

MELTON SOUTH

The weather has its peculiarities as well as humans. - The Weather Prophet has evidently over-indulged in too much of a good thing this year. Anxious eyes look into the sky and wonder when the weather will take up. If much more of this unseasonable weather continues the question is "What about the harvest?" The farmers at this time, in normal seasons, would be working at high pressure. Standing crops have suffered, and in some cases will be difficult to cut, owing to so much rain. The Railway slogan—"Grow more grass," is acted upon here, as there is plenty to be seen this year.

Scholars of the local State Schools sat for Merit and Qualifying Certificates on Friday. There was also some from Exford school. A number

of them have been working hard, under Mr. Davis, who has put a good deal of energy into their preparation. The young people should take advantage of these opportunities to obtain these Certificates, which permit them to attend High and Technical schools. Melton has a number of young people attending these schools now. This gives pride to the parents as it is the ambition of every parent to see their children go one-better than themselves. This is assured if they take advantage of the privileges offered at the present day.

Melton South school commenced the Penny Bank system at the beginning of this year, and good progress has been made by the scholars, the number of subscribers being 27, and the amount to their credit is £35. Parents should encourage their children to save their pennies, and instil in their minds the old saying "money makes money," then watch the result. Savings Bank cards have been distributed to the children

the result. Savings Bank cards have been distributed to the children showing a table of how these small savings accumulate.

Good progress is being made with the Industrial Exhibition, to be held in Feb. next. Entry forms are obtainable from the Secretary (Mr. R. H. Arthur) Melton South. Each and everyone can do something to help to make the Exhibition a success, and it now depends on the people themselves to make it so. The Committee have organised this exhibition for the benefit of the district—some seem to think that no benefit will arise out of it, but to have your district advertised in this way must be beneficial in many ways. It is intended to invite the State Governor to open the Exhibition.

Prize lists for the Melton District Industrial Exhibition, to be held on 27th and 28th February next, are now available from the Secretary, Mr. R. H. Arthur.