Politics The Hudson Bay Company was given control of: Rupert's Land North Western Territories New Caledonia The HBC was given these rights without any discussion with the First Nations and Inuit of these regions

The Royal Proclamation of 1776

 According to the Royal Proclamation of 1776 no First Nations land was to be taken over unless there was a meeting and an agreement between the representatives of the First Nations and the British Government

Population

- In 1851 the population of British North America was 2 536 000.
- The est. population for Canada on Jan 1st 2010 is 33 895 038.
- In 1851 most of the population was concentrated in the east with Montreal the biggest city at 58 000 and the largest city in the Maritimes was St. John NB (30 000).
- Within the colonies the Europeans were the majority (greater numbers) and the First Nations were the minority (fewer numbers).

Population

- By the mid 1800 the population was approximately 85% rural (living outside the cities) and 15% urban (living in the city).
- Today the Canada population is 15% rural and 85% urban.

	1800's	2010
Urban	15%	85%
Rural	85%	15%

Economics

 In the mid 1800's the economy of British North America was mostly controlled by European settlers and based on fur, fish, timber, and farmland.









 Some manufacturing was starting but it was not a big part of the economy yet.

Economics

- First nations & Inuit communities in the Atlantic struggled to survive the effects of European settlement.
 - Some found ways to become part of the new economy but the traditional way of life was never going to return.

 In the lands under the control of the HBC aboriginal peoples participated in the fur trade but were able to keep their traditional way of life.

Economics - Province of Canada

- The economy was based on farming and lumbering.
- · Some manufacturing was starting
- Montreal was an important center for shipping.
- The wealthiest business owners in all of BNA lived in Montreal



Economics - Newfoundland

 The economy was based on catching cod to sell to Europe



 There was some fur trading but it was mostly fishing and fish processing







Economics – New Brunswick

- From 1840 1870 New Brunswick was an important ship building centre.
- Over 100 ships a year were built.
- Ship building provided jobs for logging, sawmills, sail making, carpentry, iron work, rope making and many others.



Economics - Nova Scotia

- Most people were fisher, sailors or shipbuilders.
- Halifax was also an important port of the British Navy.
- It was also an important trading port with good coming from USA Britain and the West Indies.



Economics - PEI

- Shipbuilding and farming were important.
- The farmers worked the land for the owners who lived in England.



Economics – HBC

- The Hudson Bay company had control of the Northwest Territories, Rupert's Land and New Caledonia.
- HBC had trading posts throughout these regions. These posts were always along rivers.
- •The First Nations and Inuit brought the furs to the posts to trade for European goods.

