

Thursday afternoon ^{26/7/41}
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AT Phillips House - Boston.

Dearest - As the surgeon says
he is entirely satisfied with
the way Max is progressing, &
as he also says that the quieter
he keeps the better, his noisy
rest about of a wife is taking
herself off to Reef Point to-night,
& Dr. Smith said everything now
looked extremely favorable
for Max's being able to go down
home next Tuesday night. To
please me, & ease my mind the
Doctor & Max have consented to
have a nurse go down with
him in the night train, so
next Wednesday morning I hope

He will be back in his own 2
room & his dearly loved library.

This morning kind Susan
Mr. Kelvey took me out to the
Arboretum & we had a long talk
to Tudd, one of the most skill-
ful propagators in the country &
an exceedingly good plantsman.
He had a delightful hour
talking Botanical Latin at each
other & comparing notes on this &
that in east & west. Naturally
we spoke of his forth coming
holiday which is going to be
taken in the north west, & just
a propos of nothing, he interjected
that to him Santa Barbara was
the most beautiful place in the
world & that he had hoped
he might some day retire there.

