

Marvin Percival Fisher

(- 6 Mar 1909)

Fisher. On Saturday evening, March 6, 1909, at his residence, 315 11th street southwest after a brief illness, Capt. Marvin Percival Fisher. Funeral on Tuesday, March 9, at 2:30 p.m. from his late residence.

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Aged Resident Dead

Capt. Marvin P. Fisher, Veteran of Civil War Succumbs

Capt. Marvin P. Fisher, for the past forty-five years connected with the bureau of engraving and printing, and for fully half of this period chief of a division, died shortly after 8 o'clock last night at his home, 315 11th street southwest. The deceased was only ill about three days, and though for several days regarded as seriously ill, his death was a great shock to a large host of friends and relatives.

Capt. Fisher was in his eighty-fourth year, but despite his age has been hale and vigorous. He was a veteran of the civil war, attaining a captain's commission for meritorious service, and was frequently mentioned by his superiors in their reports to the War Department for his services. Arrangements for the funeral have not been made, but will probably be completed today.

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Capt. Marvin P. Fisher Dead

Civil War Veteran and Government Employee

Served With District Volunteers Throughout Conflict

Funeral Services Tomorrow

The funeral of Capt. Marvin P. Fisher, whose death occurred Saturday evening, will take place at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon from his late home, 315 11th street southwest.

Services will be under the auspices of John A. Rawllins' Post, No. 1, G.A.R., and Hiram Lodge, F.A.A.M. Four children--Walter E., William S., Harriet V. and Martha C. Fisher--survive him.

Capt. Fisher had an honorable civil war record. He enlisted from the District of Columbia, April 10, 1861, and on the same day was made third lieutenant of Company A, 4th Battalion, District of Columbia Volunteer Infantry, under Capt. Lemuel Towers and Col. James A. Tait, to serve three months. He was promoted to be second lieutenant in May 1861.

This was one of the first organizations to respond to President Lincoln's original call for volunteers. It was chiefly engaged in guarding the city of Washington and its land approaches and bridge.

Lieut. Fisher was discharged, July 10, 1861, on expiration of his term of services. He re-enlisted in August, 1861, to serve three years or during the war, and was by President Lincoln appointed first lieutenant of Company C, 1st Regiment, District of Columbia Volunteer Infantry.

He was promoted to be captain in February 1862. His regiment took part in a number of engagements, including Winchester, Kelley's Ford and Waterlook Bridge. He received a severe injury to his hand while disembarking from a transport.

Capt. Fisher was detailed as acting assistant inspector general with the military governor of Alexandria, December 8, 1864, and was honorably discharged September 12, 1865.

He was born at Summersworth, N.H., April 20, 1826. After coming to Washington he was employed in the United States arsenal and the navy yard here as a machinist.

As an official of the bureau of engraving and printing, where he had served for a period of forty-five years, Capt. Fisher destroyed many millions of dollars in paper currency. He was in charge of the macerating room, in which great stacks of well-worn redeemed money are ground into pulp.