

From GEH 16X of plate 2. Courtesy of the Public Library.

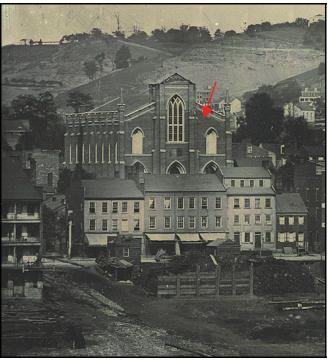
Incredibly, the building in which Joe has his coffee house is visible in plate 2 of the Cincinnati Panorama. As earlier noted, in the 1848-49 William's Cincinnati Directory brother Joe has a grocery listed at Broadway & Landing, and then in the 1849-50 William's Cincinnati Directory he is listed with a coffee house at Broadway & Cassilly's Row. These are the same location, for Cassilly's Row is not a street name, but rather the name of the row of buildings stretching across the Landing from Broadway at the much deeper main Public Landing towards the right, most of the way to Ludlow St. In the image above from the 16X microscan of

plate 2, Joe's coffee house was located in the building in the center, the left-most corner of Cassilly's Row. The deeper main Public Landing is to the left, where the carriage is. According

to *The Cincinnati Panorama of 1848* brochure from the Public Library,<sup>98</sup> Stephen Foster, composer of *Oh! Susanna* and *My Old Kentucky Home*, was working as a steamboat clerk a few doors to the east (right) of where Joe's coffee house was.

## St. Philomena's Church in plate 5

Another historical site for our family appears in plate 5 – St. Philomena Church on East Pearl St, east of Pike St. This is where Ben and Elisabeth Niemer were married on 6 February 1848, just 7 months and 18 days before the Panorama's daguerreotype plates were exposed to sunlight. Bernard and Elisabeth's last child Bernadine Louise "Louisa" Von Laer was baptized there on 23 July 1849, ten months after the photos were made. Within the next four years funeral services for two of the five immigrant siblings would be held there.



St. Philomena's, from GEH 16X of plate 5. Courtesy of the Public Library.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>98</sup> The Cincinnati Panorama of 1848, Public Library of Cincinnati and Hamilton County. On page 104 of the 1848-49 William's Cincinnati Directory is found a "Foster Stephen, b. k. for Irwin & Foster, bds. Mrs. Griffin." Apparently "b.k." stands for bookkeeper.