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AN ASSOCIATION WITH OVER TWELVE HUNDRED REGISTERED MEMBERSHIPS

BOSTON, MASS., SEPTEMBER 15, 1931.

*To the Eddy Descendants in America, and
Members of the Eddy Family Association:*

*Eleventh Annual Meeting
Swansea, October 3, 1931*

Dear Friends:

The Executive Committee calls upon every Eddy descendant for full cooperation this year and asks that this letter be read with great care, and that a reply be sent NOW, with the dues for renewal of memberships, and a tentative answer about the annual reunion in Swansea on October third.

Once more our annual reunion, the eleventh, draws near, after a year of deeper interest in our family traditions than in any period of our history. We mean just that. The Genealogy produced fifty years ago was largely a private matter. Wide-spread correspondence and interest were lacking until our new Genealogy was prepared and our Bulletins came forth; and the 300th anniversary was the greatest Eddy Days this country ever knew.

Please note the following important points:

1. *Renew your membership this year.* We ask every one of the 1200 members of the Association to send their membership dues for the current year. We have a deficit on the book. The only method of payment is through membership renewals. A few have borne too much of the load. It is hoped that a thousand members will be willing to send at least \$1 to continue their names on the list. (Junior members 50¢, gladly received.) A smaller number are asked to send \$5 for supporting membership, or \$25 for sustaining membership if you have not shared in the printing costs of the book. *This is the most important item for this year.* Your renewal is necessary to help us carry out the record of excellent leadership we have secured among the families of America. Many plans lie ahead, but will fail unless our membership is generously maintained.

2. *The Annual Meeting and Picnic* will be held at the old Eddy Burial Ground, Swansea, Mass., near Town Hall, on Saturday, October 3rd, at 11 o'clock. Swansea centers our interest this year. The cemetery where the first Samuel and his wife Elizabeth were buried has been greatly improved through the generosity of a few. The gravestones have been reset after a search eighteen inches below the surface of the ground. At this meeting a place for the location of the boulder and tablet to Samuel and Elizabeth, at some future time, will be selected.

A picnic lunch is the new feature. Instead of a formal meal in-doors, each family will bring a picnic lunch. Coffee and ice cream will be served and the charge for each person will be 25¢ instead of the customary full luncheon price. This innovation should bring many automobile parties from all directions to gather at Swansea. The meeting will be over by four o'clock.