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- 1 Discuss the moving frontier as a phenomenon in early South African economic development
- 2 What were the economic and social causes and consequences of the *Mfecane/Difaqane*?
- 3 How was railway development in South Africa affected by the mineral discoveries?
- 4 Compare the economic impact of the discovery of diamonds with the later discovery of gold
- 5 What impact did the Imperial banks have on South African banking?
- 6 "The history of the expansion of manufacturing and commercial agriculture was a central concern of government economic programmes from the formation of the Union. Manufacturing was given protection from foreign competition, farming received extensive support and financial assistance over a sustained period." How accurate is this assessment of government policy after 1910?