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### Strike when the Iron is Hot.

Not before or after. Spend some time getting things ready for the blow, then strike as though eternity depended on each blow. A good many pound away on cold iron, and a good many let things cool off before they begin. They were very profitable hours, I find, that I spent pumping the bellows and watching the old blacksmith. It was many a year from the last prophet to the "fulness of time," when Christ came. John the Baptist, with the burning words, brought the consciences of men to a white heat, and then came the blow from the Son of God.

In Association work especially do these ideas need to fasten on the brain and sink into the heart. Before God spoke with fire on Pentecost, there was ten days of preparation, and so now let us thoroughly prepare, and at the right moment the spirit of the living God will bless our work. Many a subscription is lost because of a blow when the iron is not hot. Many a meeting fails of success for the same reason. To be sure I would rather be a reaper than a sower, but when the Master gives me a field I'm willing both to plow and hoe and dig and weed and sow, and wait for that blessed hour of harvest time which is sure to come. First get the iron hot, then strike.—*Chas. H. Yatman.*

Kind words do not cost much. They never blister the tongue or lips. And we have never heard of any mental trouble arising from their use.

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To be always intending to live a new life, but never to find time to see about it—that is as if a man should put off eating, and drinking, and sleeping from one day and night to another, till he is starved and destroyed.