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## Death Summons Romaine Fisher

Former Correspondent and Florida Soujourner Ill for Only Two Weeks

W. Romaine Fisher, 81, former newspaper correspondent and one of Central New York's most frequent visitors to Florida, died early yesterday morning at his home, 27 Lewis Street. He was preparing for his 25<sup>th</sup> trip to Florida, via sea, when he was stricken ill about two weeks ago.

Surviving are his widow, Mehetabell Underwood Fisher and a nephew, Burdett S. Fisher of Red Bank, N. J.

The funeral will be held at the home at 2:30 o'clock tomorrow afternoon. Rev. Plato T. Jones, acting pastor of the First Universalist Church, will conduct the services. Burial will be in Throopsville Cemetery.

Mr. Fisher was born in the Town of Aurelius on January 18, 1848, the son of the late William and Harriett Herrick Fisher, who were among the pioneer settlers of Cayuga County. His early life was spent on his father's farm in Fosterville.

Later Mr. Fisher became engaged in the carriage making business, in which he was recognized as one of the leading manufacturers in this part of the state. After several years in this trade he entered upon commercial life, traveling for various firms in Auburn, Syracuse, and other cities, but always retaining his residence at Fosterville.

For some years Mr. Fisher was connected with the Cayuga County Independent, which later became the Cayuga County news. He was well known throughout the city in his capacity as reporter and solicitor for that newspaper.

About 25 years ago Mr. Fisher began spending his Winters in Florida. For several years he held the position of traveling passenger agent for the Oklawaha and St. John's Navigation Company, with headquarters at Palatka, Florida. He enjoyed a wide acquaintance in the principal tourist cities of the state. Owing to failing health Mr. Fisher was obliged to give up the active business life some years ago, but he was always enthusiastic on the subject of Florida, its beneficial climate and natural beauties, and the pleasure and comfort derived from ocean travel.

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