

23. THE POSTAGE STAMP

(It sticks to one thing, 'til it gets there)

Notice the word *tenuto* (abbreviation *ten.*) next to the whole notes in this piece. *Tenuto* means to hold a note for its full value, or four counts in this composition. The whole notes, then, become your postage stamps. Glue your fifth fingers on them while you play the rest of the measure. Remember there are also postage stamps in the left hand. See that they get properly "licked". Do this to all whole notes throughout the piece.

Molto legato

Czerny

The musical score is written for piano and left hand. It consists of four systems of two staves each. The tempo is marked 'Molto legato'. The key signature has one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The right hand part features a continuous eighth-note melody with slurs. The left hand part features a continuous eighth-note accompaniment with slurs. Whole notes in both hands are marked with 'ten.' (tenuto). The score is composed of 16 measures in total.