

had flogged a boy for reading a Bible. The Rev. Mr. EGAN, who had been for 25 years stationed in Miramichi, and who was at one time the only Priest in that district, as soon as he saw this, wrote at once to the *Freeman* to know what the story was, and who the Judge; and on being told, publicly, and in his own name, called on the Judge to give the name of the boy and of the Priest, and all the circumstances of the case. He named all the Priests who had officiated in Miramichi for the last twenty-five years, and asked which of them had flogged the boy. The Judge did not answer this letter. After waiting some weeks, the Rev. Mr. EGAN published another letter, branding the Judge a liar and calumniator. Many of the public journals took the matter up and much was said on the subject; but the advocates of the Judge dealt chiefly in abuse of the Rev. Mr. EGAN, and Catholic Priests generally, and of the *Freeman*. Several months elapsed, and then the *Colonial Presbyterian* insinuated that the boy's name was FREDERICK POWERS. The subject was frequently revived, and on the approach of the next anniversary meeting the rumour went abroad that the Judge was to speak at the meeting, and there explain what, according to his eulogists and apologists it would have been inconsistent with his position to have explained in the public papers when called on by the Priest he had calumniated. Instead of an explanation, however, the Judge treated the audience to a vehement attack on Catholicity, and challenged the Catholic Bishop to meet him in controversy, sneering at him as "Your Eminence, or whatever they call him." This attack drew a letter from the Right Rev. Dr. CONNOLLY. The Judge a few evenings after delivered a Lecture on the "Catacombs," alluding repeatedly to the Bishop's letter. The Bishop wrote a second letter, dealing ably with this subject also, and showing how completely the Judge had failed to do what he had undertaken to do. To meet the wishes of several persons, both speeches of the Judge and the letters of the Bishop are now published in pamphlet form, and the reply of a "Cleric of the Catholic Church," to a letter from "A Member of the Church of England," also published in the *Freeman*, is subjoined.