

Frater Francis, O.S.B.



Brother Sebastian, O.S.B.



In 1846 Father Boniface Wimmer, O.S.B. a member of the Abbey of Metten, in Bavaria, came to America and founded the Archabbey of St. Vincent in Latrobe, Pennsylvania. Father Boniface, steeped as he was with the venerable traditions of the Mother House from which he came, set up his Monastery along the lines so well known to him. He was a good monk, and a very capable administrator, and soon growth became quite evident. When the American Cassinese Congregation was created in 1855, it first used, as far as applicable, the Constitution and Statutes of the Bavarian Congregation which it received by way of the Abbey of Metten, in Bavaria, from which the new American