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ers closed 1.00 to fully 2.00 higher with the bulk of the advance placed on the top quality high Choice and Prime cattle. The market opened the week with mild improvement and then turned sharply higher on Thursday. Premiums for the fancier cattle increased locally, but this is not the norm as the spread between Select and Choice carcass values is actually becoming more narrow. The Northeast coast niche buyers turned up demand late in the week and left the major packers behind. Western feedlots traded 1.00 to mostly 2.00 higher this week at mostly 70.00 live and 111.00 dressed. Local Holstein steers sold 1.00-1.50 higher in active trading. Slaughter cow prices closed 1.00-2.00 higher and slaughter bulls finished firm. Slaughter bulls finished steady to 1.00 lower. Supply included 43 percent slaughter steers, 6 percent slaughter heifers, 40 percent slaughter cows, 5 percent bulls, with the balance feeders.

SLAUGHTER STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-4 1135-1500 lbs 68.50-73.00, few up to 75.00; late in the week 69.75-73.00. Choice 2-3 1085-1485 lbs 66.75-70.50, few high dressing 1-2 up to 73.00; 1480-1640 lbs 64.00-66.60. Select and low Choice 2-3 1060-1510 lbs 64.00-68.00; 1535-1740 lbs 60.00-65.25. Select 1-3 905-1475 lbs 61.00-67.75.

HOLSTEIN STEERS: High Choice and Prime 2-3 1410-1520 lbs 60.85-63.25. Choice 2-3 1240-1645 lbs 58.35-62.35. Select and low Choice 2-3 1160-1655 lbs 55.00- 59.50. Select 1-2 1250-1540 lbs 52.25-55.50.

SLAUGHTER HEIFERS: Choice 2-4 1140-1375 lbs 66.50-68.75, few high dressing 1-2 up to 74.50. Select and low Choice 2-3 1045-1520 lbs 62.00-65.25. Select 1-3 930-1440 lbs 55.00-61.50.

SLAUGHTER COWS: PERCENT LEAN WEIGHT BULK LOW DRESS-ING Breakers 75-80 pct lean over-1400 lbs 38.75-43.00 37.00-40.75 Boners 80-85 pct lean over-1200 lbs 37.00-42.50 35.00-38.00 Lean (Hi-Yield) 85-88 pct lean over-1200 lbs 36.50-41.50 34.75-37.50 Lean 88-90 pct lean over-1000 lbs 34.00-38.00 30.00-35.00 Lean (Light-Wt) 85-90 pct lean 750 -1000 lbs 32.00-36.00 27.50-33.00.

SLAUGHTER BULLS: Yield Grade 1 1325-1795 lbs 51.00-59.00, few outstanding up to 63.00. Yield Grade 2 1025-2415 lbs 41.00-50.50. Bullocks: Select 1-3 835-1420 lbs 48.00-57.00.

CALVES: Compared to last week, veal calves closed mostly 8.00 lower in slower trading. Larger slaughter calves were only lightly tested all week. The spread widened for Holstein bull farm calves this week and the market closed steady to 25.00 higher. Demand improved dramatically for Holstein heifers and prices ended 60.00-75.00 higher.

VEALERS: Good and Choice 110-265 lbs 50.00-80.00; 70-110 lbs 20.00-40.00. Standard and low Good 60-90 lbs 11.00-25.00.

SLAUGHTER CALVES: Good and Choice 200-350 ibs 82.00-95.00; 350-500 lbs 70.00- 85.00; 500-715 lbs 67.00-78.00. Few Standard 500-650 lbs 55.00-70.00.

RETURNED TO FARM: Holstein bulls 85-125 lbs 110.00-175.00. Plainer type bulls 80-125 lbs 77.00-121.00, weaker calves 75-110 lbs 20.00-40.00. Holstein heifers 80-120 lbs 280.00-380.00. Plainer heifers 70-105 lbs 200.00-297.00, package 75 lbs 142.00. Beef type bulls and heifers 75-105 lbs 100.00-175.00.

Greencastle Livestock

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Report Supplied by PDA THURS., MAR. 2, 2000 CATTLE: 179: COWS STEADY TO SPOTS 1.50 HIGHER. STEERS: ONE STANDARD 1-2 AT 49.25. HOLSTEIN STEERS SELECT 1-2 53.75-57.25, COU-PLE STANDARD 1-2 41.50 & 43.75. HEIFERS: FEW STANDARD 1-2

43.50-53.50.

COWS: BREAKERS 75-80% LEAN 37.50-42.00, BONERS 80-85% LEAN 35.75-41.50, LEAN 85-90% LEAN 31.00-40.50, SHELLS DOWN TO 28.75. BULLS: YIELD GRADE 1 FEW 925-2185 LBS. 48.50-49.50, YIELD GRADE 2 ONE 2075 LBS. AT 46.75. FEEDER CATTLE: STEERS: M1 ONE 475 LBS. AT 90.00.

HEIFERS: L2 HOLSTEINS 320-750 LBS. 46.00-55.00, BULLS: M&L2, 600-845 LBS. 54.50-61.00.

CALVES: 264. STANDARD & GOOD 80-120 LBS. 25.00-47.00, UTILITY 65-40 LBS. 9.00-23.00. FARM CALVES: HOLSTEIN BULLS STEADY NO. 1 90-120 LBS. 115.00-140.00 WITH FREE TO 152.50, 80-90 LBS. 70.00-127.50, NO. 2 90-125 LBS. 40.00-120.00, 75-90 LBS. 35.00-70.00. HOLSTEIN HEIFERS NO. 1 90-105 LBS. 230.00-299.00. NO. 2 65-105 LBS. 105.00-200.00. BEEF TYPE BULLS & HEIFERS 75-120 LBS. 65.00-110.00. HOGS: 2 SOWS: COUPLE 1-3 320 & 330 LBS. 26.50 & 27.00. FEEDER PIGS: 0 NO MARKET TEST. SHEEP: 0. NO MARKET TEST. GOATS: 0. NO MARKET TEST.

Greencastle Livestock Market

March 2, 2000 Hay & Straw

Report Supplied By Auction 18 LOADS OF HAY, 1 LOAD OF

STRAW, 19 LOADS TOTAL. ALFALFA: 137.00, 150.00, 109.00,

161.00.

MIXED HAY 110.00, 130.00, 145.00, 127.50, 119.00, 126.00, 106.00, 132.50, 52.50, 125.00, 86.00, 145.00, 151.00, 100.00.

STRAW: 47.50.





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