



OCTOBER 6-12, 1997

YOM KIPPUR, OCTOBER 11.

WHEN TO PICK A PARSNIP

Autumn and spring are both harvest times for the lowly parsnip, shunned by the unknowing but prized by those who have ever tried them in a good lamb stew. The sweetest parsnips have gone through one hard frost. Many farmers overwinter their parsnips in the garden for early spring harvest, but some cooks say it's best to keep them in moist sand in the root cellar, so their middles won't turn woody. It may be that "Kind words butter no parsnips," but buttery parsnips will bring many a kind word to your table.



Plain cooking cannot be entrusted to plain cooks.

TIP OF THE WEEK

A dash of nutmeg brings out the parsnip's best flavor.

LAMB AND PARSNIP STEW

- 2 pounds cubed lamb
- 2 medium onions, quartered
- 2-1/2 cups water
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 large carrots, scraped and sliced
- 8 small parsnips, scraped and sliced
- 1 bay leaf

for up to 2 hours. Remove bay leaf before serving. Juices can be thickened with flour or mashed potato to make gravy, if desired.

Makes 4 servings.



THE OLD FARMER'S WEATHER PROVERBS



The winds of daytime wrestle and fight longer and stronger than those of the night.

Nature will have her course.

Cold weather is coming when the fire snaps and sparkles.

Look for a long, hard winter if the fox wears a heavy coat.

Four States Livestock

Hagerstown, Md
October 1, 1997

Report supplied by Auction
SLAUGHTER COWS: 105 HEAD, STEADY PRICES. UTILITY 35.00-39.50; HIGH DRESSING TO 41.75; CANNERS 30.00-34.00; SHELLY 29.00 DOWN.
BULLS: 5 HEAD. YG#1 1734 LBS. AT 51.50; YG#2 38.00-42.50.
FED STEERS: FEW OFFERED. AVG. CHOICE 1300-1500 LBS. 62.00-64.00; LOW CHOICE 58.00-61.00.
FED HEIFERS: FEW OFFERED.
VEAL CALVES: 123 HEAD. CHOICE 200-300 LBS. TO 72.00; CULLS 85-110 LBS. 26.00-35.00; 60-80 LBS. 20.00-29.00.
FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS #1 95-120 LBS. 65.00-80.00; #2 40.00-60.00; 85-95 LBS. 35.00-60.00; HOLSTEIN HEIFERS #1 95-130 LBS. FEW OFFERED; #2 80-100 LBS. 60.00-105.00.
BUTCHER HOGS: NO TOP WEIGHTS OFFERED. 1 LOT 216 LBS. AT 45.85; 1 300 LB. AT 44.00.
SOWS: 400-500 LBS. TO 35.75; 500-700 LBS. 38.00-41.00.
BOARS: 350-700 LBS. TO 34.00.
STOCK CATTLE: 149 HEAD. STEERS MED. AND LRGE. FRAME 200-400 LBS. 68.00-80.00; 400-600 LBS. 64.00-76.00; 600-800 LBS. FEW TO 67.00; 800-1000 LBS. 56.00-64.00.
HEIFERS: 300-500 LBS. 60.00-70.00; 500-700 LBS. 60.00-70.00; 700-900 LBS. 56.00-68.50.
BULLS: 200-400 LBS. 65.00-77.00; 400-600 LBS. 63.00-74.00; 600-800 LBS. 52.00-66.00; DAIRY REPLACEMENTS, LARGE FRESH AND SPRINGING 85.00-102.50; FEW MED. 62.50-75.00; 1 JERSEY AT 585.00; OPEN HEIFERS 400-600 LBS. TO 280.00.
LAMBS: CHOICE 100-120 LBS. 71.00-73.00; 125-140 LBS. 60.00-68.00; 60-90 LBS. 80.00-97.00; 50-60 LBS. TO 109.00.
GOATS: MED. 40.00-55.00.

PIGS AND SHOATS: BY THE LB., 2 LOTS 60-75 LBS. 51.00-57.00.
NEEDED: HOLSTEIN SERVICE; BULLS GRADES AND REGISTERED.

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SLAUGHTER STEERS: STEADY. CHOICE 2-4 1100-1400 LBS. 66.00-69.00; SELECT & LOW CHOICE 1000-1500 LBS. 61.00-66.00; HOL. STEERS HI CHOICE & PRIME 1250-1400 LBS. 59.00-63.00; CHOICE 1200-1500 LBS. 57.00-60.00; SELECT, ALL WEIGHTS 54.00-57.00.
SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: STEADY. CHOICE & PRIME 950-1300 LBS. 65.00-67.50; SELECT ALL WEIGHTS 900-1400 LBS. 52.00-56.00.
COWS: MARKET STEADY. BRK. UT. & COMM. 2-4 BULK 38.00-40.00; HI DRESSING 41.00-43.00; CUTTER & BON. UT. 34.00-37.00; HI DRESSING 37.00-40.00; CANNER & CUTTERS 27.00-33.00; LOW DRESSING 25.00 & DOWN.
BULLS: MARKET STEADY. ALL WEIGHTS 1100-1900 LBS. 41.00-53.00.
VEAL CALVES: MARKET 2.00 LOWER. CHOICE AND PRIME 200-400 LBS. 74.00-83.00; HI GOOD AND LOW CHOICE ALL WEIGHTS 49.00-68.00.
FARM CALVES: MARKET 15.00 LOWER. HOL BULLS 100-125 LBS. 74.00-92.00; HOL. BULLS 85-95 LBS. 49.00-65.00. HOL. HEIFER CALVES 100-120 LBS. 90.00-122.00; SMALL FRAME 70-105 LBS. 40.00-65.00; SLAUGHTER CALVES ALL WEIGHTS 15.00-30.00.
FEEDER CATTLE: MARKET 3.00 HIGHER. BULLS & STEERS 400-900 LBS. 59.00-90.00; HEIFERS 300-700 LBS. 54.00-73.50.

LAMBS: MARKET 3.00 LOWER. CHOICE & PRIME 90-110 LBS. 79.00-85.00; LIGHTER LAMBS 115.00-140.00; HEAVY EWES 27.00-39.00, LIGHT 37.00-52.00.
GOATS: STEADY. SMALL 20.00-35.00; MEDIUM 35.00-60.00; LARGE 75.00-110.00.
HOGS: MARKET STEADY. 210-250 LBS. 47.00-51.00; 255-300 LBS. 44.00-50.00. HEAVY SOWS 39.00-43.00, LIGHT 33.00-38.00. BOARS ALL WEIGHTS 34.00-39.00.

New Holland Horses

New Holland Sales Stables
New Holland, PA

Monday, September 29, 1997

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252 HEAD. MARKET STEADY. DRIVING 435.00-1650.00. RIDING 275.00-925.00. BETTER RIDING 1110.00-1375.00. KILLERS, HEAVYWEIGHTS 575.00-810.00, LIGHTWEIGHTS 335.00-510.00.
PONIES 145.00-450.00. LARGE PONIES 500.00-575.00, 1 AT 710.00.
COLTS 165.00-335.00.

Dewart Hay & Livestock

Dewart, Pa.

Monday, September 29, 1997

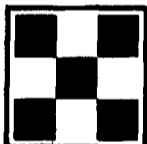
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STEERS: TOO FEW TO QUOTE. HEIFERS: TOO FEW TO QUOTE. GOOD COWS: 30.00-39.00. CANNERS AND CUTTERS 20.00-30.00.
BULLS: 40.00-42.00. VEAL 90-190 LBS. 70.00-122.00, 70-90 LBS. 30.00-70.00.
HOGS: NONE.
SOWS: 42.00-43.50. FEEDER PIGS: 15.00-33.00 HEAD. HAY: 72.50-110.00. STRAW: 72.50. CORN: 80.00-90.00.

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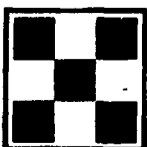


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