Submission to Yoorrook Justice Commission

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Personal Story: My Great Great Grandmother arrived in Naarm on the 28th March 1859. Her name at that time was and she had come out from a rural location in Ireland. She had enough money to purchase one cow, and walked this cow from Naarm to Ballarat. In the early 1900's she told her daughter that when she had 4 children (the 4th being born in 1866) she was feeding them and 40 of the local First Peoples as well. I speculate that as she had experienced significant hunger during the Irish potato famine, she knew what it was like to be hungry. Local First Peoples would have experienced this hunger as a direct consequence of colonisation.

END OF SUBMISSION