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Answered September 24, 1897.

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Leyster H. Drury

My Dear Sir:

I was very glad to see your Circular No. 12 on "The Camphor Tree" which came a few days ago. I was just on the point of writing to the department to ascertain whether any investigations had been made there on the culture of this tree on a commercial scale. A capitalist had asked me to look up the matter for him and report results in two weeks. He thinks of setting a grove and trying the production of Camphor Gum in S. Calif. If you could put me in communication with some one who could

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Give me further detailed information as to propagation, planting etc., I should be very grateful. I think seed can be obtained here for raising quite a large number of plants. The present price here is about \$2.00 per lb. It ripens in January and is planted fresh.

Yours Respectfully
A. J. McClatchie

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