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Dear Sir,

I shall feel obliged to you for information on the following question in Natural Philosophy -

Take away the pressure of the atmosphere, and at the moment of doing so, if a piece of wood (or any substance or matter whose specific gravity is lighter than that of water) be at the bottom of water, would it rise to the surface?

My reason for troubling you for this information is - I intend to patent a certain device, and the fact as to whether matter will rise to the surface of a liquid in the conditions I have stated is a material part of the design -

Yours truly

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