Summary Information

Creator
Berger, Daniel, Rev., 1797-1880

Title
Rev. Daniel Berger Papers

Dates
1826-1871, 1845-1857 (bulk)

Extent
.5 LF (1 ms boxes)

Arrangement
Collection organized into folders by type of material such as ledgers, financial papers, sermon notes, and diaries.

Language of Materials
All materials in English and German.

Abstract
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Subjects
Berger, Daniel, Rev., 1797-1880.
Administrative Information
Acquisition Information

Custodial History (Provenance)
All materials in this collection were purchased by the Library from various sources in 1986 and 1988.

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Processing Information
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Accruals
No further accruals are expected.

Additional Information
No additional information.

Historical/Biographical Information
Daniel Berger was born April 16, 1797 in Windsor Township, Berks County and married Hannah Wiltrant on September 4, 1819. In 1832 he was ordained as a minister and served over a period of 40+ years with various Evangelical congregations in Orwigsburg, Lebanon, Schuylkill Haven, New York City, Allentown, Philadelphia, Reading, Lancaster, and Baltimore. Reverend Berger died on April 12, 1880 while giving a sermon in Orwigsburg, PA.

Scope and Content Note
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Inventory/Contents

Box/Folder

1/1 Business Daybook Ledger, 1826-1834, 1862 - Daniel Berger, Manheim Township, Schuylkill County, PA
Contains blacksmith business ledger 1826-1834 and 1862 Triennial tax assessment for Orwigsburg borough conducted by Daniel Berger.

1/2 Business and Personal Account Ledger, 1833-1854.
Contents:
First part-
Berger family Day Book, kept in German and English. 53pp., 1833-1834. Entries deal largely with a meat business run by the Berger family for sales of beef, sausage, pork, and liver. Kept in an unidentified hand. but with several references to the Bergers and apparently from the generation preceding Daniel Berger.

Also contains 9pp. of entries by Daniel Berger (dated 1846-1852) listing letters sent, personal expenses, furniture and household goods purchased in Lancaster (1849). "furniture sold in Baltimore" (1851-1852), etc.

Second part-
Daniel Berger's grocery, clothing, and personal expense accounts, mostly in English. 32pp., 1846-1850 (with a few notes through 1854). Some records of trips, "mission money," church upkeep records, and money spent at the "Lancaster Mission" (April 1849).

1/3 Financial Papers, 1849, 1856-1857, nd.
Lists of expenses, invoices, receipts (regarding rental of a house in Lancaster from George Boyle (1854-1855) and residence in Orwigsburg (1857)) and lists of monies collected for Salem Church of Lancaster and the York Church.

1/4 Sermon notes, 1845-1856, 1871.
Notes for sermons preached by Berger, most with notes indicating when and where the sermon was preached. These sermons were given at Lancaster, Reading, New York City (1849), Lattimore, Orwigsburg, Baltimore (1850), Lebanon, and at Spring Garden Chapel.

1/5 Diary, 1850
Day planner for 1850 with notes on expenses, personal appointments, and life history to 1850.

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