

# THE OLD FARMER'S ALMANAC

APR. 22-28, 1991

Fast Day, New Hampshire, April 22.

April 22, 1793, President George Washington attends the Ricketts' Circus in Philadelphia  
 April 24, 1833, Jacob Ebert and George Dully patent the soda fountain  
 April 25, 1898, Congress declares war on the government of Spain  
 April 26, 1865, John Wilkes Booth, President Lincoln's assassin, is shot and killed near Bowling Green, Va  
 April 28, 1789, Mutiny breaks out on the *Bounty*  
*We knock in jest and it is opened in earnest*



Ask the Old Farmer: I have an old weather-beaten wooden store sign I'd like to clean without destroying the antique look. Is this possible? D.S., N.J.

Mix one cup ammonia 1/2 cup vinegar and 1/4 cup baking soda in a gallon of warm water. This should clean it without dulling the finish but try it on a small section first you may want to cut down on the ammonia. This solution does not need to be rinsed.

Home Hints Use a metal shower ring as a sturdy key ring.

## OLD FARMER'S WEATHER FORECAST

New England: Showers begin the week and increase to rain, locally heavy. Milder temperatures for the second half of the week. The weekend is sunny and warm.  
 Greater New York-New Jersey: Partly cloudy and cool as the week begins. By midweek sunny skies bring warmer weather. The weekend has seasonable temperatures.  
 Middle Atlantic Coastal: The week begins with a couple days of sunshine, but cool weather. Midweek brings temperature swings to warm, then cool, with rain north.  
 Piedmont & Southeast Coastal: Sunny and clear through midweek, then turning cloudy and cool, with rain in the east. Clear and hot to end the week.

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## Leesport Livestock Auction

Leesport, Pa.

Wednesday, April 17, 1991

Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 291...PDA... Supply included 158 head fat cattle and 22 head feeder cattle... Compared to last Wednesday's market: Slaughter steers 1.00 to 1.50 lower; Heifers 1.00 lower; Cows strong to 1.00 higher. Choice 1070/1365 lbs. sl. steers 76.00-79.75, one 80.25, few 1375/1550 lbs. 74.00-77.50, Select 72.25-76.75, few Standard 67.75-72.75; few High Choice & Prime 1385/1500 lbs. Holsteins 72.50-73, Choice 1250/1500 lbs. 67.50-72, Select 63.25-68, few Standard 60.50-64.00. Choice 950/1300 lbs. sl. heifers 73.00-76, one 77.00, Select 64.25-72, few Standard 55.00-63.50; few Select & Choice Holsteins 61.25-65.75. Breaking Ut & Commercial sl. cows 53.00-57.25, one 60.50, Cutter & Boning Utility 52.00-55.75, few low dressing 46.00-49.75, Canner & low Cutter 48.00-51.00, Shells down to 42.50. Few Choice sl. bullocks 66.50-72, few Select 60.00-65, Select & Choice Holsteins 64.50-66.50, few Standard 55.50-59.25. Few Yield Grade No. 1,

1435/2150 lbs. sl. bulls 62.00-67.25, one No. 2, 1105 lbs. 61.00. Feeder Cattle: Few Medium Frame No. 1, 710/765 lbs. steers 76.00-80, one 590 lbs. 91.00, lot Large No. 2, 735 lbs. 73.00, few 870/1080 lbs. 58.75-63.00. Few Medium Frame No. 1, 570/710 lbs. heifers 68.50-78.00, one 400 lbs. 95.00. Medium Frame No. 1, 430/530 lbs. bulls 83.00-96.00.

CALVES 159...Few Choice vealers 105.00-124.00, few Standard and Good 85/115 lbs. 69.00-79.00, few Utility 55/70 lbs. 40.00-55.00. Farm Calves: No. 1, Holstein Bulls 135/140 lbs. 117.50-140.00, 80/125 lbs. 150.00-189, couple to 195.00, No. 2, 75/125 lbs. 140.00-170, few to 80.00, No. 1, Hol. Heifers 85/120 lbs. 125.00-152.50. Few Beef Cross 75/120 lbs. bulls and heifers 110.00-147.50, one 170.00.

HOGS 437...Barrows and gilts: very uneven US No. 1-2 230/245 lbs. 50.50-51.75, 1-3 210/255 lbs. 48.00-51.10, 2-3 220/250 lbs. 45.00-48.00, few 2-4 260/310 lbs. 40.75-43.25, few 1-3 125/195 lbs. 38.00-44.00. SOWS: 3.00 to 4.00 lower US No. 1-3 280/460 lbs. sows 42.00-44.50, few to 38.00, 470/600 lbs. 45.00-46.50, few Medium 335/400 lbs. 35.50-38.50. Boars (all weights)

37.00-42.00.  
 FEEDER PIGS 257...US No. 1-3 25/30 lbs. feeder pigs 150.00-175, 35/50 lbs. 115.00-125.00, 50/65 lbs. 100.00-112.50, 80/85 lbs. 94.00-97.00, lot Utility 42 lbs. 85.00 --- all per hundredweight.  
 SHEEP 65...Spring slaughter lambs: Few Choice and Prime 25/40 lbs. spring sl. lambs 92.50-140.00, 40/90 lbs. 80.00-95.00, few Good & Choice 30/45 lbs. 75.00-87.50, couple Choice 70/95 lbs. wool sl. lambs 70.00&72.00. Few Slaughter sheep 14.00-33.00, few to 40.00 - all Cwt.  
 GOATS 23...Few Large 50.00-72.50, few Medium 30.00-48.00, Kids 34.00-45.00 --- all per head.

## Belknap Livestock Auction

Dayton, Pa.

Wednesday, April 17, 1991

Report Supplied by PDA

CATTLE 98...PDA...Compared with last weeks market: Few Standard slaughter steers 62.75-67.00. Individual Standard sl. heifer 62.50. Few Breaking Utility and Commercial slaughter cows 50.50-52.25, Cutter and Boning Utility 47.50-52.00, Canner and low Cutter 42.50-47.25, Shells down to 30.00. Individual Select sl. bullock 68.00. Individual Yield Grade No. 1, 1920 lbs. sl. bull 59.75, couple No. 2, 1060 lbs. 53.75 and 1425 lbs. 53.00. FEEDER CATTLE: Few Medium Frame No. 1, 345/450 lbs. steers 80.00-91.50, few Med. & Large #2, 410/470 lbs. 70.00-76.00. Medium & Large Frame No. 1, 305/440 lbs. heifers 79.50-87.00, 450/655 lbs. 67.00-78.00, few Med. & Large #2, 510/670 lbs. 65.00-69.00. Med. & Large Frame No. 1, 425/650 lbs. bulls 70.50-81.50, few Medium #2, 395/570 lbs. 66.00-74.00.  
 CALVES 102...Individual Choice vealer 110.00, one Good 108.00, Standard

and Good 90/120 lbs. 76.00-84.00, 50/85 lbs. 58.00-75.00. Farm Calves: No. 1, Holstein Bulls 80/140 lbs. 125.00-181, one 192.00, few 70/75 lbs. 82.50-117.00; No. 2, 80/110 lbs. 90.00-120.00, No. 1, Hol. Heifers 100/130 lbs. 120.00-151.00. Beef cross 70/100 lbs. bulls & heifers 102.50-205.00

HOGS 203...Barrows and gilts: .50 to 1.00 higher US No. 1-2 230/260 lbs. 50.70-51.30, lot 52.00, 1-3 235/265 lbs. 49.50-50.80, 2-3 235/270 lbs. 48.00-50.00, 1-3 220/225 lbs. 48.00-48.80. Sows Few US No. 1-3 340/415 lbs. sows 43.25-46.00. Few Boars 34.00-37.00.

FEEDER PIGS 32...Few US No. 1-3 25/40 lbs. feeder pigs 31.50-42.00 - all per head.

SHEEP 35...Spring slaughter lambs Few Choice 30/75 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 55.00-70.00, few Good and Choice 140/150 lbs. wool sl. lambs 40.00-60.00. Slaughter sheep 10.00-20.00 - all Cwt.

GOATS 7...Medium and Large 32.00-45.00, few Medium & small Kids 15.00-30.00 - all per head.

## Keister's Middleburg Auction

Middleburg, Pa.

Tuesday, April 16, 1991

Report Supplied by Auction

CATTLE 507... REPORT IS SUPPLIED BY THE AUCTION... Compared with last weeks market: High Choice & Prime slaughter steers 80.00-82.00, Choice 77.00-80.50, Select 73.00-77.00, Standard 68.00-72.75; Choice Holsteins 70.00-74.25, Select 67.00-70, Standard 60.00-66.75. Choice sl. heifers 74.50-78.25, Select 68.00-73.75, Standard 62.00-67.75. Breaking Utility & Commercial sl. cows 52.00-56.75, few 58.75, Cutter & Boning Utility 51.00-56.75, Canner

& low Cutter 46.00-50.75, few Shells down to 35.00-42.00. Choice sl. bullocks 75.00-76.75, Select 65.00-69.75. Yield Grade No. 1, 1200/2155 lbs. sl. bulls 59.50-65.75, No. 2, 800/1200 lbs. 58.00-62.75. Feeder Cattle: 325/950 lbs. steers 68.00-97.00. 350/800 lbs. heifers 65.00-92.00, few Holsteins 100.00-109.00 350/1050 lbs. 65.00-95.00.

CALVES 184...Choice vealers 115.00-160.00, Standard & Good 90/110 lbs. 90.00-125.00, Standard 60/90 lbs. 65.00-85.00. Farm Calves: Holstein bulls No. 1, 95/125 lbs. 175.00-202.00, 80/90 lbs. 175.00-190.00, Hol. Heifers 80/125 lbs. 100.00-147.50.

HOGS 356...BARROWS & GILTS: US No. 1, 230/250 lbs. barrows and gilts 52.00-52.75, 1-2 220/255 lbs. 51.00-52.00, 2-3 210/255 lbs. 50.00-51.00, 2-4 190/270 lbs. 46.00-50.00. US No. 1-3 280/650 lbs. sows 45.00-49, 2-3 270/575 lbs. 38.00-45.00. Boars 39.00-41.00.

FEEDER PIG 324...US No. 1-3 20/40 lbs. feeder pigs 34.00-45.00, 40/60 lbs. 40.00-56.00 --- all per head.

SHEEP 61...SPRING SLAUGHTER LAMBS...High Choice & Prime 20/40 lbs. spring slaughter lambs 60.00-130.00, Choice 50/80 lbs. 50.00-85.00. Slaughter ewes 10.00-27.00 - all cwt.

GOATS 22...Large 30.00-64.00, Small 11.00-25.00 --- all per head.

## Lebanon Valley Livestock Auction

Fredericksburg, Pa.

Tuesday, April 16, 1991

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REPORT FOR TUESDAY APRIL 16, 1991 NOT AVAILABLE; HEADAGES - CATTLE 145, CALVES 161, HOGS 125, FEEDER PIGS & GOATS 0, AND SHEEP 4.

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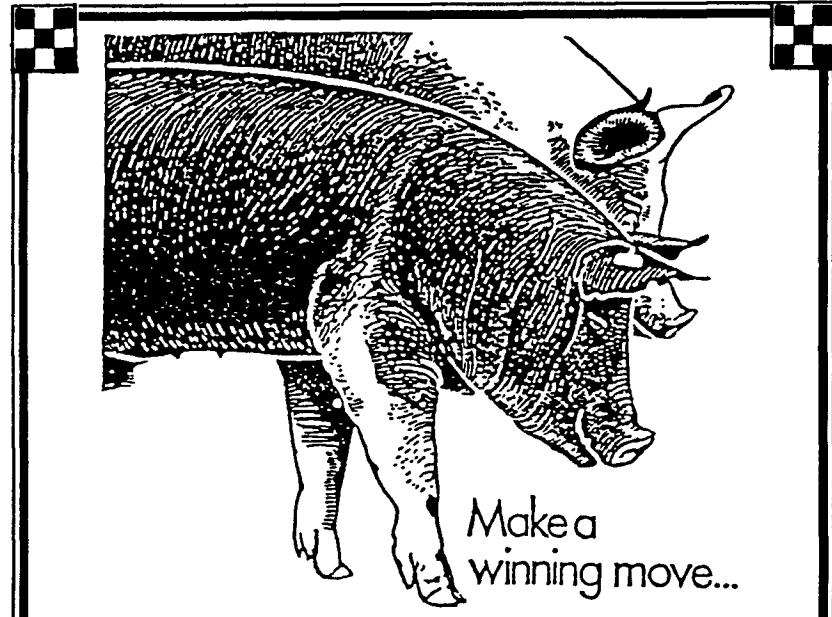
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