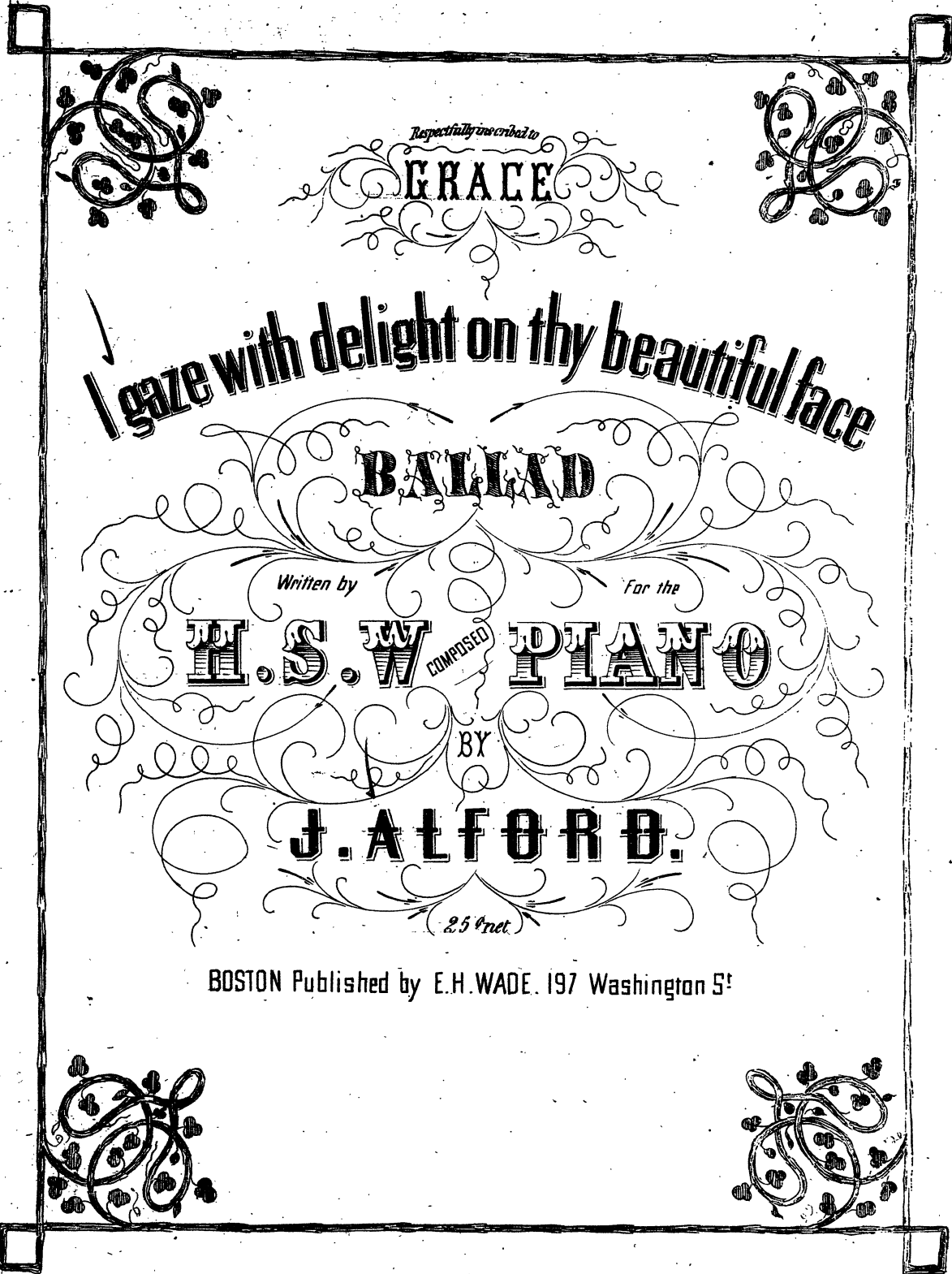


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GRACE

I gaze with delight on thy beautiful face

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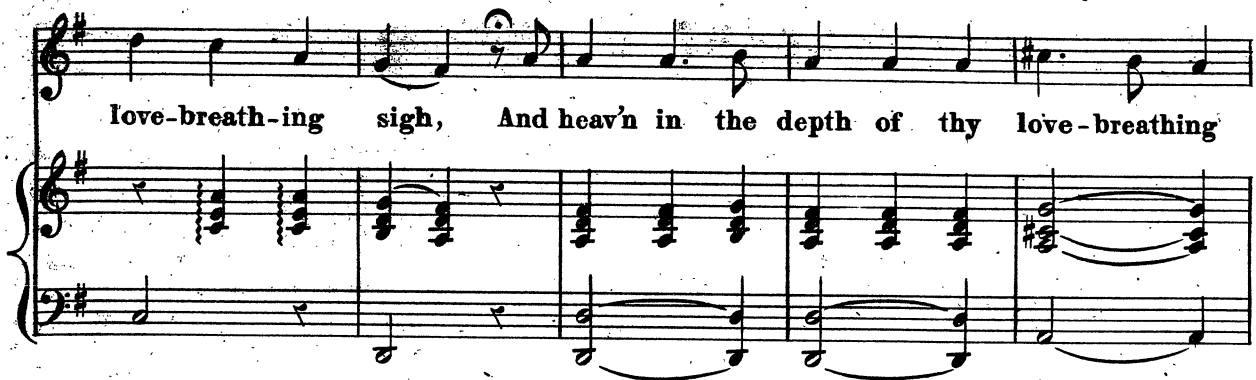
My dearest I love thee, my own dar-ling Grace, I

gaze with de-light on thy beau-ti-ful face; There's lan-guage di-

vine in thy bright beam-ing eye, And heav'n in the depth of thy

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love-breath-ing sigh, And heav'n in the depth of thy love-breathing



sigh. My dear-est I love thee, my own dar-ling Grace, I



gaze with de-light on thy beau-ti-ful face, I gaze with de-light on thy



beau-ti-ful face. More



sweet than the nec-tar the hon-ey-bees sip, Is that which im-

preg-nates thy bright co-ral lip, More fra-grant thy breath than the

per-fumes of May, Thou dream of my slum-bers, thou light of my

day, Thou dream of my slum-bers, thou light of my day! My

.dear - est I love thee, my own dar - ling Grace, I gaze with de -

light on thy beau - ti - ful face, I gaze with de - light on thy

beau - ti - ful face.

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No heart ever loved more sincerely than mine,
 No soul can be purer, belov'd one, than thine;
 Yet that which surpasseth all beauties to me,
 Is virtue's bright gem shining brightly in thee.
 My dearest I love thee &c.