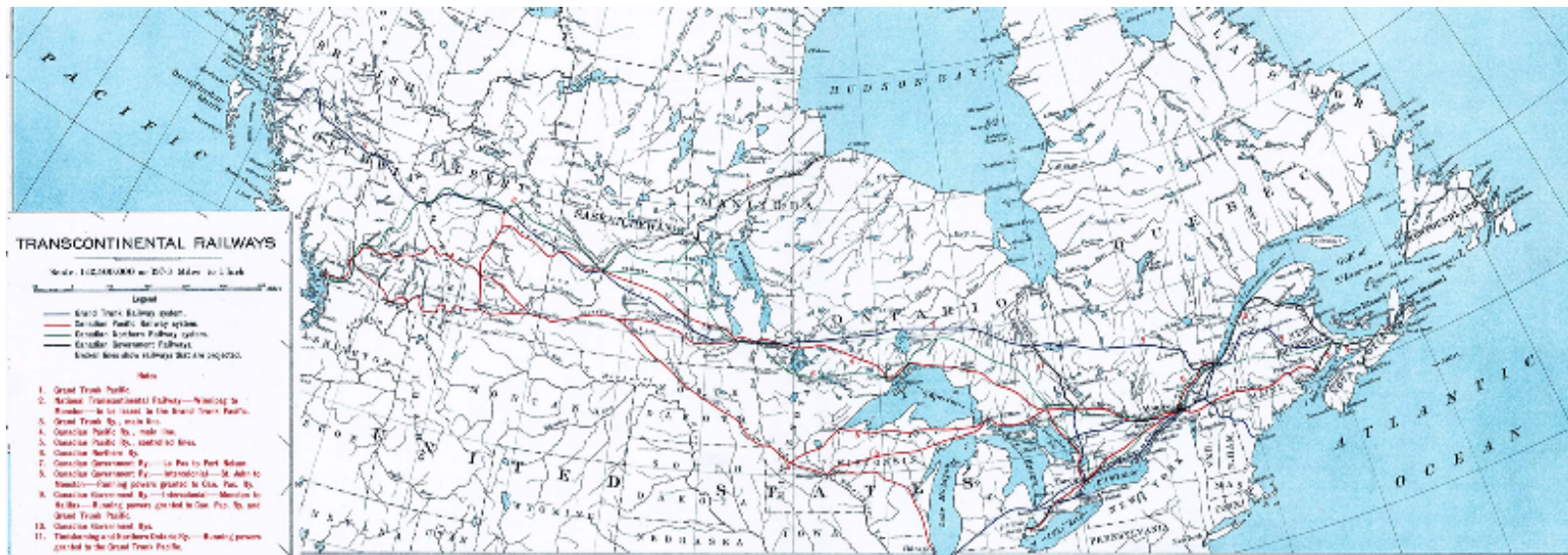


Canadian Railways



In an effort to settle the western reaches of Canada, Wilfrid Laurier's government gave out subsidies (money) to two competing companies to construct an intercontinental railway.

Grand Trunk Railway Co. and Canadian Northern Railway Co.

In 1867 Canada had 3666 km of rail line, in 1914 it had 49 588 km of track (more than it has today)

How did the railway affect Canada's Settlement Patterns and Development?