DYER, Adalena F.

Born at Cape Elizabeth, March 27, 1857
February 25, 1928

Adalena F. Dyer
910 Sawyer Street
South Portland, Maine

Dear Miss Dyer:

We are preparing a brief bibliography in regard to books of poetry by Maine Authors.

We have your little book "Songs by the Wayside."

Will you please send us a brief biographical sketch by return mail, that we may use it for our next Library Bulletin.

Very truly yours,

Henry E. Dunnack,
State Librarian.
South Portland, Feb. 27, 1925

Henry C. Dumnick,

Dear Sir:

I am sending the enclosed sketch hoping you may find it satisfactory. You are at liberty, of course, to make any changes in it which you think best.

Sincerely yours,

(Hand) Adalene F. Dyer

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Adalena F. Dyer

Miss Adalena F. Dyer who for several years wrote under the pen-name Saturnia was born in Cape Elizabeth, now South Portland, March 27, 1657. She has always lived on the Dyer homestead which has been in the family for eight generations; ever since it was inhabited occupied by white men.

She is the daughter of Greely Jr. and Mary Drumby Dyer; and is a direct descendant on her father's side of Dr. William Dyer of Cape Cod and Edward Small, one of Portland's first settlers. And in her mo-
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From Topics, The Pilgrim, Little Folks,Boston Transcript, etc.

The poem for which she has received the most praise is "Walt Whitman" which brought her many complimentary letters from his well-known admirers; and she cherishes among her most prized treasures a manuscript of his friend given to her by his executor and executor, Dr. Johnston of New York.

Miss Hyer, in addition to her literary work, is a sincere lover of nature; and has collected an herbarium of nearly five hundred specimens. All, with a very few exceptions, gathered from the fields and groves of Maine.
the's line, of George Cleaves and 
Thomas Brackett, also Portland 
pioneers.
She began her literary career as 
soon as she was graduated from 
high school by contributing both 
prose and verse to the Portland 
Transcript; and was editor of 
the Coast Watch, a suburban 
weekly, for twenty years, her ser-
vices ending with the cessation of 
these papers.
Her verse has also found a home in 
the columns of Good Housekeeping, 
The Independent, St. Nicholas, The 
Congregationalist, Farm and Home, 
Youth’s Companion, Primary Plans, 
Farm Journal, New York Times,
Miss Adalena F. Dyer  
South Portland, Maine  
My dear Miss Dyer;--  

Thank you very much your prompt response to our request for information about yourself. We are keeping your letter in our Maine Author file, after making notes from it for the brief Who's Who which we are arranging for the next issue of the Bulletin.

I read your "Songs by the Wayside" with interest and pleasure, It seems to be a notably excellent collection of verse.

Mr. Dunnack will write you later.  
He is out of town at present.

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