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Neu - Eingerichtetes  
**S**esang - **B**uch

in sich haltend  
eine

**S**ammlung

(mehrentheils alter)

schöner lehr-reicher und erbaulicher

**S**ieder,

Welche von langer Zeit her bey den Bekennern  
und Liebhabern der Glorien und Wahrheit  
Jesu Christi bis anhero in Übung  
gewesen:

Nach den Haupt - Stücken der Christli-  
chen Lehr und Glaubens eingetheilet,  
und

Mit einem Verzeichniß der Titel  
und dreyen Nützlichen Registern  
versehen.

Anhero also zusammen getragen,  
und

Zum Lobe Gottes und heilsamen  
Erbauung im Christenthum,  
ans Licht gegeben.

Germantown, gedruckt bey Christoph Sauer,  
auf Kosten dreyer Brüder. 1744

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## PREFACE.

THIS work is a contribution to a better knowledge of the activity of the Schwenkfelders in the writing and compiling of hymns, both in Europe and also in America. It is hoped that it will help to rescue from obscurity some of the worthy pioneers whose services in this field have long waited for acknowledgment. To students of the life of the German settlers in America, during the colonial period, it should prove a welcome side-light.

An altogether satisfactory explanation of both the character and the quantity of the religious poetry written by the early Schwenkfelders is furnished by Koch. It runs thus: "They were wholly devoted to a deep susceptibility of the grace of God, intent upon this, in order that they might the better in faith apprehend the inner working of grace. With such spiritual sensibility, and being perpetually the victims of oppression, they had so much the greater occasion for communion with God and for the pouring out of their hearts before Him in prayer and song. Hence it was, that a distinct Schwenkfeldian type of religious poetry developed, quite extensive and not to be undervalued in its importance."

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