

**MRS. CHARLES ARCHIBALD**

**Talks About the Private Work of Woman in Her Home and  
Her Public Duty to the State.**

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Mrs. Charles Archibald, in seconding the resolution, said: Now that Her Excellency has removed from you the impression that this is to be a woman's suffrage society, a few words from me will not be so terrifying as under other circumstances. The sight of all these earnest faces ought to be an inspiration to all of us who are workers, and the knowledge that nearly all of them are workers is also inspiriting. Let us join hands, then, to do our common work in a united way, knowing that thus we will further the interests of humanity and bring in His kingdom, for which we pray when we say "Thy kingdom come." I think that

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we shall all try to do better work than we have in the past. I am sure that no one was more gratified than Her Excellency to find such widespread evidence of philanthropic work as shown by the large body of ladies representing such societies here to-day. If all these women who love all that is good and pure would say "We will sweep away from this town all the dens of infamy," do you not think that evil would shrink away affrighted? I believe we women have the greatest indirect influence in moral questions, but we do not use it. We reformers are supposed to be terribly earnest persons, but we have a bright side too. I do not think there is a woman here to-day who would not like to further all that is lovely and true and of good report. We must have a woman's touch about our homes, and as Ruskin says: "As every man has a private work and duty to his own home, and a public work and duty to the state, so every woman has, besides her private work and duty, which relates to her own home, a public work and duty which is the extension of that."