

Words Quotes

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Quotes

"Axes

After whose stroke the wood rings,"

Here, words are compared to "axes." Both have the ability to strike and cut deep. Words can strike the readers' hearts deeply.

"The sap

Wells like tears..."

It means the poet can express her emotions or feelings through words. She can release her pain, like crying, by writing.

"Words dry and riderless,"

Many years later, the poet sees her words on the road, "dry" and "riderless." The words are like a riderless, uncontrolled horse. It means, once written, words can move free from the poet's control. They can also become "dry." It means they may have lost their connection to the poet's emotions.