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Rev. John William Tressler, a son of **Colonel John** and **Elizabeth (Loy) Tressler**, was born at Loysville. Educated in local schools and at Pennsylvania College at Gettysburg, where he graduated. He entered the Lutheran ministry, serving principally charges in western Pennsylvania. He became known as "the missionary preacher," being successful in building many churches. He died in Kittanning, Pennsylvania, in 1907. He was the father of two daughters and a son, **Rev. Victor G. A. Tressler**, D.D., who is to-day one of the leading figures in Lutheran circles in the United States.

Rev. Victor G, A. Tressler, after finishing his course at McCormick Seminary at Chicago, started a mission at San Jose, California, where, after a few years of hard work he built a church. His postgraduate work was at London, Paris and Berlin. After four years of study and travel Leipsic University conferred the Ph.D degree upon him. Returning to America he occupied prominent positions in several institutions, among which was Wittenberg Seminary, at Springfield, Ohio. In 1919, at the time of the consolidation of the Lutheran Churches of America, he was the president of General Synod of the Lutheran Church in America.

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