

1 December 1854

About 1500 miners marched with Peter Lalor to the Eureka diggings and built a stockade.



By Saturday night, many miners had returned to their tents to rest. Only about 120 men were left in the stockade.

Meanwhile, at Gold Commissioner Rede's tent...



WE'LL ATTACK BEFORE DAYLIGHT AND CATCH THEM BY SURPRISE.

Menu

Hundreds of miners were arrested and 13 men were charged with treason.



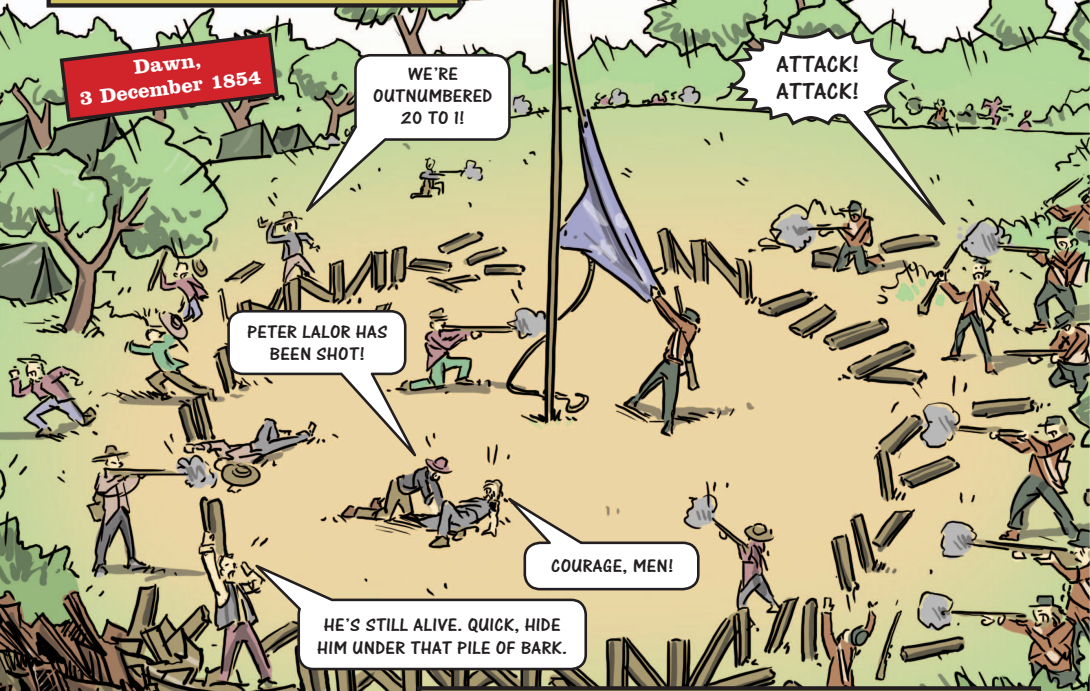
YOU COULD ALL HANG FOR TRYING TO OVERTHROW THE GOVERNMENT.

NO JURY WILL SAY WE'RE GUILTY.

THE PEOPLE ARE ON OUR SIDE.

AT LEAST PETER LALOR ESCAPED...

Dawn, 3 December 1854



WE'RE OUTNUMBERED 20 TO 1!

ATTACK! ATTACK!

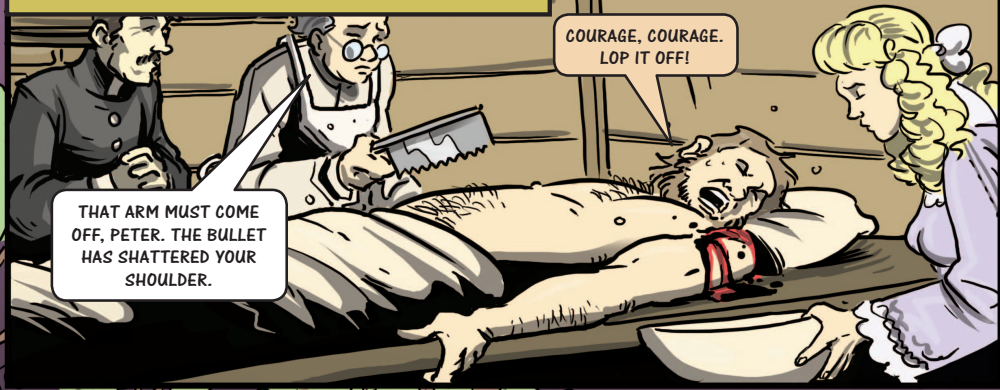
PETER LALOR HAS BEEN SHOT!

COURAGE, MEN!

HE'S STILL ALIVE. QUICK, HIDE HIM UNDER THAT PILE OF BARK.

The battle of the Eureka Stockade lasted just 15 minutes. About 25 miners and 6 troopers were killed. The diggers lost.

Meanwhile, at the house of Father Smyth in Ballarat...



COURAGE, COURAGE. LOP IT OFF!

THAT ARM MUST COME OFF, PETER. THE BULLET HAS SHATTERED YOUR SHOULDER.

YOU'LL BE SAFE IN GEELONG, PETER. ALICIA DUNNE WILL TAKE CARE OF YOU.

THANK YOU, LADS.



REWARD £200 for the capture of rebel PETER LALOR by order Governor Charles Hotham

No one betrayed Peter Lalor and he was not captured.