Our Next Meeting May 11

The next meeting of the Society will be held in the Schwenkfelder Historical Library on the campus of Perkiomen School, Pennsburg, Pa., on Sunday afternoon, May 11, at 3 P. M., daylight saving time. Pennsburg is on the Perkiomen Division of the Philadelphia & Reading Railway, 47 miles from Philadelphia. Trains leave the Reading Terminal on Sundays at 7.00 and 8.05 A. M. (Standard Time). Returning trains leave Philadelphia for Pennsburg at 4.47 and 7.02 P. M. A train from Allentown for Pennsburg leaves Allentown at 8.40.

Pennsburg can also be reached by auto bus from Allentown, Boyertown and Collegeville. Bus leaves Allentown at 10.00, 12.00 A. M., arriving at Pennsburg at 10.30 and 1.00. Leave Boyertown at 11.52, and 2.22. Leave Collegeville, Perkiomen Bridge, at 8.15 and every hour thereafter, arriving at Pennsburg one hour later. Collegeville can be reached by trolley from Norristown or Pottstown, cars running every hour. Norristown can be reached from Philadelphia by either the Reading or Pennsylvania R. R., or the Philadelphia & Western from 69th St.

To go by auto from Philadelphia or Pottstown follow the William Penn Highway to Perkiomen Bridge. At Perkiomen Bridge Hotel turn north on the state highway, which goes clear through to Allentown along the picturesque Perkiomen Creek. Seventeen miles to Pennsburg from Perkiomen Bridge. About two and one-half hours from Philadelphia.

The Historical Library will be open after 11 o'clock, Standard Time. The exercises will begin at 2 P. M., Standard Time. The speakers will be Cheesman A. Herrick, Ph.D., L.L.D., President of Girard College, Philadelphia, "The German Redemptioners," and Prof. Samuel K. Brecht: "The Heritage of the Exiles."

Visitors may secure excellent meals at hotels in Pennsburg. Sunday dinners, 75 cents to $1.25. Notify hotels in advance. Especially recommended: American House, opposite the Pennsburg R. R. station; Pennsburg Hotel, in the village, and the Palm Hotel, two miles beyond Pennsburg.

See This Painting

The Schwenkfelder Historical Library contains the most unique collection of historical documents and manuscripts found in any private collection. Here may be seen an oil portrait of Caspar von Schwenkfeld on mahogany, painted from life, and recently brought to this country from Europe. It will be exhibited to the public for the first time in this country. Schwenkfeld's own Bible with his marginal notes is there and one of the most complete collections of Bibles printed during the early history of this country; the original ship list of the St. Andrew.

Paid Back Dues

The treasurer reports that enough members paid back dues following receipt of the first issue of this paper to pay costs of publication. His address, by the way, is 2011 Chestnut St., Phila., Dr. Ralph Getelman.

Come Anyway

This issue goes to some descendants of exiles who are not members of the Society. This is their invitation to attend the meeting May 11. There will be application blanks for membership for all who wish them, and a cordial welcome for everybody.

Dr. Johnson Sick

Dr. Elmer E. S. Johnson, who has done so much to build up the historical library at Pennsburg, is on sick leave from Hartford Seminary, where he is a professor. He recently had a breakdown from overwork.

Brief Notes

Membership fee is only $3 a year. There is no initiation fee.

Seventy immigrant ancestors are buried in cemeteries in the vicinity of Pennsburg. (See Genealogical Record, pp. 60-73.)

In spite of its unfavorable situation, the Philadelphia Schwenkfelder Sabbath School has an average attendance 15 larger than last year.

William D. Heebner, of Lansdale, is probably the largest raiser of oranges among the Descendants. He has a large grove at Orange City, Fl.

Dr. Anders will speak in Chicago before the American Medical Association, June 9, on "The Indications for and the Methods of Employing Hydrotherapy."

New Members—D. Webster Anders, Mrs. Annie L. Breitenbaugh, Burton M. Brown, Philadelphia; Mrs. Ella Anders Dresher, Lansdale; Raymond S. Dresher, Lansdale.