

Dear Aunt Dept -

Words of thank's just seem inadequate at this point. You have done so much for me in so many ways. You've stood by even when I had patience with myself and have been a guiding light out of the maze and perplexities I felt as often. You've encouraged me to go forward and that's something I can never repay you for. I've been the receiver for too long... I hope I can

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WILD FLOWERS AND GRASSES (1761-1828)
Illustration by Hōtsu Sakai
for a poem by Murasaki Shikibu.
Private Collection, Tokyo

be more of a quirk. You
and all the family have
helped to keep me from
becoming unglued.
You've gotten me through
again! What can I
say but thank you
so much. (and oldie's not
just my birthday present
for this year - that's in
advance for every occasion
for the next decade at
least!) Your note had
so much confidence that
the future is going to be
better that I'm believing
it. Love
Jane

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