

Must return freed slaves to previous owners when requested (by owner)

Fugitive Slave Law (1850)

- Part of the Compromise of 1850, required Northern states to return fugitive slaves to their masters in the South.

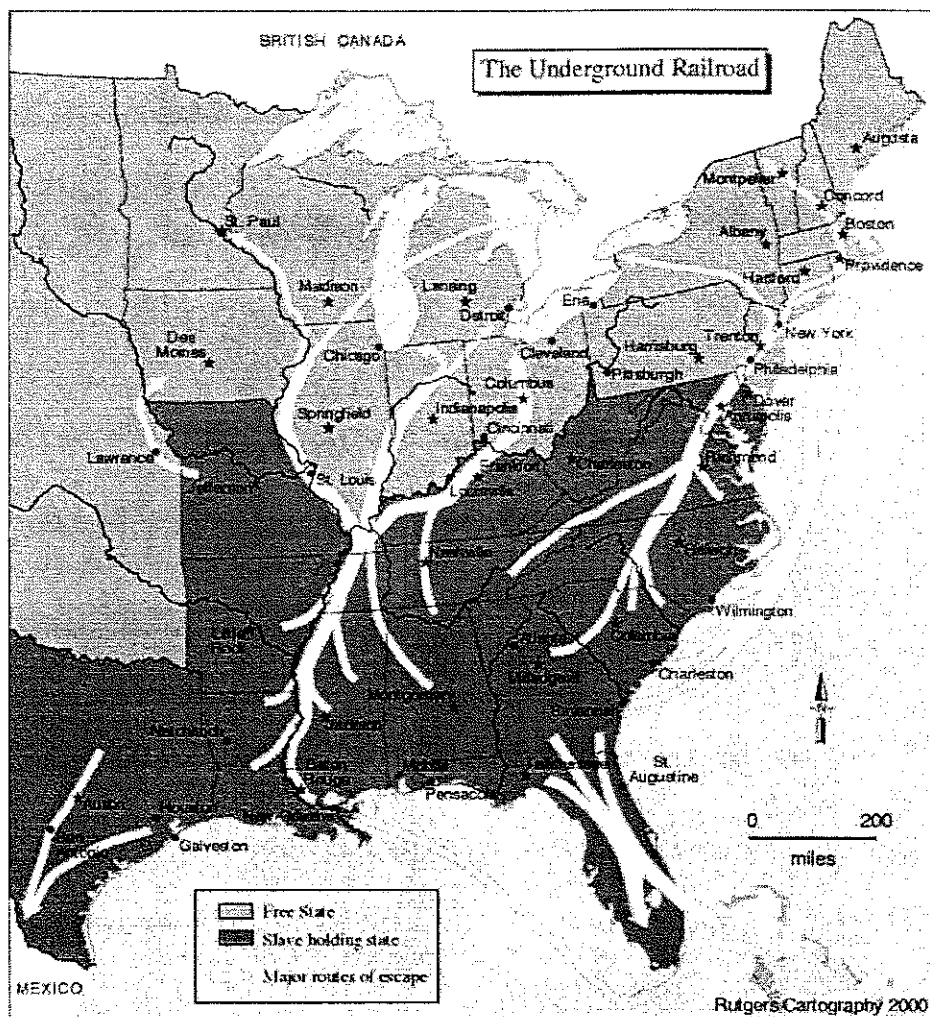
- Abolitionists - vocal opponent of slavery
↳ became more active

Not underground
Not a railroad →

- Underground Railroad - passage that is a safe for slaves to escape to North

- Personal Liberty Laws (state laws) - Northern states

Overturned the law - gave free slaves papers to prevent being taken



The Underground Railroad in Illinois

