

denouncing it in the strongest language without going into details and using language so obscene and filthy as appears in this document. Had St. Clair confined himself to that, had he published his pamphlet denouncing the show in as strong language as he could use, no exception could have been taken to it, so long as it was not obscene, but no person reading this document circulated by St. Clair can come to any other conclusion than that it is not only obscene, and has a tendency to corrupt morals, but it is a positively filthy thing which ought not to be allowed to fall into the hands of anyone. I was surprised to hear one of the ministers (Mr. Moore, if I remember rightly), who gave evidence, say that he would go so far as to put the document in the hands of lady teachers of the city. Well, I am sure that Mr. Moore, if he thinks about it, will recall that statement. In the first place, I do not think his own conscience would allow him to do it, and in the second place, if he did it, it would not be long before he would find himself in prison. For these several reasons I have come to the conclusion that the acts of the accused were far in excess of what the public good required, even assuming that the public good was served, which, in my opinion, it was not.

The result, then, is that I feel myself obliged to find the accused guilty.