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## Sand.

- I observed a locomotive in the railroad yards one day,
- It was waiting in the round-house, where the locomotives stay;
- It was panting for the journey, it was coaled and fully manned,
- And it had a box the fireman was filling full of sand.
- It appears that locomotives cannot always get a grip
- On their slender iron pavement, 'cause the wheels are apt to slip;
- And when they reach a slippery spot, their tactics they command,
- And to get a grip upon the rail, they sprinkle it with sand.
- It's about this way with travel along life's slippery track,
- If your load is rather heavy and you're always sliding back;
- So, if a common locomotive, you completely understand,
- You'll supply yourself in starting with a good supply of sand.
- If your track is steep and hilly, and you have a heavy grade,
- And if those who've gone before you have the rails quite slippery made,
- If you ever reach the summit of the upper tableland, You'll find you'll have to do it with a liberal
- use of sand.
- If you strike some frigid weather, and discover to your cost That you're liable to slip on a heavy coat of
- frost,
  Then some prompt, decided action will be called into demand.
- And you'll slip down to the bottom if you haven't any sand.

- You can get to any station that is on life's schedule seen,
- If there's fire beneath the boiler of ambition's strong machine,
- And you'll reach a place called Flushtown at a rate of speed that's grand,

  If for all the slippery places you've a good
- If for all the slippery places you've a good supply of sand,

The San Life of Canada is "Prosperous and Progressive."



HON. JOHN WALTER SMITH, Governor of Maryland. (See page 60.)