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BELGIUM: La Brabançonne

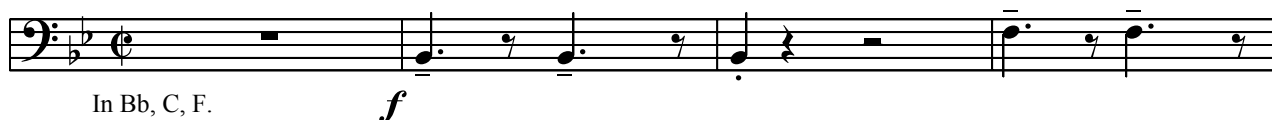
National Day: 21 July (National Day 1831)

This anthem was composed during the revolution in Brussels in 1830. *Le Brabançonne*, originally with words by Hippolyte Dechet (usually known by his pseudonym "Jenneval") was first sung in a Brussels theatre on 12th September of that year. The composer, François van Campenhout, was a well-known tenor and although he composed a number of operas, all of them remain forgotten. The name of the anthem is derived from Belgium's central province of Brabant, the home of the Babançons who in the 12th century, were considered the fiercest fighters in Europe. Two texts are in use: one in French and the other in Flemish.

♩ = 120

Francois van Campenhout (1779-1848)

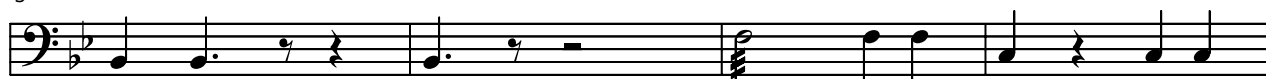
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In Bb, C, F.

f

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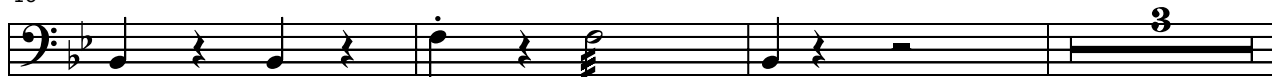


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mf

16



cresc.

f

22



ff

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