

could do nothing as it was Sunday. She, (together with her comrades) watched the store until morning, when they again got drunk and informed. The trial is reported in the "Ballarat Times" of July 5th. 1854. Byrne who was trying to become a J.P. at the time, had a very large quantity of grog on his premises, and as the barrels were staved in, and the liquor ran down Camp Hill, Mrs. Powell picked up the top of a wine glass lying on the ground, and filling it with the brandy running to waste, drank Byrne's health, and told him she had laid the charge against him. Byrne was also "leathered" by Barrister (afterwards Judge) Trench. He then left Ballarat.

Amongst other "deeds of daring" which she witnessed was the capture of "Black Douglas" the bushranger, by Serjeant Davey single-handed, at Bath's Hotel in 1853.

Mrs Drew heard the first volley fired at Eureka. She puts the time at 25 minutes to 3 a.m. She says Captain Wise shot from his horse on that memorable day, and in her efforts to catch the horse, narrowly escaped injury from its rearing. Capt. Wise was ordered out to the riots in Kent in England 14 years before. A Lieut. Bennett volunteered to take his place there, and was killed, whilst Wise came to Australia to share a similar fate at Eureka.

She assisted in the dressing of the dead and wounded after the fight. One man, - a blacksmith who had been prolific in making pikes (three pointed) was brought to her with his chest and stomach (which protruded) completely covered with the wounds inflicted by the pikes of his own making. He died in her arms as he called for water.