The Brothers' Corner

With the declining health of Brother Louis Kenning, the house chronicler for the community in New Orleans, Brother Frederick Roeder volunteered to take his place and arrived in the Crescent City on December 9, 1873. Brother Frederick took up the duties of house chronicler and was also porter and business manager. He also wrote for the *Volkziriton*, a local German news paper.

Born November 10, 1846 in Niederlosheim, Prussia (Diocese of Trier), he emigrated with his family to Chicago. He came to Cumberland, Maryland, as a clerical novice in April 1863, but left over health concerns that June. Returning as a lay novice to Annapolis, he was invested October 15, 1866 and was professed March 1, 1870.

On his death bed he stated that his only object in accepting the New Orleans post—where so many confreres died from yellow fever—was that he might sacrifice his life for the love of God, and in atonement for his sins. He, too, died of yellow fever, October 8, 1876, about a month short of his thirtieth birthday.