

Cornwall on Hudson N.Y.

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My dear Mrs Lougee

I am slowly recovering from a serious illness & have strength to write but a few lines. I shall not, however, put off doing this or delay my assurance that it gives me much pleasure to share with you the plants of my garden.

My old nursery-business is all gone & I am seeking to bring my country place into a condition involving as little care & expense as possible

I still have choice straw-
berry plants & that is about
all, since you say you have
a raspberry plants. In the old
times I could have given
you a large choice, but
now, like your husband, I
must cultivate chiefly "pluck",
hope & perseverance. Give him
my sincere regards & tell
him that we will continue
to "fight it out on this line".
Some day we shall all meet &
trust

yours sincerely

E. P. Roe