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**4.2: The Newfoundland Railway…in-class notes**

1. Based on success in other parts of the world, NL soon realized that building a railway would be the key to opening up the interior of the island to make use of land based resources. The railway was considered to be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. What do you think is meant by a railway being a unifier?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. What is meant by the railway being a nation builder? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**North American Railways**

1. The first transcontinental railway in the United States opened in\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? (What year?)
2. The first railway opened in Canada in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? (What year?)
3. NL decided in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (what year?) to build a 550km railway from St. John’s to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (where?)
4. This tiny community is near what NL town? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
5. In April of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (what year?), the contract was awarded to the NL railway company.
6. The mainline of the NL railway was finished in \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (what year?)

**Issues**

The NL government of the day was faced with a number of issues/concerns when they took on building the NL railway. What were they?

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**Going Broke**

1. How far was the NL railway built when it ran out of money? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. Who stepped in with enough money to ‘save the day’? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Building the Railway**

1. At the peak of construction, how many people were employed? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
2. In what year did the line reach Port-Aux-Basque? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
3. Describe the first passenger train trip across the island of Newfoundland.

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1. One of the most famous NL passenger trains was named the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_! Why do you think it was called this? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Changes along the Way**

1. In 1892 the decision was made to reroute away from Hall’s Bay and end the line instead at \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (What Community?)
2. This meant building the railway across the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (an area of high open land).
3. This change was made to avoid having the railway on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

**Final Cost**

1. By 1898, the Newfoundland Government had spent $\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ million dollars on building the railway.
2. This accounted for \_\_\_\_\_\_% of public debt at that time.

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**Positive Results**

1. Despite the expense, building the Railway in Newfoundland had some very positive results for the people. List 5 of these advantages.

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1. Why were the cash wages paid for working on the construction or operation of the railway so important at the time for the people of Newfoundland? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**Economic Diversification**

1. With the completion of the railway in Newfoundland, our economy was no longer completely dependent on the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.
2. What new industries could be developed because of the railway?

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**4.2: The Railway…Dimensions of thinking Judgement (text, p.304)**

Read pages 304-305 of your text and answer the following questions.

1. What were the perceived benefits to the Government of Newfoundland in the deal with Reid?

* To use Reid’s money to complete the railroad. This was good for economic development and for employment in NL. This also connected NL from east to west.

1. Which one of these benefits was the most compelling (best)? Why?

* The long term development because of the fact that the railway would be paid off in the end.

1. What were the perceived losses to the Government of Newfoundland in the deal with Reid?

* Loss of the Colony’s assets
* No Guarantee that that his property would be developed for the good of the colony or that the railway would be efficiently operated.
* He was becoming a monopolist.

1. Which one of these was the greatest loss? Why?

* The cost was the greatest lost because in the end.
* 60% of the overall debt in NL resulted from the railroad construction.

1. Considering both sides of the argument, was the deal signed with Reid in 1898 to build the Newfoundland Railway a good one? Why or why not?

* Yes – connected NL from west to east.
* No – Put NL further in debt and eventually the railway was closed down.