HELIO boys and girls. I am speak-ing to you all the way from New Cale-donia which is far across the sea from where you cyny with Now that the time has come to hang up your stocking you will be thinking of your Daddy and what you would give him for a present were he at home. :::THIS is the first time I have scon Army Engineers and they are so different from what I thought they were like. When we think of Engineers we always think of railways engines, and big ships. But your Dad is different. Let me tell you about him. He is called a Sapper and semetimes he drives a few engines - old ones drives a few that nobody clse wants, and he would dearly love to drive a big ship especially if it were sailing to New Zealand. He can do many other things as well. He is found of making toys. Every now and again he gots some old iron, bits of wire and things like that and makes himself a new toy, and then your Dad and all other men gather round and admire it. One of these toys is a ship called H.M.S. NEVERFAIL, but it sails best on land. They had another ship too which was called Charloten's Fride, but a wicked fairy knocked a hale in it and it sank. Their best toy is called Abercus. It is the biggest toy in New Caledonia; when it moved through the countryside all the poopthrough the countryside all the pcople. bowed before it. Some nasty minded folk said that they were doubled up with laughter; but that boys and girls is quito untruc. ::: AND now let me toll you of a droadful " no, dar-ling old horse they have which is called "Plonk". & overheard an officer say that no self-respecting horse thiof would be seen dead with Plonk which shows what nice kind man your Dad is. They all saved up and bought shoes for Plonk and the cooks gave up their spare time so that they could shee him. And they all the picces gathered up of breadto feed the old fellow as he has no teeth; they are having a special saddle made with an upholstored scat so that they may go for a ride and not have to visist the hospital next day. Some time ago a jealous fairy asked your Dad to
give up Plonk, but he didn't want to
so the wicked fairy said that your
ned would either have to give up
Plonk or his children. Dad offered
her all his worldy goods instead, but
the wicked fairy didn't want them, so
he told your Dad where he could
not them. Where do you think that put them. Where do you think that was, boys and girls. You'll never guess. Write & ask Daddy same time

was puzzled; he was not getting h home with his punches. Newton had him measured and was jabbing a left with a good right following. Back moves and side slides were used for the first time of the tournament and half the bouts over. :: WITH the opening of the third round Newton met Williams on his wn ground and after a fast and two handed battlo Williams cover in a smother. He caught Newton a chip with a rangy right ho tricd hard to land from the start, but his timing was spoilt by speed. Newton drove in a solid loft, Will-ams taking it on the chin came back with a right to the body. They stood too to too. Newton weakened. As Williams came on him to press home the advantage, Newton reserted to a weave which took the sting out of the punches. It was the best round ofthe evening and a splendid bout. THE bout by two on Bill Brown . . . 135 lb. and Joe Rodwiquez 134 lb. registered a win for Billy Brown. Billy, an Invorcargill lad, noeds no build up. Rodriquez took the aggres-sive in the opening round and landed some telling hooks . Brown lan-dod with a good loft. There was little infighting, both lads broak-ing clean, The second round found Brown still on the defense and unablo to ponotrato Rodriquez's aggrossive forcing, His puonhes lacked force. This round was about even. With the opening of the third round Brown had the measure of his man; feinging with his left, Rodriquez was trapped into leading while a fast back move brought Brown in with fast lets and rights that steadied Rodriquez. From early in the round Brown took the lead and went on to win a good fight. :: tournament was N. Zors use of the straight left, wider knowledge of ring craft and sound defence. The erican lads tended to depend upen aggression, hooks and speed. Of was a model of good sportsmanship. area captured six bouts from the team from N.Z. Q:: THE finals which will be fought in a for ward area are to take place shortly. The team from this area should put up a good showing pro viding the climate does set prove too enervating.

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