

# HIS 262S: #18 A Northern Nation?

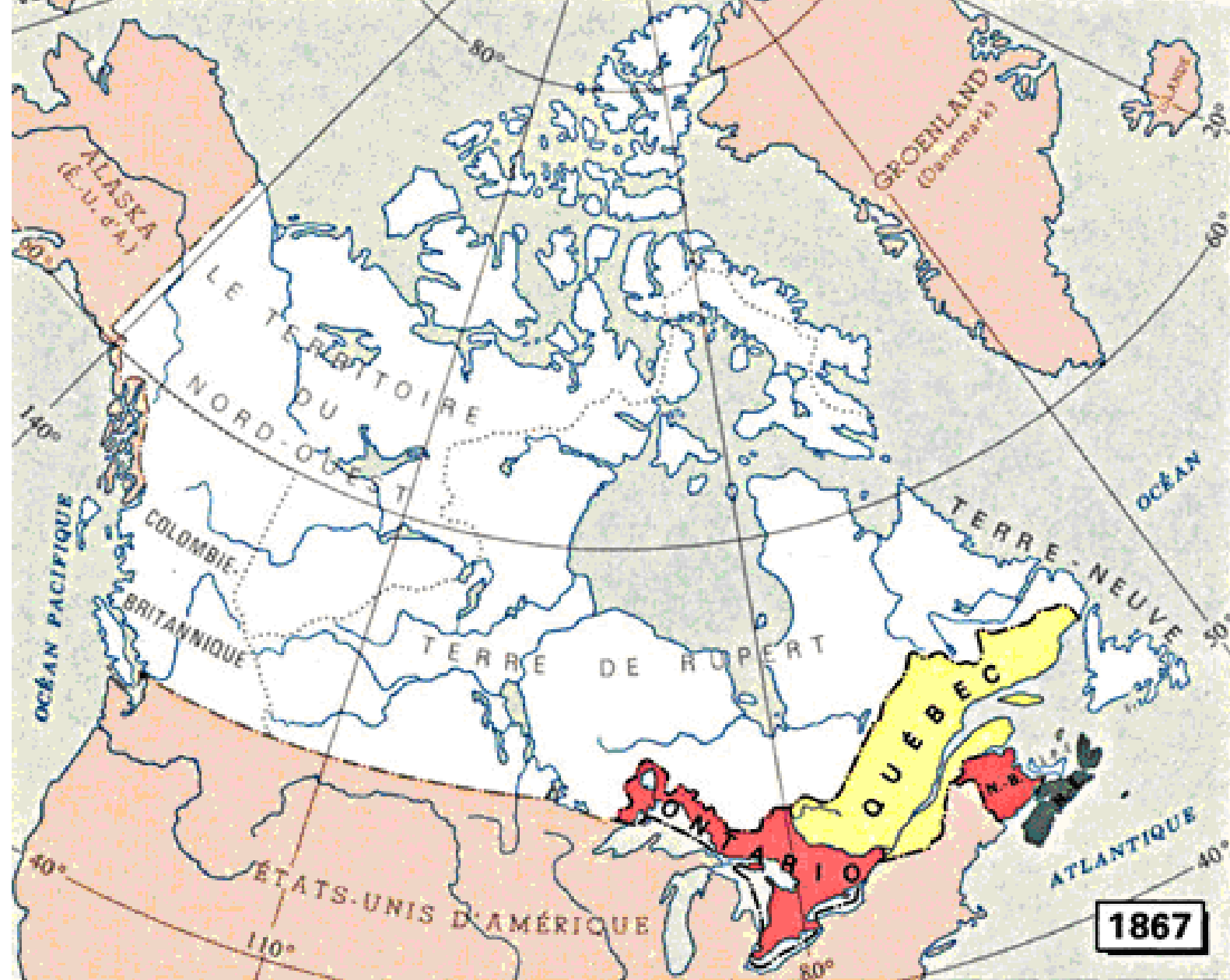


Canada and Ideas of the North

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With glowing hearts we see thee rise,  
the true north strong and free...

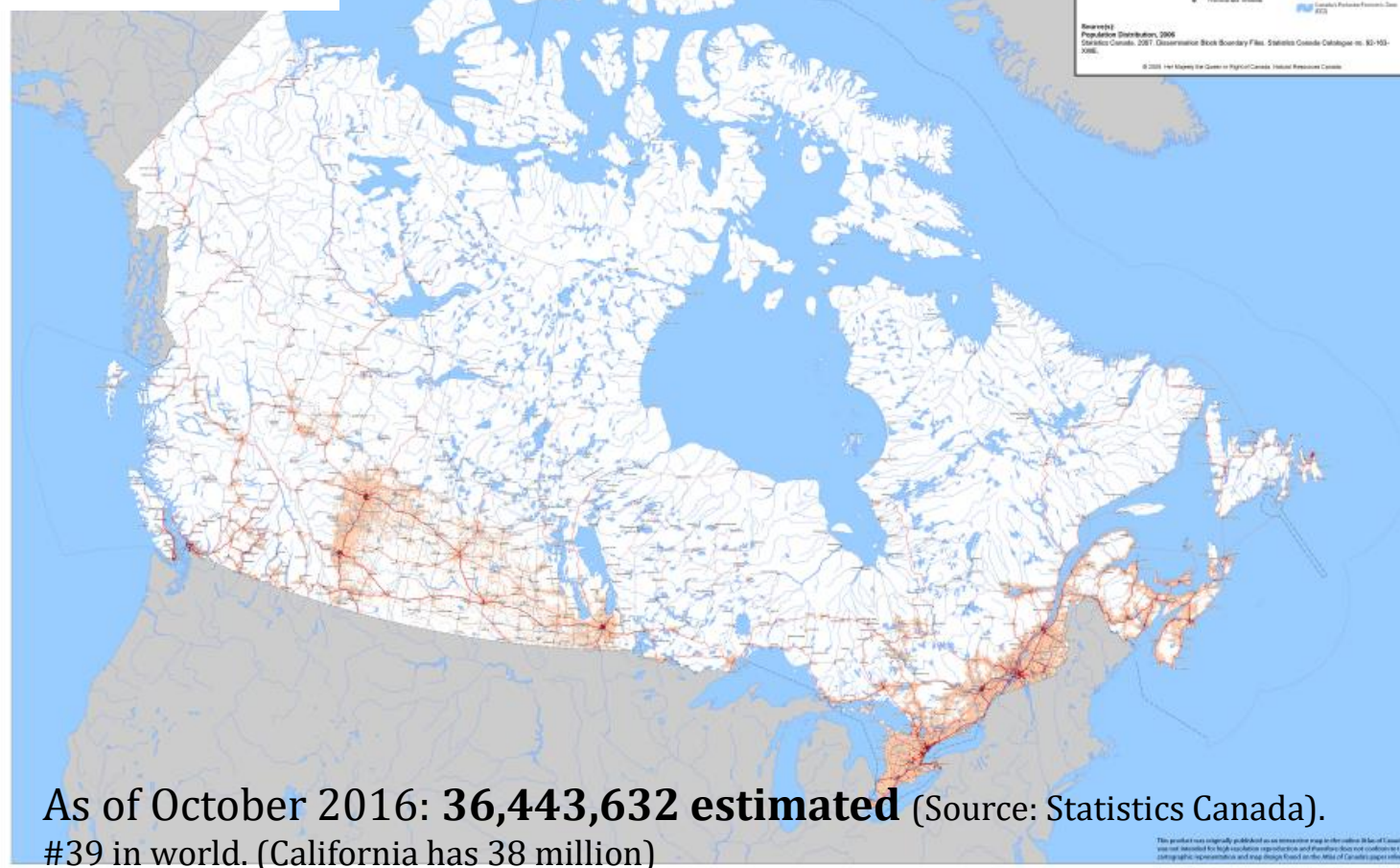
*Are “We” The North?*



Le Nouveau-Brunswick, la Nouvelle-Écosse et le Canada s'unissent pour former un État fédéral, le Dominion du Canada (Acte de l'Amérique britannique du Nord, 1<sup>er</sup> juillet, 1867). La Province du Canada est divisée en Québec et Ontario. Les États-Unis d'Amérique proclament avoir acquis l'Alaska de la Russie (20 juin).

## Population Distribution

- 75% of Canada's population lives in these areas
- 24% of Canada's population lives in these areas
- Less than 1% of Canada's population lives in these areas
- Incompletely Enumerated Indian Reserves and Settlements



As of October 2016: **36,443,632 estimated** (Source: Statistics Canada).  
#39 in world. (California has 38 million)

Is living with this much snow  
which makes you northern?

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PUNCH, OR THE LONDON CHARIVARI.

PUNCH'S FANCY PORTRAITS.—No. 138.



*Levy T. Lawrence May 1883.*

LORD LANSDOWNE,

IN HIS NEW CANADIAN COSTUME, SPECIALLY ADAPTED TO REMAINING  
FOR SOME TIME OUT IN THE COLD.

2 Lord Lansdowne as depicted in *Punch*. (*Punch or the London Charivari*, 2 June 1883, 262)



# Beyond the myth...

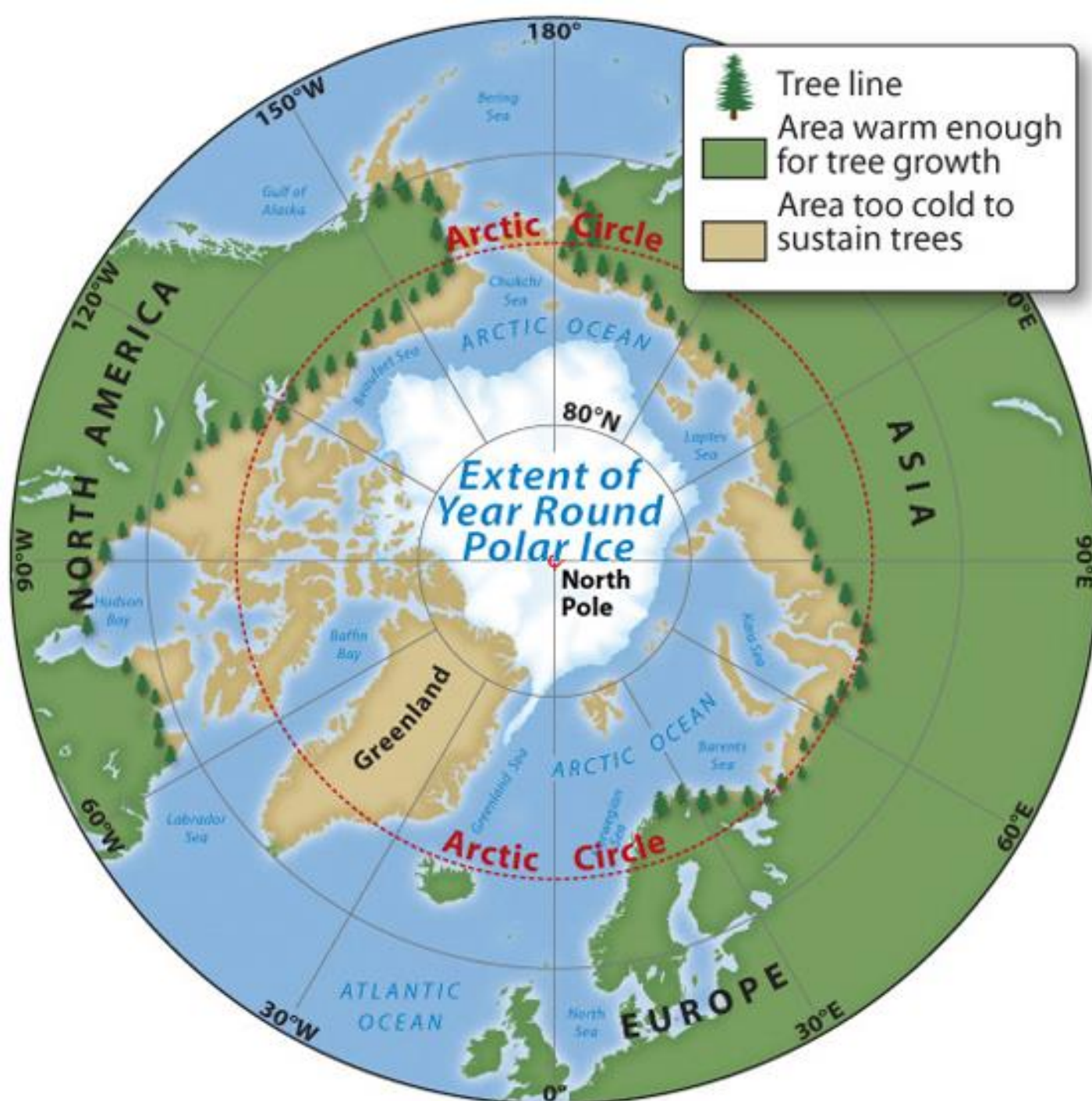
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1. Take a minute and jot down what you know of the peoples and history of Northern Canada.
  1. Who lives in the north?
  2. What are the major periodizations of their histories?
  3. How would you describe their culture and political traditions
  4. When did they become part of global trade networks?
  5. When and how did northern peoples become part of Canada?



# Canada's North, and the Arctic: A Primer





Where/what is the arctic?

Source:

[http://forces.si.edu/arctic/images/media/library\\_008\\_lg.jpg](http://forces.si.edu/arctic/images/media/library_008_lg.jpg)





TREE LINES  
TOPO

[http://atlas.nrcan.gc.ca/site/english/maps/environment/land/physio\\_torngat\\_mountains.jpg/image\\_view](http://atlas.nrcan.gc.ca/site/english/maps/environment/land/physio_torngat_mountains.jpg/image_view)



# Places in Canada's Arctic: A really fast visual tour

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# Pingos on the Mackenzie

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# Banks Island

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# Hudson Bay Lowlands @ Churchill

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# Baffin Island

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Torngat Mountains, Labrador: Atlas of Canada





People of the arctic

3 115 (6% of Cdn. Inuit)

INUVIALUIT

NUNAVUT

24 635 (49% of Cdn. Inuit)

NUNATSIAVUT

Newfoundland  
& Labrador

2 160 (4% of Cdn. Inuit)

NUNAVIK

9 565 (19% of Cdn. Inuit)

**Approximately 11,005 (22%)**  
of Canada's Inuit live outside of  
the land claim settlement  
regions.

Sources:  
Map: Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, 2005  
Statistics Canada: Census 2006, INAC tabulations







-----CMC: Central Inuit: Country - Canada, Province - Nunavut, Municipality -  
Chesterfield Inlet





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CMC: Cape Dorset: Ashoona, Kiugak

**Title** Mother Bear and Young

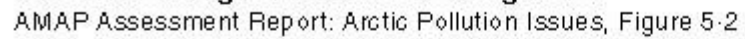


**Illustrious Owl** by Kenojuak Ashevak. Lithograph.

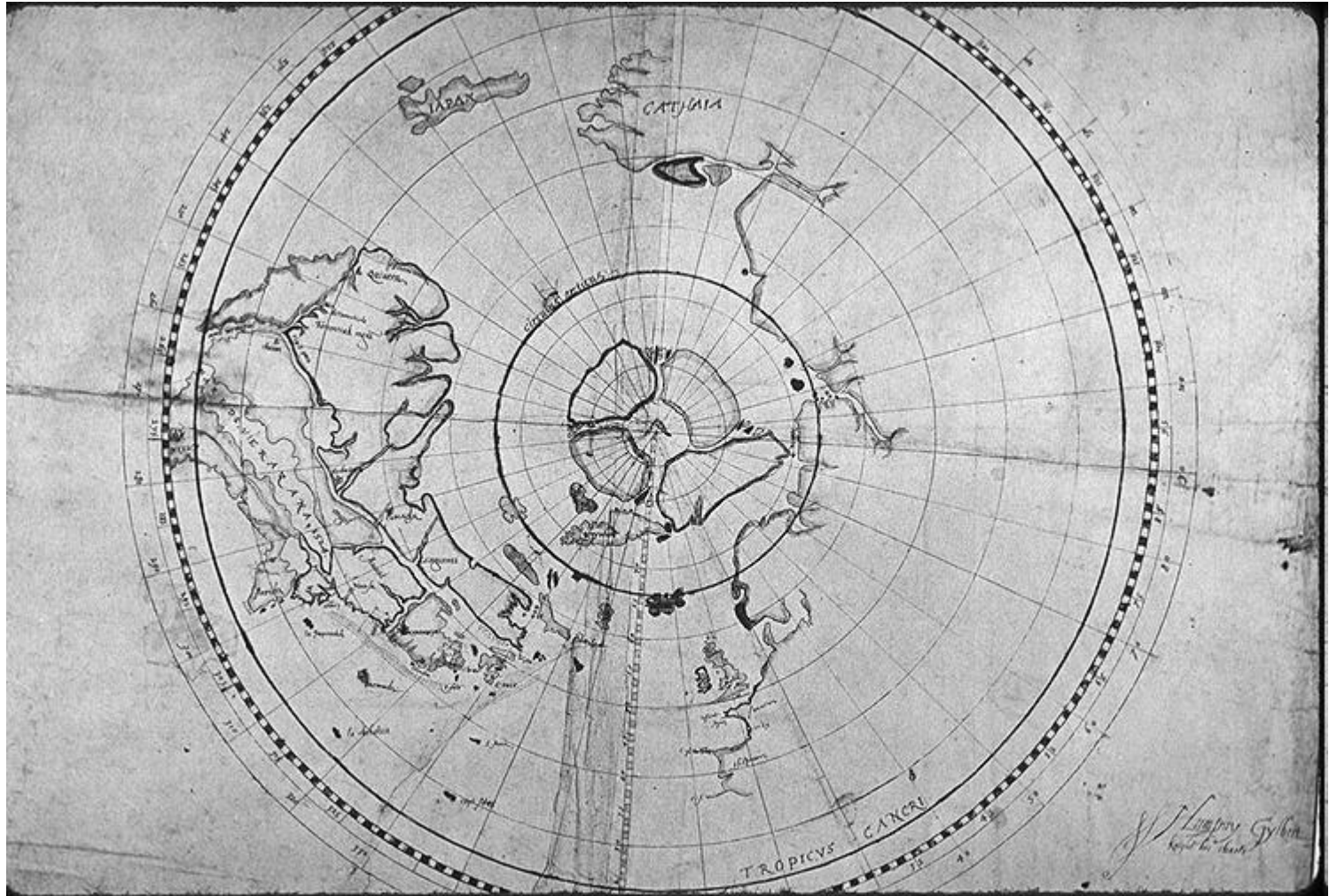





The global north



# Early modern Western science



John Dee (1582). Natural history



## How Canada Become “north:” Colonizing the Arctic

# DRAWING LINES ON A MAP

# 1880 Arctic Transfer

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Source: Historical Atlas of Canada

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Colonizing the north

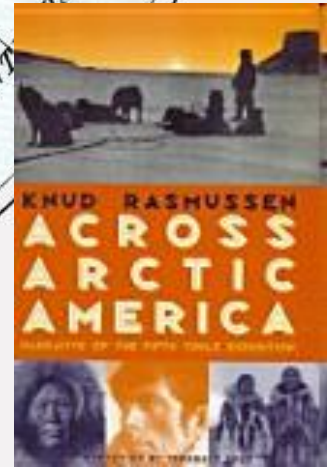
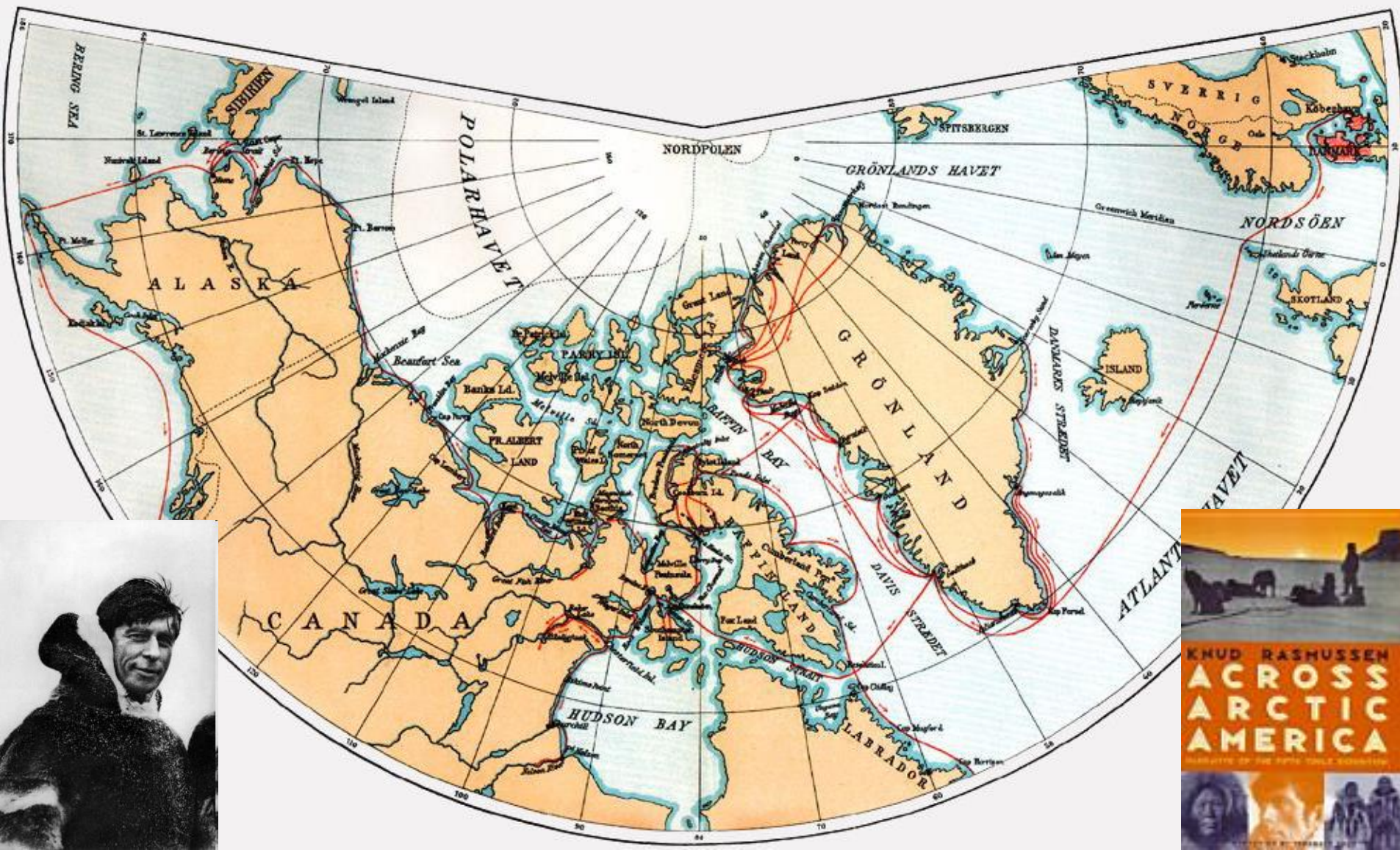
ASSERTING SOVEREIGNTY THROUGH LAW  
AND THROUGH DOING SCIENCE TO WWII







# Knud Rasmussen (1879-1933): Fifth Thule Expedition (1921-1924)

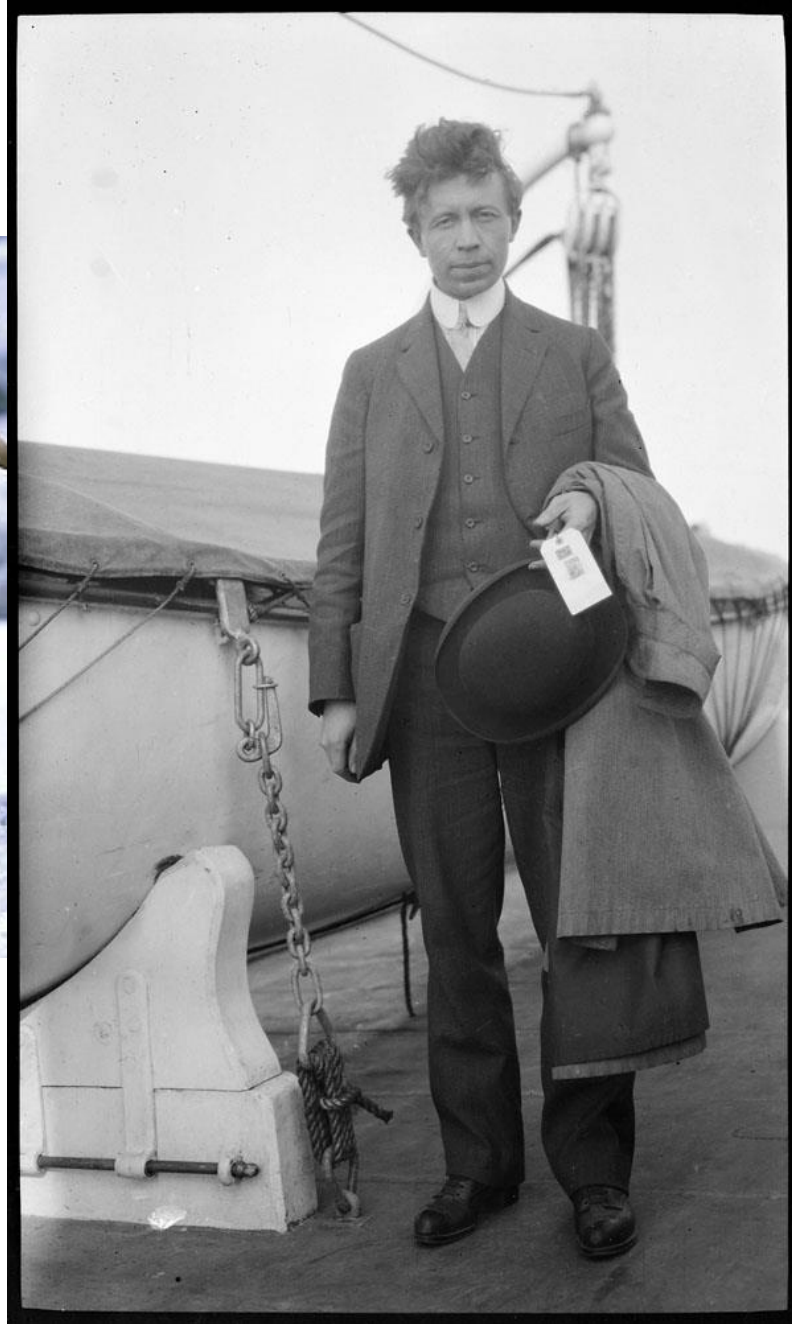




# Science and Sovereignty Arctic Expedition, 1913-1918

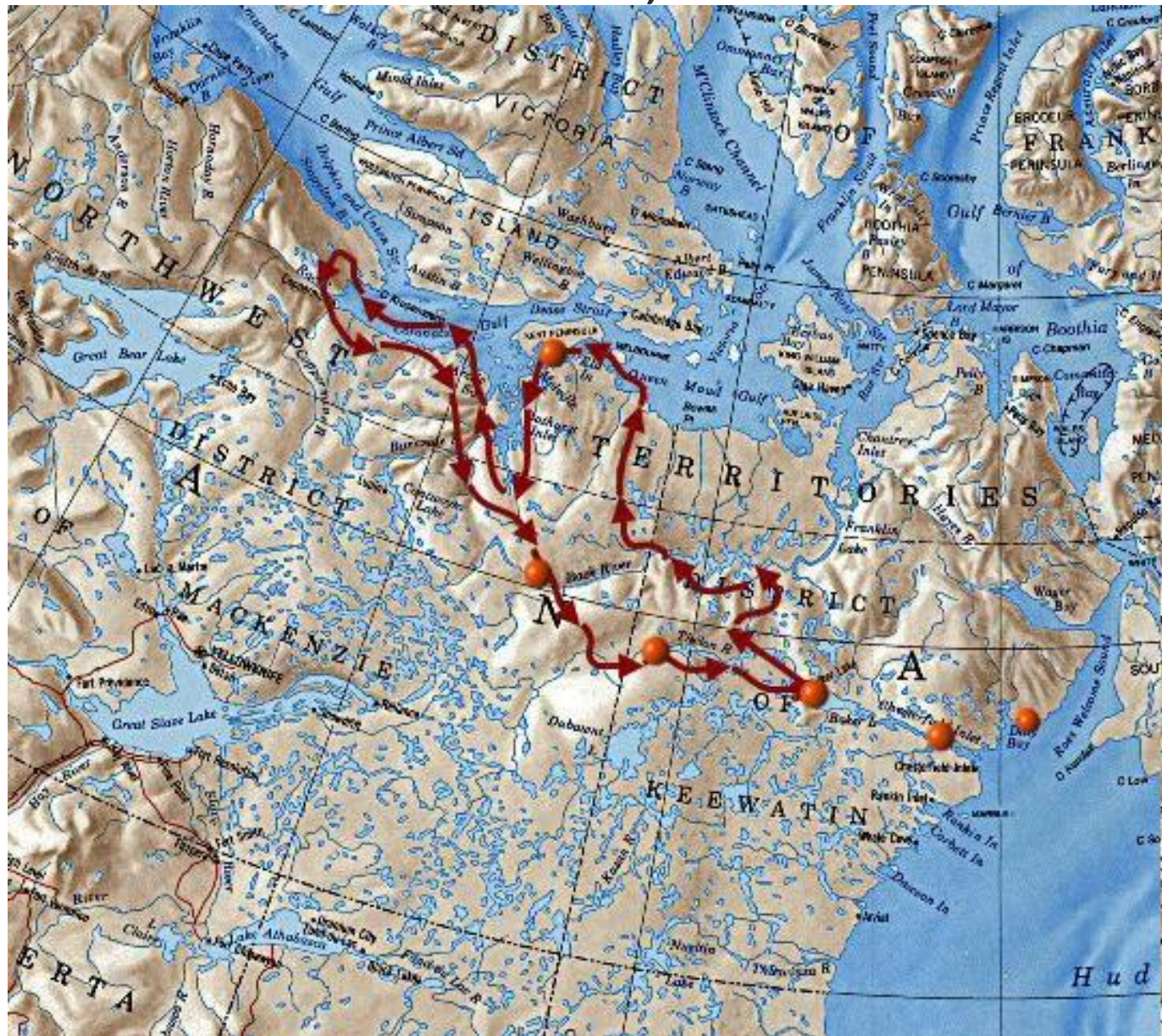


Vilhjalmur Stefansson





# Bathurst Inlet Patrol, 1917-1918





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EXTRACTING RESOURCES,  
BUILDING INFRASTRUCTURE



# The Alaska Highway

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# The Dene and Hiroshima

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AY Jackson's "Radium Mine" (Wikimedia Commons)

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# High Modernity in the Arctic



Arctic Ventures [The man has been identified as Brian Pearson]. April 1962  
Frobisher Bay, N.W.T., [Iqaluit (formerly Frobisher Bay), Nunavut]



# Bomber Detection





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ASSERTING SOCIAL CONTROL,  
PROMOTING ASSIMILATION

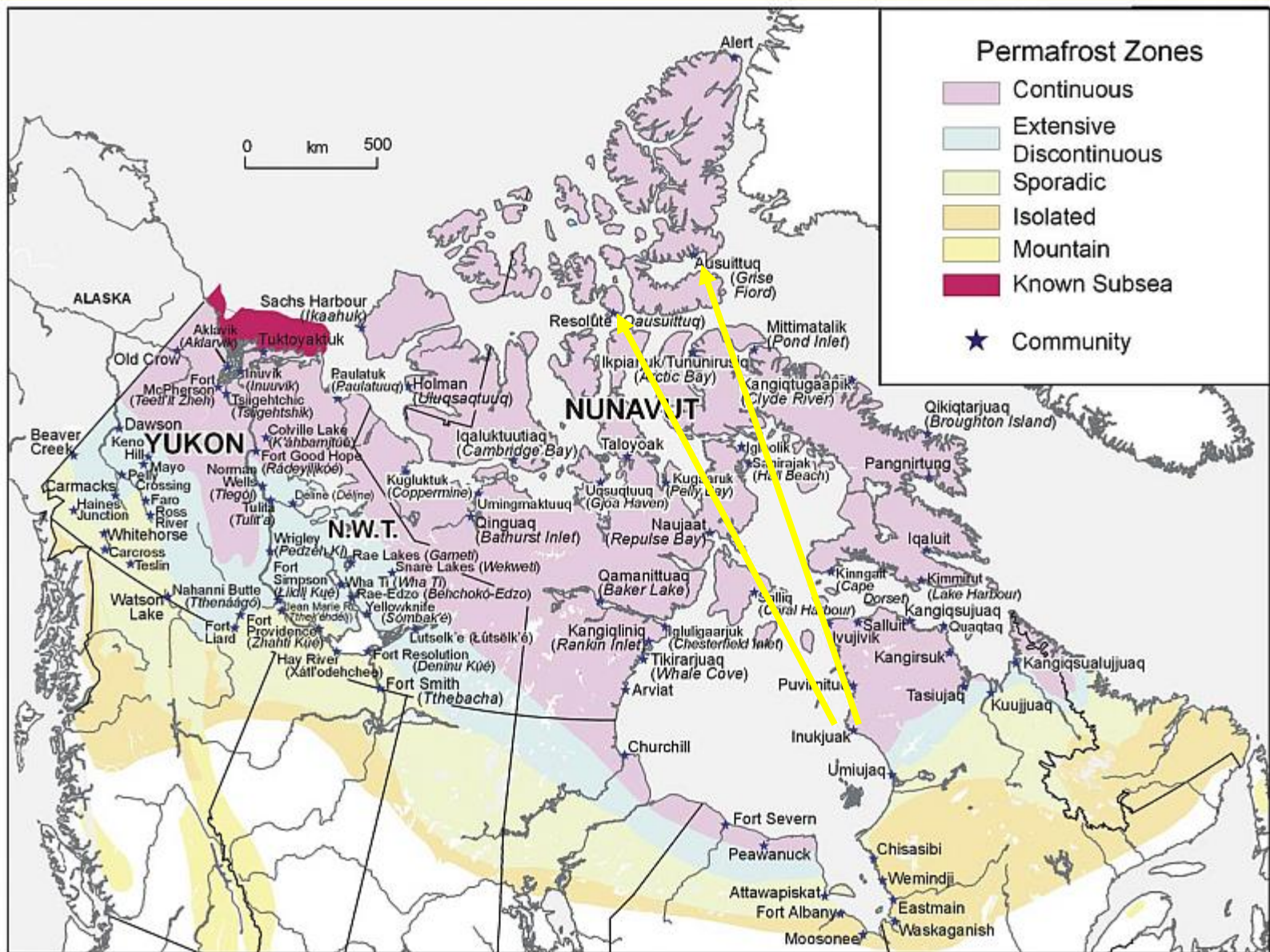
# Colonizing the Canadian Arctic

- ▶ RE Eskimos [1939] S.C.R. 104
- ▶ Royal Proclamation of 1763
- ▶ British North America Act 1867





# Tammarnitt (Mistakes) 1953 Relocations: From Inukjuak to Resolute Bay and Grise Fjord



# Education in the North

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Chesterfield Inlet schoolroom, 5 Sept. 1958

LAC: Charles Gimpel fonds, R10187-218-1-E, item no. 21119/MEG.

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PUSHING BACK

FIGHT FOR SELF-DETERMINATION



# Creation of Nunavut, 1 April 1999

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THAT'S ALL!



*SEE YOU MONDAY!*

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