, Circus's, Courts of Justice, Fora, Ports* and Entries of *Cities, Prisons*; *Bridges, Basilica, Royal Palaces* and other Buildings of State, where grave and Solid Structures void of those little *Membrets, trifling Mouldings* and superfluous Carvings, which takes away from that Majestic and *Grand Munier* that most becomes them: Reserving those richer *Accessories* and costly Finishings, for *Theaters, Triumphal Arches, Historical Columns*, and o-
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ther Ostentous Pomps : Nor even in these did they use them promiscuously ; but with great Judgment Symbolical to the Subject and Occasion : And therefore those Antient Ornaments would not suit so properly with the Ages since, and may I conceive lawfully be chang'd, without Presumption, or Injury to any Essential Member : As if (for Instance) instead of *Sphinges* and *Griffons* plac'd before the Pagan *Temples*, (Guardians of *Treasure* which was kept in those Sacred Buildings) *Angels* should be set before our *Churches* ; And in the *Doric Frizes*, instead of *Ox-Sculls*, the Priests *Secespita*, *Guttæ*, *Acerra*, *Simpula* and other Sacrificing Utensils ; We chang'd them in our *Churches* (where that *Order* best befits them) into *Cherubs*, *Flaming Hearts*, *Books* laid open ; the *Patin*, *Chalice*, *Mitre*, *Crosier*, &c. The Frontons of *Magazines* and publick *Munitions* : had the Sculps of *Antique Casks*, *Targets*, *Battle-Axes*, *Thunderbolts*, the *Battering Ram*, *Catapults*, &c. Which we may answer with our Modern Artillery of *Canon*, *Bombs*, *Mortars*, *Drums*, and *Trumpets* and other Warlike Engines ; and to their *Roftra*, *Rudders*, *Anchors*, *Tridents*, *Scalops*, &c. the Wonder-Working *Nautic-Box*, with whatever else of useful and Conspicuous has improv'd our *Navigation*. The *Tympan* before *Courts of Justice* may become her *Statue*, sitting on a *Cube*, with *Fasces*, *Axes* and other Emblems of *Magistracy*.

Thermæ were adorn'd with *Jars*, *Ampullæ*, *Strigils* in the *Frizes* : The *Mausolea*, *Urns*, *Lamps* and smoking *Tapers* : *Hippodroms*, *Circus's* had the Statues of *Horses* on the Fronts *Metæ*, *Obclises*, &c. The Publick *Fountains* were seldom without the *River Gods*, *Nymphs*, *Naides*, *Tritons* *Hippopotoms*, *Crocudiles*, &c. *Theaters* were set out with *Mascara*, *Satyrs Heads*, *Mercuries Caduceus* : The Statues of *Apollo*, *Pegasus* ; the *Muses*, little *Cupids* and *Geny*, *Laureat Busts*, &c. *Arches Triumphal* with *Relievo* of the *Conquerors Expedition*, *Trophies*, *Spoiles* and *Harnasse*, *Palms* and *Crowns*. And where *Tables* for *Inscriptions* were insert'd to continue, or but only for a shorter time, as to Celebrate some solemn *Entrie*, a *Princes Coronation*, *Royal Nuptials*, adorn'd with *Devises*, and *Compartments* for *Pomp* and *Show* : The Contrivance was under the Direction of the *Architectus Scenicus*, and requir'd a particular Talent and Address, *Poetic* and *Inventive* : In Sum, all Ornaments and Decorations in general, should be agreeable to the Subject ; with due and just Regard to the *Order*, which the *Antients* Religiously observ'd ; tho' where (as we said) it was not absolutely Essential ; leaving out or putting in as they thought convenient ; for excepting the *Dress*, and *Tire* of the *Jonica Corinthian* and *Composita Capitele*, they were not oblig'd to charge the other Members with costly Ornaments ; so as they frequently left out the *Metors* and *Triglyph* in the *Frizes* of the *First* (as we have already Noted) the *Dentelli*, *Ovolo* and quarter *Round*, in the *Grand Cornice* of the *Latter*, plain and without Carving ;

ving; neither did they often fill the *Pedestals* with *Relieuo*; nor the *Staves* in the *Flutings*; and rarely ever allow the *Corona* any inrichment at all, or so much as rounded; and were free to leave the *Doric Plancere* naked, or with simple *Guttæ* only. They were careful not to Multiply larger *Mouldings*, which sometimes they alter'd, and now and then would separate them with a smaller *List* or simple *Fillet*; sometimes using the Carved *Astragal*, and at another, the Plain; always leaving the *List* of the Superior *Cornice* Flat, to shew us, that the safest Rule to go by, is to follow the *Character* of each *Respective Order*: And indeed how odly would the *Tuscan* or *Doric* become the *Corinthian Coifure*, or the spruce and florid *Corinthian* a *Tuscan* Entablature: The same is to be considered in the *Key-stone* of *Arches*; Plain in the *Tuscan* and *Dorica* with a moderate *Projecture*: The *Jonica* Scroll, serving us a *Prothyrides*, on such occasions may be richly Flower'd and Carv'd in a *Corinthian* or *Composit* Entrance, and where they susquert *Tables* and *Mensulæ* for some *Inscription*: *Roses*, *Lyons-Heads*, *Escalops* and other decorations are allowable under the *Corona* with this Rule, that whether here, or under any *Roof* or *Ceiling* interlacing *Fretts*, be ever made as *Right Angles*: Lastly, as to *Pocliæ*, *Rails* and *Balusters*, so to humor the *Order*; that the *Tuscan* be plain, but not too gowtic, or too close to one another, or far assunder, that is, not exceeding twice the *Diameter* of the *Necks*; nor are they oblig'd to a constant Shape; for some swell below, others above; and some are made like *Termes*, all of them having their peculiar Grace and Beauty: What is said of *Tuscan* is to be understood of the rest; so as the *Corinthian* and *Composita* may be Carv'd and Inrich'd without any *Scrupule*, for any thing that appears to the contrary among the *Antients*, or our ablest *Masters*: To Conclude, not only the *Roofs* of *Houses*, and their *Fronts* had their Adornments, but the *Flores* also were inlay'd with *Pavements* of the most precious *Materials*, as of several Coloured *Stones* and *Woods*, and this they call'd

Emblema, continued to this Day by the *Italians* in their *Pietra Comessa*; of which the most magnificent and stupendious *Chappel* of Saint *Laurence* at *Florence*, *Paul the Firſt's* at *Sancta Maria Maggiore* in *Rome*, are particular and amazing instances, where not only the *Pavement*, but likewise all the *Walls* are most richly incrusted with all sorts of precious *Marbles*, *Serpentine*, *Porphirie*, *Ophitis*, *Achat*, *Rants*, *Coral*, *Cornelian*, *Lazuli*, &c. of which one may number near thirty sorts, cut and laid into a *Fonds* or ground of *Black-Marble* (as our *Cabinet-Makers* do their variegated *Woods*) in the shape of *Birds*, *Flowers*, *Landskips*, *Grotesks* and other *Compartiments* most admirably Polished, a glorious and everlasting *Magnificence*: But where it is made of lesser *Stones* or rather morsels of them, assisted with small *Squares* of thick *Glass*, of which
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some are *Guilded*, or Cemented in the Stuc or Plaster, it is call'd *Mosaic-Work*, *opus Musivum*, and it does naturally represent the most curious and accurate sort of *Painting*, even to the *Life*, nor less durable than the former, as is most conspicuous in that Front of Saint Marks Church at *Venice*, the *Nave* or Ship of *Giotta* under the *Cupola* of Saint *Peters* at *Rome*, and the *Altar-piece* of Saint *Michael* near it: These are the *Tessellata* and *Vermiculata* or *Pavimenta asarota* of the *Antients*, which no Age or exposure Impairs, but of which I do not remember to have seen any Publick Work in our *Country*. In the mean time not to be forgotten are the *Floorings* of *Wood* which Her Majesty the *Queen Mother* has first brought into use in *England* at Her *Palace* of *Sommerfet-House*, the like whereof I directed to be made in a *Bed-Chamber* at *Berkley-House*: The *French* call it *Parquetage*, a kind of *Segmentatam opus*, and which has some resemblance to these Magnificencies; because it is exceeding Beautiful and very Lasting: And this puts me in mind of that most useful *Appendix* joyn'd to Mr. *Richards* late *Traslation* of the first Book of *Palladio*, and those other Pieces of *la Muet* the *French Architect*, wherein, besides what he has Publish'd concerning these kinds of *Timber-Floors*, &c. you have at the Conclusion of that *Treatise* a most accurate Account of their *Contignations* and *Timberings* of all sorts of *Stories*, *Roofings*, and other *Erections*, with their use, *Scantlings* and proper Names, which, for being so perspicuously describ'd, deserves our Commendation and Encouragement.

May this then suffice, not only for the Interpretation of the *Terms* affected to this Noble Art; but to Justifie the *Title*, and in some Measure also for the Instruction and Aid of divers Builders, on some occasions, wherein they not seldom fail; especially in the *Country* (where, for the saving a little Charge, they seldom consult an experienc'd *Artist*, besides the Neighbour *Brick-layer* and *Carpenter*) till some more dextrous and able Hand, and at greater Leisure, Oblige the Publick, and our *Country Men*, with such a Body and *Course* of *Architecture*, as with others *Monsieur Blondel*, *D'Avilar*, (and *instar Omnium* the Learned *Perault*, by his *Version*, and useful *Comments* on *Vitruvius*) have done for theirs.

Eum Architectum oportet usu esse peritum & solertem, qui demere aut adicere præscriptis velit.

J. E.

F I N I S.



To the R E A D E R.

THere is no Man pretending to this Art, or indeed to any other whatsoever, who does not greedily embrace all that bears the Name of Leon Baptista Alberti, who was a Florentine Gentleman of Illustrious Birth, great Learning, and extraordinary Abilities in all the Politer Sciences, as he stands Celebrated by Paulus Jovius, and for which he became so dear to that great Mecenas Lorenzo di Medici, who chose him, with Marfilus Ficinus, Christopherus Landinus, and other the most refin'd Wits of that Age, to entertain his Academic Retirements and Solitude of Camaldoli: You have an ample Catalogue of his Learned Works, Latin and Italian, publish'd at the end of his Life by Rafael du Fresne that Great French Virtuoso, together with the History of those many incomparable Structures design'd and conducted by this rare Genius, extant at this Day in Florence, Mantoa, Rimini and other Cities of Italy; as being indeed one of the very first that polish'd the now almost utterly lost and extinguish'd Art of Architecture; in which how successfully he joyn'd Practice to Speculation, there are abundance of Examples, some whereof are wrought by his own Hands. He Composed three Books, De Pictura, full of incomparable Researches appertaining to that Noble Art: This of Statues was first Written in Latin, but it having never been my hap to find it (and I think it was never Printed) I made use of this Version out of the Italian, as it was long since Publish'd by that Ingenious Person Cosimo Bartoli, and have subjoyn'd it to this Discourse of Architecture, not only because they cannot well be separated, but for that the Author (being one of our Parallel) the Argument appear'd so apposite and full of profitable Instruction to our Workmen, who for want of these or the like Rules, can neither securely Work after the Life, or their own Inventions, to the immense Disgrace of that Divine Art. This brief Account I thought fit to present thee, Reader, concerning this Piece of Alberti's, it being the very First of the Kind which ever spake our Language.

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J. Evelyn.

C O S I M O B A R T O L I

To the most Excellent *Architect*, and *Sculptor*

B A R T O L O M E O A M M A N T I.

Although I am perfectly assur'd (my most ingenious Bartolomeo) that you, who are so universally accomplish'd, and in particular, so skilful, and well versed in Architecture and Sculpture, have no need of those Rules and Precepts, which the most judicious Leon Baptist Alberti has Publish'd concerning Statues; Yet I easily perswaded my self that this Address of them to You, would not be a thing unacceptable, as being to a Person so well able to Judge of that rare Fancy, and incomparable Worth of the said Leon Baptista, who in a time wherein little or nothing of Sculpture was known (all good Arts and Sciences being then in a manner annihilated and wholly extinct throughout Italy, by Reason of the many inundations of Barbarians) employ'd the utmost of his Abilities to open an easy and secure way for our Youth: who though unexperienc'd themselves, delighted in this most noble Art; and to incite them to joyu diligent Practice, with the Observation of sure and unerring Rules. No wonder therefore, if from that time forward such wonderful Progress has been made in this Art, as has brought it to that Perfection wherein it is seen flourishing at this Day: So as in this Age of ours, we have no need to envy those so much admired Statues of the most celebrated Sulptors of the Antient Romans, when we shall well consider what has been perform'd by our Countryman Donato, and not many Years since, the Divine, Michael Angelo Buonaroti; as after him, by Baccio Bandinelli, Benuenuto Cellini, and lastly, by Your Self; whereof, that I may produce some Instances (besides those many Statues which are extant of all your Hands) proclaiming your singular Merits to the Admiration of all Men, there are to be seen in the Piazza of their Highnesses Royal Palace, the most beautiful Judith; the most stupendious Colosso of David, the robust and fierce Hercules; the most masterly handl'd Perceus, together with all his rare and curious Adornments; and which is indeed the greatest of all the rest, Your own Neptune, with the other three Statues accompanying it, cut out of one intire piece of Marble, and fram'd with so magisterial a height of Art, as not only produces wonder in all that attentively behold it; but does as it were wholly astonish them to contemplate the Ingenuity, the Science, the Industry, the Diligence, the Affection, and in fine, the never to be sufficiently celebrated Skill of the Artists. Vouchsafe therefore that these (however impolish'd) Instructions, so much conducing to the information of unexperienc'd Youth, be recommended to the publick view under Your Name and Protection: And as it has ever been Your Custom heretofore, Love your Friends, amongst whom I Conjure You to esteem me none of the least.

Farewell.

LEON BAPTISTA ALBERTI

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S T A T U E S.

I Have often thought with my self that the several Arts, whereby Men at first Industriously set themselves to express, and represent by Work of Hand, the Shapes and Similitudes of Bodies, springing from natural Procreation, took their beginning from the accidental observation of certain Lineaments either in *Wood*, or *Earth*, or some other sorts of Materials, by Nature so dispos'd, that by altering or inverting some thing or other in their form, they appear'd capable of being made to resemble the Figures and Shapes of living Creatures; and thereupon, having seriously consider'd and examin'd what Course was best to take, they began with utmost Diligence and Industry to try and make experiment, what was necessary to be added, or taken away, or in any other kind perform'd, for the bringing of their Work to such perfection as might cause it exactly to resemble the intended form, appearing, as it were, the very same thing; ever marking as they wrought, to see if they had fail'd in any thing, and still mending as they found occasion, sometimes the *Lines*, sometimes the *Superfices*, *Polishing* and *Repolishing*, till at length (not without much Pleasure and Satisfaction) they had accomplish'd their desire: So that it is not a thing so much to be admir'd, that by frequent Practice in Works of this Nature, the *Fancies* and *Ingenuities* of Men have been from time to time improv'd, and advanc'd to that height, that at last (without taking Notice of any rude *Draughts* in the Material they wrought upon, to help them in their intended *Designs*;) they became able by their Skill to *Design* and express upon it whatsoever form they pleas'd, though in a different manner, some one way and some another; for as much as all were not taught, or apply'd themselves to proceed by the same Rule or Method. The Course that many take to bring their intended *Figures* to Perfection, is both by adding to, and taking from the Material; and this is the way of those that work in *Wax*, *Plaster* or *Clay*, who are therefore term'd *Maestri de stucco*, others proceed by taking away, and carving out of the Material that which is superfluous, whereby it comes to pass that they produce out of whatsoever Mass of *Marble*, the perfect Shape and Figure of a Man which was there hiddenly but potentially before; and those that work this way, we call *Sculptors*: next of kin to whom are they that grave in *Seats* the Proportions of Faces, that be-
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fore lay hid in the Matter out of which they were raised. The third sort is of those that perform their Work by only adding to the Material; as *Silver-Smiths*, who beating the *Silver* with Mallets, and distending it into thin *Plates* of what Fashion or Size they think fit, lay thereupon their *Superstructure*, adding and enlarging till they have fashion'd and brought to Perfection their intended *Design*. And here perhaps some may imagine, that in the number of this last sort of Artists *Painters* are to be reckon'd, as those who proceed by way of adding, namely by laying on of *Colours*; but to this they answer, that they do not strive so much to imitate those *Lights* and *Shadows* in Bodies which they discern by the Eye, by the adding or taking away of any thing, as by some other *Artifice* proper and peculiar to their way of Working: But of the *Painter* and his Art we shall take occasion to speak elsewhere. Now, as to those several kinds of *Designers* which we have here before mention'd, though they go several ways to Work, nevertheless they all direct their Aims to this end, namely, that their Labours may appear to him that shall well observe them, as Natural, and as like the Life as may be; for the bringing of which to effect, it is most evident, that by how much the more exquisitely they follow some certain determin'd Rule or Method (which *Rule* we shall afterwards describe) so much the fewer *Defects* will they be guilty of, so much the fewer *Errors* commit, and in all manner of Accounts their Works will succeed and come off with the greater Advantage: What shall we say of *Carpenters*? What would they perform to any purpose, if it were not for the *Square*, the *Plummet*, the *Line*, the *Perpendicular*, and the *Compasses* for the making of *Circles*, and by the means of which Instruments they Design their *Angles*, their *Streight-Lines*, their *Levells*, and other their Proportions, thereby finishing and compleating all they take in hand with the greater exactness, and without which they would be able to do nothing substantially? Or can we rationally imagine, that the *Statuarie* could perform such excellent and admirable Works by chance, rather than by the help of some certain and Infallible *Rule* or *Guide*, drawn from *Reason* and *Experience*? Wherefore this we shall lay down for a *Maxim*; That from all *Arts* and *Sciences* whatsoever, there are drawn certain *Principles*, *Rules*, or natural *Conclusions*, which if we shall apply our selves with all care and diligence to examine and make use of, we shall undoubtedly find the benefit of, by the perfect accomplishment of whatsoever we take in hand: For as we were first instructed by Nature, that from those Lineaments which are found in pieces of Wood, Earth, Stone or other Materials, may be drawn (as we said before) the forms of whatsoever Body or Creature the concourses of those Lines resemble; so also the same Nature hath taught us certain helps and means, by which we are guided to proceed securely and regularly in what we undertake, and by the constant observing and use whereof, we shall most easily, and with the greatest Advantage, arrive at the utmost perfection of the Art or Faculty we strive to attain. It now remains that we declare what those helps are which Statuaries are chiefly to make use of; and

and because their principal part is to make one thing to imitate and resemble another, it will be requisite to speak first of *Resemblance*, a subject our Discourse might be abundantly ample in, since Resemblance is a thing so natural and obvious, that it offers it self to our view and observation in in each visible Object ; not only every Animal, but even all things whatsoever that are of the same Species, being in some respect or other correspondent and alike : On the other side, there are not in the whole race of Mankind any two to be found so exquisitely resembling each other, as not to differ some one Tittle in the tone of the Voice, or the Fashion of the Nose, or of some other Part ; to which we may add, that those Persons whom, having first beheld Infants, we come to see Children of some growth, and afterwards at the Age of Manhood, if at length we meet them when grown Old, we shall find them so chang'd and alter'd by time, that we shall not be able to know them ; for as much as the aptitude and position of those numerous Lines and Features in the Countenance still alters, and vary's from time to time, as Age comes on ; nevertheless in the same Visage there remains a certain natural and peculiar form, which maintains and keeps up the resemblance inhærent to the Species : But we shall wave these things, as belonging rather to a particular Discourse, and return to pursue what we first took in Hand to Treat of.

The Design and Intention of making resemblances among *Statuaries*, I take to be twofold ; the first is, that the Design or Work intended for the resemblance of any sort of Creature (for Example, suppose it a Man) be so fram'd, that it come as near in Similitude as may be to the said Species, without regarding whether it represent the Image of *Socrates* more than that of *Plato*, or any other known individual Person, since it is enough that the Work resembles a Man in general. The other Intention proceeds farther, and aims not only at the representing the Likeness of Man in general, but of this or that particular Man ; as namely, of *Cæsar*, or *Cato*, not omitting to describe the very Habit he wore, the Posture he affected, and the Action he used ; whether sitting in his Tribunal, or making Speeches to the People : It being the proper Business of those who addict themselves to this last way of Representation, to imitate and express every Habit, Posture and Ayr, peculiar to the Body of that known Person whom we intend to represent. Answerable to these two Intentions, (that we may handle the matter as briefly as is possible) there are especially requiried two things ; that is to say, Proportion, and Limitation. In treating therefore of these two particulars, that which we have to do, is to declare, First, what they are : Next, to what use they serve for the bringing of our Design to Perfection : Besides which, I cannot but by the way, take Notice of the great Benefit that is to be made of them in Respect of the wonderful and almost incredible Effects which they produce ; insomuch that whosoever shall be well instructed in them, shall be able by the help of some certain infallible Marks, exactly to observe and point out the Lineaments, situation and posture of the Parts of any Body, though it were

a thousand Years after, so as not to fail to place it exactly at his Pleasure, in the very same direction and posture it should have hapned to have stood in before ; and in such sort, as there should not be the least part of the said Body, which should not be reduc'd and resituated toward the very same point of *Heaven* against which it was originally directed : As if, for Example, You would point out the place with your Finger where the Star of *Mercury* or the new *Moon* would rise, and it should happen to rise in a direct Angle over against the point of the *Knee, Elbow, Finger,* or any other Part ; most certain it is, that by these means and helps all this may be done, and that so precisely that there should not follow the least failing of Error imaginable ; nor need there any doubt be made of the certainty hereof. Besides this, suppose I should take one of the Statues of *Phidias*, and so cover it over with *Wax* or *Earth*, that none of the Work could be discern'd, and that it should appear to be only a meer shapeless Trunk, You might by these Rules and helps certainly know how to find out in one place, by boaring with a Wimble, the pupil of the *Eye*, without doing it any harm by touching it ; and in another place the *Navel*, and finally in another the great *Toe*, and so other parts in like manner ; by which means you will gain a perfect Knowledge of all the Angles and Lines, whether far distant one from another, or nearly concurring together : You may also, beginning which way you will, and whether following the Original, or the Copy, not only *Draw* or *Paint*, but also put down in *Writing*, the various Course of the Lines, the Circumferences of the Circles, the positions of the Parts, in such sort that by the aforesaid helps and means you need not doubt the being able to produce with ease such another Figure perfectly resembling, and of what size you please, either less, or just of the same magnitude, or of an hundred Fathoms in length ; nay, I dare be bold to say that were there but Instruments to be had answerable to so great a Design, it were not only not impossible, but even no hard Matter, to make one as big as the Mountain *Caucasus* ; and that which perhaps you may most wonder at, is, that according as the matter might be order'd, one half of this Statue may be made in the Island of *Pharos*, and the other half wrought and finish'd in the Mountains of *Carrara* ; and that with such exact Correspondence, that the Joyntures and Commissures of both parts perfectly fitting each other, they may be united into one compleat Statue resembling either the Life, or the Copy after which it shall have been Figur'd : And for the performing of this so stupendious a Work, the Manner and Method will appear so easy, so perspicuous and expedite, that for my part I conceive it almost impossible for any to err but those that shall Industriously, to make Tryal of the Proof of this Assertion, work contrary to the Rules and Method enjoyn'd. We do not hereby undertake to teach the way of making all kind of resemblances in Bodies, or the Expressing of all those various Aspects which result from several differing and contrary Passions and Affections ; since it is not the thing which we profess to shew, how to represent the Countenance of *Hercules*

les when he Combats with *Antæus*, with all the height of Magnanimity and fierceness which would be requisite upon such an occasion; or casting an obliging, chearful and smiling Air, when he Courts his *Deianira*; so as that the Countenance of the same *Hercules* should upon several occasions be represented with as various Aspects: But our purpose is rather to take Notice of all the different Figures and Postures that are incident to a Body from the divers Situations, Gestures or Motions of the several Members or Parts thereof; for as much as the Proportions and outward Lines are one way terminated in a Body that stands upright, another way in him that sits, another way in one that is lying down, another way in those that turn or incline themselves toward this or that side; and so, in like manner, in all other Gestures and Motions of the Body, of which way of representation our Intention is at this time; that is to say, in what manner, and by what certain and infallible Rules, these Gestures and various dispositions of the Body may be imitated and represented: which rules, as we said before, are reduc'd to two Principal Heads, namely, *Proportion* and *Limitation*: And first we shall treat of *Proportion*, which is indeed no other then a constant and certain Observation, by examining the just number and measures, what Habitude, Symmetrie and Correspondence all the parts of the Body have one towards another, and that in Respect of every Dimension of the Body, both as to *Length*, *Breadth* and *Thicknes*s.

This Observation is made by two sorts of Instruments, a large Ruler, and two moveable Squares; with the Ruler we take the Lengths of the Parts, and with the Squares we take their Diameters and all the other Proportions of the said Measures. Upon this Ruler then let there be a line drawn of the length of the Body which you would measure, that is to say, from the Crown of the Head to the sole of the Foot: Whence Note by the way, that to measure a Man of a short Stature, you are to use a shorter Ruler, and for one of a longer Stature, a longer Ruler: But whatsoever the Length of the Ruler be, it is to be divided into six equal Parts, which Parts we will Name Feet, from whence we will call it the Foot-measure; and each of these Feet shall again be divided into ten equal parts, which we may term Inches.

The whole Length therefore of this Model or Foot-measure will consist of 60 Inches; every one of which is again to be sub-divided into 10 equal Parts, which lesser Parts I call Minutes; so that through this division of our Measure into Feet, Inches and Minutes, the total of the Minutes will amount to the Number of 600. there being in each of the 6 Feet 100. Now, for the measuring of a Man's Body by this Instrument, we are thus to proceed: Having divided our Ruler according to the foresaid manner, we are to measure and observe by the Application thereof, the distances of the Parts of the said Body; as for Instance, how high it may be from the sole of the Foot to the Crown of the Head, or how far distant any one Member is from another: As how many Inches and Minutes it may

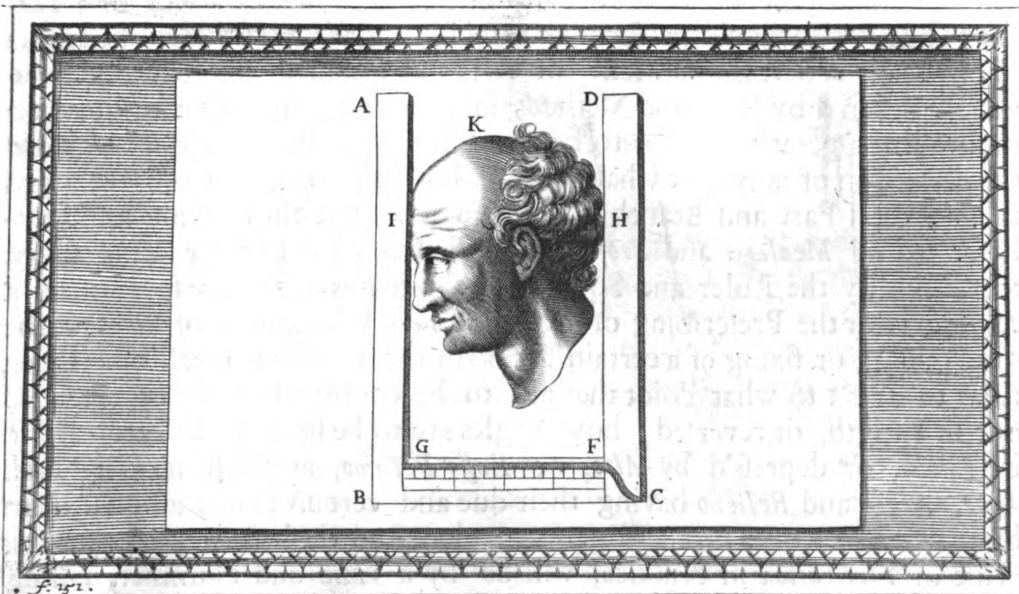
may be from the Knee to the Navel, or to the Cannel Bone of the Throat, and so in like manner any other Parts; Nor is this Course to be at all slighted or derided either by *Sculptors* or *Painters*, since it is a thing most profitable, and absolutely necessary; for as much as the certain Measure of all the Parts being once known, we shall have gain'd a most easy and speedy determination how to proceed in our Work with any of the said Parts or Members without committing the least Error: Never think it a Matter worth Regard or Notice, if any capricious humorist shall Peradventure find fault that this Member is too long, or that too short; since your Model or Foot-measure (which is the Rule that must always direct and govern your Work, and then which you cannot go by a more infallible Guide) will soon determine whether you have proceeded well or ill; and doubtless when you shall have maturely consider'd and examin'd these things, you will not be to seek in those infinite other Advantages wherein this Foot measure will prove serviceable, especially in knowing how with absolute certainty to limit and determine the longitude of the Parts in a Statue of a greater Magnitude, as well as in one of the lesser.

So as if it should happen that you were to make a Statue of 10 Cubits, or what ever other dimension, it would be requisite to have your Ruler, Model, or Foot-measure likewise of 10 Cubits, and divided into six equal parts, which should have the same Correspondence one with another, as those of the lesser Ruler: In like manner should the Inches and Minutes be proportion'd, whence also the use and manner of working would be the same with the other; since half the Numbers of the greater have the same Proportion to the whole intire, as half the Numbers of the lesser have to the whole intire of the lesser. Wherefore according as the size of your Work happens to fall out, your Ruler is to be made proportionably.

We come next to treat of the Squares, which are to be two; the first of which shall be made after this manner: Let two Rulers, in the nature of streight Lines, *i. e.* A B and B C be joyn'd together so as to make a right Angle; the first Ruler A B falling Perpendicular, the other B C serving for the Base: The bigness of these Squares is to be so order'd, that their Bases consist of at least 15 Inches, according to the Proportion of your main Ruler, which, as we said before, is to be made bigger or lesser answerable to the proportion of the Body you would measure: These Inches therefore with their Points and Minutes (however they may fall out) being taken exactly from the said Ruler, you must set down upon your Base, beginning to reckon from the Point of the Angle B, and so Proceeding on towards C.

The Square being thus mark'd and divided, as is to be seen in the Example there is A.B.C. to be adjoyn'd unto it another Square made after the same manner, according as it is demonstrated by the Letters D F G so as that G F. may serve both for streight Line and Base to both. Now to shew the use of these Instruments, I undertake to measure the Diameter of the thickest part of the Head H I K by bringing the two streight Rulers A B and

and D F of each Square exactly opposite to each other, to touch the two opposite Points of the thickest part of the Head, and by applying interchangeably to one and the same Level, the Base-lines of the said Squares ; by which means from the Points H I, which are touch'd by the streight Rulers of the said Squares, we shall discover the exact Diameter of the Head.



And after this manner, the thickness and bigness of any Part of the Body whatsoever may with great ease and accurateness be found out : Many uses and advantages we could reckon up, which might be made of this Ruler and these Squares, were it needful to insist now upon them ; there being several other ways, much after the same manner, which the meanest Capacity may of himself find out, for the measuring of the Diameter of any Part ; as for Example, suppose one would know how much the Diameter is from one Ear to the other, and whereabouts it intersects the other Diameter which passes from the Head to the Nuca, or the like. Lastly our Workman may safely make use of this Ruler and these Squares as most faithful Guides and Counsellors, not only for the performing of any part of his Work, but also at the very first, and before he sets upon it, he will receive much Light by the help of these Instruments, how to begin and go about it ; in so much that there will not be the least Part of the Statue he is to make, which he will not before have examin'd and consider'd and render'd most easy and familiar to him ; for Example. Who but a very arrogant Person would take upon him to be a Master Ship-Wright that had not the perfect Knowledge of all the several Parts of a Ship, and how

one kind of Ship differs from another, and what those particular Parts are which belong to one Ship more than to another? And yet who is there of our Sculptors, let him be a Man never so Subtle and Experienc'd in his Art, who if it should be demanded of him, upon what Ground or Consideration he has made this Member after this manner, or what may be the Proportion of this or that Member to the whole Structure of the Body? I say, who is there so Diligent and Accurate as to have well consider'd and observ'd all that is requisite, and which becomes that Person to know who would perform as he should do the Art whereof he makes Profession? Whereas doubtlesly all Arts and Faculties are most Advantageously learn'd by Rule and Method, and by the Knowledge of some demonstrable Operation that is to be perform'd; nor shall any one attain to the perfection of any Art whatsoever, who hath not first Comprehended every severall Part and Branch of the said Art. But thus having sufficiently treated of *Measure* and *Proportion*, and after what manner it is to be found out by the Ruler and Squares; it remains that we speak next of *Limitation* or the Prescribing of *Bounds*: This Prescription of *Limits* is the determining or fixing of a certain Period in the drawing of all our Lines, so as to direct to what Point they are to be continu'd, whether extended out in Length, or revers'd; how Angles are to be fix'd, how Parts are to be rais'd, or depress'd by *Alto*, or *Basso Relievo*, as Artists term it; each *Line*, *Angle* and *Relievo* having their due and certain Places assign'd them by the Conduct of a sure and perfect Rule: And the best way to put this Rule of *Limitation* in Practice, will be by a Line and Plummert, falling from a certain determinate Centre plac'd in the middle, whereby the distances and extremities of all the Lines may be marked out and taken Notice of, as far as the utmost Bounds every way of the said Body extends: But between the Measure describ'd above, and this Assignation of *Limits*, there is this difference, namely, that that Measure looks farther backward, and springs from a more Native and Original Consideration, as Grounded upon more Common and Universal Principles, which are by Nature more firmly and substantially Inherent in all Bodies; as the *Length*, *Largeness* and *Thicknes* of the Parts; whereas the prescribing of *Bounds* is Grounded upon the present and accidental Variety of Postures, resulting from the different Dispositions and Motions of the severall parts of the Body, shewing the manner how to Limit and Fashion those Postures according to the *Maxims* of Rule and Art.

Now, for the better performance of this last part of Regular Operation, we shall recommend this following Instrument, which is to consist of three parts or branches; that is to say, an *Horizon*, a *Style*, and a *Plumb*: The *Horizon* is a *Plane* design'd upon a Circle, which Circle is to be divided into equal parts mark'd with their severall Members, and their Subdivisions set over against each part: The *Style* is a streight Ruler, one end whereof is fixt in the Centre of the said Circle, the other end moves about at Pleasure, so as that it may be easily transfer'd and directed from one Division of

of the Circle to another: The *Plumb* or *Plummet* is a Line or Thread which falls Parallel from the Top of the *Style* down to the Floor or Plane, upon which the Statue or Figure stands whose Members and Lineatures are to be measur'd and limited: For the manner of making this Instrument, let it be thus; Take a Board well plain'd and smooth'd, upon which let a Circle be drawn having three Foot Diameter, and let the Extremity of the said Circle's Circumference be divided into equal parts, according as *Astronomers* divide their *Astrolabes*, which parts we will call Degrees; and let every of these Degrees be subdivided again into as many other parts as shall be thought fit; as for Example, suppose every Degree be subdivided into six lesser parts, which we may call Minutes; to all which Degrees adjoyn the several Numbers, *viz.* 1, 2, 3, 4, with the rest in order, till the Numbers belonging to all the Degrees be set down. This Circle, thus made and order'd, we call'd the *Horizon*, to which we are to fit our moveable *Style*, being also to be made after this manner; Take a thin streight Ruler, three Foot in Length, and fasten one of the ends thereof (with a Pegg) to the Centre of its *Horizon* or Circle, in such a manner, that though the said end is not to be mov'd from the Centre, yet the Peg that fastens it is so far to be relax'd, that the whole Ruler may have Liberty to move and play about from one part of the Circle to another, whilst the other Extream extends it self a good way beyond the Circumference of the said Circle about which it is to be mov'd: Upon this Ruler or *Style*, mark out the Inches it is to contain, distinguishing them with several points between, after the manner of the Module or Foot-measure above mention'd; and these Inches must also be subdivided into lesser equal parts, as was likewise done in the foresaid Foot-measure; and then beginning from the Centre, adjoyn to the Inches also their several Numbers, *viz.* 1, 2, 3, 4, &c. Lastly, to this *Style* annex a Line and *Plummet*. This whole Instrument thus Describ'd consisting of *Horizon*, *Ruler*, and *Plummet* we shall call our *Defnitor*.

This *Defnitor* is to be made use of in this manner: Suppose the *Original*, or *Copie*, the Limits of whose parts we would determine, were a Statue of *Phidias*, holding with the Left Hand, on one side of a *Chariot*, the Raines of a Horses Bridle: This *Defnitor* is to be set upon the Head of the Statue in such sort, that it may lie exactly level upon the plain of the Centre, being plac'd just upon the very midst of the Head of the Statue, where it is to be made fast with a Peg: Then Note that point where it is fastned upon the Head of the Statue, and mark it by setting up a Needle or Pin for the Centre of the Circle: Next, by turning the Instrument about from the determin'd place in the *Horizon*, make out the first design'd Degree, so as you may know from whence it is mov'd; which may best be done after this following manner: Bring about the moveable Ruler, which is the *Style*, upon which the Thread and *Plummet* hangs, till it arrive at that place of the *Horizon* where the first Degree of the *Horizon* is to be set down; and holding it fast there; turn it about together with
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the whole Circle thereof, until the Line of the *Plummet* touch some principal part of the Statue, that is to say, some Member particularly Noted above all the rest, as the Finger of the Right Hand or so.



Which may serve as the appointed place from whence upon every new Occasion the whole *Definitor* may be mov'd, and afterwards brought back again to the same where it stood at first upon the said Statue; yet so, that by the turning of the *Style* about the *Pin*, which pierceth from the top of the Head of the Statue, through the Centre of the *Definitor*, the *Plummet* which before fell from the first Degree of the *Horizon*, may return to touch the aforesaid Finger of the Right Hand. These Things thus order'd and design'd, suppose that we would take the Angle of the Right Elbow, so as to keep the Knowledge of it in Mind, or to Write it down; the way is as followeth: Fix the *Definitor* with its Centre which is upon the Head of the Statue, in the place and manner aforesaid, in such sort, that the Plane whereon the *Horizon* is design'd, may stand firm and immoveable; then turn about the moveable *Style*, till the Line of the *Plummet* come to touch the Left Elbow of the Statue which we would Measure: But in the performing

forming of this sort of Operation there are three things to be observ'd, which will much conduce to our Purpose : The first is, That we mark how far the *Style* in the *Horizon* comes to be distant from the place where it shall have been first mov'd, taking Notice upon what Degree of the *Horizon* the *Style* lies, whether on the twentieth, thirtieth or whatsoever other : Secondly, Observe by the Inches, and Minutes mark'd in the *Style*, how far distant the Elbow shall be from the Centre of the Circle : Lastly, take Notice by placing the Module or Foot-Measure Perpendicularly upon the Plane whereon the Statue stands, how many Inches and Minutes the said Elbow is raised above the said Plane, and write down these Measures in a Book or piece of Paper : For Example, thus, the Angle of the Left Elbow is found in the *Horizon* to be 10 Degrees and 5 Minutes ; in the *Style* or Ruler 7 Degrees and 3 Minutes ; that of the Plane in the Module amounts to 40 Degrees and 4 Minutes ; and thus by the same Rule may be measur'd and computed all the rest of the principal Parts of the said Statue or Copy ; as for Instance : The Angles of the Knees, and of the Shoulders and other such like Parts that are to be reckoned among the *Relievi* : But if you would measure Concavities, or those Parts which recede inward, and are so remov'd out of the reach of Sight and easy Access, that the *Plummet*-line cannot come to touch them (as it happens in the Concavities beneath the Shoulders, in the Regions of the Reins, &c.) the best way to find them is as follows : Add to the *Style* or Ruler another *Plummet*-line which may reach as far as the said Concavities ; how far distant it be from the first, it is not Material, since by these two *Plummet*-Lines falling Perpendicularly, and being Intersected by the *Gnomon* of the plain Superficies above to which they are fastned, and which extends it self as far as the Centre of the Statue, it will appear how much the second *Plummet*-line is nearer than the first to the Centre of the *Definitor*, which is therefore call'd the middle Perpendicular.

These Things thus demonstrated, being once sufficiently understood, it will be an easy Matter to Comprehend what we before commended to your Observation ; namely, that if the said Statue should chance to have been cover'd over to a certain Thickness with *Wax* or *Earth*, you might yet by a Piercer, with great ease, readiness and certainty come to find out whatsoever Point or Term you would desire to find in the said Statue ; for as much as it may be clearly Demonstrated, that by the turning about of this *Gnomon*, the Level makes a Circular Line like the Superfices of a *Cylinder*, with which sort of Figure the Statue so superinduc'd as aforesaid, seems to be inclosed and incircled : This Position establish'd, you may safely infer, that as by making way through the Air (the Statue not being cover'd with *Wax* or *Earth*) you guide your Piercer directly to wards the Point T, (which for Examples Sake we will suppose to be the *Relievo* of the Chin) by the same Reason, if the Statue were cover'd over with *Wax* or *Earth*, might you by boaring through the said *Wax* or *Earth* attain the Point aim'd at, the *Wax* or *Earth* possessing but the same place which otherwise the Air

would have done : From what hath been thus discours'd concerning these Things, it may be concluded, that the Effect we mention'd before concerning the making of one half of the Statue in the Isle of *Pharos*, and finishing the other half in the Mountains of *Carrara*, is a thing not only not impossible but very easy to be perform'd ; For let the said Statue or Model of *Phidias* be divided into two Segments, and suppose, for Example, this Section of a plain Superfices be made in the Waist or Girdling place, doubtless by the only assistance of our *Definitor* it will be easy to mark out in the Circle of the Instrument whatsoever Points shall be thought fit, belong to the divided Superfices : These things granted to be feasible, you shall not need to make any Question of being able to find out at Pleasure in the Model, any part whatsoever you shall desire to find ; and that only by Drawing a small Red Line in the Model, which serves instead of an Intersection of the *Horizon*, in the place where this Segment should Terminate, if the Statue were divided ; and the Points so mark'd will direct you the way how the Work may be Finished : And in like manner may other Things be done, as hath been said before. Finally, by the whole Discourse here made concerning all these particulars, it is sufficiently Evident, that all Measures, Proportions and Limitations are to be taken, whether in the Life, or Copie, by a most certain and infallible Rule for the bringing of any Work to Perfection in this Art ; and we could wish that this way of proceeding were more seriously intended by all our *Painters* and *Sculptors*, since, if it were, they would soon come to find the extraordinary Benefit of it : But because all Things are most illustrated by Example, and that the Pains we have already taken in this Matter may Conduce to the greater Advantage ; we have thought fit to bestow yet a little farther Labour in Discriving the Measures of all the principal Parts in Man's Body and not only the parts of this or that particular Man, but as far as was possible, even the very Perfection of all Beautiful and Excellent Proportions ; the several parts whereof having observ'd in several human Bodies, some excelling chiefly in this, some in that external Gift of Nature, we have thought Material to set down in Writing ; following the Example of him, who being employ'd by the *Crotoniati* to make the Statue of their *Goddeſs*, went about collecting from the most Beautiful Virgins (whom, among many, he with great Diligence search'd out) those Proportions and handsome Features wherein each of them principally excell'd, and apply'd them to his own Statue. Since much after the same manner we, having taken the Draught from those Bodies, that of divers others were judg'd, by the most Sagacious in this Inquiry, to be the most exactly Built and Compos'd, with all their several Measures and Proportions ; and comparing them exactly together, to observe wherein they excell'd, or were excell'd each by the other, have made choice out of this Variety of Models and Examples, of those middle Proportions which seem'd to us most agreeable, and which we have here set down by the Lengths, Bignesses and Thickenesses of all the Principal and most Noted Parts ; and in the first place Lengths are these following.

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The heights from the Ground.

Feet. Degrees. Minutes.

The greatest height from the Ground to the Instep of the Foot.	0	3	0
The height up to the Ankle-bone on the outside of the Leg.	0	2	2
The height up to the Ankle-bone on the inside of the Leg.	0	3	1
The height up to the recess which is under the Calf of the Leg.	0	8	5
The height up to the recess which is under the <i>Relievo</i> of the Knee-bone within.	1	4	3
The height up to the Muscle on the outside of the Knee.	1	7	0
The height up to the Buttocks and Testicles.	2	6	9
The height up to the <i>Os Sacrum</i> .	3	0	0
The height up to the Joynt of the Hips.	3	1	1
The height up to the Navel.	3	6	0
The height up to the Waist.	3	7	9
The height up to the Teats and Blade-bone of the Stomach.	4	3	5
The height up to that part of the Throat where the Weezle pipe beginneth.	5	0	0
The height up to the knot of the Neck where the Head is set on.	5	1	0
The height up to the Chin	5	2	0
The height up to the Ear.	5	5	0
The height up to the Roots of the Hairs of the Forehead.	5	9	0
The height up to the middle Finger of a Hand that hangs down.	2	3	0
The height up to the Joynt of the Wrist of the said Hand.	3	0	0
The height up to the Joynt of the Elbow of the said Hand.	3	8	5
The height up to the highest Angle of the Shoulder.	5	1	8

The Amplitude or Largenesses of the Parts are measur'd from the Right Hand to the Left.

The greatest breadth of the Foot.	0	4	2
The greatest breadth of the Heel.	0	2	3
The breadth of the fullest Part beneath the Jettings out of the Ankle-Bones.	0	2	4
The Recess or falling-in above the Ankles.	0	1	5
The Recess of the mid-leg under the Muscle or Calf.	0	2	5
The greatest thickness of the Calf.	0	3	5
The falling-in under the <i>Relievo</i> of the Knee-bone.	0	3	5
The greatest breadth of the Knee-Bone.	0	4	0
The falling-in of the Thigh above the Knee.	0	3	5
The breadth of the middle or biggest Part of the Thigh.	0	5	5
The greatest breadth among the Muscles of the Joynt of the Thigh.	1	1	1
The greatest breadth between the two Flanks above the Joynts of the Thigh.	0	0	0

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	<i>Feet. Degrees. Minutes.</i>		
The breadth of the largest part of the Breast beneath the Armpits.	}	1	1 5
The breadth of the largest Part between the Shoulders.		1	5 0
The breadth of the Neck.		0	0 0
The breadth between the Checks.		0	4 8
The breadth of the Palm of the Hand		0	0 0

The breadth and thickness of the Arms, differ according to the several Motions thereof, but the most common are these following.

The breadth of the Arm at the Wrist.	0	2	3
The breadth of the brawny part of the Arm under the Elbow	0	3	2
The breadth of the brawny part of the Arm above, between the Elbow and the Shoulder.	}	0	4 0

The thickness from the Fore-parts to then Hinder-parts.

The length from the great Toe to the Heel.	1	0	0
The thickness from the Instep to the Angle or corner of the Heel.	}	0	4 3
The falling-in of the Instep.	0	3	0
From the falling-in under the Calf to the middle of the Shin.	0	3	6
The outside of the Calf of the Leg.	0	4	0
The outside of the Pan of the Knee.	0	4	0
The thickness of the biggest part of the Thigh.	0	6	0
From the Genitalls to the highest rising of the Buttocks.	0	7	5
From the Navel to the Reins.	0	7	0
The thickness of the Waist.	0	6	6
From the Teats to the highest Rising of the Reins of the Back.	0	7	5
From the Weezlepipe to the knot or joynture of the Neck.	0	4	0
From the Forehead to the hinder Part of the Head.	0	6	4
From the Forehead to the hole of the Ear.	0	0	0
The thickness of the Arm at the Wrist of the Hand.	0	0	0
The thickness of the brawn of the Arm under the Elbow.	0	0	0
The thickness of the brawn of the Arm between the Elbow and the Shoulder.	}	0	0 0
The greatest thickness of the Hand.	0	0	0
The thickness of the Shoulders.	0	3	4

By means of these measures it may easily be computed what Proportions all the Parts and Members of the Body have one by one to the whole length of the Body ; and what Agreement and Symmetrie they have among themselves, as also how they vary or differ one from another ; which things we certainly conclude most profitable and fit to be known : Nor were it from the Purpose to particularize how the Parts vary and altar, according to the several Gestures incident to humane Bodies, as, whether they
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be Sitting, or Inclining to this, or that side: But we shall leave the more curious disquisition into these things, to the Diligence and Industry of our *Artist*. It would also be of very much conducement, to be well inform'd of the number of the Bones, the Muscles, and risings of the Nerves; and especially to know how, by certain Rules, to take the Circumferences of particular Divisions of Bodies, separately consider'd from the rest, by an inspection into those Parts which are not outwardly expos'd to sight: In like manner as if a Cylinder should be cut down right through the middle, so as out of that part of the Cylinder which is visible throughout, there should be separated, by a Circular Section through the whole length of the Figure, an inward consimilar part which was before unseen, so as to make of the same Cylinder two Bodies, whose Bases should be alike, and of the same Form, as being indeed wholly compriz'd within the same Lines and Circles throughout: By the Observation of which sort of Section is to be understood the manner of separation of the parts and Bodies before intimated; for as much as the Design of the Line by which the Figure is terminated, and by which the visible Superficies is to be separated from that which lies hid from the sight, is to be drawn just in the same manner; and this Design being delineated on a Wall, would represent such a Figure as would be much like a Shadow projected thereupon from some interposing Light, and which should illuminate it from the same Point of the *Ayr*, where at first the Beholder's Eye was plac'd: But this kind of Division or Separation, and the way of designing things after this manner, belongs more properly to the *Painter* than the *Sculptor*, and in that Capacity we shall treat of them more largely elsewhere. Moreover, it is of main Concernment to whatsoever Person would be eminent in this Art, to know how far each *Relievo* or Recess of any Member whatsoever is distant from some determin'd Position of Lines.

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