

## HENRY BERGER (1854); presumably completed on or about November 1, 1854

St. Patrick's Church, R.C. (Rev. Mr. Maher, Pastor)  
State Street  
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

[Excerpt from:] "Local Matters. / Valuable Organs," *The (Baltimore, Md.) Sun* 34, no. 88 (Saturday, April 8, 1854): 1; hereafter *S*.

pastor. There is also finishing a fine organ for the Catholic Church of Harrisburg, Rev. Mr. Maher, pastor, which will be in Gothic case of commanding size, and finished in July. This instrument contains all the delicate and soft breathing stops so desirable to such a choir as the church now contains. The exterior of the case is ornamental, and will be in sympathy with the church architecture. The building has recently undergone extensive improvements, being much enlarged.—

[Excerpt from:] "Local Matters. / New Church Organs," *S* 35, no. 127 (Thursday, October 12, 1854): 1.

mas. Also an organ for the Catholic church at Harrisburg, Rev. R. Maher. This will be done in two weeks; the case is Gothic, 12 feet high, 9 wide, 5 deep, 1 row of keys, and 10 fine stops. Prof. P.

"Valuable Church Organ," *S* 35, no. 142 (Monday, October 30, 1854): 1.

*Valuable Church Organ.*—The authorities of the Catholic Church of Harrisburg, Pa., have just had completed for them, at the establishment of Mr. Henry Berger, a very handsome organ, the case of which is 12 feet high, 10 feet wide and 6 feet in depth. It is of oak, in the Gothic style of architecture, and, apart from the music it is susceptible of, may be regarded as quite ornamental. The case contains a single row of keys, with ten stops, including a pleasing and useful variety of wind instruments, which, with the aid of a pedal organ, are capable of supplying a volume of sweet sound equal to the voices of a congregation.—Indeed the instrument may be regarded as a congregational organ in power, and was designated as such by the pastor of the church, Rev. Mr. Maher. Yesterday it was tried by a number of the first professors of music, and gave satisfaction. It will be erected in the church previous to Sunday next.